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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 olmcc.com 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' March Prayer Intention



Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

Mass Intentions for the Week

March 6 - Gail McGinnis (D)

March 7 - People of the Parish

Readings for Next Sunday, March 14th

First Reading Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Second Reading Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel John 3:14-21

God pardons and raises up those who have been unfaithful, those who have loved the darkness rather than the light. For God so loved the world that he sent his only Son to deliver the world from exile.

Happy Anniversary

30 yrs. on Mar 12 - Ramona & Gus Glascock

Second Collection This Weekend



This weekend, March 13 & 14, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Easter Lily Campaign

Keeping with tradition, this Easter our altar will once again feature large lilies. Contributions are welcome and forms are available in the Narthex to honor or remember friends and loved ones. A list of names provided by contributors will be included in the bulletin Easter weekend. The suggested donation per remembrance is \$25 and forms should be submitted to the office by Monday, March 29th. An order form is included as a bulletin insert. Additional forms are available in the narthex and online at olmcc.com.



Liturgical Minister Schedules

Saturday, March 13th

Lector: Mark Anderson

Sunday, March 14th

Lector: Bill Brown

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.



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.

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.



The Archbishop's Annual Appeal continues throughout 2021 and donations and pledges may be made online at www.archatl.com/appeal/make-a-gift. Every donation counts. **No donation is too small!** Be certain you choose Our Lady of the Mount in Lookout Mountain as your home parish so we are credited with your donation amount. Remember, once we meet the goal set for us by the archdiocese, \$44,800, all remaining funds are returned to the parish.



Lenten Penance Services

We will have our Lenten opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Mount from 6:00-8:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 18. Fr. Mark and at least one other priest will be available that evening.

St. Katharine Drexel will have also have a Lenten opportunity for Confession on Wednesday, March 24. Fr. Mark will be available to hear confessions from 3:00-4:45 P.M., and again, after the evening Mass, from 5:45-7:30 P.M.

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 19. The other Fridays, SKD parishioners will lead Stations of the Cross.

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of the Mount and St. Katharine Drexel,

As we continue our Lenten journey of fasting, almsgiving, and prayer in repentance of sins, and, especially, as we live out our faith through Christian witness in assisting others, that their souls might be converted through God's grace, I want to continue moving us farther in the direction and spirit of Archbishop Hartmayer's recent urgings for the faithful of the Archdiocese to "come back to the sacraments," to return to the Eucharistic Feast that is the Sunday Mass, the most essential aspect of Christian life. Here are a few items I would like for us to begin thinking about in earnest:

First, I am calling on all trained altar servers who are interested in remaining as altar servers and making the commitment to be present at liturgies according to a schedule, to come to a meeting on either Saturday, March 13 or Saturday, March 20. Please be at the Church at 1:00 p.m. on one or the other of these two dates. At some point in April, I will put out the call for anyone who wants to become a **new** altar server.

Second, please prayerfully consider whether you, or perhaps you and your spouse together, might be called to serve as catechists for our parish children and youth. Some people underestimate their ability to serve as catechists because they have no "formal training." If you love God, God's Church and children, and you are willing to go through a "Safe Environment" training/background check, then this could be a wonderful way for you to serve our parish. We will plan to get the Sunday morning classes started again in the late Summer or Fall. All teaching materials will be provided.

Finally, thanks to all of you for making our initiative to help the local tent communities a wonderful success. Our "Hot Meals" ministry is off to a great start. It is always the right time to serve those in need. Go to SignUpGenius on the parish website if you would like to help with this ministry. No long-term commitment is required. Hot Meals ministry meets weekly in Fr. Shuler Hall from 2:00-4:30 p.m. on Monday afternoons.

Yours in Christ's Redemptive Love,

Fr. Mark



Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church

2021 Easter Lily Fund

Honor or remember your loved one this Easter by contributing to Our Lady of the Mount Easter Lily Fund. The suggested cost begins at \$25 per remembrance.

Please mail this form with a check to:
Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church
1227 Scenic Highway
Lookout Mountain, GA 30750
or place it in the Collection Basket.

PLEASE PRINT!

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Given by Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

In order to be included in the Easter bulletin, all names and payments must be received by Monday, March 29th.

Additional forms are available in the Narthex and online at olmcc.com.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



The Gift of the Law

Loving God,
you gave the gift of the law to Moses
that the people might walk in the light
of your love.

