

November 28th, 2021

First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 33:14-16
Responsorial Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 *"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."*

Second Reading: First Letter of St. Paul to the Thessoloni-ans 3:12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Events for this week

- Sun: 10:00am Mass - First Sunday of Advent
NO K-8th RE after Mass
- Mon. 7:35am-Rosary
8:00am-Mass †Deseased Family members of J. Tarvin
9:00am-6:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm-Young Adult Group in the Conference Room
- Tue. 7:35am-Rosary
8:00am-Mass †ROS Teresa Di Falco
- Wed. 7:35am-Rosary
8:00am-Mass †ROS John Johnstone
7:00pm High School RE-Parish Hall
- Thur. 7:35am-Rosary
8:00am-Mass †ROS Steve Bozarth
9:00am-Bible Study in the Conference Room
- Fri. 7:35am-Rosary
8:00am-**First Friday Mass** †ROS Chet Moats
3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayers
- Sat. 3:00pm-Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayers
4:00 - 4:30pm-Confessions
5:30pm Vigil Mass †ROS Mary Schumacker

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE THAT NEED YOUR PRAYERS:

Bird Dobbins, Merrill & Kathy Gorham, Astitas Aliaga, Dave Fischer, Bob Hazlett, Betty & Ken Gannon, Penny Lane Forrest, Jody Schlieski Hanson, Phil Hansen, Lorini Morehead, Bryan Lund, Carmen Lopez Sotelo, Ki E. Russell, Andy, Jeremy & Keller Younggren, Deacon Caleb Cunningham, Parker McCauley, and ROS Virginia Wimer.
To update this list, call or email the office.



WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We extend a special welcome to those that are passing through, those that have made this their home and those still searching for their parish family. We are glad you are here celebrating God's word and presence with us in today's Eucharistic Feast.

Prayer Request Line

Please contact Kathy McGee 541-663-1255
or Theresa Beery 541-963-2372.

Baptism

Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for further information.

Marriage

Preparation and instruction classes at least 6 months before the wedding. Contact Fr. Saji at the parish office.

Communion to the Sick

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at 541- 963-7341.

Website

www.olvcatholic.org

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Online resources to build your faith, register for free at olvcatholic.formed.org

Reconciliations—Confessions

Saturday 4:00 PM —4:30 PM

or by appointment.

If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call or email our Parish Office.



CATHOLIC 101

One issue many have with theology is that it often seems abstract, disconnected from the lived reality of day to day life. While this view is mistaken, there is one field of theology that very clearly affects day to day living by providing principles and ideas by which to live.

This field is moral theology, the discipline through which we study man's action of man according to the revealed teachings of God. Most Catholics are aware that killing, stealing and lying are all sins. This often is informed by the moral teachings revealed to us through the Ten Commandments. Despite the rich moral teachings found in Scripture and Tradition, there is an obvious problem: not every moral issue of our day is directly addressed.

Knowing that the Church would have difficult moral issues to grapple with — issues like racism, abortion on demand, or contraception — Christ gave authority to the Apostles to teach according to the faith received. As such, the Church has developed a tradition of moral teachings that go beyond what is explicitly stated in the Bible. Using this framework, disciples are called to do their best to see to it that their lives are in conformity with the teachings of Christ.



First Sunday of Advent

The word Advent is from the Latin adventus for “coming” and is associated with the four weeks of preparation for Christmas.

Advent always contains four Sundays, beginning on the Sunday nearest the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle (November 30th), who was the first Apostle called by Christ and his feast is found at the beginning of the new liturgical year. Since the 900’s Advent has been considered the beginning of the Church year.

The traditional color of Advent is purple or violet which symbolizes a penitential spirit very similar to Lent with a liturgical theme of preparation for the Second and Final Coming of the Lord, called the Parousia, and a joyful theme of getting ready for the Bethlehem event.

Religious Retirement Collection December 11th and 12th

This year, the Religious Retirement Collection is being held the weekend of December 11-12 to correspond with all other dioceses across the nation.



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To Loveland Funeral Chapel
for donating the Our Lady of the Valley 2022 Calendars. Every year Loveland provides calendars for us and we appreciate their support. The calendars are on the table at the back of the church available in English and Bilingual. Please take one home!

Weekend of December 4th & 5th, 2021

Saturday, December 4th at 5:30 PM

Acolyte: Jerry Mesa
Reader: Clare Espinola
Server: Clinton Tarvin

Sunday, December 5th, at 10:00 AM

Acolyte: Jimmy Zamora
Reader: Meldy Lim
Server: Jacob Reynolds & Hannah Zamora

Weekend of December 11th & 12th, 2021

Saturday, December 11th at 5:30 PM

Acolyte: TJ Yiftheg
Reader: Bill Rosholt
Server: Elphirene & Michael Yiftheg

Sunday, December 12th at 10:00 AM

Acolyte: Jason Kehr
Reader: Lyle Schwarz
Server: Ridge Kehr & Kris Lim

NEW VACUUM CLEANER MISSING

It appears that someone has borrowed the new vacuum cleaner from the downstairs youth room. We ask that it please be returned as soon as possible.

Thank-you!

ONLINE GIVING:

Our Lady of the Valley is offering parishioners a simple, dependable way to make their donations through a secure on-line site called Parish Soft. Parish Soft is a program that we have used for many years in this parish. The process is simple and safe. Go to our webpage at www.olvcatholic.org, click on the link that will direct you to the site that allows you to make a one time or re-occurring contribution for any amount you wish.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET: **\$3,400.00**

Collection for Nov. 20/21: \$1,480.00

Online Giving \$120.10

Repair & Main. \$0

Social Outreach: \$100.00

