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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**

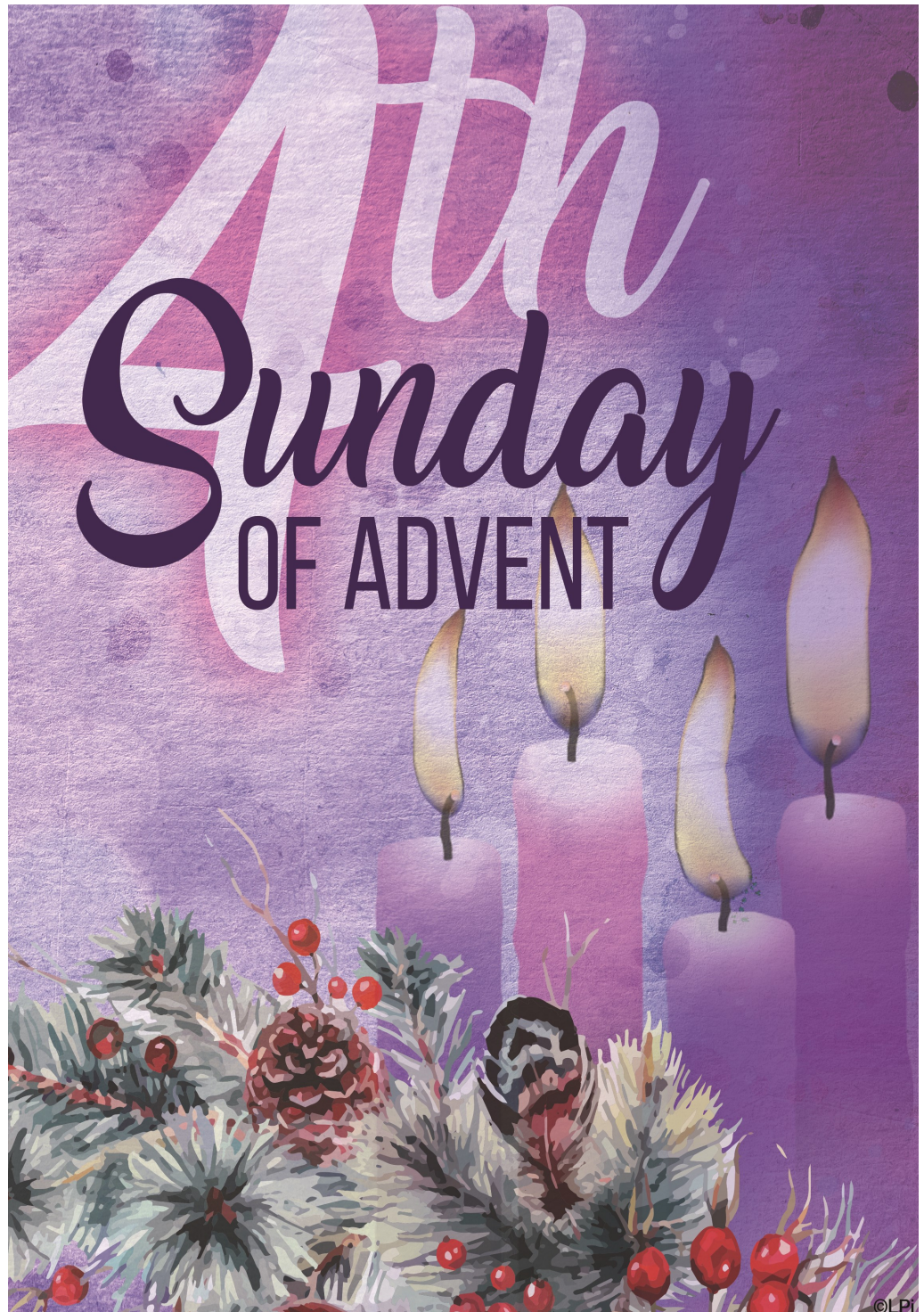
Monday - Thursday  
9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Staff**

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**December 22, 2024**



### 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. On Sundays when PRE is held, Ms. Sheron is available until 11:15 a.m.

### Mass Intentions

December 21 - Kennedy Smith (d)

December 22 - People of the Parish

### Readings for Next Sunday, December 29

First Reading Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Second Reading Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel Luke 2:41-52

Family life is rooted in the unconditional love of God as witnessed by the Holy Family.



December 27 - Catharine Richieri

December 27 - Keely Hungate

December 29 - Baker Parks

December 29 - Clyde Parks

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

	Fiscal Year to Date July - October
Envelopes and Loose	89,869
Online Giving	<u>31,189</u>
Total	121,058
YTD Funds (Budget) Required	130,000
Year to Date Variance	(8,942)

### Men's Bible Study

There will be no Men's Bible Study during December.

### Hot Meals Ministry

Please consider volunteering with our Hot Meals Ministry on Mondays, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., in Shuler Hall. Sign up at [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com).

### Christmas Second Collection

The Second Collection this Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will benefit Catholic Charities Atlanta. Your gift will enable a family to finally break the cycle of poverty and become self-reliant. Last year, Catholic Charities served nearly 12,000 individuals. Please give generously so they can continue to extend love and the light of Jesus as they serve our neighbors in need. Your gift to Catholic Charities will allow them to continue to share the gift of hope this Christmas season. Every donation—large or small—nourishes the hope of those most vulnerable and helps families get back on the road to independence.

### Online Giving

Our parish offers Online Giving as an additional option to support our ongoing mission, ministries, and programs. Your generosity and support make our church's work possible! Use the QR code to the left or visit [olmcc.com](http://olmcc.com) to give today. You may also contact the church office if you need assistance with enrollment or have questions.



