

The Scapular

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A National Shrine thank you at this time of Thanksgiving



Fr. Nicholas Blackwell, O. Carm., presented a Carmelite Spirituality Series talk on St. Teresa of Avila on Saturday, October 26th.

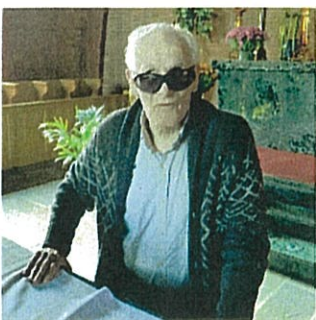
As we prepare to thank God for His many blessings, I want to publicly extend my sincere appreciation to the wonderful people who make the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel a very special place. Thanks to all who participated in our Tridium in honor of St. Therese, particularly Frs. Justin Maria Cinnate, O. Carm., Von Erik Maria Sandoval, O. Carm., Fr Andrew Tsui, Fr Marlon Beharry O. Carm. and our Provincial the Very Rev. Fr. Mario J. Esposito, O. Carm.

We participated in World Rosary Day on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th, an initiative of Pope Francis to promote world peace. October 13 we also had our first Fall Festival/ Bake sale/Flea Market. Special thanks to our sponsors and our organizers, particularly to the Shrine's Antonio Annunziata. Thanks also to our many volunteers and those who baked or brought items for the sale. Thanks also to the K of C for helping with grilling on festival day and to all who came despite the weather. We also extended our outside lighting – the Scapular Vision Statue in the Mary Garden, the Our Lady of Knock Shrine.

This October we continued our Conference on Prayer, featuring Sr Peggy Murphy, O.P. who led the lecture on the Rosary. We also began the Carmelite Spirituality Series – which hopes to highlight various Carmelite Saints and Blesseds. The series affords us with an opportunity to examine particular themes within Carmel. Our speakers have focused on Therese of Lisieux, Teresa of Avila and Elizabeth of the Trinity.

The Spirituality presentations, led by our Carmelite brothers, provide insights for those who may want to deepen their spirituality and prayer life...or knowledge of Carmel. In November we will host our Advent Craft Workshop as we prepare for the Liturgical Season of Advent. Participants will have an opportunity to make their own Advent wreath and learn about the season. Upcoming fundraisers like the Pasta Feast and the Victorian Christmas Concert will provide participants a chance to socialize with fellow Shriners, while enjoying what the season has to offer. We thank you for your support and presence here at the Shrine and we will continue to keep you in our prayers.

- Fr. Gerard Tang Choon, O. Carm. - Rector



A man who deserves our thanks for all he does for us

You see him here, you see him there. In fact, you see him everywhere at the Shrine. While he needs no introduction, it is a privilege to put Charlie (Charles Paduch) in the Shrine spotlight because he gives so freely of his time and devotion to the Shrine.

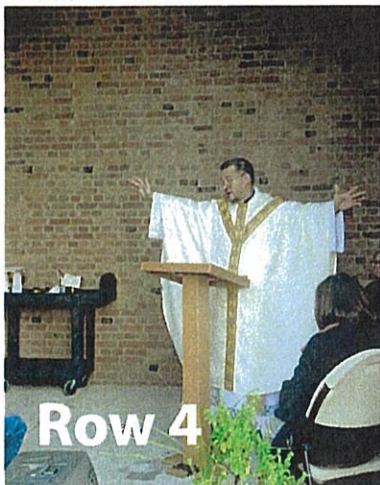
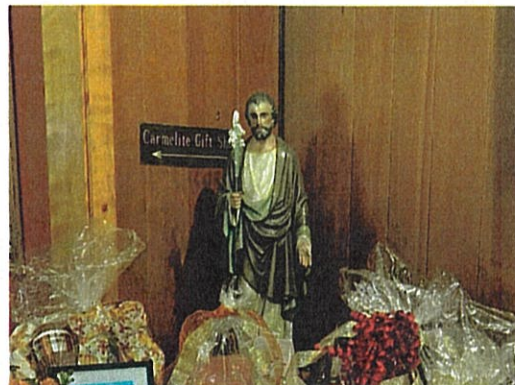
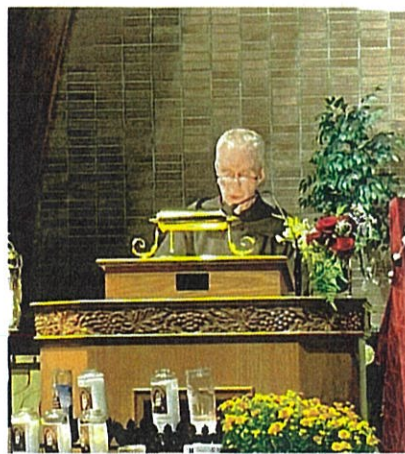
Born in Middletown on February 13, 1939, Charlie graduated from Middletown High School in 1953. Post high school, Charlie worked for the Times Herald-Record, as a carpenter and even as a grave digger at St. Joseph's Church in Middletown.

