

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Community



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September 16, 2018

IF YOU WISH TO COME AFTER ME
YOU MUST DENY YOURSELF,
TAKE UP YOUR CROSS,

and follow me.

MARK 8:34

2 A great time to try online giving!

We are pleased to announce that OLA is offering a new version of ParishSOFT Giving. It is our intention to provide the best available service for convenience, efficiency and safety for those who prefer to manage payments online.

- ParishSOFT Giving offers the opportunity to make automatic contributions from your bank or credit/debit card anytime from any device connected to the Internet.
- ParishSOFT also puts all contributions at your fingertips to print receipts and to track pledges. It costs you nothing and provides many advantages to you and to the parish.
- Here is a way to use technology to spread God's Word and support our mission and ministries through consistent stewardship.

Easy. Convenient. Safe.

OLA is converting to new ParishSOFT Giving program

SIGN UP TODAY!

www.olaclaremont.org

**COME TO THE PATIO
FOR ASSISTANCE
FROM OUR STAFF**

NOTE:

Current online givers must sign up with *the new ParishSOFT Giving program* and cancel their *old transactions with the existing program* no later than Oct. 1. Thank you!



I believe in the mission of this parish, and contributing to is a priority for me. With so many distractions on a busy weekend, online giving makes it easy to be consistent. I can pick up a card at the church entrance and place it in the offertory basket as a sign of my gift each week. – Parishioner Matt Koch

Around OLA³

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Looking ahead...

Steak Fry hosted by Knights of Columbus Saturday, Oct. 6, serves from 5 to 8 p.m. in the auditorium. Enjoy steak “grilled to order” and all the trimmings for only \$15/person.

Register by Sept. 21 for Faith Formation programs beginning this fall – for everyone from preschool to adult!

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Meetings

- **Leadership Night** begins at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 20, in the auditorium, followed by a meeting of the OLA Pastoral Council.
- **Italian Catholic Federation** gathers Friday, Sept. 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.
- **Junior High Ministry** begins Sept. 26 on Wednesdays.

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Highlights

Burrito sale is this Sunday hosted by our Hispanic Community from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the auditorium. Cost is \$5, soda/water \$1.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting donations for the poor in our area this weekend.

Walk for the Hungry sign-ups continue this weekend.

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Purchase tickets for the upcoming spaghetti dinner by our very own Italian Catholic Federation.

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OLA ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



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Raffle \$500 Gift Card Basket! **Sunday, September 23** Money Hat! \$50



Purchase tickets on the patio after Masses 9/2, 9/9, & 9/16 or at the door

12 to 5pm

Adults: \$12

Children (5-10) \$6

Children under 5 FREE!!!



WOW! September Dinner Out



OLA's **W**idows **O**r **W**idowers and other singles will be meeting for dinner Thursday, Sept. 27, at 5 p.m. at Chili's Grill & Bar, 9393 Monte Vista, Montclair (Montclair Plaza).

Come along and treat yourself to an evening out enjoying friendly company and a delicious meal (on your own). Bring a friend. All are welcome!

The restaurant has requested a reservation to better serve the group. For questions or to reserve a seat, please call Jo Pearring at (909) 626-0489 or Jean O'Donnell (909) 624-3392 by Wednesday, Sept. 26.

Mass Intentions/Readings
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Week of September 16, 2018

MONDAY, September 17

St. Robert Bellamine

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17;

Lk 7:1-10

6:30am †Regan Rigsby

5:30pm †Peter Dai Le

TUESDAY, September 18

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5;

Lk 7:11-17

6:30am †Joseph Son & Theresa Lan

5:30pm †Mew Yung Au Lum,

†Eligio Pozos

WEDNESDAY, September 19

St. Januarius, Yom Kippur

1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12,

22; Lk 7:31-35

6:30am †Peter Cho

5:30pm Jorge Juarez, †Sarah Albert

†Edward Anthony Kildare

THURSDAY, September 20

SS. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong
Ha-sang, and Companions

1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17,

28; Lk 7:36-50

6:30am †Neil Collins

5:30pm †Guadalupe Daniel Ayala

FRIDAY, September 21

St. Matthew

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

6:30am Lauren Gomez

†Jeremy Henness

8:00am School Mass

5:30pm †Maria de la Asuncion Guzman

†Jeremy Henness

SATURDAY, September 22

Autumn begins

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14;

Lk 8:4-15

8:00am

4:00pm

5:30pm †Thomas Tran

SUNDAY, September 23

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8;

Jas 3:16- 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

7:00am

9:00am For the People of the Parish

11:00am †Juan Arreglado

†John Paul Arreglado

1:00pm Rosa Rivera

3:00pm

5:00pm

7:00pm Enrique & Susana Lopez

†Deceased

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EDGE

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

What is Edge?

