Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish-Shrine

November 28, 2021
First Sunday of Advent

The Italian National Parish of the Archdiocese of Chicago
Served by The Missionaries of Saint Charles – Scalabrinians

Staff

Pastor
Fr. Leandro Fossá, C.S.

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John Battisto
Giulio Camerini
Jose Ramon Arenas

Secretaries
Nancy Diaz
Bianca Lara

Office Hours

Monday – Friday
8:00am—12:00pm
12:30pm—7:30pm

Saturday
9:00am — 1:00pm
2:00pm— 4:00pm

Sunday
Closed

Sunday Mass Schedule

5:30pm - Sat. Vigil Mass
7:45am - English
9:00am - Español
10:30am - Italian
12:00pm - English
1:30pm - Español
5:00pm - Español

Weekly Mass Schedule

English
Monday — Friday 8:00am

Español
Lunes a Viernes a las 6:30pm

Italiano

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THE SCALABRINIAN MISSIONARIES
AT MOUNT CARMEL SINCE 1905.

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Our Lady of Mt Carmel is served
by the Congregation of the Missionaries of
St. Charles Scalabrinians.
We are a community of Catholic religious
serving migrants and refugees of different cultures,
religions and ethnicities in 32 countries.
The Congregation was founded in Italy
on November 28, 1887
by Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini (1839-1905),
bishop of Piacenza, Italy.
Our missionary focus is to be migrants
with the migrants and to be in mission
with people on the move,
with a special priority for the poorest
and neediest migrants.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL — MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community bound by the Grace of God the Father who adopted us all as beloved children through Baptism. We journey as brothers and sisters inspired in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished with the Eucharist and strengthened by the love of the Holy Spirit. Encouraged in the practice of our Catholic Tradition we experience and honor the maternal protection of Our Lady of Mount Carmel while joyfully celebrating the religious practices of our ancestors in Faith. Heartened by the zealous ministry of the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinian) we strive to create a welcoming space where justice for all and the well-being of God's people become the inspiration in our efforts to build God's Kingdom.

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NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL MONTE CARMELO — VISIÓN

Somos una comunidad de fe vinculada por la Gracia de Dios Padre que nos ha adoptado como hijos amados por el Bautismo. Caminamos como hermanos y hermanas inspirados en el Evangelio de Jesucristo nutridos con la Eucaristía y fortalecidos por el amor del Espíritu Santo. Alentados en la práctica de nuestra Tradición Católica, experimentamos y honramos la protección materna de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo, celebrando alegremente las prácticas religiosas de nuestros ancestros en la Fe. Animados por el celo ministerial de los Misioneros de San Carlos (Scalabrinianos) nos esforzamos por crear un espacio de bienvenida donde la justicia para todos y el bienestar del pueblo de Dios nos inspiran en nuestros esfuerzos para construir el Reino de Dios.

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NOSTRA SIGNORA DEL MONTE CARMELO - VISIONE

Siamo una comunita di fede circondata dalla grazia di Dio Padre che ci ha adottato come figli amati attraverso il Battesimo. Camminiamo come fratelli e sorelle, inspirati nel Vangelo di Gesù Cristo, nutriti con l'Eucaristia , e fortificati dall'amore dello Spirito Santo. Rimaniamo incoraggiati nella pratica della nostra Tradizione Cattolica, esperimentiamo ed onoriamo la protezione materna della Nostra Signora del Monte Carmelo, celebrando con gioia le pratiche religiose dei nostri antenati nella Fede. Animati dallo zelo ministeriale dei Missionari di San Carlo (Scalabriniani), cerchiamo di creare uno spazio di accoglienza, Dove la giustizia per tutti e il benessere del popolo di Dio diventa l'ispirazione nel nostro lavoro per construire il Regno di Dio.

Church Services

We encourage all to register at the Parish-Shrine.

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Les invitamos a registrarse en el Santuario Parroquial.

Support Staff

Business Manager
Xochitl Duran 708.345.3632

Programs Director
Jose Michel 708.345.3632

Religious Education
Sister Alma Huerta 708.344.4140

Community Center Site Director
Pablo Cruz 708.345.3632

Sacramental Life

Confessions ***Confesiones***
Thursdays — Jueves
5:30pm –7:00pm
Saturdays —*Sábados*
4:00pm—5:00pm or by appointment /*o con cita.*

Baptisms ***Bautizos***
Contact the secretary at least a month in advance.
Contactar a la secretaria un mes antes .

