

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

Founded September 5, 1902



Our Lady of Mount Carmel, a welcoming Catholic parish, is united in Faith by the Eucharist and the Sacraments. Guided by the Holy Spirit we spread the message of Jesus Christ by serving all. We welcome, unite, celebrate and serve!

Sacraments

BAPTISM - 1:00pm

English - 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month / Portuguese - 4th Sunday of the month
Parents and Godparents are required to participate in a Baptismal Preparation Session.
Please contact the Rectory for more information.

RECONCILIATION (Confessions) - Saturday: 3:15 - 4:00 pm or by appointment

FIRST EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION - Two years preparation is required for children.
Adults wishing to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation should contact Deacon Paul Macedo.

MATRIMONY - Please contact Father Jack to confirm your desired date at least eight months in advance. Participation in the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program is required.

HOLY EUCHARIST AND PENANCE TO THE SICK - Homebound parishioners wishing to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Penance should contact the Rectory.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - Persons wishing to receive this Sacrament are encouraged to contact Father Jack.

Faith Formation

Office: Tel: 508-984-7097 - E-Mail: olmcnbfathform@gmail.com

Facebook: Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, New Bedford

Classes:

Saturday: 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th grades - 9:30 to 10:45am

Sunday: 5th, 6th & 7th grades - 9:30 to 10:40am Confirmation I & II - 6:00 to 8:00 pm

New Parishioners are welcome.

Please call the rectory to make an appointment with Father Jack to register.
We encourage you to become an active member of our parish community.

Rev. John J. Oliveira
Pastor

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Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:30pm English

Sunday

7:00am Portuguese

8:30am English

10:00am Portuguese

11:30am English

Weekday

Monday thru Friday

8:00am Portuguese

Holy Day

8:00am Portuguese

5:30pm English

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER+ MAY 2, 2021

In today's passage from the gospel we are given the image of the vine and the branches. Unlike a shepherd and his sheep, a vine and its branches cleave to each other in such a way that it is impossible to say where one ends and the other begins. This is the closeness Jesus desires to have with each of us – that his life-giving Spirit might flow from him to us as effortlessly as the sap of a healthy vine plant flows through the veins of the branch, allowing it to produce fruit. In both the gospel and second reading from St. John we are given a commandment over and over again: to "remain" in Jesus. Jesus likens his faithful disciples to branches securely connected to their parent plant. In remaining on the vine they are able to bear fruit, but separated from him they become like branches removed from the plant – without nutrients brought up from the roots of the vine, they wither. The second reading offers us a way to discern our own "remaining." He writes, "Those who keep Jesus's commandments remain in him, and he in them."

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

I: In memory of Miguel da Costa Senra.

II: In memory of Luis Diniz, Maria Inez Pacheco, Maria J. dos Santos, Mario dos Santos.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We gratefully acknowledge a donation of \$20 for the Easter Flowers in memory of Leonel Sarmento, Corey Sarmento & Gordon Simard. We also received the following donations: \$100 from Lurdes Batista in thanksgiving to the Blessed Sacrament; \$100 from Fatima Furtado for the hosts and sacramental wine for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; \$100 from Alfredo & Maria Piedade in thanksgiving to the Blessed Sacrament for the 25th Wedding Anniversary; \$100 from Jose & Patricia Tavares in honor the Holy Ghost. May the Lord reward these and all of the benefactors of our parish.

ARE YOU CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC? ARE YOU BAPTIZED, BUT HAVE NOT RECEIVED HOLY EUCHARIST OR CONFIRMATION?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for YOU. RCIA is a chance to learn the basics of what it means to be Catholic, to ask probing questions and to seek ways to more fully open your life to Jesus. If you would like to know more information, please call the Rectory (508-993-4704) and leave a message for Deacon Paul.

FOOD COLLECTION

Every month we support the Food Pantry at Catholic Social Services. As you are aware the need for food assistance has grown during this pandemic. Please consider making either a monetary donation or one of non-perishable food items on any Sunday.

MONTH OF MAY
7:30 a.m.

MONTH OF MARY
7:30 a.m.

Monday Wednesday and Friday Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Mother.

Tuesday and Thursday, Rosary and Litany of St. Joseph

We encourage you to set-up a May Altar at home and to gather the family each day for a time of prayer. "The family that prays together, stays together" Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

FIRST FRIDAY – 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
THE MASTER WAITS FOR YOU!

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA

Today the Mother's Day Novena cards are available at the Church entrances. Please return the envelope next Sunday with the names of the women, mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, living or deceased, that you would like remembered in the 9 Masses that will be offered here in our parish for those enrolled.

