



# Our Lady of the Mount

Roman Catholic Church

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA

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## Mass Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m.  
Saturday 8:30 a.m.  
Saturday 5:30 p.m.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday  
9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

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**March 12, 2023**



## 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one speaking with you." - Jn 4:24-26

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### **In the Hospital**

If you or someone you know will be going in the hospital please call the office, or have a family member or hospital chaplain call for you. Federal privacy laws prevent hospitals from notifying us.

### **In Case of Emergency**

Please call Fr. Mark's cell phone directly at 770-365-5200 in emergency situations.

### **Nursery**

Sheron Williams is available to provide care for children whose parents wish to drop them off at the nursery before Mass. The nursery is open 8:45 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. Please remember that the nursery is open year-year round and is available this summer.

### **Help Those in Need**

Donations for our 3 primary ministries may be placed in the mail slot in the office lobby anytime. Your donations to Hope House, Hot Meals Ministry, and Orchard Knob Middle School funds are greatly appreciated! Please make checks payable to Our Lady of the Mount and note the purpose of your donation on the memo line. Thanks for your generosity.

### **Hot Meals Ministry**

Hot Meals Ministry is always in need of more volunteers. Please consider signing up on SignUpGenius via [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com) for a slot anytime from 1:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. on Mondays, or you can show up at Shuler Hall to see what it's all about and assist as needed. Thanks to your generous support both physically and financially.

### **Men's Bible Study**

Men's Bible Study will resume Tuesday, March 14, at 6:30 A.M. in Shuler Hall. All men are welcome!

### **Pope Francis' March Prayer Intention**



**For victims of abuse.** We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

### **Mass Intentions**

March 11 - People of the Parish

March 12 - People of the Parish

### **Readings for Next Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

First Reading 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Second Reading Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel John 9:1-41

Samuel does not see as God sees in the choice of David, who is anointed with oil. As Jesus cures the blind man, so too are we brought from darkness into light through the grace of baptism.



March 16 - Carrie Gallant

March 16 - Gus Glascock

March 17 - Bill Brown

March 17 - Michael Corley

### **St. Patrick's Day Dispensation**

Archbishop Hartmayer has granted Catholics who reside in the Archdiocese of Atlanta a dispensation from the Lenten abstinence obligation on Friday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day, as this feast is celebrated in significant ways throughout the Archdiocese.

For those who live in Tennessee or Alabama, the bishops of Knoxville and Birmingham have also dispensed the faithful from the usual Lenten Friday obligation on St. Patrick's Day.

### **Second Collection Next Weekend**

Next weekend is The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection.

## Liturgical Minister Schedules

### Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

Lector: Jimmy McGinness

Altar Server: Volunteer Needed

### Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>

Lector: Arch Willingham

Altar Server: Whit Boehm

## St. Patrick's Day Celebration



Please join us Sunday, March 19, 5:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. in Shuler Hall for our annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration. \$10/person with a \$30/family maximum. Please visit [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com) to RSVP so we can better plan!

## 2023 Lent and Easter Schedule

Please visit [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com) for a complete schedule for the 2023 Lent and Easter season. Join us this Friday, March 17 at 6:00 P.M. at Our Lady of the Mount for Stations of the Cross.

## To Gather & Grow Update

The Archdiocese of Atlanta has waived our assessment on Capital Campaign contributions through June 30, 2023. Here is the current status:

Authorized amount incl HVAC: \$ 3,190,826

Collected to date: \$ 2,955,984

**NEEDED by 06/30/2023: \$ 234,842**



## No Regrets

Dick Crotteau is facilitating a discussion group on "finishing well" – living fully in the last quarter of our earthly lives. He is using Dynamic Catholic's *No Regrets* program as a guide. This group continues to meet Sundays, March 12, 19, & 26 at 10:00 A.M. in Shuler Hall and is for all ages.

