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VISION STATEMENT: *It is our vision at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, a Catholic Community, led by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, to proclaim and live the Gospel. We accomplish this through our shared Baptism, celebrations of the sacraments, prayer, hospitality and service to others.*

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM ANTICIPATED MASS

SUNDAY: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, AND 11:00 AM

MON.-FRI.: 7:30 AM **SATURDAY:** 8:00 AM

Prima Domenica Mass is celebrated in Italian the first Sunday of each month at 9:00 am. A Cultural Reception is celebrated in the Parish Hall after the Mass.

BAPTISMS 2012 Baptisms are scheduled quarterly on the following Sundays at 12 Noon: April 22, July 8, October 14th.

Baptismal class is mandatory. You must make arrangements with the priest first. Classes are on the Thursday before the Sacrament is celebrated at 7:00 pm in the Parish Office.

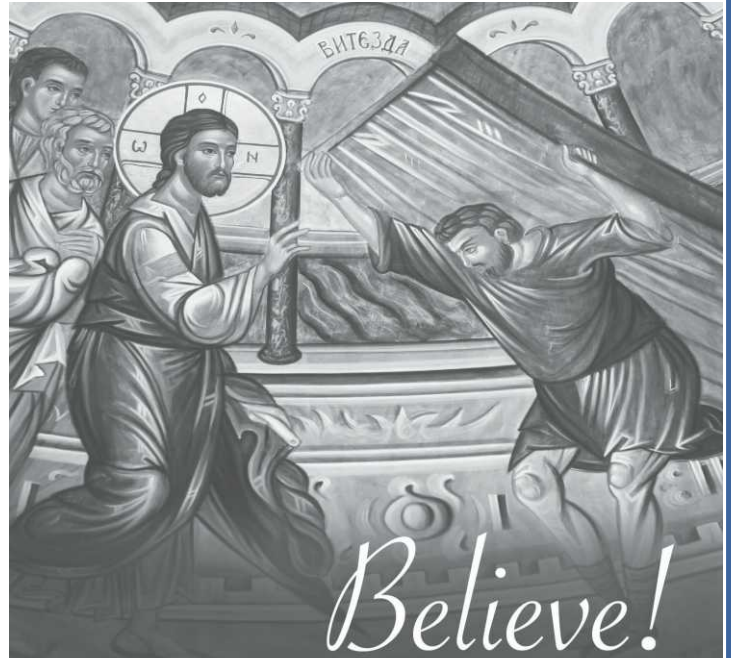
MARRIAGE A wedding may be scheduled after a consultation with a priest or deacon. Please call the rectory for an appointment. Please notice preparation is eight months to a year.

RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3:30-4:00pm or by appointment with Confessor.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Upon request. Please call the rectory.

FUNERALS

Please call the office before arrangements are made.



• He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." He rose, picked up his mat at once, and went away in the sight of everyone. They were all astounded and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this."
Mk 2:11-12

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Visitors and New Parishioners, WELCOME! If you came as a visitor and would like to join Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, please return the information below by dropping it in the offertory basket.

Full Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ New Registration Change of Address

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

_____ Want Envelopes Moving out of Parish

E-mail: _____

_____ Receive Monthly Newsletter Electronically



Food for Faith Living from the desk of Fr. Mark

We come to the last Sunday before we enter into the sacred season of Lent, a time set aside for people of faith to renew ourselves by heeding anew and meditating on the call of Jesus to us: "Repent, and believe the God News (Gospel) of the kingdom which has come among you."

Today's readings all harken to the faithfulness and compassion of God for the human family. Isaiah (1st reading) "Thus says the Lord: I remember not the past: see, I am doing something new! You burdened Me with your sins. I wipe out your offenses. I remember no more your sins." St. Paul (2nd reading) goes to the heart of the human choices, the "yes and no" of daily life, reminding us of our great fortune, God's faithfulness, which is ever Yes, personified in Jesus, the Son of God and the Word of God!

