

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church

120 Prospect Street, Nutley, New Jersey 07110

December 9, 2018



2nd Sunday of Advent

Rev. Paciano A. Barbiato, S.T.L.

Pastor

Rev. Dennis E. Reiff

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Peter M. Aquino

In Residence

Deacon Aldo Antola

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Mary Rose Conforto, MPF

Director of Religious Education

Andres Cardona

Director of Music Ministry

Mass Schedule



Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

Filipino Mass ~ First Sunday of the month: 5:00 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Weekdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday: 2:00 p.m.

Devotions

Infant of Prague Novena: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Novena: Wednesday
following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

First Friday Devotions: following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Mission Statement

Our mission as a holy parish is to communicate and to celebrate the life and spirit of Jesus by our words and actions in order to build a dynamic, loving, caring and outreaching community of faith.

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. to
4:00 p.m.

*The rectory is closed between
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.*

Rectory Phone Numbers

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Website

www.olmc-nutley.org

Marriages

Please schedule at least ONE YEAR in advance of your wedding. Pre-Cana and other instruction sessions are required.

Sacraments of Healing

Please notify the parish office if someone is ill at home.

Baptisms

We request parents attend a Baptism Instruction Session before the birth of their child. The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated the third Sunday of each month, except during Lent (when we will not celebrate the sacrament until Easter). All Baptisms are scheduled in person at the rectory.

Parish Membership

All are welcome to join our Parish Family. Parish policy requires registration to participate in Baptism, Marriage and Religion Classes. Please notify the office when a change of address or move occurs.

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. | December 8 Dana Cordasco Amelita J. Bañez |
| Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m. | December 9 Santos and Urbano Families Gerard F. Melillo Tabing and Yetyet Families Gerard F. Melillo ~ <i>1st Anniversary</i> |
| Monday 8:00 a.m. | December 10 Teresa and Aniello DeCristofano |
| Tuesday 8:00 a.m. | December 11 Frank Gagliardo |
| Wednesday 8:00 a.m. | December 12 Cabral and Francisco Families |
| Thursday 8:00 a.m. | December 13 Socorro Yaoto and Kerwin Yaoto |
| Friday 8:00 a.m. | December 14 Leoncia, Mariano and Justina Urbano |
| Saturday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. | December 15 Frieda and Joseph Gabriel Patricio Cevallos, Jr. |
| Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m. | December 16 Ricardo Cruz Donald Strimike Norberta Pahingalo Marie Andolino |



Prayers for Health Reasons

Emma Allen, Ariel Andrade, Lucille Badan, Robert Balogh, Josephine Benimeo, George Berkovich, Dorothy Bogacz, Rudolfo Clavecilla, Ronald Cozzarelli, Ana Marie de Vera, Donald Di Benedetto, Joshua Di Costanzo, Richard Dinzes, Veronica Duff, Melanie Entena, Domenick Falduto, Anna Marie Ferrante, Connie Garcia, Michele Giannone, Loida Gomez, Robert Griffin, Patricia Holevas, Pat Hosey, Michelle Hyland, Justin, Lucille, Lynda, Eve McKay, Beverly Meireles, Victor Meireles, Madeline Micael, Lawrence Miller, Karen Ann Niles, Jack Nitz, Carmela Novick, Karen P., Robert Palmer, Stephanie Pena, Maria A. Penaranda, Evelyn Perry, Vincent Petracco, Angela and Frank Porter, Richard Reidy, Albert Reyes, Jocelyn Reyes, Marie Rispoli, Anne Rotonda, Peter Scarpelli, Luanne Luisi Schmidt, Josephine Senek, Susan, John Tiseo, Mariana Toledo, James Tressito, Tom Tucker, Margarita Ufret, Gina Villaggio, Emily Wills, Romona Zungri

Mass Intentions

Masses are scheduled in person during office hours.

Come to the rectory to: Make an offering in honor or in memory of a loved one for The Sanctuary Light, Bread and Wine or Church Flowers. **The Mass Book for 2019 is now open.**

If you need to visit or call the rectory **on Mondays** and **it is not an emergency**, we would sincerely appreciate your consideration and assistance in **delaying your visit or call until after 11:30 a.m.** *Thank You!*

Baptism Information

If you are expectant parents, please arrange to attend our Baptismal Instruction Program before the birth of your child. Baptismal Instruction and Baptisms must be scheduled in person, at the rectory. The next Baptism is scheduled for January 20 at 2:00 p.m. Please visit our website to read guidelines for god-parents **and for a complete Baptismal Schedule.**



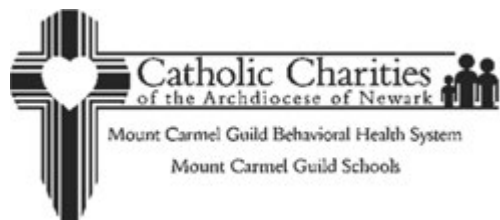
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As you give to the Lord, may He bless you in return.

