



# Our Lady of the Mount

Roman Catholic Church

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA

## 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

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**December 8, 2019**



**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. Ms. Sheron Williams looks forward to taking care of your young children during Sunday Mass each week.



**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' December Prayer Intention**



**The Future of the Very Young.** That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

December 7 - Ed Brown (D)

December 8 - Family Values

**Readings for Next Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

First Reading Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Second Reading James 5:7-10

Gospel Matthew 11:2-11

In the person of Jesus, God has come to heal and save us. Patiently, yet joyfully, we await the fulfillment of his advent.



December 9 - Andrew Barrett

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December 10 - Troy Scroggins

December 12 - Gwin Tugman

December 13 - Tully Brock

December 13 - Vince Viscomi

December 14 - Evelyn Towns

December 15 - Lyndia Crotteau

**OLMCC 2019 Poinsettia Fund**



Honor or remember your loved one this Christmas season by contributing to Our Lady of the Mount Poinsettia Fund. The suggested cost begins at \$20 per remembrance. Forms are available in the Narthex and online. Donations may also be made via Online Giving. In order to be included in the Christmas bulletin, all names and payments must be received no later than Monday, December 16th.

## Liturgical Minister Schedules

### Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>

<b>Lector:</b>	Jimmy McGinness
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Cissy Coleman Julie Jackson Micheline Johnson
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Alyse Coakley Conor Coakley Niko Wilkinson
<b>Greeter:</b>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>

### Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

<b>Lector:</b>	Ramona Glascock
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Ellen Allison Ann Epps Mac Ferguson Andy Stockett Karan Stockett Mary Voges <i>Volunteer Needed</i>
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Alden Mazo Cullen Mazo Wilkes Mazo
<b>Greeters:</b>	Sara Willingham <i>Volunteer Needed</i>

### Prayer List

Richard Collins	Charlie Gilbreath
Patrick Crawley	Vickie Gilbreath
Marie Crimmins	Johnny Killebrew
Jay Jay Davenport	Tara McGinness
Joe Endres	Luke Morin
Roy Exum	Jennifer Nicely
Sally Ferguson	Neal Oehmig
Walter Forbes	Bob Red
Dick Fowler	Jimmy Stewart
Regina Gann	Lindsey Tinker
Katherine Dann Ogden	
Camilla Pollock-Flynn	

## Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Since December 8, 2019, is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9, 2019. Therefore Monday is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, please consider this a Holy Day of Opportunity and join us for Mass, Monday, December 9th at 8:30 A.M. in the chapel.

### Adult Christmas Party

Please join us this Sunday, December 8th at 6:00 P.M. in the parish hall for our annual Adult Christmas Party. Kindly RSVP online at [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com) and bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

### Kids Christmas Program & Pizza Party

Please join us Sunday, December 15th at 6:00 P.M. for our Kids Christmas Program followed by a pizza party. Signups for both of these events are available at [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com). For more info contact Mary Voges, [mvoges@olmcc.com](mailto:mvoges@olmcc.com).

### Advent Penance Service

Please mark your calendars to attend our Advent Penance Service, Tuesday, December 17th at 7:00 P.M. This will also be First Reconciliation for our children preparing to receive First Holy Communion. Additional priests will be available.

### Job Opportunity

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people across the country to assist with the 2020 Census count. Applicants are encouraged to apply online at [2020census.gov/jobs](http://2020census.gov/jobs).

## Christmas Schedule

### Tuesday, December 24th - Christmas Eve

4:30 P.M. - Christmas Concert at OLMCC

5:30 P.M. - Mass at OLMCC

### Wednesday, December 25th - Christmas Day

9:30 A.M. Mass at OLMCC

11:30 A.M. Mass at SKD



## THIS WEEK AT HOME

### Monday, December 9 Immaculate Conception

It is impossible for us to prevent sin from passing into the next generation. We see how quickly children imitate us and our sins. In the dogma of Mary's Immaculate Conception, we celebrate a moment in which God kept someone free from sin so that she could be mother to the sinless Son of God. This perfect Son, who came into our world as an infant, gives us hope that one day our children will perfectly imitate our Savior. Ask God to forgive you for a time that a child saw or heard you act sinfully. *Today's Readings: Genesis 3:9–20; Psalm 98:1–4; Ephesians 1:3–12; Luke 1:26–38.*

### Tuesday, December 10 Shepherding the Lost

Jesus offered consolation and forgiveness instead of immediate condemnation. He looked upon God's people differently than they looked upon themselves. Where some saw only hopeless sinners, Jesus saw people who yearned to be led back to God. Show that you are ready for God to find you by asking someone for forgiveness and by letting go of a grudge. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 40:1–11; Psalm 96:1–3, 10–13; Matthew 18:12–14.*

### Wednesday, December 11 Burdens

God helps us carry our burdens. He lifts us up when our bodies drag us down. He yokes himself beside us in the person of his Son. We must, therefore, ask ourselves what burdens we ought to carry and what loads we can set down. Our arms might be full of things we do not need to hold onto. Check your Christmas to-do list, and cross off anything that doesn't truly help you and others prepare to celebrate the gift of God's Son. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 40:25–31; Psalm 103:1–10; Matthew 11:28–30.*

### Thursday, December 12 The Faces of Grace

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrates Mary's appearance to Juan Diego, an appearance that inspired thousands to convert to Christianity. Many have venerated since childhood the image of Mary that was revealed to Juan Diego. We rejoice that God makes himself known across cultures and languages. Pray with an image of Mary or Jesus from a different part of the world, and reflect on God's love for all people, everywhere. *Today's Readings: Zechariah 2:14–17 or Revelation 11:19a; 12:1–6a, 10ab; Luke 1:26–38 or Luke 1:39–47.*

### Friday, December 13 Expectations

Sometimes we refuse to see God at work. We dismiss a teaching or invitation from God because it doesn't fit our expectations of how God should act. We might even think it is foolish. Jesus insists that what seems silly to us is wise to God. It seemed absurd that God would become human, yet that's exactly what happened. God's way is difficult for us to accept, but it is the only way for us to become one with God who came to be one with us. Make a list of things you expect from God, and surrender that list in prayer. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 48:17–19; Psalm 1:1–6; Matthew 11:16–19.*

### Saturday, December 14 Turn

We read in 2 Kings 2:11 that the prophet Elijah was taken up to heaven. In the centuries that followed, people came to believe that Elijah would return to prepare people for the day of judgment and a new era. The most significant similarity between Elijah and John the Baptist was that both devoted themselves to turning people back to God. In this season of preparation, the words of Elijah and John echo in our ears. Participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Acknowledge the ways you have turned away from God, and renew your efforts to turn back to him. *Today's Readings: Sirach 48:1–11; Psalm 80:1–19; Matthew 17:9–13.*