The essence of faith (belief) means trusting in God's Word which sums up God's love. Where faith truly abounds, God's presence is strong. The story of the paralytic (Gospel) captures this truth. Jesus saw their faith and cures him. Yet, He does something more profound and shocking: He tells the paralyzed man; "Your sins are forgiven." The righteous religious folk are angered by this: "He blasphemes!" Then Jesus displays an authority beyond their comprehension. He frees the man from paralysis.

This is an example of how Jesus sought to convince people of Who He is. Only God can forgive sins; only God could restore physical health! Human frailty keeps disrupting the power of love and truth. Though they are astounded, the result will be that they seek cures and all other forms of physical well-being, but they close their hearts and minds to what he brings from God, the truths which set us free and the love which gives us life!

We look at it from afar, an easy way to avoid faith. It happened a long time ago, to other people, not here and now, not to me! Thus, we are back to square one as Ash Wednesday arrives. The question remains: Do I believe? Sounds simple, easy. It takes courage to be honest and sincere. Yet, this is the way we truly say, I believe for it means I accept God's truth as well as mercy and compassion. It means I will live in the fashion Jesus invites me to live. I will not harden my heart to God's call for love and justice, compassion and forgiveness, generosity and kindness, humility and trust. Without display or recognition, "God, Who sees in secret, will reward me, you, us." (Ash Wednesday). Let us begin Lent well.

Pray for all of those who are in need of and have requested our prayers especially:

Jo Ann Piccolo	Elmer Ricci	Paula Seno Lyon
Alex Iacovetta	Cheryl Carlson	Kyra Dinkins
Sanders Family	Mary Spreier	Maryann Lamirato
Sen. Paul Sandoval	For all Military Personal	

- Readings for the Week of February 19, 2012*
- Sunday:* J^s 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/ Mk 2:1-12
 - Monday:* Jas 3:13-18/ Mk 9:14-29
 - Tuesday:* Jas 4:1-10/ Mk 9:30-37
 - Wednesday:* J^l 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/ Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 - Thursday:* Dt 30:15-20/ Lk 9:22-25
 - Friday:* J^s 58:1-9a/ Mt 9:14-15
 - Saturday:* J^s 58:9b-14/ Lk 5:27-32
 - Next Sunday:* Gn 9:8-15/ 1 Pt 3:18-22/ Mk 1:12-15

Scheduled Mass

- Saturday, February 18 - Anticipated Sunday Mass**
4:00 pm - +Luciano Family/Family
- Sunday, February 19 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:00 am - +Anthony Elliott/Elaine Gerk
9:00 am - +Ralph Anselmo/Fran & Larry Daly
11:00 am - Our Parishioners
- Monday, February 20**
7:30 am - James Anthony Vela/Grandpa Jim and Nancy Egan
- Tuesday, February 21**
7:30 am - +Fr. Joseph Carbone/Delmonico Family
- Wednesday, February 22**
7:30 am - +Meaghan Gallagher/Dennis Gallagher & Daniel Patrick
5:30 pm - +Harry Pasco/Fran & Larry Daly
- Thursday, February 23**
7:30 am - +Ange & Dan Somma/Jeanette Talarico
5:30 pm - +Anna Bevsek/Melvina Bevsek
- Friday, February 24**
7:30 am - +Fr. Joseph Carbone/Fran & Larry Daly
5:30 pm - +Martin Bevsek, Sr./Melvina Bevsek
- Saturday, February 25**
8:00 am - +Mickie Clayton/Dennis Gallagher & Daniel Patrick
4:00 pm - +Jim Orr/Sharon Orr
- Sunday, February 26 - First Sunday of Lent**
7:00 am - Our Parishioners
9:00 am - Norma Butero/Fran & Larry Daly
11:00 am - +Rose Ann Westbrook/Children



OFFERTORY DONATIONS
February 11 & 12 = **\$\$\$4,864.00**

Pick up a Rice Bowl and return it on Palm Sunday.

