




2018 program

FEBRUARY


Weekly Meditation: Thursdays 7.00 – 7.45pm MR
Lectio Divina: Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am OLMC

 **7 Wed The Rule of St Albert**
Carmelite Conversations with Matthew Tonini OCarm
10.30am – noon CL

20 Tue Emily Dickinson
Spiritual Reading Group with Ann Rochford
4.30pm – 6.00pm CL

24 Sat A Festival of Spiritual Films
with Peter Thomas
9.30am – 4.30pm OCP

Lectio Divina

 Each Friday at 9.30am in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Middle Park, David Hofman OCarm leads a group in understanding and praying the scriptures using the practice of *lectio divina* or divine reading.

This ancient Christian practice is used by Carmelites around the world in building communities of prayer and contemplation.


Join this group in a quiet oasis of prayer. You are welcome to attend regularly or when you can.

MARCH

Weekly Meditation: Thursdays 7.00 – 7.45pm MR
Lectio Divina: Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am OLMC

1 Thu Carmelite Spiritual Learning Circle
3.00pm – 4.30pm CL

1 Thu Introduction to Meditation program begins
Four week program *with Peter Thomas*
6.30pm – 8.00pm MR

 **7 Wed Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection**
Carmelite Conversations with Damien Peile
10.30am – noon CL

9 Fri Making Room for God
10 Sat *Silent residential retreat*
11 Sun *with Matthew McPhee OCarm*
12 Mon 7.00pm Friday – 3.00pm Monday
at Campion Retreat Centre, Kew

13 Tues Ecological-Spiritual Reading Circle
5.00pm – 6.30pm OCP

17 Sat The Psalms and their Counter-Worldview
with Hugh Brown OCarm
10.00am – 3.00pm OCP

20 Tue Mindfulness
Spiritual Reading Group with Hugh Morrison
4.30pm – 6.00pm CL

APRIL

Weekly Meditation: Thursdays 7.00 – 7.45pm MR
Lectio Divina: Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am OLMC

 **4 Wed Ruth Burrows**
Carmelite Conversations with Philip Harvey
10.30am – noon CL


17 Tue Chinese Chan (precursor to Japanese Zen & Korean Seon)
Spiritual Reading Group with Jenny Raper
4.30pm – 6.00pm CL

24 Tue The Science, Spirituality and Practice of Compassion for Today's Fractured World
Library Lecture 1 with Lynne Reeder
7.00pm – 9.00pm OCP

28 Sat Celtic Spirituality
with Cath Connelly and Carol O'Connor
10.00am – 3.00pm OCP


EASTER

The celebration of Easter beings on Holy Thursday evening (29 March) and continues to Easter Sunday (1 April)

 Join us at St Joseph's Church, Port Melbourne (SJ) or Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Middle Park, (OLMC) for the Easter Ceremonies.
Times & details at www.sj-mc.org.au

MAY

Weekly Meditation: Thursdays 7.00 – 7.45pm MR
Lectio Divina: Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am OLMC

 **2 Wed Saint Thérèse of Lisieux**
Carmelite Conversations with Sr Teresa Jerome OCDM
10.30am – noon CL

3 Thu Carmelite Spiritual Learning Circle
3.00pm – 4.30pm CL


3 Thu Introduction to Meditation program begins
Four week program *with Peter Thomas*
6.30pm – 8.00pm MR

15 Tue Christine Valters Paintner
Spiritual Reading Group with Angela Gallipoli
4.30pm – 6.00pm CL

24 Thu SYMPOSIUM
25 Fri A Readers' Festival of Spirituality:
26 Sat *Intersection of the Timeless with Time*
See below for more details

JUNE

Weekly Meditation: Thursdays 7.00 – 7.45pm MR
Lectio Divina: Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am OLMC

 **6 Wed Carlos Mesters**
Carmelite Conversations with Paul Cahill OCarm
10.30am – noon CL

12 Tue Ecological-Spiritual Reading Circle
5.00pm – 6.30pm MR

12 Tue The Other Wesley: Charles, Hymn-Writer and Churchman
Library Lecture 2 with Robert Gribben
7.00pm – 9.00pm OCP

19 Tue Rubem Alves
Spiritual Reading Group with Talitha Fraser
4.30pm – 6.00pm CL

23 Sat Winter Solstice Retreat
with Anne Boyd csb and Pat Long
10.00am – 3.00pm OCP

JULY

Weekly Meditation: Thursdays 7.00 – 7.45pm MR
Lectio Divina: Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am OLMC

4 Wed Ernest Larkin's 'Silent Presence'
Carmelite Conversations with Paul Beirne
10.30am – noon CL

5 Thu Carmelite Spiritual Learning Circle
3.00pm – 4.30pm CL

5 Thu Introduction to Meditation program begins
Four week program *with Peter Thomas*
6.30pm – 8.00pm MR

 **15 Sun Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel**
celebrated with our annual Mothers' Mass
All most welcome to attend.
10.30am OLMC

17 Tue Charles de Foucauld
Spiritual Reading Group with Peter Thomas
4.30pm – 6.00pm CL

SYMPOSIUM

A Readers' Festival of Spirituality: *Intersection of the Timeless with Time*
Thursday 24 to Saturday 26 May

Writers Festivals are a staple of Australian cultural life but we have turned it around, asking what favourite spiritual writers readers read. Our attention is on spirituality, on individual spiritual writers, and includes anyone who lived in the last one hundred years. T. S. Eliot wrote of the Intersection of the timeless with time. The period constraint (1918-2018) provides a framework in which to reflect on our own present world and that of the immediate past generations. Some will see this span as modern and post-modern, others as pre- and post-Vatican II, others as before and after the start of the Anthropocene, and there will be other ideas of transition within the period. All are valid and welcome.