The **Sanctuary Light** honoring the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord in the Tabernacle is lit this week in Honor and Loving Memory of
George Mayrer

The **Bread and Wine** offering this week in Honor and Loving Memory of
Christina Mayrer

How many gifts will you unwrap this Christmas?



Most gifts will bring you a deep sense of joy on many levels – joy from the actual item you received and joy in knowing that someone thought about you. Catholic Charities reaches out to those who may not receive one gift and who may have very few if anyone to think about them. Help Catholic Charities by contributing to the clothing bin. Thank you.

♪ Come Sing With Us! ♪

Come celebrate the joy of the Christmas Season by attending our Third Annual Carol Sing featuring our Youth and Adult Choirs, Cantors, Instrumentalists and ALL OF YOU! Join us at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 6 (Feast of the Epiphany) in the Church.



Food Pantry

Many people only donate to food pantries at holiday times. We sincerely appreciate your generosity throughout the year. Donations to our Food Pantry may include non-perishable foods: such as soups, sauces, pasta, rice, cereals, dry milk, canned foods, as well as toiletries.

Please check expiration dates before donating food. Please drop off food donations in one of the church vestibules. Please refrain from leaving donations on the porch of the rectory.

Communion for the Homebound

Upon request, Communion will be brought to any parishioner confined to the home. Please contact Denise at 973-542-0191. Reminder: those who are seriously ill, or weak from the burden of years, should request the Anointing of the Sick ~ to schedule: please contact the Rectory.

Choir Rehearsal

Junior Choir: Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

Adult Choir: Every Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.

OLMC Website

Visit our website www.olmc-nutley.org to check out the latest bulletin, get Religious Education news, Mass schedules, find out more information about our various organizations, events, and much more. Pay us a visit!

At a Glance ...

December 11

Infant of Prague Novena: 7:30 p.m.

December 16

2nd Collection: Parish Utilities

Christmas and New Year's Schedule

See page 5 of the Bulletin.

Rectory Closed on the following dates:

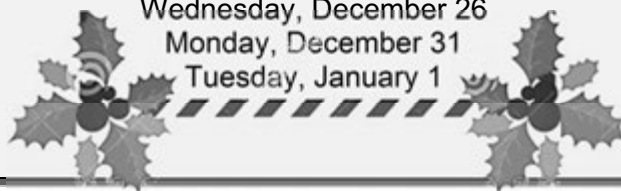
Monday, December 24

Tuesday, December 25

Wednesday, December 26

Monday, December 31

Tuesday, January 1



Religious Education

The Christmas Wreath Sale is still taking place this weekend. Price of each wreath is \$20. Proceeds benefit the OLMC Religious Education Program.

Christmas Wafers



Traditional Polish Christmas wafers (Oplatki) are available and may be purchased at the rectory during office hours. The Oplatki wafers are embossed

with Christmas related religious images, varying from the nativity scene (especially Virgin Mary with baby Jesus), to the Star of Bethlehem. They are \$4 and include instructions regarding their use.

You Are Not Alone (YANA)

The next meeting of our Parish Bereavement Support Group will be on **December 12** from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Our Support Group is open to anyone (parishioner or non-parishioner) who has suffered the loss of a friend, relative or a loved one. There is no charge. Reservations are not required. All you need is an open mind and an open heart. Let us try to help you through this time of grief.

Stewardship

We have an obligation to share with others that which God has given us. Share your time and talents. Everyone can become involved in the life of our Parish by becoming an **Altar Server, Catechist, Choir Member, Lector or Usher**. By taking an active role in the liturgical life, and service of the Parish, you can have a wonderful experience. *Please complete the below form, and drop it in the collection basket or call the rectory.*

Ministry Sign Up Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

I am interested in the following Ministry(ies):

Altar Server

Catechist

Lector

Choir

Other _____

The Four Sundays



In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the readings of Mass on the Sundays of Advent have distinct themes:

- ❖ On the First Sunday (Advent Sunday), they look forward to the Second Coming of Christ.
- ❖ On the Second Sunday, the Gospel reading recalls the preaching of John the Baptist, who came to "prepare the way of the Lord"; the other readings have associated themes.
- ❖ On the Third Sunday (Gaudete Sunday), the Gospel reading is again about John the Baptist, the other readings about the joy associated with the coming of the Savior.
- ❖ On the Fourth Sunday, the Gospel reading is about the events involving Mary and Joseph that led directly to the birth of Jesus, while the other readings are related to these.

Join Us...

Knights of Columbus


The group meets the **first and third Tuesday of the month at 8:00 p.m.** To join: email Ken at KofC6195@verizon.net or call the Rectory.

