

Announcements cont'd:

New Year's Day. Since Mary and Joseph protected the baby Jesus when Herod killed the Holy Innocents, let's start the year by praying for the innocent unborn children whose lives are in danger. Since the walls of Jericho fell after Joshua processed around it seven times (Joshua 6), we'll process around Planned Parenthood seven times. Join us on **January 1, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the Planned Parenthood at 7155 E. 38th Ave. in Denver.**

FSSP Calendars

Do you know the feast days of all the Saints on the old liturgical calendar? FSSP calendars for 2019 are for sale in the parish office for just \$10 each.

March for Life

Join thousands for the annual Celebrate Life March in downtown Denver on **January 12th**. Mass will be at Holy Ghost Church at 11am, and at the Cathedral Basilica at 11:30am, followed by the Rally at the **State Capitol at 1pm**. Bring signs and your family and friends to hear the line-up of speakers. Colorado has become increasingly anti family and anti God, so make your voice heard by your presence on this day.

First Penance and Communion Classes

First Holy Communion and First Confession Classes will begin on **January 13th** at **9:30** in a downstairs classroom. First Penance will be for 2nd graders and up, and First Holy Communion will be for 3rd graders and up. This year there will be no Confirmation. Sign up sheets are in the parish hall on the bulletin board.

If you have any questions please contact Maria Berger at m.berger@nool.us.

Choir & Schola Weekly Practice Times

For 8:30am Morning High Masses, 40 min before Mass begins - Schola 7:50-8:05, mixed choir 8:05-8:25.

Regular Wednesday rehearsals 6:30-7:00 Schola, 7:00-8:30 mixed choir.

Sundays 9:00-9:25 Schola, 9:25 warm up, 9:30-10:25 mixed choir.

Beacon of Hope Gala

On Saturday, **January 26th**, 2019, Catholic

Charities' will have their major fundraising event for Marisol Health. Join us for a blessed evening with Mass and dinner.

See <https://ccdenvr.org/beacon/> for more information and to purchase tickets!

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Natli Molloy, Sarah Totman, Donald John Dowling Jr., Marisa Shanstrom, Debra DiCino, Angela Wimmer, Bishop Eugene J. Gerber, William B. Sawtell, Charles Ray Johnson, Bishop Robert Morlino, Sr. Bernadette of the Immaculate Conception, O.C.D., James Egle, Tom Coogan, Joan Ludwig

Parish Organizations:

Altar & Rosary Society - d.grandy@yahoo.com

Altar Boy Training Fr. Kick - ckick@olgseminary.org

Carmelite Book Study - 1st & 3rd Saturday at 9:30am

Lucy Okoh 303-806-9923

Holy Name Society - Men's group.

Fr. Kick - ckick@olgseminary.org

Juventutem, Young Adults Group - Chris Pollard

cvmp94@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Council # 13205

Tim Glass, Grand Knight - GlassTJ@Yahoo.com

Legion of Mary - Henry Alire - 303-426-0446.

OLMC Federation of North American Explorers

Nicholas Trandem - 720-295-9556 or

info@olmcexplorers.org

OLMC Music Department and Choir

Contact: Rick Wheeler

music.director@olmcfssp.org.

Prayer Line: To request prayers, please contact: Jane

Brennan: jmbrennan555@gmail.com or 303-618-4182.

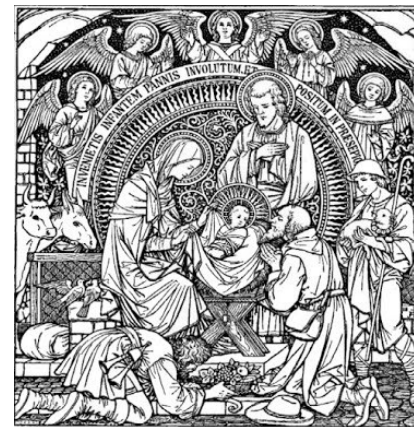
Shepherds of Christ - Pray for priests every Tues., 5pm.

St. Anne's Quilters - Carolyn Mulligan 303-254-9889.

