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**First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 2018**

**Feast of the Chair of St. Peter
(In Latin: Cathedra Petri)
February 22**

The Feast of the 'Chair of St. Peter' celebrates the papacy and St. Peter as the first bishop of Rome. Jesus bestowed to Peter a special place among the Apostles. Peter often spoke on behalf of the Apostles. When Jesus asked the Apostles: "Whom do men say that the Son of Man is?" Peter replied: "Thou art Christ, the Son of the Living God." And Jesus said: "Amen ... I say to you: That you are Peter [rock], and upon this rock I will build my Church...And I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.



And whatsoever you shall bind upon earth, it shall be bound also in heaven: and whatsoever you shall loose on earth, it shall be loosed also in heaven". In saying this Jesus made St. Peter the head of the entire church and placed the spiritual guidance of the faithful in his hands. This feast reminds us that St. Peter started the Christian community in Rome. The "chair" is a symbol of this authority given to him by Jesus. Kings of old sat on thrones and ruled. Peter's chair is a symbol of his authority from Jesus to rule the Church. The Latin word for Chair is "cathedra" the source of our term "cathedral", the principal church in each diocese where the Bishop's "chair" is located—the seat and symbol of the bishop's teaching authority.

Schedule of Masses:

Saturdays (Vigil Mass) 5:00 PM

Sundays: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, 5:00 PM, 7:30 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: 8:45-9:30 AM and 4:00-4:45 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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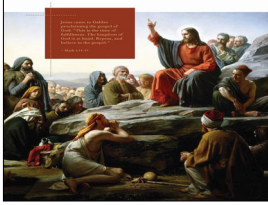
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Check out our website: www.olmc.net

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



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Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths.
- Psalm 25:4

THURSDAY – FEBRUARY

OLMC ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERIES
7:30-9:00 PM in O'Donnell Hall. All adults are invited to view and discuss Lesson 9 entitled: "Spiritual Healing" in the DVD Series: "The Bible and the Sacraments". No admission charge.

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 23

MONTHLY DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
8:30 AM-9:00 PM...All are invited to make a prayer visit anytime during the day or evening.

LENTEN DAY OF ABSTINENCE (FROM MEAT):
Applies to everyone 14 and older (no upper limit).

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS:
7:00 PM (Traditional Version). Bring the family!



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



MONTHLY DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – FRIDAY

This **Friday, February 23**, is our Parish's **MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**. The Blessed Sacrament will be on exposition *all day and evening* beginning immediately after the 8:00 AM Mass and continuing **until 9:00 PM**.

Out of reverence for the *exposed* Blessed Sacrament, it is important that someone always be present in the church at all times of exposition. While short visits are fine, if you can commit to either an hour or half-hour prayer visit, please sign-up on the *Commitment Sheets* posted near the exit doors of the church!



COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA/EASTERN EUROPE

This weekend the Collection for the Church in Latin America and Eastern Europe will be taken up at all Masses. Many unique challenges face the Church in those regions of the world. A lack of priests and trained lay ministers, high emigration rates, and the alarming pace at which parishioners are leaving the faith make it difficult for the regions' Church to provide for the faithful. It is more important than ever that we keep faith with the Church in Latin America, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe.



PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL 2018 WE ARE ONE

As disciples of Jesus we are called to put our gifts at the service of the Lord. Please give prayerful thought to your donation this year which supports needed diocesan programs and benefits the needs in our parish as well.

PSA Pledge Envelopes and Informational Flyers may be found in the ends of the pews and by the exit doors of the Church.

Your **2018 PSA Pledge Envelope** and payments may be returned any time (1) by U.S. mail, (2) in the regular Sunday Collection or (3) placed through the mail slot in the Rectory Door.

WEEKLY OFFERING



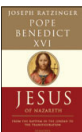
OLMC SUNDAY COLLECTION

Our parish's regular collection last weekend totaled: \$9,554.00
The amount, excludes EFT payments.
Thanks to all for your generous support!



OLMC's eGiving Program

Have you signed up for the eGiving Program yet? The convenient way to support your parish on a weekly basis. No need to look for envelopes as you're rushing out the door! Enroll now! Go to: www.faithdirect.net and enroll securely online. Our parish code is **CA863**.



SPIRITUAL READING BOOKS

Looking for some good Catholic books to read during Lent? Check our **Parish Book Rack** at any time, located in the vestibule of the church.



QUOTES ON THE EUCHARIST

"One single Mass gives more honor to God than all the penances of the Saints, the labors of the Apostles, the sufferings of the Martyrs and even the burning love of the Blessed Mother of God." - St. Alphonsus Liguori



OLMC PARISH LENTEN DEVOTIONS

DAILY MASS: Mass is celebrated each morning at OLMC at **8:00 AM**.

