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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN O.T.

July 15th, 2018

Truth shall spring out of the earth,

and justice shall look down from heaven.

— Psalm 85:12

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OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL



JULY 16

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8:00 AM 8:00 AM 8:00 AM

10:00 AM 12:00 Noon 12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon 5:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM

5:00 PM 12:00 Noon

## **WHY DID MARY APPEAR AS OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL?**

By Father Alfred Combe

*Whenever Our Lady appears to her children on earth under a particular name, it is not without a purpose. At Lourdes in 1858, when a young Bernadette Soubirous asked the "beautiful lady" who she was, the answer came: "I am the Immaculate Conception. " This was clearly a reaffirmation of the newly proclaimed dogma of the Immaculate Conception decreed by Pope Pius IX a few short years before in 1854. When Our Lady came to Fatima in 1917 as "The Lady of the Rosary," it was to emphasize that most powerful prayer and urge us to use it in imploring God's mercy and gaining Our Lady's help and protection against the catastrophic events which were to come in the form of World War II and the global spread of atheistic communism.*

*Why then did the Blessed Virgin come to Garabandal as "Our Lady of Mount Carmel"? What significance does this have for Christians today?*

### *A Divine Theme*

*If we go back to Lourdes we can begin to see a divine theme being developed. The Blessed Virgin's last appearance at Lourdes was on July 16, 1858, feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. During the final apparition at Fatima, October 13, 1917 when the "miracle of the sun" occurred, Our Lady first appeared as she had been appearing to the three shepherd children with her sorrowful heart exposed. And then she appeared as Our Lady of Mount Carmel with "something hanging from her right hand." We can safely assume that the "something" was the scapular. Forty-four years later in the little mountain hamlet of San Sebastian de Garabandal in northern Spain, Our Lady appears with a large brown scapular prominently draped over her right wrist.*

### *The Title and the Sacrament*

*In 1251, Mary appeared as Our Lady of Mount Carmel to Saint Simone Stock, General of the Order of Carmelites, holding in her hand a scapular. She directed him to found a confraternity whose members should wear it and consecrate themselves to her service. Ever since then, the title "Our Lady of Mount Carmel" and the scapular have been inseparably linked.*

*It is also a tradition among the Carmelites that when Elijah the prophet (of Mount Carmel) threw his cloak over Elisha thus imparting his spirit to him, it was a prefiguration of Mary clothing her children with the brown scapular. It is of the greatest importance for Catholics living today as we enter into humanity's darkest hour, to be consecrated by scapular to our heavenly Mother, placing ourselves under the mantle of her protection. A prophecy attributed to Saint Dominic further underlines this importance," one day through the rosary and the scapular, she (Our Lady) will save the world."*

*But aside from its connection with the scapular, does the title, "Our Lady of Mount Carmel," have any other significance?"*

### *Carmel-A Symbol of Beauty*

*Carmel is a celebrated mountain near modern Haifa. Its Hebrew name means "garden" or "orchard". In early times it was so named because of the fertility of its slopes, well irrigated, they bore a vegetation so abundant and varied, that Carmel passed into Biblical verse to evoke the very idea of beauty and abundance. In the Song of Solomon, the bridegroom, so dazzled by the beauty of the bride, says to her, "Thy head is held high like Carmel...How beautiful thou art...Oh love, oh delight!" (Song 7:6,7).*

*Isaiah, the prophet, speaking of the glory of Lebanon is bestowed upon it, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of Yahweh, the splendor of our God" (Is 35:2). In its piety, inspired by the Holy Spirit, the Church has taken this Biblical image and applied it to the Blessed Virgin, "Flower of Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven." Indeed at Garabandal, the four little seers were in ecstasy before Our Lady of Carmel, enraptured by her beauty. Thus through her title, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the Blessed Virgin, the Entirely Beautiful, the Entirely Holy, the Entirely Good, the Joy of God recalls to us, as in the Magnificat, "the marvels" that God did for her-and for us. If, by her beauty she wishes to attract us to her heart, is it not to make us hear and to heed her message of salvation?*

July 15, 2018  
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
10:30 AM

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS**

Readings: Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13  
**\*Today's Intention - John D. Kelly, (Ray Kelly Family)**

Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34  
**\*Sunday July 22, Ronald Geis, (Family)**

**CATHEDRAL MASS INTENTIONS**

**July 16, Monday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

Readings: Is 1:10-17; Mt 11:20-24

6:45 AM Denis Burns, (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)

8:00 AM Monsignor Paul Panza (John Bauer Family)

12:00 PM Dwight Dittsworth (Stanley Krish Family)

**July 17, Tuesday: Weekday**

Readings: Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24

6:45 AM Charles Homerick (Subway Stamp Shop)

8:00 AM Catherine Nagle (Cathedral Christian Mothers)

12:00 PM Charles V. Brady, Birth. (J. & D. Shellenberger)

**July 18, Wednesday: Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest**

Readings: Is 10:5-7; 13-16; Mt 11: 25-27

6:45 AM Joseph Petrunyak (Family)

