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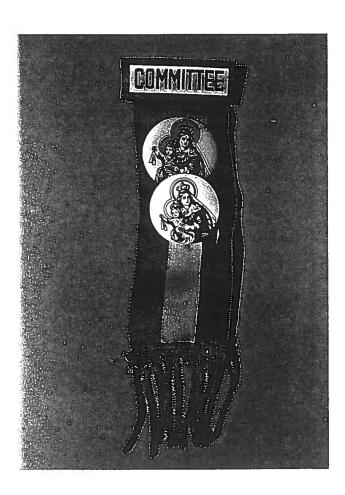
In 1935 the St. Mary of Carmine Society of Newton Brought the native Italian cultural tradition of honoring Our Lady of Mount Carmel to our City. The celebration is marked by a week-long festival. The St. Mary of Carmine Society is one of the oldest thriving cultural-religious societies in the United States. As members of the St. Mary of Carmine Society we are proud to continue the tradition that we inherited from generations of our American- and Italian-born parents, grandparents, and in some cases great-grandparents.

The festival of St. Mary of Carmine is deeply rooted in the hearts of many families of the village of Nonantum. Citizens throughout Newton and the surrounding cities and towns also enjoy and participate in the yearly event. Each year the festival provides both the young and old the opportunity to learn, appreciate and reflect upon the traditions that unite us as a society. Many families return for this celebration and turn our celebration into a reunion for their families as well.

We are proud of our heritage and this third Sunday in July each year is a celebration of this pride. Months of preparation are needed for the festival. Through the hard work of the Festival Committee, the society's members, and the cooperation of the residents and city officials, we have been successful in raising funds to support many community charities and other non-profit organizations. The society provides annual scholarships to deserving college freshmen as well as death benefits for all society members.

The concern for our family's welfare and the opportunity and good fortune of our posterity are central to the founding charter of the St. Mary of Carmine Society. Chartered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts June 24th, 1936, the society aided families of members who immigrated from Italy and settled in Nonantum.

We are proud to carry on the tradition for the past 60 years. By carrying forward the traditions of our forefathers, we pray that we shall have the strength to carry on the tradition for generations to come. So, at this time we invite all to come celebrate with us the **FEAST OF ST. MARY OF CARMINE**.



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ORIGIN OF OUR DEVOTION

Our devotion to St. Mary of Carmine began before the 13th century and can be traced to the Old Testament and Mount Carmel in Israel. Mount Carmel is mentioned numerous times in the Old Testament as a holy mountain. The sacred mountain was visited by the prophets Elia and Eliseus and is the site of the first Carmelite order of monks.

Formally established by the church circa 1206 and 1214, the Carmelite monks used the holy and solitary Elia as their model, and lived a life of solitude and prayer as they worked to achieve union with God.

Around the years 1247 to 1251, at Aylesford, Kent, England, St. Simon Stock, Superior General of the Carmelites order, was praying for salvation to our Blessed Mother for the disintegrating order. In deep prayer, Mary appeared to St. Simon Stock, holding the Holy Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. She presented the scapular to St. Simon Stock and told him that whoever dies clothed in the Scapular would be saved.

St. Simon Stock ordered all Carmelites to wear the brown scapular. The later flourishing of the Carmelite order throughout Europe is attributed to the blessed act. Today the Carmelites are present throughout the world, and today we celebrate the miracle of the Scapular in our feast to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, better known in Nonantum (The Lake), as St Mary of Carmine.

As we celebrate the 60th year of our Festa, let us remember the gift of the scapular that Mary has given and the many graces we receive through her intercession which brings us closer to her son, our lord, Jesus Christ.

