

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

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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 / WEEKENDS: Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM Vigil
 Sunday: 8, 10 AM & 12 Noon
MASS / WEEKDAYS: 9:00 AM
HOLY DAYS: 9 AM, Noon and 7 PM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
 Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment
BAPTISMS: 2nd Weekend of the Month
 Pre-Baptism Program Required (consult bulletin)
MARRIAGES: *Six months notice required*
 Contact the Parish Office for all Baptisms & Marriages

WEEK OF MARCH 22ND, 2015 * FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL COMMUNITY

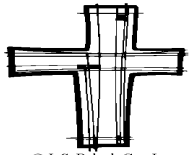
Monday 3/23 ~ ~ ~
 Tuesday 3/24 *Faith Formation*
 Wednesday 3/25 *Faith Formation / RCIA*
 Thursday 3/26 *Knights of Columbus*
 Friday 3/27 *Lenten Soup Supper / Stations of the Cross / Amor Dei*
 Saturday 3/28 *Legion of Mary / FFL-CFC / Taize Prayers Around the Cross*
 Sunday 3/29 *Couples for Christ / TAG*



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

One day St. Teresa of Avila, Carmelite nun and Doctor of the Church, heard someone say: "If only I had lived at the time of Jesus . . . If only I had seen Jesus . . . If only I had talked with Jesus . . ." To this she responded: "But do we not have in the Eucharist the living true and real Jesus present before us? Why look for more?"

OLMC's St. Therese Chapel is located across the street from our church, 698 Berkeley Way, Fairfield, CA. The chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week! We encourage you to come visit the Blessed Sacrament and see where you are needed to fill in vacant spots on our schedule. Our goal is to have 2 or more committed adorers every hour.



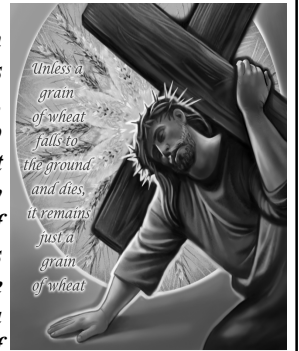
Mass Intentions

Monday Luis Petitjean +
 Tuesday Carl W. Sanders Jr. +
 Wednesday Bev Orlando +
 Thursday Julia Akamulani Tan +
 Friday Daniel Zalameda +
 Sat. 9AM Antonia Pena +
 5PM OLMC Parishioners
 Sunday: 8AM Thanksgiving Mass for our Precious Crown of Thorns
 10AM Ed Buelna +
 12Noon Alfred & Stephanie Albericci +

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As we approach Holy Week, the creative juices of the ancient church of Jerusalem begin to shape our journey. In old Jerusalem at this season of the year, the attempt was made to recall the events leading up to Christ's passion.

Those attempts were based not only on time, with celebrations of events as close to the day and hour as possible, but also on people's best guesses as to the actual place of these events. Vast numbers of pilgrims flooded the city during the forty days of Lent, many of them catechumens in their last stages of preparation for initiation. The fourth-century Spanish nun Egeria wrote a delightfully detailed diary of her experience of this lively and aerobic liturgy, which involved hearty singing, strong preaching, and nimble processions across vast and arduous terrain.



Much of this energy was lost over the centuries, with the procession of palms a noteworthy exception. Northern climates had to reinterpret this Jerusalem liturgy, using forsythia, willow, or olive branches, but to this day the entry into Holy Week by a community on the move accompanied by joyful song hearkens back to a venerable tradition. Egeria's letters were rediscovered a little more than a hundred years ago, but they reveal a pattern of prayer: full, conscious, active participation, to which we have a right and a duty.

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
Joan Hutchinson	Carol Nunes	Phil Brouder
Timothy White	Dolores Sheppard	Connie Arias
Mary Ellen McCormick	Albert Pratt	John Hess
Deacon Larry Sheldon	Bessie Zanolini	Robert Keck
Ron Scharfen	Annie Haley	Kimo Boon
Dolores Highsmith-Cass	Susan Cox	Gloria Lee
Freddie Highsmith	Johanna Klibanoff	Bill Parker
Dion Newman	Elba Elias	Anita Brennan
Shannon Valtierra	Ian Padilla	Jackie Flores
Daniella Rogers Harre	Laura Labrado	Maria Flores
Kim Bettencourt	Sanjuan Lopez	Steve Henson
Susan Stockwell	Cuca Lopez	Helen Crosby
Francisco Galvez	Cameron Schuster	MaryJane Marvel
Jim & Christa Christian	Abe Bernardo	Mack Cole

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 - 15:47 [15:1-39]



Alex Bernardo 688-1474
 Jim Brown 688-5181
 Julie Darling / Pres. 425-3934
 Ray Fortaleza / VP 720-5166
 Mike MacCallum 631-0522
 Patricia May 252-3856
 Sandro Rojas 481-3176
 Laurie Runyan 426-4941
 Vince Tydingco/Sec. 631-5269
 Regina Williams 330-6915



Easter Flower Envelopes are available in the Narthex for those who would like to make a monetary donation towards our Easter environment.

You can make your donation in memory or in honor of your loved one(s). Please return your envelope to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket.



