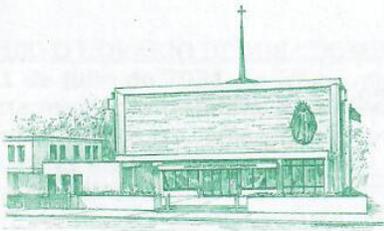
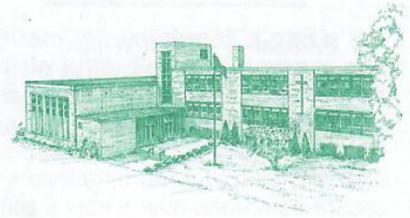


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Eucharist
Saturday: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm (English),
7:30 pm (Español)
Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:00 am (English)
Sunday: 11:30 am, 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm (Español)
Weekdays: 8:00 am & 12:05 pm Mondays,
Wednesdays & Fridays (English)
7:00pm Monday thru Friday (Español)

Holyday Masses Times, language and places will be published in the Sunday bulletin.
Misas Festivas El tiempo, el idioma y el lugar será publicado en el boletín del domingo.

Reconciliation/Reconciliacion: Saturday: 4:15- 4:45 pm; 6:45 pm-7:15 pm (Español). Priest is available upon request or by appointment. El sacerdote estará disponible con cita también

Marriage/Boda: Arrangements should be made at least (6) months in advance. Only parish members will be allowed to register. Los arreglos deben de hacerse al menos (6) seis meses por adelantado. Solo parroquianos se pueden registrar.

Sweet Sixteen/Quinceañeras: Please register with Rosie at 347-318-2110 at least (6) months in advance. Favor de registrarse con Rosie al 347-318-2110 por lo menos (6) meses por adelantado.

Baptism
You must register at the Parish Office and present the birth certificate. You will then be guided through the process. Preparation includes establishing affiliation, attending class and reflecting on how to choose Sponsors. The process will take about 3 months. Baptism Ceremony: Third Saturday of the month at 11:00am.

Bautismo
Hay que inscribirse en la oficina y presentar la acta de nacimiento. Un miembro del Equipo Bautismal se comunicara para visitarte. La preparación incluye saber si eres miembro de la parroquia, asistir a dos clases y reflexión sobre como elegir a los Padrinos. El proceso demora tres meses. Ceremonia del bautismo; Cada primer y tercer sabado del mes a las 12:00pm.

Religious Education
If you would like information regarding our Religious Education Program for children or adults, please call Mrs. Nina at 347-559-1566.

Educación Religiosa
Si usted desea información sobre nuestro programa de Educación Religiosa para niños o adultos, por favor llame a la Senora Nina al 347-559-1566.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday – July 10

8:00am- † Florence Stachurski
 5:00pm- † Joseph & Caroline Sportiello
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday – July 11

10:00am- † Gregory Zukowski
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday – July 12

8:00am- † Fr. D. Michael Flynn, S.J.
 12:05pm- † Carmen Talaid ~*Birthday Anniversary*~
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Tuesday – July 13

7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Wednesday – July 14

8:00am- † Alexander A. Zuntag
 12:05pm~ Personal Intentions of
 Ricardo Lopez & Antonia Godina
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Thursday – July 15

7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Friday – July 16

8:00am~ For Carmelo Mendoza's Health
 12:05pm~ Personal Intentions of
 Cupertino Mendez & Valentina Lopez
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Saturday – July 17

8:00am- † Augustine Kulka
 5:00pm- † Augustine Kulka
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday – July 18

10:00am- † Zenaida Carino
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Mass Intentions

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Elizabeth Pugliese

Offered by: Family
By: Filomena Manzano

Offered by: Annette Esposito
Offered by: Talaid Family

By: son, Alexander E. Zuntag
Offered by: Francisca Lopez

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Offered by: Christine Pascua

Weekly Memorials

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“In this complex situation, it becomes even more urgent to bring the Gospel of Christ with courage to all realities, which is the proclamation of hope, reconciliation, communion; announcement of the closeness of God, of his mercy, of his salvation; announcement that the power of God's love is capable of overcoming the darkness of evil and leading to the path of good”(Pope Francis).