Gerard Marrocco





Articles of Incorporation - June 24, 1936

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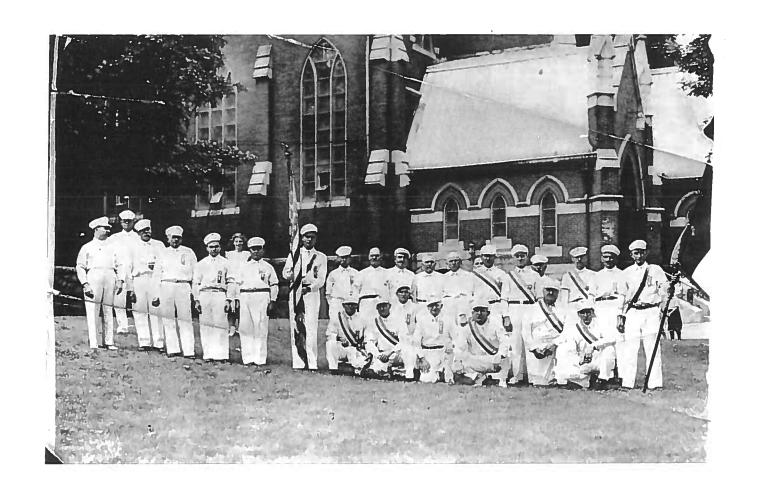
Watertown Street & Fire Station, Nonantum, Mass.



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THE FIRST YEAR





















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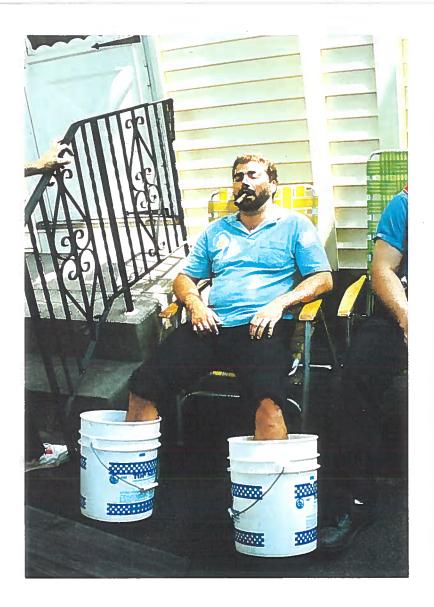


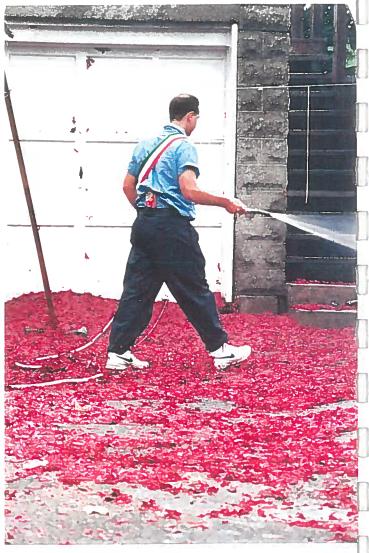


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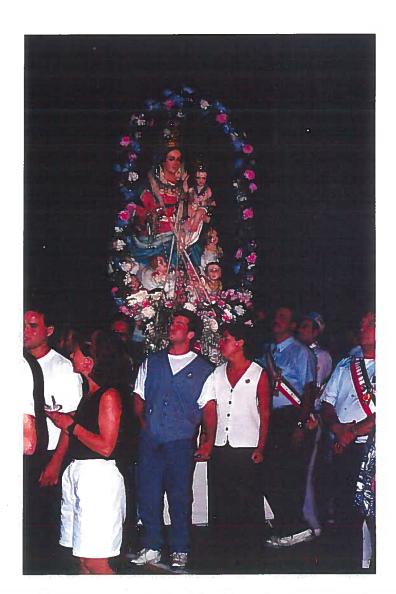
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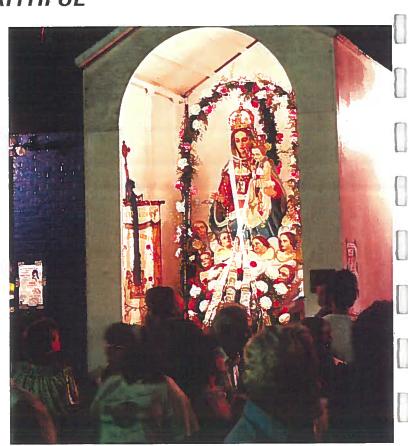






