

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE.....422-7767

Gemma Gonzalo, Parish Administrator

FAITH FORMATION.....422-2814

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.....422-5209

Emergency material assistance

EMERGENCY SICK CALLS.....422-7767

CONFIRMATION & RCIA.....422-7767

TAG / HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Rhyan Ramirez 853-2905

Mass Schedule / Sacraments

MASS / WEEKENDS:

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8, 10 AM & 12 Noon

MASS / WEEKDAYS: 9:00 AM

HOLY DAYS: Consult Bulletin for Mass Schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 pm or by appointment

BAPTISMS: 2nd Weekend of the Month

Pre-Baptism Program Required (consult bulletin)

MARRIAGES: *Six months notice required*



**Feast of The Holy Family
December 28, 2014**

Dec. 29th / Mon.
Dec. 30th / Tues.
Dec. 31st / Wed. *K of C Dinner
Dance*
Jan. 1st / Thurs.
Jan. 2nd / Fri.
Jan. 3rd / Sat.
Jan. 4th / Sun.



Monday	Elbert Wood +
Tuesday	Eileen Singh +
Wednesday	Frank Cruz +
Thursday	OLMC Parishioners
Friday	Rose Sroka +
Sat. 9 am	OLMC Parishioners
Sat. 5pm	Helen Haug +
Sunday	OLMC Parishioners
8 am	OLMC Parishioners
10 am	OLMC Parishioners
Noon	OLMC Pariohioners

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the last century, a few new feasts were blended into the Church year, including today's. After World War I, the chaos of daily life in Europe made its impact felt on the family structure. Partly to offer Christians an image of hope and holiness in married family life, and also to promote the welfare of children, today's feast was "invented" in 1921. In 1969, it became a feast of Christmas.

The prayers today remind us not only of family life, but of life in the community of faith. We ponder the mystery of a God who loves us dearly enough to embrace the struggles, joys, and daily sorrows of family life. The message of Christmas shines through: God-with-us is available to us in the ordinary patterns of our lives and commitments. The lives of people who raise their children in difficult circumstances, and of people who remain faithful to life in the Church in spite of some of their own family struggles, occupy a special place in our hearts today in prayer.

Parish Weekly Collection

Weekly goal : \$12,500
Offeratory for the week of Dec. 4th: \$12,100



THANK YOU from St. Vincent de Paul and Our Youth Ministry

T.A.G—The Army of God

Thank you to all who made the 8th annual OLMC Craft Faire a success. We raised \$4300 which provided holiday meals to over 100 local families and will help send our youth to their annual conference. Thanks from St. Vincent de Paul and T.A.G.



GET A JUMP START ON YOUR NEW YEAR EVE PLANS ! COME CELEBRATE IT HERE WITH US!

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual New Year's Eve Dinner Dance - begin at 8 pm in the Dome. Tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses and in the Parish Office. Tickets are \$45 per person. Call Dom Orlando, 429-0149 for more information. No tickets sold at the door!

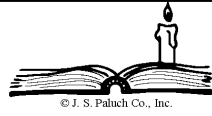
RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY NEWS:

Save the date and reserve your seat today on the bus to attend the West Coast Walk for Life in San Francisco on Saturday, January 24, 2015. The Respect Life Ministry is sponsoring a bus which will leave on the day of the event by 10 am from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church parking lot and return by 5 pm.

It will be 42 Years (January 22, 2015) since Roe vs. Wade, the U.S. Supreme Court ruling made abortion legal. Let's all unite together with others in the public square and let the world know the pro-life movement is growing, we are taking a stand against this evil, and we are reaching out to the women harmed by abortion.

Go to www.walkforlifewc.com for more info about this event. Call Anna to reserve your bus seat at 707-290-5583 or email respectlifeolmc@aol.com.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
 Thursday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Alex Bernardo	688-1474
Jim Brown	688-5181
Julie Darling / Pres.	425-3934
Ray Fortaleza / VP	720-5166
Gemma Gonzalo	421-9521
Mike MacCallum	631-0522
Patricia May	252-3856
Sandro Rojas	481-3176
Laurie Runyan	426-4941
Vince Tydingco / Sec.	631-5269
Regina Williams	330-6915



WE ARE GOD’S HOLY FAMILY

The scriptures of Israel are filled with many stories of barren couples who were miraculously granted the gift of children by God. Surely the best known among these is the first reading from today, from which Luke took inspiration when he recounted the miraculous birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah and Elizabeth, and the more miraculous birth of Jesus to Mary and Joseph. In each instance, we are given examples or role models of those who trusted in God. More than examples of those who trust, they are models of self-surrender. They abandoned their own presuppositions and prejudices about the workings of the world and turned their lives over to belief in a God who can make life grow where none ought to; a God who can turn death around into a new and unimagined life; a God who can, today, take a tiny child of humble parents in an insignificant town and make him into a light for all the world. This is what we, as God’s holy family, are called to do each day: to trust not in ourselves and the way we think things should be, but to open ourselves and surrender ourselves in faith to a God of endless promise.



NEW YEAR’S MASS SCHEDULE



- ◆ December 31st - 9AM (regular morning Mass)
- ◆ New Year’s Eve - 7PM (only)
- ◆ January 1, 2015 - 10:00 AM (only)



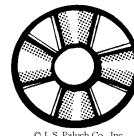
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration News:
 Would you like to spend time with the Lord? Come...visit St. Therese Chapel as we need Committed Adorers during the

hour(s) of: Saturday 7-8 pm
 Please see the (PEA) schedule in the chapel or narthex for all other vacant hours. Our goal is to have two (2) Adorers per hour! All are welcome!

