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FOR CHILDREN:

BERNADETTE: THE PRINCESS OF LOURDES is on FORMED ~ According to FORMED: "It's February 11, 1858. Three girls from Lourdes, France, gather firewood in front of a grotto. Suddenly one of them, Bernadette Soubirous, 14, drops to her knees, gazes ecstatically at something beautiful that only she can see, and starts to pray. Soon the town buzzes: Has Bernadette, poor, sickly, and always behind in school, really seen a Lady from heaven? Then a spring bubbles up from nowhere and withered arms and sightless eyes are cured. At last, the Lady tells Bernadette her name: "I am the Immaculate Conception." Bernadette: The Princess of Lourdes is the exciting true story of a visit by the Queen of Heaven that left the entire world a source of health for body and soul."

ST. JOAN OF ARC: A STORY OF COURAGE AND OBEDIENCE TO GOD is on FORMED ~ According to FORMED: "From a simple childhood in the fields of France, a young girl called by God to the impossible leads the French army to victory. In this episode of 'God's Princesses', the ever-joyful Sr. Imelda tells the incredible story of the well-loved St. Joan of Arc. 'God's Princesses' is new series from the creators of Brother Francis, with fun, faith-filled stories that remind all young Catholic girls that they, too, are part of God's Royal Household!"

FOR ADULTS:

BERNADETTE is on FORMED ~ According to FORMED: "From Jean Delannoy, one of France's foremost filmmakers, comes this top quality feature film production of the story of St. Bernadette and the apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes. Actress Sydney Penny gives a beautiful performance as Bernadette, and the rest of the cast is equally superb. Also stars Roland Lesaffre and Michele Simonnet. It is highly recommended by the Vatican as a 'sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience.' Shot on location in France with outstanding cinematography and a beautiful music score, this is the film that was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes."

JOAN OF ARC is on FORMED ~ According to FORMED: "Although she died at nineteen in 1431, her legend is stronger than ever five hundred years later. Leelee Sobieski shines as the legendary warrior and saint, Joan of Arc, who, at seventeen, led one of the greatest military campaigns for freedom the world has ever witnessed. Supported by an all-star cast, with glorious cinematography, music score, and stunning scenery, Joan of Arc is a riveting epic film of faith, inspiration, triumph, and tears. Born to a peasant French family, Joan hears the voices of saints calling out to her to unite her besieged nation. Gaining an audience with the young French king, Joan convinces him that God is calling her to command an army into battle to save France. It becomes an incredible adventure that leads to thrilling victories and heartbreaking betrayals - as Joan of Arc defies all odds and marches into history. This movie is not rated, but was created with an adult audience in mind. It may contain violence indicative of the life and times of the saint or character portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children."

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD-EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF JANUARY 5, 2025

(Please note that Masses in italic print are at St. Mary's; a cross before the name indicates deceased.)

Saturday, Jan. 4	4:30 PM	OLM	+Ronnie Hissner by Mary Lou Lairson & George Knapp
Sunday, Jan. 5	8:30 AM	OLM	People of the Parish
<i>Sunday, Jan. 5</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>	SM	<i>+Mary & Mario Buzzelli by Mike Kissel</i>
Tuesday, Jan. 7	7:00 PM	OLM	Thanksgiving for Maintenance Team by "Going wit Faith Group"
<i>Wednesday, Jan. 8</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>	SM	<i>+John Miday by Teresa Long</i>
Thursday, Jan. 9	8:30 AM	OLM	Hilarie Burrows by Barry & Jan Dougherty
Friday, Jan. 10	8:30 AM	OLM	Reparation for Our Sins by Tom & Carol Bouquet
Saturday, Jan. 11	4:30 pm	OLM	+Audrey Kapelewski by Jim & Ruth Birong
Sunday, Jan. 12	8:30 AM	OLM	+Cynthia Bailey by The DeSimone's
<i>Sunday, Jan. 12</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>	SM	<i>People of the Parish</i>

Confessions: Tuesday 7:45-9:00 pm; Friday 3:00-4:00 pm; Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm or by appointment***

PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sun	5	10:00 AM Going with Faith-OLM Conference Room 10:00 AM PSR-OLM Hall 10:00 AM PSR Preschool-OLM Hall 6:00 PM Parish Christmas Celebration-OLM Hall
Mon	6	
Tue	7	7:45 PM-9:00 PM Confessions-OLM Church
Wed	8	6:00 PM-K of C Meeting-OLM Hall
Thur	9	
Fri	10	8:00 AM Rosary before Mass-OLM Church 9:15 AM Adoration-OLM Church 3:00 PM Confession-OLM Church 6:45 PM Benediction-OLM Church
Sat	11	10:00 AM Philosophy Book Club-OLM Conference Room 3:30 PM Confession-OLM Church
Sun	12	10:00 AM Going with Faith-OLM Conference Room 10:00 AM PSR-OLM Hall 6:30 PM Youth Group DTS-St. Mary's Church/Hall

Our Lady of Mercy Stewardship Week of December 29, 2024

Adult \$2,086.00 Loose \$470.00
Immaculate Conception \$10.00
Christmas \$2,412.00 Christmas Flowers \$5.00
SVDP \$5.00 Candles \$43.00
Building Fund \$787.00 New Rectory \$500.00

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Stewardship Week of December 29, 2024

Adult \$753.00 Loose \$242.00
Immaculate Conception \$25.00
Christmas \$3,380.00
Candles \$29.51

PARISH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION ~ We look forward to our Parish Christmas Celebration this **Sunday, January 5, at 6:00 pm** at the **Our Lady of Mercy Hall**. The main course and wassail (alcoholic and nonalcoholic) will be provided. Please bring a side and/or dessert to share. The evening will include entertainment by our choir, singing Christmas carols, a raffle, and games.
Chrissy Breedlove

DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY ~ Our next meeting of the Dead Theologians Society will be on **Sunday, January 12, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at St. Mary's (Morges)**. All **high school youth (grades 9-12)** are welcome to join us to hang out with other young Catholics, learn about Saint Agnes, and spend some time in prayer. If you have any questions, please contact Erika Shockey at 330-312-6074. *Chrissy Breedlove*

JANUARY VIRTUE OF THE MONTH ~ Our January Virtue of the Month is FORTITUDE. Fortitude is defined as "being brave and strong in the face of trials." It is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit found in Isaiah 11:1-3 and is sometime also called courage. Although we most likely will never need to be physically courageous in the ways the early Christians and martyrs were, we are still called to spiritual fortitude in our everyday lives. Fortitude helps us to die to ourselves daily and conform our will to God's will in all circumstances. I invite you to learn more about some of our Saints who practiced the virtue of fortitude in their lives - Saint Bernadette, Saint Joan of Arc, and Saint Paul Miki and his companions. *Chrissy Breedlove*

CANDLE DONATION ~ The Youth Group is preparing to make candles for Candlemas. If you have any empty jars you would like to donate, please place them in the box marked 'Candles' that can be found in the Narthex. Questions??? Contact Erika Shockey 330-312-6074.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ~ The SVDP Monthly collection is this **weekend January 4 & 5**. Thank you!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 2024 ~ On behalf of SVDP, we would like to thank the parishioners for all of their support in 2024. We wouldn't exist without your help in serving the needs of Carroll County. If you are doing some downsizing in clothing, we could use socks(all ages) men's long sleeve tee shirts , hats and gloves. Thank you again, *Jim, GiGi, Debbie and DeeDee*

PARISH LIBRARY ~ As a gentle reminder, when borrowing materials from the parish library please sign each item out when borrowing and sign each item in when returning. Not only is it important to keep track of the items that have been invested in, but it also creates a record of interest in categories, authors, and titles. Consideration regarding the future inclusion of new material will be based on past/present parishioner interest. As always, please feel free to write your recommendations via the suggestions box. Thank you! *Jessica Olenick*

LOST & FOUND ~ Within the library you'll find a bin reserved for OLM's unclaimed personal belongings. Each January and July all items that remain unclaimed get donated, to free up space. As a reminder, the contents stored within the lost and found bin will be donated by the end of this month. *Jessica Olenick*

BABY SHOWER ~ Thank you to everyone who participated in spiritually adopting a child this year! In celebration of these lives, we are having a "baby shower" on **January 19 after Mass**. Please bring in gifts of diapers (any size), wipes, blankets, or any new or very gently used baby items; you can bring them anytime now through **1/19**. These items will be donated to help vulnerable infants and/or families facing a crisis pregnancy within Carroll County.