8:00 AM Hab and Vickie Kattouf (McNellis All Stars)

12:00 PM Bernie Garcia (Barb Karl)

**July 19, Thursday: Weekday**

Readings: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11: 28-30

6:45 AM Monsignor Thomas Madden, (Estate)

8:00 AM Betsy Meehan (Jim and Steph Kilcoyne)

12:00 PM Louise Talko, (Ray and Julie Fohler)

**July 20, Friday: Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr**

Readings: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12: 1-8

6:45 AM Anna Marie Jacobs, Birthday (Family)

**\*8:00 AM BeBe Milliron (Randy and Mary Ellen Green)**

12:00 PM Myra Mangiacarne (Ron and Kim Palmer)

**July 21, Saturday: St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor**

Readings: Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

6:45 AM Joseph Knott, (Orvita Knott)

12:00 PM Janet Tomlinson (Alice and John Joyce)

**Vigil: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

5:00 PM Frances Pagliaro (Cathedral Parish)

**Welcome Back! Father Dennis Kurdziel**

*Please keep the sick folks of the parish in your prayers!*

*Jesus, Son of the Living Father,  
Have Mercy on Me a Sinner*

July 15, 2018  
Scripture Reflection

*In the First Reading, God calls Amos from his ordinary life as a “shepherd and a dresser of sycamores” to become a prophet carrying God’s Word to God’s people. Amos’s task is to challenge the people to repent and return to their covenant relationship. In today’s Gospel Jesus sends out the Apostles in pairs to share in his ministry of preaching and healing. Called to “preach repentance,” they have no visible means of support, but God’s grace was with them as they “drove out many demons and they anointed with oil man who were sick and cured them.”*

*Christ sends out his disciples today on mission. We recognize unclean spirits today through the minds they enrapture. Individuals, communities, even whole nations can fall prey to systems of thought that obscure God’s love or subvert the means to imitate it. Suicide, addiction, ethical confusion and general sense of hopelessness are just a few of the signs that unclean spirits prowl our world. Through acts of mercy and love, Christ’s disciples restore God’s active presence and liberate their brothers and sisters from the unclean things that keep them bound.*

*Like the prophet Amos and the Apostles, we have been chosen to be the Son’s coworkers in continuing God’s plan of bringing healing and grace to a broken world. It’s a matter of finding out how. One wise priest said that the path to finding your calling begins with learning about yourself. “Oh God ever the same, let me know myself, let me know you!” St. Augustine of Hippo made this pleas 1,600 years ago, but it still cuts to the core of modern life. Jesus asked his disciples to travel without comforts. See how you can simplify your life as a way to increase your discipleship.*

- *Consider a day of fasting along with your prayer so you can learn more about yourself and your path.*

AT HOME with the WORD 2018, Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications, pg. 109. AMERICAMAGAZINE. “With Christ, you vsn liberate others from “unclean spirits.” Michael R. Simone, S.J., July 9, 2018.

**2018 Catholic Ministries Drive (Goal = 9602, Cash received = 7629, To reach Goal = 1973**

**Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples with Bishop Mark**

The Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Family is invited to participate and to pray for those living the Sacrament of Marriage at an Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples **tonight, July 15 at 7:00 pm** at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. Bring a lawn chair. Indoors if rain. Bishop Mark is the celebrant and homilist. This is a wonderful way to celebrate, encourage and support married couples!

**Free Bishop Guilfoyle Youth Football Clinic**

There will be a FREE BG Youth Football Clinic at Bishop Guilfoyle on Wednesday, July 18, 2018, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. It will be at the Tom Irwin Field at Bishop Guilfoyle High School. The camp is run by BG's head varsity football coach, Justin Wheeler, along with his staff and the three-time State Championship winning players! There will be awards and prizes. There will also be FREE hot dogs and ice cream! Any and all students entering grades 1-8 are welcome! Player registration entering grades 1-8 are welcome! Player registration forms are available at the Cathedral's entrances.

**July 15                      Mark 6:7-13**

Jesus sent out His apostles without a lot of "things" because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about and protect our "things." We even ignore each other because we have "things" to do. What "things" are separating you from your family?

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 15)**

Participation in the Church's mission takes different forms according to people's different gifts and offices, but there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament Baptism: that people place their gifts, resources, and themselves at God's service in and through the Church." (Stewardship: A Disciple's Response; USCCB; 1992).

**Sunday Obligation to Participate at Mass**

When traveling over the weekend please check out [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) to find Catholic churches in the area you are visiting.

