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Sunday, January 23 2022
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Monday - Friday | 9:00am - 11:00am

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www.olaparish.net

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.*
- Lk 4:18

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the parish community at Our Lady of the Assumption Church is to proclaim the Word of God more fully, to gain a more intimate knowledge of God through our Catholic traditions, and to serve the people of God, especially in our efforts to meet the needs of the poor in our community, and when possible around the world. We strive to build a sense of community among our parishioners, with the entire family of God.



Saint
MARIANNE COPE

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy.

Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

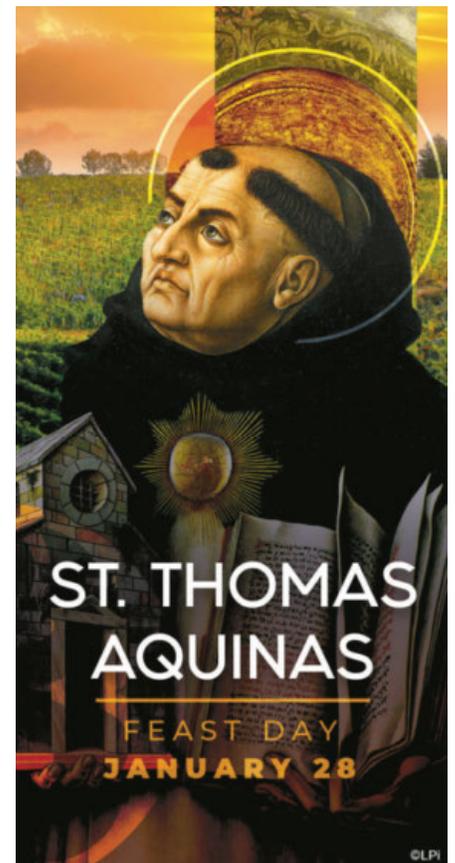


Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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Tom Hickman	Evelyn Jensen	Margaret Parker



Note: Please call the parish office to add a name or to remove them from this list. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Stewardship Sharing

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” (NEHEMIAH 8:10) Ezra’s instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and through our Stewardship to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here’s the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

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SATURDAY, JAN 22

5:00PM † † Jean & John Metz
by Carol Metz

SUNDAY, JAN 23

7:30 AM † Jane Melanson
by Carolyn Albers

9:00 AM † Terry Cassidy

by Mary Mauer

11:00 AM † Rodney Grossman

by Friends & Family

7:30PM All Parishioners

MONDAY, JAN 24

Saint Francis De Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church.

8:00AM † Mariano Silveira

† Anthony DeCristoforo Jr.

† Daisy Scaletta

by Michelle DeCristoforo

TUESDAY, JAN 25

Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

8:00AM (Sp) Ella Gilbode

by Julia Nader

WEDNESDAY, JAN 26

Saints Timothy & Titus, Bishops

8:00AM † Tim Riehl

by Steve and Mary Jo Riehl

THURSDAY, JAN 27

Saints Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder

8:00AM Quintero & Peña Family

by Laura Peña

FRIDAY, JAN 28

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious and Doctor of the Church.

8:00AM † Georgeanne McGagin

by PERT Club.

SATURDAY, JAN 29

5:00PM † Russell Byrholdt

by Virginia DeSouza

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: Jesus is the one sent by God to save us.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today’s Gospel

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you hear this reading, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart? What lingers in your memory?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: Jesus is present to each of us in a different way. Tell about a time that you knew Jesus was with you.

Question for Youth: Name a moment or situation in your life where Jesus was present. What are some situations or places where you wish that Jesus was more visible?

Question for Adults: Jesus came to bring glad tidings to the poor and set free the enslaved. How has this mission of Christ in the world affected you personally?

<https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>

PASTA DINNER CANCELED!

Dear OLA Parishioners,

Due to the number of Covid cases this past week and the increase in numbers reported each week, Father Eduino and the Social Committee feel it best to **cancel the upcoming Pasta Dinner**. The Safety and Health of our Parishioners is most important.

