



SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL Staffed by The Oblates of the Virgin Mary

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JULY 16, 2023 Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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The Pope's Prayer Intention for July:

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil 4:00PM, 5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

<u>Weekday Masses:</u> Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

<u>Confessions:</u> Mon.—Fri.8:30 -11:50AM, 12:30-4:40PM Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:30-3:30PM

Devotions: Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM; Sat. 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM; Sunday 2:30-3:30PM

Gift Shop Hours: Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 4:30PM*; Saturday 9:30AM - 6:00PM*; Sunday 8:45AM - 6:00PM* (*Closed during Masses)

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Reflection by Fr. Michael Warren, OMV

The people of Israel had turned to idols in the 9th century B.C., so God called forth the prophet Elijah to zealously summon the people back to their privileged covenant relationship with the true God. Elijah gathered the people on Mt. Carmel to witness his clash with the priests of the false god Baal. There at the mountain, Elijah demonstrated the power of the living God of Israel and the impotence of the idol of the people.

It was also on Mt. Carmel that Elijah would seek to stand in the presence of the Lord in solitude and quiet listening. It was in that spirit, in the 12th century A.D., that Christian pilgrims from Europe began to gather around Mt. Carmel to live a life of solitude as hermits seeking to purge the idols within their hearts and to fill themselves with the living God through quiet prayer. These hermits began to support one another and to form a regular community of religious life. Dedicating themselves to Our Lady and to Elijah, these brothers became known as the Carmelites. From this community the Church would receive many great saints and teachings on prayer. The great doctors of the Church St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross and St. Therese of Lisieux all well-known members of the Carmelite family. In more recent times Carmelite saints include Edith Stein, Teresa of the Andes, Elizabeth of the Trinity and Titus Brandsma. All of them passionately lived the Carmelite zeal to seek union with the living God.

July 16 marks the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. It was on that day in 1251 that St. Simon Stock received the Brown Scapular from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. The devotion of wearing the Brown Scapular and living a life in accord with Carmelite spirituality has long been championed by popes and saints in the Church's history. According to Church tradition, there are three conditions necessary to participate in this Privilege and share in the other spiritual benefits of the Scapular: wear the Brown Scapular, observe chastity according to your state in life, and pray the Rosary. Our Lady is purported to have said that she would come to the aid of all of her children who wear the scapular with attention and devotion, Enrollment in the Brown Scapular also makes a person part of the Carmelite family throughout the world. They therefore share in all of the prayers and good works of the Carmelite Orders.

Will You Be There?

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 10TH NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Join your Catholic brothers and sisters as we encounter the living Jesus Christ, experience profound renewal, and are sent out on mission for the life of the world. https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/

EYES OPENED, Hearts on

Fire

At the National Eucharistic Congress, the Church will draw into a deeper intimacy with our Eucharistic Lord, allowing our eyes to be opened and our hearts to be set on fire with his love.

The whole Congress will be an experience of prayer: a liturgical act offering the Catholic Church—those in attendance in Indianapolis as well as across the country—to the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit. This reconsecration will result in a massive outpouring of grace and renewed missionary sending as participants are moved to share the Eucharistic love of the Lord "for the life of the world" (John 6:51).

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 16

8:00 AM Lilia Mary 9:15 AM Thomas Dolan 10:30 AM Nichole Pittman—healing 11:45 AM 1:15 PM +Lourdes Restrepo & Romeria Gil 4:00 PM 5:30 PM +Robert J. Long

Monday, July 17

8:00 AM 12:05 PM Mary Lien Nguyen—healing 4:45 PM Lilia Mary

<u>Tuesday, July 18</u>

8:00 AM +Joseph George Maciora 12:05 PM +Richard Giglio 4:45 PM

Wednesday, July 19

8:00 AM 12:05 PM +Ann Feitelberg 4:45 PM

Thursday, July 20

8:00 AM +Ron Lesniak 12:05 PM 4:45 PM

Friday, July 21

8:00 AM 12:05 PM 4:45 PM

<u>Saturday, July 22</u>

9:00 AM Andrew Pagliccia 12:00 PM +August Cordeiro 4:00 PM +Joseph Timilty 5:30 PM Isabela Tamayo

Prayer Before Mass



by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen. 2 Priest - Show us, O Lord, Thy mercy. Respondent - And grant us Thy salvation.

P - Lord, hear my prayer.

- R And let my cry come unto Thee.
- P The Lord be with you.
- R And with your Spirit.

P - Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, sanctify + by Thy power these scapulars, which for love of Thee and for love of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Thy servants will wear devoutly, so that through the intercession of the same Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and protected against the evil spirit, they persevere until death in Thy grace. Thou who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

THE PRIEST SPRINKLES WITH HOLY WATER THE SCAPULAR AND THE PERSON(S) BEING ENROLLED. HE THEN INVESTS HIM (THEM), SAYING:

P - Receive this blessed scapular and beseech the Blessed Virgin that through Her merits, you may wear it without stain. May it defend you against all adversity and accompany you to eternal life. Amen.

AFTER INVESTITURE THE PRIEST CONTINUES WITH THE PRAYERS:

P - I, by the power vested in me, admit you to participate in all the spiritual benefits obtained through the mercy of Jesus Christ by the Religious Order of Mount Carmel. In the name of the Father + and of the Son + and of the Holy Ghost. + Amen.

May God Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and earth, bless + you, He who has deigned to join you to the Confraternity of the Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel; we beseech Her to crush the head of the ancient serpent so that you may enter into possession of your eternal heritage through Christ our Lord. R - Amen.

THE PRIEST THEN SPRINKLES AGAIN WITH HOLY WATER THE PERSON(S) ENROLLED.

Brown Scapular Morning Offering Prayer

0 my God,

in union with the Immaculate Heart of Mary (here kiss your Brown Scapular) I offer Thee the Precious Blood of Jesus from all the altars throughout the world, joining with it the offering of my every thought, word and action of this day.

O my Jesus, I desire today to gain every indulgence and merit I can and I offer them, together with myself, to Mary Immaculate, that she may best apply them to the interests of Thy Most Sacred Heart. Precious Blood of Jesus, Save us! Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pray for us! Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us!



Prayer to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel—Feast Day July 16

O most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me this my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succour me in this necessity; there are none that can withstand your power. O, show me herein you are my Mother, O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (3 times)

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands. (3 times)



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