<p><b>PROPER BURIAL OF THE BODY AND CREMATED REMAINS</b></p>	<p><i>Liturgical Reflection ...</i> Following the most ancient Christian tradition, the Church insistently recommends that the bodies of the deceased be buried in cemeteries or other sacred places. In memory of the death, burial and resurrection of the Lord, the mystery that illumines the Christian meaning of death, burial is above all the most fitting way to express faith and hope in the resurrection of the body. By burying the bodies of the faithful, the Church affirms her faith in the resurrection of the body, and intends to show the great dignity of our humanity which was assumed by Jesus our Lord. <b>Instruction <u>Ad resurgendum cum Christo</u> , Congregation for the Doctrine of the faith, 2016, Number 3.</b></p> <p align="right"><small>2018, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648</small></p>
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**Registrations for the 2018-2019 School Year!**

Please share the good news about HTCS with your friends and family! We are accepting applications now for grades Pre-K through 8 for the 2018-2019 school year. Applications are available in the school office and on the school website. **Reminder: Current families who have not completed registration, please do so as soon as possible.**

**Is God calling You to a Life of Service as Deacon?**

All those interested in learning about the Formation, Ministry and Life of the Permanent Diaconate, are invited to join Deacon Michael Russo, Director of the Permanent Diaconate at a special get together on Saturday, August 18th at the Carmelite Community of the Word Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Married men are expected to attend with their wives. Space is limited. Reservations are required. To make reservations, contact: Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, The Office of the Permanent Diaconate, 814-693-9870 or email: [jnoonan@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jnoonan@dioceseaj.org), [www.dioceseaj/dioconate/](http://www.dioceseaj/dioconate/)

### **Carmel-A Symbol of Faith**

**Just as Mount Horeb in Sinai reminds us of Moses and “the Law”, Mount Carmel calls to mind Elijah and “the Prophets”. It is the Holy Mountain, the Inspired Mountain.**

**During the time of Elijah, the kingdom of Israel was in a pitiable state. False priests and prophets by the hundreds, under the protection of the court, openly preached the worship of Baal. To this idolatry were added corruption, injustice and crime. The situation was so drastic that the very foundation of Israel’s faith was threatened.**

#### **The Man of Faith**

**Then Elijah made his appearance. Alone in the face of the priests and prophets of Baal, alone before the king and the people, alone against all the forces of decomposition, Elijah rose up-a champion of the ABSOLUTE. A man of prayer and penance, of contemplation of action; of boldness and humility, incorruptible before the great ones, good to the poor and the “widowed”, completely consumed by the fire of God, Elijah preached conversion to the living God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.**

**After all of Israel had fallen to the worship of Baal, Elijah assembled the entire population and the 450 false prophets on Mount Carmel and proposed a test. Both he and the false prophets would call upon Baal to provide the fire and Elijah would call upon the Lord. Everyone agreed that whichever sacrifice was set ablaze would determine the true God. The prophets of Baal, after many hours of preparation, hopping around the altar and slashing themselves with swords were unable to produce the fire. Then Elijah called upon the Lord and fire came down from heaven not only consuming the sacrifice, but the altar as well. When the Israelites saw this, they fell prostrate in worship of the one true God.**

**Elijah became so popular in Israel that his name will forever associated with Mount Carmel and its dramatic role in Elijah’s contest on behalf of God. Since that time, Mount Carmel has been a symbol of conversion or turning back to God.**

#### **False Prophets**

**Today, all the powers of evil are breaking out against our Christian faith, sometimes openly, but more often under the guise of prophets or as wolves in sheep’s clothing. False prophets attack the most sacred of dogmatic truths, and they lure to shipwreck the principal mystical, ascetic, moral, spiritual and humane values of our time.**

#### **The Woman of Faith**

**Like Elijah, but more than Elijah, because she is the Queen of Prophets, Mary repeats to us the word of God which spans the ages, “be converted” (Acts 3:19). At Garabandal she said, “We must do much penance...If we do not change...a chastisement will come.” She recalls to us the ABSOLUTE of the Eucharist and of the priesthood, “We must...visit the Blessed Sacrament frequently... Many cardinals, bishops and priests are on the road to perdition...” Because she is the Co-redemptress, she puts before us the ABSOLUTE of the Cross-and the sacrifice, “ We must make many sacrifices...Think of the passion of Jesus.” And because she is the Immaculate One, she calls us to perfection, “But above all we must be very good.”**

#### **The Full Meaning**

**Now we can begin to see why the Blessed Virgin came to Garabandal as Our Lady of Mount Carmel-that symbol of motherly protection, of beauty, faith, and conversion.**

**In a locution on July 20, 1963, Our Lord told Conchita that as a result of the miracle, “she (Russia)... will be converted, and thus everybody will love Our Hearts,” If we meditate on this, we realize that we cannot begin to imagine the full impact the total Garabandal event will have on the world. Perhaps the real significance of the Blessed Mother’s title at Garibandal is reserved for the future. And here is a point to contemplate: On one side of the scapular which Mary had on her wrist at Garabandal was a cross; on the other side was a mountain.**



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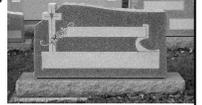
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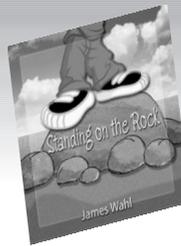
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