

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH



**Twenty Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Pastor
Rev. Alex J. Roche

Daily Mass
Monday Wednesday Friday
8:30 AM

Confession
Saturday at 4:00 PM
or by appointment

Weekend Mass
5:00 PM Saturday Vigil
Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 AM

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Sacraments at OLMC**Penance-** Saturdays at 4PM or by appointment**Baptism and Marriage-** Contact the parish office to set up an appointment with Fr. Alex**First Communion, First Penance,****Confirmation** - Contact Mrs. Elaine Herceg to set up an appointment. (570-256-4390)**Joining the Catholic Church-** Contact the parish office to join our RCIA classes with Mrs. Maggie Fishel.**Rosary Intentions:** Please join us in September as we pray for the healing of all victims of abuse, for strength in faith & guidance for all parishioners of the Diocese, for compassion & forgiveness to overcome division and hatred in our nation, for our nation's leaders, lawmakers and all government officials, and for all members of our parish and their families.**Prayer Intentions:** If you or someone you know are in need of prayers, please call or text Wendy Scavone @ 570-905-5310 to be added to the prayer list.

Anonymous Intentions may also be added to the list.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION**Offertory \$3,901.00***Thank you for your generosity & continued support*

Congratulations and God's Blessing
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Zakarauskas joined in
the Sacrament of Marriage on September 8.

Any parishioner who is ill or has a loved one who is ill, please don't hesitate to notify Fr. Alex if you would like him to visit and extend a blessing.

The parish is looking for volunteers to take communion to the homebound. If you're not an Eucharistic Minister, and are interested, Fr. Alex can give instruction on how to administer the host. Please call the parish office @ 570-477-5040.

Religious Ed

Director: Mrs. Elaine Herceg
elaineherceg@gmail.com or (570) 256-4390

Religious Ed Class Schedule**September: 16-23-30 (9:30 to 10:45 am)****Confirmation classes (8th grade students)**

will meet once a month in order to prepare for 2019

Confirmation Prep Class:

October 21 (9:30 to 10:45 am)

Religious Ed 11 am Mass Participation:

September 23 - Kindergarten & 1st grade

September 30 - 2nd grade

Mass Intentions (September 17th to 23rd)

Monday	8:30 AM	All Parishioners
Tuesday	No Mass	
Wednesday	8:30 AM	Peace & Comfort for my sister, Rose - Ken Wolfe
Thursday	No Mass	
Friday	8:30 AM	Frank Brojakowski - Alice Summa & Carol Llewellynn
Saturday	4:00-4:45 PM	Confession
	5:00 PM	Lorraine Daum - John Daum
Sunday	8:30 AM	All Parishioners
	11:00 AM	Carl Rupp - Family

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

CIA

All are welcome to join us for the next CIA meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 19 @ 6:30 pm in the parish hall.
Calling all 6th, 7th & 8th graders: Any junior high students who attend the Up & Over Retreat will be entered into a raffle to win one of two family four-pack of tickets to the WBS Penguins season opener on Saturday, October 6! Please see the section in the bulletin for more info about the Retreat.

Calling All College Students: Your parish family would like to stay in touch during the upcoming school year. Whether you are dorming or commuting, please email your contact info (including mailing address) to cia.olmc@gmail.com. An email from Fr. Alex or a care package from home may make all the difference when you are stressing over your studies!

Calling All Bakers: If you are interested in baking two dozen cookies for our college students, who will be heading to college soon or have already gone, please call Daniel Stefanowicz @ 570-477-5319 to RSVP your donation. Please mark your donation "CIA" and drop them off in the hall kitchen the weekend of September 22/23. Thank you!

Please continue to support the Back Mountain Food Pantry. They are in need of all perishable food items. Thank you.

Pilgrimage to D.C. CANCELLED

The Diocese has cancelled the Pilgrimage due to low turn out for registration. The Pilgrimage may be offered in the future, but for now the event is cancelled and the deposit money will be returned.

