

#### **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, or email Deacon Gass at 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 guestions 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.

#### **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.

# APRIL 28, 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	

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	8:0	)0am
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#### 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, Fa	cebook, YouTube Channel and
our OLMC APP	

# **STAY CONNECTED**

OLMC WEBSITE: www.olmctempe.com YOUTUBE:

www.youtube.com/channel/UC7B9988KwYIHT4 McvGYFmXQ

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/olmctempe INSTAGRAM: www.instagram.com/olmctempe FLOCKNOTE - text OLMCGO to 84576 **OLMC APP** - Available in App Stores

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# **READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Sunday: Monday:	Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8 Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday	: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17



### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	6:30am	Soul of The Yakaitis Family
04/29/2024	8:30am	Soul of Edward Cook
Tuesday	6:30am	Soul of Gerry Engelbert
04/30/2024	8:30am	Soul of Carmen Sicoy
Wednesday 05/01/2024	6:30am 8:30am 6:30pm	Soul of Mary Ann Buonuomo Soul of Dawn Salzillo Souls of Mr & Mrs Paul Bapttaglia
Thursday	6:30am	Soul of Jose Ortega
05/02/2024	8:30am	Soul of Ruth Malinsky
Friday 05/03/2024	6:30am 8:30am 7:00pm	Ints. of The Buonuomo Family Soul of Charles Rhodes Souls of The Van Sciver Family
Saturday	8:00am	Soul of Carlos Garcia
05/04/2024	5:00pm	Souls of Victor & Gloria Leon
Sunday 05/05/2024	7:00am 9:00am 11:00am 5:00pm	Ints. of Stephen & Caroline Tamol Soul of Adelheid Thieme People of the Parish Soul of Jessica Alling

# **HEALING PRAYER MINISRTY**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 01 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.

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS, **PRAISE & WORSHIP** AND ADORATION FRIDAY, MAY 03, 2024 MASS AT 7:00PM

Please join us for our First Friday Mass this Friday, May 03, at 7:00pm in the Church followed by Praise and Worship and Adoration in McCready Hall until 9:00pm. All night Adoration will then continue in the Church until just before the start of the 8:00am Saturday morning Mass.

#### **PARISH CALENDAR** 8:15am St Therese Bible Study -Monday 04/29/2024 St Simon Room 6:00pm EDGE - Hall Tuesday 8:30am Mom's Group Rosary - St 04/30/2024 Simon Room 7:00pm RCIA - North Hall

	7:00pm	Music Practice - Church
Wednesday 05/01/2024	9:00am 12:45pm 6:00pm 7:15pm 7:15pm	Adoration - Church St Therese Group - Holy Family Room Benediction - Church Adoration Committee- North Hall Liturgy—Holy Family Rm
Thursday 05/02/2024	6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Stars & Stripes-Hall Lay Dominican Group Yr 2 - St Simon Room Women's Study Ministry - Holy Family Room
Friday 05/03/2024	7:00pm	First Friday Mass- Church

05/03/2024		Church The Well - Hall Adoration -Church
Saturday 05/04/2024	6:30am 11:00am 11:00am	OLMC Men's Group - Hall Women's Sodality Meeting - Hall Funeral-Church

Sunday 6:30am Coffee Shop - South Hall 05/05/2024

### THE WELL

The Well ministry is coming to OLMC for a night of Worship, Adoration, and Teaching on Friday, May 3rd in McCready Hall. The Well's mission focuses primarily on young adults, but the whole parish is welcome to join in this joyous night of praise to our King.

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## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - BLOOD DRIVE**

## SUNDAY, APRIL 28 FROM 8AM-1PM

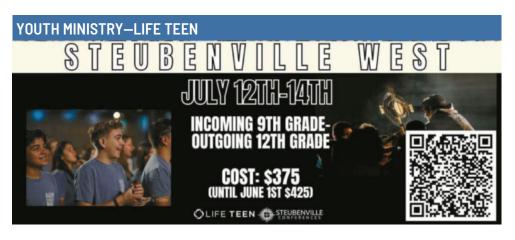
Our next OLMC KofC Blood Drive will occur on Sunday April 28th from 8 AM to 1 PM in the Bloodmobile at the entry way to the Southeast Parking lot by the Holy Family room at OLMC. Knights will be taking registrations in the Shrine Area after each weekend mass, the two weekends prior to the drive. You can also use the QR code provided to sign up and help save lives! Donate to win one of 83, \$83 gift cards.



