

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church

120 Prospect Street, Nutley, New Jersey 07110

December 24, 2017



*4th Sunday of Advent
Vigil of Christmas*

Rev. Dennis E. Reiff

Pastor

Rev. Kevin J. Schott

Parochial Vicar

Deacon Aldo Antola

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Mary Rose Conforto, MPF

Director of Religious Education

Andres Cardona

Director of Music Ministry

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning: 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 12:15 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Weekdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday: 2:00 p.m.

Devotions

Infant of Prague Novena: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Novena: Wednesday
following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

First Friday Devotions: following the 8:00 a.m. Mass



Mission Statement

Our mission as a holy parish is to communicate and to celebrate the life and spirit of Jesus by our words and actions in order to build a dynamic, loving, caring and outreaching community of faith.

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. to
4:00 p.m.

**The rectory is closed between
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

Rectory Phone Numbers

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Website

www.olmc-nutley.org

Marriages

Please schedule at least ONE YEAR in advance of your wedding. Pre-Cana and other instruction sessions are required.

Sacraments of Healing

Please notify the parish office if someone is ill at home.

Baptisms

We request parents attend a Baptism Instruction Session before the birth of their child. The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated the third Sunday of each month, except during Lent (when we will not celebrate the sacrament until Easter). All Baptisms are scheduled in person at the rectory.

Parish Membership

All are welcome to join our Parish Family. Parish policy requires registration to participate in Baptism, Marriage and Religion Classes. Please notify the office when a change of address or move occurs.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday December 23
7:30 a.m. Sabino "Sam" Coppola
5:00 p.m. Joseph Adamkiewicz ~ Anniversary

Sunday December 24
7:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Evangelista Family
9:15 a.m. Virginia Antola
10:45 a.m. Luciano and Gail Chimento
5:00 p.m. Fred and Rosalie Conforto
10:00 p.m. Idalia Gobaira Lorenzo ~ *Birthdays Remembrance*

Monday December 25
7:30 a.m. Salvatore and Antoinetta Rotunda
9:15 a.m. Hoyt Peavy
10:45 a.m. Rosalia and Philip Petracca
12:15 p.m. Christina Mayrer

Tuesday December 26
8:00 a.m. Donaldo Alcantara

Wednesday December 27
8:00 a.m. Paul Grasso

Thursday December 28
8:00 a.m. Robert C. Sunga

Friday December 29
8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Laudati Family and Howard Laudati

Saturday December 30
7:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Turiello Family
5:00 p.m. Tessie Adamkiewicz

Sunday December 31
7:30 a.m. Gary and Zeny Erbe ~ Living
9:15 a.m. Intentions of the Carpenter and Basini Families
10:45 a.m. Angela Candiloro
12:15 p.m. John Stoyack

Prayers for Health Reasons

Emma Allen, Frank Anuscavage, Lucille Badan, Robert Balogh, Josephine Benimeo, George Berkovich, Dorothy Bogacz, Rudolfo Clavecilla, Ana Marie de Vera, Donald and Shirley Di Benedetto, Joshua Di Costanzo, Richard Dinzes, Veronica Duff, Domenick Falduto, Grace Fiore, Joan Gabriele, Connie Garcia, Michele Giannone, Robert Griffin, Patricia Holevas, Pat Hosey, Justin, Lucille, Lynda, Jim McGurran, Eve McKay, Madeline Micael, Lawrence Miller, Karen Ann Niles, Jack Nitz, Carmela Novick, Robert Palmer, Stephanie Pena, Maria A. Penaranda, Evelyn Perry, Vincent Petracco, Angela and Frank Porter, Richard Reidy, Albert Reyes, Jocelyn Reyes, Marie Rispoli, Anne Rotonda, Josephine Senek, Susan, John Tiseo, Mariana Toledo, James Tressito, Gina Villaggio, Emily Wills

Mass Intentions

Masses are scheduled in person during office hours.

Come to the rectory to:

~Make an offering in honor or in memory of a loved one for The Sanctuary Light, Bread and Wine or Church Flowers.

2018 Mass Book is open. One weekend and two weekday Masses are permitted to be scheduled at this time to accommodate the needs of all parishioners. Thank you for your consideration. Beginning in 2018, the Saturday morning Mass will be at 8:00 a.m.

Baptism Information

If you are expectant parents, please arrange to attend our Baptismal Instruction Program before the birth of your child. Baptismal Instruction and Baptisms must be scheduled in person, at the rectory. There are no Baptisms scheduled during the Advent season.

Please visit our website to read guidelines for god-parents and for a complete Baptismal Schedule.

Parish Collection

Due to the deadline set by our publisher, our collection will be published in a future bulletin.

As you give to the Lord, may He bless you in return.

The **Sanctuary Light** honoring the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord in the Tabernacle is lit this week in Loving Memory of

The Lorenzo and Gobaira Families

The **Bread and Wine** offering this week in Loving Memory of

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Religious Education

Christmas Recess: There will be no Religious Education classes from December 24th through December 31st.

See website for full calendar.

Christmas Wishes

From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

May the Infant Jesus, born on Christmas Day, bring peace into your soul and abundant blessings into your home.

May every heart be opened to the Infant Prince of Peace by fervent reception of the Sacrament of His love.

It is my wish and my prayer this child of Bethlehem will descend upon you, your family and friends, and upon this beautiful Parish of OLMC as Mary the Mother of Jesus, presents Him to us.

Love,

Father Dennis

Christmas

by Anonymous

Every time a hand reaches out
To help another... that is Christmas.
Every time someone puts anger aside
And strives for understanding
That is Christmas.

Every time people forget their differences
And realize their love for each other
That is Christmas.

May this Christmas bring us
Closer to the spirit of human understanding
Closer to the blessing of peace!