Our junior high ministry program is open to all students from 6th to 8th grade. The program helps junior high students to continue growing in their faith and to deepen their relationships with their peers in a fun, safe, and spiritual setting. Using catechetical teachings as well as games, activities and faith sharing, our youth are encouraged to embrace God and their Catholic faith. Students leave better prepared to enter high school and the Confirmation program in 9th grade.

For information contact
Jesus Rodriguez,
Coordinator of Youth Ministry
(909) 626-3596 ext. 4215
jrodriguez@olaclaremont.org

**WEDNESDAY
AFTERNOONS
4:15PM – 5:30PM**

**REGISTER ONLINE
OR IN THE FAITH
FORMATION OFFICE**

**SESSIONS BEGIN
SEPTEMBER 26**

**OPEN TO ALL 6TH,
7TH, & 8TH GRADERS!**

**\$20/CHILD
(DAYCARE BEFORE
IS FREE!)**

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Children's choir begins

Do you know a child who loves to sing? Our OLA Parish Children's Choir is the perfect place for children to grow in their love for music and their love for God. All children ages 7-12 are welcome to join; no prior musical experience is needed. The choir will be preparing to lead music for Mass Sunday, Sept. 30, at 11a.m. Rehearsals are Thursdays Sept. 6, 13 and 27 from 7-8 p.m. in Room 17. Contact the Choir Director Mary Muñoz for details at (909) 626-3596, ext. 4263 or email her at mmunoz@olacclaremont.org

Prayer Warriors meet Tuesdays

"Come my love, my dove, my beautiful one," calls the bridegroom in Song of Songs of Scripture.

Come to adoration, praise, and thanksgiving every Tuesday evening at 6:45 in front of the tabernacle in church.

The Prayer Warriors intercede for individuals and for the community.

For more information call: Don at (951) 529.9716 or Mary at (626) 437.5113



Keeping the Promise Alive

Saturday, Oct. 6 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 15

Re-certification course required of all parish volunteers and staff whose last class was over three years ago.

Protecting God's Children

Saturday, Oct. 13 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 15

Initial three-hour training. For details, contact Magali Amezcua at (909) 626-3596, ext. 4211.

It's Catholic High Information Night

OLA School will host a Catholic high school information night Thursday, Oct. 4, from 7 to 9 p.m., beginning with an introductory session in church.

Families pick three 25-minute sessions to be offered by the following schools:

Alverno (Sierra Madre)
Bishop Amat (La Puente)
Damien (La Verne)
Pomona Catholic (Pomona)
Rosary (Fullerton)
Sacred Heart-(Los Angeles)
Servite (Santa Ana)
St. Lucy's (Glendora)
Villanova (Ojai boarding)

Refreshments in the auditorium conclude the night. For information, call the school office at (909) 626-7135. All are welcome.

OLA Retreats

Psalm 46:10 invites us to "Be still and know that I am God." As the rush of the fall season fills our lives with school, work, football, worldly affairs and preparations for the holiday season, why not take a weekend to "steal away" with our Lord?

Annual women's retreat

OLA women's annual retreat with the Carmelite Sisters will be Oct. 5-7. Those who have made this retreat in past years already know the many graces of spending time with Jesus in a beautiful setting. Wonderful blessings are in store for those coming for the first time. (Patio Sept. 9)

If you would like to make reservations, or perhaps just want to know more, leave a message for Cathy Crayton at (909) 621 1727 or you may email Maggie Felix at felixmeowdancing@aol.com.

Annual men's retreat

The annual retreat for men of OLA is planned Sept. 28-30 at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center in Sierra Madre.

Join fellow parishioners for a weekend of spiritual enrichment and growth. The Passionist retreat team offers inspirational talks on *Living in the Peace of Christ*. Included are Mass and Confession, meals, quiet prayer and Stations of the Cross. For details, contact Ed Ochoa at (909) 624-6727.

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Walk for the Hungry is early: Sept. 22

Sign-ups for donors and walkers for the 45th Annual Walk for the Hungry are on the patio after all Masses for this weekend before the Sept. 22 event. Forms are also available at the parish office. OLA fields the largest contingent of walkers each year.

The walk winds through the campus of the Claremont Colleges beginning at 101 S. Mills Ave. (off First Street). You may also enjoy a farmer's market showcase, a food drive, free popcorn and family fun before the walk starts at 9 a.m.