Weddings ***Bodas***
Contact the priest at least six months in advance.
Contactar al sacerdote seis meses antes de la ceremonia.

Quinceañera
Contactar a la secretaria cuatro meses antes de la ceremonia.

Presentaciones
Contactar a la Secretaria al menos dos semanas antes.

Religious Services

Adoration ***Adoración al Stmo. Sacramento***
Thursdays 5:30pm—6:30pm

Other Services

Gift Shop Hours ***Venta de Artículos Religiosos***
During the regular office hours.
Durante las horas de oficina

Community Center ***Centro Comunitario***
Social outreach *Servicios a la comunidad* (708) 345 - 3632

Food Pantry ***Despensa de comida***
Wednesdays 3:30pm —5:30pm

Religious Education—Office Hours/Horario de Oficina
Tuesday & Wednesday - Martes & Miercoles:
3:30pm —7:30pm
Thursday & Friday — Jueves & Viernes:
10:00am —5:00pm

Catecismo

Saturday - *Sábados* 3:30pm — 6:30pm
Sunday - *Domingos* 10:00am—1:00pm
- Mass Included — Incluye la Misa

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 27th — Weekday
5:30 pm †Joseph Stellato by: mother June Stellato

Sunday, November 28th — First Sunday of Advent
7:45am †
7:45am †
9:00am †
10:30 am †Eugenio & Mirella Parrinello by: family
†Frank & Mario Palermo by: Giosina Palermo & family
12:00 pm †
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

Monday, November 29th — Advent Weekday
8:00 am †
6:30 pm †

Tuesday, November 30th — St. Andrew Apostle
8:00 am †
6:30 pm †

Wednesday, December 1st — Advent Weekday
8:00 am †
6:30 pm †
7:30pm Novena

Thursday, December 2nd — Advent Weekday
10:00 am †Rosa Giudize by: husband Ennio Giudize
12:00 pm †

Friday, December 3rd — St. Francis Xavier
8:00 am †
6:30 pm NOVENA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

Saturday, December 4th — Advent Weekday
5:30 pm †Tomas Murillo by: Murillo family
6:30 pm NOVENA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

Sunday, December 5th — Second Sunday of Advent
7:45am †
9:00am †
10:30am †
12:00pm †
1:30pm †
5:00pm †
6:30 pm NOVENA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

My dear parishioners

!Oh Come, oh come, Emmanuel! Today we start a new liturgical year. The Liturgical Year is "the celebration throughout the year of the mysteries of the Lord's birth, life, death, and Resurrection in such a way that the entire year becomes a 'year of the Lord's grace.'" The Season of Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas (November 28, 2021) and ends after the mid-afternoon prayer on Christmas Eve, (December 24, 2021).

"The celebration of Advent is possible only to those who are troubled in soul, who know themselves to be poor and imperfect, and who look forward to something greater to come." *Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

This liturgical year we celebrate the ***Year C*** and the gospel used will be ***Luke's Gospel***. Luke's story of Jesus and the church is dominated by a historical perspective. This history is first of all a salvation history.

For many Christians unfamiliar with the liturgical year, there may be some confusion surrounding the meaning of the Advent season. Some people may know that the Advent season focuses on expectation and think that it serves as an anticipation of Christ's birth in the season leading up to Christmas. This is part of the story but there is more to Advent.

The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "coming," which is a translation of the Greek word *parousia*. Scholars believe that during the 4th and 5th centuries in Spain and Gaul Advent was a season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians at the January feast of Epiphany, the celebration of God's incarnation represented by the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus (Matthew 2:1), his baptism in the Jordan River by John the Baptist (John 1:29), and his first miracle at Cana (John 2:1). During this season of preparation, Christians would spend 40 days in penance, prayer, and fasting to prepare for this celebration; originally, there was little connection between Advent and Christmas.

Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel…how are we preparing for the Lord's coming? During this time of the year, we prepare to receive the good news of hope. We joyfully expect to rejoice with news of hope and change.

Most definitely we need change…but how about if change does not happen? For Catholics the coming of Jesus is always a marvelous change; it is a moment of hope and a breath of fresh air. In the parish of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, we are organizing many events like novenas, reflections, retreats, connecting societies, forming our ministers and lectors… many small signs of hopeful activities.

