



Saint Joseph Lay Carmelite Community #2415, Rochester, Minnesota
Province of the Most Pure Heart of Mary
June 2026 Newsletter

Dear Lay Carmelites,

On Sunday May 3rd, our Council (Terese, Niniek, Dave and I) attended Holy Mass and the 75th Anniversary celebration of our "mother ship" at Nativity of Our Lord Parish in St. Paul. The beginning of our Community sprung from this St. Paul Community appropriately named Nativity!

Click "Our History" on our website for details:

<https://www.saintjosephlaycarmelites.org/about-1>

In the image to the right, the Nativity Community Lay Carmelite sitting in a wheelchair in the front is 100 years old! Do you see Alan?

Let us always keep these Brothers and Sisters in a special place in our hearts, in prayer, when we praise God for the gift of our Carmelite charism.

Similarly, as we honor St. Elisha on June 14th, who before St. Elijah was taken up in a fiery chariot into the whirlwind, asked to "inherit a double-portion" of St. Elijah's spirit--may our hope for continued growth inherited from Nativity be granted.

Interestingly in 1st and 2nd Kings, St. Elisha performed twice as many miracles as our Carmelite Father, St. Elijah. Among the many signs he performed: he cured Naaman of leprosy and raised a dead child to life. He lived among the sons of the prophets and in God's name he frequently intervened in the affairs of the Israelites.

Mindful of its origins on Mount Carmel, the Carmelite Order desired to perpetuate the memory of the great prophets' presence and deeds through the liturgical celebration of Saints Elijah and Elisha. Thus, the Order's General Chapter of 1399 decreed the celebration of the feast of St Elisha. Through his fidelity to the one true God and by his service of God's people, St. Elisha effectively illustrates the meaning of the prophetic office in our day.

**O God, protector and redeemer of mankind,
whose glories have been proclaimed through the wonders accomplished by
your chosen prophets, you have bestowed the spirit of Elijah on your prophet Elisha;
in your kindness grant us too an increase of the gifts of the Holy Spirit
so that, living as prophets, we will bear constant witness to your abiding presence and
providence.**

June Carmelite Saints and Blesseds:

Blessed Anne of Saint Bartholomew, Virgin-7th; Blessed Alfonso Maria Mazurek, Priest/Martyr-12th; Blessed Hilary Januszewski, Priest/Martyr-12th; Saint Elisha, Prophet-14th; Blessed Maria Candida of the Eucharist, Virgin-14th

June Birthdays to be remembered at Holy Mass at the Annunciation Hermitage:

Dave Reinschmidt 8th ; Lynne Gaffey 24th



~Flos Carmeli~

O beautiful Flower
of Carmel, most
fruitful vine,
splendor of heaven,
holy and singular,
who brought forth
the Son of God, still
ever remaining a
pure Virgin, assist us
in our necessities. O
Star of the Sea, help
and protect us!
Show us that you
are our Mother.





[Optional 8am Holy Mass at St Pius.]
June 6th Meeting at Co-Cathedral
Upper Room
In-person/online. 9:15-12:15 pm.

Side 1: Dave; Side 2: Suzie

Christian Prayer:

Inv. 770
Hymn #8
Psalms/Canticle: 770-773.
Reading/Intercessions/Pr.: 773-774.

Volume III:

Inv. 807.
Hymn: 811.
Psalms/Canticle: 811-814.
Reading/Intercessions/Pr.: 814-815.

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

Lectio Divina: St. John 6:51-58 : J a s m i n e
Carmel's Call: pp.51-54 (Ch. 1-5).
Announcements.

On-going Formation: Yellow notebook:
Aug 30-Sep 19 (pp 146-162)/Letters 22-
24 (pp 301-302); Chronology 314-315

Announcements:

- Reserve the Evening of September 8th, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Co-Cathedral with Evening Prayer starting at 5:30 pm. Planning and hoping for two Final Professions!
- Below image from Nativity 75th Anniversary celebration. (Small basket of flowers from us!)



- SJLCC Eucharistic Adorers in the Chapel of the Co-Cathedral.
Every Friday 4-5 pm.
- Channel One volunteering: Tuesday, June 2nd 6-8 pm;
Contact Niniek with questions.

June Formation Notes

On-going Formation is St Thérèse's Yellow notebook August 30-September 19 (pp 146-162); Letters 22-24 (pp 301-302); Chronology pp 314-315. Underline/note parts that inspire you and then be prepared to share.

Phase II: Clark, Jasmine, Anne and Lise: Ch. 7. 'The Rule of St. Albert', (pp. 133-154) in Climbing the Mountain with Suzie as Formator.

Formation groups meet at St. James Coffee every 3rd Sunday, noon till 2:00 pm.

TABLE 1	TABLE 2	TABLE 3	TABLE 4
Marilyn Baker (Lead)	Bob Robak (Lead)	Deacon Randy (Lead)	Michael Kacir (Lead)
Mary Hayek	Bob Kertis	Tia Meyer	Sharon Stanton
Lise Paulik	Saundra Groslic	Paul Byron	Suzie Oliver
Niniek Pranoto	Dianne Johnson	Paula Plummer	Ruth Wentz
Dave Reinschmidt	Anne Cuccio	Clark Amorillo	Jasmine Sexton

