

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

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Served by the Carmelites

Mass Schedule / Sacraments

PARISH OFFICE.....(707) 422-7767
Gemma Gonzalo, Parish Administrator
Office email address: olmc.gem@gmail.com
Office hours: 8 AM - 4 PM, Monday - Friday
FAITH FORMATION.....(707) 422-2814
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.....(707) 422-5209
Emergency material assistance
EMERGENCY SICK CALLS.....(707) 422-7767
CONFIRMATION & RCIA.....(707) 422-7767
TAG / HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY
Rhyan Ramirez.....(707) 853-2905

MASS: *WEEKEND*....Saturday Evening: 5PM Vigil
Sunday: 8AM, 10AM & 12 Noon
DAILY.....Monday - Saturday: 9AM
HOLY DAYS.....9AM, Noon and 7PM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturdays.....3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment
BAPTISMS: 2nd Weekend of the Month
Pre-Baptism Program Required (visit our website)
MARRIAGES: *Six months notice required*
Contact the Parish Office for all Baptisms & Marriages

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29TH, 2015 ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Greatness - The measure of greatness is not the number of servants you have, but the number of people you serve. — Anonymous

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL COMMUNITY

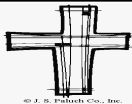
Monday 11/30 *Sacrament of Reconciliation*
 Tuesday 12/01 *Faith Formation / Legion of Mary*
 Wednesday 12/02 *Faith Formation / RCIA*
 Thursday 12/03 *SVDP / Knights of Columbus*
 Friday 12/04 *Lay Carmelites*
 Saturday 12/05 *CFC/FFL-CFC / Taize Around The Cross*
 Sunday 12/06 *Little Church / TAG Youth Ministry*



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offense and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease.

COMMITTED ADORERS are NEEDED !!! OLMC's St. Therese Chapel is open 24 hours, 7 days a week! Our goal is to have 2 or more committed adorers every hour. Please call the Parish Office for more information, 422-7767.



Mass Intentions

Monday Indegent Souls in Purgatory
 Tuesday † Baby Jesse Lozada
 Wednesday † Eileen Singh
 Thursday Margret Tipton
 Friday Ian Padilla
 Saturday: 9AM † Conception Gogue & † Leonacio Taitano
 5PM † Charlie Elser
 Sunday: 8AM † Oliver Padilla
 10AM Parishioners of OLMC
 12 Noon † Nicholasa Martinez



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Advent is a time rich in family traditions. Many of them have been so effectively absorbed into our culture that their religious origins are hidden. Some of us will set candles in our windows tonight. The custom began in Ireland during the so-called "penal" days, extending from 1691 to the "Catholic Emancipation" in 1829 and beyond. There were harsh penalties and fines for not attending the government church. Priests were forced into hiding, but people were resourceful and determined in guarding their faith. At Christmas, Irish families, particularly in the countryside, placed a lighted candle in the cottage window and left the door unlatched, hoping that a priest might come by and celebrate the Christmas Mass for them. The possibility of the Mass coming into the family home gave rise to other Irish customs at the beginning of Advent. The cottage received a fresh coat of whitewash, the threshold was swept especially clean, and fresh curtains were hung in the windows. The house was scrubbed until it gleamed, including all the pots and pans, and all garments and table linens were laundered. The custom of the Irish window candle was so admired in Catholic Europe that it was widely copied there, and now finds a welcome in households that may not exactly expect a priest to wander in!



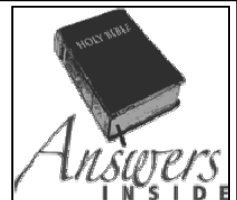
Prayer Requests If you would like the faith community of OLMC to join you in prayers for special needs, contact the Parish Office at 422-7767. We do occasionally take some names off of the list in the bulletin. If we have taken a name from the printed list of a person still in need of prayers, please give us a call and we will happily put him or her back on. Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers:

- For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness
- For Armed Forces Men and Women on Active Duty, and for

