## Carmelite Institute of Britain and Ireland

**Programme: Discovering Carmel** 

## **Module DC04: Mary in the Carmelite Tradition**

This module is a brief introduction to the theme of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Carmelite Order. Carmel from earliest times has been known as Marian; the various people and themes that in the Carmelite tradition all feature devotion to the Mother of God.

This module looks at five topics:

- The Middle Ages.
- o The emergence of the figure of Mary in the 13th and 14th centuries.
- o Five themes: Mother, Patroness, Sister, Most Pure Virgin, Model.
- o The Mass of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.
- Two recent documents.

## The objectives of the module are:

- To help you explore what you already know about Mary, and perhaps find a new perspective.
- That some of the truths of Mary may appear in a new light, or that you will understand them more deeply.
- That you might have some sense of how the Marian tradition of the Carmelite Order evolved.
- That you will have some sense of the Carmelites' vision of Mary and of their experience of her care.