

Our Lady ~of~ Mount Carmel

Catholic Church



JANUARY 14, 2024

PARISH INFORMATION

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday.....9:00am - 5:00pm
***Closed Wednesdays 11am- 12pm
***Parish Office Closed Monday, JAN 15

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday4:00pm - 5:30pm
Saturday.....3:00pm - 4:30pm

WEDNESDAY ADORATION SCHEDULE

Wednesdays from 9:00am to 6:00pm Benediction

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION SCHEDULE

First Fridays following the 7pm Mass until, just prior to the 8am Mass on Saturday

MORNING PRAYER

Monday - Friday8:00am

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday 6:30am and 8:30am
Wednesday6:30pm
Saturday 8:00am

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday7:00, 9:00, 11:00am and 5:00pm

Live Stream Mass

Sunday11:00am
on our website, Facebook, YouTube Channel and our OLMC APP

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-36

PARISH REGISTRATION

Visit the Parish website to register online or stop by the Parish office to register. Our next Parish Welcome is TBD.

INFANT BAPTISMS

Fill out a registration form at www.olmctempe.com/sacrament-baptism, or email Deacon Gass at baptisms@olmctempe.com

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office 480.967.8791 to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick. If after hours assistance is needed, please call the parish number for the after hours service number.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

We are happy to help you as you prepare for marriage and plan your wedding. Our parish staff is here to answer your questions and provide you with all the details of marriage preparation. For more information, please call Jenn Blackstad at (480) 967-8791 or email at jenn@olmctempe.com.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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- P R A Y -

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	6:30am	Soul of Ceclie Arvidson
01/15/2024	8:30am	Soul of Phil Buggle
Tuesday	6:30am	Soul of Florencio Avitia
01/16/2024	8:30am	Soul of Elaine Alemany
Wednesday	6:30am	Soul of Carlos Ayala
01/17/2024	8:30am	Ints. of Sandra Consiglio
	6:30pm	Soul of Dino Turano
Thursday	6:30am	Soul of David Cuty
01/18/2024	8:30am	Souls of Thieme & Wichtrup Families
Friday	6:30am	Soul of Bob Franco
01/19/2024	8:30am	Soul of Sindia Ortega
Saturday	8:00am	Soul of Edward Laubmeier
01/20/2024	5:00pm	Soul of Teresita Bautista
Sunday	7:00am	Soul of Martha Lily Gay
01/21/2024	9:00am	People of the Parish
	11:00am	Soul of Celia Ortiz
	5:00pm	Soul of Bonnie Sue Laubmeier

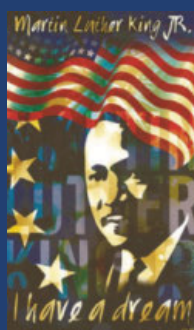
HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

7:00PM - 8:30PM IN THE CHURCH

This ministry offers individual prayers for physical, emotional and spiritual healing and deliverance.

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, trained prayer ministers will pray with you.



IN OBSERVANCE OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING
HOLIDAY
MONDAY, JAN 15

The OLMC School,
Preschool and Parish
Office will be closed.

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday	8:15am	St Therese Bible Study - St Simon
01/15/2024		
Tuesday	8:30am	Mom's Group Rosary - St Simon
01/16/2024	7:00pm	RCIA - Hall
Wednesday	9:00am	Adoration - Church
01/17/2024	6:00pm	Benediction - Church
	7:00pm	Adult Formation - Hall
	7:00pm	Chinese Catholic Community - Holy Family Room
Thursday	6:30pm	Lay Dominic Group Yr. 1 - St Simon
01/18/2024	7:00pm	Liturgy - Learning About The Mass - Hall
Friday		No Activities Scheduled
01/19/2024		
Saturday	6:30am	OLMC Men's Group - Hall
01/20/2024	9:00am	Women's Studies - St Simon
	4:45pm	KofC - Shrine
	4:45pm	Women's Study Ministry Registration - Shrine
Sunday	6:30am	Coffee Shop - South Hall
01/21/2024	6:30am	KofC - Shrine
	6:30am	Women's Study Ministry Registration - Shrine
	8:00am	RE - North Hall
	9:00am	RCIA Dismissal - Holy Family Room
	6:00pm	Life Teen - Hall

PARISH FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE -
APRIL 7

The OLMC Parish Festival is BACK and will be on April 7th from 12:00-6:00pm. We look forward to this community-building event with our parish and school communities.