St. Thomas Aquinas Study Group - Meets monthly after the 10:30am Mass - jbaker7@yahoo.com.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church



Fraternitas Sacerdotalis Sancti Petri

The Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter

Sunday, December 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Rorate Sunday)

Rev. James W. Jackson, FSSP Pastor

Rev. Daniel Nolan, FSSP Parochial Vicar asst.pastor1@olmcfssp.org

Rev. Caleb Kick, FSSP Parochial Vicar

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Mass Schedule

Sundays

6:30 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am (High), 12:30 p.m.

Mondays-Saturdays

6:30 am M-F at Carmelite Monastery,

Saturday at OLMC

8:30 am M-Th and Sat. at OLMC

7:00 pm Friday at OLMC

Confessions

Half hour before each Mass

Saturdays: 8:30 - 9:30 am

3:00 - 4:00 pm

Devotions:

Holy Hour: Thursdays 7:00 - 8:00 pm

First Friday Adoration

Catechism on Holy Week

The preface of the *missa sicca* (dry Mass) speaks of the authority of Christ over the kingdoms and powers of this world. This preface was suppressed. The reformers simply gave the explanation that it was superfluous. “Considering the little coherence of these prefaces, their prolixity, and, in certain formulations, their poverty of thought, their loss was of little relevance.” Of little relevance! This astounding prejudice is in direct contradiction to the Council of Trent (“There is nothing superfluous in the rites of the Mass...” and shows great ignorance I think. That is, the Roman Rite often uses for great liturgical moments such as the consecration of oils or the ordination of a priest; the singing of a preface. A preface is a particular way to praise the divine order of creation and its subordination of the created order, and admonishes kings and governments to be duly obedient to Christ. In the MR 1952, we find the following preface in the *missa sicca*: “For thy creatures serve Thee, because they acknowledge Thee alone as their origin and God, and all thy work praises Thee together, and thy Saints bless Thee: for they confess with unfettered voice the great Name of thy Only-begotten before the kings and powers of this world.” In those few, elegant lines, we see a whole theological foundation of the temporal duty of governments to Christ the King. And that could not be more “relevant.”

Please pray for the sick:

David Williamson Sr & Jr, Robert DiCino, Nathaniel Venters, Andy McKinley, James Hamm, Bonnie Joyce-Irish, Elizabeth Nicolini, Ana Maria Romero, Sha Fisher, Carol Balizet, Nick Cleary, Fernando Ruiz, Steven Chris Valerio, Gabriel Tyler, Virginia Carr, Diane Fisher, Sharolyn Albi, Connie McKenna, Madaline Havener, Evelyn Arrington, Bob Heldt, Allen & Jane Egle, Lucy McCord, Susan Blaufuss, Doris Danko, Margaret Ortiz, Susan Martin, Bill Perry, Mary Robles

Any parishioner confined at home who would like to receive the sacraments or the bulletin, please contact the parish office at 303-703-8538.

Please make checks for the collection basket payable to OLMC Catholic Church. To have a Mass said, please see the individual priest.

Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Rorate Sunday)

6:30 am Orbanica Bernal by Barbara Kuhl
8:30 am Arlette Jaced by Kenrick Webb
10:30 am OLMC Registered Parishioners
12:30 pm +D. Katherine & +Luis E. Rojas by the Rojas Family

Monday, December 24

Vigil of Christmas

6:30 am **(at Carmel)** Personal Intentions by Barbara Kuhl
8:30 am Bernadette Truta by Mary Gedney

Tuesday, December 25

The Nativity of Our Lord

12:00 am Noel Holland by Edson M. Holland
6:30 am **(at Carmel)** Sisters' Intention
8:30 am +Mrs. Bertha Greve by Reinie Greve
10:30 am OLMC Registered Parishioners

Wednesday, December 26

St. Stephen, Deacon & Protomartyr

6:30 am **(at Carmel)** Sisters' Intention
8:30 am Edson P. Holland by Edson M. Holland

Thursday, December 27

St. John the Evangelist, Apostle

6:30 am **(at Carmel)** Sisters' Intention
8:30 am John Bultmann by the Comstock Family

