



OUR LADY OF
Mount Carmel
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH INFORMATION

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Thursday 8:30am - 5:00pm
Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm
Saturday 9:00am - 1:00pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday 3:00pm - 4:30pm

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Mondays from 8:30am until 7:00pm Benediction

24 HOUR ADORATION SCHEDULE

First Friday from 8:30am until Saturday morning at 8:00am

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Weekday

Monday to Friday 6:30am and 8:00 am
Saturday 8:00am

CHILDCARE

Offered during Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am for children ages infant to 5yrs in our preschool area.

PARISH REGISTRATION

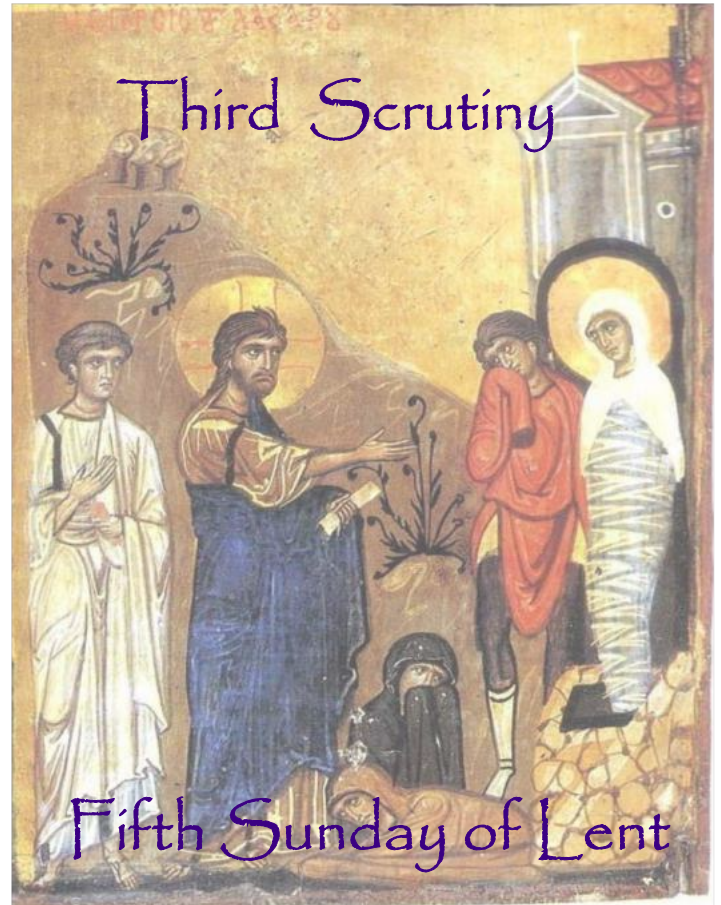
First Sunday of the Month after 11am Mass in the north end of McCready Hall. The Next Parish Registration and Welcoming will be held on May 6, 2018. *skipping April

INFANT BAPTISMS

Held on the 3rd and 4th Sunday of each month. Parents must first attend baptismal preparation class held on the First Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the School Library. Please go to www.olmctempe.com/sacrament-baptism for more information and to fill out the registration form. Next Class will be April 4, 2018.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Food box, rental or utility assistance to those living within OLMC parish boundaries qualify for assistance by calling 480.966.1974 between 9am to 11am Monday through Fridays. Sorry no walk ins.



Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact the parish office 480.967.8791 to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick. For after hours assistance with the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish number for the after hours service number who will contact the appropriate person. Prayer Teams are also available for those seeking healing after 9am, 11am, and 5pm Masses on the first Sunday of each month.

WEDDING ORIENTATION

Held on the Second Sunday of each month except May. Couples please meet by the water fountain on the southeast side of the church immediately following the 11am Mass. This is the first step in the marriage preparation process and should be completed prior to setting wedding date. Next Orientation will be held on Sunday, April 8, 2018.