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"He sent them two by two" (Mark 6: 7-13)

Divine and creative thought tells us that “it is not good for man to be alone” (Genesis 2:18) and although it says it in a different context and in direct reference to the creation of man and woman, we can also apply it to the mission that Jesus gives in today's Gospel to the 12 apostles whom he sends “two by two to go and bear fruit” (Mark 6: 7). Can you imagine a journey just two thousand years ago? From the beginning the teachings of Jesus point to the community and interdependence of the disciples who preach his word.

From Amos, my favorite prophet, to the call to the 12 apostles, God calls believers to serve and take his word to others. Amos, a “mini cowboy” was called to prophesy instead of taking care of his vaquitas. Saint Paul echoes his call to preach the message of Christ to all nations.

The twelve were sent two by two to heal the sick and cast out demons. For this reason, and although we are in the midst of the summer heat today, we should also commit ourselves to "announcing the closeness of God."

Amos wants to excuse himself from the entrusted mission since he is not a prophet or the son of a prophet.

He defines himself as a shepherd and collector of wild figs. Although they have almost disappeared, shepherds are perhaps still easier to find than pickers of wild figs. Both of his occupations were filled with attentions that could not be easily neglected. But God called him to preach against the established power that oppressed his people. The rulers, engulfed in their power, trusted their own prophets who promised prosperity. Not much has changed since some deny the cross of Christ and turn away from pain to preach a God who blesses those who have more. That is why we would have to learn from Saint Paul who tells us that if something must be our boast it is the cross of Christ Crucified. Our God is always on the side of the marginalized and leads us to hope and the reconciliation that implies justice for all.

How beautiful and positive is the message with which Jesus wants his disciples to encourage those who listen to them "because the Kingdom of God is near." Although many times we want to see the expansion of the Kingdom of God with extreme actions and desperate cries, the mission that Jesus entrusts to his apostles is a mission of mercy, reconciliation and full life (heal the sick). Mission is possible if there is faith, so we must insist on prayer that increases our little faith. It is also interesting to see that the apostles did not bring anything and instead brought a lot. May our dependence on the God of Life make us missionaries who carry a message of salvation and brotherhood to all men and women of good will.

P. Hernán, S.J.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

July 11: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 7:12-15
Psalms 85:9-14
Ephesians 1:3-14

July 18: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalms 23:1-6
Ephesians 2:13-18



2021 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL – WE ARE CLOSE! Please help us reach our parish goal of **\$35,000** in this year's Cardinals Appeal. To date the pledges received for our parish are **\$26,413**. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to all those who have already donated to this year's appeal. There is still time to make a pledge, please go to www.cardinalsappeal.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS – First Holy Communion and Confirmation photos are now available in the rectory. Please stop by the rectory to pick them up this week. Any child that missed last day of class should visit the rectory to make arrangements to pick up their report card and/or any summer assignments.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2021-2022; REGISTER NOW! Registration for the 2021/2022 school year has begun. Any child entering first grade in public school in September should be preparing for First Holy Communion and any child entering sixth grade should be preparing for Confirmation. Please do not delay in registering your child on our website or in person.

RCIA – Stands for the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults. Through this journey of exploring and growing in faith, adults receive formation leading to the reception/celebration of the sacraments. But it must first be a journey of faith; a desire to grow in the faith and have an adult relationship with God. If you or someone you know is a candidate for RCIA, please let us know. If you have a child who is older than our usual Religious Education age, also let us know. We will journey with you on how to help him/her complete the sacraments.

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CONSOLATION MINISTRY WORKSHOP - Our parish will be offering a Ministry of Consolation Workshop every Friday in Spanish **during the month of July** at 6:00pm in one of our parish meeting rooms. This ministry will offer a interactive and informative workshop to those who are grieving the loss of a departed loved one. These workshops are intended to assist in moving through the period of mourning. All participants will be enriched and empowered, receiving comfort, support and encouragement with empathy. No registration is required. Feel free to spread the word and invite anyone needing this help.

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