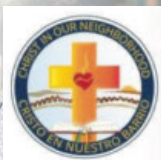
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CHRIST IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD



Christ in Our Neighborhood

A WEEKLY SCRIPTURE STUDY
FOR SMALL GROUPS



INFO NIGHT-JANUARY 25 AT 7PM MC CREADY HALL

Looking to grow deeper in your faith while building friendships with others? Christ in Our Neighborhood is for you! Come hear Joyce Coronel, manager of Evangelization and Sacramental Life for the Diocese of Phoenix, as she shares how YOU can be a vital part of this small church community experience. An introductory meeting will take place at 7PM in McCready Hall on Thursday, January 25.

WOMEN'S STUDIES

SAVIOR & SUSTENANCE - THE LOVE OF OUR EUCHARISTIC LORD

A morning to grow our relationship with Christ
in the Eucharist.

What: Winter Retreat for Women

When: February 3, 2024

8:30 to 12:30pm (Starting with 8am Mass in the church.)

Where: OLMC McCready Hall

Cost: \$20 fee, includes continental breakfast and snacks

Registration: After all Masses Jan.14 & 21. And Online on OLMC Website



Retreat Speaker, Author & Musician:
Julie Carrick

A morning of spiritual
reflection and prayer

Hosted by:
Women's Studies Ministry

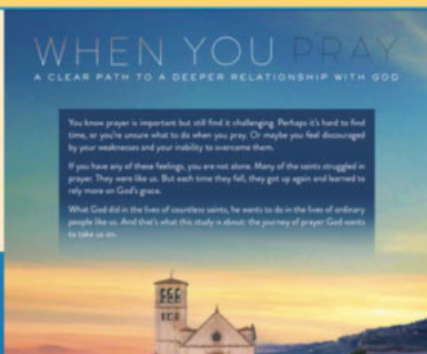
Women's Studies Ministry

Spring Session

When You Pray:

A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship With God

- February 1, 2024
- 7 Week Session
- OLMC McCready Hall 7-8:30pm Thursdays
- Registration after Mass January 14 & 21 and Online on OLMC Website
- \$25 Material Fee

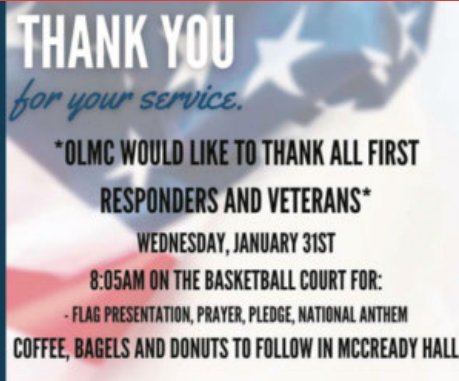


For More Information

Email:

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St. Vincent DePaul Society is collecting the following items:

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Canned Chicken & Cereal

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES TRAINING SESSION THREE JANUARY 18 AT 7PM SOUTH MC CREADY HALL

Please join us on the continuing series of learning about the Magnificent Mass & the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM). Come learn about the Different Elements of the Mass, the Duties & Ministries in the Mass, the Different Forms of Celebrating the Mass, General Norms & Requisites, Masses & Prayers for Various Circumstances & the Arrangement of the Sanctuary and Church!

The next class is Wed., Jan. 18th at 7:00 pm in South McCready Hall. The remaining session dates are: 3/13 & 4/17. Save the dates!

All sessions start at 7:00 pm in South McCready Hall and are taught by Deacon Chris Gass. Contact liturgy@olmctempe.com with any questions.



- G I V E -



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How can I help?

- Pray for parish & school community
- Make a one time donation to the building repair fund
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For more information on how you can help, contact OLMC Director of Stewardship & Development, Ashley Hall ashleyhall@olmcshool.info or 480-967-5567



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You can also visit our website at www.olmctempe.com and click on the green "GIVE ONLINE" button.

FULLCIRCLE COFFEE SHOP

Please visit the OLMC Coffee Shop Sundays after the morning Masses. All proceeds benefit the FullCircle Program. A program that offers assistance for At Risk Kids and their families. For more info regarding assistance for your family please contact AJ Creswell at ajcreswell@fullcircleprogram.com or 480-620-7995 to leave a message.

2023

GIVING STATEMENTS

AVAILABLE AT OLMCTEMPE.COM
AND AT THE PARISH OFFICE

2023 Tithing Statements are now available. Tithing statements were automatically emailed or mailed to everyone that requested a statement the previous year. Any new statement requests can be completed on our website or in the parish office. Please remember to check your spam or junk folder for emailed statements.

**Knights of Columbus
Ultrasound Initiative**

BENEFIT DINNER, SATURDAY, 1/27 | MCCREADY HALL

KoFC WILL MATCH ALL PROCEEDS TO PURCHASE ULTRASOUND EQUIPMENT FOR LOCAL PRO-LIFE PREGNANCY CENTERS

REGISTER AFTER ALL WEEKEND MASSES FROM 1/6 THROUGH 1/21

Annual Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Ultrasound Benefit being held in OLMC Hall on Saturday January 27th evening. All proceeds to be matched by Knights of Columbus in purchasing additional Ultrasound Equipment for Local centers. Registrations being taken outside after all weekend Mass times starting January 6th - 21st.

