

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish
820 N. Garfield Ave. Montebello, California 90640

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Sunday
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Advent

“Joseph, son of David,
do not be afraid to
take Mary your wife
into your home.”

Matthew 1:20



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December 22, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAYS: 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY: 7:30 a.m.

SUNDAY MASS ON SATURDAY: 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: IN ENGLISH 8:30 a.m., 10:30
a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (Teen Mass)

DOMINGO-MISA EN ESPAÑOL: 12:30 p.m.

HOLY DAYS: 7:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Evening before Holy Days: 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

BAPTISM: Infants & Children register in the
Rector's Office

RCIA: Call Roy Ramirez at (562) 879-9478

MARRIAGES: Couples must call the Rector's
Office at least six months in advance.

CONTACT/INFORMATION

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WELCOME TO

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish

If you are visiting or new in our community we are blessed that you are here to worship and celebrate with us. We encourage all Catholic adults living within the parish, and those who would like to join our parish, to register. Please contact the Rectory Office.

NOVENA: Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday, 7:00 p.m.

ADORATION: Second Tuesday, 8:00 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: After 7:30 a.m. Mass

HOLY HOUR AND ROSARY OF THE UNBORN: 3rd Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.

24 HRS. PREGNANCY PRO-LIFE: Hotline (323) 261-0731

LINEA DE EMERGENCIA PRO-VIDA 24 hrs. (323) 261-0731

Merry Christmas!

Fr. John and the Parish Staff, wishes each and everyone of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!



This Sunday *The Youth Confirmation Program* will sponsor the Donut Sale. Thank You, to all organizations who give so much of their time to support the Donut Sale.

Please be sure to stop by and support them!



Check out the website for our parish,

www.olmmparish.com

If you wish to reach us via

Email: olmm1950@gmail.com



*Preview of Next Sunday's Readings
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 29, 2019*

First reading: Sirach 3:25-6, 12-14

Second reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

A reading from the Book of Sirach

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins—a house raised in justice to you.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When the magi had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him." Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod, that what the Lord had said through the prophet might be fulfilled, *Out of Egypt I called my son*. When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go back there. And because he had been warned in a dream, he departed for the region of Galilee. He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, *He shall be called a Nazorean*.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, December 22, 2019

8:30 am Ruben Vega Sr.
Richard Vasquez
Geraldine Krause
Esperaza, Thomas & Danny Ramilla

10:30 am Lillian Lovato
Jesus Duran
Nelson & Susie Borina
Castillo Family
Penelope Roa

12:30 pm Landy & Jose Correa
Bertha & Francisco Torres
Antonio & Elfego Sr., Pena
Francisco Martinez
Juana M. Estevez

6:00 pm Parish Family

MONDAY, December 23

7:30 am Raul Vasquez, Jr. & Elsa Pavon (Dec.)
Charles Silva (Dec.)

7:00 pm Vincent Calderon (Liv.)

TUESDAY, December 24 Christmas Eve

7:30 am No Morning Mass

5:00 pm Christmas List Intentions

WEDNESDAY, December 25 Christmas Day

8:30 am Christmas List Intentions

10:30 am Christmas List Intentions

12:30 pm Christmas List Intentions

6:00 pm No Evening Mass

THURSDAY, December 26

7:30 am Miguel Anaya (Dec.)
Martha Anaya (B'day)

7:00 pm Maria Yanez (Dec.)
Joseph Spadaro (Dec. B'day)
Geronima Munoz

FRIDAY, December 27

7:30 am Alivia Guevarra (Liv. B'day)
Mary Rose Go & Patrick Rosal (Liv.)

7:00 pm Ernesto Ritacca (Dec. Anniv.)
Rosamaria Rossier (Dec. Anniv.)

SATURDAY, December 28

7:30 am Mary Rose Go & Patrick Rosal (Liv.)

