



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

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Fifth 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.

Ignatius Loyola



Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess You have given me. I surrender it all to You to be disposed of according to Your will. Give me only Your love and Your grace; with these I will be rich enough, and will desire nothing more.

AZ QUOTES

During the Presentation of the Gifts there are also several silent prayers being offered. When the wine is poured into the chalice, a small drop of water is added. "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity." This prayer is prayed silently by the deacon or priest while the chalice is being prepared. The wine, the fruit of the vine and the work of human hands, and the water, the free will offering of God, is combined into one substance. The same way that the humanity and divinity of Christ, the hypostatic union, is always united. In the same way that our humanity is united to God's divine nature through the sacrament of baptism. Finally, this little drop of water is symbolic of God's grace. "Grace is favor, the free and undeserved help that God gives us to respond to His call to become children of God, adoptive sons, partakers of the divine nature and eternal life. Grace is participation in the life of God." (CCC 1996-1997) All this is united to the offering and presented to the Lord God of all creation. After the blessing of the bread and chalice the priest bows down low and silently prays, "With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, Lord God." Remember that we are offering our very best, our very selves, to God through the Son in the power of the Holy Spirit. Through the hands of the priest this Divine and Human sacrifice is united to Christ on the cross. Again, in humility, the priest prays silently, "Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin." Though a practical practice in some areas and moments of the Church, this action puts aside anything that would impede the sacrifice being offered reverently and with great devotion. So beautiful is the love of God at the hands of the priest. God's Peace!

Fr. Brian





Mass Intentions

February 5-February 11

Monday	8:30 AM	Nicholas E. Perry
Wednesday	8:30 AM	Paul & Bertha Almeter
Friday	8:30 AM	Tracy Gototweski by Lucy & Chandra Palmerino
Saturday	5:30 PM	Albert Finarelli by Kathleen
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday	8:30 AM	All living & deceased Members & Benefactors of OLMC
	11:00 AM	Kellie Lyn Walsh by Mary Ann Dougherty & Family

The Sanctuary Light this week is in loving memory of Albert Finarelli offered by Kathleen



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)

The Light is On for You

Beginning **Monday**, February 19th, beginning at **5:30pm** until **7:30pm** the church will be open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

“Ask Jesus what He wants from you and be brave.”
Pope Francis



There will also be a priest available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There is no better way to spend only one hour a week with the Lord through Lent!



Lenten Men's Retreat "Spiritual Direction: I'm Not Lost, I'm Wondering"

March 15th to March 16th
Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center, Dalton.
The cost of the retreat is only \$75

To register, visit www.beacatholicman.com. For more information, contact Joe Adcroft at 570-380-5070

The Season of Lent Beginning Wednesday - February 14th

Ash Wednesday February 22nd

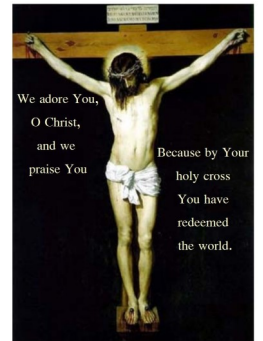
Ash Wednesday is a day of prayer, fast and abstinence. All Catholics are to abstain from eating meat today. Fasting is two small meals with one main meal with no snacking in between meals. We will offer two opportunities of prayer and to receive ashes:

8:30am Holy Mass
6:00pm Evening Prayer with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Stations of the Cross

Beginning **Friday**, February 16th, at **6:00pm** we will journey with Jesus along His way of the Cross. This Lenten devotion is rooted in ancient times of pilgrimage to the Holy Land. For those who cannot make this pilgrimage, we are given the opportunity at our local parishes.



ALSO remember that every Friday is a day of abstinence. Every Catholic, especially during Lent, is to abstain from meat on Fridays. Outside of Lent, another act of penance must be performed on Fridays when meat is eaten.

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON
 KINGSTON DEANERY
**LENTEN
 HOLY HOUR**
with Bishop Bambera
**Thursday, February 15
 at 7:00 P.M.**
Holy Family Parish
 574 Bennett Street
 Luzerne, PA 18709

 NATIONAL
 Eucharistic
 Revival

Stewardship Report

Weekly Budget	\$ 2,787.51
Week January 28	\$ 2,553.00
To Date Budget	\$ 116,361.90
To Date Donations	\$ 105,695.58
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$ 10,666.32)



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Bishop's Annual Appeal

Parish Goal	\$19,000.00
Total Raised	\$13,457.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$5,543.00)
Participating Members	25.71%



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.



Sanitary Bakery Pizza Sale
Jan 20th - Feb 4th

\$12 box (12 cuts)

Picked up on Feb. 10th
from 3:30pm until 5:15pm

Proceeds benefit Our Lady of Mount Carmel

ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Phone: _____

OF BOXES: _____ TOTAL: _____

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



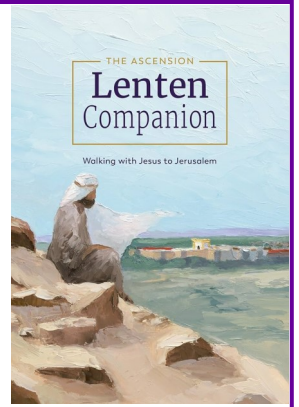
Faith Formation Classes
Sundays at 9:30 AM

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

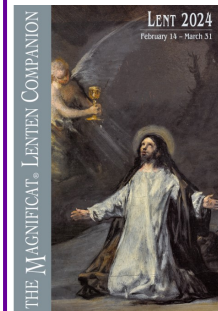
Soup, Salad and Study for the Soul

After Stations of the Cross on Friday, our community will gather to discover faith and fellowship.

Every **Friday** beginning around **6:30pm** we will be examining a journey of faith through **Walking with Jesus to Jerusalem** with Fr. Mark Toups.



Also, if you would like to bring some vegetarian soup (that includes the broth), salad (no bacon bits) or bread please bring some to share!



Parish Gift for Lent

This year the parish is also offering **Magnificat: A Lenten Companion** for all members of our parish family. Please take one home for your family to pray and journey together. This small book is filled with reflections and prayers for your Lenten Journey!

Collecting Old Palms

We will be collecting old palms for burning. These ashes will be used on Ash Wednesday. If you have any palm, please drop them off at the office or in church **before Monday, February 12th**. Thank you!!



Ecumenical Soup and Scripture Wednesdays @ 6pm

Every Wednesday we will be coming together as Christians to explore the Sacred Scriptures. The hosting parish will offer fellowship followed by a teaching from Sacred Scripture.



All are invited to attend!

- Feb 21 Maple Grove UMC
5876 Main Rd - Hunlock Creek
- Feb 28 Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Please bring some food for our guests!
- March 6 Prince of Peace Episcopal
- March 13 Lehman-Idetown UMC
- March 20 St. Paul's Lutheran