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Fourth Sunday of Lent Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday March 11, 2018

Today is traditionally known as Laetare Sunday. Most Catholics today are used to the Mass being conducted in English, and we hardly ever think about the fact that Latin remains the official language of the Catholic Church. But occasionally, Latin reasserts itself, as it does in the case of Laetare Sunday, which is the popular name for the Fourth Sunday of Lent. *Laetare* means "Rejoice" in Latin, and the entrance antiphon in today's Mass is Isaiah 66:10-11, which begins "*Laetare, Jerusalem*" ("Rejoice, Jerusalem"). Because the midpoint of Lent occurs on the Thursday of the third week



of Lent, Laetare Sunday has traditionally been viewed as a day of celebration, on which the traditional austerity of Lent is briefly lessened. The passage from Isaiah continues, "Be joyful, all who were in mourning," and on Laetare Sunday, the purple vestments and wall hangings of Lent may be set aside, and rose colored ones may be used instead. Laetare Sunday is also known as Rose Sunday and it has a counterpart in Advent: *Gaudete Sunday*, the Third Sunday of Advent, when purple vestments are also exchanged for rose ones. The point of both days is to provide us encouragement as we progress toward the end of each respective penitential/preparation season.

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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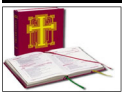
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**Fourth Sunday of Lent
Laetare "Rejoice" Sunday**
March 11, 2018

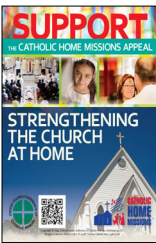
God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. - John 3:17



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

- Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47
- Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53
- Sunday:** Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33



CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL ANNUAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND
Strengthening the Church at Home!

This weekend the **Annual Collection** benefitting **Catholic "Home Missions"** is being taken up at all Masses. One way that this appeal works to strengthen home mission dioceses in the United States is

by funding seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, where educating each seminarian costs \$35-40,000 per year. Your support is needed for these young men so that they might go back and serve their parishes. There are special envelopes in the pews for the purpose of this collection. Please **strengthen the Church at home** by making a generous gift to this week's special collection



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

To help everyone properly prepare for reception of their *Easter Communion* and fulfill the obligation to confess their sins at least once a year, our annual **Lenten Penance Service** is **Tuesday evening, March 27, at 7:00 PM**, several priests will be available to hear confessions following general Examination of Conscience.



QUOTES ON THE EUCHARIST

"The Mass is not a show; it is an encounter with the Lord's passion and resurrection. The Lord is here with us, present. Many times we go here and there, we look around at things and chat among ourselves while the priest celebrates the Eucharist ... but **it is the Lord!** Participating in the Mass means reliving the Lord's passion and saving death." "At a certain point in the Mass the priest says, 'lift up your hearts.' He does not say 'lift up your cell phones to take some pictures.' No, that's terrible!" - Pope Francis

SUNDAY – MARCH 11
SPECIAL COLLECTION: HOME MISSIONS APPEAL:
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
Baptisms for infants are normally scheduled on the second Sunday of the month (by appointment only.).

THURSDAY – MARCH 15
OLMC WOMEN'S S.O.U.L. GROUP
9:00-11:00 AM...Meeting downstairs in O'Donnell Hall. All women are invited.
OLMC ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERIES
7:30-9:00 PM in O'Donnell Hall. All adults are invited to view and discuss Lesson 10 "BRIDES AND BRIDEGROOMS" focusing on the Sacrament of Marriage in the DVD Series: "The Bible and the Sacraments". No admission charge.

FRIDAY – MARCH 16
LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS:
7:00 PM (Traditional Version)
LENTEN DAY OF ABSTINENCE (FROM MEAT):
Applies to everyone 14 and older.

SATURDAY – MARCH 17
6:30 - 8:30 PM: ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER PARTY

WEEKLY OFFERING **OLMC SUNDAY COLLECTION**
Our parish's Sunday Collection last weekend totaled: \$9,985.00. The amount excludes EFT's (Electronic Funds Transfers). Thanks to all for your generous support!

LITURGIES OF HOLY WEEK AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM ~ 2018

- MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SAVE THE DATES:**
- + PALM SUNDAY ~ March 25**
Regular Schedule of Masses
 - + MONDAY-WEDNESDAY ~ March 26-28**
8:00 AM Regular Morning Mass
 - + LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE ~ March 27**
7:00 PM Several Priests will be available to hear individual confessions
 - + HOLY THURSDAY ~ March 29**
7:00 PM: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (No morning Mass or Rosary on Holy Thursday)
 - + GOOD FRIDAY ~ March 30**
(Mass is not celebrated on Good Friday)
12:00 Noon: STATIONS OF THE CROSS
1:00 PM: CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION INCLUDING DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION
7:00 PM: CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION INCLUDING DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION
 - + HOLY SATURDAY ~ March 31**
(No Mass at 8:00 AM or 5:00 PM)
7:45 PM: THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL MASS
 - + EASTER SUNDAY ~ April 1**
Masses: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM*, 12:00 Noon



OLMC ST. PATRICK'S DINNER PARTY – SATURDAY EVENING MARCH 17

Our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Party is taking place next **Saturday** evening, **March 17**, beginning with a Social Half-hour at 6:00 PM in **O'Donnell Hall**. This 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 **6:30-8:30 PM** featuring traditional corned beef and cabbage (and vegetarian meals available.) Live music featuring *The Rovers Three* until 9:00 PM.

