

#### **Pastor**

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#### **Mass Times**

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Monday - Thursday 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.

#### **Staff**

Angelese Mackey, **Business Coordinator** amackey@olmcc.com

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> Allyson Ford, Director of Music aford@olmcc.com

February 16, 2020



#### In the Hospital

If you or someone you know will be going in the hospital please call the office, or have a family member or hospital chaplain call for you. Federal privacy laws prevent hospitals from notifying us.

#### **In Case of Emergency**

Please call Fr. Tom's cell phone directly at 423-637-4850 in emergency situations.

#### Nursery is Open!

Our nursery is open each Sunday beginning at 8:30 a.m. and is located downstairs in the church along with the classrooms.

#### **24-Hour Abuse Reporting**

If you or a loved one has been hurt or abused by a member of the clergy, an employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, we are here to listen and take action. Please contact our Office of Child and Youth Protection during business hours at 404-920-7550 or our Archdiocesan 24-hour Abuse Reporting line at 1-888-437-0764. The silence must be broken for the healing to begin.

#### **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

#### Pope Francis' February Prayer Intention



**Listen to the Migrant's Cries.** We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

February 15 - People of the Parish February 16 - People of the Parish

#### Readings for Next Sunday, February 23rd

First Reading Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 Second Reading 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Gospel Matthew 5:38-48

Offer no resistance to one who persecutes you. Rather, love your neighbor as you love yourself. As the Lord is gracious and merciful, treat others in the same way, humbling yourself before the Lord.



February 23 - Ben Hagaman

February 23 - James Moon

February 23 - Larry Parks

#### Happy Anniversary

24 yrs. on Feb. 17 - Aimee & Scott Braman

14 yrs. on Feb. 18 - Rhonda & Huxley Brown

11 yrs. on Feb. 20 - Carrie & Thomas Gallant

34 yrs. on Feb. 22 - Jeanette & Chip Rennick

#### **CRS Rice Bowl**

Through CRS Rice Bowl, we journey with members of our human family around the world, and commit our



Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving to deepening our faith and serving those in need. Please be on the lookout for full details on how you can help feed the hungry this Lenten season.

#### **Liturgical Minister Schedules**

#### Saturday, February 22nd

Lector: Julie Jackson

**Eucharistic** Doug Thompson **Ministers: Tony Towns** 

Volunteer Needed

**Altar Servers: Evelyn Towns** 

Spencer Towns

Greeter: Volunteer Needed

#### Sunday, February 23rd

Lector: Rich Boschi

**Eucharistic Heather Corley** Ministers: **Ryan Crimmins** 

> Nini Davenport Maggie Estes Donna Faraci Dan Shanahan Michelle Viscomi

**Altar Servers:** Sig Brown

> Garrison Corley Sara Willingham

**Greeters:** Sandy Allison

Scott Gearinger

#### **Prayer List**

**Richard Collins** Tara McGinness Patrick Crawley Luke Morin Marie Crimmins Le Jo Nix Jay Jay Davenport **Neal Oehmig** Joe Endres **Bob Red** Roy Exum Jimmy Stewart Richard Sullivan Sally Ferguson Walter Forbes Lindsey Tinker

Regina Gann Katherine Dann Ogden Charlie Gilbreath Camilla Pollock-Flynn

Vickie Gilbreath Johnny Killebrew

#### **Youth Chili Sale**

Our high school youth group will be selling chili on February 22nd & 23rd to help fund their trip to Steubenville Atlanta this July 2020. There will be several kinds of chili to choose from, so get there early for the best selection!!

#### ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

8:30 a.m. - Our Lady of the Mount 5:00 p.m. - St. Katharine Drexel 6:30 p.m. - Our Lady of the Mount

#### **Meatless Meal**



Please join us for a meatless meal prepared by Margaret Johnson, Ash Wednesday, February 26th, in the parish hall following 6:30 p.m. Mass. Please RSVP via the signupgenius link at www.olmcc.com.



#### Women's Bible Study

We often hear about Jesus' passion and death, but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his agony in the garden to his crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with him today. No Greater Love is a five-part Bible study program that begins March 3rd, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. in the conference room. For more information or to register, contact Mary Voges, mvoges@olmcc.com.



### LIVING THE WORD

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 16, 2020

# REFLECTION

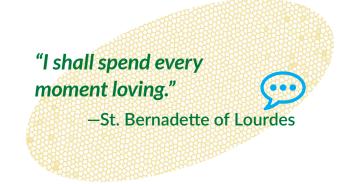
Complacency seems commonplace in our world today. We ask questions like, "What is the lowest score I can get on my final exam and still earn an A for the semester?" or "How many practices can I miss before I lose my starting position on the team." It is often easier to simply meet the minimum requirements for something than to risk extra time and effort to exceed expectations. While this is not intrinsically evil, we are called to use our gifts to the best of our ability. Jesus reiterates this point in today's Gospel.

Jesus reminds his followers of the commandments they have heard, such as do not kill, do not commit adultery, and do not bear false witness. In each instance, though, Jesus says that simply meeting the minimum requirements are not enough. Instead, Jesus speaks of the importance of a conversion of mind and heart, as well. It is not enough to simply not kill someone. We must work to eliminate all forms of hatred from our hearts. It is not enough to not commit adultery. We must grow in gratitude instead of jealousy. It is not enough to not lie to others. We must fill our minds with truth instead of hearsay and gossip.

The Kingdom of God is more than a checklist. The Kingdom of God must be a way of life.

## FACTION

Make an effort today to reach beyond the expected minimum requirements. Study not only for the upcoming assessment, but to grow in knowledge. Practice your volleyball serve not only to keep your starting position, but to grow in your athleticism. Prepare the difficult line in your music not only to receive the solo, but to grow in your musicianship. What are some other way you can do more than is required for the benefit of yourself and others?



### **QUESTIONS**

- What do today's readings teach you about the Christian life?
- Why do you think Jesus is so insistent on conversion of hearts instead of simply avoiding sin?
- What prevents you from working and living to your fullest potential?