

November 28, 2021

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

NEWPORT NEWS, VA

*We find Christ here. We bring Christ to the world.*



## *First Sunday of* **Advent**

November 28, 2021

100 Harpersville Road, Newport News, VA 23601

Phone: 757-595-0385 - [www.olmc.org](http://www.olmc.org)

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9 am - 5 pm; Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

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## November 28, 2021 ~ First Sunday of Advent

### 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

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

**Thursday** - 8:05 am, Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-6:30pm, 6:30 pm Misa en Español

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

**Friday** - 7 am Mass

\* Scheduled Mass times unless indicated on the Mass Intentions Calendar

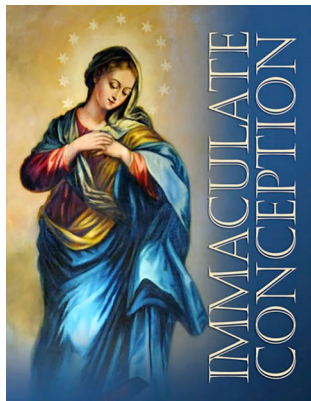
**Parish Offices will be closed Wednesday, December 8th—Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception  
Thirst: Adoration and Praise will be on December 16<sup>th</sup> and NOT the first Thursday in December.**

<span style="font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive; margin-left: 10px;">Mass Intentions</span>	
<u>Saturday, November 27, 2021</u>	
5:00 – Ron & Ethelann Ponzo	Family
<u>Sunday, November 28, 2021</u>	
8:00 – Donald Baker	Mary Baker
10:00 – Salvador Breceda Peñaranda	Cristy Barton
2:00 – The People of the Parish	
5:00 – Caroline Ann Kencel	The Aldrich Family
Mon – (7am) Stan Skora	The Skora Family
Tues – (9am) Louis Luth	Carolyn LeBel
Wed – (6:30pm) Angelo Marzigliano	Rich & Paula Krewinghaus
Thur – (8:05am) Elizabeth Beeman	Julie Lowery
(6:30pm) Raymond Cluen	Eileen Mazary
Fri – (7am) Mary Carolsan	Kathy, Tom, Austin, Andrew, Kort
<u>Saturday, December 4, 2021</u>	
5:00 – Nancy Bryson	Carolyn Gréaud
<u>Sunday, December 5, 2021</u>	
8:00 – Patricia Mooney	Maureen Coon
10:00 – Elizabeth Beeman	The Grau Family
2:00 – The People of the Parish	
5:00 – Patricia Mooney	Les & Dianne Nagel

**Flowers** for the Church may be given as memorials for a loved one or special occasion. To schedule a memorial floral gift, please call **Eileen, ext. 116** at least two weeks in advance of the date you wish. The suggested donation to cover the cost is \$85.



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School Office Hours: M - F, 7:30 am - 3:30 pm		
Principal: Sr. Anna Joseph, O.P.		



### Mass Times

#### Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> - Vigil Mass in Spanish at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday December 8<sup>th</sup> - 1:50 p.m. with OLMC School,  
and 6:30 p.m.

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#### Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.



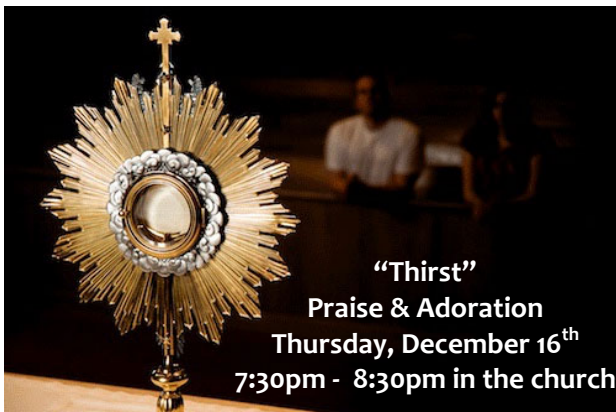
Today, whether at evening, morning, or midday, in many communities of different churches around the world, the first candle lighted in each Advent wreath silently but beautifully announces the beginning of a new liturgical year. This new beginning presents a grace-filled opportunity for us to resolve to live not simply according to the secular calendar of our commercialized society, but according to the spirit of the liturgy. There's nothing wrong—indeed there can be something quite holy—about planning to celebrate God's surprising gift of the Son by surprising our loved ones with thoughtful gifts at Christmas. But how important, amid the rush of holiday preparations, to take the time and to make the effort to appreciate Advent's early twilights and later sunrises, awash in the purples, deep blues, and even the dusky rose colors we associate with Advent. Thus we let nature's own "Advent" prompt reflections on the "Advent" that Jeremiah saw coming.

