

# Our Lady ~of~ Mount Carmel

Catholic Church



**MARCH 17, 2024**

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Address

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday.....9:00am - 5:00pm

\*\*\*Closed Wednesdays 11am- 12pm

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday .....4:00pm - 5:30pm

Saturday.....3:00pm - 4:30pm

### WEDNESDAY ADORATION SCHEDULE

Wednesdays from 9:00am to 6:00pm Benediction

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION SCHEDULE

First Fridays Mass at 7pm, with Adoration following until the 8am Mass on Saturday

### MORNING PRAYER

Monday - Friday .....8:00am

### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday .....6:30am and 8:30am

Wednesday .....6:30pm

Saturday .....8:00am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil .....5:00pm

Sunday .....7:00, 9:00, 11:00am and 5:00pm

### Live Stream Mass

Sunday .....11:00am

on our website, Facebook, YouTube Channel and our OLMC APP

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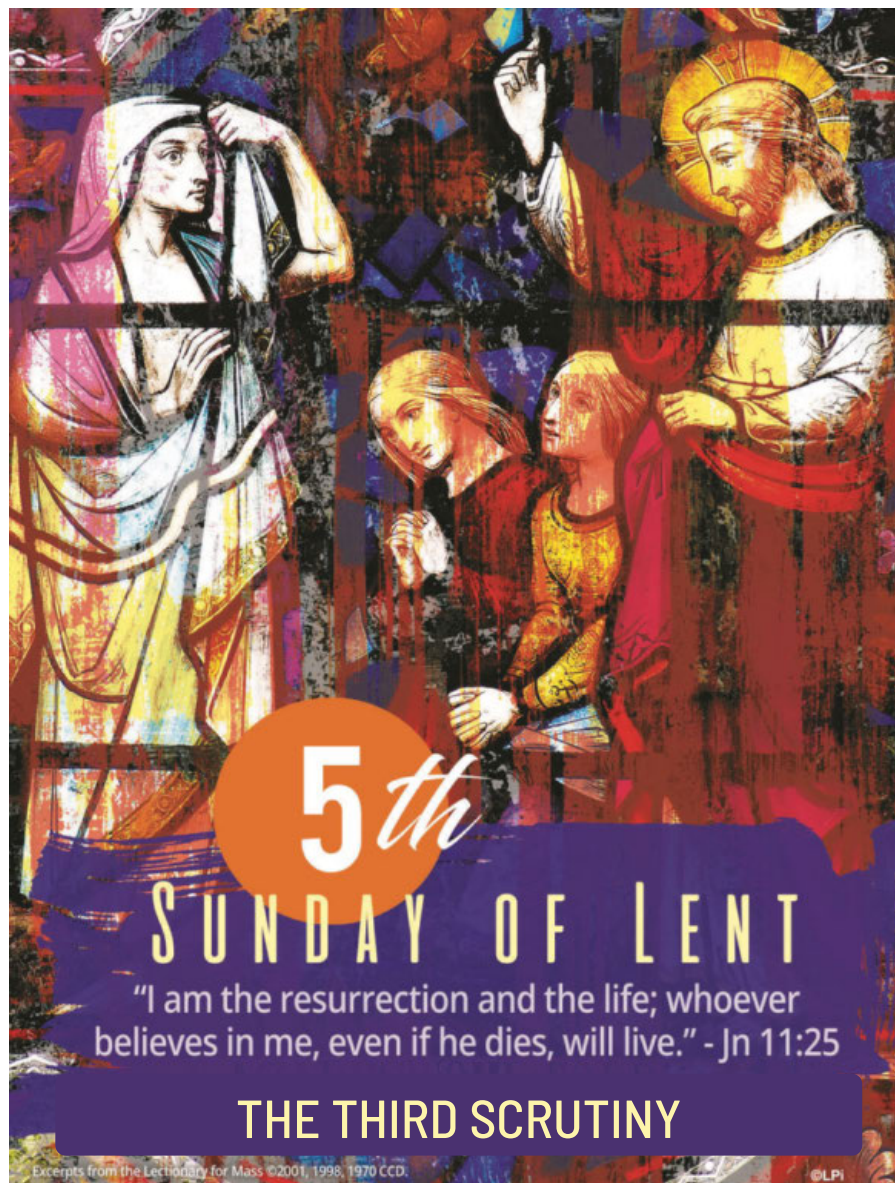
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## PARISH REGISTRATION

Visit the Parish website to register online or stop by the Parish office to register. Our next Parish Welcome is TBD.

