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Mass Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. Thursday Novena 9:00 a.m. Saturday 8:30 a.m. Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Confessions

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

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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. Mark's cell phone directly at 770-365-5200 in emergency situations.

Dispensation Continues

Everyone is reminded not to come to any liturgy if not feeling well, or if one has been around someone who is experiencing symptoms or has recently tested positive for COVID 19. Because of the pandemic, the dispensation from Sunday Mass is still in place for all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

Community Outreach at OLMCC

Please visit <u>olmcc.com</u> to learn how to get involved with community outreach opportunities including:

OLMCC Food/Supply Pantry
Hot Meals Ministry
Supporting Local Tent Communities

Online Giving

Did you know can use Online Giving to not only make contributions to Offertory but also special funds such as Second Collections, Altar Flowers, and Capital Campaign? Please consider signing up at www.olmcc.com for Online Giving. It's fast, it's simple and allows you to make recurring or one-time gifts.

Weekday Mass



Please join us in the Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30 a.m. for morning Mass. Saturday Mass is celebrated 8:30 a.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 a.m. until Benediction at 3:00 p.m.

Pope Francis' February Prayer Intention



Violence Against Women. We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Mass Intentions for the Week

February 27 - People of the Parish February 28 - James Fisher (D)

Readings for Next Sunday, March 7th

First Reading Exodus 20:1-17

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel John 2:13-25

The law liberates and leads us to freedom. It is to be trusted for it is a source of wisdom. Jesus speaks of the ultimate freedom to be won for us by his being raised up. He is the sign of the power and wisdom of God.



Feb 26 - Christie Towns Mar 2 - Beth Neuhoff

Feb 28 - Robert Parks Mar 3- Ramsey Brock

Feb 28 - Tony Towns Mar 3 - Kevin Leckenby

Mar 1 - Andy Govan Mar 4 - Logan Weissman

Mar 1 - Eileen Nash Mar 4 - Rider Weissman

Mar 1 - Doug Thompson Mar 4 - Lindsey Skinner

Happy Anniversary

33 yrs. on Mar 5 - Jane & Jim Ferguson

Memorial Mass - Monday, March 2

On Tuesday, March 2, at noon, The Most Rev. Joel M. Konzen, S.M., will be celebrating a Memorial Mass at the Chancery. This Mass will be streamed live on the Archdiocese of Atlanta Livestream, livestream.com/archat, and Facebook, facebook.com/archat, pages. This Memorial Mass is for all of those who have died during these past twelve months. This will be a time for us to pause and be mindful of not only the deaths of those affected by COVID-19 but all others who have passed from this life to the next. As we gather for this Mass let us also lift up in prayer the victims' families, friends, coworkers and in a particular way, the caregivers and medical professionals who have also sacrificed so much.

Liturgical Minister Schedules

Saturday, March 6th

Lector: Julie Jackson

Sunday, March 7th

Lector: Rich Boschi

Men's Group Dinner This Tuesday

Men's Group Dinner continues this Tuesday, March 2, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in Shuler Hall. All men are invited to join us. Please RSVP at olmcc.com.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study continues to meet Tuesdays in Fr. Shuler Hall at 6:00 A.M. Please note due to Men's Group Dinners on the first Tuesday of each month, there is no Bible Study the first Tuesday.

Prayer List

Dottie Brock Jeff Morgan
Richard Collins Linda Neely
Patrick Crawley Andy Nolan
Joe Endres Brit Oehmig
Haley Frierson Bob Red

Regina Gann Jimmy Stewart
Charlie Gilbreath Richard Sullivan
Vickie Gilbreath Eddie Tallent
Franklin Haney Lindsey Tinker

Chris Healy Katherine Dann Ogden Kelly Hutchison Camilla Pollock-Flynn Johnny Killebrew

Prayer List Update

If you would like to keep your prayer requests on our list, please contact Amy, aperry@olmcc.com. Thank you for your cooperation.



We will be sending all of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal envelopes received by this weekend (Feb. 27-28) as a bundle to the archdiocese on Monday, March 1. Please drop your sealed envelopes into the collection basket this weekend, (Feb. 27-28), or drop into the drop box at the office window if no one is in the office. Every donation helps us to reach our goal.

The 2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal donations are accepted online through December 31, 2021. Visit www.archatl.com/appeal to make a pledge or onetime gift. Be certain you choose Our Lady of the Mount in Lookout Mountain when making an online contribution. After we reach our modest goal, \$44,800, the overage comes back to the parish assessment-free.



Stations of the Cross

Our Lady of the Mount will have Stations of the Cross every other Friday during Lent starting at 6:00 P.M. (not 7:00 as previously announced). The remaining dates for Stations at OLMCC are March 12 and March 26.

Stations of the Cross will be held at SKD every Friday during Lent at 5:00 P.M. to coincide with the Knights of Columbus Lenten fish dinners. Fr. Mark will lead Stations at SKD on March 5 and March 19. The other Fridays, SKD parishioners will lead Stations of the Cross.