Moreover, this year our community is praying to Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini to become a saint. In fact, this weekend is the anniversary of the 134th foundation of the Missionaries of St Charles Scalabrinians who have been serving this parish for over 100 years.

May the first candle of the advent's wreath light our hearts with hope.

Fr. Leandro Fossá, cs
Pastor and Rector

DEL ESOCRITORIO DEL PÁRROCO:

Mis queridos feligreses

¡Ven Señor, Ven Señor, no tardes! Hoy comenzamos un nuevo año litúrgico. El Año Litúrgico es "la celebración durante todo el año de los misterios del nacimiento, la vida, la muerte y la Resurrección del Señor de tal manera que todo el año se convierte en un 'año de la gracia del Señor'". La temporada de Adviento comienza cuatro domingos antes de Navidad (28 de noviembre de 2021) y termina después de la oración de media tarde en la víspera de Navidad (24 de diciembre de 2021).

"La celebración del Adviento es posible sólo para aquellos que están turbados en el alma, que saben que son pobres e imperfectos, y que esperan con ansias algo más grande por venir".

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Este año litúrgico celebramos el ***Año C*** y el evangelio utilizado será el ***Evangelio de Lucas***. La historia que cuenta Lucas acerca de Jesús y de la iglesia está dominada por una perspectiva histórica. Esta historia es, ante todo, una historia de salvación.

Para muchos cristianos que no están familiarizados con el año litúrgico puede haber cierta confusión en torno al significado del tiempo de Adviento. Algunas personas pueden saber que la temporada de Adviento se enfoca en la expectativa y piensan que sirve como una anticipación del nacimiento de Cristo en la temporada previa a la Navidad. Esto es parte de la historia, pero hay más en el Adviento.

La palabra "Adviento" se deriva de la palabra latina *adventus*, que significa "venida", que es una traducción de la palabra griega *parusia*. Los eruditos creen que durante los siglos 4 y 5 en España y la Galia, el Adviento fue una temporada de preparación para el bautismo de los nuevos cristianos en la fiesta de enero de la Epifanía, la celebración de la encarnación de Dios representada por la visita de los Reyes Magos al niño Jesús (Mateo 2: 1), su bautismo en el río Jordán por Juan el Bautista (Juan 1:29), y su primer milagro en Caná (Juan 2:1). Durante esta temporada de preparación los cristianos pasarían 40 días en penitencia, oración y ayuno para prepararse para esta celebración; originalmente, había poca conexión entre el Adviento y la Navidad.

Oh ven, oh ven, Emmanuel... ¿Cómo nos estamos preparando para la venida del Señor? Durante esta época del año, nos preparamos para recibir las buenas nuevas de esperanza, esperamos con alegría que se regocijen con noticias de esperanza y cambio.

Definitivamente necesitamos un cambio... pero ¿qué tal si el cambio no ocurre? Para los católicos la venida de Jesús es siempre un cambio maravilloso, es un momento de esperanza y un soplo de aire fresco. En la parroquia de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo estamos organizando muchos eventos como novenas, reflexiones, retiros, conectando sociedades, formando a nuestros ministros y lectores... muchos pequeños signos de actividades esperanzadoras.

Además, este año nuestra comunidad está orando al Beato Juan Bautista Scalabrini para que se convierta en un santo. De hecho, este fin de semana es el 134 aniversario de la fundación de los Misioneros de San Carlos Scalabrinianos que han estado sirviendo a esta parroquia durante más de 100 años.

Que la primera vela de la corona de Adviento encienda nuestros corazones con esperanza.

P. Leandro Fossá, cs

Párroco y Rector

Carissimi parrocchiani
Oh, Vieni, oh vieni Emanuel!
Oggi, con la Prima Domenica di Avvento, iniziamo un Nuovo Anno Liturgico.

L'Anno Liturgico è "il ciclo di celebrazioni che durante tutto l'anno decantano dei misteri della nascita, della vita, della morte e della risurrezione del Signore
Il tempo di Avvento inizia quattro domeniche prima del Natale (28 novembre 2021) e termina dopo la preghiera di metà pomeriggio della Vigilia di Natale (24 dicembre 2021).