## INFANT BAPTISMS

Fill out a registration form at [www.olmctempe.com/sacrament-baptism](http://www.olmctempe.com/sacrament-baptism), or email Deacon Gass at [baptisms@olmctempe.com](mailto:baptisms@olmctempe.com)

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office 480.967.8791 to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick. If after hours assistance is needed, please call the parish number for the after hours service number.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION

We are happy to help you as you prepare for marriage and plan your wedding. Our parish staff is here to answer your questions and provide you with all the details of marriage preparation. For more information, please call Jenn Blackstad at (480) 967-8791 or email at [jenn@olmctempe.com](mailto:jenn@olmctempe.com).

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We have available food boxes, rental or utility assistance to those living within OLMC parish boundaries and qualify for assistance by calling 480-966-1974 between 9am-11am Mondays through Saturdays. Sorry no walk ins.



## PARISH STAFF

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## READINGS OF THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33  
**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11  
**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22  
**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42  
**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59  
**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42  
**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56  
**Next Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	6:30am	Ints. of Clare Ladd
03/18/2024	8:30am	Souls of De la Cruz Family
Tuesday	6:30am	Soul of Armetta Watson
03/19/2024	8:30am	Soul of Robert Albanese
Wednesday	6:30am	Ints. of Kelly and Sheila Bryant
03/20/2024	8:30am	Soul of Bernice McCormick
	6:30pm	Soul of David Ballinger
Thursday	6:30am	Ints. of Families of Priest and Religious
03/21/2024	8:30am	Ints. of Sandy Consiglio
Friday	6:30am	Soul of David Couty
03/22/2024	8:30am	Ints. of Vincente M. Mejia
Saturday	8:00am	Soul of George Bouros
03/23/2024	5:00pm	Souls of Frank and Teresa Franco
Sunday	7:00am	Soul of Walter Balarezo
03/24/2024	9:00am	People of the Parish
	11:00am	Soul of Jerry Johnson
	5:00pm	Soul of William Malinski

## RCIA, RCIC & RCIT

Throughout this Lenten Season, let us continue to pray for those in the RCIA, RCIC and RCIT programs who are preparing to receive their Sacraments of Initiation.

## HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024

7:00PM - 8:30PM IN THE CHURCH

This ministry offers individual prayers for physical, emotional and spiritual healing and deliverance.

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, trained prayer ministers will pray with you.



## PARISH CALENDAR

Monday	8:15am	St Therese Bible Study - St Simon
03/18/2024	5:30pm	Soup & Bread - South Hall
	6:00pm	EDGE - Hall
	6:30pm	Cub Scouts Lions - Holy Family Room
	7:00pm	EDGE - Hall Lenten Mission - Church
Tuesday	8:30am	Mom's Group Rosary - St Simon
03/19/2024	7:00pm	RCIA - Hall
	7:00pm	Lenten Penance Service - Church
Wednesday	9:00am	Adoration - Church
03/20/2024		Benediction - Church
	12:45pm	St Therese Group - Holy Family Room
	7:00pm	Chinese Catholic Community - Holy Family Room
	7:15pm	Adoration Committee - McCready Hall
Thursday	4:00pm	Greek Night - Hall
03/21/2024	6:00pm	LifeTeen Study Hall - Holy Family Room
	6:30pm	Lay Dominican Group Yr 1 - St Simon
Friday	7:45am	H&S Coffree - Hall
03/22/2024	5:30pm	KofC Lenten Fish Fry - Hall
	7:00pm	Stations - Church
Saturday	6:00am	HopeFest - Hall
03/23/2024	9:00am	SVdP - Holy Family Room
	4:00pm	Cub Scout Pack 71
		Banquet - Hall
	4:30pm	KofC - Shrine
Sunday	6:30am	Coffee Shop - South Hall
03/24/2024		KofC - Shrine
	8:00am	RE - north Hall
	9:00am	RCIA Dismissal - Holy Family Room
	6:00pm	Life Teen - Hall





# - LENT, HOLY WEEK, EASTER -

## HOLY WEEK 2024 Our Lady-of-Mount Carmel Catholic Church

				
<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
REGULAR WEEKEND MASS TIMES	7PM MASS 8:30PM PROCESSION/ADORATION	2:30PM CHAPLET 3PM STATIONS 7PM LITURGY	12 NOON FOOD BLESSING 7:30PM VIGIL	MASS TIMES 7AM 9AM 11AM



## JOIN US FOR THE OLMC PARISH FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL THEME: DIVINE MERCY  
JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

### FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
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SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH | 12:00PM TO 6:00PM

### LENTEN MONDAYS SOUP AND BREAD

Mondays, February 26 - March 25  
5:30pm - 6:45pm in McCready Hall  
Bring a soup and bread to share! Free will offering to benefit St Vincent de Paul.