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Monday, March 19, 2018

8:00am Mom's Group -Annex
8:30am Adoration - Church
5:00pm Soup N Bread - S. Hall
6:00pm Cub Scouts - North Hall
6:00pm Outside Group - Annex West
7:00pm Benediction - Church

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

6:00pm Children's Choir - MR
7:00pm RCIA - North Hall
7:00pm WCA - South Hall
7:00pm M12Step - Annex
7:00pm Music Ministry - Church/FR

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

9:00am Parish - Annex
6:00pm Parish - Teacher's Lounge

Thursday, March 22, 2018

6:15pm CoAnon - Annex West
6:30pm MCA - South Hall
7:00pm Women's Bible Study - North Hall

Friday, March 23, 2018

10:00am School -Church

2:00pm School - Church
5:00pm Girl Scouts #15 - 4A
5:00pm Fish Fry - McCreedy Hall
7:00pm Stations of the Cross - Church
7:00pm Al Anon - 2A/2B/3A/3B/N. Hall
8:30pm AA - McCreedy Hall

Saturday, March 24, 2018

6:30am OLMC men's group - North Hall
7:00am Outside Group - Annex East
7:00am Outside Group - 7A, 8A
9:00am Parish Council -Library
9:00am Women's Studies - Annex East
3:00pm Sr. AA Group - Annex West
4:30pm K of C - The Plaza
4:30pm Bethlehem Group - Shrine

Sunday, March 25, 2018

7:00am Coffee Shop - South Hall
7:30am K of C - The Plaza
7:30am Bethlehem Group - Shrine
6:30pm Outside Group - North Hall

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March 18, 2018

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/
Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-
14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4,
5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or Jn
11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday, March 19, 2018

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27,
29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21,
24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn
8:21-30

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55,
56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday, March 22, 2018

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]
Jn 8:51-59

Friday, March 23, 2018

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13
[cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday, March 25, 2018

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-
9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11
Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39 Jn 11:1-45 or
Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 19, 2018

6:30am Soul of Clip Popp
8:00am Soul of Jerry Jaskowski

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

6:30am Soul of Andy Soesilo
8:00am Soul of Debby Anthony

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

6:30am Soul of Kevin J. Riger
8:00am Soul of Blasa Rodriguez

2:00pm Soul of Kristin Partipilo

Thursday, March 22, 2018

6:30am Int. of Judy & Ken Greene
8:00am Int. of Potwora Family

Friday, March 23, 2018


6:30am Soul of Lillian Mancini
8:00am Int. of Pam Looker

Saturday, March 24, 2018

8:00am Soul of Kyle Brayer
5:00pm People of Mount Carmel Parish

Sunday, March 25, 2018

7:00am Soul of Bruce Wester
9:00am Soul of Lucy Arredondo
11:00am Soul of Celia Ortiz
5:00pm Soul of Msgr. Daniel McCreedy



It's that time again if you wish to receive your giving record from OLMC please visit our website at www.olmctempe.com and fill out the online form and your 2017 statement will be emailed to you. If you do not have access to a computer you may still call the Parish office at 480.967.8791.



Save the Date our Parish Festival
Saturday, April 21st ... 12pm-9pm

Don't forget to start gathering your auction donations!
Drop off during office hours at both school & Parish.



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The Sisters' Corner ...

The Eucharist, source of our consecrated lives and mission

This past weekend Pope Francis invited our church to have "24 hours with the Lord" in Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and confessions. Some of us had the opportunity to participate in a retreat for consecrated sisters in Phoenix where we could participate in this beautiful initiative of the Church, thus receiving the mercy and love of God.

We, Servants of the Plan of God, have a very strong love and devotion for Christ in the Eucharist. All of our community's members must set aside time for a daily personal prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Also in our communities a once a week we participate, as a community in Adoration.

We believe that through the Eucharist we have an encounter with the love of God for each one of us. God, to whom we have consecrated our lives to, and to whom we strive to be the center of our lives each time we sit in Adoration. In the Blessed Sacrament, we know Jesus encourages us to bring HIS love to the others we each encounter through our different ministries.



