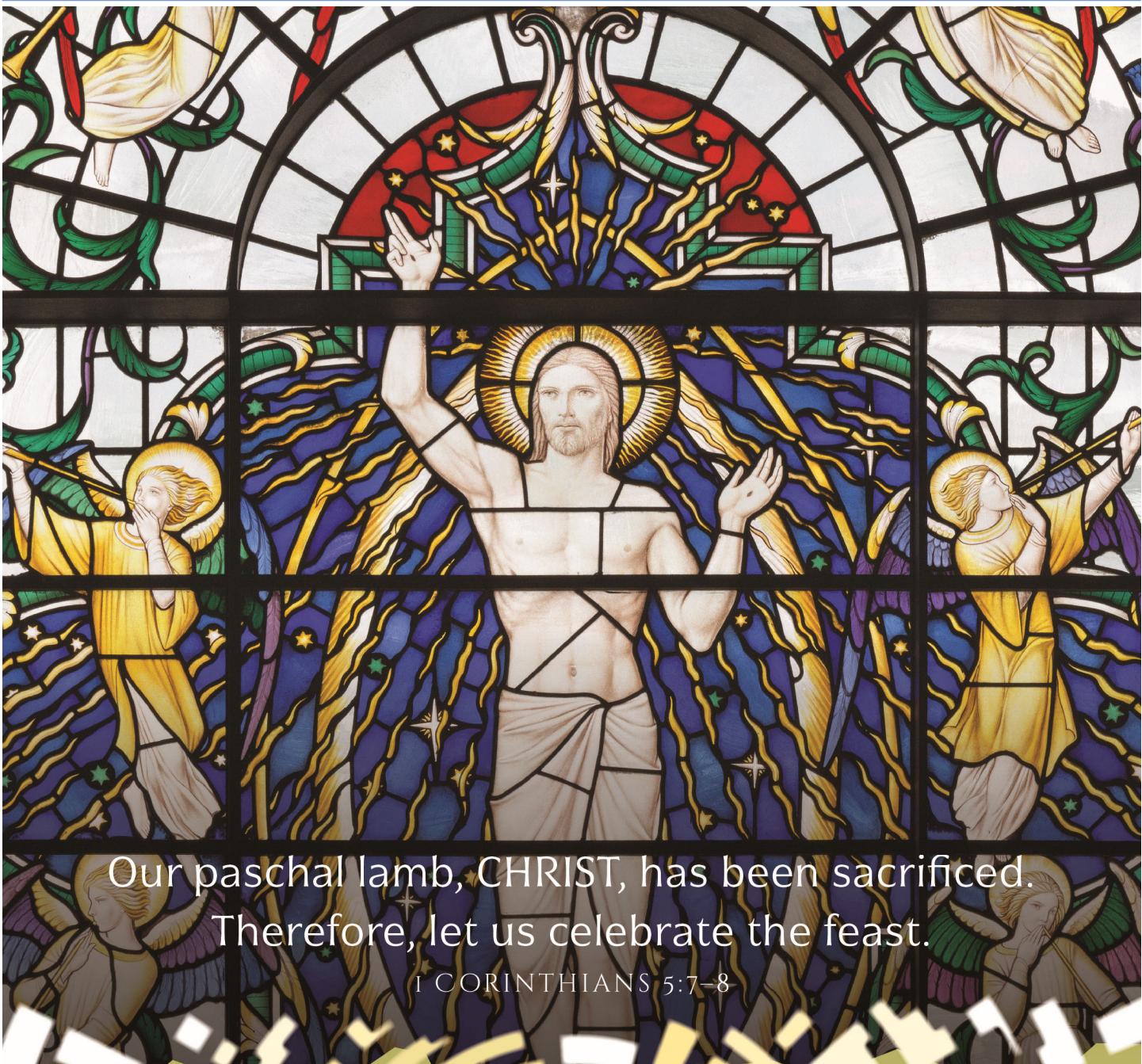


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April 4, 2021 ~ Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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

Holy Saturday, April 3, 2021

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

8:00 – Margie Henton-Quinley Marianne Sherman

10:00 – Donald Wood, Sr. Don Wood

12:00 – Int's of the Daignault Family

2:00 – The People of the Parish

Mon – (7am) **No Mass**

Tues – (9am) **No Mass**

Wed – (6:30pm) Sophie Arnold The Myers/Belcher Family

Thur – (6:30pm) (en Español) Kathy Champion Joan & Bill Chapman

Fri – (7am) Inge Hamilton Julie Lowery

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

Schedule Changes

Monday, April 5—No 7am Mass celebrated

Tuesday, April 6—No 7am Mass celebrated

Wednesday, April 7—Confession and Adoration at 5pm, Mass at 6:30pm

Thursday, April 8—6:30pm Mass in Spanish

Friday, April 9—7am Mass

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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APRIL 4, 2021

EASTER SUNDAY

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Easter Sunday

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Imagine the flood of emotions that Mary of Magdala must have experienced on that first Easter morning. Grieving and yet determined to visit the place where Jesus' body had been laid, Mary would have been stunned to find the tomb empty. Imagine Simon Peter and the other disciple who, upon hearing Mary's announcement, ran to see for themselves. On Easter, we hear the story of Jesus' resurrection as though for the first time, through the account of Mary's discovery and the testimony of Peter who powerfully shared Christ's Paschal Mystery. We, too, have come to believe through their faithful witness. We are called to seek what is above, turn away from sin, and live as people who are forever transformed by the Good News of Jesus' resurrection.

