

Pastor

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Mass Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mon., Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m. Thursday Novena 9:00 a.m. Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Religious Ed

Sunday 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Saint Katharine Drexel 109 New England Rd. Trenton, GA 30752

Mass Times

Sunday 11:30 a.m. Wednesday 5:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday 4:30 p.m.

November 12, 2017



In an emergency

Please call Fr. Tom's cell phone directly at (423) 637-4850.

Nursery

Our nursery is open for Sunday Mass beginning at 8:30 a.m. and is located downstairs in the church.

Altar Flowers



Thank you to Lisa Govan for providing altar flowers this weekend. Next weekend's flowers will be provided by Lisa Shanahan. To make changes to the schedule please visit the Ministries tab at olmcc.com.

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next week's collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to break the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention

Christians in Asia. That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

Dedication to Jesus

Lord Jesus Christ, take all my freedom, my memory, my understanding, and my will.
All that I have and cherish you have given me.
I surrender it all to be guided by Your will.
Your grace and Your love are wealth enough for me.
Give me these, Lord Jesus, and I ask for nothing more.
Amen.

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

Mass Intentions for the Week

November 11 - Betty Coulter (D)

November 12 - Sam Harris (D)

Readings for Next Sunday, November 19th

First Reading Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20 Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Those who use their gifts and talents in the service of one another, especially the poor and the needy, are blessed indeed. They shall be known as children of the light, and will be ready for the Lord's return.



November 12 - Michael Willingham

November 13 - Mike Irwin

November 14 - Sara Willingham

November 16 - John Nolan

Fall Women's Social



Please join the ladies of the parish for an evening of wine, appetizers, and fellowship on Thursday, November 16th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of

Michelle Viscomi, 405 Linden Way. The signupgenius link is available at www.olmcc.com and signups are also available in both narthexes.

Community Thanksgiving Service

The Lookout Mountain Community Thanksgiving



Service will be held on Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:00 p.m. at Church of the First Born, 3418 St. Elmo Ave. Everyone is invited to attend this wonderful opportunity to gather with other congregations to thank God for all that He has provided. A offering will be collected to support Widow's Harvest.

Liturgical Minister Schedules

Saturday, November 18th

Lector: Judy Anderson

EucharisticRhonda BrownMinisters:Lanny Haynes

Suzanne Haynes

Altar Servers: Audrey Hill

Scott Hill

Sunday, November 19th

Lector: Micheline Johnson

Eucharistic Angela Buchanan **Ministers:** Heather Corley

Maggie Estes Paul Glascock Dan Shanahan Beverly Short Michelle Viscomi

Altar Servers: Carley Braman

Jack Braman Iude Buchanan

Greeters: Rich Boschi

Izzy Willingham

Prayer List

Ann Aiken

Brother Anselm

Greg Brown

Celia Davenport

Mamie Everette

Janice Fortune

Ann Aiken

Barbara McLellan

John McLellan

Peter Mullady

Paul Palmer

Wayne Pickett

Jeff Gouveia

Alice Smith

Fred Hale Mary Vorder Bruegge Janie House Camilla Pollock-Flynn

Please contact the office with needed changes, including updates and additions.



We hope each household has now received their campaign information packet either following Mass or by mail. If you have not received a packet please contact the office and we will gladly have one sent to you, 706-820-0680. Please submit your pledge cards by mail or in the collection basket by November 17th.

Legendary UGA Coach Vince Dooley to Speak at OLMCC



Mark your calendars! Legendary University of Georgia coach Vince Dooley will speak at the OLMCC men's club at 7 PM, Wednesday, November 29, in the parish hall. Coach Dooley re-

mains one of the most widely respected coaches and athletic directors in the country. Many consider his years at UGA to be among the best and most famous of all time. Please join us for a catered dinner and drinks. \$25 will be collected at the door to help cover costs of food and drinks. This event is open to our entire community so please invite your friends and neighbors. Signups are in the narthex and at www.olmcc.com.

Mark your calendar!

Christmas Party

All adults of the parish are invited to mark their calendars for our annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. More details to follow!

NOVEMBER 12, 2017



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WISDOM 6:12-16

PSALM 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

THESSALONIANS 4:13-18 OR 4:13-14

MATTHEW 25:1-13

REFLECTION

Today's Gospel reading offers us an interesting parable. The Kingdom of God is compared to a wedding feast, in which some of the bridesmaids are not properly prepared for the groom (Christ). Those bridesmaids try to rush their preparations after the groom has arrived, but it is already too late. The final line of the parable quoted above reminds us that we won't get special notice when Christ will return. The Judgment day could be centuries from now, or tomorrow—we have no way of knowing. All of the readings today point to the concept of anticipation—this idea of waiting, *longing* for God. The First Reading speaks about keeping vigil, waiting for wisdom. The Second Reading describes the eventual peace and joy that we shall experience when Christ returns. And the psalm is, in my opinion, one of the most striking. The antiphon sings: "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God" (see Psalm 63:2b). That line sounds nice, somewhat poetic even. But in truth, it's not the best translation for what the original Hebrew meant. In Hebrew, the word "thirsting" was closer to "parched," to the point of literally almost choking from lack of water. Imagine that: "My soul is parched to the point of choking for you, my God!" I find this image to be so powerful—there is a part of us that wants to believe and to see God. And so we have this anticipation, not simply of something in the near future, but rather anticipation for something here and now.

ACTION

Have you ever done anything to mark the days before something you were looking forward to? Maybe the last day of school, or your birthday, or some other celebration? What if, rather than marking the time on a calendar or on your phone, you marked each day with actions? Pick a simple action, like smiling and saying hello to a neighbor or someone you encounter, or practicing a random act of kindness each day. If you did this until Christ's return, wouldn't all of those small actions be better than simply a calendar of checkmarks? Try to commit to one simple action for a single week.



JOURNALING QUESTIONS



- What do you anticipate the most right now? Why?
- What is one action that you are prepared to commit to for a week? Are you willing to try to commit to it for longer?