Penguins Group Night (October 6)

Fantastic deal for OLMC Group! Seats just \$11 in the Blue Zone. You will receive a free Penguins hat, a voucher for McDonald's value meal, and a ticket in the Spring for the first home game of the 2019 Calder Cup Playoffs. Payment is due 30 days in advance. For tickets contact Joe at 570-970-3605. Puck drops 7:05 pm.

Altus for Women (Grow in Faith)

This fall, let award-winning Professor, Bergsma (Franciscan University of Steubenville), guide you through a high energy and entertaining walk through the Bible, illustrated with his own charming Stick Figures! A book so fresh, engaging, and instructive, you'll find yourself smiling as you read it and be amazed at what you retain. OLMC will feature 5 sessions. 7:00-8:30 pm on Wednesdays from October 10-November 7. For more information, please contact Jessica Wallo @ 609-382-1867. Registration fee is \$20 plus the cost of the book. Please visit: www.altusforwomen.com.



OLMC Oktoberfest

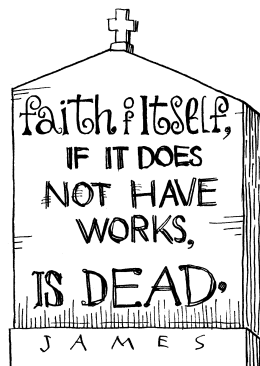
As a thank you for all you do for our parish, all parishioners are invited to our first family-friendly Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 20 from 6-9 pm. There is no cost for this event but we do ask for your RSVP by October 14 by calling or emailing the parish office. We will roast a donated pig and the parish will provide beer and soda. We ask that you bring a covered dish to share. Watch the bulletin for future details.

Community



Knights of Columbus (Council 07860)

(In need of new memberships)
All Catholic men, ages 18 to 80, are welcome to join our Council. Since 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are Catholic men of faith and charitable action. Dues are a mere \$1 a month. Please consider joining us in our efforts to help those in need. Please call Marty Maransky @ 570-477-5592 for more information. If no answer, please leave a message with your name and contact number. Thank you.



Music Ministry Workshop

The Office for Parish Life and the Scranton Chapter of the National Association for Pastoral Musicians is sponsoring a musicians' workshop with Dr. Elaine Rendler-McQueeney on Saturday, September 29 from 9 am to 12:30 pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Scranton. All Cantors, choir members, choir directors, organists, pianists, and instrumentalists are encouraged to join us! The registration fee is \$20, and the deadline to register is Monday, September 24. To register, visit: www.dioceseofscranton.org and click on "Parish Life".

Up & Over Jr. High Retreat

The Up & Over Jr. High School Retreat is a weekend of fun, friendship, and faith for 6th - 8th grade students at the beautiful Camp Orchard Hill in Dallas. You will spend time outdoors, meet new friends, and learn how your God-given gifts can be used when you work with others as a team! Enjoy a number of fun activities and events, including a movie, free time and an outdoor obstacle course. Come and join us for an outstanding experience. You will have a great time, meet new friends and come closer to God who loves you! Arrival: Friday, September 28 @ 7:00 pm. Departure: Sunday, September 30 @ 12:00 pm. Cost is \$140 (which includes \$70 non-refundable deposit). If help is needed with the cost, please contact Fr. Alex (570-477-5040). Deadline to register is September 21. Please call Shannon Kowalski @ 570-207-2213 ext 1155 for more information.

Virtus Training

Tuesday, September 18, @ 6:15 pm in Corpus Christi Parish, W. Pittston.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Our Father is calling you home to heal. The Retreat is an intimate spiritual journey for women and men seeking healing after abortion. The confidential weekend will take place from November 2nd thru 4th. For registration and information regarding locations, please call Denise Mengak @ 570-822-7118 ext 333 or Susan Walters: suezq22@verizon.net.

Upcoming Canonizations

October 14th will mark the canonization of two very important saints. Pope Paul VI, who helped to implement the many reforms of the Council and also affirmed the Church's stance on the dignity of human life. Also Archbishop, Oscar Romero of El Salvador, who was outspoken against violent political and governmental forces in his country and was killed while saying mass.