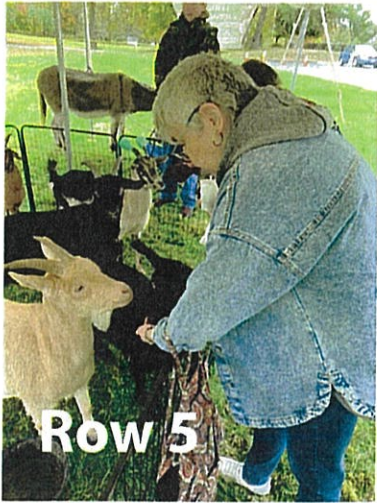
While working to find out what he was called to do, Charlie was a volunteer fireman serving the people 1962. 23 year-old Charlie lost his eyesight. It should come as no surprise that Charlie had a lot of questions as to why he lost his sight.

He credits Fr. Richard Champigny, O. Carm. with helping him make the most of his life. The new church at St. Albert's afforded Charlie with a new lease on life. In time, the Shrine became his home. In the beginning he would walk to St. Albert's to assist Fr. Richard, the then Shrine Director, by setting the altar for Mass, and making sure everything was ready for offering the sacrifice of the Mass.

Times have changed, but not for Charlie. He continues to share his vision of God's love with all of us at the Shrine. We can't thank him enough for all he does at the National Shrine. (Charlie who was named Firefighter of the year in 1962, has been a Lay Carmelite since 1970.)

A Picture Was Worth a Thousand Words In October

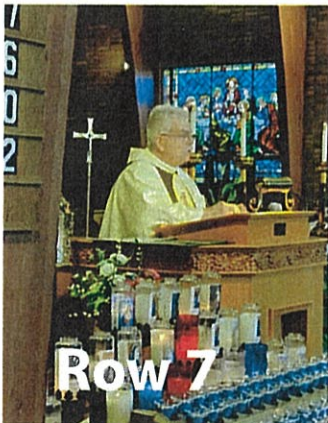




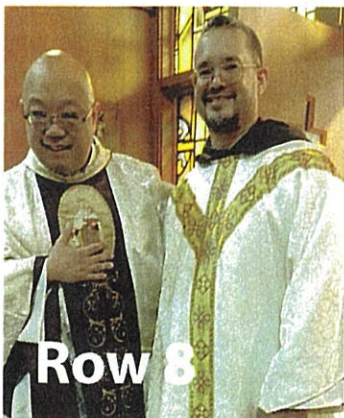
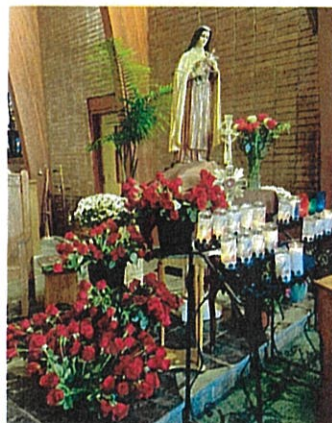
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- Row 1 - Fall Craft Workshop
- Row 2 - World Rosary Day
- Row 3 - Bake Sale
- Row 4 - St. Francis of Assisi: outdoor Mass and animal blessing
- Row 5/6 - First Shrine Fall Festival
- Row 7 - Celebrating the Triduum: St. Therese of the Child Jesus
- Row 8 - (pic one) Fr. Gerard, O. Carm., and Fr. Tsui: Triduum; (pic two) Mass in honor of Our Lady of Manaoag

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

A Ministry of the Carmelite Friars of St. Elias Province

MASSES

Monday-Friday: 11:30 am
Saturday & Sunday: 12 Noon

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 10:45 - 11:45 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Every Friday: 10:00 - 11:20 am

