



# OUR LADY of MOUNT CARMEL

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## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

MARCH 10<sup>th</sup> 2024 | THE 4<sup>th</sup> 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,

Just as a human being is defined by certain material realities, so too is he defined by certain spiritual ones. Among other things, to be human means to live according to the dictates of fraternal charity. Children, for example, are innate givers. Studies show that long before cultural norms and expectations set in, kids

will open doors for adults, look for something a peer has lost, and even stop playing to help someone else in need.

In that sense, children are more dialed in than most adults to the essence of humanity: they embrace without hesitation the fact that those who have are responsible for those who want.

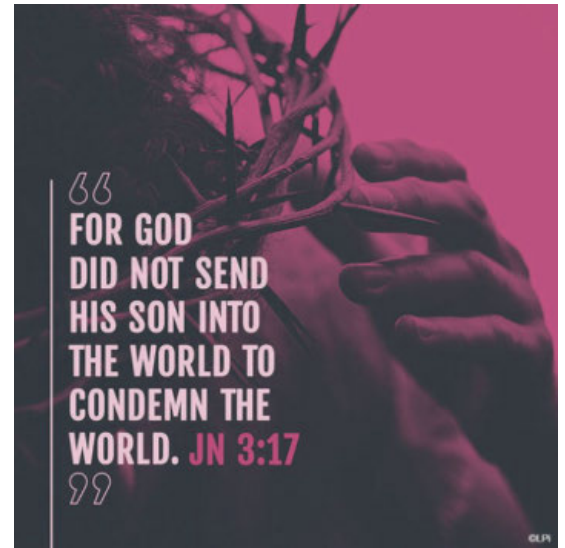
Imagine how liberating it would be if we could keep that spirit of generosity alive within us as we age. If we could keep at bay the greed and fear that so often causes us to be miserly - not just with our wealth, but with our love.

Once again, the Church in her wisdom offers us that very freedom through Lent, and in particular the practice of almsgiving. The root word of "alms" means "mercy," and the act of giving alms - ie, showing mercy through material gift - renews and restores within our hearts the fraternal charity to which we're called. Every time we're generous with our possessions for the sake of love, we flourish a little more into the image and likeness in which we've been made.

We're quickly running out of Lent, but there are still three weeks left to prioritize generosity. We would be well-served to spend these days imitating the natural servants we once were and are called to be again.

Christ's Peace,

Father Daniel  
δοῦλος Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ



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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](http://www.olmc.church).



# 4 PRAY

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

8:00am Cedomir Rogic,  
Liv. Int. of the Busch Family  
Rolando Galicia  
5:15pm Paul Laurenzi

### SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

7:30am People of the Parish  
9:00am Sean O'Dea  
11:00am Frank Venito

### MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024

8:00am Deacon John Hubley

### TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

8:00am Karen Ann Price

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2024

8:00am John & Gertrude Hrenko

### THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024

8:00am David Rainess

### FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024

8:00am Liv. Int. Daniel Finnegan  
Daniel Horgan  
David Rainess

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024

8:00am Ericson Cuadra  
5:15pm Edith Hodgins

### SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

7:30am Liv. Int. of the Ronan Family  
9:00am People of the Parish  
11:00am Jack Pruden

## LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

### ...FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK:

*Lucille Scerbo*, 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, 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, Captain Mark Vogel USMC, Captain Robert Beagen, SPC. Raymond McCormick, LT Anthony John Kline, LTC Matthew Pride

### MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10:

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



## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun  
10

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps  
137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/  
Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Mon  
11

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4,  
5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn  
4:43-54

Tues  
12

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-  
6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wed  
13

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9,  
13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thurs  
14

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20,  
21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Fri  
15

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-  
18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn  
7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sat  
16

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-  
10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Sun  
17

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-  
13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn  
12:20-33

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### EAGER MINDS AND OPEN HEARTS

Kindergarten through 2nd grade is a time of dramatic academic advances. Students at this age are hard-wired to absorb everything that surrounds them, making possible the often rapid development from beginning readers to independent readers, from tracing numbers to adding and subtracting multiple digits. These early years are an opportunity not only to acquire skills, but to enjoy education as a wonder-filled journey, and to surround students with the raw material that will encourage a life-long love of learning.