#### IMAGES OF THE END-TIMES

How forcefully today's scriptures challenge us to attend to the ominous nature of the Kingdom's definitive in-breaking! The call echoes through Jeremiah's prophecy: "In those days, in that time" and in Paul's letter: "at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen." The theme intensifies toward a crescendo in Luke: "there will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth . . . dismay and perplexity." People will be scared to death—literally—"in anticipation of what is coming upon the world," as "seas and waves roar" and "the powers of heaven will be shaken." And all of this will be just a prelude to "the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." In the face of this "awful" (that is, filled-with-awe) ending, Jesus warns his disciples to guard against two equally debilitating extremes, both of which seem to be trademarks of our contemporary culture: **deadening diversion on one hand, and frantic anxiety on the other.**

#### PREPARATION FOR THE END-TIMES

In light of these predictions of frightening end-times, Jesus advises us to embrace his three-fold "Preparation for the End Program": (1) "Beware!" that is, be aware of what really matters, life's true priorities. (2) "Be vigilant at all times," that is, watchful for Christ's coming not only at the end but in the meantime, in family and neighbor, friend and stranger. (3) Above all, "pray." Prayer, communion with God, will help us to remember that for faithful disciples, The End of this world—or our own lives, whichever comes first—will be The Beginning of a joy no one can take from us, fullness of life that will never end. How lovely if this Advent's renewal prepared us to look forward to the moment of Jesus' coming—in his glory or our death—not as a cataclysmic disaster, but as a reason for which to "stand erect and raise (our) heads (in joyful expectation) because (our) redemption is at hand."



"Thirst"  
Praise & Adoration  
Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>  
7:30pm - 8:30pm in the church



"The LORD is our righteousness." Are you being called to bring the word of God as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

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# Initiation Programs and Adult Formation



## Becoming Catholic

The RCIA process is one of conversion and spiritual formation for individuals interested in living the Christian life in the Catholic tradition. It is a time of prayer, reflection, study, faith sharing, discernment and participation in the life of the parish.

This process is for those who have never been baptized, those who were baptized in another faith tradition, or those who were baptized Catholic and seek full initiation.

## RCIA Sponsors

Parish sponsors accompany those in the RCIA process of conversation and faith formation as companions on the journey. Sponsors support those in RCIA with prayers and their own witness to the Christian way of life. Serving as a sponsor fulfills the necessary ministry envisioned by the RCIA process, but it is also an incredibly enriching experience.

## Awakening Faith

Have you been away from the active practice of your Catholic faith? Would you like to feel more connected with your childhood faith or learn more about it as an adult? Consider attending the Awakening Faith Series. We can assist you return to the active practice of your faith and welcome you back to the Lord's Table.

## Adult Confirmation

Are you an active practicing Catholic adult who "missed" participating in the Sacrament of Confirmation? We invite you to enter the process of preparation at the parish.

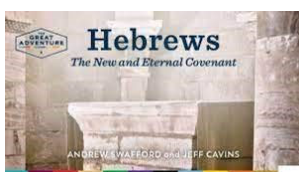
To learn more, visit [olmc.org](http://olmc.org) or contact Christa at the parish office at extension 107 or email [cbloomstrom@olmc.org](mailto:cbloomstrom@olmc.org).



walking with purpose

**Walking With Purpose** - This fall we are excited to offer, ***Opening Your Heart***, a foundational bible study that meets women exactly where they are. We will dig into topics like prayer, the role of the Holy Spirit, and what exactly is the point of suffering. This 22-lesson study is a MUST for the woman just dipping her toes in the faith pool and the Olympic swimmer in need of a faith refresher! Join us **Wednesday evenings at 7pm**. Call the parish office to register.

