Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23, 2017

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Responsorial Psalm 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27; Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30

LORD, YOU ARE GOOD AND FORGIVING



Saint Teresa of Calcutta urges us and people everywhere: "If you feel the weight of your sins, do not be afraid! God is a loving Father; His mercy is much greater than we can imagine." The Parable of the Weeds this Sunday is a beautiful example of St. Teresa's tender and comforting words. We are reminded that our God is good and forgiving and gives us chances over and over again to experience the gift of His love and mercy. We are constantly called to be like wheat and give life to the world.

God's wisdom shines forth through the example of the Master of the Household in the parable who awaits with confidence the day of the harvest. To the surprise of the servants, the Master protects the weeds by allowing both the wheat and weeds to grow together! Conversion and change are always possible. As St. Paul tells us: "The one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will."

The passage from the Book of Wisdom today is appropriately directed to God's goodness. It is noted that God's power can be seen and experienced most clearly in His gentleness and mercy. Our Eucharist this Sunday invites us to become more like God. May our patience and hope in others be lived out through our relationship with God and our desire to nurture and reveal God's presence. Only then will we be like wheat at the harvest and give life to our world!

2017 Parish Registration Update

Dear New and Current Parishioners of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel,

I ask that you please take a few brief moments to update our parish registration. We have found that our current date base has many errors and in many circumstances is out of date. This has affected our ability as a parish to serve as effectively as we would like the diverse needs of our parish community.

The 2017 Parish Registration Update, when completed, can be place in the basket in front of the altar, dropped off or sent to the parish office. An online version is also available on our website at: www.ourladycarmelvalley.org.

Thank you for your faithfulness and loving commitment to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Dennis

Parish Faith Formation—Catechists Needed



We are now planning for our 2017-2018 Faith Formation Classes for children, youth, and adults of our Parish. We are in the need of Faith Formation additional Catechists. Please consider sharing your faith by serving our Lord

and OLMC as a Catechist. Training will be offered. Please contact Fr. Dennis in the Parish Office.

Bereavement Ministry

An outreach to our parishioners who have lost a loved one. Interested in helping? Call or email Trudy Dowd (831) 915-4619 or trudydowd@comcast.net.

"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

Why Catholic? Living in God's Love

Beginning this Fall we will be participating as a parish in the *Why Catholic?* process. The small



Christian community process will offer us a special opportunity to grow in the joy of our faith, understand the power of God's Word in our lives, link our faith with our everyday life, and experience the gifts of the Spirit and fellowship in community as Catholics.

Why Catholic? is a unique opportunity for our parish to make our faith not only more meaningful, but truly alive! The once a week sessions for six weeks in the Fall will be a very powerful means of growth for each of us individually, as well as for our parish as a Catholic community Please plan ahead to join us in this special spiritual journey. More information on Why Catholic? will be available at the beginning of August!

Fence Replacement — Update

As announced in the past, the fence project has been delayed indefinitely. We are requesting bids from other contractors for the project and hope to be able to move forward on the project as soon as possible. When we have more information we will let you know. Thank you for your patience.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions for Sunday and weekday Masses are available. This is a special way to remember and pray for the sick of our families, the deceased, and other special intentions. Please stop by the office.

2nd Collection—Next Weekend, July 29 & 30

Our next 2nd Collection for our Parish Grounds and Building Maintenance will take place next Sat. & Sun., July 29 and 30.

Offertory Report 7/16/2017

Plate collection: \$2,305; Hope's Pantry: \$55; Grounds & Maintenance: \$715; other: \$183.

Total deposit: \$3,258.

Mass Intentions July 22-28, 2017

Sat., 4:30 pm The sick of the parish Sun., 9:00 am The children of the parish Sun., 11:15 am The families of the parish Sun., 5:00 pm Las familias de la parroquia

Wed., 7:00 am +Darlene Sterling

Susan Burke

Thurs., 7:00 am The sick of the parish

Fri., 7:00 am +Robin Flaherty

NOTICIAS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español - Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras - Favor de hablar con P. Dennis.

Confesiones - Cada sábado, 3:30 pm y por cita.

Músicos - Si toca guitara u otro instrumento, favor de participar y servir en nuestro coro. Los ensayos son cada viernes a las 7:30 pm.

Catequistas - ¡Favor de servir como Catequista. Hay necesidad especial en Español!

Registro - ¡Favor de llenar la forma con el boletín.

¿Por qué Ser Católico? - Empezando en el otoño, nuestra parroquia participará en el proceso especial para profundizar y vivir la alegría de nuestra fe Católica que se llama ¿Por Qué Ser Católico? Las 6 semanas dos veces por año nos ofrecerán la oportunidad de crecer personalmente y juntos como comunidad parroquial. ¡Habrá mas información muy pronto!

Ministerio de Duelo - Para extendernos a nuestros parroquianos que han perdido un ser querido. ¿Tiene interés en ayudar? Favor de llamar o enviar un correo electrónico a Trudy Dowd (831) 915-4619 o trudydowd@comcast.net "Dichosos los que lloran porque serán consolados." Mateo 5:4

Youth Corner

Let's pray today and always to trust in God even during those times when things aren't the way we would like them to be. For example, those times when we experience weeds growing together with the wheat! God's wisdom and love are guiding and inviting all of us to conversion.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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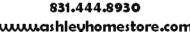
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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 9 am & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass: Sunday at 5 pm

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday 9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

Ministries / Contacts

Pastoral Council: Jeff Hawkins, Chair, Patrick Dowd, Vice Chair, Lori Jakubowski, Secretary,

Tess Arthur, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, María Ortiz, José Resendiz,

DeDe Woodhead,

Finance Council: Joe Hertlein, Chair, Rafael Maldonado, Vice Chair, John Finn, Secretary,

Diane Douglas, Pat Ryan, Steve Zalan

Faith Formation: First Communion Year 1 and 2: Margaret Lopez

Confirmation Year 1: Patricia Gray

Confirmation Year 2: Teresa Brunson, Christina Haupt, Lori Jakubowski

RCIA / Becoming Catholic: John Condon, John O'Keefe

Hope's Pantry: Lydia Newton • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon **Hope's Boutique:** Deborah Kimes • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon

Manna Ministry: Joni Zabala • joni@thegrid.net

Music Ministry: Larry Carolan (4:30 pm & 9 am Mass)

Louis Lebherz, Director, Barney Hulse, Piano (11:15 am Mass)

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