



Parochial Administrator

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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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Readings for Next Sunday, August 30th

First Reading Jeremiah 20:7-9
Second Reading Romans 12:1-2
Gospel Matthew 16:21-27

Following the Lord means nothing less than the cross: offering ourselves with Jesus as a living sacrifice and not conforming ourselves to this world. Following him will entail derision and scorn, yet the Lord is our help.

Saturday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass is now celebrated every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. in Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 a.m. until Benediction at 3:00 p.m. Visit olmcc.com for details.

Prayer List

Dottie Brock	Johnny Killebrew
Richard Collins	Jeff Morgan
Patrick Crawley	Brit Oehmig
David Dando	Bob Red
Joe Endres	Jimmy Stewart
Elaine Erwin	Richard Sullivan
Haley Frierson	Eddie Tallent
Regina Gann	Lindsey Tinker
Charlie Gilbreath	Katherine Dann Ogden
Vickie Gilbreath	Camilla Pollock-Flynn

OKMS Needs Our Help

Please prayerfully consider making a small monetary donation to help us to continue to provide assistance to Orchard Knob Middle School. Currently we are providing supplies to help students begin the year. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of the Mount and place in the collection basket making sure the memo line on the bottom of the check is marked for OKMS. You may also make your donations via Online Giving at olmcc.com and choosing the fund, "Charitable Assistance." God Bless you for your generosity to the public school children during this difficult time of uncertainty caused by the pandemic.

Mass Intentions for the Week

August 22 - In Thanksgiving
August 23 - People of the Parish
August 24 - Haley Frierson
August 27 - Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary



Aug. 25 - Paul Glascock Aug. 29 - Chris Crimmins
Aug. 25 - Kate Thompson Aug. 29 - Randy Jackson
Aug. 27 - Diane Brown Aug. 30 - Beverly Mohr
Aug. 27 - Alyse Coakley

Happy Anniversary!

36 yrs. on Aug. 25 - Mary & Mark Voges
33 yrs. on Aug. 29 - Vikki & Kendrick Mills
28 yrs. on Aug. 29 - Sue & John Nash
52 yrs. on Aug. 30 - Beverly & Michael Mohr

Tuesday Morning Men's Discussion

Parish men are invited for early morning prayer, discussion of upcoming Sunday readings, and life conversation on Tuesdays from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. beginning September 8th in Shuler Hall. Coffee and pastries/bagels will be provided. Please note these will NOT be held on the first Tuesday of the month since the first Tuesday is reserved for men's group dinners in the evening.

Men's Group Dinner

Men's Group Dinners will continue the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in Shuler Hall. All men are invited to join us for the next dinner on September 1st. A sign-up genius will be available soon so we can better prepare for the evening.

Join St. Katharine Drexel for Potluck Lunch

Saint Katharine Drexel hosts a potluck lunch in the mission hall after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on the last Sunday of each month. The next potluck lunch is next Sunday, August 30. Come and join us!

Fr. Mark's Vocation Story (Part VI)

After a prolonged period of trying to discern whether I was called to be a priest, I came to the realization, that, yes, I was called. I have discussed this in installments over the previous weeks. Now, as I conclude my vocation story, it is time to answer the question as to how someone who enters priestly formation for one Archdiocese ends up being ordained in another. Sometime around the middle of my second year of Theology (mid-4th year out of 6 total seminary years), my prayers and the guidance of a great spiritual director, and the Holy Spirit, led me to the realization that God was calling me back to my home, the home where I had been a teenager, had come of age and begun my teaching/coaching career. That home is the Atlanta area and North Georgia. Gradually it was resolved in my mind. Going to New Orleans was vital to fulfilling the vocational call. I would never have become a priest had I not moved to that very Catholic city when I did (at age 45). It was necessary in God's divine plan, of that I am certain. I went to New Orleans Archbishop Gregory Aymond. I'll never forget his words to me: "Mark, we want you to become a priest. The Church needs priests. It does not matter where you serve, just become a priest." He then added, "I will call my friend Wilton (Gregory, then Archbishop of Atlanta) and tell him that if he is willing to take you in as an Atlanta seminarian I am willing to release you." To put a nice capstone to all this, upon my ordination, I was assigned the first two years to St. John Vianney in Lithia Springs, Georgia. I am a 1980 graduate of Lithia Springs High School! When I was in high school, I seldom attended Mass. Young people take note: you never know where God might lead you. I am thankful for the journey life has been and that God brought me home—home to the Church and home to Georgia. Truly, Our Lord works in mysterious ways, mysterious and wonderful!

In Christ,

Fr. Mark Thomas

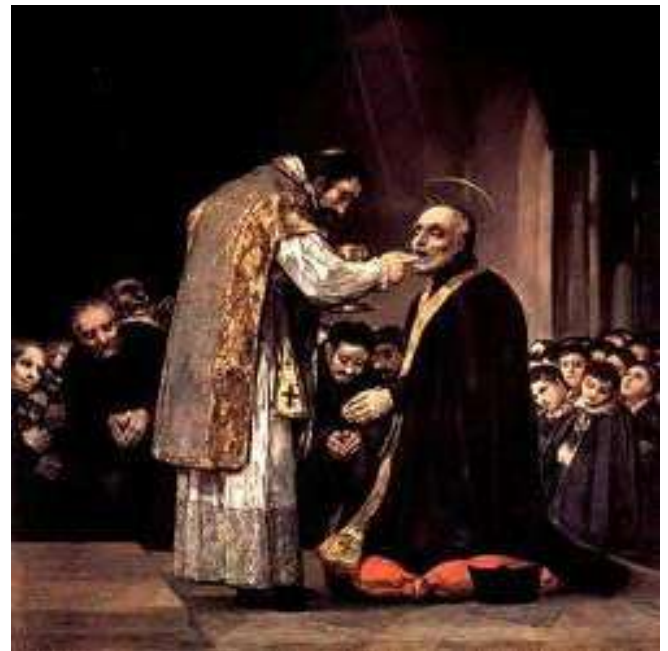


Saint Joseph Calasanz

DATES: 1556–1648

FEAST DAY: AUGUST 25

This Spaniard studied law at the University of Lerida and was ordained a priest in 1583, despite his father's hope that he would be a soldier. He became vicar general of a Spanish diocese, but in 1592 left for Rome, where he joined the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and worked with neglected children. In 1597 he established the first free school in Rome with three other priests. This work led him to found the Clerks Regular of the Religious (or Pious) Schools, known as Piarists. He overcame internal and external opposition and served as superior general of the order. He was canonized in 1767, and in 1948 Pope Pius XII named him the patron saint of Christian schools. He is also a patron of students.



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