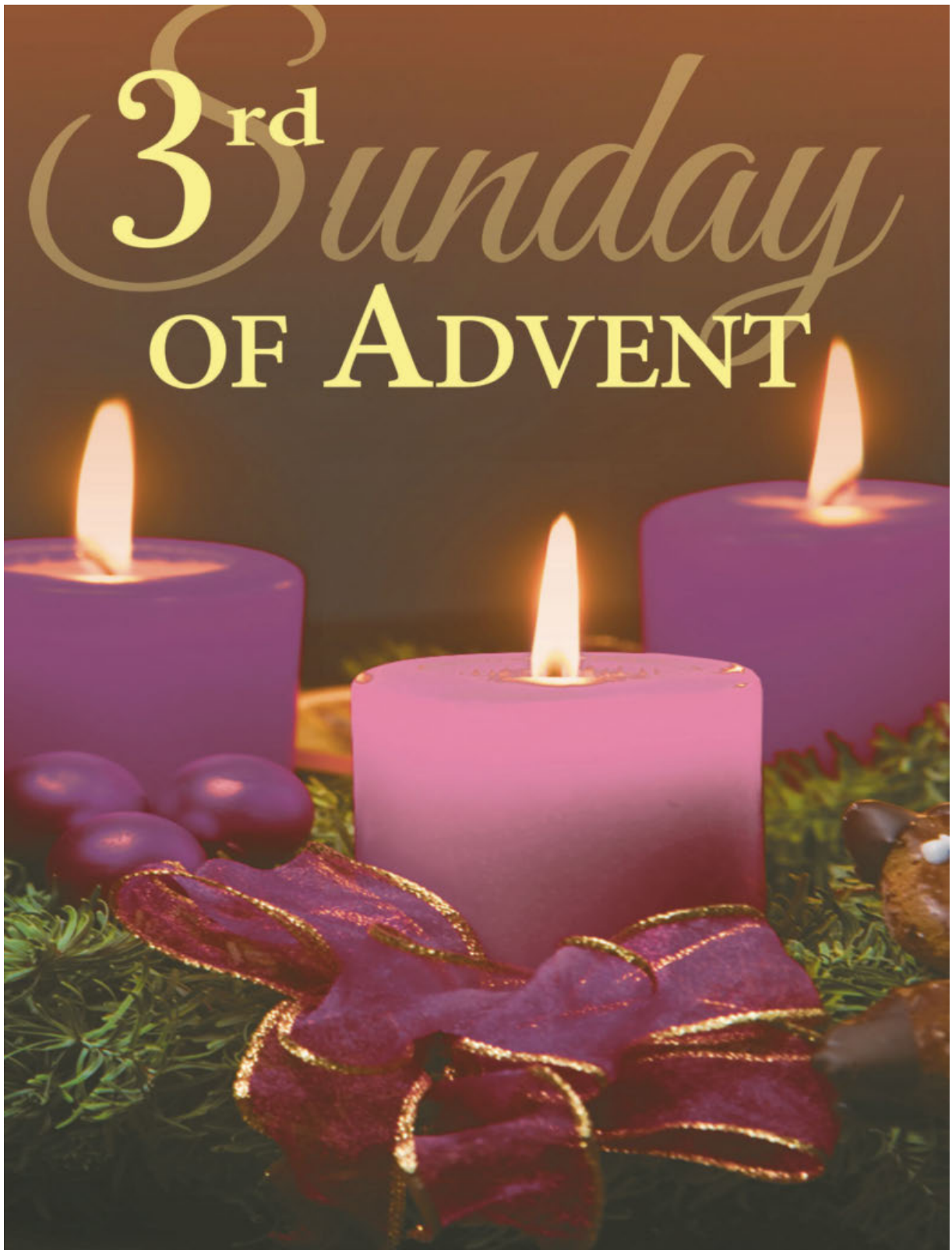




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DECEMBER 17th, 2023 | 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MISSION STATEMENT:

We exist to be
a light to the world,
and we live out Christ's
call on our lives
by worship and witness.

In prayer and sacrament
God enkindles our hearts
that we might bring
the fire of his love
to everyone we encounter.

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:15pm &
7:00pm (Spanish)

Sunday Morning: 7:30am, 9:00am,
& 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am - Monday-Saturday

All Masses Livestreamed

CONFESSIONS

IN THE CHURCH

Saturday 8:30am-9:30am &
4:00pm-5:00pm

OR BY APPOINTMENT

Call the parish office or email
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ADORATION:

Friday 8:30am-Saturday
8:00am



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PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear Saints,

We meet up with John the Baptist again in this week's Gospel, and what a privilege: he's a friend worth knowing well. John was nothing if not an Advent person, just as we are Advent people. We long with expectation for something this world cannot give, and this season is an ideal time to

give expression to that longing.

