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April 11, 2021 ~ Sunday of Divine Mercy

Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 pm Confessions; 5:00 pm Mass

Sunday: 8:00 am Mass, 10:00 am Mass, 2:00 pm Mass (en Español), 5:00 pm Mass

Weekdays:

Monday - 7 am Mass

Tuesday - 9 am Mass for those in a vulnerable category

Wednesday - 5:00 pm Adoration and Confessions, 6:30 pm Mass

Thursday - 8:05 am (Mass for school children, teachers and staff only)

Thirst: Adoration and Praise (Monthly on the first Thursday 7:30 – 8:30pm)

Friday - 7 am Mass



Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 10, 2021

5:00 – Robert Kolesha Michale Weaver

Sunday, April 11, 2021

8:00 – John Yancey Rusty & Bill Fallen and Family

10:00 – Vicky Shelton Chris & Mike Shelton

2:00 – The People of the Parish

5:00 – Ike Shelton Betty Shelton

Mon – (7am) Steve Landis Betty Shelton

Tues – (9am) Irmgard Autrey Julie Lowery

Wed – (6:30pm) Mass canceled; Confirmation Mass at 7pm

Thur – (8:05am) Walter Zunic Bob & Loretta Obradovic
(this Mass is for the school children, teachers, & staff only)

(6:30pm) María Luisa Cueva Arias Cristy Barton

Fri – (7am) Margie Quinley Joyce Kiser

Saturday, April 17, 2021
5:00 – Irmgard Autrey Carolyn Gréaud

Sunday, April 18, 2021
8:00 – Eleanor Long Powell Maureen Coon

10:00 – Linda Ellis Joan & Bill Chapman

2:00 – Joshua Brian Sprague Lillian Gómez

5:00 – John Yancey The Mackie/Miller Family

Schedule Changes

The Rite of Confirmation will be celebrated during Mass at 7 p.m. on **April 14**. There will be no Adoration and Confession at 5 p.m. and no 6:30 p.m. Mass.



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"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

JOHN 20:29



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APRIL 11, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of the Divine Mercy)

What a difference faith makes! The faith of the early community of believers led them to rise beyond the selfishness that so many of us struggle with as they grew in communion with Christ and one another. Their selflessness was a living sign of the impact of their faith in Jesus Christ. They did not find the commandments burdensome, but rather centered their lives on the love of God and neighbor that Jesus taught through his life, death, and resurrection. It is good for us to remember that faith is a gift. The journey of faith is not always straightforward and is often marked by doubt and moments of weakness. The apostles' faith grew as they experienced the risen Jesus. Jesus surely knew they needed the peace he offered and the presence of the Holy Spirit, as do we who have not seen the Lord and yet have come to believe in him.

FROM DOUBT TO BELIEF

The apostle Thomas will forever be remembered as the one who doubted. It is good that his experience is recorded in the Gospel of John. We all doubt sometimes, and "Doubting Thomas" shows us how to move from doubt to belief, knowing that the risen Jesus will be with us through it all. Thomas did not keep his doubts to himself, but instead voiced them aloud to his trusted companions. We can only imagine the conversations that took place between Thomas and the other disciples as they described the peace that they felt following Jesus' time with them. Thomas' doubts were put to rest once and for all when Jesus offered him physical proof of the Resurrection. We do not have the sort of physical evidence that was shown to Thomas, but we can perceive Christ's presence in the Eucharist, in the words of sacred scripture, and in the presence and actions of others.

LIVING FAITH

The journey of faith often ebbs and flows, with times when our relationship with the Lord is the guiding force in our lives, and times when we are tempted to turn away from all we know to be true, good, and beautiful. In those moments when we find ourselves struggling with doubt or temptation, we can follow Thomas' lead and turn to trusted companions, faithful and faith-filled family and friends, who will support us and show us the way from doubt to living faith. Like the disciples who were in the room when Jesus came among them, we too have received the Holy Spirit. Today, let us consider where we are on the journey of faith, turn to trusted companions and the Holy Spirit to strengthen us on the way, and know that the Lord is with us as we live and grow in relationship with Christ.

Today's Readings: Acts 4:32–35; Ps 118:2–4, 13–15, 22–24; 1 Jn 5:1–6; Jn 20:19–31

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Initiation Programs and Adult Formation



Becoming Catholic –

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Congratulations and Welcome to the Men, Women and Youth celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation this weekend. At the Easter Vigil, 23 people were Baptized or received into full communion in the Catholic Church. A VERY special thanks to the Initiation teams involved in their formation and the Triduum, and especially the sponsors who walked a special Journey of Faith as part of their own spiritual journey. Interested in Learning more about the Catholic Faith? We welcome your Inquiry!

RCIA: The Journey Continues

Is Christ calling you into the Catholic Church? What does the Catholic Church actually believe? What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ? If you are interested in exploring the answers to these questions, we'd like to help.

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, Youth & Children) is the process through which to explore the Catholic faith. A time to look within, build community relationships and inquire about the teachings of the Catholic Church. There is no commitment to join the Church, it is an opportunity to come and listen and learn where God might be leading you.

This process is for the unbaptized, those coming from other faith traditions and baptized Catholics who wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation.