### LENTEN FRIDAYS FISH FRY

Fridays, February 16 - March 22  
5:30pm - 7:00pm in McCready Hall  
The fish tacos are a favorite.  
Family plans available.

### LENTEN FRIDAYS STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, February 16 - March 22  
7:00pm in the Church

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

February 14 - March 24  
7:00am - 7:00pm  
In front of the Planned Parenthood:  
1837 E. Baseline Rd., Tempe, AZ 85283  
You are invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood. For more info, visit [40daysforlife.com/tempe](http://40daysforlife.com/tempe) or contact [tempe40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:tempe40daysforlife@gmail.com)

### LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

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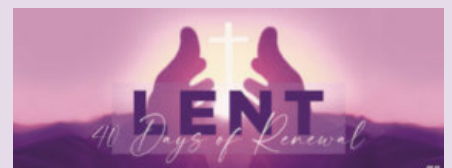
March 18, 7pm - St. Benedict Parish  
March 19, 7pm - Our Lady of Mt Carmel

### SVDP MARCH FOOD DRIVE

St. Vincent DePaul Society is collecting the following items:

Jelly  
Diced Tomatoes  
Tomato Sauce  
Rice (2 lb bags)

Please place these items in the wooden bins just inside the North and South entrances to the Church.



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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# PARISH CENSUS

Let Your Voice Be Heard

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## BRIEF FEEDBACK ON THE PARISH CENSUS

My Dear Friends,

***"However big a tree is, it cannot make a forest"***  
***(African Proverb).***

This past weekend, we had our Parish Census exercise during which over **600** of you registered or updated your information. Since I do not have any precedence to compare these numbers with, I consider the entire exercise, a great success already. This fact is also corroborated by numerous positive feedback I have been receiving during this entire week. Know that the Census is still ongoing for those of you who have not yet done so till mid-April. For those of you who have participated, I sincerely express my profound gratitude for your active participation in this important exercise. In particular, I want to thank my diligent parish and school staff and volunteers who helped with the exercise this past weekend. Your active and collaborative involvement contributed immensely to this success.

As I mentioned in my previous article, this Census will be followed by a Survey with specific questions which would enable me to determine what your realistic needs are in order to design appropriate pastoral and spiritual strategy to address them. In order to have your voices heard and included in the plan of action to follow, please complete the Census if you have not yet still done so because the Survey questions will only be sent to those who have registered. Therefore, your participation in the Survey will be of paramount importance.

When I reflected on the importance of this Survey, the African proverb quoted above which says: **"However big a tree is, it cannot make a forest"**, came to my mind. This proverb underscores the importance of unity and collaboration of everyone if we are to achieve anything real and meaningful in society. It guides the African sense of community and belonging as it requires the participation of each and every member of the community to change their society. In our case too, it requires the participation of each of you to change our parish for the better. Remember, it is for that reason that at the beginning of our weekend Masses we always say our beautiful Parish Stewardship Prayer:

"Our Parish is made up of people like me....." which reminds us that our Parish will be only as good as we make it.....together!

However, I am greatly encouraged during this short period among you as your Pastor because it has become abundantly very clear to me that our parish has very many active ministries serving the diverse spiritual and material needs of our community. You are good! Many people to whom I introduce myself as the Pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel spontaneously exclaim what a great Parish our Parish is. This is very good news, but I also want to know what those good things are that we are known for. However, the bad news is that due to the many changes, visible and invisible that have taken place over the years in our Parish, some things might have changed significantly. So, it is important to take a pause and evaluate which ministries are still relevant, which ones need to be revitalized and which ones to be dropped altogether. Therefore, I want your input by getting involved in one way or the other in the life of our Parish so as to maintain its vitality and distinct character keeping in mind that **"However big a tree is, it cannot make a forest!"**

I love you!

God's blessings,  
Fr Robert Aliunzi



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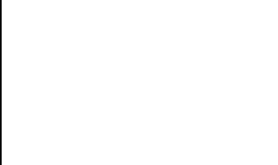
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