## **Women's Bible Study** – **NEW 8 WEEK STUDY begins 9am Thursday, Jan. 6.**



Embark on a guided tour of the "Holy of Holies" of biblical theology in ***Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant***, an eight-part Bible study presented by Dr. Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins! In this study, Catholics will be able to see, appreciate, and take hold of the riches God has given them in the New Covenant. Highlighting the critical distinctions between the Old and New Covenants, Hebrews will help Catholics get to know the generosity of the Father's heart in a deeper way than ever before. **Don't wait to order your *Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant Study Set* (includes workbook and online video access) at [ascensionpress.com](http://ascensionpress.com).**

**Are you new to the Women's Bible Study? Contact Christa to register at the parish office or register at [olmc.org](http://olmc.org).**

**That Man Is You** – Join us Saturday mornings at 7am at Saint Michael Hall for The Vision of Man Fully Alive series. Through living the three-fold mission of abiding presence, joyful service and living sacrifice, our hearts and homes will experience the joy that God desires. We will be led directly to the three spiritual foods that Christ himself proclaims: The Eucharist, The Word of God, and The Will of God. Register at [olmc.org](http://olmc.org)

**Small groups** are life changing – join one at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church! Our small groups offer men and women an opportunity to pray, study and grow in their faith together. Small groups journey together in discipleship. To learn more about being a part of a small group or to receive training to start a small group find us online at [olmc.org](http://olmc.org).

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

## Pastoral Care

### **Nourish for Caregivers – 7:00pm, Thursday, December 2 at Saint Michael Hall**

Do you care for a loved one? Be Nourished! Join our Nourish Group.

Nourish for Caregivers provides the tools and resources to build a caregiver's resilience in a format rich with inspiration, practical information, spiritual nourishment... AND time for open sharing and interactive activities.

Topics include "The Realities of Stress," "Compassion Fatigue," "Advocating for Your Loved One and Yourself," "Facing End of Life"... and much more... with a focus on the spiritual side of caregiving. Leave less stressed, feel more confident and connected to others. Enrich your prayer life. Come! Be Nourished!

### **Circle of Hope – 10:00am Saturday, Dec. 4 at Saint Michael Hall**

Have you been touched in some way by cancer or by a chronic illness or condition?

You are invited to attend a Circle of Hope gathering to find faith-based support and encouragement. Circle of Hope is a community that prays together, shares stories with one another and finds hope in God together. Caretakers, survivors and those living with a diagnosis are all invited to attend our monthly gatherings.

### **Respite Ministry**

Are you a caregiver who is seeking some respite time for yourself? The Respite Ministry provides parishioners who are full time caretakers of a home-bound loved one, a break of a few hours' time to use as he or she sees fit. During that time, a trained parish Respite Minister will provide safety, supervision, and companionship to the homebound family member.

**To find out more about Nourish for Caregivers, Circle of Hope and/or the Respite Ministry, call Christa at the parish office ext. 107.**

## Community



In honor of **The Barry Robison Center's 88<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**, you are cordially invited to the Mass of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception celebrated by Father Eric Vogt, Wednesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> of December at twelve noon. The Barry Robison Catholic Chapel is located at 443 Kempsville Road, Norfolk, Virginia. Lunch will be served after Mass. RSVP – 455-6159 by November 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Employment Opportunity

### **Assistant Digital Editor ~ Office of Communications**

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond seeks an **Assistant Digital Editor** for its Office of Communications. The Assistant Digital Editor is part of the multimedia communications team, to include the diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Virginian, and will be responsible for supporting the editor, maintaining editorial content of the diocese's publications across digital and print media, and assisting in the growth of the newspaper's daily digital presence. The Assistant Digital Editor is involved in advancing the engagement of the Catholic audience and readership across the diocese.

A bachelor's degree in English/Journalism/Mass Communications or related field required, and three or more years related experience in the print or communications industry, with diocesan and/or general Catholic press experience preferred. Strong understanding of digital journalism, best practices and the ability to keep abreast of emerging trends.

The successful candidate will be a strong communicator — interpersonally and in writing — and a collaborator. Orientation to detail, ability to manage time, plan, organize and manage projects are a must, as is commitment to maintain confidentiality.