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - GOLF TOURNAMENT**

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 08**

The next OLMC KofC Golf Tournament is happening June 8th at Superstition Springs Golf Course! Ever wonder how the Knights make such great Lenten Fried Fish and Wings at the Festival? It's our Fryers (not Friars...) They are shot, and needing replacement, please consider participating, donating or sponsoring this year's event. Contact Tom Donnelly at tdonn1204@cox.net





### **ADORATION MINISTRY**

# "JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST" WEDNESDAYS, UNTIL 5/15 FROM 7:15P-9:00P IN MCCREADY HALL

As we prepare for the building of our Perpetual Adoration Chapel, we invite you to dive more deeply into the richness of our Eucharistic faith. Please join us for the "Jesus and the Eucharist" series for 7 consecutive Wednesdays starting on April 3 from 7:15pm to 9:00pm in McCready Hall.

# **OCIA**

Have you found that the world can't satisfy the desires of your heart? You were made for more than the world can give. Only God can satisfy the longings of your heart and He is eager to lavish His love on you! If you are an adult and are new to the faith, have been away from the faith, or if you never received all the sacraments in the Church, we'd love to help you discover what the Lord has in store for you! We'll be starting in April, so reach out now! Email Kathy at ocia@olmctempe.com

# SODALITY

All women of the parish are invited to join Sodality for our end of year Pot Luck meeting. It will be at 11:30am on May 4th in McCready Hall. We will be installing our new officers and new members.

# WOMEN'S STUDIES MINISTRY

# THURSDAYS BEGINNING MAY 9 - JULY 25

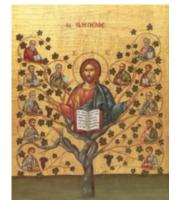
Come study and discuss the upcoming scriptures with us using the Christ in Our Neighborhood program created by Bishop Dolan. All women are welcome to join us for fellowship and grow closer to our Lord together. Thursdays in the OLMC School Library, 7-8pm. Meetings will resume in McCready Hall for June and July. To register and more info email: olmcwomensministry@gmail.com

# SERVE

# STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Our readings today teach us what it means to bear fruit as disciples of Christ. We hear in each of our readings that it is from the Lord that good effects will be produced in our lives.

In our first reading, we hear about disciples that were preaching the Good News and defending the faith. The work they were doing was "with the consolation of the Holy Spirit." It was not their work alone, but the work of God.



We must ask ourselves, 'how is God bearing fruit in my life?' and 'have I invited the Holy Spirit to work in me?' The more we try to produce good effects in our lives, the more we will become disappointed if all we are relying on is our own efforts. It is only by inviting the Holy Spirit into our everyday moments that we will see goodness poured out.

Jesus clearly tells us how to do this in our Gospel. He says, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit." We can remain in Christ by staying faithful to His Commandments and frequently receiving the Sacraments. And our day to day moments should be a reflection of those commitments.

That could mean opening our day with a prayer of thanksgiving, smiling at those we see on the street, asking God for help as we begin our workday, praising God in moments of trial, taking time to listen to our spouse after a long day. To remain in Christ means, in all that we do, we do it with the Lord.

When we live a life like that - as a branch never separated from its vine - God will produce bountiful fruit in our lives.

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#### **2024 OLMC PARISH CENSUS**



## SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

#### SVDP APRIL FOOD DRIVE

St. Vincent DePaul Society is collecting the following:

Canned Chicken, Canned Fruit, Mashed Potatoes, Boxed Cake or Brownie Mix

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

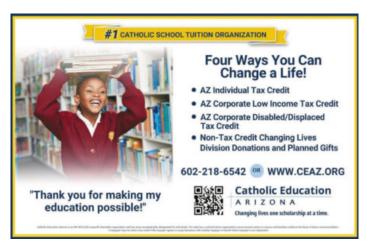
A big thank you from Saint Vincent de Paul. \$1,035 was collected from Monday Soup & Bread.

# **OLMC SCHOOL**

- Preschool-8th grade
- ESA covers approximately 75% of
- Kindergarten & 100% of 1st-8th tuition Applications OPEN NOW
- Classes filling fast

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic School** 2117 S. Rural Rd Tempe, AZ. 85282

# **GIVE**



#### SUPPORT OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL

Please continue to support your Parish! Envelopes may be dropped off at the parish office during office hours (Monday-Thursday, 9AM - 5PM) or dropped off in the door slot after hours or mailed to the parish.

You can also visit our website at www.olmctempe.com and click on the green "GIVE ONLINE" button.

#### FULLCIRCLE COFFEE SHOP

Please visit the OLMC Coffee Shop Sundays after the morning Masses. All proceeds benefit the FullCircle Program. A program that offers assistance for At Risk Kids and their families. For more info regarding assistance for your family please contact AJ Creswell at ajcreswell@fullcircleprogram.com or 480-620-7995 to leave a message.