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Together We Can Achieve More

The annual Charity and Development Appeal (CDA) provides critical funding to over 70 programs and organizations across the Diocese. The CDA serves the basic needs of our large and fast-growing community beyond what any one parish or community can do alone.

"Before all else, the Gospel invites us to respond to the God of love who saves us, to see God in others and to go forth from ourselves to seek the good of others."
— Pope Francis

Gifts From Bethlehem
Our Friends are Back Next Weekend
March 24th and March 25th after ALL Masses

Ayman Khair representing about 180 Christian families from Bethlehem. These families have been dependent upon sales of their hand carved religious articles to tourists of the Holy Land. Due to the conflict in the Middle East, the tourism has been cut off. In order to survive, they have turned to Christian communities in the United State to purchase their articles.

These hand carved religious articles are beyond description. Carved from wood of the sacred Olive tree, this workmanship has been traditional for these families for hundreds of years. It is hoped that through the efforts of Mr. Khair that these families have a little income and are able to stay living in the Holy Land. Amazingly enough, The Christians population dropped from 22 % to less than 2% in the last 30 years. Thank you in advance for your support.

11TH ANNUAL OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH
GOLF TOURNAMENT
SUPERSTITION SPRINGS GOLF CLUB
SATURDAY, APRIL 28

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Be direct your tax dollars to
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OLMC Catholic School.

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ARIZONA

TAX CREDIT HOW TO

Please visit the OLMC Coffee Shop Sunday Morning after the morning Masses. ALL proceeds benefit the Full Circle Program, a parish ministry at Mount Carmel that offers assistance for At Risk Kids and their families. For more information regarding assistance for your family contact AJ Creswell, at aj@olmctempe.com or please call 480.967.8791 to leave a message.



Everyday Stewardship



Easter Sunday is but two weeks away (April 1). In our First Reading from the prophet Jeremiah, we hear God tell us, "I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more." To affirm that forgiveness, St. Paul has this to say in the Second Reading: "He (Jesus) became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him." There is a connection between these two statements which present forgiveness as the way to salvation.

The Lenten season is one of penance, reflection, prayer, almsgiving, and fasting, perhaps even in that order, so we can better prepare ourselves for Easter Sunday and beyond. Lent reminds us that God is gracious and merciful. God's divine mercy is a central theme of Lent.

One might say that the priceless gift of God's mercy is highlighted and celebrated in the Church in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession). That should be a key part of our Lenten journey. As mentioned only two weeks remain on that journey so getting to reconciliation is important if we have not done so already.

Sacramental confession allows God's loving mercy and His grace-filled absolution to be confirmed to us through a priest. God sees us with love, mercy, and an abundance of forgiveness. Christ, through the priest, helps us to let go of anything that gets in the way of our relationship to God. St. Isidore wrote, "Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin. All hope consists in confession. In confession there is a chance for mercy."

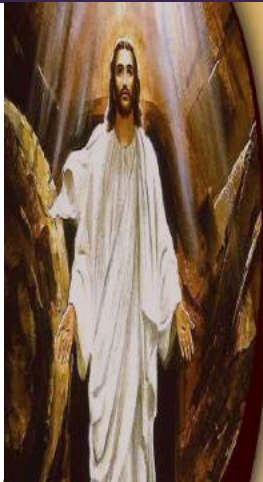
LENT 2018

Raise Up. Sacrifice. Offer.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25 Regular Sunday Schedule
- HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 29 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30 12:00pm personal prayer time in church
12:00pm Movie: Passion of The Christ in hall.
3:00pm Stations of the Cross
7:00pm Passion of Our Lord
- HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 31 7:30pm Easter Vigil



Easter Mass Schedule

Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 31 at 7:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 1
7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am
*No 5:00pm Mass

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



The Stations of the Cross A Lenten Tradition

Friday Evenings 7:00PM February 16 through March 23

5th Sunday of Lent Reflection

The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is an event that draws all of creation toward God. When we take part in the devotion of the Stations of the Cross, traditionally we say, "Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world." That means more than just the people of this world; it means all of creation.