Awakening Faith

OLMC offers a series for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church. Do you know someone who has left the Church? Most of us do not have to look very far to find members of our family or friends who are no longer active in their faith. Please share your precious gift of faith and invite them to Come Home. They are waiting for the invitation to return!

Adult Confirmation: 6 sessions begin in April

Adults who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in this year's Adult Confirmation sessions. This is an opportunity for Catholic adults, not only to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation, but to strengthen their relationship with Jesus during this five-week sacramental preparation.

These sessions prepare individuals to be confirmed at the Confirmation Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021. If you are an active Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist but missed the Sacrament of Confirmation, this is for you!

That Man Is You

Our Lady of Mount Carmel offers a strong men's faith development program called That Man Is You. TMIY meets on Saturday mornings for spiritual formation, small group reflection, and fraternity. TMIY is available for any men of the parish over 18 years old.

Women's Bible Study

Women of the parish are invited to be a part of a weekly Bible Study and faith sharing experience. Topical Bible Studies run in cycles with faith sharing and small group formation. Call the parish office to be added to our email list and learn about upcoming studies.

Small Groups

Single and married parishioners are invited to become a part of one of the parish's Small Groups. These groups meet weekly together to share the Word of God and to pray with and for one another. Are you are longing for a deeper relationship with Jesus and seeking spiritual friendships? Consider trying one of our small faith communities and bring a friend!

Vacation Bible School Volunteers Needed!



Adult volunteers and young adults (18+) are needed for Vacation Bible School - June 21-25. We will need a volunteer nurse/doctor, photographer, volunteers to run a station, etc... Please contact Cristy at cbarton@olmc.org.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

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If you are not currently getting updates from the VA Catholic Conference please visit: vacatholic.org to sign up.

Food Pantry

The food pantry is in need of your continued weekend support!! We are still seeing families in need of assistance through our financial aid office as well as supporting those families coming through Pregnancy Outreach. If you are able to get in the habit of bringing just one item from our list each Sunday, that would make a huge difference to those families still suffering from the effects of the pandemic shutdown.

Canned Fruit, Tuna and Chicken Helper, Bags of Rice, Peas, Carrots, Cereal, Oatmeal, Crackers, Jelly, Juice, Cake Mix/Frosting, Muffin Mixes, and Spam

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Misas en Español: Domingos - 2:00 PM

Confesiones: Sábados, 3 PM, Miércoles, 5 PM

Actividades de la Comunidad Hispana Marzo 12 – Mayo 23

Confesiones en Español

Domingos 11:30am – 1:30pm, Salón de Reuniones

Español Misa Diaria durante la Temporada de Pascua

Todos los Jueves de Abril 8 - Mayo 20, 6:30pm, Iglesia

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Grupo Carismático - Una orientación sobre la Renovación Carismática

Sábados Abril 17 - Mayo the 15, 8:00-9:30pm; Iglesia

Vigilia de Pentecostés

Mayo 22 , 8:00pm- 12:00am, Iglesia

Segundo Domingo de Pascua

DE DUDAR A CREER

El apóstol Tomás será por siempre recordado como el que dudó. Es un buen ejemplo que su experiencia se narre en el Evangelio de Juan. Todos dudamos a veces, y el “incrédulo de Tomás” nos muestra cómo pasar de dudar a creer, sabiendo que sobre todo Jesús resucitado estará con nosotros. Tomás no se guardó sus dudas para sí mismo, sino que las expresó en voz alta a sus compañeros de confianza. Solo podemos imaginar las conversaciones que hubo entre Tomás y los otros discípulos a medida que describían la paz que sentían después de que Jesús estuvo con ellos. Las dudas de Tomás se disiparon de una vez por todas cuando Jesús le ofreció una prueba física de su Resurrección. No tenemos el tipo de prueba física que le fue mostrada a Tomás, pero podemos percibir la presencia de Cristo en la Eucaristía, en las palabras de la Sagrada Escritura, y en la presencia y acciones de los demás.

UNA FE VIVA

El camino de fe a menudo mengua y fluye, con momentos cuando nuestra relación con el Señor es la fuerza que guía nuestras vidas, y momentos cuando estamos tentados a apartarnos de todo lo que sabemos que es verdadero, bueno y bello. En esos momentos cuando nos encontramos luchando con dudas o tentaciones, podemos seguir el ejemplo de Tomás y recurrir a compañeros de confianza, familiares y amigos fieles y llenos de fe, que nos apoyaran y mostraran el camino de la duda a la fe viva. Como los discípulos que estuvieron en la habitación cuando Jesús se apareció en medio de ellos, nosotros también recibimos el Espíritu Santo. Hoy, consideremos en dónde estamos en el camino de fe, recurramos a compañeros de confianza y al Espíritu Santo para que nos fortalezcan en el camino y saber que el Señor está con nosotros mientras vivimos y crecemos en relación con Cristo.

Lecturas de hoy: Hch 4:32–35; Sal 118 (117):2–4, 13–15, 22–24; 1 Jn 5:1–6; Jn 20:19–31

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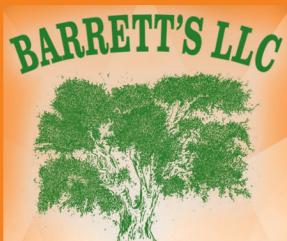
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