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1st SUNDAY OF LENT

“This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel.” - Mk 1:15

FEBRUARY 18th, 2024 | THE 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

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,

Writing to you at the beginning of Lent is one of my favorite traditions. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to connect with you as we set out on our 40-day trek!

Our Lenten undertakings remain very much evergreen and intact. We commit ourselves to works of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in order to grow in love of God, self, and neighbor.

The simple disciplines of Lent generate serious power for transformation. No big changes here.

Every Lent takes its own shape and has its own character. To that end, I'd like to offer you a couple of thoughts that have surfaced in prayer recently. They'll serve as my Lenten theme this year, and a possible starting point for intentional engagement with the season: *smallness and sincerity*.

The first point is that, against our cultural inclination, Lent isn't about *going big or going home*. More often than not, the really big stuff of heart and life change happens in small and even unseen acts. My challenge to you, then, is to go small with your penitential practices. (If you haven't yet established the baseline I outline below, take another baby step this year.)

The second point enlivens the first. Sincerity, *the quality of being free from pretense, deceit, or hypocrisy*, makes our small acts great. We know that we have been called to lives of great and costly love -- what God is getting across to me these days is that love demands sincerity.

By starting off sincerely and small, we will gain traction in the way of love. And if we grow in love throughout Lent and over the course of our lives, we'll find that nothing at all can derail us from going God's way.

God bless you, my friends. If you need anything at all, please be in touch.

In the Peace of Christ,
Father Daniel
δοῦλος Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ

PS Our beyond-the-tithe challenge for this Lent is *Several Sources*, a well-known local charity that saves babies' lives and shelters their young mothers. Our goal is to raise at least \$20,000 for this great work.

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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.

4 PRAY

February 18th, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

8:00am Yolanda Bonanni
Patricia Cowan
5:15pm Emilia & Rose Ann Porzio
7:00pm Benjamin Forero

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

7:30am People of the Parish
9:00am Anthony Dandrea Jr.
11:00am John Fragomeni

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024

8:00am Willie Rinderer

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

8:00am Liv. Int. Sofia Hammani

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024

8:00am Anni Scerbo

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

8:00am Bela Beik

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024

8:00am Liv. Int. Father Roger Landry

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

8:00am Liv. Int. Salman & Arlyn Abouzied
Wedding Anniversary
Nicolas & Iraida Nunez
5:15pm Scotty McCulloch
7:00pm Santiago Portillo

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

7:30am Rosario Testa
9:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Michael Styranec

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

...FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK:

Jane Lundqvist, Adriane Selesky-Eoga, Tim McCormick Family, Daniel Paporello, Edward Bochinski, Jose Oliveira, 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 FEBRUARY 18:

The Mass and Vigil Light and Bread and Wine are offered for the People of the Parish.



READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun 18 Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Mon 19 Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tues 20 Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wed 21 Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thurs 22 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

Fri 23 Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Sat 24 Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Sun 25 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10



FISH AND CHIPS DINNER

We're hosting a Fish Fry - provided by Tastefully British - on Friday, March 1st from 6:00 to 8:00pm. The \$15 per dinner price is an adult portion. Eat-in and take-home orders will be available in our school gym. To purchase tickets, please visit olmc.church/lent or pick up a flier in the Narthex. All orders must be placed in advance. The closing date for all orders is Sunday, February 25.

PARISH INCOME - FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Collection	Cash/ Checks	Automated Giving	Total
Regular	\$4,807	\$7,977	\$12,784
School Support	\$315	\$438	\$753
Second Collection	\$532	\$36	\$568
Total	\$5,654	\$8,451	\$14,105

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

Observances for the week of February 18, 2024

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

Monday: Presidents' Day

Wednesday: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

Friday: St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON 2/19	TUES 2/20	WED 2/21	THURS 2/22	FRI 2/23	SAT 2/24	SUN 2/25
Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary Bible Study 1pm-2pm Women's Group 7:00pm— 8:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 9:00am AA Meeting 8:00pm- 9:30pm	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary	Mass: 8:00am followed by the Rosary Eucharistic Adoration: Exposition, 8:30am Adoration continues until Benediction, just prior to 8:00am Mass on Sat. Stations of the Cross 6:00pm Soup Supper to follow Middle School Youth Ministry 6:00pm— 8:00pm	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

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PREPARING FOR LENT

Join us on Fridays in Lent for Soup Suppers at 6:30pm (following our weekly Stations of the Cross).

This year we have more to offer our parish community:

- ◇ Soup and salad will be served in Gordon Hall to foster community in a serene and prayerful environment—a suitable extension of our Stations of the Cross. We're making improvements to our seating and food service setup, along with soft music and dimmed lighting.
- ◇ Children will be welcomed into our school gym at 6:30pm for pizza, popcorn and movies. We're looking for a few adult and teen volunteers to help the children each week.

What hasn't changed? We still would love to have your delicious soup! Please sign up for a slot that works you! See QR code



Contact Lori Testa in the parish office with any questions: ltesta@olmcboonton.org or 973-334-1017

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SCHEDULE FOR LENT

<p>MONDAY, FEB 12</p> <p>Burning of Palms: 2:00pm OLMC School parking lot</p>	<p>ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB 14</p> <p>Masses: 7:00am, 8:00am (School Mass), 7:00pm Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes: 12:00pm, 4:00pm</p>
<p>ONGOING:</p> <p>WELCOME HOME TO HEALING Confession with Adoration 7:00-8:30pm, Mondays 2/19-3/18</p> <p>CONFESSIONS Saturdays: 8:30-9:30am, 4:00-5:00pm</p>	<p>24 HOUR ADORATION Exposition: 8:30am every Friday Benediction: 7:45am Saturday</p> <p>LENTEN RETREAT Details to follow</p> <p>STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Soup Supper to follow) 6:00pm, Fridays 2/16-3/29 Note: 3/29- no soup supper</p>

LENTEN RETREAT WITH REFORM Saturday, March 9th

We invite you to experience a taste of Reform and explore the Nine Wellness Pillars for whole-person wellness, body and soul. Jackie and Dr. Bridget will introduce Reform's best practices and the essentials for placing Christ at the center of all aspects of your well-being.

The retreat begins with **daily Mass at 8am**, followed by a Holy Hour and Confession; the seminar begins at **9:30am**. The retreat concludes at **1pm**. **Please RSVP here:** <https://www.olmc.church/lent/#mission>



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