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Sunday, March 24, 2024
Bulletin for
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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Principal: Robert Love

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Provides assistance for those in need within our parish boundaries.

Please call: (916) 481-6352

Monday - Friday | 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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**TRULY,
THIS WAS
THE SON
OF GOD.**
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ROMAN SOLDIER

- ST. LONGINUS

Regular Mass Schedule

8:00 a.m. daily Masses
(Monday-Friday and first Saturday)

Saturday vigil Mass
at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses at 7:30 a.m.,
9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
and 7:30 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation:
8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Confessions are heard inside the church on Saturday afternoons at 3:30 p.m.

You may also call the parish office to schedule an appointment.

Please visit our website and subscribe to Flocknote for more information about our parish, ministries, and upcoming events.

olaparish.net

 flocknote.com/olaparish

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus **"looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve" (Mk 11:11)** for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his *marital* purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

Lenten challenge: This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

-Father John Muir ©LPI



For those in our community who have passed away...

All Souls

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Bulletin Sick List Policy

To ensure the privacy of people who are sick, please make sure you have their permission before submitting their name to the list.

Once a name is added, it will be removed either when requested OR after six months. Names will then be removed *unless there is a specific request to keep the name on the list for longer.*

To add a name, remove a name, or if a name has been removed that needs to be added back, you may call the parish office at (916) 481-5115 or email parish@olaparish.net.

Thank you.

Lisa Coffman

Theda Lord

Tomasa Washington

Ryan Daniels

Donna Blaschke (wife)

Donna Blaschke (mother)

Alice Mayer Govaars (baby)

Esther Paulos

Cole Miller Whitney (baby)

Jonathan Whitfield

Wesley Villariza

Charlie Wetherall

Lawrence Wilhelm

Camille Peter

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Call the parish office to add a name or to remove a name from this list.

OLA Communications Information

BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES

ARTICLE DUE

Apr 6-Apr 7

Mar 29

Apr 13-Apr 14

Apr 5

Apr 20-Apr 21

Apr 12

DEADLINES

If you have an event to promote or news to share, please fill out the Communications Request Form on our parish website at <https://olaparish.net/communications-committee>. All communications requests are subject to approval by Father Eduino. **For general questions or bulletin requests, you may also send an email to communications@olaparish.net.**

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SATURDAY, MAR 23

5:00 PM † Lizz Baca

by Carmy and Tina Baca

SUNDAY, MAR 24

7:30 AM † Joao Jose Machado

9:00 AM †† George and Mitzi Langan

11:00 AM † Jerry Keyawa

by Pat De Bruyn

(Sp) The Dowd Family

by the Doud family

7:30 PM All Parishioners (*Missa Pro Populo*)

MONDAY, MAR 25

8:00 AM † Michael Campos

by Judith Malone and family

TUESDAY, MAR 26

8:00 AM †† Francisco and Adelina Sousa

WEDNESDAY, MAR 27

8:00 AM † Helen Gregorio

THURSDAY, MAR 28

7:00 PM All Parishioners

FRIDAY, MAR 29

SATURDAY, MAR 30

8:15 PM †† Patrick and Isabel Lunny

by Fred and Sue Oliver

PARISH 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.

Observances for the week of

March 24, 2024

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Holy Week begins

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

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Are you attending Mass regularly at Our Lady of the Assumption Church but not registered? Register today as a parishioner! Go online to <https://olaparish.net/community/register-us> or scan the QR code.



You may also call or visit the parish office for assistance.

We love
having you as part of our flock



Keep in touch
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email & text



Sign up for Flocknote emails and the Flocknote Engage educational resources by scanning the QR code or at <https://olaparish.flocknote.com/>.

Aren't signed up for OLA Parish Flocknote yet? We can help you! We can assist you in the parish office and via email. Call the parish office or email Lorraine Messerer, Office Manager, at officemgr@olaparish.net.

Thank you!

FOR THESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL

Weekend Offertory 3/17/24	\$ 9,073.08
E-Giving 3/11/24 to 3/17/24	\$ 4,332.13
Total:	\$13,405.21

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STOCK or PLANNED GIFTS

Please contact Elisabeth Gustorf, Advancement Director, at advancement@olaparish.net or at (916) 489-8958 ext. 170.

Our Lady of the Assumption is a 501(c)(3) organization. All gifts are tax deductible as allowed by the law. Tax ID number is #45-3954215.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, Mar 24

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

Monday, Mar 25

8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, Mar 26

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

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

Wednesday, Mar 27

8:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Catholics in Recovery - St. Anne's Rm.

6:30 pm RCIA - Affinito Hall Rm. 3

Thursday, Mar 28

No 8 am Mass

No Adoration during the day

10:45 am OLA School Prayer Service - Church

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration - Church/Chapel

Friday, Mar 29

No 8 am Mass

12:00 pm Good Friday Service - Church

7:00 pm Good Friday Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, Mar 30

8:00 am - 4:00 pm RCIA Retreat - St. John's Hall

9:00 am Easter Decorating - Church

1:00 pm Easter Vigil Rehearsal - Church

NO 5:00 pm vigil Mass

8:15 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, Mar 31

Easter Sunday Masses:

8:00 am - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (No 7:30 pm Mass)

Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 am Mass



This weekend, we will take up the "Fifth Sunday" second collection for the OLA Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

This month, the collection is being moved up to the fourth Sunday of the month due to Easter Sunday taking place the fifth Sunday. Your contributions support our SVdP Food Locker and other outreach services to those in need within our parish boundaries, including rent and utility payments.



