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Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 31, 2017

Given annual calendar variations, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is normally celebrated on the first Sunday after Christmas. This feast is placed where it is on the calendar because *“in Old Testament Law, a child wasn't a son of Abraham or a true part of the family until his circumcision at eight days of age, an event of Christ's life that we formerly celebrated on January 1.”* The Church presents the Holy Family to us as a model for our own family life. Joseph was the head of the Holy Family and provided for Mary and Jesus with the work of his



hands. He was obedient to the angel who told him to take Mary as his wife, what to name the new child and again when told to flee with them to Egypt. He taught Jesus the carpentry trade and what it was to be a man in the society in which they lived. Mary took care of her family in the home. It was she who would have taught Jesus the Scriptures and prayers of their people when he was very young. It was through her example of managing the home that Jesus would formulate many of the examples he would later use in his teaching. Jesus saw work sanctified through the example of his earthly parents, who did all things well in the ordinary circumstances of daily life.

Schedule of Masses:

Saturdays (Vigil Mass) **5:00 PM**
Sundays: **8:00 AM, 10:00 AM*, 12:00 Noon, 5:00 PM**
** Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:00 AM Sunday Mass*
** Child Care (ages 2-5) during 10:00 AM Sunday Mass*

Weekdays: **8:00 AM** (Monday – Saturday)
Holy Days: See Mass schedule printed in Bulletin for each upcoming Holy Day of Obligation

Confessions: Saturdays: **3:30 - 4:30 PM**
Wednesdays: **7:00 - 8:00 PM** or by appointment

Daily Rosary Devotion: Every morning at **7:30 AM**
Divine Mercy Chaplet: Weekday mornings after Mass
Funerals: Contact the Rectory prior to making arrangements

Day of Eucharistic Adoration:

Observed on the 23rd day of each month

Baptisms: By appointment on the Second Sunday of each month at 1:15 PM – following completion of Preparation Class.*

Infant Baptism Classes:* Tuesdays prior to 2nd Sunday of Month.

Marriage: Contact the Rectory at least six months in advance of the expected wedding date.

Marriage Preparation Classes: Conducted on four consecutive Wednesday evenings during the months of January, March, May, July, and September.

Please Note: For Baptisms or Weddings, you must be a Practicing Catholic and a member of the parish. To be a Godparent, you must be a Practicing and Confirmed Catholic and, if married, married in the Church.

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Check out our website: www.olmc.net

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 31, 2017

My eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all
the peoples. - Luke 2:30-31

MONDAY – JANUARY 1 (NEW YEAR’S DAY)

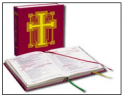
9:00 AM MORNING MASS

THURSDAY– JANUARY 4

7:30-9:00 AM ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

SUNDAY—JANUARY 7

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE AND MONTHLY DIAPER DRIVE



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3;
Col 3:12-21 or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19;
Lk 2:22-40

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



JANUARY 1 – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD:

Please note (especially all visitors to our area): **Next Monday, January 1, New Year's Day**, in the Ecclesiastical Province of Los Angeles (which includes the dioceses of Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, San Bernardino, Fresno, and Monterey), the **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**, a day held for honoring one of the four primary Marian dogmas held for belief in the Roman Catholic Church, is **not observed as a Holyday of Obligation**. Nevertheless, even though there may be no obligation to participate in the celebration of Mass on Monday, participating in the Eucharist is still a most meaningful way to honor Mary, the Mother of God, and to welcome in the **New Year**.

Our New Year's day Monday morning Mass will be celebrated at OLMC at **9:00 AM**. Please join us!



MASS INTENTIONS

The holy sacrifice of the Mass may be offered for many reasons, including (1) the repose of the soul of a loved one, (2) the intentions of living persons in need, (3) upon the occasion of someone's birthday or anniversary, and (4) in thanksgiving for blessings received.

The first of the year is next week, reserve now the Mass dates and times you would like to have offered individually for each of your loved ones in the coming year, especially for birthdays and anniversaries.

Infinite graces flow from the holy sacrifice Christ made on the Cross which is present at every Eucharist. An offering is traditionally included with the request for Mass intentions, and Mass cards are available to give to the persons for whom the Mass is offered or to their family. For more information, contact the Parish Office.



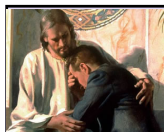
MONTHLY FOOD AND DIAPER DRIVES

Next weekend (the first weekend of the month) is both our **Monthly Food Drive** and **Monthly Diaper Drive**. All donated items for either of these programs (which benefit those who are in need and are served by the SOS Center on Superior Avenue) should be placed in the special plastic bins which will be located outside in the parish courtyard.



OLMC's eGiving Program

It's the first of the year! Now is the perfect time to set-up your "Faith Direct" account which enables you to make any of your Church contributions by either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door! Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you now use it to make any of your other regular payments. Enroll now! Go to: www.faithdirect.net and enroll securely online. Our parish code is **CA863**.



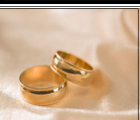
WEEKLY WEDNESDAY EVENING CONFESSIONS AND HOLY HOUR

Each **Wednesday** evening, time for **Confessions** and a **Holy Hour for Eucharistic Adoration** has been added to our weekly parish schedule from **7:00-8:00 PM** providing an extra opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and draw closer to Christ.