In every age you call us back—
heart, mind, soul, and strength
turned to you,

our neighbor loved as ourselves.
Though we fall time and again,
give us the strength to do your will,
to act justly, be merciful, and walk humbly
with you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, March 7, 2021 Keep My Commandments



Today's readings: Exodus 20:1–17; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Corinthians 1:22–25; John 2:13–25. The Ten Commandments are often considered to be a list of rules. Even when followed with great care, a person may miss out on the broader vision they embody. What if every person chose to live in accord with God's law? What if each person strove toward this ideal?

The Ten Commandments set out the framework for a just and peaceful society. If the Commandments are approached as a vision, we can see how they help us live in right relationship with those around us. In the reading from Exodus, God proclaims a blessing that proceeds to “the thousandth generation . . . of those who love me and keep

my commandments.” How many receive blessing from the righteousness of the just one!

The ripple effect of sin is evident. Family patterns that are damaging are hard to break, and the actions of those around us affect the way we live in the world.

Jesus often came into conflict with the religious leaders of his day because they differed in their interpretation of what it meant to keep God's law. There was not anything wrong with their desire to obey God's Commandments. Perhaps, though, the intensity of their focus caused them to lose a sense that the law was a vision for a just and peaceful society. Pray with the Commandments. How can they help you work toward a just world?



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 8

St. John of God

St. John of God turned away from God in his youth, but returned with his whole heart and lived his life in gratitude for the great mercy he had received. He spent his life in extraordinary works of charity and love on behalf of those who were in greatest need, always with tremendous respect for those he served. God's mercy and forgiveness is always waiting for us. When have you felt God's forgiveness most fully? How can you respond with a grateful heart? *Today's readings: 2 Kings 5:1–15b; Psalm 42:2–3, 43:3–4; Luke 4:24–30.*

Tuesday, March 9

Not Seven but Seventy-Seven Times

Why is it so difficult to forgive? Even though we know that holding onto our anger hurts, we brood over every small wrong. In today's parable of the unforgiving servant, the difference between the value of the two debts is enormous. This contrast shows us the tremendousness of God's love and forgiveness and startles us with our own stinginess. What would it mean for you to forgive seventy-seven times? To forgive as you have been forgiven? *Today's readings: Deuteronomy 3:25, 34–43; Psalm 25:4–5ab, 6, 7bc, 8, 9; Matthew 18:21–35.*

Wednesday, March 10

Whoever Obeys and Teaches

Some people focus on following their own way, no matter the cost. We know, though, that our will often leads us astray, seeking after things that are not good for us, and that we engage in self-deception about what we really need. The Ten Commandments provide objective standards for behavior, even as complete freedom is within them. *Today's readings: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5–9; Psalm 147:12–13, 15–16, 19–20; Matthew 5:17–19.*

Thursday, March 11

Miraculous Growth

Today we hear that a kingdom divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus casts out a demon, revealing a glimpse of the coming kingdom and making space for its miraculous growth. By giving up our sins and selfishness, we too make space for miraculous growth of God's love within us. Pray the Rosary today in the hope that the spirit it cultivates will cast out all that is not of God and help bring about this miraculous growth. *Today's readings: Jeremiah 7:23–28; Psalm 95:1–2, 6–7, 8–9; Luke 11:14–23.*

Friday, March 12

The Summary of the Law

Today the Gospel tells us that love of God and love of neighbor are the primary principles that ought to govern our lives. What would it mean to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength? How would our lives be different if we loved our neighbor as ourselves? Does this necessarily mean putting ourselves last? It says love your neighbor as yourself. How can we respect our needs so that we are able to love others more fully? *Today's readings: Hosea 14:2–10; Psalm 81:6c–8a, 8bc–9, 10–11ab, 14 and 17; Mark 12:28–34.*

Saturday, March 13

O God, Be Merciful

When we look at our lives, we see how much we are in need of God's mercy and forgiveness. It is always there for us, requiring only that we seek it. People have used the words of the tax collector in today's reading from Luke, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner," in their prayers expressing contrition. Try incorporating this prayer into your daily prayer as a means of letting God's mercy act on you. *Today's readings: Hosea 6:1–6; Psalm 51:3–4, 18–19, 20–21ab; Luke 18:9–14.*