We encourage parishioners to enroll in our automated donation program called WeShare.

This program provides a convenient way to make your donations to our church from the comfort of your home. To enroll please follow these simple steps: Go to <https://olaparish.net> and click on [Donate](#).

This will take you to our "Contribute" page, where you will find the **WeShare** link to enroll and donate.

WeShare Donor Support Phone: (877) 316 0260 or go to <https://www.wesharegiving.com/support/>.

PARISH AND SCHOOL NEWS

Flowers and Volunteers Needed to Decorate the Church for Easter



Easter Lily donations are needed for Easter Sunday. Easter Lilies can be dropped off between Thursday, March 28th and Saturday, March 30th. You may also donate financially using the Easter Flower envelopes.

We will be decorating the church for the Easter Masses on Saturday, March 30th at 9:00 am.

If you are interested in assisting with decorating the church, please email Marylee Johnson at jmjohn@surewest.net.

Annual OLA Parish Easter Egg Hunt Donations Needed

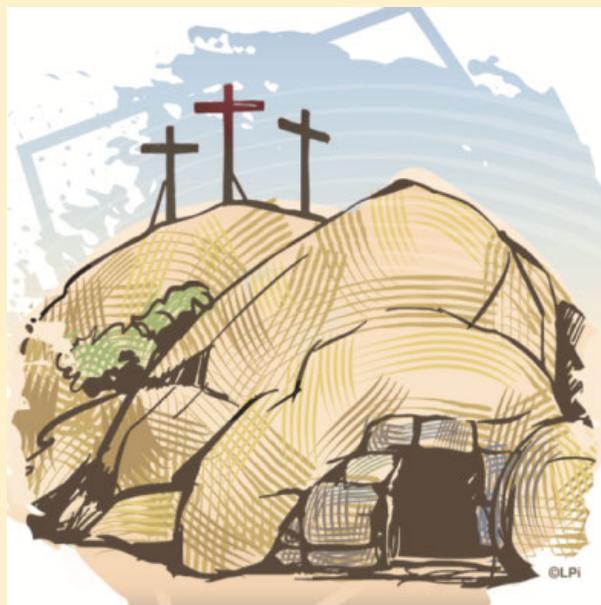


Donations of new unfilled plastic Easter eggs, Easter candy, or other treats can be dropped off at the parish office or school office until Wednesday, March 27th. We please ask that donors adhere to the school's nut-free policy when selecting candy to donate.

Questions can be sent to Megan Hall via email at mrsmeganehall@gmail.com.

Thank you for your donations! School parents can earn parish service hours. Please check Helper Helper for more information.

Easter Triduum / Easter Sunday Schedule



Holy Thursday, March 28

No 8:00 a.m. daily Mass

No daytime Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. (livestream) followed by Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 p.m.

Good Friday, March 29

No 8:00 a.m. daily Mass

Liturgy at 12:00 p.m. (livestream)
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. (livestream)

Holy Saturday, March 30

8:15 p.m. Easter Vigil (livestream)

Easter Sunday, March 31

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass (livestream)

Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:00 a.m. Mass

12:00 Noon Mass

No 7:30 p.m. Mass

"Brick by Brick" OLA School is Building Our Faith

Students: Please cut out the brick and bring it to school on Monday to add to your class board and help your class "build" their faith!

March 24, 2024

PRAYER AND FORMATION AT OLA

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

All are invited to come pray in the church on
Tuesdays and *Thursdays
from 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



*Make time to pray
in the peaceful presence
of our Lord.*

***There will be no Adoration during the day on
Holy Thursday, March 28th.**

To sign up for an Adoration time slot, please contact
Don Thamer at don.nprz6@gmail.com
or (916) 549-7195 mobile/text.

OLA Live Events in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament

At OLA, in addition to weekly Adoration, twice a
month we host prayer services in the presence of
the Blessed Sacrament. Each month we pray the
rosary and have a Lectio Divina and Taizé Prayer
service. Both services are livestreamed.

Upcoming OLA Live Events

Thursday, April 11th at 6:30 p.m.

Rosary (Glorious Mysteries) in the presence of the
Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, April 25th at 6:30 p.m.

Lectio Divina and Taizé Prayer in the presence of
the Blessed Sacrament

Join us in prayer inside the church or online!