This is an opportunity to hear a variety of speakers on their spiritual reading and the spiritual life today. Our Symposium will be diverse, ecumenical, and imaginative. A detailed program will be available in April.

The Symposium will conclude with a Saturday morning reflective session led by Paul Beirne to draw together the diverse input from the many speakers and relate it to our own spiritual journey.

The Carmelite Centre Program


Our program is designed around three threads which reflect the Carmelite Way:

Stillness & Silence
gives us the reflective space from which we can act.

Express & Explore
allows us to meet others with whom we can think and talk about the Carmelite Way.

Embrace & Act
allows us to bring contemplation into every aspect of our lives.

AUGUST		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	
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1 Wed	Edith Stein (St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross) <i>Carmelite Conversations with Bernadette Micallef</i> 10.30am – noon CL	5 Wed	Poetry of Carmel <i>Carmelite Conversations with Sr Miriam OCDM</i> 10.30am – noon CL		Carmelite Hall Centenary 1918 – 2018 <i>Events to celebrate the centenary will be listed on the website closer to the date.</i>
7 Tue	Heaven in the Ordinary: Finding the Sacred in Everyday Life <i>Library Lecture 3 with Simon Carey Holt</i> 7.00pm – 9.00pm OCP	6 Thu	Carmelite Spiritual Learning Circle 3.00pm – 4.30pm CL	3 Wed	Saint Teresa of Avila <i>Carmelite Conversations with Matthew McPhee OCarm</i> 10.30am – noon CL
21 Tue	David Adam <i>Spiritual Reading Group with Carol O'Connor</i> 4.30 – 6.00pm CL	6 Thu	Introduction to Meditation program begins Four week program <i>with Peter Thomas</i> 6.30pm – 8.00pm MR	16 Tue	Hazrat Inayat Khan <i>Spiritual Reading Group with Susan Southall</i> 4.30pm – 6.00pm CL
25 Sat	‘The Smell of Rain on Dust’ <i>Retreat with Jan Morgan & Graeme Garrett</i> 10.00am – 3.00pm OCP	11 Tue	Ecological-Spiritual Reading Circle 5.00pm – 6.30pm OCP	23 Tue	Music in the Journey of Faith <i>Library Lecture 4 with Susan Frykberg</i> 7.00pm – 9.00pm OCP
31 Fri	Carmelite Family Retreat A residential retreat on Carmelite Spirituality from Friday evening 31 August to noon Sunday 2 September. <i>Check our website for further details.</i>	12 Wed	The 2018 Carmelite Way Pilgrimage Information Evening <i>with The Carmelite Centre Team</i> 6.30pm – 8.00pm OCP		
		18 Tue	Saint Birgitta (Bridget) of Sweden <i>Spiritual Reading Group with Philippa Wetherell</i> 4.30pm – 6.00pm CL		

Life Conversations		KEY		Spiritual Learning Circle	
<p>Spiritual Direction is available through conversations about your life in the light of your faith or values. Such one-on-one conversations support and facilitate your spiritual journey.</p> <p>Recognising the Holy Spirit is the true Director, through conversation we listen together and hear how God’s Spirit is at work in us and inviting a response.</p> <p><i>For more information visit our website (under Support) or email or phone to arrange an appointment.</i></p>		<p>CL Carmelite Library</p> <p>MR Malone Room</p> <p>OCP O’Connor/Pilkington Rooms</p> <p>OLMC Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church</p> <p>SJ St Joseph’s Church, Port Melbourne</p> <p> Events in our program focusing on Carmelite Spirituality are accompanied by this logo.</p> <p>You can also request our qualified and experienced facilitators to provide workshops and retreats for your parish, school or organisation.</p>		<p>A reflective and experiential group meets regularly to deepen spirituality by exploring Christian topics such as compassion, forgiveness, hope, atonement and others as they emerge.</p> <p>These sessions aim to connect the thinking and talking with daily living – bringing head and heart together and enhancing Christian living.</p> <p>The Carmelite Spiritual Learning Circle meets on the first Thursday of alternate months.</p>	

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	Icon Exhibition <i>by The Seraphim Icon Group in the Library throughout November</i>	5 Wed	Saint John of the Cross <i>Carmelite Conversations with Michael Brundell, OCarm</i> 10.30am – noon CL
1 Thu	Introduction to Meditation program begins Four week program <i>with Peter Thomas</i> 6.30pm – 8.00pm MR	All are welcome to join the community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middle Park, or St Joseph’s, Port Melbourne for Christmas services. See the parish website for details in December: <i>www.sj-mc.org.au</i> .	
4 Sun	Commissioning Liturgy for Pilgrims 10.30am OLMC		
7 Wed	Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity <i>Carmelite Conversations with Sr Paula OCDM</i> 10.30am – noon CL		
9 Fri	The Carmelite Way Pilgrimage begins 8.00am OLMC		
13 Tue	Ecological-Spiritual Reading Circle 5.00pm – 6.30pm OCP		
15 Thu	The Spirituality of Icons A presentation as part of the Icon Exhibition 5.00pm CL		
20 Tue	Anne Morrow Lindbergh <i>Spiritual Reading Group with Jean Sietzema-Dickson</i> 4.30pm – 6.00pm CL		
22 Thu	Carmelite Spiritual Learning Circle 3.00pm – 4.30pm CL		
24 Sat	The Season of Advent Retreat with <i>David Hofman OCarm</i> 10.00am – 3.00pm OCP		

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