Hearts on Fire for Christ

SACRAMENTO DIOCESAN COUNCIL of CATHOLIC WOMEN - is having their annual CONVENTION April 8-9, 2015, at Christ The King Retreat Center, Citrus Heights, CA beginning with Mass at 8 a.m. on April 8th. Women of our Diocese are encouraged to attend to learn more about their faith and where their works are needed in our Church. Cost for 1 night stay, meals, and registration is \$130; cost for partial attendees (commuters) is \$10 per day registration, breakfast \$8, lunches \$15, and Wednesday night dinner \$25. Call Kathy O'Connors at (916) 296-5949 or koconnors@yahoo.com with your reservation.



Parish Collection
 Weekly goal : \$12,500
 Offertory for week ending March 15th: \$14,840

A NOTE FROM FATHER'S DESK

Happy Lent (spring!). I pray that your Lenten journey continues to be an awe-inspiring one. Our Lenten Retreat / Mission led by Fr. Angel Quitalig was truly a very profound yet simple invitation to pray, reflect and enter into the depths of what Lent ought to be about - i.e. to deepen our relationships with Christ, Himself! It was very worthwhile and challenging experience by all those who were able to attend. Certainly, Fr. Angel will be invited back next year and you do not want to miss this opportunity to be with him! Fr. Angel was very inspiring and insightful!!! I do want to thank Cesar and Norma Dulay for their diligence and tireless efforts in organizing this prayerful and meaningful retreat!



OUR BUILDING FUND COULD USE A BIT OF A BOOST...



Phase III (Mortgage Reduction) has NOW come to an official END (2/2010—2/2015). Regrettably, we did NOT reach our goal, i.e. to pay off our debt of \$2.6 million dollars! But thankfully, we have reached a commendable feat (with only 23% contributing) of bringing our debt down to under a million (\$975,000) as of March 2015! WOW!!!

Where do we go from here?

Consequently, I do propose that we continue with Phase III each month until we pay off our debt. I personally want to express my thanks to those of you who gave consistently and generously each month for FIVE years! If you choose not to continue with your contributions and have reached your personal goal, by all means - please feel free to discontinue your donations. However, if you want to continue your contribution(s) - it will be greatly appreciated! Subsequently, I cannot possibly thank all of you who gave so freely and bigheartedly each month, so I shall express my thanks on His altar of supreme good! Of course, the huge lesson here is that it takes ALL OF US (100%) to pay off our on-going debt (11 years) to our Diocese!

Respect Life News: From February 18 to March 29, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life ... a ground breaking, coordinated international mobilization. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city and beyond. Daily Vigil during LENT is 24 hours every day at the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 1325 Travis Blvd, Suite C, Fairfield, across from Solano Mall. For more information, visit www.40daysforlife.com call Isidro Rodriguez, Campaign Coordinator, (707) 477-2846 (se habla español) or Cathy Omoso (707) 688-6551.



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POINTS TO PONDER:

- ◆ Have you ever considered that Jesus might have been "troubled" about what was going to happen to him? How can the way he dealt with his anxiety help you deal with your own worries and fears?
- ◆ Is there someone in my life that I need to forgive? Do I keep in mind that is as we forgive that we are forgiven?
- ◆ How am I doing on keeping my Lenten discipline?

Thank you, my God, for your steadfast love, which guides me in this life and waits to welcome me home to the next.

Nine-Day NOVENA to the DIVINE MERCY

SCHEDULE:

April 3, Good Friday	3PM Novena
April 4, Holy Saturday	3PM Novena
April 5, Easter Sunday	3PM Novena
April 6, Monday	7PM Novena & Holy Mass
April 7, Tuesday	7PM Novena & Holy Mass
April 8, Wednesday	7PM Novena & Holy Mass
April 9, Thursday	7Pm Novena & Holy Mass
April 10, Friday	7PM Novena & Holy Mass
April 11, Saturday	6:30 PM Novena (Confession at 3:30PM)
April 12, Sunday	3PM Divine Mercy - Eucharistic Celebration



Chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Blessing of Divine Mercy Images, religious articles and sacramentals after Holy Mass. For any questions please call Yvette Taasan (707) 428-6375 or Mindy Zindel (707) 421-0776.

Mark Your Calendar ✓

- ◆ *March 27th - Lenten Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross*
- ◆ *March 28th - Taize Prayers Around the Cross 7:30PM*
- ◆ *April 12th - Divine Mercy Sunday 3PM*
- ◆ *April 18th - Paper Shredding in the parking lot!*
- ◆ *May 16th - OLMC's 5th Annual Golf Benefit Tournament*
- ◆ *May 30th - Marriage Enrichment Program*
- ◆ *May 31st - Blood Drive (tentative date)*

Do you know someone who has been away from the Church, the Sacraments, but does not know how to return to the Faith? Perhaps, our Parish's Returning Home program can help you to COME HOME! Come by Monday April 20th, at 7PM in the Dome. For additional information please call Kelly Newman at 422-4582 or Dom Orlando at 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 Cuerdo - 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	Barbara McFadden - 580-6514, Mark Middleton olcmusic@guitarandpiano.com
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	PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL	Consists of 10 members (listed in the bulletin)
CFC-FOUNDATION FOR FAMILY & LIFE	John & Malou Bayquen - 208-4005	PRAYER LINE	Catherine Scharfen - 427-2320 Jewel Perez - 426-3697 Pearla Cuerdo - 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	Dominic Orlando - 429-0149	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