Proficiency using Microsoft Office and AP Stylebook is required, and proficiency in Adobe software (InDesign, Photoshop, Acrobat Professional) and Catholic News Service Stylebook is desired. A practicing Catholic with working knowledge of Church structure and Catholic Church teaching is required. The position requires some evening and weekend hours, with possible travel throughout the diocese.

Qualified candidates should forward a cover letter, résumé with links to samples of your work, and completed diocesan application to Kelly Shumate, 7800 Carousel Lane, Richmond, VA 23294. Email [jobs@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:jobs@richmonddiocese.org). Fax 804-622-5163.

## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

### Fall CCD, Edge and Life Teen

#### Children's Ministries

##### **Religious education**

You can still enroll your child (ren) in general faith education for grades pre-kindergarten through 5th however, First Communion classes are closed. Classes are Sunday from 9:00 am to 9:50 am in the OLMC middle school. For more information please contact Cristy at [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).

##### **Sacrament of Baptism**

For more information or to obtain the attestation forms for godparents, please contact Cristy Barton at 757-595-0385 extension 131 [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).

**Upcoming Baptism Talks: December 4 at 9:30am**, in the Upper room located in Manion Hall (above the outreach office).

**Child care:** Child care is provided in the nursery during the 10am Mass. Children ages 1-4 are welcome. Volunteers are also needed to help the nursery workers. You must be Virtus trained. If you are interested in using child care or volunteering, please contact Cristy at [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).

## The Ladies of Carmel



### **Whiskey Cake Sale!**

The Ladies of Carmel Whiskey Cake Sale is back! Just in time for Christmas! These cakes freeze well, make GREAT Christmas gifts, and still sell for **just \$10 each!**

**Preorders will be taken through December 5th.** Cakes will be available for **pick-up** the weekend of **December 11 & 12 in the Commons.**

Get your order in early by **email to [loc@olmc.org](mailto:loc@olmc.org)**, (indicate your name # of cakes with or without nuts) or complete a paper form available in the Commons and drop in one of the boxes in the Commons.



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# Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

## Social Ministry

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Contact Tina Wandersee at [twandersee@olmc.org](mailto:twandersee@olmc.org) or ext. 118

### **Angel, Tree and Star Tags on Windows in Narthex**

Please grab one of the tags hanging on the windows in the Narthex. The Angel tags need to be signed out so be sure to stop by one of the log book tables located on either side of the Narthex. This will better help us help you if the tag should get lost. This program is in partnership with Catholic Charities of Eastern VA.

Angel Tags- Pink, Blue or Yellow these are the needs/wants of those families we are serving. Pink - girl, Blue - boy, and Yellow - adult in need. Wrap these and follow directions on the back of the tag about return. Please visit the log book and write down the tag you have.

**Tree Tags**- Gift card for one of the aging on our list. Follow directions on the back of the tag.

**Star Tags**- Items to support Pregnancy Outreach. These do not need to be wrapped or logged.

### **Pregnancy Outreach Statistics October 2021**

Assisted With	# Items	EST. \$\$ Value
Wipes	15	\$75.00
Diapers	30	\$270.00
Baby Care	12	\$30.00
Layette	1	\$375.00
Formula	4	\$200.00
Baby Food	9	\$18.00
Baby Clothes	66	\$1980.00
Blankets	2	\$50.00
Hats/Bibs/Socks	4	\$4.00
Sheet Sets Pack n Play	3	\$27.00
TOTAL		\$3029.00

Thank you so very much for your continued support and donations to the Pregnancy Outreach Ministry. You assisted 13 women and 15 children in the month of October.

### **From the Peninsula Pet Pantry**

**A note to the Parish:**

*Thank you so very much! We are incredibly grateful for your help. This year your congregation donated almost 600 pounds of pet food & supplies! In addition, you raised over \$100 in monetary donations and gift cards. This is truly an amazing gift that enables us to help our neighbors and community. Bless you all. Michelle Wilkinson, Director*

### **Food Pantry Needs**

Peanut Butter/Jelly, Tuna/Chicken Helper, Canned Salmon, Tuna, Fruit, Chunky Soups, Chef Boy R Dee, Pasta Noodles - all shapes and sizes, Pasta Sauce, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Dry Milk Packets, Cake Mix/Frosting, Canned Vegetables, Boxed Potatoes, Bags of Rice, Brown Paper Bags

### **Personal Care Needs**

Shampoo, Lotion, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Deodorant (women/men), Bars of Soap - any cleaning supplies of your choice.