Lenten Fish Fry at SKD

The Lenten Fish Fry continues at St. Katharine Drexel Fridays during Lent from 5-7 P.M. Dine in and to go orders available. Proceeds benefit various Dade County charities.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Help Us to Love

Loving Father,
you sent us the gift of your Son,
One like us in all ways but sin,
to show us what it means to love as you love.
Listen to him, you tell us.
Provide us with the grace to hear
and respond to his voice,
to look at the world's brokenness and
not feel despair,

but see your promise that all the world shall be transfigured by your love.

Allow us to be transfigured to do what you will,

that we might use the life we have been

that we might use the life we have been given to glorify you.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, February 28, 2021 Glimpses of Glory

Today's readings: Genesis 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Psalm 116:10, 15, 16–17, 18–19; Romans 8:31b–34; Mark 9:2–10. After Jesus first predicts that he will suffer, he takes Peter, James, and John apart from everyone else. These apostles see Jesus in his glory, in gleaming clothing with Moses and Elijah, whose presence communicates that Jesus is the fulfillment of the law and the prophets. Then the apostles hear a voice from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." As quickly as the vision appears, it ceases.

As conflicts arose between Jesus and the leaders of the day, the apostles may have taken comfort in knowing that Jesus is God's "beloved Son." Walking through the passion with Jesus, they could cling to the glimpse of Jesus' glory.

The words *beloved Son* also may have called to mind for them the sacrifice of Isaac. Abraham had been obedient to God and had not withheld his beloved son. Abraham knew God and, therefore, knew that God is a keeper of promises. Somehow, even when it seemed impossible, God's promise would be fulfilled. Abraham would be the father of many through Isaac. He believed in God's promise, even when it seemed that the promise could not be kept. In this moment we see another prefiguration of what is to come, the impossible hope that endures through Good Friday and is vindicated on Easter morning.

Where have you glimpsed resurrection? How can you hold to these moments in your times of trial?



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 1

Mercy

Jesus instructs his followers to do the seemingly impossible: be merciful just as God is merciful. God's mercy is endless. How can we ever manage to love as he does? Living in a world that overflows with brokenness, we have endless opportunities to bring mercy to another. In our families, we have so many chances to forgive. How can you extend mercy to someone today? *Today's readings: Deuteronomy 9:4b–10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Luke 6:36–38.*

Tuesday, March 2 The Greatest among You

From birth, human beings prefer to look at other human faces more than anything else. We come into the world ready for relationships of love. Yet as we seek out that love, we miss the mark. Rather than authentic love, which both affirms us and challenges us, we seek out approval, acclaim, and status. We look for relationships that reflect us back to ourselves in a positive light. Humility is opting out of this unwinnable game. It is knowing that we have an identity that cannot be taken away from us: beloved child of God. Once we accept that this is the love we are looking for, the love that grounds our being, we no longer worry about where we fit. We can instead imitate the one who humbled himself, who came in our likeness, who lived in love. *Today's readings: Isaiah 1:10, 16–20; Psalm 50:8–9, 16bc–17, 21 and 23; Matthew 23:1–12.*

Wednesday, March 3 St. Katharine Drexel

St. Katharine Drexel was an heiress in Philadelphia who felt incredibly moved by the plight of Native Americans and African Americans in the United States in the late nineteenth century. She recognized this pull on her heart as a call from God, and she gave up her fortune and founded a religious

order, establishing missions and schools that served these groups. She listened for God's voice and responded. How can you do the same? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 18:18–20; Psalm 31:5–6, 14, 15–16; Matthew 20:17–28.*

Thursday, March 4 St. Casimir

St. Casimir was a Polish prince with legendary generosity to the poor. Is there a sacrifice you could make today in order to give generously to the poor in his honor? Consider what Abraham said at the end of today's Gospel reading. How has Christ's rising from the dead persuaded you to be merciful? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 17:5–10; Psalm 1:1–2, 3, 4 and 6; Luke 16:19–31.*

Friday, March 5 Act with Justice

Over and over, the prophets and Jesus call us to give up our sinful ways and act with justice. We fail to recognize that the goods of creation are intended for all people and cling tightly to what we have when many do not have enough. Today choose to eat a simple lunch or dinner, and donate the cost savings to a charity that serves those who are food insecure. *Today's readings: Genesis 37:3–4, 12–13a, 17b–28a; Psalm 105:16–17, 18–19, 20–21; Matthew 21:33–43, 45–46.*

Saturday, March 6 Merciful Love

Spend some time reflecting on the words of Jesus in the parable of the prodigal son, and allow yourself to hear it with new ears. The son behaved as though his father were dead, yet the father watched for the son, ran to him, embraced him, and threw a feast to celebrate his return. What does that tell you about the vastness of God's merciful love for you? Is there anything you could do for which God could not forgive? *Today's readings: Micah 7:14–15, 18–20; Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 9–10, 11–12; Luke 15:1–3. 11–32.*





LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Fasting

Ash Wednesday

Good Friday

Ages 18-59

Abstinence

Every Friday during Lent

Ages 14+

How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the **physically** or **mentally ill** including individuals suffering from **chronic illnesses** such as **diabetes**. Also excluded are **pregnant** or **nursing** women.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit usccb.org.