Come dice Dietrich Bonhoeffer: "La celebrazione dell'Avvento è possibile solo a coloro che sono turbati nell'anima, che sanno di essere poveri e imperfetti, e che non vedono l'ora che arrivi qualcosa di più grande".

Quest'anno celebriamo l'Anno liturgico C e useremo gli scritti del Vangelo narrati da San Luca. La storia narrata da San Luca su Gesù e la chiesa, è dominata da una prospettiva storica. Questa storia è prima di tutto una storia di salvezza. Per molti cristiani che non hanno familiarità con l'anno liturgico, ci può essere una certa confusione intorno al significato del tempo di Avvento. Alcune persone per Avvento intendono, il periodo che si concentra sull'attesa e pensano che serva come anticipazione della nascita di Cristo, (periodo che precede il Natale). Ma c'è di più. La parola "Avvento" deriva dalla parola latina ***adventus***, che significa "venuta", traduzione della parola greca ***parousia***. Gli studiosi ritengono che durante il 4 ° e 5 ° secolo in Spagna e in Gallia, l'Avvento fosse:
un periodo di preparazione al battesimo dei nuovi cristiani nella festa di gennaio dell'Epifania, la celebrazione dell'incarnazione di Dio rappresentata dalla visita dei Magi al bambino Gesù (Matteo 2:1), il suo battesimo nel fiume Giordano da parte di Giovanni Battista (Giovanni 1:29), ed il suo primo miracolo a Cana (Giovanni 2:1).
Durante questo periodo di preparazione, i cristiani trascorrevano 40 giorni in penitenza, preghiera e digiuno per prepararsi a questa celebrazione; in origine, c'era poca connessione tra l'Avvento e il Natale.

Oh, vieni, oh vieni Emmanuel... **come ci stiamo preparando per la venuta del Signore?** In questo periodo dell'anno, ci prepariamo a ricevere la buona notizia della speranza, attendiamo con gioia di allietarci con notizie di speranza e cambiamento. Sicuramente abbiamo bisogno di cambiamento... E se i cambiamenti non avvengono?
Per i cattolici la venuta di Gesù è sempre un cambiamento meraviglioso, è un momento di speranza e una boccata d'aria fresca. Nella nostra parrocchia, "Nostra Signora del Monte Carmelo" il nostro motto è **"Cambiamento e Speranza in un cammino verso Dio"** stiamo formando i nostri ministri e lettori... organizzando molti eventi come novene, riflessioni, ritiri, ... molti piccoli segni di attività di speranza. Inoltre, quest'anno la nostra comunità sta intensificando momenti di preghiera, affinché' il Beato Giovanni Battista Scalabrini diventi Santo. Maggiormente questo fine settimana perché ricorre il **134° anniversario della fondazione dei Missionari di San Carlo Scalabriniani** che servono questa parrocchia da oltre 100 anni.

Che il Signore Gesù Cristo, per intercessione della Beata sempre Vergine Maria e del Beato Giovan Battista Scalabrini ci protegga sempre.
Che la prima candela della corona dell'avvento illumini i nostri cuori di speranza