In March, we are scheduled to host the annual Fish Fry. Please join in prayer asking our Lord to watch over us and to bring the end to this Covid.

Any donations sent in with your reservation for the Pasta Dinner will be refunded.

God Bless. 6:30PM (DOORS OPEN @ 6 PM)

JOIN OUR OLA COMMUNITY

Are you attending Mass regularly at Our Lady of the Assumption Church but are not registered? Register today as a parishioner. Visit the following link:

<https://olaparish.net/community/register-us> and follow a few simple steps, and you are done.

If you prefer in person, you can fill out a form at our parish office, which is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Registration forms are also available at the Church. Ask an usher for details.

If you are returning to an active Catholic life, we are happy to facilitate a smooth and joy-filled transition. May you find fellowship, peace, and serenity in our community.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Eduíno, Pastor.

Thank You!

FOR THESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL!

Weekend Offertory 01/16/22 \$ 10,652.05

E-Giving 01/10/22 to 01/16/22 \$ 6,578.59

TOTAL \$ 17,230.64

Average weekly budget amount \$12,000.00

WESHARE

We want to encourage our parishioners to enroll in our automated donation program called **WeShare**. This program provides a convenient way to make your donations to our church in the comfort of your home.

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- Go to <https://olaparish.net>
- Click on Donate.
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OUR PARISH

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, Jan 23

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 7:30am-9:00am-11:00am-7:30pm

7:30am Basketball - Affinito Hall

10:00am Faith Formation Classes - Bannon Hall

10:30am Flame Meeting - St. Paul's Room

12:00pm EM Training Church

12:30pm Girl Scouts Troop 103- Affinito Hall Meeting Room 3

Monday, Jan 24

8:00am Mass

7:00pm Boy Scouts - Troop 328 - St. John's Hall

Tuesday, Jan 25

8:00am Mass

8:30—7:00pm Adoration in the Church

4:00pm Liturgy Committee Meeting - St. Paul's Room (or on Zoom if deemed necessary)

6:00pm Back up Finance Council Meeting.- St. Paul's Room.

6:30pm Knights of Columbus Meeting—St. John's Hall.

Wednesday, Jan 26

8:00am Mass

2:15pm School Music Practice - Church

7:00am Alanon Meeting - St. Paul's Room

7:00pm RCIA—Affinito Hall - Meeting Room 3

7:30 pm Neocatechists - St. John's Hall.

Thursday, Jan 27

8:00am Mass

8:30—7:00pm Adoration in the Church

6:00pm Deanery Deacon Meeting—St. Paul's Room

6:30pm Lectio Divina/Taize Prayer—Church

Friday, Jan 28

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, Jan 29

8:00am American River Deanery—St. John's Hall

10:00am Baptism—Church

5:00pm Mass

10:30am Alanon Meeting - Affinito Hall, Meeting Room 3.

2:00pm Quinceañera—Church

6:00pm Alanon Quarterly - Bannon Hall.

7:30 pm Neocatechists - St. John's Hall

DEADLINES	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
	Jan 29-Jan 30	Jan 21
	Feb 01-Feb 02	Jan 28
	Feb 08-Feb 09	Feb 04

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VIRTUE OF THE WEEK - GOOD JUDGMENT: This week we are exploring the virtue of good judgment. When you have to make a decision or take an action, what guides you? Are you guided by selfishness, desire, greed, hunger? Or are you guided by your conscience, morals, and ethics. Last week, we talked about the virtue of good counsel and how important it is to seek wise people as advisors and friends. When we acquire wisdom, one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to use good judgment and live a life that is pleasing to God. What helps you make good choices and use good judgment? What are situations where you or someone wise whom you admire used Good Judgment?

What's Your Gift?



