

SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITES Peace of Christ Community, Christchurch

Newsletter

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Carmel OCDS Community Meeting Sunday 3 July 2022

12:00pm Formation Groups

1pm Community Meeting

Welcome & opening prayers Roll call & apologies Minutes of previous meeting Treasurer's report, Correspondence General business, General discussion Closing prayers

1:45pm Community Formation

St Thérèse of Lisieux "Story of a Soul: Study Edition" (Community Study: Chapter 5, from p.171)

2:00pm Mass in Chapel

Afternoon Tea (Please bring a plate.) $\underline{\Im 2}$



Prep. & Serving:Ken & MeganDishes:Eddie & Mary



<u>Bethany Day</u> Tuesday 19 July 2022 (10:30am – 1:00pm) 10:30am Morning Tea 11:00am DVD 11:45am Chapel – Quiet Prayer 12:10pm BYO Lunch 12:30pm Study: St John of the Cross

Birthdays



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July: Dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Dear brothers and sisters in Carmel,

Hope you are keeping warm and dry in this rather cold weather. Congratulations to **Marian Fallon** as she moves forward in her Carmelite journey. May God's abundant blessings be upon her as she makes her Definitive Promise on the 3rd of July. We look forward to celebrating the occasion with Holy Mass at 2pm. A shared afternoon tea will follow. Please don't forget to bring a plate. Thank you.

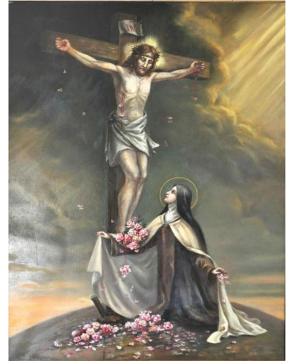
The 16th of July (Saturday) is the **Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel**. There shall not, however, be a public celebration this year apart from the normal 8.30am Mass at the Carmelite Monastery on that day.

July 2022 is a specially joyous month for the Christchurch Diocese: we celebrate the Installation of **Bishop Michael Gielen** on the 9th, and the Ordination of **Deacon Monty Bamford** on the 16th. Thank you, Lord, for Your many blessings on us in Christchurch.

Please continue to pray for the Sisters for their election this month and also for our own election in August.

May God continue to bless all of us, our families and loved ones.

In Carmel, Maureen William, OCDS (President, Peace of Christ Community, Christchurch)



July quote from St Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face: "You heard me, only Friend whom I love. To ravish my heart, you became man. You shed your blood, what a supreme mystery!"



<u>Prayer for Priests</u> by St Teresa of Jesus

O my Most Sweet Jesus, O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, keep Thy priests in the shelter of Thy Sacred Heart, where no one can hurt them. Keep their anointed hands unsullied, which daily handle Thy Sacred Body. Keep pure the lips which are reddened with Thy Precious Blood. Keep pure and unworldly their hearts which are sealed with the sublime token of Thy glorious priesthood. Cause them to grow in love and loyalty to Thee and protect them from the contamination of the world. With their power of transforming bread and wine, give them the power of transforming hearts. Bless their work with rich fruit and grant them one day the crown of eternal life. Amen.

Prayers for July

Thank-you, Lord, for all the blessings you give us each day. **We pray for**:

- Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, Archbishop Paul, SM, our new bishop, Bishop Michael Gielen, and all our priests, religious and seminarians
- Our Provincial, Fr John Grennan, OCD, our General, Fr Miguel Márquez Calle, OCD and all our Carmel family, especially our Carmelite Sisters. Also, vocations to Carmel and to our own Peace of Christ Community (*Please offer a decade of the rosary daily for this, as requested by Bishop Greg Homeming, OCD.*)

Special Intentions:

- Our Ukrainian Carmelite nuns, friars & seculars, and all the people of Ukraine, suffering from the terrors of war
- Fr Jérôme, OCD and our Goma school mission
- Fr Michael-Thérèse, Fr Antoine and CSJ
- Fr Philip, CSJ and the University Chaplaincy Team
- Deacon Monty Bamford's ordination on 16 July
- Our Carmelite Sisters' upcoming elections in July
- Our OCDS elections in August
- Our upcoming retreat and director, Fr Carl Telford, SM
- Our Special Members, especially Margaret Dwyer, Dorothea, Stephanie, Rosaline and Peb
- John Paul II Centre for Life and prayers for life. Also Megan on Board of Trustees.
- Those who have died recently, especially Kathryn Monkhouse and the consolation of her family
- Those who have asked for, or need our prayers, especially Fr Benito (cancer), Annette and her daughter, Stephanie, Marian's son, Stephen, Noeline and Hec, baby Carter, Fr Arsène, Eddie, Maureen Vuleta, Joan O'Neill (cancer), Louise Tillaart, Sr Marie (cancer), Henry (Karen's cousin), Mark and Joe Scott

Our Holy Father's Intentions for July:

 We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

OUR MISSIONS PROJECT To help Fr Jérôme, OCD in providing education



New Total

\$500

\$250

\$0

Way of Perfection School

Our July Carmelite Saints

- 12 Tue. Sts Zélie and Louis Martin (spouses) (*The Parents of St Thérèse*)
 13 Wed. St Teresa of Jesus of Los Andes (virgin)
- 16 Sat. Our Lady of Mount Carmel
 20 Wed. St Elijah (prophet, our Father)
 23 Sat. Our Lady, Mother of Divine Grace
 27 Wed. St Titus Brandsma (priest and martyr)
 28 Thu. Bl. John Soreth (priest)

"Do not yield to hatred. We are here in a dark tunnel but we have to go on. At the end, and eternal light is shining for us." Blessed Titus Brandsma



"Valorous journalist, imprisoned and killed in a death camp for his strenuous defence of the Catholic press, he remains the **martyr of freedom of expression** against the tyranny of dictatorship," said John Paul II. "[His] constant vein of optimism... accompanied him even in the hell of the Nazi camp. Until the end, he remained a source of support and hope for the other prisoners: he had **a smile for everyone**, a word of understanding, a gesture of kindness." He was canonised on 15 May 2022 by Pope Francis.

NATIONAL STATUTES PART VII – Organisation and Government Section Fourteen – Elections

"O guide our minds with thy blest light, with love our hearts inflame."

46. a) Councillors are elected preferably from among those who have made Definitive Promise and may be re-elected for a second consecutive term by a simple majority of votes. Election as Councillor for a third consecutive term is not allowed.

b) A Reserve (fourth) Councillor is elected who will fill the vacancy of third Councillor only if a Councillor resigns, becomes Director of Formation, or is unable to continue in office for whatever reason. The Reserve Councillor does not attend Council meetings.

The Seal of Carmel: "Zelo zelatus sum pro Domino Deo exercituum" "With zeal have I been zealous for the Lord God of hosts"