## Collection Last Week

Offertory, March 4 & 5: \$ 3,028

## Weekday Mass



Please join us in the Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 8:30 A.M. for Mass. Saturday Mass is celebrated at 8:30 A.M. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 A.M. until Benediction at 3:00 P.M.

## Prayer List

Mark Anderson	Jack McDermott
Bob Coleman	Jeff Messinger
Marti Corley	Samra Mims
Wynn Eady	Eddie Parks
Haley Frierson	Joseph Shramko
Franklin Haney	Sheron Williams

Please contact [aperry@olmcc.com](mailto:aperry@olmcc.com), to request names be added or removed from the Prayer List. Thanks for your cooperation.

## 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Please return your Archbishop's Annual Appeal envelopes with your donations/pledges by this Sunday, March 12. Place your envelopes in one of the collection boxes located at both entrances. Please remember once we surpass our goal, the funds come directly back to our parish assessment-free. You can make an online gift or gift with installments online [HERE](#).



# THE REAL PRESENCE

Dear Parishioners,

Starting with the weekend Masses April 22-23, we will offer Holy Communion in both species, that is you will have the option to receive the Precious Blood in addition to the consecrated host. The Church has always held that in the Eucharistic host one receives during the Communion Rite is the fullness of Christ's Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. Therefore, it is not necessary to receive the cup containing the Precious Blood. However, for those of you who want to drink from the cup, you will now have that option again. There is a list in the narthex for you to sign up if you are interested in serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC). Please check the appropriate box on the form to let me know if you are an experienced EMHC or if you want to become one for the first time. By signing this list you are committing yourself to being available at any Holy Day of Obligation, Vigil or Sunday Mass at which you are present. There will be a mandatory training session for all experienced and inexperienced EMHCs. Two sessions will be offered at OLMCC. The first will be on Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 P.M. The second will be offered on Saturday, April 15 at 11:00 A.M. Training at SKD will be held April 16, following the 11:30 A.M. Mass. Everyone must attend at least one of these two training sessions in order to be an EMHC.

In Christ,

Fr. Mark



**LENT**  
*40 Days of Renewal*

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**February 22 - Ash Wednesday**

Mass at OLMCC 8:30 A.M.

Mass at SKD 5:00 P.M.

Mass at OLMCC 7:00 P.M.

**February 24**

Stations of the Cross at SKD 5:00 P.M.

**March 3**

Stations of the Cross at OLMCC 6:00 P.M.

**March 10**

Stations of the Cross at SKD 5:00 P.M.

**March 17**

Stations of the Cross at OLMCC 6:00 P.M.

**March 24**

Stations of the Cross at SKD 5:00 P.M.

**March 31**

Stations of the Cross at OLMCC 6:00 P.M.

### **April 6**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at OLMCC 7:00 P.M.

### **April 7 - Good Friday**

Stations of the Cross at SKD 3:00 P.M.

Stations of the Cross at OLMCC 5:00 P.M.

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion at OLMCC 7:00 P.M.

### **April 8**

Easter Vigil Mass at OLMCC 8:00 P.M.

### **April 9**

Easter Sunday Mass at OLMCC 9:00 A.M.

Easter Sunday Mass at SKD 11:30 A.M.

### **Lenten Guidelines**

**Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is a day of universal fasting and abstinence. The following church regulations are observed throughout the season of Lent:**

*Abstinence* from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays during Lent by Catholics of 14 years of age and older.

All Catholics who are at least 18 years of age but no yet 59 years of age observe fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those bound by this rule may eat only one full meal.

Two smaller meals (that all together are not equal to a full meal) are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to personal needs, but eating solid foods between meals are not permitted.

Those who are sick, pregnant, nursing, or with a compromised health that would be adversely affected by fasting or abstinence should not consider themselves bound by these norms.

During the season of Lent, we are all called to embrace penance and perform works of charity and mercy that reflect our desire of a true conversion of heart. May this holy season of Lent 2023 lead all of us to a deeper union with Christ and with one another.