World Marriage Day 2022
Dia Mundial del Matrimonio

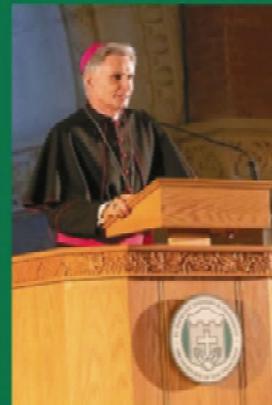
Saturday, February 12, 2022 • 9:30am Mass with Bishop Jaime Soto
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Topic: Pro-Life Conversations

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Moises De Leon
Miriam Sammartino

Where: Divine Mercy Parish
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When: Jan 20, 2022 at 7PM

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SPIRITUAL GROWTH

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

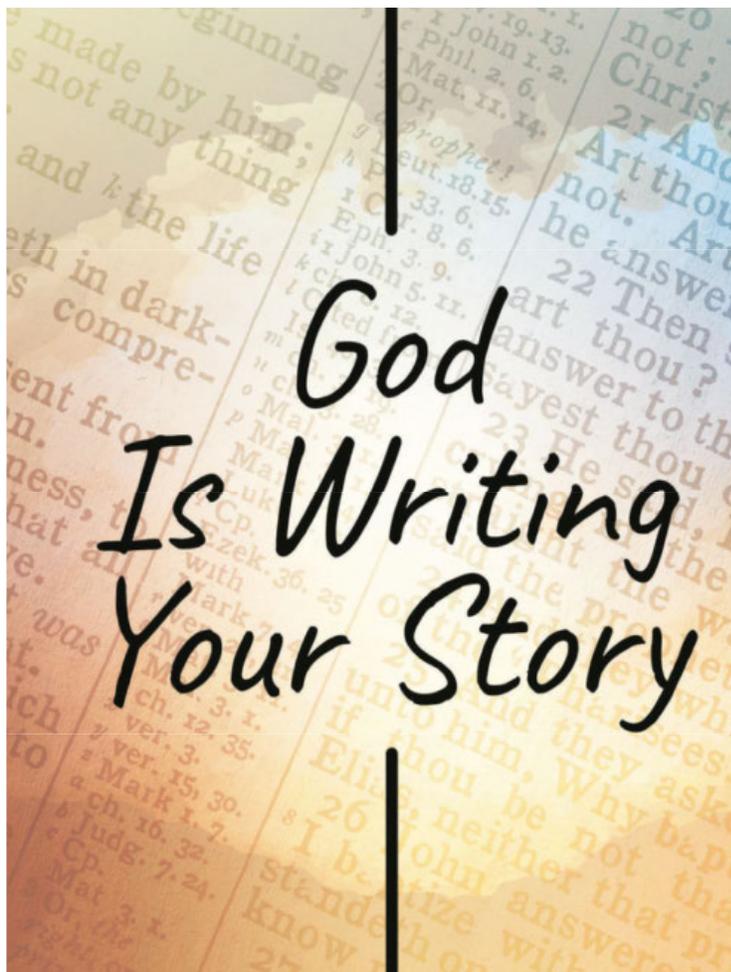
The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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LIVE THE LITURGY

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us.

It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.

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Thank you!

On behalf of Father Eduino and the Liturgy Committee, I want to thank everyone who gave their time during this busy time of the year to help with the **Christmas decoration taken down**. God bless you all, and may the New Year bring you love, joy, and strength.



OUR LADY OF THE *Assumption* PARISH

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In an effort to bring us safely back together for prayer and community, the parish will be hosting weekly virtual events.

The events will be either live-streamed or on Zoom so you can watch and participate from the safety of your home. More events will be added, so please check the schedule each week for updates.

Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Lectio Divina and Taize Prayer in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament

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MARTHA & MARY

The Ladies of Martha and Mary would like to thank everyone for their fantastic support of our Bake Sale and Craft Fair! We made over \$1,700.00 to support our ministries!

If you want to be part of our group, we will have our next meeting on Wednesday, **February 2** at **11:00am** in St. John's Hall.

Lunch will be served and we hope to see you there.



REFLECTIONS

Great

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"YOU ASPIRE TO
GREAT THINGS?
BEGIN WITH
LITTLE ONES."

ST. AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

Is it Right to Sue?

Question: Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

Answer: Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing.

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