Join Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl and make a difference in the lives of those in need.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY DURING LENT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Altar & Rosary Corporate Communion & Mass
@ 9:00 am

Meeting in the Parish Hall after Mass
(serving breakfast)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

President's Day - The Office will be closed

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Pastoral Council - 7:00 pm in the Parish Office

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

ASH WEDNESDAY

7:30 am & 5:30 pm Mass & Ashes

PASTA FAGIOLI DINNER - 5:00 pm in the Parish Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Religious Ed - 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall

RCIA - 7 pm in the Parish Office

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Soup - 12:00 noon in the Parish Office

Stations - 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm in the Church

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Black Hawk Trip - 10:00 am in the Church parking lot

Returning to the Church parking lot at 4:00 pm



Wednesday, Feb. 22nd, is Ash Wednesday! We begin our Lenten Pences with ashes on this day & you can get a Lenten meal (Pasta Fagioli) in the Parish Hall beginning at 5 pm. We will have two Masses during Lent at 7:30 am & 5:30 pm (Mon.- Fri.) beginning on Feb. 22nd thru Apr. 4th. There is a Penance Service on Sat., Mar. 31st. On Wednesdays after the 7:30 am Mass we have morning prayer and the Via Matris (Way of the Sorrowful Mother). We have Soup & Stations on every Friday during Lent. Soup is at noon. Stations are at 1 pm & for those who can't attend in the day, we have Stations at 7 pm. You will be receiving a letter with all of our activities for Lent. Watch the bulletin for weekly updates.

ALTAR & ROSARY

- Our next meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 19th. It will start with 9:00 AM Mass & Corporate Communion. The meeting will start after Mass and breakfast will be served in the Hall.
- Call Irene Fanning (303-455-3317), Ange Main (303-424-1998) or Lucille Zupancic (303-986-6005) to make your reservations for the trip to Black Hawk on Tues., Feb. 28th.

RESPECT LIFE Alternatives Pregnancy Center invites you to explore how you can make a life-giving difference to those struggling with the decisions in unintended pregnancy. Become a volunteer client advocate at one of our 7 Denver-area centers including our Mobile Testing Clinic. Bi-lingual volunteers especially needed. Training begins Feb. 23. Contact Elisabeth Buchholz, Director of Volunteers (303-298-8815) or email volunteer@YouhaveAlternatives.org.

SVDP January total receipts- \$828. Parish Donations - \$688. In December Fr. Carbone's memorials were \$125 and were reported as parish donations. We are exceedingly grateful to those who made contributions in Fr. Joe's name.

Total expenditures - \$1,121.13

Rent: \$790.00 Xcel Energy: \$150.00

Denver Water: \$72.13 Gift Cards: \$100.00

WE ARE SUPER BOWL WINNERS!

The Door Free Will Offering was \$286. This money will help support those that come to the office seeking aid for sandwiches, transportation & food certificates. **Thank you!**

See the Church Bulletin Board for:

Office of Marriage & Family Life - Thursday nights 6:30 pm to 9 pm in room 123 at the John Paul II Center, March 1-April 5. For more information call 303-715-3160 or email Phil.Webb@archden.org.

Living Catholic Faith Conference March 2-3, Colorado Convention Center, 700 14th St., Denver. Visit: www.lcfcdenver.org or call 303-715-3262.



Preparing for Easter

- Catholics 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. From the age of 18-59 we should fast, limiting ourselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day with no food between meals.
- We are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture.
- We should enjoy the Sacrament of Penance during Lent in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.
- Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, we should combine almsgiving with fasting. Then we can give money to the poor that we saved by eating, drinking or buying less.
- ***Be sure to use the Rice Bowls.***
- Attend daily Mass. This is a perfect way to prepare for a Joyous Easter.

"It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit."

-Harry S. Truman

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