

# Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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**Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am and 11:30am**

**Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 11:30am**

**Confession: Wednesday at 11am or by appointment**

**Baptisms and Marriages: Contact the parish during business hours,**

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Lord, you warned the twelve against carrying anything they did not need. They were to be counter-witnesses to possessiveness, retail therapy, and the consumerism to which advertisements propel us. The more we have, the less we are. The greatest treasure which the twelve carried with them was the good news of Jesus. The message of the Lord is to travel light in the journey of life. Wealth, desire for recognition, and personal pride can stunt our desire for God and our freedom to love and to do good. We are just passing through our world for a short time; Jesus advises us to make the most of it for ourselves and for others. Following Jesus means becoming a bit of a wanderer, both interiorly and, perhaps, externally. In our relationship with him and in our knowledge of him, we are never grounded and stuck, but are always on the move into new love and new knowledge. This is his gift to us.

The feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, celebrated on July 16, was first instituted in the late 14th century in commemoration of the approval of the rule of the Carmelite Order a hundred years earlier. According to legend, a religious community was established even before the time of Christ on Mount Carmel. This is the mountain overlooking the Mediterranean Sea on which the prophet Elijah successfully challenged the priests of Baal and won the people to the true God. The feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel entered the Calendar of the universal Church in the early 18th century. Although there is no historical evidence for the pre-Christian Carmelite community, references in the 12th century record a community of monks on the holy mountain. Despite continual difficulties, the community built a monastery and church dedicated to the Virgin Mary on Mount Carmel in 1263. Saint Louis, King of France, had visited Mount Carmel in 1254, and brought back six French hermits for whom he built a convent near Paris. Mount Carmel was taken by the Muslims in 1291, and the brothers were killed and the convent burned. The spread of the Carmelites in Europe is largely attributable to the work of Saint Simon Stock (1247-1265). The Carmelite Order was formally approved in 1274 at the Council of Lyon. The brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, according to the Carmelite tradition, was presented by Our Lady to St. Simon Stock, the then Father General on July 16, 1251. Our Lady gave St. Simon a scapular for the Carmelites with the following promise, saying : "Receive, My beloved son, this habit of thy order: this shall be to thee and to all Carmelites a privilege, that whosoever dies clothed in this shall never suffer eternal fire .... It shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger, and a pledge of peace." Another important aspect of wearing the Scapular is the Sabbatine Privilege. This concerns a promise made by Our Lady to Pope John XXII. In a papal letter he issued, he recounted a vision that he had had. He stated that the Blessed Virgin had said to him in this vision, concerning those who wear the Brown Scapular: "I, the Mother of Grace, shall descend on the Saturday after their death and whomsoever I shall find in Purgatory, I shall free, so that I may lead them to the holy mountain of life everlasting." Many popes and saints have strongly recommended wearing the Brown Scapular to the Catholic Faithful. Pope Pius XII said: "The Scapular is a practice of piety which by its very simplicity is suited to everyone and has spread widely among the faithful of Christ to their spiritual profit." In our own times, Pope Paul VI said: "Let the faithful hold in high esteem the practices and devotions to the Blessed Virgin ... the Rosary and the Scapular of Carmel" and in another place referred to the Scapular as: "so highly recommended by our illustrious predecessors." According to Church tradition, there are three conditions necessary to participate in this Privilege and share in the other spiritual benefits of the Scapular: wear the Brown Scapular, observe chastity according to your state in life, and pray the Rosary. In addition to the Sabbatine Privilege, enrollment in the Brown Scapular also makes a person part of the Carmelite family throughout the world. They therefore share in all of the prayers and good works of the Carmelite Orders. In order to receive the spiritual blessings associated with the Scapular, it is necessary to be formally enrolled in the Brown Scapular. The enrollment is made only once by a priest or authorized person. The Scapular can be replaced afterwards by a medal, which has on one side the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and on the other, the image of Mary. There a short form for giving the scapular: "Receive this Scapular, a sign of your special relationship with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, whom you pledge to imitate. May it be a reminder to you of your dignity as a Christian in serving others and imitating Mary. Wear it as a sign of her protection and of belonging to the family of Carmel, voluntarily doing the will of God and devoting yourself to building a world true to his plan of community, justice and peace."



Thank you to all my parking lot fundraiser volunteers! What a superb job each one of you did on the 4th of July weekend event. It was extremely hot for Tahoe, crowded, particularly challenging especially when we had to quickly improvise a different way of processing customers in. No one complained but took these new procedures with grace. I could not ask for better teamwork than that! May God bless you and your family! Cora

(Also, heartfelt gratitude to Howard and Cora for their incredible servant's heart in all that they do, from the office manager)



## Mass Intentions

Saturday	13	5pm	Happy Birthday Jessica Nagengast!	David and Stephanie Scott
Sunday	14	8am	† Bernice Schlender	Patrick Schlender
Sunday	14	11:30am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Wednesday	17	11:30am	Happy 90th Birthday Wayne Wolf!	The Wolf Family
Thursday	18	11:30am		
Friday	19	11:30am	† Dominique Dufur	Sandra Wolf



We welcome visitors and groups to join our choir when visiting Lake Tahoe. What a wonderful way to share your faith and gifts by singing in our quaint mountain church located in Zephyr Cove. We ask that you join us for choir practice prior to singing with us. If you are a large group or choir, we can arrange for you to sing the gifts or communion song for mass. Practice times for each mass are listed below. Kindly note that 30 minutes prior to mass is devotion time and the church is quiet. If interested, please contact OLT's music director, Jan Roman-Gonzales via text or call 530.307.0148. You may also reach her by email at [janromangonzales@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janromangonzales@sbcglobal.net) to make arrangements.



3:45-4:30pm, Saturday, mass at 5pm  
 7-7:15am, Sunday, mass at 8am  
 10:15am-11am Sunday, mass at 11:30am  
 And 1 hour before special masses.



Safeway stores, now through July 23, are collecting donations in their stores to support local food banks. If you donate \$10 at checkout, you will be helping nourish our neighbors. If you donate at Round Hill Safeway, all the donations come to our Outreach Program @ Our Lady of Tahoe Church! Blessings and thanks in advance for your donations.

**Garden Guardians. Spring Clean-up is here!** Time to start working in the garden! Reservations are open for this year's barrels. Please contact Janine Nyre ([janinenyre@comcast.net](mailto:janinenyre@comcast.net), 775-339-1961).

Last weekend's collection came to \$4,986.00. Donations are the financial lifeblood of the church. We ask that you continue this spirit of giving in not only your spiritual life but your personal and public lives as well, representing the enduring gifts of Jesus Christ. Thank you so much for your generosity!

Next bible study is Wednesday, July 17. Join us from 10-11:15 in the parish hall. Please contact Janine Nyre, ([janinenyre@comcast.net](mailto:janinenyre@comcast.net), 775-339-1961) with any questions.

**Aged to Perfection!**

**Happy 90th  
 Birthday,  
 WAYNE WOLF...**

**(any excuse for cake.)**

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.



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