NOVEMBER SHRINE SCHEDULE

- 1 Fri. 11:30am SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS MASS
- 2 Sat. - 12 noon Mass- ALL SOULS DAY
- 4:00 pm - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALL SOULS MASS
- 7:00 pm - SPANISH MASS
- 3 Sun 1:30pm - LECTOR/EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER MEETING - Edith Stein Conference Room
- 7 Thu. 10:15am - PRAYER CONFERENCE- "St. Elizabeth of the Trinity"
-Edith Stein Conference Room. Presenter: Fr. Raymond Maher, O.Carm
- 7:00 pm - AOH(Ancient Order of Hibernians) Meeting - Edith Stein Conference Room
- 8 Fri. 11:30 am - Feast of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Mass
- 9 Sat. 11:00 am - ALL CARMELITE SOULS MASS (No Confessions nor 12 noon Mass)
- 4:30 pm - ITALIAN MASS
- 10 Sun. 1:15pm - LA VANG MASS
- 11 Mon. Veteran's Day Holiday- Shrine closes after 11:30 am Mass (Gift Store closed.)
- 13 Wed. 6:30 pm - ARCHDIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT MASS
- 15 Fri. 7:00 - 9:00 pm ADVENT CRAFT WORKSHOP-\$35pp, includes materials, refreshments - call to register
- 16 Sat. 7:00 pm - SPANISH HEALING MASS
- 17 Sun. 2:00 - 5:00 pm PASTA FEAST (After Mass) - \$15pp ahead of time, \$20 at the door; Pilgrim Hall. Italian musician Angelo Ucello will provide music.
- 21 Thu. 7:00 pm - ENGLISH HEALING MASS
- 28 Thu. 11:30 am - THANKSGIVING DAY MASS - the Shrine closes after Mass. (Gift store closed.)
- 29 Fri. The Shrine will close after Mass. (Gift store is closed.)

SHRINE HOURS

Mon-Fri: 7 am to 4 pm
Sat: 10 am to 4 pm Sun: 10 am to 3 pm

GIFT STORE

Mon-Sat: 10 am to 4 pm
Sun: 10 am to 3 pm

Join us at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel the first Saturday every month for our Spanish Mass

Santa Misa en Español

Saturday
November 2nd
7:00 pm

"Todos son bienvenidos"

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THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PRESENTS

The Carmelite Spirituality Series

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

Fr. Raymond Maher, O. Carm.

Thursday, November 7th
10:15 am - Edith Stein Conference Rm.

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Join us at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel for our monthly Mass in Italian

Santa Messa Italiana

Gloria a Dio

Saturday,
November 9th
4:30 pm

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The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel invites you to express yourself this holiday at our:

Advent Craft Workshop

Friday, Nov. 15th
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Edith Stein Conference Room
\$35 per crafter

Spending a joyful evening on a special night means you'll have your own holiday. How do you make a holiday? In celebration you'll be proud of!

SEATING IS LIMITED!

ALL CRAFT MATERIALS WILL BE PROVIDED.
FREE LIGHT HOLOGRAMS
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

The Monthly Spanish Healing Mass at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Misa de Sanacion

Sábado
16 de Noviembre
7 pm

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PASTA FEAST

at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

SUNDAY, NOV. 17th
2 - 5 pm

\$15 pp in advance
\$20 pp at the door

Pilgrim Hall

Featuring the Italian Songbook of Angelo Ucello

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Healing Mass
in English

Thursday,
November 21st @ 7 pm

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The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel presents

Holiday Carols at the Grand Piano

Friday,
Dec. 6th
4:30 pm
\$20

HOLIDAY TREATS WILL BE SERVED

Edith Stein Conference Room

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CARMELITE SAINTS AND BLESSEDS FOR NOVEMBER



Françoise d'Amboise - 1427-1485

D'Amboise, the daughter of a wealthy family, was born in the castle of Thouars. To escape from the violence of the times, she fled with her mother to the court of Brittany. She married Peter, the second son of John V, Duke of Brittany at the age of fifteen, in 1442. In 1450 her husband came to rule Brittany as Pierre II. She came to help the poor and the sick. She had also a strong feeling about justice. Her husband died of a disease in 1457. A widow without children, she founded in 1463, together with Jean Soreth, the first convent of the Carmelites in France. She took the veil of a nun in 1468, when entering the convent of Vannes, called "The three Maries." She died in Nantes, at the monastery of the Carmelites. In 1863, she was beatified by Pope Pius IX. Feast: Nov. 4th.