Our kindergarteners delight when picture books they have enjoyed listening to—and still enjoy—are now accessible on their own! Their imaginations are filled with stories of kindness and courage, hospitality and humor, so that they come to love virtue as well as cultivate it. As they learn about shapes and numbers, they begin to recognize them in the natural world as well. They lead each other through “mini-lessons,” experiencing the pleasure of sharing what they have learned with others.

Throughout 1st and into 2nd grades, students begin to appreciate the beauty of language through their study of grammar. They then employ that knowledge in their own creative writing, drawing from the wealth of stories they know and love. The Bible stories they have heard about God’s merciful love take concrete form in their participation in the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion. As their abilities and understanding grow, they continue to be invited to delight not just in their mastery of mathematical concepts but also in the order and power of numbers. It is the beginning of their educational journey, a journey that leads them through academic milestones while also cultivating an enjoyment of “what’s in between.”

"The most important reason for going from one place to another is to see what's in between."

—Norton Juster

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Join us!**  
**STORY TIME**  
**AND SING-A-LONG**

Children of all ages and their caregivers are invited to join us for classic stories and favorite songs!

9am in Gordon Hall (enter from Oak St.)  
 March 13<sup>th</sup>  
 March 20<sup>th</sup>



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## STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SOUP SUPPER 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 served in Gordon Hall to foster community in a serene and prayerful environment—a suitable extension of our Stations of the Cross. We've made improvements to our seating and food service setup, along with soft music and dimmed lighting.
- ◇ Children will be welcomed into our school gym (once signed in by a parent) 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](mailto:ltesta@olmcboonton.org) or 973-334-1017



**Lent & Easter**  
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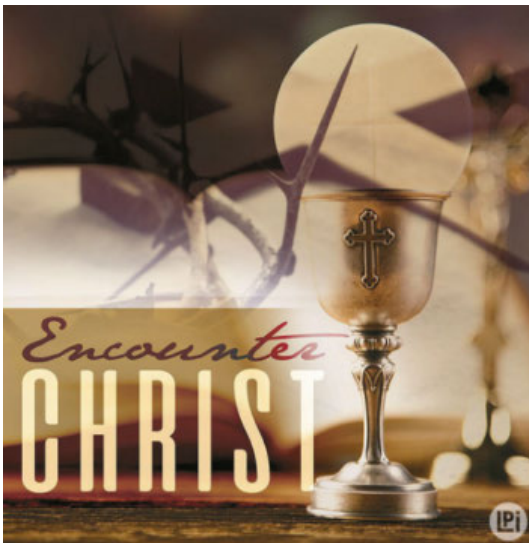
**SCHEDULE FOR LENT**

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30	EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31
Morning Prayer: 8:00am Confession: 8:30-9:30am Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00pm (3 Hour Mass)	Easter Masses: 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am

**DIVINE MERCY WEEKEND**

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APR 7
Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am Adoration: after 11:00am Mass- 3:30pm Confession: 2:00-3:00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 3:00pm Egg Hunt: 3:30pm

**\*Correction—Welcome Home to Healing runs through Monday, 3/25—not 3/18 as reflected in the schedule above. We apologize for any confusion.**



## NIGHT OF ENCOUNTER: A LENTEN MISSION

3/18 | 6:30 - 8:30pm

Join the OLMC parish family for...

*Night of Encounter—Adoration. Confession. Prayer.*

On Monday, March 18th, Father Glenn Sudano, CFR will give a talk in the Presence of our Eucharistic Lord, followed by a time of guided meditative prayer and song. Confessions will be available throughout the evening until Benediction at 8:30pm. The evening will take place in the Church, beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:30pm.

Father Glenn Sudano is a dynamic speaker and gifted spiritual director. He is a founding member of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Music to be led by Brother Damien Joseph, CFR.

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