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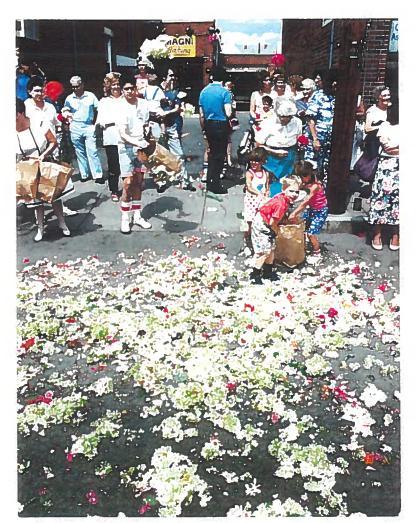


THE LONGEST DAY OF THE YEAR!





THOSE WHO JOIN IN THE FUN!





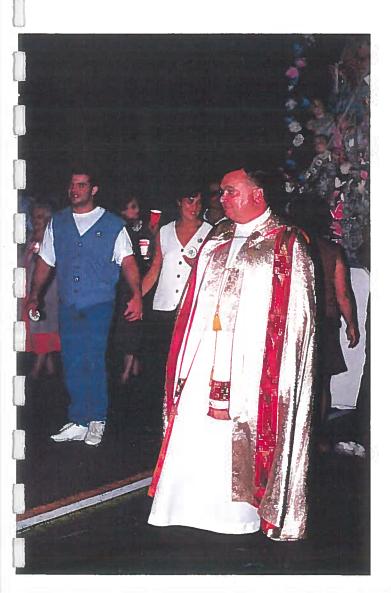




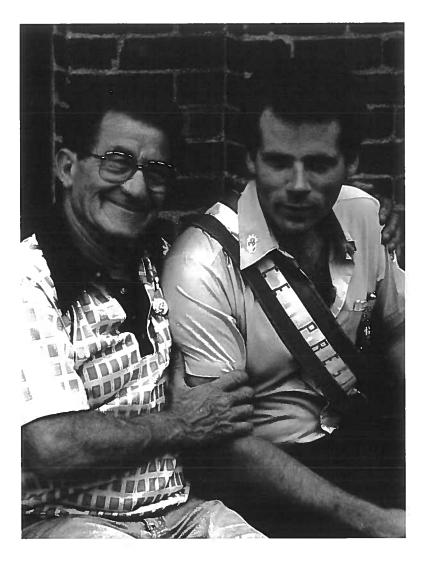
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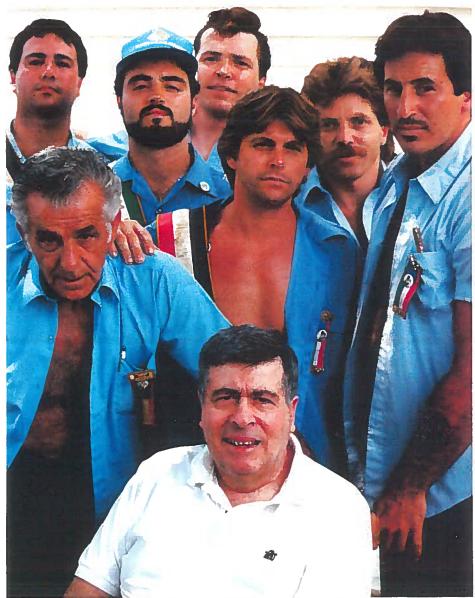


