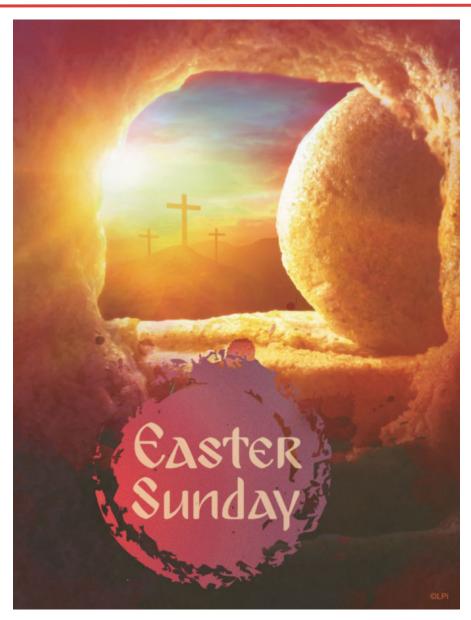
# Our Lady ~ of ~ Mount Carmel





# **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 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 ienn@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.

# **MARCH 31, 2024**

# **PARISH INFORMATION**

### **Address**

# **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday......9:00am - 5:00pm \*\*\*Closed Wednesdays 11am- 12pm

\*\*\*OFFICE CLOSED ON EASTER MONDAY\*\*\*

## **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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# PRAY

# READINGS OF THE WEEK

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Sunday:

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35 Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48 Thursday: Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15 Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31



# MASS INTENTIONS

-	Monday 04/01/2024	6:30am 10:00am	Souls of Mr. & Mrs. Battaglia Soul of Lois Whitehurst ***No 8:30am Mass
	Tuesday 04/02/2024	6:30am 8:30am	Soul of Hannah & Franz Preiser Soul of John Schrempp
	Wednesday 04/03/2024		Soul of Martha Bustamante Ints. of Patricia Larson Soul of Alice Fletcher
	Thursday 04/04/2024		Ints. of The Franco-Rivera Family Ints. of The Richwine Family
	Friday 04/05/2024	6:30am 8:30am 7:00pm	Soul of Johnny "Sugar" Garcia Soul of Vincent Alvarado Soul of Phil Means
	Saturday 04/06/2024	8:00am 5:00pm	Soul of Anna Mendoza Soul of Carmen Zavala
	Sunday 04/07/2024	7:00am 9:00am 11:00am 5:00pm	Soul of Debbier Terdine Souls of Millie & Charles Fontana Ints. of The Delgado Family People of the Parish



# **HEALING PRAYER MINISRTY**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 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.

# **FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION**

**APRIL 5, 2024** MASS AT 7:30PM **ADORATION FOLLOWING MASS UNTIL 8AM MASS ON SATURDAY** 

# PARISH CALENDAR

Monday 04/01/2024	10:00am	African Liturgy Mass- Church
Tuesday 04/02/2024	8:30am 6:00pm 7:00pm	Mom's Group Rosary - St Simon Music Rehearsal - Church RCIA - Hall
Wednesday 04/03/2024	9:00am 12:45pm 6:00pm 7:15pm	Adoration - Church St Therese Group - Holy Family Room Benediction - Church Adoration Committee - North Hall
Thursday 04/04/2024	6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	LifeTeen Study Hall - Holy Family Room Lay Dominican Group Yr 2 - St Simon Room Women's Study Ministry - North hall
Friday 04/05/2024	7:30pm 8:00pm	First Friday Mass Adoration - Church
Saturday 04/06/2024		No Activities Scheduled
Sunday 04/07/2024	6:30am 12:00pm 3:00pm 6:00pm	Coffee Shop - South Hall OLMC Festival Divine Mercy Celebration - Church Life Teen - Hall

# **AFRICAN LITURGY MASS**

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024 10:00AM THE CHURCH

Our Parish is honored to host all the African Priests and Nuns working here in our Diocese on Easter Monday, April 1st, for their annual meeting. You are all welcome to join them for the very uplifting African Liturgy at the 10am Mass. Let's come and show our appreciation for all they do for our Diocese!



# -EASTER & DIVINE MERCY-

# **EASTER MASS SCHEDULE**



# EASTER VIGIL-SATURDAY, MARCH 30 7:30PM CHURCH

# 7:00AM CHURCH 9:00AM CHURCH & HALL 11:00AM CHURCH

\*No 5pm Mass Easter Sunday

\*Incense will be used in the Church During Easter
Masses but not in the Hall.

# SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

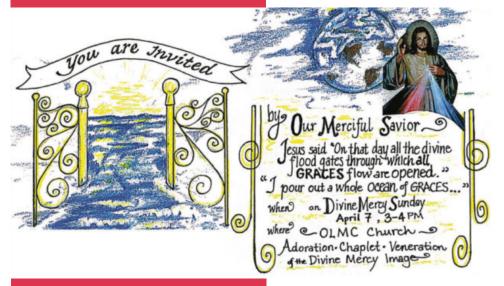
# **SVDP APRIL FOOD DRIVE**

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Jelly Diced Tomatoes Tomato Sauce Rice (2 lb bags)

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# **DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION**



# **OLMC FESTIVAL**



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

# SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

# HOW TO REACH US FOR...... SACRAMENT OF THE SICK OR FUNERAL CALLS WHEN THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED

For emergency assistance regarding the Sacrament of the Sick (Last Rites) or scheduling a funeral we have an After Hours Service. After choosing the mortuary please have the director you are working with call our After Hours Service (most of the surrounding mortuaries have this number already and the service number is on our voice mail). The mortuary or the medical personnel can then reach the On Call Personnel to assist your family with scheduling the funeral or the emergency anointing for your loved one.



GAMES & CRAFTS

# -2024 OLMC PARISH CENSUS-



# Fill out the DIME PARISH CENSUS





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# 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.

# **OLMC SCHOOL**

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A NOTE FROM FATHER 31 MARCH 2024

# THE LORD IS TRULY RISEN, ALLELUIA!

Dear Friends,

What a week this was! What a climax!

The said week, known as Holy Week, is always a week of gross contradictions and naked betrayals. These painful contradictions and betrayals involved people who were supposed to be the soul friends of our Lord and Savior Jesus and a people he "slaved" and sacrificed so much for. Led by the ever-impetuous Peter, the whole bunch of the apostles abandoned and betrayed Jesus at his hour of greatest need. This becomes particularly so painful after Peter even pompously professed that he was ready to die for him. That he would never abandon him even if others did. Did he? Not at all!

Then comes Good Friday; on this day, the entire crowd that had days earlier proclaimed Jesus as their king and in a frenzy never witnessed before, gave Him a triumphant entry into Jerusalem, turned against him and bayed for His blood! In a heinous legal judgment untypical of the Roman judiciary system, Pilate yielded to the demands of the Jews and had Christ tortured, humiliated and put to death by crucifixion. What a week this was!

However, after the terribly shocking senselessness and cruelty of humanity demonstrated on that Friday afternoon, and the subsequent despair of the day and night which followed, we come to the glorious experience of Sunday morning. This morning! In an equally dramatic turn of events, we experience the happiest endings of any episode - Christ rises from the dead! The tomb is empty as the readings of today announce! The Lord is truly Risen Alleluia!

Reflecting deeply on this however, although the tomb is empty this alone, up to this point, is no proof that Christ is risen. Mary of Magdala saw the empty tomb and says: They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him. Thereafter, Peter himself went into the tomb and 'saw' the linen cloths ...

Evidently, the reality of the empty tomb notwithstanding, neither Peter nor Mary believed and professed faith in the resurrection at this point. It was only John the Beloved Disciple who did believe, and this was because he saw the empty tomb and understood the teaching of Scripture ...(Jn.20:1-10). It was the Scriptures that opened his mind to the teachings of the Lord about His rising from the dead. He saw and believed!

As is always the case, the realities of life can only be properly understood in the light of the word of God. In this light, everything makes immediate sense, especially, under those confusing and seemingly meaningless circumstances which come unannounced into our human lives.

As we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ, the message here is very clear for our own lives. We live in a world characterized by overwhelming routine, monotony and betrayals. We often are unable to make sense of what is happening in our lives. As a result, we get so angry with God because we imagine Him to be insensitive to whatever we are going through, be it financial loss, loss of relationship, difficult marital situations, illness, or even the death of a dear one. Yes, we often get so frustrated and confused with our situation to the point of despair. But never despair, the Lord is truly Risen and so shall we.

Remember that Easter, through the lenses of the scriptures always gives us the answer to our situations however painful they might be. When we link our situations whatever it may be, with the Scriptures, we begin to understand the empty tomb and that Christ is truly Risen and so shall we! That is how, John and Peter and the rest of the disciples eventually came to believe in the Resurrection and to understand its meaning because they finally understood the Scriptures. For them knowledge of the Scriptures became knowledge of Christ - and once they understood this, they became unstoppable in their zeal to spread the gospel. This should be the same for each one of us as we celebrate this great Easter Season. May this Season lead us closer to the love of the word of God - to the Scriptures so as to grow closer to the Risen Lord.

In closing, I would like now to invite you personally to join me and the African Priests and Nuns for a very uplifting and joyful liturgy tomorrow, April 1st, here at our Church at 10am. Come and enjoy the African spirit of Easter and the very engaging music by our African choir from St. James Catholic Church, Glendale.

The Lord is truly Risen, Alleluia!

I love you.

God's blessings, Fr Robert Aliunzi



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