***Thank you so very much for your continued support!***

# MINISTERIO HISPANO

Primer Domingo de Adviento

Director - **Díacono Francisco Anleu**: Oficina - (757) 595-0385 Ext. 123, Email - [fanleu@olmc.org](mailto:fanleu@olmc.org)

Misas en Español: Domingos - 2:00 PM

Confesiones: Sábados, 3 PM, Miércoles, 5 PM

## Próximas fechas importantes

28 de noviembre - 2:00pm. Misa del Primer Domingo de Adviento

Del 1 al 9 de diciembre Novena a La Virgen de Guadalupe 7:00 pm En la Iglesia.

5 de diciembre - 2:00 Misa, Segundo Domingo de Adviento

7 de diciembre - 7:30 pm. Misa de Vigilia Inmaculada Concepción

9 de diciembre - 6:30 pm Proceión con la Virgen de Guadalupe

9 de diciembre - 7:30 pm Misa, Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Sábado 11 de diciembre - 8:00 pm. Fiesta en Honor a la Virgen de Guadalupe Santo Rosario, Convivencia y Celebración.

Domingo 12 de diciembre - 2:00 pm. Misa del Tercer Domingo de Adviento.

Sábado 18 de diciembre de 8:00 am a 4:00 pm. Retiro de Adviento. Salón San Miguel, Daremos inicio con La Santa Eucaristía en la Iglesia.

Sábado 18 de diciembre 8:00 pm Concierto Navideño, Coro Hispano OLMC En la Iglesia.

Domingo 19 de diciembre - 2:00pm. Misa del Cuarto Domingo de Adviento. Tendremos convivio después de la Misa Celebraremos la Pastorela Navideña.

Del 16 al 24 de diciembre 8:00pm. Tradicionales Posadas navideñas En la Iglesia.



## Ministerios de Niños

### Primeros Sacramentos

El próximo taller de **Primera Reconciliación**, para aquellos que ya han tomado el Taller 1 en octubre, se llevará a cabo en el salón San Miguel después de la Misa de las 10 am del 14 de noviembre para el Grupo A y el 21<sup>de</sup> noviembre para el Grupo B. La inscripción para la Primera Comunión de este año ya se ha cerrado.

Por favor, traiga el certificado de bautismo original de su hijo, así como una fotocopia del certificado original. Si tiene preguntas sobre las pautas o requisitos diocesanos, comuníquese con Cristy en [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).

### Educación religiosa

Todavía puede inscribir a su hijo (s) en la educación de fe general para los grados de pre-kindergarten a 5to, sin embargo, las clases de Primera Comunión están cerradas. Las clases son los domingos de 9:00 am a 9:50 am en la escuela intermedia OLMC. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Cristy en [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).

### Sacramento del Bautismo

Para obtener más información u obtener los formularios de certificación para padrinos, comuníquese con Cristy Barton al 757-595-0385 extensión 131 [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).

**Próximas charlas de bautismo:** 6 de noviembre y 4 de diciembre a las 9:30 a.m., en el aposento alto ubicado en Manion Hall (sobre la oficina de alcance).

**Próxima celebración del Sacramento:** 21 de noviembre.

**Cuidado infantil:** El cuidado infantil se proporciona en la guardería durante la misa de las 10 a.m. Los niños de 1 a 4 años son bienvenidos. También se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar a los trabajadores de la guardería. Debes estar entrenado en Virtus. Si está interesado en usar el cuidado infantil o el voluntariado, comuníquese con Cristy en [cbarton@olmc.org](mailto:cbarton@olmc.org).



“El Señor es nuestra honradez”. ¿Es que estás llamado a traer la palabra de Dios como sacerdote? Llama al Padre Brian Capuano al (804) 359-5661 o escríbele a: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).



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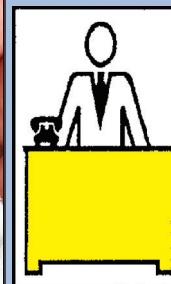
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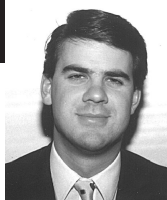
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