

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

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Served by the Carmelites

PARISH OFFICE.....422-7767
Carol Howisey, Parish Administrator
FAITH FORMATION.....422-2814
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.....422-5209
Emergency Material Assistance
EMERGENCY SICK CALLS.....422-7767
CONFIRMATION AND RCIA.....422-7767
TAG / HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY
Rhyan Ramirez 853-2905

MASSES

WEEKENDS:

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8, 10 am & 12 Noon

WEEKDAYS: 9:00 am

HOLY DAYS: Consult Bulletin for Mass Schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 pm or by appointment

BAPTISMS: 2nd Weekend of the Month

Pre-Baptism Program Required

MARRIAGES: Six Months Notice Required



**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 14, 2014**

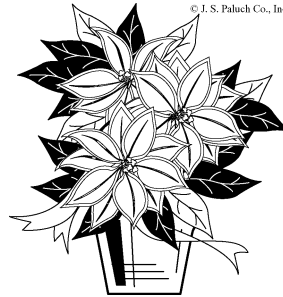


**OFFERTORY—Dec 7
\$14,500.00**

Our SVDP served 464 people with Thanksgiving food & served 102 families during November.

**Tuesday 5:30pm: Legion of Mary -Family Rm
Wednesday 7 pm: RCIA / Conf Rm
Thursday 1 pm: Cancer Support / Conf Rm
5 pm: TAG / Conf Rm
Friday 6:30 pm: Amor Dei Prayer / Conf Rm
Sunday 2 pm: TAG/Dome**

**CHRISTMAS
FLOWER
ENVELOPES**



are available in the narthex. You may donate towards our Christmas flowers in honor of or in memory of your loved ones.



**Monday: Nicholasa & Francisco Martinez +
Tuesday: Cristina Taasan Valencia +
Wednesday: Bev Orlando +
Thursday: Willi Lang +
Friday: Carmen & Gabino Casillas
Sat 9 am: Frank Cruz +
Saturday: Eduardo & Anna Arias +
Sunday:
8 am: Mae Harnett +
10 am: Ricardo Tubig +
Noon: OLMC Parishioner**



**GET A JUMP START ON
YOUR NEW YEAR EVE
PLANS....WHAT WILL YOU BE
CELEBRATING?**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual New Year's Eve Dinner Dance – begin at 8 pm in the Dome. Tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses and in the Parish Office. Tickets: \$45 per person. Call Dom Orlando, 429-0149 for more info.

JOHN THE BAPTIST

At a school open house a woman could be overheard introducing her husband to some of the other parents. "Oh, Bill, I'd like you to meet Johnny's father. And over here, this is Marie's mom; you know, the little girl from our Ellen's soccer team."

With satisfied resignation Bill introduced himself not by name: "I'm Ellen's Dad."

It's good to know who you are. Be it someone's father or mother, son or daughter, husband or wife, it's important to embrace the full meaning of our various roles.

John the Baptist knows who he is. And who he is not. He is not the Christ. Nor Elijah. Nor like any other prophet God's people had ever seen.

John the Baptist knows his mission is divine. He's more than satisfied to be the one to announce the coming of God's reign. The Christ is near. Make straight your paths.

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The Nativity Display Committee is once again looking for additional volunteers to work with the upcoming Christmas display. If you are interested in working on this wonderful project contact Dom Orlando, 429-0149 or call Carol in the Parish Office, 422-7767.



Again this year, the Knights of Columbus 15499, Our Lady fo Mt Carmel, is sponsoring a TOYS FOR THE NEEDY drive. Your generosity in the past has been wonderful and we hope to have another fantastic year. You can bring new, unwrapped toys to the back of the narthex beginning Nov. 22nd & 23rd and following weekends through Dec. 13th & 14th. Donations will be given to children in need.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

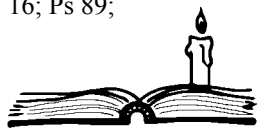
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will GOD make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Psalm — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

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THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR TEENS-St. Mary's, Vacaville on Sun, Dec. 14th (9 am to 6:30 pm).

Especially adapted for our youth today.