Have you ever come to church for confession and, seeing how long the line is, feared that time might run out before you're able to be heard? It causes a genuine ache within our hearts, to be so close to forgiveness yet perhaps find it beyond our grasp. That ache is a good thing - it signifies our desperation to be united with Jesus - and Advent is the time to give ourselves over to it.

John's life was marked by a message of more. Not "more" the way the world defines it: more money, more comfort, more me. John meant more Jesus, and he stirs within our hearts that same yearning. Let's spend the final week of Advent looking for satisfaction in the one place we'll find it.

Christ's Peace,

Father Daniel
δοῦλος Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ



We must consider how to rouse one another to love and good works.
- Hebrews 10:24

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Welcome New Members!

Join us

Are you ready to light up the world with God's love? Please stop by the Parish Office during the week or register online at www.olmc.church.

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PRAY

December 17th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2023

8:00am John & Gertrude Hrenko, Dec Mem of the Zeltner Family, Dorothy Albert Maraziti Wedding Anniversary, Liv Int. Daniel Paporello
 5:15pm Robert Bentley

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023

7:30am People of the Parish
 9:00am Paul Ruffin
 11:00am May Cerchione

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023

8:00am Shane Haltmeier

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023

8:00am Ihsan John Uygur

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2023

8:00am Nancy Erickson

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023

8:00am Betty Bandura

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023

8:00am Michael MacDonald and Scotty McCulloch, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Gottardo DiGiacoppo, Anne Pfreundschuh

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2023

8:00am In Honor of St. Jude, Lee Paterno, John Thomas Michelsen, Liv. Int. Susanne Billeter
 5:15pm Robert Bentley
 7:00pm Nicolas & Iraida Nunez

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023

7:30am Dec Mem of the Nicola Bevacqua Family
 9:00am People of the Parish
 11:00am Liv. Int. Catherine Obis
 4:00pm Hugo VonBurg
 6:00pm Martha Gannoe Haas

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

...FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK:

Adriane Selesky-Eoga, Tim McCormick Family, Daniel Paporello, Edward Bochinski, Jose Oliveira, Marion Gentile, Lois Tirrell, Tiffany Barnish, MacKenzie Navarro, Bob Peideia, John O'Leary, Barbara Ann Burton, Joseph Paulose, Bonaventure Joseph Rodeiro, Michelina Guiliano, Ginny Dolce, George Gayet, John Patin, Adrian Navarro, Nancy Hahn, Hahn, Campos, & Fonseca families, William Amend, Connie Barnish, Tom Davis, Elisa Warganz, Edith Aquino, Mike Sabloff, The Fehsal family, Margaret Ellis, Kayla Norvis, Charlie Zarzecki, Lauren Lewis, Sueli Campos, Patrick Glennon, Albert J. DiCarlo, Hannah Cerullo, Joyce Ramirez, Avery Miller, Lisa Evans, Victoria Gormley, Patrick DeMare, Denise Doty Cabezas, Andrea Case, Elaine Mazurek, Lindsey Lampach, Paul Picconi

...FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

Molly Webber USMA, Annalise Webber USAFA, Joseph S. Filippello USAF, Captain Mark Vogel USMC, Captain Robert Beagen, SPC. Raymond McCormick, LT Anthony John Kline, LTC Matthew Pride

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 17:

The Mass and Vigil Light is offered for Ihsan John Uygur
 The Bread and Wine is offered for Veronica Scozzafava



READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun 17 Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Mon 18 Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

Tues 19 Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25

Wed 20 Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

Thurs 21 Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Fri 22 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56

Sat 23 Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66

Sun 24 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 (2a)/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38



NEW BIBLE STUDY

“The Practice of the Presence of God” by Brother Lawrence

Join us for a 4-week study of a spiritual classic from a seventeenth-century Carmelite.

Tuesdays, 1 – 2pm, beginning January 16

For more information and to register, forms will be in the church narthex or contact Catherine Porter at cporter@olmcboonton.org

PARISH INCOME - DECEMBER 10, 2023

Collection	Cash/Checks	Automated Giving	Total
Regular	\$6,449	\$8,154	\$14,603
School Support	\$95	\$438	\$533
Second Collection	\$1,797	\$16	\$1,813
Christmas	\$800	\$0	\$800
Total	\$9,141	\$8,608	\$17,749

PLEASE NOTE: The income grid represents donations received over the past 7 days, but includes envelopes representing a range of weeks and months. Also, minor collections are not reflected in the numbers.



