



Saint Joseph Lay Carmelite Community #2415  
Rochester, Minnesota  
Province of the Most Pure Heart of Mary  
July 2025 Newsletter

Dear Lay Carmelites,

We are truly blessed to celebrate this year's Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel July 16<sup>th</sup> with Holy Mass and three Final Professions of Marilyn Baker, Dorothy Loftus-Nall and Niniek Pranoto!

These three beautiful Carmelites giving their Final Promises inspire us to renew our Professions too. We recall that wearing the Scapular is a sign of consecration to Mary, the Mother of God, and is a symbol showing that we are putting on the virtues of Mary and being protected by her. Mary symbolizes for us everything that we hope for - to enter into an intimate relationship with Christ, being totally open to God's will and having our lives transformed by the Word of God.



We as Carmelites have always thought of Mary as the Patroness of the Order, its Mother and Splendor. We seek to live in spiritual intimacy with her so that we can learn from her how to live as God's children.

Elijah and Mary are inspirational figures for all Carmelites. They play a very important part in the life and spirituality of the Order which sees itself as belonging to Mary and looks to Elijah as our spiritual father.<sup>1</sup>

#### July Carmelite Saints and Blesseds:

Blessed Maria Crocifissa Curcio (d. 1957)-Virgin-4<sup>th</sup>;  
Blessed Jane Scopelli (d. 1491)-Virgin-9<sup>th</sup>;  
Sts. Louis and Zelie Martin (Thérèse of Lisieux parents)-13<sup>th</sup>;  
St Teresa of Jesus de Los Andes (d. 1920)-13<sup>th</sup>;  
Solemn Commemoration of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel-16<sup>th</sup>;  
Sts. Teresa of St. Augustine and Companions-Martyrs of Compiègne (d.1794)-17<sup>th</sup>;  
Saint Elijah-20<sup>th</sup>;  
Our Lady, Mother of Divine Grace-23<sup>rd</sup>;  
Blesseds Maria Pilar, Teresa, Maria Angeles-Martyrs of Guadalajara, Spain (d.1936)-24<sup>th</sup>;  
Blessed Maria Mercedes Prat (d.1936)-Virgin, Martyr -24<sup>th</sup>; Saints Joachim and Anne (parents of Virgin Mary)-26<sup>th</sup>; St Titus Brandsma -Priest, Martyr (d.1942)-27<sup>th</sup>;  
Blessed John Soreth-Priest (d.1471)-28<sup>th</sup>;  
St Pedro Poveda Castroverde-Priest, Martyr (d. 1936)-28<sup>th</sup>

#### July Birthdays to be remembered at Holy Mass at the

#### Annunciation Hermitage:

Paula Plummer (15<sup>th</sup>); Kathleen Mulhern (24<sup>th</sup>);  
Dianne Johnson (31<sup>st</sup>)

<sup>1</sup> [Carmelites](#) | [Carmelitani](#) | [Carmelitas](#) :: [O.Carm](#) :: [Mary, Mother and Sister of Carmel](#)



[Optional 8am Holy Mass at St Pius.]  
July 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
Co-Cathedral of St John the Evangelist  
Gathering Space.

In-person/online. 9:15-12:15 pm.  
**Memorial of BVM on Saturday**

Side 1: Marie; Side 2: **Dave**

Christian Prayer:

Inv. 1383.

Hymn #163. "The God Whom Earth and Sea and Sky"

Psalms/Canticle 770-773.

Reading/Inter/Ben/Prayer: 1384 [Is. 61] -1387.

Volume III:

Inv. 1614.

Hymn 1614.

Psalms/Canticle 811-814.

Reading/Inter/Ben/Prayer 1650 [Is. 61]-1654.

Consecration to BVM; *Salve Regina*; St Joseph Prayer;  
Vocations prayer.

Lectio Divina: St. Luke 10:1-9. **Dorothy**

Carmel's Call: pp. 29-32.

Announcements.

On-going Formation-*Last Conversations*: Intro. pp xxix  
– xxxix and pp. 20-32 (June 6).

**Announcements:**

- July 16<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Mount Carmel 5:00 pm Holy Mass at Co-Cathedral with Evening Prayer at 4:30. Join afterwards for a potluck celebration.

- SJLCC Adorers: Chapel of the Co-Cathedral. Every Friday of the month 4-5 pm.

- Please serve at Channel One on 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of each month: 7-8 pm, see Niniek. Next time is July 1<sup>st</sup>!

[Channel One — Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist](#)



**Formation Notes:**

On-going Formation: *Her Last Conversations*, Intro. pp. xxix - xxxix (through last full paragraph), Yellow notebook pp. 20 (May 26, Eve of Ascension) - 32 (through June 6).

Underline/note parts that inspire you and then be prepared to share.

Phase I: Clark, Jasmine, Anne, and Lise: Ch. 9 Parts I [Elijah and Mary] and II [Carmelite Brown Scapular] pp. 59-67. Their Formator is Terese.

Phase II Year 2: Ruth: Ch. 16, 'Carmel's Call to Service' pp. 405-436 in [Climbing the Mountain](#) with Bob Kertis.

Formation groups meet at St. James Coffee the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, noon till 2 pm.

TABLE 1	TABLE 2	TABLE 3	TABLE 4
Paula Plummer (Lead)	Dorothy Loftus-Nall (Lead)	Paul Byron (Lead)	Saundra Groslic (Lead)
Slava Dousa	Tia Meyer	Niniek Pranoto	Bob Kertis
Sharon Stanton	Marilyn Baker	Dianne Johnson	Mary Hayek
Marie Goihl	Michael Kacir	Suzie Oliver	Bob Robak
Jasmine Sexton	Ruth Wentz	Dave Reinschmidt	Anne Cuccio
Suzanne Norris	Lise Paulik	Clark Amorillo	Lynne Gaffey

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*Our Carmelite Charism: Prayer, Community and Service*