Madison O'Shields	Daniel Artates	Joe Hill
Timothy White	Carol Nunes	Connie Arias
Ron Scharfen	Dolores Sheppard	John Hess
Dolores Highsmith-Cass	Albert Pratt	Robert Keck
Freddie Highsmith	Bessie Zanolini	Kimo Boone
Dion Newman	Elba Elias	Gloria Lee
Shannon Valtierra	Ian Padilla	Anita Brennan
Daniella Rogers Harre	Laura Labrado	Steve Henson
Kim Bettencourt	Cuca Lopez & Family	Mack Cole
Susan Stockwell	Cameron Schuster	Stephen Shanahan
Francisco Galvez	Miley McCrary	Rebecca Rivera
Jim & Christa Christian	Sally Fields	Don & Julia Rivera
Carl Johnson	De Pham	Kathy Spain
Vanessa Demerin	John & June Kelley	Larry Hebert
Joe & Evelyn Nunes	David Quilao	Mike MacCallum
Sharon Dotson	Mary Aquila	Phillip Rodriguez
Malou Garado	Susan Cox	Kellie Arnold
Carter "Ed" Wilson	William McFadden	Josephine Iannarelli
Veronica Blas	Kelly Farney	Bob Olmstead
Irma D. Marrufo	Johanna Abrera	Jennifer Briones
Ezra Creed Haueter	Ferdinand Aquinovo	Sonia Agustin
Pat Brausch	Augusto Limjoco	Sabine Krygier
Nino Casilag	Stephanie Ambat	Imelda De Dios
Generosa Dumlaog	Carol Ann Lewis	Miguel Cortez
Karen Mastrandrea	Llavore Family	Nancy Sexton

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6





Rainer Urbach 246-4686
 Regina Williams 330-6915
 John Quitugua 428-7255
 Matt Maffei 592-0375

(Immaculate Heart Radio
 Ambassador)

Angie Bernardo 344-0166
 Hayde Talley 421-1306
 Jim Brown 688-5181
 Ray Fortaleza 720-5166
 Patricia May 252-3856
 Laura Rojas (415) 613-3671
 Vince Tydingco/Sec. 631-5269
 Julie Darling / Pres. 425-3934



**OLMC's
 Knights
 of Co-
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 - 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. 21/22 and following weekends through Dec. 19/20. Donations will be given to local area children in need.

St. Vincent de Paul welcomes OLMC parish families, of one or more persons, to call 422-5209 if financial assistance is needed to have a family dinner for Christmas. Please call by December 9th.

All personal information will be confidential.



Parish
 Collection
 Our weekly
 goal \$12,500.00

Offertory for week ending:
 November 22nd, 2015
 Not available at print.



In Memoriam:

- * Charlie Elser
- * JJ Gonzalo
- * Jeremy Bascara
- * Francis Bauer
- * Ray & Loretta Tirey
- * Emi Luptak
- * Ronald Sablan
- * Otilia Quinn
- * George House
- * Elvie "Lee" Millican
- * Alfredo & Stephnie Fana Albericci
- * Ferdinand Scharff
- * Rene & Theresa Fontaine
- * Felino & Maria Malabanan
- * Blanche Stevens
- * Bruna Williams
- * Elizabeth Cepeda



The Three Comings Of Advent

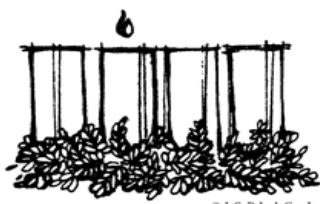
There are three distinct comings of the Lord of which I know . . .

*His coming to humankind,
 His coming into humankind, and
 His coming against humankind.*

—St. Bernard: *Third Sermon for Advent*

Annual Nativity Display:

The committee is in the planning stages for this year's display. We can use additional help. If you're interested in helping with this worthwhile project, please call Dom Orlando, 429-0149 or Kelly Newman, 422,4582.



THE COMING KINGDOM

Jeremiah could see it coming—the kingship of Jesus and the restoration of Jerusalem. But was anybody listening? Is anybody listening now? It must have been tough being a prophet, but Jeremiah was persistent in his message because he knew that it needed to be heard. Also persistent in his message is Paul as he encourages the

Thessalonians—and all of us—to live in accordance with the kingship that Jeremiah foretold. He encourages us to conduct ourselves in ways of holiness so that we may be well prepared for the king's coming. Finally, Jesus himself tells us to be ever diligent so that we may gain favor before our God and King. Jeremiah could see the kingship of Jesus coming. As we begin the season of Advent, Paul and Jesus tell us not only how to prepare for the Kingdom, but how to live it day to day.

