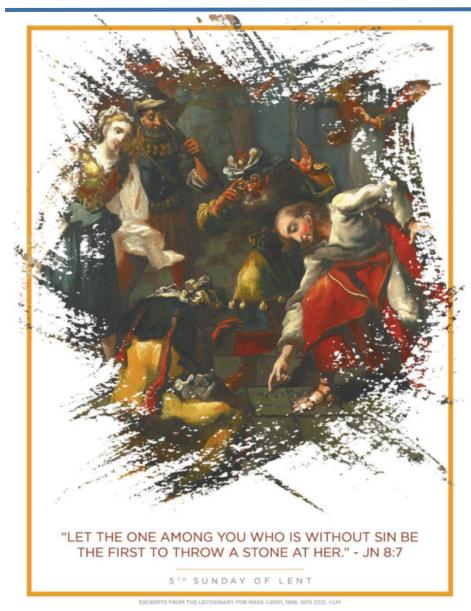
# Our Lady ~ of ~ Mount Carmel





#### **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 Peter Parian 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 Dcn. Dave Knebelsberger at (480) 967-8791 or email at weddings@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 6 2025**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday	9:00am - 5:00pm
***Closed Wednesdays 11am- 1	2nm

#### **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**

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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, Fac	cebook, and YouTube channel

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### PRAY

#### **READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 **9AM:** Ez 37:12-14/Ps

130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20 Monday:

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

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: Lk 19:28-40/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—

23:56 or 23:1-49

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	6:30am	Soul of Justin Perez
4/7/2025	8:30am	Int. of Don Hawker
Tuesday	6:30am	Soul of Bob Franco
4/8/2025	8:30am	Soul of John Maverick Bravo
Wednesday 4/9/2025	6:30am 8:30am 6:30pm	Int. of Rose Duarte Soul of Benito Ramirez Soul of Winifred Atmaka
Thursday	6:30am	Int. of Jim Stankewitz
4/10/2025	8:30am	Soul of Alfred Miranda
Friday	6:30am	Soul of Bonnie Sue Laubmeier
4/11/2025	8:30am	Soul of Brandi Ramirez
Saturday	8:00am	Soul of RoseAnn Hernandez
4/12/2025	5:00pm	Soul of Mary Banegas
Sunday 4/13/2025	7:00am 9:00am 11:00am 5:00pm	Elizabeth Carabajal People of the Parish Soul of Josephine Quintanilla Soul of Patricia Wolf

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And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me." - Isaiah 6:8

#### **PARISH CALENDAR**

Monday 4/7/2025	3:15am 6:00pm -	Cub Scouts - Various Soup & Bread - Hall PAT - St. Simon
Tuesday 4/8/2025	7:00pm - -	LTMTP Wom St. Simon OCIA - Hall Rosary - Holy Famly
Wednesday 4/9/2025	8:00am 9:00am 9:15am 6:30pm - 7:00am	St. Therese - St. Simon Adoration - Church Chapel ComHoly Family Benediction - Church Word of God - Hall Chinese Min St. Simon
Thursday 4/10/2025	9:15am 9:30am 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm -	LTMTP Wom St. Simon PLT - Holy Family Grief Support - St. Simon Volunteer Mtg Church LTMTP Men - Holy Family KofC - Hall Music Rehe Church
Friday 4/11/2025	9:00am 5:30pm 7:00pm	CION - St. Simon Fish Fry - Hall Stations - Church
Saturday 4/12/2025	6:30am 8:15am 9:00am	OLMC Men - Hall Sodality - Hall SVdP - St. Simon

### 6:15pm **LOST & FOUND ITEMS**

6:30am

Sunday

4/13/2025



Coffee Shop - S. Hall

Life Teen - Hall

Our Lost and Found is located in the parish office. Items, which have ben collected over the past few months, will be donated if not claimed by Wednesday, April 30th. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9am to 5pm. If you have any questions, please call (480) 967-8791.



### CONNECT

#### **LENTEN ACTIVITIES**



Lenten Friday gatherings and devotions run from March 7th through April 14th.