CUTEST BABY CONTEST ~ Our Lady of Carroll County Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a **Cutest Baby Contest** that will run until **April 11th**. Pictures will be displayed in the narthex and at church functions. The baby with the most donations will be crowned Cutest Baby 2025 and will win \$250.00! Donations will be used for the charitable works of the Knights. Please send digital photos to steven.pridemore@gmail.com or you can put your baby up on the board using the tacks on the table. Babies can be children or grandchildren of church members. Vote early and often to help the cutest baby win!

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES ~ The 2025 contribution envelopes have arrived and are on the table in the Narthex in alphabetical order at both OLM and *St. Mary's*.

ADORNMENT PICK-UP ~ Even if you didn't contribute to the Adornment Project you may have a star someone donated in your name. Please check the table in the Narthex. Also thank you to Kevin and Jan for making the cards possible. *Fr. Jonas Shell*

DONATIONS USING VANCO ~ Please see the **back of the bulletin for the QR codes** for both Our Lady of Mercy and *St. Mary's*. VANCO is a secure site in which you are able to set-up a one time or recurring donation to either Our Lady of Mercy or *St. Mary's*. The Our Lady of Mercy donation funds that are available on VANCO are: Building Fund, Adult (General Fund) and St. Vincent DePaul. The *St. Mary's donation fund available on VANCO is the Adult (General Fund)*. You can also find green giving online buttons on **our website, www.olmcarrollton.org**. Both churches green "Giving Online" buttons are at the bottom of the home page.

ITEMS TO BE PLACED IN THE COMING WEEK'S BULLETIN
NEED TO BE GIVEN TO THE OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY NOON.



SUNDAY HOMILIES ~ Don't forget that if you would like to listen to or send others the homilies from **Sunday Mass**, they can be accessed on soundcloud.com. On the website, search **FoJo**, Fr. Jonas' user name. Look for the picture of Jesus giving communion at the Last Supper to verify you are at the right place. You can also go to our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/olmcarrollton/ or the website at olmcarrollton.org to hear his homilies.



K of C ~ K of C Monthly Social Hour and Business meeting will be **Wednesday, January 8th at 6:00 pm - Social (all are welcome); 7:00 pm - Meeting (members only)**.

AROUND AND ABOUT

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP ~ There will be an eight week grief support group program beginning **Tuesday, January 9, 2025 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Malvern Community Church (Former Damascus Friends Church) at 401 W. Main St. Malvern, OH 44644**. For more information please see the bulletin board in the OLM Narthex.

SAINT PAUL CENTER'S EVENT ~ The St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology will be hosting an event with Dr. Scott Hahn and Dr. John Bergsma on **January 25th at St. Ferdinand Church in Cranberry Township, PA**. Please see the bulletin board for more details.

OLM GREETERS~ The Pesta Family this week and the Pridemore Family next week.

Happy Birthday OLM ~ Kelli Pridemore 1/5; Timothy Miller 1/6; Tammy Indorf 1/7; Thomas Newbold 1/7; Mary Pozderac 1/10; Anna Steiner 1/10

Happy Birthday SM ~ Ed Genet 1/6

Happy Anniversary OLM & SM ~ to all those celebrating in January.

If you or any family member is ill or hospitalized or we have removed a name that should not have been, please inform the parish office.

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Prayer Needs

Harold Wolbert, Elizabeth Wolford, Shelbia Otte, Anthony Tozzi, Dan Grossi Family

Our Lady of Mercy Prayer Needs

Vicky Oboy, Rose Rombough, Anna Schiavone, Jack Sowko, Zach Oboy, Shirley Dale, Kristine Stenger, Scott Kazer, Tom Brantch
Chris Rombough, Dave McKarns, Ida Carver, J. C. Birong, Nancy Bauer, Tom Bouquet, Cam Lanka, Joe MacAdam, Kathie Long