STEP OUT IN FAITH

Mary ran to tell Simon Peter and the other disciple that the tomb was empty. No doubt confused and concerned, Peter and the other disciple set aside whatever fear might have occurred to them and ran to see the tomb for themselves. We do not always understand God's ways. We too are confused at times; our lives are marked by moments of uncertainty, and at times we are afraid. We can learn from Mary, Simon Peter, and the other disciple and step out in faith, trusting that we will find the Lord in the midst of the circumstances of our lives. When life gets complicated, as it often does, the best thing to do is step out, perhaps even run to the Lord!

BEAR WITNESS

We may not have opportunities to address crowds of people and share the gospel with them. Still, we are called to bear witness to our faith in the ways that we are able, in word and in deed. We cannot share what we have not fully embraced ourselves, however. The Easter season is the perfect time to reflect on Christ's Paschal Mystery, the unfathomable love of Jesus who shows and shares God's love perfectly. Our Lord gave his life so that we might have life, and have it to the full. Christ's victory over sin and death is our victory, our promise of eternal life with God in the fullness of time. See in Christ's life, passion, death, and resurrection the sign of God's mercy. Let this Easter day be a moment in which you allow yourself to be touched by Christ's incredible, undying love. Then, renewed in faith, look for ways to bear witness to the mercy, forgiveness, compassion, and love of the Lord with others.

Today's Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9

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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.

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

Easter Food Bags

Thanks so much for your generous donations to our food bags! Those children preparing for First Eucharist put together 25 bags for our seniors and 23 bags for families during their preparation classes. Those bags were distributed during Holy Week.

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

Personal Care Items

Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Lotion, Hand Sanitizer

Happy Easter



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Domingo de Pascua

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Misas en Español: Domingos - 2:00 PM

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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

Catequesis Sobre el Espíritu Santo:

Todos los Viernes de Abril 9- Mayo 21, 7:30-9:30pm, Iglesia

Estudios Bíblicos en Español

Lunes, Abril 12, 19, 26, Mayo 03, 10, 17; 7-9:00pm; Iglesia

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Martes, de Abril 13, 7:00-8:30pm, el Salón de San Miguel

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

Domingo de Pascua

MOVERNOS POR LA FE

María corrió a decirle a Simón Pedro y al otro discípulo que el sepulcro estaba vacío. Sin duda confundidos y preocupados, Pedro y el otro discípulo dejaron a un lado cualquier miedo que pudieron haber sentido y corrieron a ver el sepulcro por ellos mismos. No siempre entendemos los caminos de Dios. Nosotros también algunas veces estamos confundidos, nuestras vidas están marcadas por momentos de duda, y a veces tenemos miedo. Podemos aprender de María, Simón Pedro y el otro discípulo y movernos por la fe, confiando que encontraremos al Señor en medio de las circunstancias de nuestras vidas. Cuando la vida se complica, como sucede a menudo, lo mejor que puede hacerse es movernos, ¡quizá incluso correr hacia el Señor!

DAR TESTIMONIO

Puede que no tengamos la oportunidad de dirigirnos a las multitudes y compartir el Evangelio con ellos. Aún así, estamos llamados a dar testimonio de nuestra fe de la manera que podamos, de palabra y con hechos. Sin embargo, no podemos compartir lo que no tenemos. El tiempo de Pascua es el tiempo perfecto para reflexionar en el misterio pascual de Cristo, el amor incommensurable que Jesús nos muestra y el amor de Dios que comparte. Nuestro Señor dio su vida para que pudiéramos tener vida y una vida en abundancia. La victoria de Cristo sobre el pecado y la muerte es nuestra victoria, nuestra promesa de vida eterna con Dios en la plenitud de los tiempos. Ve en la vida, pasión, muerte y resurrección el signo de la misericordia de Dios. Permite que este día de Pascua sea un momento en el cual permitas ser tocado por el amor increíble y eterno de Cristo. Luego, renovados en la fe, busca maneras de dar testimonio a los demás de la misericordia, perdón, compasión y amor del Señor.

Lecturas de hoy: Hch 10:34a, 37–43; Sal 118 (117):1–2, 16–17, 22–23; Col 3:1–4 o 1 Cor 5:6b–8; Jn 20:1–9

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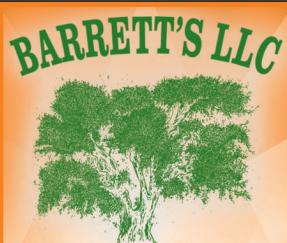
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