Friday, December 28

Holy Innocents, Martyrs

6:30 am **(at Carmel)** Sisters' Intention
8:30 am **No Mass**
7:00 pm +Comstock miscarried babies by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Comstock

Saturday, December 29

5th Day in the Octave of Christmas

6:30 am +Patricia Corazon by Barbara White
8:30 am +Reinhold C. Greve by Reinie Greve

Sunday, December 30

Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

6:30 am Grace Brennan by Jane Brennan
8:30 am Judy Shaw by Richard Shaw
10:30 am OLMC Registered Parishioners
12:30 pm Intention of Fr. Kick

The Carmelite Monastery is located at 6138 S. Galup St. in Littleton, about 1 mile from OLMC.

From the Pastor:

- The intention for this week's holy hour is for Bishop Rodriguez, auxiliary of Denver.

- I had a good meeting with the bishop last week, and was struck at how much time he must spend just answering angry Catholics – angry about all kinds of things. He's the right man for the job, no question, but my, what a difficult job he has. Let's pray for him.

- Please be patient as we work out the kinks in the new sound system. We are learning, and one setting seems to be superb, so we need to stick with that.

- Progress is being made on the sanctuary, but getting the lighting just right is the task at hand. The first attempt in the church was not good – this time it needs to be done right. The lighting is a bit tricky... you want to see the altar, and the polychrome and gold stencil, but in a 'candely' warm sort of light. At the same time, we need to see the missal on the altar, and you need to be able to see the priest giving the sermon. Putting all this together is not easy, especially combined with the building codes. These have changed three times just since we built the church. The inconvenience is a bit vexing to some of you I'm sure, but I think you'll see that the new sanctuary will be worth the wait.

- I attended a performance of Handel's Messiah, and it was outstanding. But I must admit to being emotionally drained after the experience. The intensity of the beauty of that great work is not easy to bear, especially for one like me who doesn't listen to music very much. The intelligence of Handel is amazing. And when asked who was the greatest

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Fr. Nolan's Mass Intentions

24th Mary Holland by Edson M. Holland
27th Albert L. Miller by Kathy Miller
30th Joey & Jennifer Federspiel by Elizabeth Rousseau.

Mullen Home Donations

There are large boxes in the parish hall

composer of all, Ludwig von Beethoven (no slouch regarding symphony composition) responded, “Handel. To him I bend the knee.”

- As much as I like good literature, I had to laugh out loud at the following anecdote, told about Lord Redesdale, who read only one book in his life and that was White Fang. “Dangerous good book,” he used to say, “no point in trying any more.”

- I pray you will have a very merry Christmas. And one of the keys to the feast is forgiveness. Here is a story I find deeply moving.

“In 1913, the veterans of the Battle of Gettysburg – North and South – had a reunion sponsored by the U.S. Army. The climax of the gathering was a reenactment of Pickett's Charge. Thousands of spectators gathered to watch as Union veterans took their positions on Cemetery Ridge, and waited as their old adversaries emerged from the woods on Seminary Ridge and started forward toward them again, across the long, flat fields. An eyewitness wrote, “We could see, not bayonets and rifles but canes and crutches. We soon could distinguish the more agile ones aiding those less able to maintain their places in the ranks. As they neared the Northern line, they broke into one final, defiant rebel yell. At the sound, after a half-century of silence, a moan, a sigh, a gigantic gasp of unbelief rose from the Union men on Cemetery Ridge. It was then, that the Yankees, unable to restrain themselves longer, burst from behind the stone wall, and flung themselves upon their former enemies...not in mortal combat, but re-united in brotherly love and affection.” Taken from the book, The Civil War by Ken Burns.

entrance to place your donations for Mullen Home (Little Sisters of the Poor) **through Christmas eve**. Items needed are: gift cards, personal hygiene items of all types, and drinks like soda.

Young Adult New Year's Eucharistic Procession

Young adults, please join Fr. Nick Larkin, Fr. Sam Morehead, Fr. Mason Fraley, Denver Pro-Life Future, and young adults from around the archdiocese for a Eucharistic Procession at Planned Parenthood on