

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

*The Epiphany of the Lord*



**Pastor**  
Rev. Alex J. Roche

**Daily Mass:**  
Monday, Wednesday,  
Friday at 8:30 AM

**Confession:**  
Saturday at 4:00 PM  
or by appointment

**Sunday Mass:**  
5:00 PM Saturday Vigil  
8:30 AM  
11:00 AM  
7:00 PM at Misericordia University

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**Sacraments at OLMC****Penance-** Saturdays at 4PM or by appointment**Baptism and Marriage-** Contact the parish office to set up an appointment with Fr. Alex**First Communion, First Penance,****Confirmation** - Contact Mrs. Elaine Herceg to set up an appointment. (570-256-4390)**Joining the Catholic Church-** Contact the parish office to join our RCIA classes with Mrs. Maggie Fishel**OLMC High School Youth Group**

This year we are rolling out some new opportunities for high school parishioners:

**OLMC Youth Group****OLMC High School Bible Study****Rosary Intentions:** Please join us in January to pray for The generosity of those more fortunate will continue to those in need throughout the New Year, for the poor, especially the hungry, the forgotten, and the homeless, For protection of unborn children, for the conversion for those who do not believe in Christ.**Prayer Intentions:** If you or someone you know are in need of prayers, please call or text Wendy Scavone @ 570-905-5310 to be added to the prayer list.

Anonymous Intentions may also be added to the list.

**COLLECTIONS**

Please disregard the offertory amount posted in Dec. 31st bulletin. Below are the corrected amounts from the Holiday early bulletin deadlines:

Offertory	December 16/17	\$5,187.00
Offertory	December 23/24	\$5,352.70
Offertory	December 30/31	\$3,673.05
<b>Total Christmas Collections</b>		<b>\$13,233.01</b>

*Thank you for your generosity & continued support*

This week's second collection: Care &amp; Education of Priests

**Baptism of the Lord**

*It happened in those days  
that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee  
and was baptized in the Jordan by John.*

*On coming up out of the water  
he saw the heavens being torn open  
and the Spirit, like a dove,  
descending upon him.*

*And a voice came from the heavens, "  
You are my beloved Son;  
with you I am well pleased.*

**Mass Intentions (January 8-January 14)**

<b>Monday</b>	8:30 AM	Ruthann Ryczak
<b>Tuesday</b>	No Mass	
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 AM	James Farber - Wife, Mary Ann & Family
<b>Thursday</b>	No Mass	
<b>Friday</b>	8:30 AM	Esther Kohel
<b>Saturday</b>	4:00-4:45	Confession
	5:00 PM	John Zbick - Sister
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30 AM	Victoria Hudzik - Dolores Werhun
	11:00 AM	All Parishioners

*The Sanctuary Light this week is in loving memory of  
Carl Rupp offered by Family*

**2018 OLMC calendars are available in the hall**

2018 Second Collection Schedules  
are available in the back of the church

**Religious Ed**

**Director:** Mrs. Elaine Herceg  
*elaineherceg@gmail.com or (570) 256-4390*

**Religious Ed Perfect Attendance**

Any student having perfect attendance from Sunday, November 5th through Sunday, March 4th, will be entered into a drawing to win four W-B Scranton hockey tickets to a game in early April. The drawing will take place on Sunday, March 4th. Good Luck!

**CIA**

All are invited to get involved in our Compassion in Action Ministry. Please contact the parish office or email: [cia.olmc@gmail.com](mailto:cia.olmc@gmail.com).

Please join us at our next CIA Meeting on Wednesday, February 7 in the parish hall.

**Calling all College Students**

Your parish family would like to stay in touch during the upcoming semester. If you are not on our list and would like to be added, (whether you are dorming or commuting), please email your contact information (including mailing address) to [cia.olmc@gmail.com](mailto:cia.olmc@gmail.com).

**Advent Pierogie Sale Profit**

\$1,518 Thank you for your support

**End of Year Tax Statements**

Parishioners may request a statement by calling the parish office (570-477-5040)

**Upcoming Wedding Anniversary Mass**

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 10. The event includes a 2:30 pm mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through your pastor before March 12. Couples who missed their special year may also attend. Please call the parish office to register.

**RCIA 7:00 PM:**

Wednesday: January 17

Thursdays: January 11, 25 - February 1, 8, 22

Tuesday, February 13

**Catholicism Video**

Please join us on Monday, January 8 @ 7 pm for the next video (The Indispensable Men) to be shown in the church hall. The video series will be shown the second Monday of each month. There will be optional discussion afterwards.

**Community**

**Virtus Training**

Wednesday, January 10 at the CYC, W-B @ 6 pm

If you are an adult employee or volunteer who has direct contact or routine interaction with children, please make every effort to participate in this training.

Your attendance is important. Thank you.



**Soup for the Souls**  
**Soup Sale**

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, Buttonwood, will hold the Sale on January 11th. Soup of the month is Clam Chowder. Pick-up time is 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. Cost is \$8. Pre orders are appreciated. For more information, please call 570-825-6370

**Respect Life Mass**

The Annual Respect Life Mass, sponsored by the Wyoming Valley Councils, Knights of Columbus, will be held at St. Faustina Parish, Nanticoke, on Sunday, January 14 at the 11 am Mass. The Knights of Columbus, along with Pro-Life Representatives, will offer prayer intentions during the Mass for a greater respect of all Human Life and to end abortion. Fr. James Nash, Pastor, warmly invites all to attend and to pray for the most vulnerable of Human Lives, those with disabilities, the ill, and the unborn. Thank You!

**March for Life Bus**

The Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. is Friday, January 19, 2018. Call Chris Calore for bus reservations @ 570-824-5621. Those unable to attend can spend time in prayer in union with those at the March. Those wishing to sponsor a student may mail \$25 to Pa's for Human Life, 31 Hanover St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa 18702. This year's March for Life theme is "Love Saves Lives".

**Church in Central & Eastern Europe**

Our shared faith is deeply present in the cultures of Central and Eastern Europe, but this faith was severely tested over the course of the previous century. Countries in this region were under communist rule for 40 to over 70 years. During this time, bishops, priests, and church leaders were arrested and martyred. Churches were confiscated, communities broken, and people were forced to practice their faith in secret. Despite this religious persecution, the faithful of Central and Eastern Europe today are rebuilding and renewing what was lost--and you can help. With your support of the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe you aid those who strive to rebuild their faith communities. There will be a special collection in February to help support the Church. Collection dates will be posted in future bulletins.

*Gentiles  
are  
partners  
in the  
promise  
in  
Christ Jesus  
through  
the  
Gospel.  
ephesians*