#### **SOUP AND BREAD:**

Mondays from 6pm to 7pm in McCready Hall | Freewill offering **KOFC FISH FRY:** 

Fridays from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in McCready Hall | \$12 (Cash Only) STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays at 7pm in the church

#### **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER**



#### SPY WEDNESDAY:

April 16th | Tenebrae Service 8pm **HOLY THURSDAY:** 

April 17th | Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

**GOOD FRIDAY:** 

April 18th | Stations of the Cross 3pm Communion Liturgy/Veneration of the Cross 7pm **HOLY SATURDAY:** 

April 19th | Easter Vigil Mass 8pm

**EASTER SUNDAY:** 

April 20th | Masses at 6am, 9am, and 12pm

#### EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL



Donations to our Easter 2025 Flower Memorial Fund are now open! Through this contribution, you are donating in honor of a loved one, and the parish will pray for all these people during the

Easter season. Additionally, through your support, our church can be even more beautifully decorated for the resurrection of our Lord! tinyurl.com/olmcflowers25



#### **WOMEN'S SODALITY**



Women of the parish and girls 16 and up are welcome to the next Sodality meeting on Saturday, April 12th at 8:15am in McCready Hall. Enjoy a light breakfast, a great talk, and a time of fellowship with your OLMC sisters in Christ.

### ADORATION CHAPEL OPENING



His Excellency, Bishop Eduardo Nevares, blessed our new Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel this past Sunday, March 30th. On Wednesday, April 16th, all-day Adoration will take place in the Chapel, while regular Adoration begins Easter Monday, April 21st. We will update everyone regarding door access as those details become available.

### **LITURGY AND WORSHIP**

#### THE SACRED TRIDUUM

By Joseph Malzone

The most sacred three days of the entire year in the Church is the Sacred Triduum, encompassing Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. The liturgy, and yes, it is a single liturgy that spans the course of three days, is a tapestry of symbolism, poetry, and sublime beauty.

I invite you to make every effort to attend all three evenings of the Triduum Liturgy to experience and appreciate the fullness of its rich prayer and meaning. The Triduum Liturgy begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm on April 14, continues with the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 7pm on April 15, and concludes with the Easter Vigil at 8pm on April 16. Additionally, to help prepare us for the Triduum, on Wednesday, April 13, at 8pm, there will be the Tenebrae Service, which is a somber meditation on the suffering of our Lord with prayer and song.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper is when we experience the Last Supper and the events surrounding it, such as when He instituted the Eucharist, the priesthood, and the commandment of love. The priests wash the feet of twelve people, just as Jesus washed the feet of His disciples as an expression of the commandment of love. The Gloria is sung with bells ringing during it, for the last time until we arrive at the Easter Vigil. After Holy Communion, the Blessed Sacrament is removed from the church and brought to an altar of repose where we are invited to spend the night in prayer with our Lord until midnight, as He asked His disciples to pray with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane before His Passion. After Jesus is removed from the church, the altar in the church is stripped and left bare, symbolic of Jesus being stripped by the soldiers and the church mourning for His Passion.

The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion is not a Mass; Mass is not allowed to be celebrated on Good Friday. It begins with scripture readings relating to our Lord's suffering and Crucifixion, which is then followed by the Solemn Intercessions: a special set of petitions for mercy and grace. After this is the Veneration of the Cross, when we are reminded that the cross is not a symbol of defeat but rather the symbol of victory and the Glory of God. We venerate the cross by bowing, touching, or kissing it.

Next week is Palm Sunday when we welcome our Lord's entry into the Holy City of Jerusalem. In next week's bulletin, look forward to an explanation of the most important Mass of the church year: the Easter Vigil.

#### CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



The Living in the Breech Men's Conference is on Saturday, April 26th, from 8am to 5pm, at Holy Cross in Mesa. Fr. John Lankeit, Jesse Romero, and Paul Zucarelli will speak. Tickets are \$50 for general admission, or \$70, which includes a special social hour with the speakers after the event. Register at beadsforbabies.org/events

### SERVE





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### GIVE

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#### **OUR SVDP FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THE FOLLOWING EACH WEEK**

Canned Chicken **Tomato Sauce** Jelly Soup (Chunky, Progresso) **Canned Fruit Diced Tomatoes** Rice (1lb bag or box)

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#### **CHARITY & DEVELOPMENT APPEAL**



So far, 134 donors have raised \$77,961, and our goal is \$135,257. Please give today help us reach the finish line! Funds collected for the annual Charity and Development appeal help our Diocese care for the needs of many, including

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#### WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS AS OF 3/16/24: \$25,312.70

Parish Budgeted Operating Expenses (excluding the School and Preschool) are \$22,008.61. Thank you for your generosity!

Please continue to support our 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 www.olmctempe.com and click on the green "GIVE ONLINE" button.

#### **SEEKING OFFICE VOLUNTEERS**



We are seeking volunteers to support the Parish Office. Your main duties will be answering calls and walk-in inquiries. Administrative experience is helpful, and training and support will be ongoing. If you have a warm and welcoming personality,

enjoy interacting with others, and can serve with a joyful heart, we want to hear from you. Please send your expression of interest, including a short summary of your qualifications (including weekday availability) to fify@olmctempe.com and include why you would like to volunteer.

### - C O N N E C T -

6 APR 2025 A NOTE FROM FATHER

#### A MOMENT OF DIVINE ENCOUNTER DURING THE BLESSING OF OUR ADORATION CHAPEL: A BABY'S SILENT TESTIMONY

Dear friends,

Last week's blessing of our Perpetual Adoration Chapel was a momentous occasion for our parish. It was a special day filled with joy, gratitude, and a deep sense of reverence that radiated throughout the entire liturgy. I have heard so many testimonies to this fact from many of you who attended the blessing Mass led by bishop Nevares. One of the highlights of the celebration occurred when Bishop Nevares asked me to go to the newly constructed chapel with the monstrance at the end of the Mass. As I processed with the Blessed Sacrament in my hands to the new chapel, I witnessed a moment that will remain etched in my memory forever, and it was this:

As I approached a young father holding his roughly six-month-old baby in his arms at the back of the main Church, the little one became visibly agitated, only to suddenly calm down and clasp his tiny hands in reverence as we usually do in adoration or in prayer. His gaze locked intensely onto the Monstrance, and he remained still, clearly mesmerized by the divine presence in that monstrance.

I was, on my part, so captivated by this profound encounter that for a few fleeting seconds, I became immobilized and unable to proceed. The father of the baby who witnessed this smiled in apparent shock and awe. The image of the baby's rapt attention and the father's gentle smile remained with me throughout the blessing ceremony. (If you are the father of the baby in this encounter, I kindly request for a meeting with you and your baby).

In that instant, however, I was reminded of the profound truth that our Lord is truly present in the Eucharist, body, spirit, soul, and divinity and that even the youngest among us can sense His divine presence as this baby did. To me, this baby's reaction was not learned or conditioned; it was an instinctual response to the sacred. It was a divine encounter!

This moment also highlighted the importance of exposing our children to the beauty and mystery of our faith in our Lord's divine presence in the Eucharist. As parents, teachers, and a faith community, we have a sacred responsibility to nurture the spiritual lives of our young ones so that they may grow in the knowledge, love, and reverence for our Lord. That is why it is important to me that we will continue to expose the precious children of our school weekly to adoration, soon in our adoration chapel. I also encourage you parents who do not have children in our school here to still bring them regularly to the chapel for adoration. You will never regret it. As we begin this new chapter in our parish's history with the Perpetual Adoration Chapel, let us continue to seek ways to deepen our devotion to the Eucharist and to share this treasure with our future generations.

However, even though the chapel has now been officially blessed, we shall begin using it for regular adoration this month on a date that we shall soon communicate, so stay tuned.

Meanwhile, may the encounter between the baby and the Blessed Sacrament inspire us all to cultivate a deeper sense of reverence, wonder, and awe in our worship and in our own daily encounter with the Lord in the Eucharist, and may the presence of the perpetual adoration chapel in our parish and school lead to more growth in our parish and an increase in vocations to the priesthood and to religious life from our parish.

I love you!

Yours in Christ, - Fr. Robert Aliunzi



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