<https://olaparish.net/ola-live>

OLA Meditation Group

**This group gathers weekly on Monday afternoons at
4:00 p.m. and follows guided meditations to help
participants grow in relationship with Christ.**

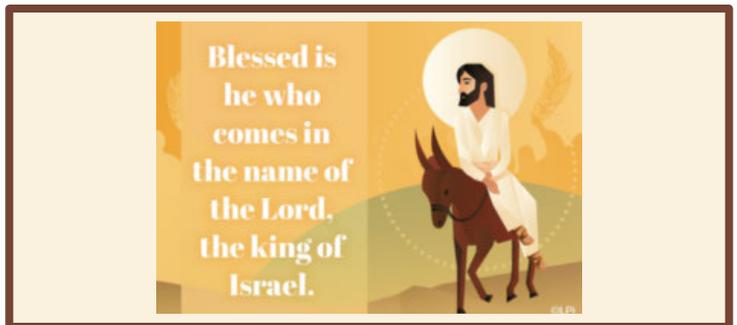
Meetings are in the church on the first Monday of the
month and then on Zoom for the rest of the month.

Email Fran Rider at birider2808@sbcglobal.net for
more information.



Living the Word Scripture Study

All are welcome for the Living the Word Scripture
Study on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Affinito
Hall Meeting Room 3. We discuss the Sunday scripture
readings and how they apply to our daily lives.



Adult / Family Faith Formation Resources AND Small Group Studies

**Fr. Eduino strongly encourages small groups to meet
together to grow in faith, knowledge, and friendship!**

Thank you to our parishioners who have already
answered this special call.

**Did you know that our parish has access to Flocknote
Engage, which includes free and complete access to
Bishop Barron's Word on Fire ENGAGE video library
and study programs?** This resource includes access

to the complete Catholicism series/study program
with free pdf study materials for leaders and
participants. Additional study programs available
include The Mass, The Creed, and The Sacraments.

Flocknote Engage can be used to lead a small group
study. If you are interested in leading a small group
study, please contact Casey Oliver at
worship@olaparish.net.

**You are invited to also check out our parish website,
which has even more spiritual and educational
resources for your faith journey:**

<https://olaparish.net/formation/resources>.

Forming Faith at Home

**Are you looking for more ways to strengthen your
faith as well as the faith of your family?** Franciscan's
Catechetical Institute has a series of workshops that
you can take with no cost to you.

Visit www.franciscanathome.com and create an
account under the Diocese of Sacramento and your
parish. Look for the track called, Forming Faith at
Home.

Guide to Confession

**As Catholics, we are called to partake in the
Sacrament of Reconciliation.** But for many, the
confessional can be an intimidating place. For some
guidance on how to prepare for and enter into this
beautiful sacrament, check out this article and
confession guide from the Busted Halo website:
<https://bustedhalo.com/ministry-resources/busted-halos-guide-confession>.



St. Vincent de Paul Society - OLA Conference

Thank you for your continued support! We need tuna, soup, canned green beans, and macaroni and cheese for the Food Locker. We also need grocery bags, especially paper bags. Drop donations off at the parish office or in the church SVdP collection boxes.

For those who need assistance and live within our parish boundaries, the food locker is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 A.M.-12 P.M. We can also help with utility and rent payments. Call (916) 481-6352 for more information. **Interested in volunteering for SVdP?** Call (916) 481-6352 to leave a message, or email Marylee Johnson at jmjohn@surewest.net.

Save the Date for the upcoming **“Benefit for the Poor” charity dinner** at the DoubleTree hotel at Arden in Sacramento on **Friday, April 26th at 5:30 p.m.** This annual diocesan charity dinner is a key source of revenue for the society's many works of mercy.

Save the Date for our upcoming **Shred Day Fundraiser on Saturday, April 27th from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**, (or until such time the truck is full), in the Walnut Avenue parking lot. Bring old or new tax records and confidential documents, or any dust-gathering records, for professional shredding. The onsite truck allows you to watch your documents being shredded, or you may simply drop off materials for shredding. All shredded paper is recycled. **Donation suggestion is \$5.00 for a grocery bag and \$10.00 for a standard file box.** Please, no binders, large metal clips, plastic bags or Amazon style packaging.



Weekly Meetings at OLA

Join Catholic in Recovery at OLA on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in St. Anne’s Room. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from Sunday’s Mass readings, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer.

Confidentiality is protected. We welcome those recovering from any addiction, compulsion, or unhealthy attachment: alcoholism; drug addiction; compulsive overeating; restricted eating; lust/pornography addiction; gambling addiction; technology addiction; compulsive spending/debting; codependency; control, fear, resentment, and grief. **For more information,** visit our website www.catholicinrecovery.com, or contact Bill B. at bbefort@bellsouth.net or at (561) 827-0624.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked all parishes in our diocese to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, please visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

To donate online: <https://myfranciscan.org/donation-page-pontifical-good-friday-collection/>

Camp Pendola is Hiring

Are you looking for a summer job? Do you want to have a positive impact on campers 7 to 17? If your answer to either question yes, please consider applying to be a Camp Counselor, Wellness Coordinator, or Head Cook at Camp Pendola. We are looking for fun, faith filled, caring and energetic applicants to fill our summer camp positions! Join the team and create lifelong memories for you and everyone you connect with this summer.

More information and application can be found at www.pendola.org/employment or by contacting Jennifer Campbell at jbcampbell@scd.org.

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