Call **Andreyra Arevalo, 301-9118** or email andreyra@tobrevolution.com

Hear our prayers, Lord

Madison O'Shields (4)
 joan Hutchinson (1), Timothy White (1), Ian Padilla (2), Mary Ellen McCormick (3), Joe Hill (2), Isabella Sutton (4), John Williams (1), Dolores Highsmith-Cass (2), John Hess (4) Dion Newman (2), Connie Arias (1), Phil Brouder (1), Daniel Artates (4), Carol Nunes (4) Dolores Sheppard (5), Albert Pratt (2), Bessie Zanolini (3), Charlie Elser (1) Annie Haley (3), Shelby Ledoux (4), Susan Cox (1), Deacon Larry Sheldon (2), Elba Elias (1), Jim Sams (1), Otilia Quinn (1), Ron Scharfen (1), Dottie Pratt (4). Lourdes Garado (4), Freddie Highsmith (4), Robert Keck (4), Shannon Valtierra (2). Henry Rodriguez (3), Kimo Boone (2), Joe Nunes (3), Evelyn Nunes (3), Susan Stockwell (2) Gloria Lee (3), Daniella Rogers Harre (1), Liza Perez (2), Shea (1), Laura Labrado (1), Lrroy Roles (1), Kim Brttencourt (1)



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A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

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Carol will be retiring at the end of this year (December 2014) after thirty (30) years of dedicated and outstanding service in the Parish Office as Administrative Assistant. She will be greatly missed by so many of us who have encountered her warm and friendly smile, dedication, energy and expertise in so many countless and thankless ways in our Parish Office. It is Carol's heartfelt wish that no formal Retirement Party nor celebration of any kind be held in her honor. However, you may drop by the Office and wish her well. If you would like to give her cards of well-wishes, gratitude and the like they will certainly be welcomed and appreciated (got Starbucks?). May the Lord continue to bless Carol with good health, joy, laughter and gratitude for her committed service to OLMC Parish family.



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Welcome By the same token you are probably wondering how we are going to manage without Carol in the Parish

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Office. Thankfully, I am very happy to announce that Carol's replacement will be another parishioner by the name of Gemma Gonzalo. Carol will be training her in December, beginning Tuesday, Dec. 9th. As some of you may know, Gemma has served as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Pastoral Parish Council member, Couples For Christ participant, FIAT (Faith In Action) team member and spear-headed the Hosanna Concerts for 5 years for our enjoyment. She comes to us with many talents and gifts which will help to embrace the huge void which Carol's retirement will leave in the Parish Office. Please welcome Gemma to her new position as Administrative Assistant as well as thank Carol for many years in the front office. Of course, Carol will still be around all of December as she transitions to her retirement years.

I ask that you pray along with me that Carol and Gemma will receive from the Lord: His love, His peace, His joy, His wisdom and His patience in their respective transitions .

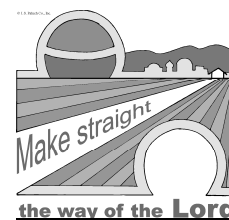
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ADULT EDUCATION RCIA Catholics Come Home	Vivian Donahoe/422-0872 Kelly Newman/422-4582 or Dom Orlando/429-0149
ALTAR SERVERS	Deacon Raymond Elias/ 416-4618
ALTAR & SANCTUARY	Teo Balmeo
BAPTISM PREP Class held every other month	Deacon Raymond Elias deaconraymondlianas@sbcglobalnet 416-4618
CANCER SUPPORT	Annie Hutchinson
CURSILLO	Gem Geluz/ 386-9142
FIAT	Norma Dulay/925-528-3528
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LAY CARMELITES	Teresa Smith/421-1491
LEGION OF MARY	Elena McBound/481-7850
MINISTRY OF THE EUCARIST	Julie Darling/425-3934 Pearla Cuervo/429-8226
MARRIAGE PREP	Call the Parish Office at least 6 months before wedding date
MUSIC MINISTRY	Barbara McFadden/580-6514 Mark Middleton Email: olmemusic@guitarandpiano.com
OLMC GIFT CARDS	Peggy Sherrod/429-3183
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL	Consists of 10 Members (Listed in the bulletin)
PRAYER LINE	Catharine Scharfen /427-2320 Jewel Perez/ 426-3697 Pearla Cuervo/429-8/226
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QUEEN OF PEACE CENACLE	Mindy Zindel/421-0776
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**FAMILY AND FRIENDS GIFT
CARD SHOPPING
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURS-
DAY—DEC 15th, 16th and 17th
FROM
6 PM TO 8 PM IN THE KITCHEN.**



**COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION
MONDAY, DEC. 15th- 7 PM**