"THE FEAST"

The Our Lady of Mount Carmel Italian Society Celebration

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It would not be Verplanck without "The Feast", the Our lady of Mount Carmel Society annual Italian celebration on July 12-16. 2017.

The iconic four days of carnival like atmosphere of music, rides, games, food and everything Italian is as traditional as the sun coming up every morning.





A Prayer to the Blessed Virgin (Never Found to Fail)

O Most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottion of my heart, to succour me in this necessity; there are none that can withstand your power.

O, show me herein you are my Mother, O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (3 times)

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands. (3 times)

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For 95 years, this event, with its hint of Catholic religion, begun by a group of quarry workers, who originally came from Reggio Calabria in Italy, have carried their traditions from their homeland to their newfound life in Verplanck, New York.

Rich, poor, and famous, everyone has to be "seen" at least one evening of the five day event walking the seventh street celebration area as part of good old summer time in Verplanck, NY. People born in every corner of the globe, and who have heard about "The Feast" come to enjoy the wonderful sausage and pepper wedges, the ice cream, a cold beer or just to "chat" on a hot summers evening in July. Families with children must give them at least one ride on the Ferris wheel or the other rides that are on the field of the Societies grounds.

The final event the fireworks fill Verplanck on Sunday evening with thousands and thousands of visitors all waiting for the final huge fireworks celebration marking the end of yet another wonderful summer of The Feast" in Verplanck, NY.

For 95 years this tradition, has marked summer in Verplanck, NY.

Vincent Altieri, Jr. and VP Mike Letteri invite everyone to enjoy this traditional Italian event.







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