Sale of discounted pre-sale dinner tickets will continue in the Parish Courtyard after all Masses **this weekend**. \$15/adult; \$5/child (under 16); or \$35 per family. This event is sponsored and hosted by our local **Knights of Columbus Council 15083**.



Lenten Retreat

ANNUAL LENTEN MORNING RETREA- RESCHEDULED TO NEW DATE AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHAPEL

FATHER CLAUDE WILLIAMS, O.PRAEM. will lead a *Morning of Recollection* on **Thursday morning, March 22**, at **St. John Vianney Chapel**. All are invited.

Beginning with **Mass at 7:45 AM** at the Chapel, the **Retreat** will continue with light refreshments on the patio, followed by an inspirational talk by Father Williams, Parochial Vicar at St. John the Baptist Church, Costa Mesa, concluding with celebration of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. No reservations are needed. A freewill offering will be asked for at the door.



"THE BIBLE AND THE SACRAMENTS"

Want to learn more about the Sacraments of the Church? Join us this **Thursday** evening, **March 15**, from **7:30-9:00 PM** to view the next informative DVD segment in the series: **"The Bible and the Sacraments"**, entitled **BRIDES AND BRIDEGROOMS** which focuses on the **Sacrament of Marriage**. 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

SJV 50/50 Drawing

SJV ANNUAL 50/50 DRAWING "TAKE A CHANCE TO WIN \$10,000"

Ticket sales are taking place for the **Annual SJV 50/50 Raffle Drawing** to be held on **Palm Sunday, March 25**, after their 10:00 AM Mass. Only 200 tickets (at \$100 per ticket) will be sold for total proceeds of \$20,000. The **prize is \$10,000** (less taxes). The other \$10,000 goes to Catholic school scholarships. For more information and to register for the drawing, contact **Erin Grass** at **(949) 375-1293**.



SOUL – OLMC WOMEN'S GROUP

Meets this **Thursday** morning from 9:00-11:00 AM in **O'Donnell Hall**. For more information, contact: olmc_soul@gmail.com



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

All classes and sessions meet on their regular days and times this week.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Parents are invited to each Service:

- Grades 3-5, Monday, March 19, 3:45-4:30 PM.
 - Grades 6-8, Tuesday, March 20, 6:30-7:15 PM
 - Grades 9-12, Sunday, March 18, 6:30-7:45PM.
- For more information, contact program director, John Bruscia, at **(949) 673-2719** or jbruscia@olmc.net



ANNUAL CHRISM MASS: MARCH 26

Bishop Kevin Vann invites all parishioners from all parishes in the Diocese of Orange to this year's Diocesan **Chrism Mass** for the blessing of the Holy Oils on **Monday** evening, **March 26** from **5:30-7:00 PM** in the **Arboretum on Christ Cathedral Campus**.



LENT HAS PASSED ITS HALFWAY POINT: MAYBE TIME TO START FRESH OLMC PARISH LENTEN DEVOTIONS

DAILY MASS: Make participation at Mass and Communion a frequent habit during Lent. Mass is celebrated each morning at **8:00 AM**.
DAILY ROSARY DEVOTION: Just a half-hour before morning Mass, join us for our parish's **Rosary Devotion** which begins at **7:30 AM** seven days a week.
DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: The "5-10-minute" *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed each weekday morning immediately following morning Mass.
FRIDAY "WAY OF THE CROSS" DEVOTIONS: Each **Friday** during Lent join us for the traditional devotion of the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** at **7:00 PM**



Please remember our Church in your Will or Trust. For information on how you can accomplish this charitable remembrance, contact the **Orange Catholic Foundation** on the Christ Cathedral Campus at **(714) 282-3021**.



IN PREPARATION FOR HOLY WEEK... THE OLMC ADULT EDUCATION SERIES will present its annual Lenten viewing of **Mel Gibson's "THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST,"** on **Thursday** evening, **March 22** from **7:00 to 9:30 PM** in **O'Donnell Hall**.

This **127-minute** critically acclaimed film chronicles the last 12 hours in the life, crucifixion, and Resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. There is no admission charge. All adults are always welcome.

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COMING THURSDAY – APRIL 12
 During **Divine Mercy Week**
The OLMC MONTHLY SPEAKERS SERIES
PRESENTS
 A Return Visit with
Mercy-naries Richard and Danelle Borgman