Training orientation for OLMC's St.

Vincent de Paul Volunteers is

December 7th at 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Dome. We welcome ALL interested individuals. *"To encounter the living God it is necessary to tenderly kiss Jesus' wounds in our hungry, poor, sick and incarcerated brothers and sisters."* Pope Francis 7/3/2013.



**THE SOCIETY OF
 ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

FEED. CLOTHE. HOUSE. HEAL.



Calendar of Events

- ◆ *Dec. 5th* - Taize Around the Cross 7PM
- ◆ *Dec. 8th* - HOLY DAY - Immaculate Conception
Masses: 9 AM, Noon & 7PM
- ◆ *Dec. 15th* - OLMC Communal Penance, 7PM
(Holy Spirit Dec. 14th, 7PM).
- ◆ *Dec. 22th - 27th* - Nativity Around the World
Display in the Dome

The Knights of Columbus is promoting "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" by selling Christmas cards after all Masses, Nov. 21st - Dec. 13th. Get your cards early for the largest selection. There's more to Christmas than Santa, Reindeers, and Frosty. . . let's KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS! For additional information contact any Knight or call Dom Orlando, 429-0149.



OLMC MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS



ADULT EDUCATION - RCIA / Catholics Come Home	Vivian Donahoe - 422-0872 / Kelly Newman - 422-4582 / Dom Orlando - 429-0149	MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER	Tom and Elaine Bruno - 426-9564
ALPHA PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER	428-3300	MEMBERS IN MOTION	MaryEllen McCormick - 434-9850
ALTAR & SANCTUARY	Teo Balmeo	MINISTRY OF THE EUCHARIST	Julie Darling - 425-3934 Pearla Cuervo - 429-8226
ALTAR SERVERS	Deacon Raymond Elias / 416-4618	MINISTRY OF THE WORD	Greig Parker - 688-1795
AMOR DEI CHARISMATIC COMMUNITY	Delia & Ireneo Tabasa / 631-9577	MUSIC MINISTRY - Mark Middleton olmemusic@guitarandpiano.com	Barbara McFadden - 580-6514,
BAPTISM PREP Class held every other month	Deacon Raymond Elias / 416-4618 deaconraymondelias@sbcglobal.net	OLMC GIFT CARDS	Peggy Sherrod / 429-3183
CANCER SUPPORT	Annie Hutchinson - 422-0851	PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL	Consists of 10 members (listed in the bulletin)
CFC-FOUNDATION FOR FAMILY & LIFE	John & Malou Bayquen - 208-4005	PRAYER LINE	Catharine Scharfen - 427-2320 Jewel Perez, 426-3697 / Pearla Cuervo - 429-8226
COUNSELING (private practice)	Henry A. Ormond, O.Carm, PhD 422-7767 ext 16	QUEEN OF PEACE CENACLE	Mindy Zindel - 421-0776
COUPLES FOR CHRIST	Cesar & Norma Dulay (925) 528-3528 Pidz & Joy Banasan - 425-3077	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Elaine Bruno or Anna Albericci 422-2814
CURSILLO	Gem Geluz - 386-9142	RESPECT LIFE and LIGHTHOUSE KIOSK	Cathy Omoso 688-6551 / Phyllis Kaminska 419-4237
FIAT	Norma Dulay - (925) 528-3528	RETROUVAILLE (Lifeline for troubled marriages)	Fred & Barbara Valles - 422-1215
FINANCE COUNCIL	John Donahoe - 422-0872	ST. VINCENT de PAUL	422-5209
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES AUXILIARY	Dominic Orlando - 429-0149 Dottie Pratt 429-1023	USHERS / HOSPITALITY	Bunny Dominguez / 386-2709
LAY CARMELITES	Teresa Smith - 421-1491	VISITS TO THE SICK and SACRAMENT MINISTRY	Parish Office
LEGION OF MARY	Elena McBound - 481-7850	YLI (A Catholic Women's Organization)	Kathy Marley - 422-3588 or Margaret Sanders - 428-1970
LORD'S LEAVEN MISSION SOCIETY	Marlon & Yvette Taasan - 428-6375	YOUTH MINISTRY	Rhyan & Danielle Ramirez - 853-2905 Regina Berdak - 398-1092