

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

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Served by the Carmelites

Mass Schedule / Sacraments

PARISH OFFICE.....(707) 422-7767
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Office hours: 8 AM - 4 PM, Monday - Friday
FAITH FORMATION.....(707) 422-2814
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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 DECEMBER 20TH, 2015 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Light ~ All the darkness of the world cannot put out the light of one small candle. ~ Anonymous

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL COMMUNITY

Monday 12/21
 Tuesday 12/22
 Wednesday 12/23
 Thursday 12/24
 Friday 12/25
 Saturday 12/26
 Sunday 12/27

Nativity

Display in

The Dome!

(Dec. 22nd - 27th)



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Christmas and the Eucharist

“What is the fact of the Eucharist? It is that the same Jesus Who was born on earth not only became man but remains man. He not only came into the world, He is in the world. In a word, He came to stay. The Eucharist is Christmas prolonged, because faith tells us that once God became man, He decided to remain man. From all the reaches of past eternity, God had only been God. But having once taken on human flesh, into now the future reaches of eternity, God will always remain man. And this God-Man is here; Bethlehem is wherever there is a Catholic Church or chapel in which Christ is present. These are the two facts that we commemorate on Christmas day.” by Fr. John A. Hardon, S.J.

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 † Ricardo Tubig
 Tuesday † Mae Harnett
 Wednesday † Fred Wilson

Thursday
 Friday
 Saturday: 9AM
 5PM
 Sunday: 8AM
 10AM
 12Noon



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Many of our most treasured traditions link the liturgy of the church with the hearth of the home. The food on the table at certain feasts and fasts helps to extend the mystery into everyday life. Tonight, for example, many families of Italian heritage, especially those with links to the south of Italy, will settle down to the “Feast of the Seven Fishes,” or La Vigilia. It is a command performance for the whole family, as the saying goes: *Natale con I tuui, Pasqua conchi vuoi*, or “Christmas with your family, Easter with whom-ever you wish.” Seven different fish, some say one for each day of Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem, others say one for each sacrament, or one for each day of creation, are served. Eel and shrimp, lobster and crab, calamari, pasta with clam sauce, flounder and hake all abound, but most especially baccala, dried salted cod. Why? Many say that it is a way to pay homage to the beasts of the stable who witnessed the holy birth and relinquished their manger to make way for God. Tonight, if someone asks you to “pass the shrimp,” you’ll be able to shed a little light on a menu that is a delicious treasure in our tradition!



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	Cameron Schuster	Mack Cole
Susan Stockwell	Miley McCrary	Stephen Shanahan
Francisco Galvez	Sally Fields	Rebecca Rivera
Jim & Christa Christian	De Pham	Don & Julia Rivera
Carl Johnson	John & June Kelley	Kathy Spain
Vanessa Demerin	David Quilao	Larry Hebert
Joe & Evelyn Nunes	Mary Aquila	Phillip Rodriguez
Sharon Dotson	Susan Cox	Kellie Arnold
Malou Garado	William McFadden	Josephine Iannarelli
Carter "Ed" Wilson	Kelly Farney	Bob Olmstead
Veronica Blas	Johanna Abrera	Jennifer Briones
Irma D. Marrufo	Ferdinand Aquinovo	Sonia Agustin
Ezra Creed Haueter	Augusto Limjoco	Sabine Krygier
Pat Brausch	Stephanie Ambat	Imelda De Dios
Nino Casilag	Carol Ann Lewis	Miguel Cortez
Generosa Dumlao	Llavore Family	Nancy Sexton
Karen Mastrandrea	Angelina Sabaria	Su Kuropatokin
Andy Andalajao	Valerie Lumibao	

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-Sab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25] Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

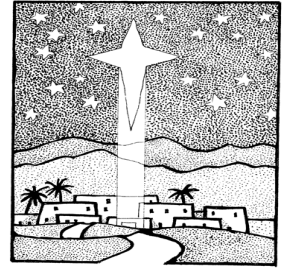




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Jim Brown 688-5181
Ray Fortaleza 720-5166
Patricia May 252-3856
Laura Rojas (415) 613-3671
Vince Tydingco/Sec. 631-5269
Julie Darling / Pres. 425-3934

A NEW ORDER

“O, Little Town of Bethlehem.” A Philadelphia clergyman named Phillips Brooks penned these popular words back in the mid-1800s, but the prophet Micah could have used them first. Micah knew that from small packages great treasures come. In today’s first reading, he knew that from tiny Bethlehem would come the Lord. The writer in Hebrews explains that Christ came to us to do the will of God by establishing a new order and by becoming our perfect sacrifice. And Luke tells us that Elizabeth and John, the infant in her womb, understand that great and wondrous things are at hand with the coming of the Lord. This is the Fourth Sunday of Advent. Soon we celebrate anew the fruit of Mary’s womb. As we are told in Hebrews, Jesus’ new order is being established even today. And as Micah proclaims, his greatness is reaching even now to the ends of the earth.



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Knights of Columbus
 Council #15499
2016 Winter Spectacular
New Year’s

Eve Dinner /Dance
 7PM - 1AM. Cost per person \$45. (Last day to purchase your ticket Dec. 27, 2015)

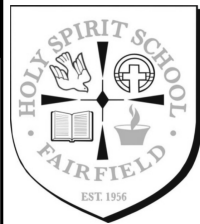


Need stocking stuffers or Christmas gifts?
 Our Lighthouse Kiosk (mini-store) in the Narthex has many items to help fill those stockings. CDs, books, booklets, rosaries and Sacred Art and DVDs also still available. If you don’t see what you want, call Phyllis! (707) 419-4237



Parish Collection
 Our weekly goal \$12,500.00

Offertory for week ending:
 December 13th, 2015
 \$12,600



Registration for NEW students, Grades K-8 for Holy Spirit School, Fairfield,

will be accepted during the month of January, 2016, in the school office from 9 AM until 2PM daily. The office will reopen on Monday, January 4, 2016. Applications made in past years are obsolete. There is a \$40 application /processing fee per child. Parents applying for entrance into Kindergarten, please note: children must be 5 years old by September 1st of the Fall of 2016; pre-school is required. Entrance observations will be given to all applicants. All applicants must submit the following documents: *(Incomplete applications WILL NOT be accepted).*

Birth Certificate ** Immunization Records ** Church Certificates—Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Reconciliation (if applicable) ** Letter of Recommendation from your Parish ** Progress Report from preschool for Kindergarteners ** Photo of Family

Holy Spirit School does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color or national/ethnic origin in admission policies.

for Unto Us
 a Child
 is Born
 . . . and his
 name shall be
 called
 Prince of
 Peace

The Fourth Sunday of Advent:

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the



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people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!” Luke 2: 8-14



Calendar of Events

- ◆ *Dec. 22th - 27th* - The 13th Annual Bev Orlando Memorial Creche Exhibit
- ◆ *Dec. 31st* - Knights of Columbus New Year's Eve Dinner / Dance
- ◆ *Jan. 7th* - OLMC's Bible Study begins . . . Thursdays 10AM and 7PM. *Registration is required.*

2015 Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Day

- 9 am

Christmas Eve Masses

- 5 pm (*Children's Mass*)
- 8 pm
- Midnight

Christmas Day

- 8 am
- 10 am
- Noon



OLMC MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS



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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