# - C O N N E C T -

# THE SAINT OF LOST CAUSES

#### Dear Friends,

What do you do when you can do nothing? You pray. This is the image of faith in its rawest form. When there is nothing else that can save us, all we can do is cling to the help of God. All we can do is pray. In these moments when we feel that all hope is lost and all our supports fail us we encounter what I like to call "gutter grace." Whether someone has left the faith or never encountered Jesus, it is typically in life's gutter where the faith is most profoundly encountered. This is because when we are separated from our typical securities, we are left helpless with nothing and no one to turn to except for God. When we are aware of the true nature of our fallen world, the false promise of sin and the existence of suffering and death we are more aware of the joy proposed by the Gospel. In these gutter moments Jesus acts as the saving hand that pulls us out of the abyss of despair and in these moments we pray and we hope. This is why sinners are the first to accept Christ in the Gospels since they have lived in the darkness of sin and suffering and see Jesus for who He is. The Savior, the one who can do for us what we cannot do for ourselves. This attitude of hope in the midst of a lost cause is championed by one of the Apostles and one of the most well known intercessors in the world. Saint Jude the Apostle.

Also known as Thaddaeus, Saint Jude the Apostle was the brother of Saint James the lesser and the cousin of Jesus. Images of Saint Jude depict him carrying a club which was likely the instrument of his martyrdom. Saint Jude is typically portrayed holding a scroll or book identifying him as one of the authors of Scripture. Saint Jude's Epistle is the shortest book in the New Testament, measuring the length of only one page in most Bibles. He also has a flame above his head which marks him as one of the Apostles present during the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. After Pentecost Saint Jude preached the Gospel in Judea, Samaria, Syria, Mesopotamia, and Libya. Not to be mistaken with the Apostle who betrayed Jesus, Judas Iscariot, Saint Jude is one of the most well known Saints throughout the world and many Christians ask for his help as the Patron Saint of the impossible. This is strange since he only speaks once in the Gospel.

During the Last Supper Jesus explains to his Apostles that He will die, rise from the dead, and ascend and that the world will no longer "see" Him. Saint Jude asks Jesus, "what happened that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?" (John 14:22) Saint Jude asks the question that many Christians may ask in the midst of a crisis of faith. Why doesn't Jesus reveal himself to the world in the same way that he did to the Apostles? The reason, as Jesus explains, is so that the Apostles would be witnesses to faith and go forth to share and preach gospel to a broken, fallen world. That they would be the ones to pass on the light of Christ to illuminate the world with hope and joy. Jesus emphasizes faith in Him as the path to Salvation in His response to Saint Jude as he says, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." (John 14:23) It is by faith that we are called to follow and live as disciples of Christ, and it was the Apostles who were formed by Christ and first received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and handed on that faith to our

predecessors. As part of His response, Jesus assures the apostles of the presence of his Holy Spirit to lead and guide his Church as he says:

I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. (John 14:25-27)

In these words Jesus assures the troubled Apostle Jude of His presence even after His Ascension. In particular there is comfort in the words Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid, as they are an assurance of God's love and guidance even as the peace of the world is disturbed. And here we encounter the spirituality often associated with Saint Jude, that of the Saint of Lost Causes.

Many Christians wear medals of Saint Jude and pray for his intercession. This is because there have been many instances of answered prayers of the impossible through the intercession of Saint Jude. In particular, Saint Jude has become the Patron Saint of gutter moments, crises of faith, and times of darkness when all hope seems lost. Saint Jude is asked to intercede on our behalf and draw us closer to Christ in moments of despair. He acts as a patron who bears the light of Christ in a dark world and assures us of the hope and joy of the Gospel. In Saint Jude we find a spiritual friend in times of darkness, not as one who replaces Christ, but as one who encourages us to cling to Jesus in the midst of struggle or discouragement. In his witness Saint Jude invites us to pray, not only as a last resort, but as our first instinct in times of struggle or difficulty; to seek Jesus as our first and only help. In this witness we also find that we ourselves are not a lost cause, but that we are the beloved children of God who are strengthened by the Holy Spirit, and encouraged by the communion to persevere with hope and joy.

In Saint Jude we can all find an intercessor and spiritual friend who points to Christ in the midst of the impossible. There are many beautiful prayers that invoke the intercession of Saint Jude, but I find the following prayer particularly touching for those who are encountering suffering or alone:

Most Holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, I place myself into your hands at this difficult time. Help me to know that I am not alone. Please pray for me, asking God to send me comfort for my sorrows, bravery for my fears, and healing for my suffering. Ask our loving God to strengthen my faith and give me the courage to accept His Will for my life. Thank you, St. Jude, for the hope you offer to all who believe in you. Amen.

Saint Jude, pray for us.

God's blessings, Fr Gabriel Terrill



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