Mark your calendar and collect donations from family, friends and neighbors on behalf of the poor and hungry. If you cannot walk, sponsor one of our "celebrity walkers" at the table on the patio. Remember that \$1 in donations can be converted into five pounds of nutritious food by Inland Valley Hope Partners, a consortium of local churches and organizations that serves over 5,000 individuals each month at food pantries throughout region.

This year, Hope Partners is celebrating its 50th anniversary in service to our local communities.

New Americans Campaign

Claremont United Methodist Church will host a free immigration and citizenship assistance workshop Saturday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at 211 W. Foothill Blvd.

Advance registration is required. Please call (424) 888-0642 or [email calpac.nic1@gmail.com](mailto:calpac.nic1@gmail.com).

Please bring legal Permanent Resident "green" card, state identification or driver's license, Social Security card and passport; address; job history for past five years; marriage and divorce certificates; certificates of disposition for arrests; and record of travel outside the US in the past five years.

Congratulations to Knights

We are grateful to the Knights of Columbus for their generous donation to the parish picnic in the form of hamburgers and hot dogs, outstanding in quality. The Knights also report that their national organization is responsible for these impressive gifts:

105,000 new coats for children

7,649 wheelchairs for the disabled

\$3.8 million to seminarians

\$6 million to Special Olympic and other groups

350,000 service hours

Our OLA Council has certainly contributed to all of these good causes in the past year.

Mediation and Restorative Justice training

As part of continuing Just Faith programs, John Tulac, Attorney at Law and OLA parishioner, is offering a 40-hour training course that meets California Dispute Resolution Program requirements to become a mediator. The training consists of 15 hours of instruction and 25 hours of role playing and critiqued interactive practice in dispute resolution. There are also 10 hours of assigned reading and homework.

Trainees will learn how to facilitate dialogue between disputing parties in a neutral, constructive way to help the parties to reach agreement. There will also be a restorative justice component to the training that models compassion and understanding so that victims (or their families) may be able to meet with and ultimately forgive perpetrators seeking forgiveness for their crimes.

There is no charge for the course. Course books and materials are not expected to exceed \$65. The maximum number of trainees is sixteen. Training will be Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 to noon beginning Sept. 26 and concluding Oct. 27.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Mr. Tulac at jwtulac@gmail.com or Christine Shaner at clhayes1@earthlink.net.

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| Parish Offertory Collection | |
| Weekend Sept. 8-9 | \$19,785 |
| Online | \$ 3,859 |
| Total | \$23,644 |
| Budget | \$25,410 |
| Under Budget | \$ (1,766) |

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Update on renovation of our church

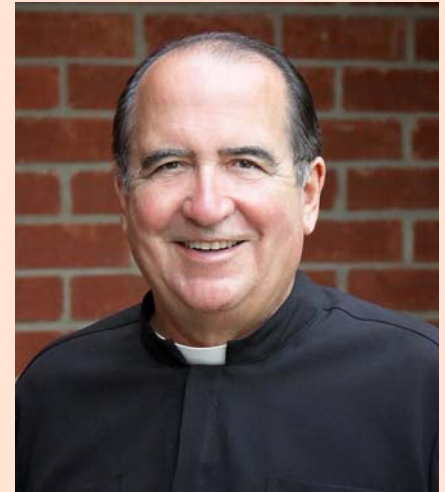
The time is fast approaching when we will move out of our familiar church into a new, temporary worship space for approximately nine months. It will be a time of waiting and anticipation, adaptation and sacrifice... but we will do it together!

By the grace of God, our plans have come together for the modernization and renovation of our church. The capital campaign has collected \$3.148 million, the City has issued all the required permits, and Archdiocese has approved our designs, project manager, construction company and finances. As of this week, the project is out to bid, and we're in the final stages of choosing the general contractor.

Our temporary worship space will consist of a climate-controlled tent, appropriately decorated and filled with the old pews from our church (which will ultimately be replaced). It will be located in the northeast corner of our parking lot. Cars will be permitted to park on the grass during the weekends. Handicapped parking and patio activities will also move closer to the tent.

Our church and patio will become a construction zone, with all necessary safety features. Regular updates on the work-in-progress will be made to the parish as we repair the roof and strengthen the structure, construct a spacious new foyer, build accessible bathrooms, and install a beautiful *reredos* behind the altar. Visit www.olaclaremont.org for all the details.

Worship and pray with your OLA Family as we wait in joyful hope...



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Fr. Charles Ramirez, Pastor



Prayer Requests



For our sick and suffering...

