

# RAYS OF CARMEL

Community of Our Mother of Good Counsel Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites

#### **Meetings and Events**

September 14, 2025

October 12, 2025

November 9, 2025

December 14, 2025

January 11, 2026

February 8, 2026

March 8, 2026

# **Upcoming Holy Days**

- 9/1 St. Teresa Margaret of the Sacred Heart Redi, virgin
- 9/12 Bl. María of Jesus López Rivas, virgin
- 9/14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)
- 9/17 St. Albert of Jerusalem, bishop and lawgiver of Carmel (Feast)
- 9/30 Fast day for OCDS for Feast of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face
- 10/1 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face, virgin and doctor (Feast)
- 10/14 Fast day for OCDS for Solemnity of St. Teresa of Jesus
- 10/15 St. Teresa of Jesus, virgin and doctor (Solemnity)
- 10/30 Bl. Maria Teresa of St. Joseph Tauscher, virgin

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#### **Prayer Intentions for September**

In September our Community will be praying for the **St. John the Baptist Family of Parishes (SW-2)**: St. John the Baptist (Harrison). The Pastor is Fr. Paul A. Ruwe.

The Pope's intention for the month of September is for our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

## September 12: Bl. María of Jesus López Rivas

Born in 1560 at Tartanedo, Spain, Maria López de Rivas

took the Discalced Carmelite habit at Toledo in 1577 and made her profession the following year. She spent the rest of her life serving God in that Carmel, except for a brief period in 1585 when she helped with a foundation at Cuerva. She died at Toledo on September 13, 1640. Saint Teresa of Jesus thought extremely highly of her. She was a great contemplative, intensely devoted to our Lord, and often drawing inspiration from the liturgy.



#### Council/Coordinators

Spiritual Assistant: Fr. John MacQuarrie

Assistant to Fr. MacQuarrie:

Deacon Rusty B

President: Tim B

Director of Formation: Colleen S

Councilors: Mark A, Teresa G,

Tammy J

Treasurer: Susie G

Secretary/Attendance: Jean C

Big Brother/Sister: Angela W

Book Coordinator:

Deceased Desires: Caroline A

Deceased Member Memorial:

Tammy J

Formators: Jackie R, Tim B,

Deacon Rusty B

Holy Hour Server: Mark A, Jason

B, Matt W

Hospitality: De Z

Infirmarian: Marguerite S

Infirmarian Correspondence:

Theresa R

Librarian: Paula P

Liturgist: Marika Z

LOH Help: Teresa T

Newsletter: Lynn B

OLMC Statue: Rose Ann L

Photographer: Paul A

Prayer Warriors: Dorothy G, Rose

Ann L, Sheila W

Ride Coordinator: Wes R

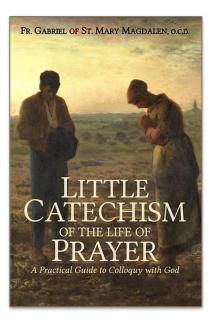
Setup/Cleanup: Marika Z, Reilly H

Visitors: Lynn B

Website: Sarah M

## The Little Catechism of the Life of Prayer

The Little Catechism of the Life of Prayer by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, OCD, is a valuable resource for those with questions about meditation. This booklet, approximately 65 pages in length, employs a question-and-answer format, making it an easy guide to learning more about the methods of prayer according to Sts. Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross.



The paperback edition can be purchased here:

https://www.sistersofcarmel.com/little-catechism-of-the-life-of-prayer/

A free online edition is here:

https://thelifeofprayer.wordpress.com

### **Prayer for Carmelite Vocations**

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, I offer You through Your Immaculate Mother Mary, Your own Precious Blood, in all the Masses throughout the world, as petition, for graces for all seminarians, Your future priests, especially for Brother Samuel Omondi



Nabule of the Blessed Virgin Mary who made his solemn profession 31 May 2025. May You bless him as he continues to grow more and more in love with You. Thank you for this beautiful brother. May God grant him great love and wisdom to bring many souls into union with Your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.