As good stewards, we are called to attest to the glory of God in all he has created. Everywhere we look we can see evidence of his handiwork and have the opportunity to reflect on how he has created the world for our benefit. Seeing all of creation as redeemed because of the dying and rising of Christ helps us with this reflection. Truly, all things are made new.

With only two weeks left in Lent, we still have a chance to echo the words of this Sunday's psalm, "Create a clean heart in me, O God." Perhaps we are unable to see the glory of God in creation because of our own sin. We need to repent and return to God, and then we can see with new eyes. Make this Easter a time for real, meaningful celebration as all of creation sings to the Lord.

Soup-n-Bread Supper

MONDAYS • 5PM - 6:45PM
FEBRUARY 26 TO MARCH 26

All are invited to attend our parish Soup and Bread suppers in McCready Hall. Bring pot of soup and loaf of bread to share. Free will offering to benefit a deserving charity.



Come Join Us for our LENTEN FISH FRY

Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent, Feb 16 - Mar 23

All are invited to attend annual Lenten Fish Fry in McCready Hall from 5:00-6:45pm.

Proceeds benefit OLMC Knights of Columbus charitable acts.

18 March 2018

Dear Friends,

In an episode of *The Twilight Zone*, entitled “A Nice Place to Visit,” Rod Serling narrates the following story:

After robbing a pawnshop, Henry, aka, “Rocky” Valentine is shot by a police officer as he flees. He wakes up to find himself seemingly unharmed. A genial old man greets him. He explains that he has been instructed to guide Rocky and give him whatever he desires. The two travel to a luxurious apartment. Everything is free. Rocky concludes that he’s dead and believes he’s in Heaven and the gentleman is his guardian angel.

Rocky visits a casino, winning every bet he makes as beautiful girls gather around him. But no one except Rocky and his “angel” is real. By and by, Rocky becomes thoroughly bored with having his every earthly desire instantly satisfied. No friends, no generosity, no love. Just absolute instant gratification. He calls the gentleman and tells him he is tired of Heaven and wants to go to “the other place” to join his friends. The gentleman’s response is the grand finale:

“Heaven? Whatever gave you the idea you were in Heaven, Mr. Valentine? This *is* the other place!”

During Lent, Hell should give us some pause. Or at least rethink it. Why not think of Heaven and Hell as places *we* choose according to the respective merits of each? Think of all the choices we have in this life, then think of living with those choices for eternity. Lent is the time to choose: to choose Heaven or Hell. To choose life or death. As Catholics we choose from which tree we will eat. Will we consume the poisonous fruit of the tree of Adam and Eve or will we choose the fruit of the tree on which Jesus was nailed?

Pope emeritus Benedict said:

“The Eucharist is the presence of the cross among us, the ever-present tree of life, inviting us to take the fruit of true life. When we receive the Eucharist, it means we receive the crucified Lord and accept the parameters of his life, his obedience, as the standard of our creatureliness. When we receive the Eucharist, we are choosing the obedience of Christ over the disobedience of Adam and Eve. When we partake of the Eucharist we are strengthened to resist the temptation to not be who we are called to be.”

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As we finish this final week of Lent and prepare to walk with Jesus the road to the Cross, we should bear in mind that all of our preparation strengthens us to stand with Jesus during His Passion. As Lent 2018 comes to its conclusion we do well now to remember how we began: marked with Ashes, begging forgiveness having recognized our faults so that the Kingdom of God within us could shine forth from us. Pope emeritus Benedict put it this way in one of his Ash Wednesday homilies:

“It {the Ashes} is essentially an act of humility that means: I recognize myself for what I am, a frail creature, made from earth and destined to return to earth, yet also made in the image of God and destined for him. I am dust, yes, but also beloved, shaped by his love, animated by his vital breath, able to recognize his voice and respond to him. I am free and therefore capable of disobeying him, of giving in to the temptation of pride and self-sufficiency.”

Love, Fr. John B.