PRAYER: A KEY COMPONENT OF STEWARDSHIP

Dear Friends,

Prayer is essentially our communication with God. The more we communicate with God, the deeper our relationship grows as it does in ordinary relationships and the more, we are blessed. This communication in the case of fostering our relationship with God, can take various forms. The most common and basic forms include prayers of praise, of petition, of gratitude, and of intercession. Whichever form it takes however, it is all meant to foster a deeper relationship between us and God.

Of these, prayer of petition is perhaps the most familiar and common form of prayer we are accustomed to. We are often encouraged to ask God for the things we need, but asking and praying for them are not necessarily the same thing. In our prayer of petitions, we normally ask God, who we know loves us very much, for something that we believe is good, for ourselves or for others. Through this form of prayer, we present to God the needs of others as well as our own needs, aware that He will always hear and answer those prayers. Unfortunately, in this form of prayer, we often expect God to answer our prayers instantly and in the way we want. However, that is not how God operates. God may answer our prayers in a different way and in a different timeframe than we are seeking but what is sure is that He will always give us what we need and not necessarily what we want. All that is required of us is to have faith in Him and in His timing and never get discouraged even if He may seem to delay or even if others may try to discourage and ridicule us.

This reminds me of the story of an atheist which brings this reality to light. The story goes that an atheist, while crossing the Atlantic Ocean on a cruise heard an announcement from the captain of the ship that a Mass was to be celebrated in a few moments. He saw many passengers heading that direction and so he decided also to come and just hear what the priest would say since he had nothing better to do. He never believed in God and always regarded prayer as a superstitious waste of time. Christians engage in as they babbled to a non-existent being. We are told that the atheist put two oranges in his pocket while on his way to the service. On the way he passed by an elderly woman sitting in her deck chair fast asleep. Her hands were open. In the spirit of fun, he put the two oranges in her outstretched palms. After the service, he saw the old lady happily eating one of the oranges. "You seem to be enjoying that orange," he said with a smile. "Yes, sir," she replied, "My Father is very good to me." "Your father surely can't be still alive?!" "Praise God," she replied, "He is very much alive." "What do you mean?" pressed the atheist. She explained, "I'll tell you, sir. I have been seasick for days. I was asking God somehow to send me an orange. I suppose I fell asleep while I was praying. When I awoke, I found He had not only sent me one orange but two!" The atheist was speechless. Later we are told, he was converted to Christ. Yes, whenever we pray, God will always answer.

Yes, as good stewards, prayer should always occupy the first spot in our array of activities. In our case however, the highest form of prayer, should be the prayer of gratitude expressed in and through the Eucharist. In the Eucharist, we encounter Christ Himself body, spirit, soul, and divinity. For this greatest of all gifts and treasures, we should as stewards, give thanks to God, recognizing that this and all the things we have are nothing but a gratuitous gift from Him.

Dear friends, there is nothing that we have which is not from God. So, when we come to Mass, we come firstly to give thanks to God and leave Mass empowered to share all those gifts He has given us with others and with our parish community. If we indeed embrace this attitude as a parish, we become transformed into the hands, the feet, and mouth of Christ to our brothers and sisters. Our parish will not only become what we want it to become but what Christ wants it to become. Our parish will become and be defined by the manner in which we embrace prayer and make it the preeminent center of our daily activities. That is why, to me, starting the Mass each time with our parish stewardship prayer always sets the tone for experiencing Christ through each other throughout the celebration of the Mass and throughout the week. That prayer calls upon us and reminds us to be indeed a stewardship parish and to gratefully share our time, talent and treasures with others. So whenever we pray our parish stewardship prayer, let us truly mean every single word we say in that prayer. With that in mind, I now invite you to prayerfully say with me this prayer:

My Parish is composed of people like me. It will be friendly if I am.
It will be holy if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. It will do great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship if I invite and bring them in. It will be a place of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.
Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be.
Amen.

I love you!

God's blessing,
Fr Robert Aliunzi

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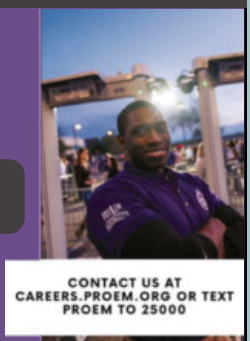
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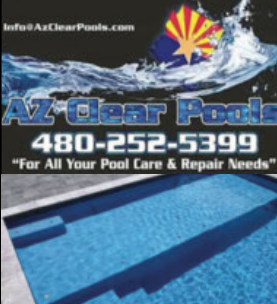
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