P. Leandro Fossá, cs
Parroco e Rettore

Income 2021			
Ordinary Income: Sunday Collection & Holy Days			$ 205,399.07
Christmas Collection			$ 9,227.00
Easter Collection			$ 4,779.00
Second collections for Parish			$ 24,430.64
Religious Education Registration			$ 39,551.51
Lease and Rental Income (School, Community Center, Hall, Others)			$ 153,713.32
Fund Raising	Feast of OLMC (2020 Income), Varia: Religious Articles, Spanish Auxiliary groups, Parish Fund Raisings, Other donations.		$ 1,027,362.78
Miscellaneous: Stole fees-Sacramental Services, and Candles.			$ 68,642.66
Outside Funding Sources (Grants)			$ 1,253,293.35
		Total Income	**$ 2,786,399.33**
Expenses 2021			
Ordinary Expenses: Salaries			$ 592,198.17
Employee taxes & benefits			$ 153,508.68
Books, Supplies & Administrative			$ 73,827.32
Groceries, Catering, Meals & Janitorial Supplies			$ 38,035.54
Utilities (Gas, Electricity, Water, Telecommunications)			$ 113,550.53
Maintenance & Building Repairs			$ 80,217.00
Transportation costs (Repairs: Cars, Vans & Minibus)			$ 12,351.50
Altar & Liturgical Supplies			$ 10,518.76
Furnishings & Equipment			$ 10,087.08
Archdiocesan & Lease Assessments			$ 64,607.04
Property, Casualty & Other Insurance			$ 47,597.28
Ministry formation, Meetings & Speakers			$ 2,157.00
Miscellaneous (Public Relations, Hospitality, Gifts, Subscriptions)			$ 20,573.12
COVID-19 Casa Esperanza Restricted Emergency Assistance			$ 865,014.61
		Total Expenses	**$ 2,084,243.63**
		Net	**$ 702,155.70**
Other Income	Archdiocesan Required Second Collections		$ 13,770.00
	Rel. Ed. 21-22, TTWC & Emergency fund- Rent Assistance		$ 10,401.10
	SBA-PPP Loan Forgiveness		$ 108,234.00
Other Expenses	Payment of Archdiocesan required second collections		$ (14,970.00)
	Capital Improvements -AC Hall, Pumps & HVAC Casa Esperanza		$ (85,616.00)
			$ 31,819.10
Net Income			**$ 733,974.80**

Collection totals per Mass:

5:30 PM	$	19,964.00
8:00 AM	$	63,741.00
10:00 AM	$	18,526.00
11:30 AM	$	22,221.00
1:00 PM	$	54,153.87
5:00 PM	$	20,446.00
Varia - Children Donations & Holidays:	$	16,868.00
	$	**215,919.87**

Status Anima rum July 2020 - June 2021

Baptisms:	122
Initiation of Children:	
Confirmation teenagers:	315
Confirmation adults:	58
First Communions (Children):	221
First Communions (adults):	20
Weddings:	14
Quinceañeras:	9
Funerals:	81
Reception - Full Communion	1

The Parish in numbers…
July 2020 - June2021

Registered Families	404
Sunday Attendance	2,619
CCD Students	352
RCIA Students	58

Improvements during July 2020 - June 2021:

CARMEL HALL AC UNIT	$	57,116.00
CARMEL HALL EJECTOR PUMPS	$	15,000.00
MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR THE HVAC	$	6,500.00
CASA ESPERANZA HVAC UNITS	$	13,500.00
Total improvement expenses	$	92,116.00

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP
A Strong sign of our discipleship

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace"

What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

People who want to live as Christian disciples and Christian stewards face serious obstacles. In the United States and other nations, a dominant secular culture often contradicts religious convictions about the meaning of life. This culture frequently encourages us to focus on ourselves and our pleasures.

At times, we can find it far too easy to ignore spiritual realities and to deny religion a role in shaping human and social values. As Catholics who have entered into the mainstream of American society and experienced its advantages, many of us also have been adversely influenced by this secular culture. We know what it is to struggle against selfishness and greed, and we realize that it is harder for many today to accept the challenge of being a Christian steward. It is essential, therefore, that we make a special effort to understand the true meaning of stewardship and live accordingly.

To be a Christian Steward
USCCB Pastoral Letter on Stewardship

Groups

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Coming together every Sunday and celebrating the Eucharist is the best expression of what it means to be an active member of the Church. It is when the baptized children of God gather to celebrate the memorial of Jesus' passion, death and Resurrection that we can best express being living members of the body of Christ, called to worship the Lord of life. However, belonging to a church group allows the person to grow in faith while striving to establish in the world the presence of our Savior. Here at OLMC we can encounter a variety of groups and societies that gift our community with a diversity of charismas where the action of the Holy Spirit is best expressed.

Parish Groups

Altar and Rosary Society: English-open to all women of good faith-Last Tuesday of the month. St. Anthony's room 7:00-9:00 p.m

St. Anthony's Society: English/Italian-open to men and women-3rd Thursday of the month-St. Anthony's room-7:00-9:00 p.m

Jornadas Matrimoniales-Spanish-open to all men and women-Every other Friday-Pastoral Center room 4-7:00 -9:00 p.m

Charismatic Prayer Group:Spanish-open to everyone-Every Monday-Pastoral Center room 4-7:00-8:30 p.m

Financial Committee-: English-Chosen responsible Parishioners-Varying Tuesdays-Rectory basement-7:00-9:00 p.m