5:00 pm Mario De Anda
Ryan De La Cruz
Catalina & Juan Ismael
Philip Du Hugen Vu



Our Parish, like every other Parish, depends heavily on your generosity at all times but especially at Christmas for the financial support we need to continue our work. All wage earners are requested to give as much as you can afford. Our utilities and everything else, just like your own expenses, have gone up tremendously, so we ask you to be as generous as circumstances allow. **Thank You!**

Weekly Offering

Due to the Christmas Holiday, the bulletin had to be submitted before the Sunday, December 15th collection. Therefore, figures will be posted in the bulletin of December 29th, 2019.



Are you over the age of 21 years of age and are seeking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Our 16 week Confirmation class will guide you through the completion of your Baptism. Baptism marked the start of your relationship with Christ. Your soul changed permanently and you were filled with grace from God. Through Confirmation, the Holy Spirit strengthens these graces. This Confirmation Journey brings you closer to Christ and better prepares you to face the daily challenges of Christian life, in marriage, as a sponsor or Godparent. Registration has begun.

For more information, call Roy Ramirez at 562-879-9478 or email: olmmrcia@gmail.com



Are you Interested in the Catholic Faith?

The R.C.I.A. Program is designed for Adults who are seeking the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion or have been Baptized and are seeking Confirmation and Holy Communion. Classes have begun and are held on Sunday in Laboure Center from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

REGISTRATIONS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED.
Applications are available in the Rectory Office and on the Church website.

If you want to know more about the R.C.I.A. Journey of Faith, please call: **Roy Ramirez** at

562-879-9478 or contact us through our website, olmmrcia@gmail.com

You can see current information through Facebook OLMM RCIA

All are welcome!



Youth Confirmation

Our Youth Confirmation program is for high school students. It is a two-year journey involving faith formation classes, retreats and community service hours leading to the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Class Schedule

There will be no class on December 22nd or 29th due to Christmas and New Years' Holidays.

Year 1 January 5, 2020

Year 2 January 12, 2020

All classes begin with check in promptly at 3:45pm in Watterson Hall

For questions, please email Cristina at
[**olmmyouthconfirmation@gmail.com**](mailto:olmmyouthconfirmation@gmail.com) *or*

*contact Roy Ramirez,
Youth Confirmation Director
at 562-879-9478.*

QUINCEAÑERA MASS

If you would like information/requirements to plan a Quinceañera Mass, please call the Rectory Office at least six months in advance at (323) 725-7578, and ask for Chris.

DID YOU KNOW?

My body, my rules

In all the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, it can be easy for children to get overwhelmed — with parties and holiday get together, they may be seeing lots of new or unfamiliar family members and friends. It's important to remind children that they can say no to hugs, kisses, and other physical signs of affection if they are uncomfortable. Review "my body, my rules," and give children polite ways to decline any signs of affection that they don't want to give or receive. A simple "no thank you" to a request for a hug, or deflecting to a high-five, gives a child important control over who touches him or her, and how he or she feels in any situation. For more information, visit <https://www.parents.com/parenting/better-parenting/advice/reluctant-hugs-why-you-shouldnt-force-kids-to-show-physical/>

¿SABIA USTED?

Mi cuerpo, mis reglas

Con todo el movimiento y bullicio de la temporada navideña, puede ser fácil para los niños sentirse abrumados con las fiestas y reuniones navideñas, y al conocer a nuevos o desconocidos miembros y amistades de la familia. Es importante recordar a los niños que ellos pueden decir no a abrazos, besos u otras formas físicas de afecto si ellos se sienten incómodos. Revise "mi cuerpo, mis reglas", y enseñe a los niños formas educadas de rechazar cualquier forma física de afecto que ellos no quieren dar o recibir. Un simple "no, gracias", a una solicitud de un abrazo, o a un "chocar los cinco", le da al niño o niña un control importante de quién él o ella dan autorización para que los toquen, y de cómo él o ella se siente en cualquier situación dada. Para más información, visite <https://www.parents.com/parenting/better-parenting/advice/reluctant-hugs-why-you-shouldnt-force-kids-to-show-physical/>.