DAILY ROSARY DEVOTION: Our parish's **Rosary Devotion** begins a half-hour before morning Mass at **7:30 AM** Sunday through Saturday.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: The *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed each weekday morning immediately following morning Mass.

FRIDAY "WAY OF THE CROSS" DEVOTIONS: Each **Friday evening** during Lent, the parish will celebrate the traditional devotion of the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:00 PM**.



“THE BIBLE AND THE SACRAMENTS”
 Want to learn more about the Sacraments of the Church. Join us for our next meeting on **Thursday** evening, **March 1**, from **7:30-9:00 PM** to view our next DVD and continue our discussion on the importance of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** and the often misunderstood **Sacrament of the Sick** in a Lesson entitled **SPIRITUAL HEALING**. 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



OLMC CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 1-12 Presidents' Holiday This Weekend
No meetings or classes this week February 18-20 for any Grades 1-12.

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



SOUL – OLMC WOMEN'S GROUP
 NOTE: No meeting this week given the school holidays for Ski Week.
 For information: olmc_soul@gmail.com



OLMC ST. PATRICK'S DINNER PARTY – SATURDAY MARCH 17
 Our annual parishwide St. Patrick's Day Celebration Dinner Party will take place on **Saturday** evening **March 17** beginning with a Social Half-hour at 6:00 PM in **O'Donnell Hall**. The Party is always a fun event for all members of the family regardless of your ancestral nationality, but it does have an Irish flair. Dinner from **6:35-8:30 PM** featuring traditional corned beef and cabbage (and vegetarian meals available.) Live music featuring **The Rovers Three** until 9:00 PM.

Discounted pre-sale dinner tickets will be available for sale beginning on the weekend of March 3 in the Courtyard after all Masses. \$15 per adult; \$5 per child (under 16); or \$35 per family.

Priced slightly higher at the door.

This event is sponsored and hosted by our local **Knights of Columbus Council 15083**.



MATER DEI HIGH SCHOOL
 Entrance Exam Make Up next Saturday, February 24. Application for 2018-2019 School Year. Visit www.materdei.org/admissions



IT'S FLU SEASON

Possible precautionary measures to help prevent spread:

- 1.) At the **Sign of Peace**, bow head to neighbor and say "Peace be with you," rather than shake hands.
- 2.) Possibly, a temporary, refrain from drinking from the Cup.
- 3.) **Eucharistic Ministers**, should use **Hand Sanitizer** (in Sanctuary) before distributing Communion.



THE RITE OF ELECTION:

The Rite of Election took place this **past Friday evening**, at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church with **Bishop Timothy Freyer** presiding. Three of our adult **RCIA Catechumens** participated in the diocesan **Rite of Election** (reserved for non-baptized adults preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation), and four of our **RCIA Candidates** who participated in the **Rite of Continuing Conversion** (reserved for baptized adults preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation—and First Eucharist, if not previously received.)
Our RCIA CATECHUMENS are:

- **STEVEN BRAY**
- **EARLENE MOLLNER**
- **GERALDINE TAYLOR**

Our RCIA CANDIDATES are:

- **CARI HEAD**
- **JEFF JORDAN**
- **CYNTHIA McOWEN**
- **GINA MARIE PAPPAS**

Please pray for all seven of these adults as they continue through the final stage of preparation for entrance into the *fullness of the Catholic Church* at the Easter Vigil Mass on **Saturday** evening, **March 31**.

The **Book of the Elect** with the names of our Catechumens (Elect) is on display in the Sanctuary near Mary's Shrine.



THANK YOU

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul OLMC Conference** is grateful to the parishioners of **Our Lady of Mount Carmel** and **St. John Vianney** for their contributions to aid the needy which enabled us to assist **57 people** in **January**.

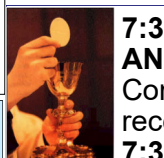


JOIN THE OLMC LECTOR MINISTRY

LECTORS ARE NEEDED, ESPECIALLY YOUTH LECTORS!

For information, stop by at any of our weekly **Lector Practice Sessions** which take place on Saturday mornings from **8:30-9:30 AM**. 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**.



7:30 PM SUNDAY MASS AND NEW CONFESSION TIMES

Come and join us for the celebration of our recently scheduled **Sunday evening Mass at 7:30 PM** which Monsignor Doug has added in an effort to make our Mass schedule more user-friendly especially to the younger people in our parish!

Additional times for hearing Confessions have also been added. In addition to Wednesday evenings **7:00-8:00 PM** (accompanied by **Eucharistic adoration**), our Saturday Reconciliation schedule now includes confession times from **8:45-9:30 AM** and **4:00-4:45 PM**.