Feast Committee: English-Chosen Parishioners-Varying Thursdays-St. Anthony's room -7:00-9:00 p.m

Pastoral Council: English/Spanish-1st Tuesday-Rectory Basement-7:30-9:30 p.m

English Choir: First three Tuesdays of month-St. Anthony's-7:00-9:00 p.m

Spanish Choirs: Participating on Sunday Masses (three of them) meeting for rehearsals once a week

Ushers: Serving during Sunday Masses. English/Spanish-3rd Wednesday-Rectory Basement- 7:00-8:30 p.m

O.L.M.C Programs

Folkloric Dance Group: English/Spanish-All ages-Tue/Wed/Thur-Carmel Hall-6:30-9:30 p.m

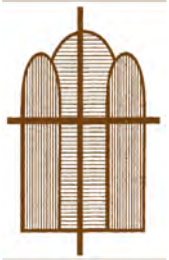
Senior Meals: English/Spanish-All seniors and disabled people-Monday-Friday-Carmel Hall-10:00-1:00 p.m

Food Pantry: English/Spanish-Open to residents of Melrose and Stone Park-Every Wednesday-3:30-5:30 p.m

As you can see, there is a place for each one... there is space for all. Inquire about the possibility of joining us and help us to make out of Our Lady of Mount Carmel the vibrant, spiritual and welcoming community we are called to be. Find a spot for your Spiritual Growth and discover the joy of becoming an active member of our Church.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PARISH & SHRINE
ALTAR & ROSARY
ADVENT EVENING OF RECOLLECTION
With
Fr. Larry Dreffein.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021
Mass begins at 6:00pm
Dinner and a reflection by Larry Dreffein will follow.
Tickets are available in the rectory or with any of the Altar and Rosary members.
OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL GYM
22nd & Cortez
Melrose Park



GRAN RIFA!

Los boletos para la fiesta de la virgen de Guadalupe ya están disponibles.

Al igual que los ramos de rosas ya los pueden ordenar, por favor hablar con alguno de los coordinadores de misa.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Community Center

VISION:

Our vision is to achieve a safe and supportive community
where individuals and families can reach their fullest potential.

MISSION:

Our mission is to provide comprehensive service
within an arm's length of the community
in which every individual is cared for spiritually, morally,
intellectually, physically, socially and emotionally
in a linguistic and culturally friendly environment.

Through the Community Center, Our Lady of Mount Carmel leads the outreach work with different organizations to bring together direct services that alleviate the necessities of our communities. Our Lady of Mount Carmel now houses over seven partners on its premises as follow:

- HAS Health Alternative Systems for Substance Abuse Assistance,
- Sarah's Inn for Domestic Violence Assistance,
- Presence Health for Mental Health Assistance,
- The Resurrection Project for Financial Coaching and Home Purchase,
- Solutions for Care for Senior Services,
- Age Options for the Senior Meal Program,
- CEDA for Li heap Assistance
- Catholic Charities for Immigration Services
- Catholic Financial Life for Insurance and Financial Services
- Family Focus for Family and Early Childhood Services
- Complement the direct services and referral assistance for state services such as:
  = All Kids = SNAP = Medicaid = Medicare = Savings Program = Child Care
  = Child Support = Benefit Access Program and Unemployment

These partners help support Direct Services and Outreach Activities in Proviso Township and surrounding communities.

In addition, through several partners including:

- Triton College,
- Melrose Park Police Department,
- Veterans Park District and
- Fire Department
- Loyola Hospital
- School Districts 89 and 209

Together we host different activities including our own, Caring and Sharing Food Pantry which distributes food to over 400 Families a month with the assistance of the Greater Chicago Food Depository and CEDA.

Fiesta de Guadalupe 2021

Los dogmas de María

Dia 3 viernes
María en la Historia
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 4 sábado
Virginidad
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 5 domingo
Maternidad (Madre de Dios)
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 6 lunes
Apariciones y devociones
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 7 martes
Asunción
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Día 8 miércoles
Inmaculada
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 9 jueves
La aparición a San Juan Diego
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 10 viernes
Reyna de América
6:30 pm Rosario
7:00 pm Misa y novena

Dia 11 sábado
7:00 pm Rosario y villancicos
9:00 pm Música a la Virgen
10:00 pm Misa
Menudo después de Misa

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