



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS— SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

*"AS MOSES LIFTED UP AND THE SERPENT IN THE DESERT, SO MUST THE SON OF MAN BE LIFTED UP, SO THAT EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE"*

In John's Gospel, Jesus' death on the cross as well as his resurrection and return to the Father are one event. For him, the cross is a sign of exaltation. The serpent that Moses lifted up in the desert to offer healing to those injured by snake bites prefigures Jesus' being lifted up on the cross, bringing salvation.

The eternal life God offers through Jesus is not life without end but life lived in the unending presence of God. That is why it can begin now in this life. The world to which God sends the Son is not a place but those people who are at odds with Jesus and God. Jesus is sent to this world as a gift. Only believers accept the gift.

Finally, God's judgment on the world is not a future cosmic event but a present reality. God sent the Son out of love for the world. However, the world has to decide to accept him. Those who accept him have eternal life at the moment of the decision. Those who reject him don't.

*"ASÍ COMO MOISÉS LEVANTÓ LA SERPIENTE EN EL DESIERTO, ASÍ TIENE QUE SER LEVANTADO EL HIJO DEL HOMBRE, PARA QUE TODO EL QUE CREA EN ÉL TENGA VIDA ETERNA."*

En el Evangelio de Juan, la muerte de Jesús en la cruz, así como su resurrección y regreso al Padre, constituyen un solo acontecimiento. Para él, la cruz es un signo de exaltación. La serpiente que Moisés levantó en el desierto para sanar a los heridos por mordeduras de serpiente prefigura la elevación de Jesús en la cruz, trayendo la salvación.

La vida eterna que Dios ofrece a través de Jesús no es una vida sin fin, sino una vida vivida en la presencia eterna de Dios. Por eso puede comenzar ahora, en esta vida. El mundo al que Dios envía a su Hijo no es un lugar, sino aquellas personas que están en desacuerdo con Jesús y con Dios. Jesús es enviado a este mundo como un regalo. Solo los creyentes aceptan el regalo.

Finalmente, el juicio de Dios sobre el mundo no es un evento cósmico futuro, sino una realidad presente. Dios envió a su Hijo por amor al mundo. Sin embargo, el mundo tiene que decidir aceptarlo. Quienes lo aceptan tienen vida eterna en el momento de la decisión. Quienes lo rechazan, no.



## TWO NEW SAINTS



Tens of thousands of people packed into St. Peter's Square on Sunday, September 7, 2025, for the canonization ceremony of **Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati**, two Italians who died young but whose deep faith has inspired millions worldwide. Lengthy applause filled the square when **Pope Leo XIV** pronounced them saints during the Mass. These were the first saints declared by the new pope. The parents, brother and sister of Carlo were in the audience.



**Acutis**, who was born in London on May 3, 1991, and raised in Italy, was a computer whiz kid who taught himself coding and created a multilingual website documenting eucharistic miracles recognized by the church. He earned the nickname “God’s influencer”.



**Frassati**, born April 6, 1901, was an enthusiastic member of Italian Catholic youth movements and an avid mountain climber.



These two young men may have lived a century apart, but each had numerous miracles attributed to them. According to the pope, the two Italian saints cultivated their love for God and for their brothers and sisters through "simple acts" of "daily Mass, prayer, and especially Eucharistic Adoration," which are available to every Catholic. Both volunteered and assisted the poor, and both died within days of being diagnosed with a fatal illness. Frassati died of polio in 1925, when he was 24. Carlo died of leukemia in 2006, when he was 15.

In his homily, the pope also said, “Dear friends, Saints Pier Giorgio Frassati and Carlo Acutis are an invitation to all of us, especially young people, not to squander our lives, but to direct them upwards and make them masterpieces.”

## MASS INTENTIONS

*SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> – SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>*

*Sat. Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 4:30 Vigil: Int. Joe Kordsmeier (91<sup>st</sup> birthday)*

*Sun. Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00: People of the Parish*

*11:00: + Ida Venegas*

*1:00 (Spanish):+ Pilar Paredes*

*Wed, Sept 17<sup>th</sup> 12:00: + Leslie Gregory*

*Thurs. Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 12:00: + Zane Patrick Gregory*

*Fri. Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 12:00: + David Gomez*

*Sat. Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 4:30 Vigil: + Linda Calciano*

*Sun. Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00: Int. Josh Garcia*  
*11:00: + Bill Griffin*

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

*SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup>*

*GENERAL FUND: \$3,898*

*MAINTENANCE FUND: \$739*

*Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.*

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



Have you ever imagined yourself exalting a lethal injection, an electric chair, or even a concentration camp? In a way, that's exactly what we're doing this weekend we're celebrating a Feast that exalts the Cross!

Why would we do such a thing? Because Jesus has transformed the meaning of the Cross. He has changed our perspective entirely. Just last Sunday, He invited us to take up our crosses and follow Him. Now we are invited to look upon Him as He is lifted up, so that through Him, we might be saved.

Shalom! Father Jhonnnatan

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Join us after the 1pm Spanish language Mass Sunday September 14 to celebrate Mexican Independence Day and El Dia de la Hispanidad. There will be a potluck and music from the group **Mexico de Mis Amores**. OLMC welcomes "**Mexico de Mis Amores**," under the leadership of Maestra Belén Mata . We ask for our parishioner's prayers for her health as she battles a serious illness. *Despite this illness, the sharing of music and culture is a strong love of Belen, and her faith and strength are inspiring. We pray for her continued recovery and health, and are grateful for her, and her group's contribution to our celebration.*



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## SCHEDULE

### 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 7:00 PM 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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