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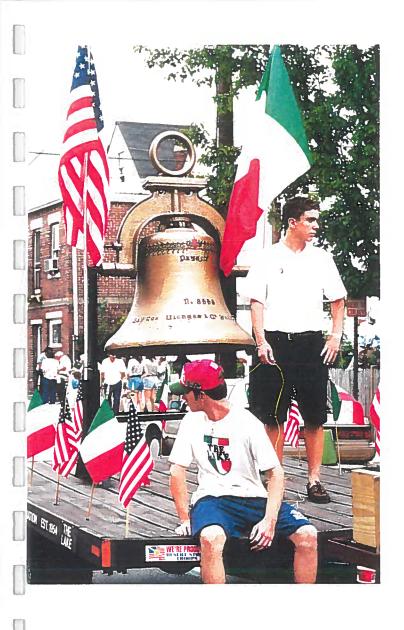




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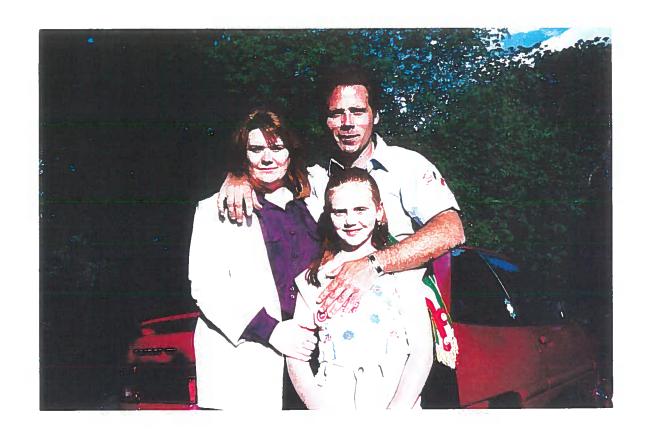














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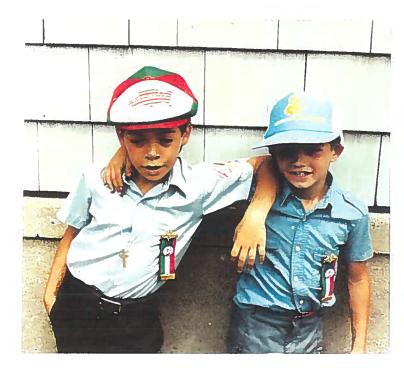


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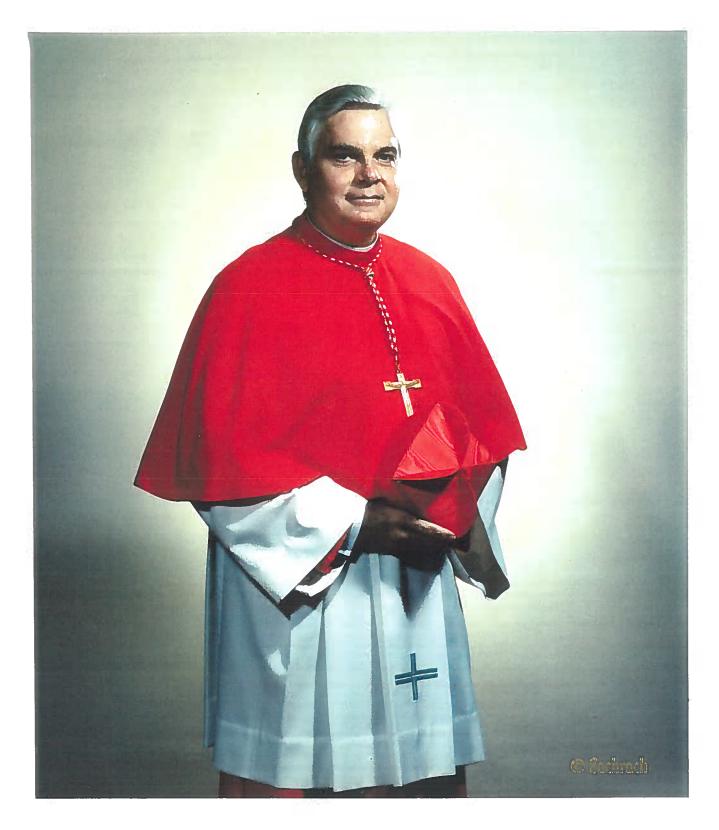
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