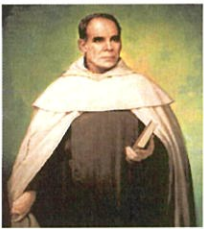
St. Friar Nuno de Santa Maria Alvares Pereira – 1360-1431

Nuno was born in 1360. For many years he pursued a military career, becoming the champion of Portuguese independence. After the death of his wife, he joined the Order as a brother in 1423 at the monastery of Lisbon, which he had founded himself, and took the name of Nuno of Saint Mary. There he lived until his death in 1431. He was noted for his prayer, his practice of penance, and his filial devotion to the Mother of God. He was beatified by Pope Benedict XV on January 23, 1918. Nuno was canonized St. Nuno by Pope Benedict XVI on April 26, 2009. Feast Day – November 6th.



Bl. Josepha Naval Girbés - 1820-1893

Josefa Naval Girbés was a Spanish Roman Catholic who was also a member of the Third Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. She worked with cholera patients. She opened a home for the spiritual development of all people and worked to educate them and earned a reputation as an educator and catechist. Girbés began to feel chronic pains in 1891 due to a heart condition and was in great pain as a result of it. She died in 1893 as a result of her heart ailment. Pope John Paul II beatified her on 25 September 1988. She has been recognized across Spain for her commitment to Church life and in the field of education, for her personal holiness and the conduct in which she led her life. Feast Day is Nov. 6th.



Bl. Francis Palau y Quer -1811-1872

Born in Aytona, Lerida, on December 29, 1811, Blessed Francis Palau y Quer entered the Carmelite Order in 1832 and was ordained priest in 1836. Civil turmoil forced him to live in exile and outside his community. On his return to Spain in 1851, he founded his "School of Virtue", which was a model of catechetical teaching at Barcelona. The school was suppressed and he was unjustly exiled to Ibiza (1854-1860) where he lived at El Vedra in solitude and experienced mystically visions. While in the Balearic Islands he founded the Congregations of Carmelite Brothers and Sisters. He preached popular missions and spread love of Our Lady wherever he went. He died at Tarragona on March 20, 1872, and was beatified by Pope John Paul II. Feast: Nov. 7th.



St. Elizabeth of the Trinity- 1880-1906

Elizabeth Catez, born July 18th 1880 in Campo d'Avor, France, took a vow of virginity in 1894. Feeling called to enter the religious life, she asked permission of her mother to enter Carmel but she received a firm refusal, and her mother only finally gave way on condition that Elizabeth waited until she was older. On August 2nd 1901, she entered the Carmel at Dijon. The five years that she spent in religious life brought her ever closer to God although the Lord tested her with many spiritual trials and severe physical suffering due to Addison's disease which finally brought about her death on Nov. 9th 1906. Canonized by Pope Francis on 16 October 2016, her feast is Nov. 8th.

Consider attending the next presentation of the Carmelite Spirituality series, with Fr. Raymond Maher, O. Carm., Thurs., Nov. 7th at 10:15 am in the Edith Stein Conference Room.



St. Raphael Kalinowski - 1835-1907

Raphael Kalinowski was born in 1835. Following military service, he was condemned in 1864 to ten years of forced labor in Siberia. In 1877 he became a Carmelite and was ordained a priest in 1882. His life was distinguished by zeal for Church unity and by his unflinching devotion to his ministry. Renowned for his sanctity and his heroic status in Poland due to his years in Siberia, Raphael greatly popularized the Order and is credited with bringing about its restoration in Poland. He was distinguished in his zeal for the advancement of the Church, his efforts toward Church unity, and, in particular, his love of Our Lady, Queen of Poland. He died in Wadowice in 1902 at age 72 and was canonized by St. John Paul II in 1991. His feast is observed on November 19th.



Bl. Dionysius/Denis of the Nativity (1600-1638) and Bl. Redemptus of the Cross (c.1598-1638)

Peter Berthelot (Bl. Dionysius) was born at Honfleur, France on Dec. 12, 1600. He joined the Discalced Carmelites, making his profession on Dec. 25, 1636. In 1638, Viceroy Peter da Silva sent Francis de Souza de Castro as ambassador to the sultan of Sumatra. The ambassador took Dionysius with him as a spiritual guide. Dionysius, in turn, he took as his companion, Thomas Rodriguez (Bl. Redemptus), a Carmelite lay brother. The two left Goa with in Sept. 1638. The joy with which they were received was feigned; they were soon made prisoners. While in prison, Dionysius deprived himself even of necessities in his charity for others. Both were condemned to death: Redemptus was the first to die early in 1638. Dionysius/Denis was killed on Nov. 29, 1638. They were beatified by Pope Leo XIII on June 10, 1900. Their Feast is celebrated on Nov. 29th.