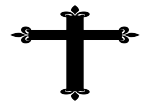




First Sunday of Advent – December 2, 2018



Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday – December 1

3:00am- † Marcella I. Mikos

5:00pm- † Philip Cintron

Sunday – December 2

8:30am- † Christopher Roland

10:00am- † Guillermo Martinez

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

5:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday – December 3

8:00am- † Martin Kades

2:05pm- Special Intentions of Beatrice Maher

Tuesday – December 4

8:00am- † Ralph DeMeo

12:05pm- Special Intentions of Tom Georgas

Wednesday – December 5

8:00am- † Rosendo Cintron

12:05pm- † Willy Chin

Thursday – December 6

8:00pm- † Egidio Ferrandino

12:05am- For deliverance, healing & favor of Jayden Munoz, Isaiah Roland & Susan Ferris

Friday – December 7

3:00am † Deceased Members of DeSimone Family

12:05pm- † Bernadette Hoffman

Saturday – December 8

12:05pm- Special Intentions of Christian Pepo, Barry & Tania

5:00pm- † Anne Marie Vardy

Sunday – December 9

8:30am- † Msgr. Augustin J. DiBlasi & Pat

10:00am- † Christopher Roland

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Offered by: Sisters

By: Nancy & Marcella Mikos

Offered by: wife Hercilia

Offered by: Mary Guardiani

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Offered by: Sisters

Offered by: a friend

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Offered by: Mom

Offered by: Annette Esposito

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Offered by: mom, Joyce Pepo

Offered by: Frank Folby

Offered by: Family

Offered by: Carol Nolan-Petronella & Family

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine

~ *Our Lord Jesus Christ*

The candles will burn this week for the following intentions

Tabernacle Candle



Memorial Candle

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~ **FOR ALL OUR**

Memorial Candle

~ **FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

LITURGICAL MINISTER'S SCHEDULE DECEMBER 2018

Saturday 5:00 PM - Lector: Linda Graves (carry Gospel Book)

E.M.: Linford Smith, Mary Lou Obermayer, Cinderella Wonszewitz

Sub: Peg * Tom Ventrudo

Sunday 8:30 AM - Lector: Maria Oliveras (carry Gospel Book)

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Carbonaro, Delmeter Carey & MaryAnn Ugbo

Sub: Joan Fortunato

Sunday 10:00 AM - Lector: Alexis Crowdell (carry Gospel Book)

Eucharistic Ministers: Crescencia Pascua, Emmanuel Fode & Thelma Washington

Sub: Dianne Murphy



First Sunday of Advent

"be prepared all the time" (Luke 21:36)

Today we begin the new liturgical year with the advent season. During this time, we prepared for the three comings of Christ: as a little boy who incarnated two thousand years ago; As the Lord and Savior of our hearts today and also as the son of the man who will return to our world at the end of time. As the readings tell us we know neither the day nor the hour and we must be prepared; So advent can be a good opportunity to prepare our hearts for Jesus in the here and now of our lives and perhaps be able to find it in the faces of all who surround us.

Many times we believe that Advent is only the four weeks of preparation for the anniversary of Jesus' first coming to our world two thousand years ago. However, the gospel of this first Sunday of the season focuses on the second Coming of Christ that is an event of the future. Although we cannot anticipate when it will pass, we are called to be prepared all the time. Lucas warns us that everyday activities can distract us easily. Somehow Lucas came forward to anticipate our many pre-holiday occupations. The Prayer of Saint Paul by the Christians of the community of the Thessalonians we should keep in mind these days of the crazy preparation for the festivities of December: "May the grace of God make them progress and abound in the love of one another and for all others" (1 Tes. 3:12).

May the words of the successor of Peter, Pope Francis encourage us to live advent as the time of: "Triumph of Jesus at the end of Time (which) will be the triumph of the cross, the demonstration that the sacrifice of himself for the love of neighbor, in imitation of Christ, is the only victorious power and the only safe point in the midst of the events and tragedies of the world." For Pope Francis "the problem is not 'when' the premonitory signs of recent times will come, but be prepared for the encounter."

