



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "C" – FEB. 23RD 2025 "HE FIRST MAN, ADAM, BECAME A LIVING BEING, THE LAST ADAM A LIFE-GIVING SPIRIT" 1 CORINTHIANS 15:45

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the Beatitudes. Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing.



Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of his followers with the behavior of "sinners." In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy.

In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining. Loyola Press

## Announcements

Next weekend we will take up a **second collection for parish maintenance.**

### LENTEN SEASON 2025

#### **Wed. Mar. 5th, ASH WEDNESDAY:**

12:00 pm Mass w/ ashes.

6:30 pm Bilingual Mass w/ ashes

#### **Stations of the Cross Fridays:**

5:30pm.

**Lenten Talk:** Sat. March 22nd at 5:30pm in the Church. Fr. Jim Nesbit. Why do we meditate on the Stations of the Cross?.

#### **Lenten Reconciliation Service.**

Wed. April 9th at 6:30pm.

#### **Magnificat Lenten Companion**

**Booklets:** English/Espanol. \$ 5 offering.

**2025 LENTEN DINNERS**—Tickets for sell this weekend. \$ 35

Friday March 14th at 6:00 pm

Friday March 28th at 6:00 pm

Friday April 11th at 6:00 pm

## "SHINING STAR" COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

***"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"*** Nelson Mandela.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is restarting our" Shining Star" college scholarship program.

This outreach was instituted in 2011 by Fr. Emil Robu and several parishioners as a need-based effort to assist those young people who may be struggling to afford the high costs of books and college classes.

The remaining designated funds have been untouched since 2021. We now hope to identify those students whose goals include either community college or a four year degree. All will be asked to submit a statement of eligibility as well as a personal testimony. A few of the applications already received speak about family hardships, deaths of a parent and financial struggles far beyond what a teen should be dealing with.

The funds may be divided and distributed based on the a Pastoral Council decision. If you would like to be a part of this effort, or want to apply please visit our website :

[www.ourladycarmelvalley.org](http://www.ourladycarmelvalley.org)

State: Scholarship Fund" under the 'donation' header or write it on your check note. We will announce the recipients at a later date. Thank you for your support of this worthy cause.

## FLOCKNOTE

**Now is a great time to update your information with the parish office!**

→ Open your phone's camera app and point it directly at the QR code. This should take you to the OLMC "new or update" registration page.



# MASS INTENTIONS

February 22<sup>nd</sup> – March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025

Sat. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> 4:30: + **Barb Burdick**

**Misa en Cachagua 37200 Nason Rd # 9 Familia Salinas-Solano 7:00pm:** + **Maurilio Salinas (1er. Aniv.), + Adan y + Consuelo Solano (6to. Aniv.)**

Sun. Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:00: + **Peter Coakley**  
11:00: + **Max Tybrowski**

Wed. Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 12:00: + **Steve Braebeck**

Thurs. Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> 12:00: + **Amalia Davila**

Fri. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> 12:00: **Int. of the Ferguson Family**

Sat. Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> Vigil 4:30: + **Art Taylor**

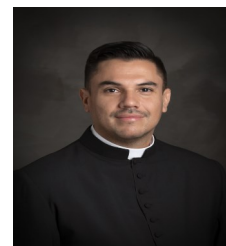
Sun. Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00: + **Frank & Nancy Dodsworth**  
11:00: + **Jack O'Neil**

MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL  
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD,  
REST IN PEACE. AMEN

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

FEB. 15TH & 16TH \$ 1,769.45

## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish,

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. We hear a hard to accept mandate from Jesus: Love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back. I would give you insight about this teaching especially putting it in the context of the Roman Empire's Laws. I will focus my attention more on the second reading when St. Paul speaks about the first Adam living being, and the last Adam a life giving spirit. I hope to see you at Mass.

I invite you to read the article about "Shining Star" college scholarship program, and to help us support of this worthy cause. Shalom! Fr. Jhonnatan.

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**DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!**



## VII DOMINGO ORDINARIO 'C' – FEB. 23RD, 2025 EL PRIMER HOMBRE, ADÁN, FUE UN SER QUE TUVO VIDA; EL ÚLTIMO ADÁN ES ESPÍRITU QUE DA LA VIDA 1 CORINTIOS 15, 45

La lectura del evangelio de hoy es una continuación de la enseñanza que comenzó en el evangelio del domingo pasado. Seguimos escuchando el Sermón de la Llanura de Jesús.

Estas palabras de la enseñanza de Jesús nos son familiares. Constituyen el quid y el desafío de lo que significa ser un discípulo: ama a tus enemigos, pon la otra mejilla, da a los que te piden, hazlo con los demás, presta sin esperar pago, no juzgues para que no te juzguen.

Hay varias similitudes entre el informe de Lucas y Mateo sobre la gran enseñanza de Jesús. Ambos comienzan con las Bienaventuranzas. Mateo incluye casi todo el contenido que incluye Lucas; El Sermón de la Montaña en el Evangelio de Mateo es más largo que el Sermón de la Llanura de Lucas. Sin embargo, existen diferencias en el lenguaje y los matices. Por ejemplo, Mateo presenta esta parte de la enseñanza como un contraste entre las enseñanzas de Jesús y las enseñanzas de la ley y los profetas. Esto está en consonancia con la preocupación de Mateo por dirigirse a su audiencia predominantemente judía. Es probable que Lucas omita este contraste porque era innecesario para los creyentes gentiles para quienes Lucas escribe.

Otro punto de contraste entre la presentación de Mateo y Lucas es la terminología. En Lucas, Jesús contrasta el comportamiento de sus seguidores con el comportamiento de los "pecadores". En Mateo, Jesús contrasta el comportamiento deseado con el comportamiento de los recaudadores de impuestos y de los gentiles. Mateo concluye la enseñanza sobre el amor a los enemigos con la advertencia de ser perfectos como Dios es perfecto; Lucas concluye enfatizando la misericordia de Dios.

En ambos evangelios, las palabras de Jesús desafían a quienes lo seguirían a ser más como Dios. Dios nos ama más allá de nuestras expectativas, más allá de cualquier cosa que podamos imaginar. En respuesta al amor de Dios, debemos amar como Dios ama, más allá de las expectativas y con una profundidad más allá de lo imaginable.





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### Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

### Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English,

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month

1:00 pm in the Church.

4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

### Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

### Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:

1:00 pm—3:00 pm.

Sundays: 10:00 am—11:00 am.

*"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service."* St. Teresa of Avila

## PARISH MINISTRIES

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