Recent: Cecelia Muñoz, Elisco Rivera, Lauren Taflinger

Previously: Aaron Acosta, Arminda & Lucila Acuna, Alexandra, Linda Angelo, Mike Cancellla, Jennifer M. Duarte Acuna, Kitty Briones, Mary Brunasso, Amelia Chacon, Jerry Dahl, Deacon Don Gath, Charles "Chuck" Giannini, Alice Guerrero, Enrique Juarez, Carmen Lopez, Merle Maine, Doris Maldonado, Richard Marget, Mary Christina Morand-Merlino, Frances Nicholson, Jose Luis Ortega, Arthur H. Osborne, Arturo A. Orozco, Antonio Palifox, Esperanza Paz, Madlyn Richer, Chrystal Robles, Paul Roche, Barbara Rodriguez, Myra Salcedo, Soledad Sarmiento, Mark Stagner, Monica Stephenson, Sylvia Stephens, Tess Turla, Delores Vasquez, and Marie Vencek & Joseph

For our beloved deceased...

Henry Ochoa, uncle of Cecilia (Tom) Cerafice; and the family and friends who mourn his loss

Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

ESCUCHANDO Y RESPONDIENDO

En las lecturas de hoy se entrecruzan tres temas: escuchar a Dios, la fe vs. las buenas obras y perder nuestra vida para poder salvarla. ¿De qué manera están relacionados estos temas?

En Isaías, el Siervo Sufriente padece muchos disgustos y burlas, pero puede soportarlos porque ha escuchado los mensajes de Dios día tras día. El salmo nos dice que Dios también escucha. Dios escucha nuestras súplicas y siempre está dispuesto a salvarnos. Cuando nuestra fe se profundiza, también se profundiza nuestro deseo de hacer obras de justicia y caridad que fortalecen el Reino de Dios. Dios guía nuestras acciones de maneras que muchas veces no podemos ver y no siempre vemos los resultados. Se nos llama en fe a confiar en que lo que hacemos es suficiente y que nuestra disposición a escuchar los mensajes de Dios nos guiará por el camino correcto.



— J.S. Paluch Co.



La venta de burritos y celebracion de la Dia de Independencia el 16 de Septiembre en el Auditorio

La venta de burritos será de 8am – 1pm y nuestra celebracion será de 2:30 p.m. a 5:00 p.m. Habra venta de comida y musica con el *Mariachi Los Pasajeros*. Los esperamos a todos.

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Este año hemos estado reflexionando sobre algunas tradiciones latinoamericanas de nuestra fe. Creo que sería bueno reflexionar también sobre lo que es la Tradición y lo que son las tradiciones. En muchas ocasiones durante mi formación religiosa mis maestros me advertían de no confundir la Tradición en mayúscula con la tradición en minúscula.

“¿Cuál es la diferencia?”, preguntaba. Y de seguro algunos de ustedes se lo estarán preguntando también. Según el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica (CIC 75□83) los Apóstoles transmitieron el Evangelio de Jesucristo de manera escrita y de manera oral. El Evangelio escrito nos ha llegado en forma del Nuevo Testamento, en especial por los cuatro evangelios. El Evangelio oral nos ha llegado por lo que llamamos la Tradición; ésta nos llega por la predicación, la vida y el ejemplo de los Apóstoles.

De esta Tradición o Evangelio oral nacen tradiciones teológicas, disciplinares, litúrgicas o devocionales para diversas escuelas espirituales o grupos étnicos y nacionales. Estas tradiciones necesitan medirse con la gran Tradición evangélica y sólo aquellas que animan a los fieles a vivir más de cerca el Evangelio deben ser promovidas.

— J. S. Paluch Co.

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435 Berkeley Avenue – Claremont, CA 91711

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Bulletin deadline is **Sunday** for the following weekend. Bring copy to the parish office or email bulletin@olaclaremont.org.

Interested in the Catholic Church? We invite you to one of our Inquiry sessions. Call Victor Hernandez at 626-3596, ext. 4213, for more information.

Baptisms Brochures about the Sacrament of Baptism are available at the display case on the patio, or the parish and Faith Formation offices. Please call 4-6 weeks before the date of Baptism. For English Baptisms, please contact the parish office at 626-3596, ext. 0. For Spanish Baptisms, please contact Magali Amezcua at 626-3596, ext. 4211

Weddings Congratulations! Please call the parish office at least six months ahead for preparation, scheduling, and an appointment with a priest. Weddings are scheduled Saturdays at 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m. Visit the display case on the patio for more information.

Anointing of the Sick Please call the parish office day or night.