Please note; The parish office is closed Monday, 12/25/23 through Monday, 1/1/24

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON 12/18	TUES 12/19	WED 12/20	THURS 12/21	FRI 12/22	SAT 12/23	SUN 12/24
Mass: 8:00am followed by the Novena Prayer to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal followed by Rosary	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary Bible Study 1:00pm— 2:00pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by Rosary Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 9:00am AA Meeting 8:00pm-9:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary Women’s Group 1:00pm— 2:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary Eucharistic Adoration: 5pm Due to events in the church, Adoration will begin at 5pm and will continue until Benediction, just prior to 8:00am Mass on Sat.	Mass: 8:00am followed by Rosary Confessions: 8:30-9:30am and 4:00- 5:00pm Vigil Mass: 5:15pm and 7:00pm (Spanish)	Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, & 11:00am Christmas Eve Mass: 4:00pm— 5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass: 6:00pm— 7:00pm Midnight Mass: 12:00am

MORE ON WWW.OLMC.CHURCH/EVENTS



WHEN THE STUDY OF SCIENCE IS SWEET

It is fascinating to see the way the study of science develops in our students. In the younger grades, science is an invitation to wonder, to nurture curiosity, and to explore their five senses. As our students get older, they begin to cultivate observation skills, learning to organize information so that it can be more easily retained and accessed. Their innate curiosity and developed skills intersect when they can engage in creative and exciting hands-on experiences of science-in-action.

Under the guidance of science teacher Dr. Eric Vollero, our middle school students took their knowledge of chemistry in a delicious direction: candy-making. They quickly realized the importance of the chemical processes they had learned; there were no short cuts and they had to be patient as the simple ingredients of corn syrup, sugar, and water went through stages of transformation when exposed to heat. Their careful attention was rewarded as they saw the candy begin to take shape. When their mixture reached the desired consistency, they flavored and colored it, pulling and twisting it into the final product. It was an exercise in close observation and teamwork with an especially sweet outcome!

As with any experiment, the real test comes when one tries to duplicate the results. Some of our students were so excited by the experience that they made the candy again at home over the weekend. They amazed family and friends with their abilities, and with the tasty and beautiful candy they were able to make on their own! It was a testimony not only to the impression the class had on them, but also to their own attentiveness and the desire to share what they had learned with those around them.

"Science and everyday life cannot and should not be separated."

—Rosalind Franklin

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS BREAK—NO SCHOOL
December 22nd-January 1st

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS
January 5th & January 6th

FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE
January 20th



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HALLOW THIS ADVENT

We're excited to announce a partnership with Hallow this Advent. Hallow is a Catholic prayer and meditation app that helps people deepen their relationship with God and create a daily habit of prayer through audio-guided prayer sessions ranging from 1-to-60 minutes long - there are over 10,000 prayer sessions available on the app!

Our partnership with Hallow offers each of you the opportunity to subscribe to Hallow from now until Easter for only one dollar!! We as a parish have paid the remainder of what that subscription would normally cost. We hope you'll take advantage of this gift! In order to have full access to Hallow, including the Advent Pray 25 Challenge, you can scan the QR code, then follow the signup instructions to pay for your \$1 subscription. **Parishioner Registration Link: hallow.com/holyday**



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT OLMC

12/24 CHRISTMAS EVE
4PM AND 6PM

12/25 CHRISTMAS DAY
12AM (MIDNIGHT), 9AM, 11AM

New Year's Day, Monday 1/1/24 - Noon mass only
No 8:00 am Mass

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Make 2024 the last year you worry about your finances and join us for Financial Peace University! This nine-week course provides you the tools to pay off debt, learn how to budget, and make better decisions about your family's financial future.

This class will take place in-person, beginning on Sunday, January 14, 2024 from 2-4PM for nine consecutive weeks, ending on March 10th. Babysitting will be available. Space is limited and the deadline to sign up is January 10th. Please contact Christine Snyder at cmgsnyder@gmail.com for further information.

NATIONAL COLLECTION

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Religious communities in the United States do not have sufficient income and savings to provide for retired women and men religious. Many religious nuns, sisters, priests, and brothers worked for years for small stipends and now leave their religious communities with a tremendous gap in retirement funding. Please visit olmc.church/monthly-appeals for more information or to make an online donation.



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