### Pope Francis' December Prayer Intention



**For pilgrims of hope.** We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

### Liturgical Minister Schedules

#### Saturday, December 28

Lector: Judy Anderson

Altar Server: Volunteer Needed

#### Sunday, December 29

Lector: Bill Brown

Altar Server: Mariel Huelskamp  
Sylvia Huelskamp

### Collection Last Week

Offertory, December 9-15: \$10,769

### Prayer List

Mark Anderson	Angie Morelock
Jeff Breeden	Margaret Nelson
Bob Coleman	Eddie Parks
Sharon Collins	Ryan Petty
Lyndia Crotteau	Marilyn Shelton
Haley Frierson	Mary Thomas
Franklin Haney	Bob Thornton
Larry Hudspeth	Hector Varela
Nyla Johnson	Sara Varela
Susan Johnson	Lynn Waters
Julia Jones	Sheron Williams
Shelia Kesler	Ann Wilson
Allen Lupton	Grant Wortman
Ellie Mahoney	Mackenzie York
Jeff Messinger	Greg Zent
Samra Mims	
Margaret Ann Bentley	
Margaret Mebane Zent	

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

### Pray for Our Sick

Everyone is invited to pray The Divine Mercy for all those who are sick. Meet in the Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel each Saturday at 5:10 p.m. prior to the Vigil Mass.

### O.C.I.A. is Coming in January 2025 (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Would you or someone you know like to learn more about the Catholic faith?

-Perhaps your spouse or fiancé is thinking about becoming a Catholic?

-Maybe you were raised Catholic, but never received the sacrament of Confirmation?

-Maybe you have never been baptized by any Christian church or maybe you have never belonged to a faith community?

-Maybe you've drifted away from the Church and want to renew your connection to Catholicism by refreshing your knowledge of the Church's teaching?

-There is never any commitment to become Catholic. That is a personal decision to be made by each individual participant.

- Participants who decide to become Catholic will be brought into full communion with the Church (Confirmation) at the Easter Vigil, Saturday night, April 19, 2025.

O.C.I.A. will meet weekly on Sundays in Shuler Hall after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The course, led by Deacon Mark Mitchell, will begin Sunday, January 5 and conclude Sunday, April 13. If you have any questions you can email Deacon Mark Mitchell at [deacon-mark@olmcc.com](mailto:deacon-mark@olmcc.com) or Father Mark Thomas at [mthomas@archatl.com](mailto:mthomas@archatl.com).

### Free Book for Spiritual Book Clubs

*The Three Ordinary Voices of God*, by Matthew Kelly, is available in the narthex for each family to take home. We hope to form parish-wide "Spiritual Book Clubs" and this will be the book to get us started. We plan to begin with small groups meeting in homes during Lent in 2025. The parish hall may be used as a small-group meeting area as well as the youth room downstairs.

Ideally, all will be invited to a small group, including your friends and neighbors, Catholics and non-Catholics, and non-Christians. Prayerfully consider opening your home to a small group for three weeks during Lent. There is no need to prepare food or beverages for your guests for three sessions of an hour or less for discussion of the book. More details will follow in the New Year.



# 2024-2025 Holiday Schedule

## Our Lady Of The Mount and St. Katharine Drexel

### Wednesday, December 18:

NO CONFESSIONS OR MASS AT SKD.

### Thursday, December 19:

#### OLM Advent Penance Service

6:00-7:30 p.m.

No Advent Penance service at SKD this year.

### Sunday, December 22:

#### Children's Christmas Pageant

at 9:00 a.m. with the 4th Sunday of Advent Mass immediately following.

### Tuesday, December 24:

#### Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00 p.m. OLM

(musical prelude begins at 3:15 p.m.) OLM.

### Wednesday, December 25:

#### Midnight Mass at 12:00 a.m.

(musical prelude begins at 11:15 p.m.) OLM.

### Wednesday, December 25:

#### Christmas Day Masses

9:00 a.m. at OLM and 11:30 at SKD.

### Wednesday, January 1:

#### Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass at 9:00 a.m. at OLM and 5:00 p.m. at SKD.

### NOTES:

- Christmas Obligation is met by attending any of the four Christmas Masses offered: 4:00, 12:00 (midnight), 9:00 or 11:30 (SKD)

- There will be no morning Masses in the chapel on Thursday, January 2, 2025, or Saturday, January 4, 2025.

- There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, January 4, 2025.

*Wishing you a  
Blessed Christmas  
& New Year!*

## Prayer to the Holy Family

JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH, IN YOU WE CONTEMPLATE THE  
SPLENDOUR OF TRUE LOVE;  
TO YOU WE TURN WITH TRUST.  
HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, GRANT THAT OUR FAMILIES TOO  
MAY BE PLACES OF COMMUNION AND PRAYER, AUTHENTIC  
SCHOOLS OF THE GOSPEL AND SMALL DOMESTIC CHURCHES.  
HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, MAY FAMILIES NEVER AGAIN  
EXPERIENCE VIOLENCE, REJECTION AND DIVISION;  
MAY ALL WHO HAVE BEEN HURT OR SCANDALIZED FIND READY  
COMFORT AND HEALING.  
HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, MAKE US ONCE MORE MINDFUL OF  
THE SACREDNESS AND INVIOLEABILITY OF THE FAMILY, AND ITS  
BEAUTY IN GOD'S PLAN. JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH, GRACIOUSLY  
HEAR OUR PRAYER.  
AMEN.  
(POPE FRANCIS, AMORIS LAETITIA, 325)