SANTO CRISTO FEAST

Next weekend, at all Masses, we will celebrate the Feast of Senhor Santo Cristo dos Milagres. The first Procession from the Convento da Esperança in Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Açores, took place in 1700. While this year, due to the pandemic as last year, the usual festivities will not take place, the Rector of the Shrine, encourages everyone to celebrate their devotion to Jesus, the Ecce Homo, with intense personal prayer and thanksgiving. In his remarks he called attention to the thousands of immigrants and their descendants in the Azorean diaspora who every year, without travelling to São Miguel, commemorate these days with deep faith and spiritual proximity to those who can be at the Shrine.

HOLY GHOST FEAST 2021

Because of the Covid 19 restrictions still in effect the Holy Ghost Feast will be postponed to 2022. The families who were chosen for the Domingas in 2019, as well as the Mordomo and Vice Mordomo will maintain their responsibilities until next year.

**PENTECOST TAKE OUT DINNER
HOLY GHOST SOUP
SATURDAY, MAY 22 – 3 TO 6 P.M.
Donation: \$15.00**

To purchase tickets please call either Rui & Ana Magalhães at 774-319-4623 or Tony & Maria Linhares at 508-979-1925. Tickets are also available at the Rectory.

LIMITED RETURN TO MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Please pass along this information to those who might be interested in returning to in-person Mass.

The Church opens 15 minutes before Mass.

Who should attend?

Anyone who is feeling sick, has a temperature, has any symptoms of the virus, or has been in the presence of anyone with the virus should not attend.

Bishop Da Cunha has suspended the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

Pre-register to attend a specific Mass.

This can be done by calling the Rectory, 508-993-4704. Only pre-registered parishioners will be allowed to attend.

Wear a mask or facial covering at all times for the safety of everyone present.

**Maintain 6 foot social distancing at all times.
Hand washing when entering / departing.**

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2021 CATHOLIC APPEAL

Time to Gather, Time to Heal, Time to Love

The 80th Catholic Appeal began on May 1st. Since 1942, the Appeal has helped people in all phases of life – from children, to youth, to parents, to the elderly. Your support sustains the numerous agencies, programs, and ministries providing food and shelter, educating children and adults, and meeting the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of thousands. We encourage you to support the Appeal as generously as you can. You can make a one-time gift, or a pledge with convenient payments throughout the year. You can give by

mail or make your gift or pledge online at www.givefrdiocese.org/2021.

**DAY OF PRIESTLY DISCERNMENT
FOR MEN – SATURDAY, MAY 29
10:00 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M.
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Thinking the Lord may possibly be calling you to serve Him and His Church as a priest? Come join other men and some of the seminarians of the Diocese for a Day of Discernment. If you are interested in participating please contact Fr. Jack Schrader at frschrader@fallrivervocatkions.org

Pope Francis has invited Catholics worldwide to take part in a **MARATHON OF PRAYER** during the month of May for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. This global prayer initiative calls for a daily recitation of the Rosary in this month dedicated to the Blessed Mother.

+ MASS INTENTIONS +

Saturday, May 1

4:30 p.m. – Manuel & Teresa Oliveira,
Manuel Oliveira, Jr.

Sunday, May 2

7:00 a.m. – For the Parishioners
8:30 a.m. – Joe Bagaco
10:00 a.m. – Holy Rosary Sodality
11:30 a.m. – Edward Farinon

Monday, May 3

8:00 a.m. – Luis F. Reis & family

Tuesday, May 4

8:00 a.m. – Alfredo Oliveira,
pais, sogros, cunhados , irmãos
& Lauren Madruga

Wednesday, May 5

8:00 a.m. – Jose Arlindo Correia,
pais, sogros, irmã, cunhados & sobrinho
Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, May 6

8:00 a.m. – Deceased members
of Fatima Pacheco's family
Souls in Purgatory

Friday, May 7

8:00 a.m. – Legion of Mary, living & deceased

Saturday, May 8

4:30 p.m. – For the Parishioners

Sunday, May 9

7:00 a.m. – Anibal Botelho, Silvina Lima,
Antonio, Carlota & Antonio Rego
Souls in Purgatory

8:30 a.m. – Blake Souza

10:00 a.m. – Holy Name Society

11:30 a.m. – Maria C. Pereira

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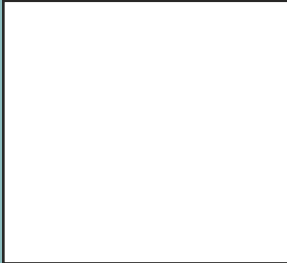
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