Christmas Children's Mass

Let's gather as one big family and celebrate Mass, **Tuesday, December 24th**, with Christmas Carols starting at 4:30 p.m. and Children's Liturgy



*They shall name him Emmanuel,
which means "God is with us."
— Matthew 1:23*



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IMPORTANT MESSAGE!

"Together in Mission" Campaign

Have you filled out your Pledge Forms? They are located in the church vestibules. If you have submitted your Pledge Forms, we Thank You for your contribution to the "Together in Mission Campaign"

Parish Goal: \$63,900.00

SACRAMENTAL MARRIAGE INFORMATION

If you would like information regarding Marriage Preparation, please call the Rectory Office **at least six months in advance** of proposed Wedding date at (323) 725-7578 and ask for Chris.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Are you interested in helping a family enjoy a nice holiday meal to share with friends and family?



This is the time of year we ask for donations to use towards preparing the gift of food for those who need a little extra help during the holidays. There are three ways to donate: monetary gifts; local market gift cards; and donations of Hams. For further information, please contact: Camelia through the Rectory Office, 323-725-7578. Thank you, for any help you can offer during this holiday season!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS TO DECORATE THE CHURCH

If you would like to donate a potted Poinsettia plant or make a monetary donation of \$10.00 or more in memory of a loved one or in the name of your family to help decorate our **ALTAR** for **CHRISTMAS** please, fill out the form below and return it to the Rectory Office, when you bring in your donation or your plant. **PLEASE** bring your plants starting **12/22 thru 12/24.**



PLEASE PRINT



I/We will bring a potted poinsettia plant or a monetary donation in the name of/ or in memory of:

Donor's
Name _____

Phone# _____

Pray for the Dead

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for our Parishioner,

Vincent Spiteri

Our most sincere sympathy is extended to his family.





LOOKING FOR A HALL TO RENT?

Are you planning a baby shower, Baptism celebration, birthday party, wedding celebration, wedding anniversary celebration, Quinceañeros, or other special event and need a hall to use for the event? Look no further! Laboure Center and Watterson Hall are available for you to hold that important event you are planning! Please contact Camelia in the Rectory Office at 323-725-7578.

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Youth Confirmation Community Spotlight

Our Youth Confirmation Students are giving back this holiday season by making hygiene bags for the homeless, donating toys to families in needs and helping in decorating our church for the Christmas season.



Pictured above: Our Confirmation team leaders and students donated **over 50** hygiene bags to the community!!

“Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus and the Apostles”

**You Are Invited to Join Fr. John Vianney
on Pilgrimage to the Holy Land & Petra,
Jordan**

May 20 - 31, 2020

Walk where Jesus walked and be enriched and spiritually blessed as we visit many of the places where Our Lord taught and the Apostles followed.

**Jerusalem - Bethlehem - Capernaum - Cana -
Nazareth**

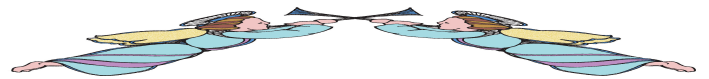
**Tiberias - Private Boat Ride on the Sea of Galilee -
Masada - Dead Sea**

Also included is the red-rose city of Petra, Jordan.

Includes LAX air, First Class 4*Hotels, ALL Breakfasts & Dinners, ALL Sightseeing with Admissions, Special Masses at the significant Basilicas

Space is Limited ... Call Adeline Today!!
(818) 368-6545

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

December 24th, Tuesday-(Christmas Eve)

Mass schedule is as follows:

5:00 p.m. Mass; Christmas Carols at 4:30 p.m.

9:00 p.m. Mass; Christmas Carols at 8:30 p.m.

Our Midnight Mass is at 9:00 p.m.

December 25th-Wednesday- Christmas Day

Liturgies at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. in English:

12:30 p.m. in Spanish

No 6:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day