

Community Building Groups

Carmel Cellars is the parish wine-tasting group which meets on the last Thursday of each month in the Carmel Community Room at 7.30pm. A selection of wines and cheese, together with expert commentary and score sheets are available at each meeting.

Family Groups help develop a sense of belonging to the Mount Carmel Community and provide a network of support, friendship and social activities for members.

Friends of Zumalai-East Timor: This parish group exists to create a living bridge between the community of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Coorparoo, Queensland and the community of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Zumalai, East Timor, through the support of projects which will enhance the education, health and resources of the East Timorese people especially those in Zumalai.

Hospitality: There are many ways we extend a welcome to each other and create moments of warmth and hospitality through welcoming people before weekend Masses, helping with refreshments at functions after Mass and being a part of special celebrations.

Social Club: Many social activities are enjoyed by this club including day trips and lunches. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 9.30am in the Carmel Community Room where members meet in a spirit of friendship after attending the 9am Mass.

Other Groups

Arrangement of Flowers: Parishioners attend to the arrangement of flowers for parish liturgies when required.

Church Cleaning: Parishioners attend to the weekly sweeping of passage ways, foyer, outside sacristy and the dusting of pews and window ledges in the church.

Church Grounds: Mowing, pruning and tidying grounds on a roster basis, supports the parish in a practical way

Ministries

at

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Coorparoo

For parishioners who are already involved in parish ministry, your giving of your time and talents is very much appreciated and we welcome your further involvement over the next twelve months.

For others who are not yet involved, we would ask that you consider directing your talents in helping maintain the ministries that are in place in our parish. We all have gifts – please consider the ministries in this brochure and offer your support where you feel your talents could be directed.

We would love to hear from you!

- ❖ **If you are interested in participating in a ministry, please complete the RESPONSE SHEET attached to this brochure and forward to the parish office.**
- ❖ **For those wishing to withdraw from a ministry in which they are presently involved, please also complete the RESPONSE SHEET in the relevant section.**
- ❖ **If you would like further information on our parish ministries, please contact the parish office – Ph. 3397 1587.**



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312 Cavendish Road, Coorparoo
in the care of the Carmelites since 1937



Formation in Faith ministries provide us with opportunities for nourishing and celebrating our faith. In a spirit of joy we welcome, care for and prepare our children, youth and adults for sacraments.

Baptismal Preparation Team

Parents who have recently experienced Baptism are invited to join a team to welcome and help families preparing their baptismal celebration. An important part of this ministry is the welcome and friendship extended to other young families in the parish. Preparation sessions, which team couples conduct, take place monthly, with each team required twice per year.

Lay Carmelites

Lay Carmelites are men and women who freely commit themselves to live out the Carmelite way of life in the ordinary circumstances of family, working, and social life and as such are an integral part of the Carmelite family. The *Lay Carmelites* meet on the third Sunday of each month in the Carmel Community Room after 8.30am Mass.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The RCIA team oversees the RCIA at Mount Carmel and provides pastoral support for all involved, especially candidates, sponsors and catechists.

Sacramental Program

Our Sacramental Program is a parish-based, family-centred one. A team of parishioners, largely comprising parents from current or recent Sacramental Programs, meets regularly to plan, arrange and evaluate the program. People undertaking this ministry are engaged in the faith development of children, the support of families, and the arranging of meaningful and memorable celebrations of the Sacraments.

State School Ministry

There is an urgent need for volunteer Religious Education teachers in State Schools. The commitment is for ½ hour in a classroom per week plus whatever preparation time is needed. Training, support and materials are provided

Youth Ministry

This ministry coordinates and offers growth-in-faith opportunities for young people in the parish. Adult leaders and parent couples are required to help supervise the youth groups which have formed within the parish.



Caring Ministries express our care and concern for the poor, the sick, the elderly, the bereaved, and anyone in need. They provide spiritual, emotional and practical support in emergency and long term situations

Communion to the Sick

We welcome volunteers to undertake the richly rewarding ministry of taking communion to the sick and housebound in our parish on Sundays.

- *Ministers are rostered on a monthly basis;
- *All visits are within the local Mt Carmel Parish;
- *An experienced minister accompanies new ministers on the first few visitations.

Mass of Anointing

On the first Wednesday of each month at 10am we celebrate within Mass, the Rite of Healing and Strengthening. We would welcome your participation by reading at Mass, helping with morning tea, or transport.

St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul is a community of lay people animated by the desire to serve the poor. Members visit people who are in need and sometimes provide food, clothing, furniture and the basics of living. Members also organise the presentation of gifts and the collection at Sunday Masses.



We celebrate our faith as we gather for worship each Sunday. We try to welcome and celebrate with everyone who joins in our prayer of praise, with full heart, mind and voice.

Altar Servers

An invitation is extended to boys and girls from Year 4 upwards to become involved in this ministry at the 8.30am Mass and at the Youth Ministered Mass.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

CLOW provides the opportunity for children to hear the Word of God at their own level. A large number of children attends the program at the 8.30am Mass each Sunday (with the exception of Sundays during school holidays). We are always looking for new ministers to assist with this vital ministry to the children of our parish

Ministers of Communion

Each Sunday we gather together to recognise and be fed by Christ's presence in the bread we break and eat, and in the wine we pour and drink.

Ministers of the Word and Facilitators of Readers' Preparation

If you would like to consider joining other readers who enjoy proclaiming The Word each month at the Mass of your choice, you will be required to attend the Thursday night preparation sessions during the week preceding your rostered Sunday. Here, facilitators who have a love and knowledge of scripture encourage readers to confidently proclaim The Word.

Music/Data Projector Ministries

These ministries help the community to attend to prayerful liturgy through music and song. The dedicated group who provide music each week is in need of more members. We would love to hear from organists, pianists and singers. Data Projector operators offer support to the music ministry at all our weekend liturgies.