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"Come to me all of you." -Matthew 11:28

Food Pantry



Many people only donate to food pantries at holiday times. We sincerely appreciate your generosity throughout the year. Donations to our Food Pantry consist of non-perishable foods: such as soups, sauces, pasta, rice, cereals, dry

milk, canned vegetables, as well as toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, etc.).

Please check expiration dates before donating food. Please drop off food donations in one of the church vestibules. Please refrain from leaving donations on the porch of the rectory.

At a Glance ...

Christmas and New Year's Schedule

See page 4 of the Bulletin.

December 26

Infant of Prague Novena: Canceled

New Year ~ New Mass Time

Beginning January 6th the Saturday morning mass will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m.

Volunteer Acknowledgement

We appreciate all OLMC parishioners who volunteered for the Christmas Wreath Sales to benefit our Religious Education Program.



Rectory Closed on the following dates:

Monday, December 25
Tuesday, December 26
Friday, December 29
Monday, January 1

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Light maintenance and groundskeeping work. Please contact the Rectory.

Stewardship

We have an obligation to share with others, that which God has given us. Share your time, and talents. Men and women can become involved in the life of our Parish by becoming an **Altar Server, Catechist, Choir Member, Lector, and/or Usher**. By taking an active role in the liturgical life, and service of the Parish, you can have a wonderful experience. *Feel free to fill out the below form, and drop it in the collection basket or call the rectory.*

Ministry Sign Up Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

I am interested in the following Ministry(ies):

Altar Server

Catechist

Lector

Choir

Other _____

Support Groups for Parents Grieving the Death of a Child

The needs of parents who have suffered the loss of a son or daughter are unique. The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark sponsors support groups for Parents Grieving the Death of a Child. The groups are led by trained facilitators - parents who have personally experienced the death of a child. Groups meet at (1) St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Parish Center, 60 Byrd Avenue, Bloomfield on the **First Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.** and at (2) St. Peter the Apostle Church, Rectory Basement, 445 Fifth Avenue, River Edge on the **Third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.** There is no fee to participate and pre-registration is not needed. Please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at (973) 497- 4327 or email at: eganlaur@rcan.org for further information.

Christmas and New Year's Schedule

Silent Night: Monday, December 18th

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Advent Penance Service: Tuesday, December 19th

7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, Nutley

Christmas Eve: Sunday, December 24th

7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. **No 12:15 p.m. Mass**

Christmas Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord at 10:00 p.m.

(Choral Preludes by the Youth Choir at 4:30 p.m. and by Adult Choir at 9:30 p.m.)

Christmas Day: Monday, December 25th

7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 12:15 p.m.

New Year's Eve: Sunday, December 31st

7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 12:15 p.m.

New Year's Day: Monday, January 1st

8:00 a.m. - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God



Join Us...

Knights of Columbus

To join: email Ken at KofC6195@verizon.net or call the Rectory. The group meets the **first and third Tuesday of the month at 8:00 p.m.**

OLMC Rosary Society

The group meets the **first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will be **January 4**. New members Welcome! For more information call Denise, (973)641-2424.

Women's Auxiliary

Our next meeting will be **Monday, January 8 at 1:00 p.m.** For more information call Linda, (973) 661-0090. New members Welcome!



**Sharing God's Blessings
Annual Appeal**

This year's Appeal, *Sharing God's Blessings* is a perfect opportunity for us to reflect on God's generosity to us and to share the blessings we have been given with those around us. This year, our parish goal is as follows:

Parish Goal 2017: \$27,869

As the Advent season commences, we would like to acknowledge the generosity of our parishioners and remind those who have not fulfilled their 2017 pledge donation that there is still time. Thank you.



" 'Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.' But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.' "

(Lk 1:28-30)

Prayerfully contemplate the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary and ask God to help you prepare your heart for the Birth of His Son.

OLMC Website

Visit our website www.olmc-nutley.org to check out the latest bulletin, get Religious Education news, Mass schedules, find out more information about our various organizations, events, and much more. Pay us a visit!

Parish Membership ... Why is it Important?

In order for the parish to keep accurate records, please notify the parish office of any changes in your address or phone number. Also, when moving away, please let us know. All adult Catholics should be registered in a parish. Young adults of working age should register independently of their parents. In order for us to testify to your ability for sponsorship in Baptism, Confirmation or witness to a Catholic marriage, it is necessary to be a registered member of this parish. *To register, simply fill out the form on this page and drop it in the collection basket, or call the Rectory.*

Choir Rehearsal

Youth Choir: Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
Adult Choir: Every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Seeking Additional Choir Members

With Advent and Christmas seasons approaching, we are looking to strengthen and expand both of our choirs. Please call Andres Cardona, (347) 678-6702, or email: acardona.music@hotmail.com.

A Divine Child's Birth Gives Hope - Will YOU?

The birth of the infant Jesus represents hope for all humanity. Many people due to their impoverished conditions have difficulty finding hope in this joyous season. Please help Catholic Charities be a beacon of hope by giving items to their donation bin located in the rear of our parking lot including: used clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, towels, books and stuffed animals.

You Are Not Alone (YANA)

The next meeting of our Parish Bereavement Support Group will be on **January 10 from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. Our Support Group is open to anyone (parishioner or non-parishioner) who has suffered the loss of a friend, relative or a loved one. There is no charge. Reservations are not required. All you need is an open mind and an open heart. Let us try to help you through this time of grief.

Parish Registration

Our welcome mat is always out. If you enjoy worshipping at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, make us your official Parish by taking a few moments to register. Please complete the information in the space below, place it in the collection basket and we will contact you. You may also download a registration form on our website. *All information is kept confidential.*

Quick Parish Registration Request
I wish to register as a Parishioner of OLMC.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____

Phone: _____

- New Registration
- Change of Address