Fr. Hernan, S.J.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

December 2: First Sunday of Advent

Jeremey 33:14-16
Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
1 Thessalonians 3:12 – 4:2

December 9: Second Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11



LET US "SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG!" (Psalm 90) - During the season of Advent we will be singing some new music at the English Masses. The Entrance Song and Penitential Rite have a repetitive refrain; "Come, Come Emmanuel" with solo/cantor verses appropriate for the theme of each Sunday. The Responsorial Psalm will be the "Common Psalm" of the season (Psalm 25) which is different from the "Appointed Psalm" found in the Missal. Please be sure to pick up the blue hymn sheet by the Bulletin Baskets before Mass and return it after Mass.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY – On Monday, December 17, 2018, 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Cardinal Dolan designated Monday, December 17, 2018, as Reconciliation Monday for Advent. All parishes in the archdiocese (including ours) will have priests available to hear confessions from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM., also includes all the parishes of the Archdiocese of New York, as well as the parishes of the Diocese of Brooklyn and the Diocese of Rockville Center. *"The sacrament of reconciliation is a sacrament of healing. When I go to confession, it's for healing: healing the soul, healing the heart because of something that I did to make it unwell. Every time we go to confession, God embraces us."* (Pope Francis).

BOYS AND GIRLS; LET US SING TO THE LORD - A Children's Choir is being formed to sing at the 4:00pm English mass, December 24th in our parish. Any child who wishes to participate in this music ministry is welcomed. There is NO age requirement specified to participate in the Children's Choir and NO experience is needed. We have had children from 3 years of age and others in high school. The basic requirement is that the child attends the practices. Each child must fill out a permission form and this can be obtained in the rectory.

OLMC SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR - Thursday, December 13th and Friday, December 14th from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. At the school gym (285 Clove Road). Holiday Gifts for the whole family, jewelry, crochet items, dollar gifts, raffles and much more. Don't miss out! Funds to benefit Our Lady of Mt. Carmel – St. Benedicta School.

O.L. MT. CARMEL – ST. BENEDICTA SCHOOL TOURING TUESDAY - Touring Tuesday on December 4th from 9:00 am to 11:00 am; Come visit our school and get information regarding registration. Pre-k for full day program (free). Kindergarten - 8th grade (financial aid information available). For more information, call the school office 718-981-5131. All are welcome to attend, so please invite family, friends, and neighbors to come and visit our school!

CALLING ALL BOYS AND GIRLS; WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE JESUS AT THE ALTAR? - We invite any child who wants to provide services to the ministry of Altar Servers for all our Masses (including Spanish masses). You will be part of a training course in which you will learn the liturgical rituals to serve in a better way and proclaim the word of God with dignity. The parents interested in registering their children can call the rectory to leave their information and/or get more information. The only requirement is that the child has already received his/her First Holy Communion.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2019 - The Mass Intention Book for Year 2019 is now open and mass intentions are available! The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. Please call or visit the rectory during our regular rectory hours.

BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES – Join us on Fridays evenings (7:15pm) as we continue our journey into God's word with our Bible Study program. We will be meeting in the Parish Meeting Room and will be continuing with the Book of Exodus. If you don't have a bible at home, extras will be available. No need to pre-register. Dates to follow are; December 7th & 21st. If you have an interest in understanding and praying with Holy Scripture, this is an opportunity for you to join this ongoing group to begin or continue your search. All are welcome to join us at any time!

FOOD PANTRY - The next distribution date for our food pantry will be on Thursday, December 13th, 2018 from 9 am-11am and 4pm - 7pm. (In front of the church.) For more information, call the rectory. *Because I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, a stranger and you welcomed me. ~ Matthew 25:35.*

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE - Come and celebrate this joyous feast day with our Hispanic community on Tuesday, December 11th & Wednesday, December 12th. The festivities begin with a marathon on the 11th initiating at 6:30pm at the ferry. If anyone is interested in participating in the marathon, please contact the parish to register, mass will follow at 9pm. On Tuesday the evening begins with a 6pm procession from Veterans Park up Castleton Ave and a mass following at 7pm. After mass join us for fellowship in the Parish School hall. *Everyone is welcome!*

COLLECTIONS: November 25: \$3,805; Second Collection: \$986; Thanksgiving \$1,012. *Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!*