



# OUR LADY of MOUNT CARMEL

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## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.

- Mk 9:7-8

FEBRUARY 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | THE 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

## MISSION STATEMENT:

We exist to be  
a light to the world,  
and we live out Christ's  
call on our lives  
by worship and witness.

In prayer and sacrament  
God enkindles our hearts  
that we might bring  
the fire of his love  
to everyone we encounter.

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## MASS TIMES

## SUNDAY MASSES

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:15pm &  
7:00pm (Spanish)

**Sunday Morning:** 7:30am, 9:00am,  
& 11:00am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am - Monday-Saturday

All Masses Livestreamed

## CONFESSIONS

## IN THE CHURCH

Saturday 8:30am-9:30am &  
4:00pm-5:00pm

## OR BY APPOINTMENT

Call the parish office or email  
pastor@olmcboonton.org

## ADORATION:

Friday 8:30am-Saturday  
8:00am



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## PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear Saints,

Did you suck your thumb excessively as a child? Or perhaps own a well-loved blanket that had to travel with you everywhere? Natural habits of safety and security when we're young, most of us carry some vestige of them into adulthood. We're attached to something (or many somethings), and we don't know that everything will be okay if we lose it; in fact, we're terribly afraid that things won't be okay if we lose it. It may be money, prestige, youth, or beauty. It's often creature comforts like food, drink, warm showers, and plush beds. Not bad things in and

of themselves by any means, they nonetheless have power over us because we think we *need* them to be happy or sane.

Sometimes we grow out of these attachments without much effort or thought, but sometimes we need more intentional intervention. Since Aristotle, wise men and women have counseled that the most effective way to break a dominant habit is to go the other way for a time. If you love money, give it away; if you're obsessed with your reflection, stay away from mirrors; if you crave attention, go out of your way to live in obscurity; if you need coffee to be cheerful, switch it out for water. Lent is an ideal time to practice this kind of detachment. To be clear, we don't detach for the sake of detachment; rather, we detach in service of rightly ordered hearts, such that we prefer nothing to God and his purposes. The point, finally, is to recognize what we knew well as children: as comforting as a tattered old blanket may be, nothing can compare to the love and security of being held close in the arms of a loving Father.

Christ's Peace,

Father Daniel  
δοῦλος Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ

PS Our beyond-the-tithe challenge for this Lent is *Several Sources*, a well-known local charity that saves babies' lives and shelters their young mothers. Our goal is to raise at least \$20,000 for this great work.



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### Welcome New Members!

#### Join us

Are you ready to light up the world with God's love? Please stop by the Parish Office during the week or register online at [www.olmc.church](http://www.olmc.church).

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## PRAY

February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

8:00am Liv. Int. Salman & Arlyn Abouzied  
Nicholas & Iraida Nunez  
5:15pm Scotty McCulloch  
7:00pm Santiago Portillo

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

7:30am Rosario Testa  
9:00am People of the Parish  
11:00am Michael Styrane

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

8:00am People of the Parish

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024

8:00am Rosemary Kennedy

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

8:00am People of the Parish

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024

8:00am People of the Parish

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024

8:00am Liv. Int. Judy Swetlitschny  
Lilia Cuison

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

8:00am John & Gertrude Hrenko  
Liv. Int. Delismarie Heras  
5:15pm Liv. Int. John & Karen Maione

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

7:30am Denise Cooke  
9:00am Phyllis Laurenzi  
11:00am People of the Parish

### LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

#### ...FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK:

Jane Lundqvist, Adriane Selesky-Eoga, Tim McCormick Family, Daniel Paporello, Edward Bochinski, Jose Oliveira, Lois Tirrell, Tiffany Barnish, MacKenzie Navarro, Bob Peideia, John O'Leary, Barbara Ann Burton, Joseph Paulose, Bonaventure Joseph Rodeiro, Michelina Guiliano, Ginny Dolce, George Gayet, John Patin, Adrian Navarro, Nancy Hahn, Hahn, Campos, & Fonseca families, William Amend, Connie Barnish, Tom Davis, Elisa Warganz, Edith Aquino, Mike Sabloff, The Fehsal family, Margaret Ellis, Kayla Norvis, Charlie Zarzecki, Lauren Lewis, Sueli Campos, Patrick Glennon, Albert J. DiCarlo, Hannah Cerullo, Joyce Ramirez, Avery Miller, Lisa Evans, Victoria Gormley, Patrick DeMare, Denise Doty Cabezas, Andrea Case, Elaine Mazurek, Lindsey Lampach, Paul Picconi

#### ...FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

Molly Webber USMA, Annalise Webber USAFA, Joseph S. Filippello USAF, Captain Mark Vogel USMC, Captain Robert Beagen, SPC. Raymond McCormick, LT Anthony John Kline, LTC Matthew Pride

#### MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25:

The Mass and Vigil Light and Bread and Wine are offered for the People of the Parish.



### READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

**Sun 25** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/ Rom 8:31b-3

**Mon 26** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

**Tues 27** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

**Wed 28** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

**Thurs 29** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

**Fri 3/1** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Sat 3/2** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Sun 3/3** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/ Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)

**LAST CALL**



FISH AND CHIPS DINNER

We're hosting a Fish Fry - provided by Tastefully British - on Friday, March 1st from 6:00 to 8:00pm. The \$15 per dinner price is an adult portion. Eat-in and take-home orders will be available in our school gym. To purchase tickets, please visit [olmc.church/lent](http://olmc.church/lent) or pick up a flier in the Narthex. All orders must be placed in advance. The closing date for all orders is **Sunday, February 25**.

PARISH INCOME - FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Collection	Cash/ Checks	Automated Giving	Total
Regular	\$4,812	\$7,977	\$12,789
School Support	\$10	\$438	\$448
Second Collection	\$730	\$36	\$766
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,552</b>	<b>\$8,451</b>	<b>\$14,003</b>

PLEASE NOTE: The income grid represents donations received over the past 7 days, but includes envelopes representing a range of weeks minor collections are not reflected in the numbers.



**BAPTISM** Bryan Petonak; Armin Hakhamaneshi

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Brayden Petonak

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON 2/26	TUES 2/27	WED 2/28	THURS 2/29	FRI 3/1	SAT 3/2	SUN 3/3
Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary  Welcome Home to Healing 7:00pm—8:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary  Bible Study 1pm-2:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary  Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 9:00am  AA Meeting 8:00pm-9:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary  Women's Group 1:00pm—2:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary  Eucharistic Adoration: Exposition, 8:30am Adoration continues until Benediction, just prior to 8:00am Mass on Sat.  Stations of the Cross 6:00pm  Fish and Chips Dinner 6:00pm—8:00pm	Men's Group 6:00am—8:00am  Mass: 8:00am, followed by Rosary  Confessions: 8:30-9:30am and 4:00-5:00pm  Vigil Mass: 5:15pm and 7:00pm (Spanish)	Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, & 11:00am

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## PREPARING FOR LENT

Join us on Fridays in Lent for Soup Suppers at 6:30pm (following our weekly Stations of the Cross).

This year we have more to offer our parish community:

- ◇ Soup and salad will be served in Gordon Hall to foster community in a serene and prayerful environment—a suitable extension of our Stations of the Cross. We're making improvements to our seating and food service setup, along with soft music and dimmed lighting.
- ◇ Children ages 4 and up are invited for a post-Stations of the Cross breakout in the school gym from 6:30pm-7:30pm for pizza, popcorn and movies. For the safety of everyone, all children must be signed in (with contact info) and signed out by a parent or guardian.
- ◇ Children under the age of 16 may attend the soup supper in Gordon Hall if accompanied by an adult.



What hasn't changed? We still would love to have your delicious soup! Please sign up for a slot that works you! See QR code. Contact Lori Testa in the parish office with any questions: [ltesta@olmcboonton.org](mailto:ltesta@olmcboonton.org) or 973-334-1017

Lent & Easter  
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### SCHEDULE FOR LENT

MONDAY, FEB 12	ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB 14
<p><b>Burning of Palms:</b> 2:00pm OLMC School parking lot</p>	<p><b>Masses:</b> 7:00am, 8:00am (School Mass), 7:00pm <b>Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes:</b> 12:00pm, 4:00pm</p>
<p><b>ONGOING:</b> <b>WELCOME HOME TO HEALING</b> Confession with Adoration 7:00-8:30pm, Mondays 2/19-3/18</p> <p><b>CONFESSIONS</b> Saturdays: 8:30-9:30am, 4:00-5:00pm</p>	<p><b>24 HOUR ADORATION</b> Exposition: 8:30am every Friday Benediction: 7:45am Saturday</p> <p><b>LENTEN RETREAT</b> Details to follow</p> <p><b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> (Soup Supper to follow) 6:00pm, Fridays 2/16-3/29 Note: 3/29- no soup supper</p>

\*Correction—*Welcome Home to Healing* runs through Monday, 3/25—not 3/18 as reflected in the schedule above. We apologize for any confusion.

## LENTEN RETREAT WITH REFORM

Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>

We invite you to experience a taste of Reform and explore the Nine Wellness Pillars for whole-person wellness, body and soul. Jackie and Dr. Bridget will introduce Reform's best practices and the essentials for placing Christ at the center of all aspects of your well-being.

The retreat begins with **daily Mass at 8am**, followed by a Holy Hour and Confession; the seminar begins at **9:30am**. The retreat concludes at **1pm**. **Please RSVP here:** <https://www.olmc.church/len/#mission>



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