



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

Clergy

Rev. Brian Van Fossen	Pastor
Rev. Richard Gyansah-Tabiri	Assistant
Deacon Gene Blockus	Deacon

Staff Members

Ellie Scovish	Stewardship Coordinator
Ann Rish	Office & Bulletin Coordinator
Daniel Kotsko	Faith Formation Coordinator
Amanda Matysik	Youth and Young Adult Minister
Matt Shaul	Sacred Music Coordinator
Chris Janusz	Maintenance Coordinator

Sacraments

Baptism: Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to call the Parish Office to schedule a preparation session and the tentative date.

Matrimony: Couples planning to enter into Holy Matrimony are to call the office at least one year prior to set a tentative date and schedule Pre-Cana.

Reconciliation: Please consult the bulletin for dates and times or call one of our priests for an appointment.

Hospital and Homebound: Please call the office for First Friday or Anointing.

Priesthood and Religious Life: Contact our priests for an appointment.



We have examined our hearts and brought our gifts to the altar. The gifts are now offered to the Father, by the priest, to be blessed (set aside). “Blessed are you, Lord God of all Creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you, fruit of the earth and work of human hands it will be come for us the bread of life. Blessed be God for ever.” Then the priest offers a silent prayer as he pours water into the wine. Then we prays, “Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink. Blessed be God for ever.” Finally, the priest offers another silent prayer with head bowed to God. Finally the gifts and the altar are offered to God through the use of incense. We begin with an ancient introduction, “Blessed are you Lord God of all creation.” These words are rooted in ancient Jewish table prayers, words which would have been used by Jesus himself. They acknowledge God as sovereign and generous. He is sovereign of all creation, for it is all His. He is generous because all we are offering to God has been given to us by God, “for through your goodness we have received (what) we offer you.” We offer these items along with ourselves by offering the work of our hands. Finally we celebrate God’s ability to recreate all we have offered to become so much more then we have given, the Bread of Life and our Spiritual Drink. No wonder we cry out - Blessed be God for ever! God’s Peace!

Fr. Brian





Mass Intentions

January 29-February 4

Monday	8:30 AM	Paul & Bertha Almeter
Wednesday	8:30 AM	Francis & Marian Perl
Friday	8:30 AM	Nicholas E. Perry
Saturday	8:30 AM	
	5:30 PM	All living & deceased Members & Benefactors of OLMC
Sunday	8:30 AM	Donna Gavlick <i>by Joe Cominsky</i>
	11:00 AM	Thomas Rish <i>by Wife & Daughter</i>



Altar Flowers

Anyone who would like to donate an altar bouquet or offer the Weekly Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one please call the parish office (570-477-5040)



First Friday and Saturday Devotions

February 2 @ 8:30 am

First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration, Prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

February 3 @ 8:30 am

First Saturday Mass w/Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Eucharistic Adoration, Prayers to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and Confession



NOTICE

TEMPORARY CHANGE OF OFFICE HOURS

Office Hours

Monday	9:00am - 4:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am - 4:00pm
Friday	9:00am - 4:00pm

If there is an immediate need please call St. Faustina Office at (570) 735-4833.

www.eucharisticrevival.org

Stewardship Report

Donations for the weekend of January 20/21 will be posted in next week's bulletin.



Scan to donate or visit annualappeal.org



Bishop's Annual Appeal

Parish Goal

\$19,000.00

Total Raised

\$13,457.00

Surplus / (Deficit)

(\$5,543.00)

World Day for Consecrated Life

February 2 / Feast of the Presentation of our Lord



On February 2nd, the Church celebrates World Day for Consecrated Life. In this vocation men and women seek an intimate relationship with Christ, many living in convents and monasteries. These

witnesses show the world that we are all ultimately called to unite with Christ. Consecrated life is a blessed gift given by Jesus Christ, who chooses a person to answer his great call of love in a distinct and special way. He requests that person leave behind features of the world such as marriage and wealth to serve their brothers and sisters. Bringing awareness to and praying for those consecrated to Christ is a fundamental goal of this ministry. Please pray for all those living this radical life, following Jesus.

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you." If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or as a consecrated sister or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office at 570-207-1452 or via email: vocations@dioceseofscranton.org

For those consecrated to God by the vows of chastity, poverty, and obedience, that they may seek to live their baptismal promises more intensely and have the grace to persevere in their commitment to the Lord, we pray to the Lord.

2023 Contribution Statements

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the success of our parish in 2023. Your time, talent and treasure has made it possible to worship the Lord, serve our neighbors and build our community. If anyone would like to request an end of year contribution statement, please contact the parish office.

570-477-5040 or email at olmhc@gmail.com



World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March, 2024



**Faith Formation Classes
Sundays at 9:30 AM**

Confirmation classes will be held on the first Thursday of the month

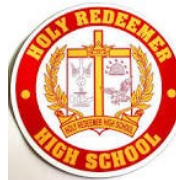


**100th Anniversary Merch
T-shirts and Ornaments**

These shirts will be available at the parish office! We have a variety of sizes and, if we run out, we will order more!

We will also have Christmas Ornaments available for purchase. These pewter ornaments are beautifully crafted and great gifts for this coming year.

- Ornaments \$10**
- T-Shirts Kids \$10**
- Adult \$13**
- 3x or higher \$15**



**Holy Redeemer High School
Incoming Freshmen**

Appointments for class scheduling for new students for the 2024-2025 school year will be held on February 6, 7 and 8 From 3:00 pm to 5:45 pm.

Call Holy Redeemer Guidance Department @ 570-829-2424 To set an appointment.



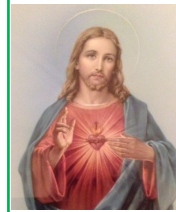
CIA Pizza Sale

We will take order from January 20 until February 4. Pizza pick-up will be on February 10th from 3:30pm-5:15 pm

CIA is hosting their annual Sanitary Bakery Pizza Sale on Jan 20th – Feb 4th \$12/box (12 cuts). Pick up on February 10th from 3:30pm-5:15pm. Proceeds benefit Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church.

NAME: _____
 # OF BOXES: _____
 TOTAL COST: _____
 PHONE #: _____

PLEASE CUT THIS ORDER FORM, COMPLETE WITH PAYMENT AND PLACE IN THE COLLECTION BASKET OR DROP OFF AT THE OFFICE. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO OLMC. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!



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Prayer Request and Requests

Fr. Brian will be attending his annual priestly retreat beginning January 15th. Please pray for him and, if you have any intentions, pass them along to him to keep in prayer.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sponsored by the Diocesan Offices for Parish Life and Vocations



Thursday,
February 1st

7:00 PM

St. Maria Goretti Church
42 Redwood Drive - Laflin

SPEAKER, RECONCILIATION,
AND SOCIAL.

LIVE MUSIC BY JOEL KANKIEWICZ



SCAN TO REGISTER
College Age +

EZRA 10:4

A RETREAT FOR MEN DISCERNING THE PRIESTHOOD

Rev. Alex Roche



Holy Family Spiritual Renewal Center, Nanticoke

Hosted by the Diocese of Scranton Vocations Office

MARCH 1-2, 2024

REGISTER AT DIOCESEOFSCRANTON.ORG/VOICATIONS