QUOTES ON THE EUCHARIST

It was the Heart of Mary which expressed her "yes" to God. This was her response to the message sent through the angel at the Annunciation. By her loving consent, Mary first conceived Christ in her heart and then in her womb... "the mystery of Redemption was formed under the heart of the Virgin of Nazareth when she pronounced her 'fiat.'" - Saint John Paul II



MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

A four-week series of Marriage Preparation Classes is offered at the parish during the month of January and will begin on **Wednesday evening, January 6**. Pre-registration is necessary. See Bulletin cover for other months when the classes are available.

For more information contact Deacon Steve Mutz.



ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

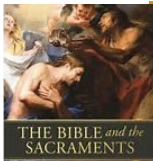
If you are an **adult Catholic** over the age of 18 who for any reason has **not received the Sacrament of Confirmation**, (and possibly have not yet received your **First Communion**), we will be offering a series of **weekly Adult Preparation Classes** to take place upstairs in O'Donnell Hall on **Tuesday** evenings, beginning **January 30, 2018**.

Register now by contacting the **Parish Office** at **(949) 673-3775**. For information about the classes, contact Greg Kelley at **(949) 645-4540**.



SOUL – OLMC WOMEN'S GROUP

We are currently enjoying the Christmas holidays with our families and friends, and will resume meetings on **Thursday morning, January 11**, from 9:00-11:00 AM in O'Donnell Hall when we gather together to work on a service project. For information, olmc soul@gmail.com



OLMC CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERIES

"THE BIBLE AND THE SACRAMENTS"

Want to learn more about the **Mass** and the **Sacrament of the Eucharist** which the Catholic Catechism lists as the **source and summit of our Faith**? Join us on **Thursday** evening, **January 4**, from **7:30-9:00 PM** to view and discuss the next **lesson** in our eleven part DVD series, entitled: **The Sacrificial Offering**. All adults are welcome. No admission charge!

For more information, contact **Greg Kelley**, Director, OLMC Adult Education and Faith Formation, at **(949) 645-4540** or gkelley@olmc.net



PRO-LIFE CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION

This Thursday evening, **December 28**, in observance of the **Feast of the Holy Innocents**, the annual Candlelight Procession will begin at the **Harbor Baptist Church** parking lot (corner of Fairview and Baker) at 7:00 PM and end at **Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church** (1015 Baker Street, Costa Mesa) where **Mass** will be celebrated at **7:30 PM**. Please bring signs, your own candles, and optional gift donation for the Life Center.



JOIN THE OLMC LECTOR MINISTRY

Have you ever considered becoming part of the parish's Lector ministry program? Join us any Saturday morning from **8:30-9:30 AM** at any of our weekly *Lector Practice Sessions* to find out more about the ministry which is open to men, women, couples, singles, young adults and teens. We also need Lectors for weekday morning Masses.

Prior experience is not necessary. Enthusiasm, the ability to read, and commitment are. Scheduling is flexible. Join us after the 8:00 AM Saturday morning Mass! Come by and introduce yourself!

For further information, contact Greg Kelley (*OLMC Lector Chair*) at **(949) 645-4540**.



OLMC CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 1-12

No children's or youth ministry meetings from Sunday, December 31 through January 3. All grades, all sessions return to the regular schedule next Sunday, January 7.

Meeting days/times:

- Grades 1-5, Monday's from 3:15-4:45 PM
- Grades 6-8, Tuesday's, 6-7:30 PM.
- Confirmation, Grades 9-10, Sunday's, 6-7:30 PM.

For more information, contact John Bruscia, at **(949) 673-2719** or by email at jbruscia@olmc.net



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Join us on **Wednesday** evening, **January 24**, for a talk by Christian fitness expert **Gil Yurly** discussing **"Eating for Longevity and Exercise"**. Gil is the owner-operator of Body Wise Fitness Gym in Costa Mesa. His talk will take place at 7:00 PM in O'Donnell Hall. All are invited.



NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES ST. JOHN NEUMANN CHURCH, IRVINE

To become pregnant or to avoid pregnancy: Fertility is a normal, healthy process and you can learn more by attending instructional classes on **three Wednesday evenings: January 24, February 21, and March 21**. For more information, call **Kerry Ann Caswell** at **(949) 854-7645**.

ANNUAL OLMC BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendars! Our annual OLMC blood drive will take place this year in O'Donnell Hall on **Thursday, January 28**, sponsored by Hoag Hospital. Check the Bulletin for online registration details.

OLMC Monthly Speaker Series 2018
Catholic Continuing Education for all Adults

"LIVING THE PRESENT MOMENT"

with well-known guest speaker...
Clare Frazier-Yzaguirre, MFT, M.Div.
Licensed psychologist, consultant, author, specializing in integrating psychology and Catholic spirituality.

Begin this **NEW YEAR** learning about practical and inspirational ways to overcome the prevailing disease of "time famine" and live the **REAL LIFE** that God wants for us, one of balance, peace, and joy, not the stressed-out, time-starved, sleep-deprived one we often find ourselves living.

Thursday evening January 11
7:30 - 9:00 PM O'Donnell Hall

Doors open at 7:15 PM All Adults Invited
No Admission Charge Free-will Offering at the Door

For details and information contact Greg Kelley at **(949) 645-4540**