OLMC Rosary Society

The group meets the **first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will be held on **January 3.** For more information call Denise, (973)641-2424. New members Welcome!

Women's Auxiliary

The group meets the **second Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will be **Monday, December 10 at 1:00 p.m.** For more information call Linda, (973) 661-0090 or email at lkr160@aol.com. New members Welcome!



Parish Membership ... Why is it Important?

In order for the parish to keep accurate records, please notify the parish office of any changes in your address or phone number. All adult Catholics should be registered in a parish. In order for us to testify to your ability for sponsorship in Baptism, Confirmation or witness to a Catholic marriage, it is necessary to be a registered member of this parish. To register, fill out the form below and place in the collection basket.

Quick Parish Registration Request

Our welcome mat is always out. If you enjoy worshipping at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, make us your official Parish by taking a few moments to register. You may also download a registration form on our website. *All information is confidential.*

I wish to register as a Parishioner of OLMC.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____

Telephone: _____

New Registration Change of Address

Christmas and New Year's Schedule

Advent Penance Service: Tuesday, December 11^h

7:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, Nutley

Christmas Eve: Monday, December 24th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Christmas Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord: 10:00 p.m.

(Choral Preludes by the Youth Choir at 4:30 p.m. and by the Adult Choir at 9:30 p.m.)

Christmas Day: Tuesday, December 25th

7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 12:15 p.m.

New Year's Eve: Monday, December 31st

8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary

New Year's Day: Tuesday, January 1st

8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

the Orthodox Church, and in the Anglican, Lutheran, Moravian, Presbyterian, and Methodist calendars. In the Ambrosian Rite and the Mozarabic Rite of the Catholic Church, Advent begins on the sixth Sunday before Christmas, the Sunday after St. Martin's Day (11 November).

Practices associated with Advent include keeping an Advent calendar, lighting an Advent wreath, praying an Advent daily devotional, erecting a Chrismon tree, lighting a Christingle, as well as other ways of preparing for Christmas, such as setting up Christmas decorations, a custom that is sometimes done liturgically through a hanging of the greens ceremony. The equivalent of Advent in Eastern Christianity is called the Nativity Fast, but it differs in length and observances, and does not begin the liturgical church year as it does in the West.

Advent History

It is unknown when the period of preparation for Christmas that is now called Advent first began – it was certainly in existence from about 480 – and the novelty introduced by the Council of Tours of 567 was to order monks to fast every day in the month of December until Christmas. Some have even said it goes back to the time of the Twelve Apostles or that it was founded by Saint Peter. This has led to the conclusion that it is "impossible to claim with confidence a credible explanation of the origin of Advent".

Associated with Advent was a period of fasting, known also as the Nativity Fast or the Fast of December.

According to some sources, the celebration of Advent began in the fifth century when the Bishop Perpetuus directed that starting with the feast of St. Martin, 11 November, until Christmas, one fasts three times per week; this is why Advent is also named Lent of St. Martin. According to historians, this practice remained limited to the diocese of Tours until the sixth century.

The homilies of Gregory the Great in the late sixth century showed four weeks to the liturgical season of Advent, but without the observance of a fast. However, under Charlemagne in the ninth century, writings claim that the fast was still widely observed.

When Pope Urban V ascended the papal seat in 1362, he simply forced people in his court to abstinence but there was no question of fasting. It was then customary in Rome to observe five weeks of Advent before Christmas.

The Catholic Church, for centuries, has begun the season of Advent on the fourth Sunday before Christmas and neither fast nor abstinence are observed.

The liturgy of Advent remained unchanged until the Second Vatican Council, in 1963, introduced minor changes, differentiating the spirit of Lent from that of Advent, emphasizing Advent as a season of hope for Christ's coming now as a promise of his Second Coming.

Source: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Advent>

Advent Overview

Advent is a season observed in many Christian churches as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming. The term is a version of the Latin word meaning "coming". The term "Advent" is also used in Eastern Orthodoxy for the 40-day Nativity Fast, which has practices different from those in the West.

Latin *adventus* is the translation of the Greek word *parousia*, commonly used to refer to the Second Coming of Christ. For Christians, the season of Advent anticipates the coming of Christ from three different perspectives. "Since the time of Bernard of Clairvaux (d.1153) Christians have spoken of the three comings of Christ: in the flesh in Bethlehem, in our hearts daily, and in glory at the end of time." The season offers the opportunity to share in the ancient longing for the coming of the Messiah, and to be alert for his Second Coming.

Advent is the beginning of the Western liturgical year and commences on the fourth Sunday before Christmas (sometimes known as Advent Sunday), the Sunday nearest to St. Andrew's Day (30 November), in the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the Western Rite of

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