Hear our prayers, Lord



Madison O’Shields (4)
 Joan Hutchinson (1), Timothy White (2), Ian Padilla (3), Mary Ellen McCormick (4), Joe Hill (3), Isabella Sutton (4), Dolores Highsmith-Cass (3), John Hess (4) Dion Newman (3), Connie Arias (2), Phil Brouder (2), Daniel Artates (4), Carol Nunes (4) Dolores Sheppard (5), Albert Pratt (3), Bessie Zanolini (4), Charlie Elser (2), Annie Haley (4), Susan Cox (2), Deacon Larry Sheldon (3), Elba Elias (2), Jim Sams (2), Otillia Quinn (2), Ron Scharfen (2), Dottie Pratt (4), Lourdes Garado (4), Freddie Highsmith (4), Robert Keck (4), Shannon Valtierra (3), Kim Boone (3), Susan Stockwell (3), Gloria Lee (4), Daniella Rogers Harre (2), Shea (2), Laura Labrado (2), Leroy Roles (2), Kim Bettencourt (2), Johanna Klibanoff (1), Bill Parker (1)



DO YOU HAVE A CELIAC CONDITION ? ARE YOU GLUTEN INTOLERANT?

Our parish is conducting a survey to see how many would like to receive Communion with a low gluten host. The Roman Catholic Church now offers low gluten hosts for gluten free parishioners so they will not have to worry about getting ill or only receiving the consecrated Blood of Jesus. These hosts are produced in strict adherence to Canon Law and only contain .002 percent gluten. Please note these hosts are not gluten free but the small amount they contain does not bother most people with gluten allergies. If you wish to receive a low gluten host during Communion please contact Deacon Raymond Elias: (707) 416-4618 or email: deaconraymondelias@sbc.global.net

ADULT EDUCATION RCIA Catholics Come Home	Vivian Donahoe/422-0872 Kelly Newman/422-4582 or Dom Orlando/429-0149	ALPHA PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER	428-3300
ALTAR SERVERS	Deacon Raymond Elias/ 416-4618	AMOR DEI CHARISMATIC COM- MUNITY	Delia & Ireneo Tabasa 707-631-9577
ALTAR & SANCTUARY	Teo Balmeo	COUNSELING (Private Practice)	Henry A Ormond, O. Carm, Ph.D 422-7767 ext 16
BAPTISM PREP Class held every other month	Deacon Raymond Elias deaconraymondlianas@sbcglobalnet 416-4618	COUPLES FOR CHRIST	Cesar & Norma Dulay/925-528-3528 Pidz & Joy Banasan/425-3077
CANCER SUPPORT	Annie Hutchinson	CFC-FOUNDATION FOR FAMILY & LIFE	John & Malou Bayquen/208-4005 Ed & Marie San Pedro/803-1106
CURSILLO	Gem Geluz/ 386-9142	KNIGHTS OF COLUM- BUS	Dominic Orlando/429-0149
FIAT	Norma Dulay/925-528-3528	LORD'S LEAVEN MIS- SION SOCIETY	Marlon & Yvette Taasan/ 428-6375
FINANCE COUNCIL	John Donahoe/422-0872	RETROUVAILLE (Lifeline for troubled mar- riages)	Fred & Barbara Valles/ 422-1215
LAY CARMELITES	Teresa Smith/421-1491	MEMBERS IN MOTION	MaryEllen McCormick/ 434-9850
LEGION OF MARY	Elena McBound/481-7850	QUEEN OF PEACE CENACLE	Mindy Zindel/421-0776
MINISTRY OF THE EUCHARIST	Julie Darling/425-3934 Pearla Cuervo/429-8226	YLI A Catholic Women's Organization	Kathy Marley/422-3588 Margaret Sanders-428-1970
MARRIAGE PREP	Call the Parish Office at least 6 months before wedding date	FAITH FORMATION is on Christmas break. Classes will resume on January 6th & 7th 2015. First Communion classes will begin Wednes- day, January 21st at 6PM. RCIA will resume 7pm, January 7th in the Conference room.	
MUSIC MINISTRY	Barbara McFadden/580-6514 Mark Middleton Email: olmcmusic@guitarandpiano.com		
OLMC GIFT CARDS	Peggy Sherrod/429-3183	News from Holy Spirit: Registration for NEW students, Grades K-8 for Holy Spirit School, Fairfield, will be accepting during the month of January 2015, in the school office from 9am -2pm daily. The office will reopen on Monday, January 5, 2015. Applications made in the past years are obsolete. There is a \$40 application /processing fee per child. Parents applying for entrance into Kindergarten, please note: Children must be 5 years old by September 1st of the Fall of 2015; pre-school is required. Entrance exams will be given to all applicants. All applications must submit the following documents: 1) Birth Certificate 2) Immunization Records 3) Church Certificates -Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Reconciliation, if applicable. 4) Letter of Recommendation from your Parish 5) Latest report cards and test scores -for grades 1-8. 6) Progress Report from preschool for Kindergarteners 7) Photo of Family. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.	
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL	Consists of 10 Members (Listed in the bulletin)		
PRAYER LINE	Catharine Scharfen /427-2320 Jewel Perez/ 426-3697 Pearla Cuervo/429-8/226		
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Elaine Bruno or Anna Albericci 422-2814		
RESPECT LIFE	Cathy Omoso/688-6551		
ST VINCENT de PAUL	422-5209		
USHERS/HOSPITALITY	Bunny Dominguez 386-2709		
MINISTRY OF THE WORD	Greig Parker/688-1795		
VISITS TO SICK and SACRAMENT MINISTRY	Parish Office		
YOUTH MINISTRY	Rhyan & Danielle Ramirez/853-2905 Regina Berdak/398-1092		