Hospital/Home Visits For distribution of Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

Funeral Arrangements Please contact the parish office for help with services and special needs.

Stephen Ministry This one-on-one care-giving ministry at OLA is available upon request to those seeking emotional and spiritual support through a life challenge such as loss of a job, personal illness, separation or divorce, illness or the death of a loved one. Please call 626-3596, ext. 4332 to leave a confidential message.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Hotline One-time emergency assistance for individuals and families. Call (909) 626-3596, ext. 4333, to leave a message. Your call will be returned by a volunteer case manager.

Sunday Mass Schedule

7:00 a.m. Traditional cantor-led song
9:00 a.m. Contemporary ensemble
11:00 a.m. Contemporary ensemble
1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
3:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass
5:00 p.m. Teen/Contemporary
7:00 p.m. Cantor-led song

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00 p.m. Cantor-led song
5:30 p.m. Contemporary ensemble
or cantor-led song

Weekday Mass Schedule

6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. Saturday

Saturday Confessions

3:00 – 3:45 p.m. English/Spanish
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. English

How to Reach Us

Parish Office (909) 626-3596

Fax (909) 624-3680

Website: www.olaclaremont.org

email Address: reception@olaclaremont.org

Parish Office Hours

Open 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Open Saturday and Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
(Lunch break from 12:30 to 1 p.m.)

Faith Formation and Religious Education

Faith Formation Center (909) 624-1360

Victor Hernandez, Director of Faith Formation (x4213)

Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

No Sunday hours during the summer

OLA Catholic School

611 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont, CA 91711

Tel. (909) 626-7135 Fax (909) 398-1395

Office hours: Mon-Thurs 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fridays 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Principal Bernadette Boyle

Website: www.ola-ca.org

Parish Staff

Rev. Charles J. Ramirez, Pastor

Rev. Ron Clark, Associate Pastor

Rev. Paul Phan, Associate Pastor

Rev. Chris Troxell, Associate Pastor

Deacon Jim and Karen Allgaier

Deacon Joe and Rita Domond

Deacon Bob and Kathy Steighner

Deacon Art and Nadine Escovedo, retired

Neomi Torres, Director of Parish Administration (x4203)

Victor Hernandez, Director of Faith Formation (x4213)

Dcn. Jim Allgaier, Outreach/Stewardship Coord. (x4216)

Michael Ramirez, Adult Formation Coordinator (x4221)

Jesus Rodriguez, Youth Ministry Coordinator (x4215)

Mary Muñoz, Coordinator of Music Ministry (x4263)

Jean McKenna, Communications Coordinator (x4217)

Bing Macavinta, Bookkeeper (x4232)

Katy Salisbury, Administrative Assistant (x4268)

Karina Pardo, Laura Aguilera, Melly Grigolla and

Elizabeth Preciado, Receptionists (x0)

Roberto Roman, Spanish Choir

Tinh Nguyen, Vietnamese Choir

OLA FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION CLOSES SEPTEMBER 21!

2 WAYS TO REGISTER

- Online at www.olaclaremont.org
- In person at the Faith Formation Center



PRESCHOOL-KINDER

- Sunday School (\$80/child)

Interactive and age-appropriate fun for children 3 years to kindergarten. Offered during the 9am Sunday Mass.



ELEMENTARY (1ST-5TH)

- First Communion Yr 1 (\$80/child) & Yr 2 (\$110/child)

2 year process that meets weekly on Wednesdays to prepare young children to receive First Communion. Offered in English and Spanish.

- Post-Communion (\$80/child)

Weekly Wednesday gatherings for ongoing formation for young children. Offered in English and Spanish.



JR. HIGH (6TH-8TH)

- Edge Jr. High Ministry (\$20/child)

Weekly Wednesday gatherings that provide youth a fun place to find solid Catholic community and to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way.



HIGH SCHOOL (9TH-12TH)

- Confirmation Yr 1 (\$200/teen) & Yr 2 (\$150/teen)

2 year process that meets bi-weekly to prepare teens to receive Confirmation

- The Heights High School Ministry (no fee)

Sunday night gatherings where teens support each other and grow in faith and friendship while learning how to apply Catholic values and beliefs into their daily lives.



ADULTS

- R.C.I.A. (no fee)

2 year process to help adults become Catholic or receive their sacraments.

- Adult Confirmation (no fee)

9 week series that prepares adults to receive Confirmation



OLA FAITH FORMATION CENTER IS OPEN MONDAY - THURSDAY 10 AM TO 5:30 PM

WWW.OLACLAREMONT.ORG - (909) 626-3596