

# OUR LADY OF THE Assumption

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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Sunday, June 1, 2025 Bulletin for the Ascension of the Lord

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

<u>OLA PARISH SCHOOL</u> PRESCHOOL - EIGHTH GRADE (916) 489-8958 School Website: school.olaparish.net Principal: Robert Love

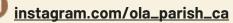
# OLA ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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. Food Locker hours of operation are Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

You are invited to follow OLA Parish on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube!

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Regular Mass Schedule 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.

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

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.

#### <u>olaparish.net</u>



# **PARISH STAFF**

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# **ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSONS**

Pastoral Council: Carmy Baca Finance Council: Joe Selewicz Buildings & Grounds Committee: John Blaschke

# **OLA SCHOOL**

Principal: Robert Love

Vice Principal: Hellen Brassfield

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#### **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 June 1, 2025

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord World Communications Day Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs Monday: Tuesday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs Thursday: St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Friday: St. Norbert, Bishop Next Sunday: Pentecost Sunday









SATURDAY, May 31

† Guilhermina Silveira 5:00 PM SUNDAY, June 1 7:30 AM † Larse Granberg by Anne Anderson

> **†** Jane Anderson by Anne Anderson

- 9:00 AM † Olivia Massetti (birthday) by Massetti Family
- 11:00 AM † Joao Jose Machado
- 7:30 PM All Parishioners (Missa Pro Populo)

MONDAY, June 2

8:00 AM †Mary Margaret Donnelly Moreland by Kozlowski family

**TUESDAY**, June 3

8:00 AM † Bill Portillo by Portillo family

WEDNESDAY, June 4

8:00 AM (Sp) Esther Paulos by Dina Ignasiak

THURSDAY, June 5

8:00 AM (Sp) Thomasa Washington by Anne Perez

FRIDAY, June 6

8:00 AM † Tateishi family by Deacon Friedrich family

SATURDAY, June 7

- 8:00 AM *†*† Juan and Amelia Portillo by Portillo family
- 5:00 PM (Sp) Connell family by The McArdles
- 5:00 PM **†** Maureen McNamee by Kate Walsh



# JOIN OUR OLA COMMUNITY





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

Keep in touch

with us via

email & text

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 Deacon Michael Tateishi at deacon@olaparish.net.

Are you attending Mass regularly at Our Lady of the Assumption Church but not reaistered?

Register today as a parishioner! Go online to https://olaparish.net/community/register-us or scan the OR code.



Current parishioners may also update/verify contact information using the parishioner registration form.

Due to early print deadlines, the Contributions for May 25<sup>th</sup> will be posted in the June 8<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity!

# Support our church easily & securely with online giving!

Our church now uses Flocknote for secure online giving! You can donate by visiting the website below on your computer or a mobile browser!

It's the easiest & most secure way to give to our church and its ministries!

You can make one-time donations or you can set up automatic, recurring giving!



#### Sign up for online giving through your **OLA Parish Flocknote account or by visiting** https://olaparish.flocknote.com/give.

Flocknote Fund It transaction fees are the industry standard 1.1% + 30¢ per ACH transaction, and 2.9% + 30¢ per credit/debit card transaction.

For guestions or assistance with your OLA Parish Flocknote account, please send an email to flocknotesupport@olaparish.net.

# PARISH CALENDAR

#### Sunday, June 1

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

#### Monday, June 2

8:00 am Mass

#### Tuesday, June 3

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

#### Wednesday, June 4

8:00 am Mass 6:00 pm Catholics in Recovery - No on-campus Mta. 6:00 pm OCIA - Affinito Hall Mtg. Rm. 3

Thursday, June 5

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am – 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church 7:00 pm Living the Word -

Affinito Hall Rm. 3

# Friday, June 6

8:00 am Mass 11:00 am Michael Duveneck Funeral - Church

### Saturday, June 7

3:30 pm Confessions -Church

#### 5:00 pm Vigil Mass - Church



**Michael Duveneck** June 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:00a.m.



June 29th our special coll Peter's Pence Collection.

June 29th our special collection supports

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication **Campaign (CCC).** Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and around the world using the websites, social networks, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Sacramento to support local efforts. For more info., visit www.usccb.org/ccc. To donate online: Catholic Communication Campaign 2025 | Diocese of Sacramento. Thank you for your help!

# LEAVE A LEGACY OF FAITH: Include OLA in your Estate Planning

Ensure your faith and values live on for generations to come by including OLA in your will or estate plans.

Your legacy gift will support our parish's mission, ministries, and future growth.



Questions? Contact Elisabeth Gustorf, Advancement Director, advancement@olaparish.net

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

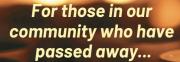
#### June 1, 2025 The Ascension of the Lord Luke 24:46-53

It was a Delta flight from Salt Lake City to Phoenix, and it looked like an on-time departure. As the plane rolled away from the gate, the pilot announced over the intercom: "Ladies and Gentlemen, the crew outside didn't fill up the tanks with fuel. We are going back to the gate to wait for them." The passengers groaned with impatience. But over the next hour, we knew the waiting had a purpose: it meant fuel to get us to our destination.

The disciples at the Lord's Ascension are in a similar predicament but on a massively higher plane. They want the Kingdom of God to begin on earth as it is in heaven. But Jesus says, **"I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high"** (Luke 24:49). They stay together in prayer

in Jerusalem and wait nine long days until the Holy Spirit descends. Empowered by supernatural gifts, they go forth to the ends of the earth and to their deaths proclaiming the Good News of Jesus. The wait was worth it.

Before you begin a task or endeavor, do you take time to patiently pray for the Holy Spirit to come? The bigger the task, the more ardent the prayer should be. Try it this week, and you'll be clothed with power to get where God wants you to go. – Father John Muir ©LPi



**Michael Duveneck and Stanley Lukowicz** 

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

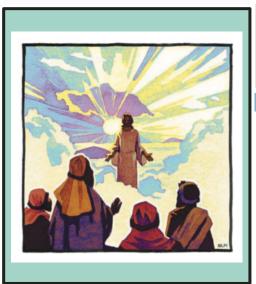
To ensure the privacy of people who are sick, please make sure you have their permission before submitting their name to the list.

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 <u>parish@olaparish.net</u>. Thank you. **Tomasa Washington Ryan Daniels Donna Blaschke Esther Paulos** Wesley Villariza **Charlie Wetherall** Lawrence Wilhelm **Camille Peter Yolande De Forge** Adam Peter Langford Metzger **Mary Roy Michael and Shannon Langer Guadalupe Rodriguez Amber Morris Doug Abbes Kathy Harreld** T.J. Rapozo **Diane Goodman** Will Walker **Bennett Mattingly Jack Wetherall Elaine Lyons** John DeSouza **Jerry Seldon** Sheila Johnson **Nick Friedrich** 

**April Valencia Robert DeAnda Angie Marakas** Linda Vaughan **Christine Jansen Matthew Holmes** Pat Wood Maria Passarelli **Cathy Apker** Shannon Armstrong Karen DeAnda **Kathleen Nolan** Jessica Montgomery **Dave Palmer** Scott Miller **Armie Mauricio Nguyen Family** Hannon Sulochana **Aaron Esselman Rob & Teresa Reavis** Karen DeAnda Cole Miller Whitney (baby) **Barbara Valdez** Michael Kyalwazi

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

**Distribution of the Eucharist to our homebound parishioners is available.** Eucharistic Homebound Ministers are dedicated to serving the spiritual needs of our homebound parishioners by bringing Christ to them and keeping them connected to our community. Leave a message for Peggy Vellanoweth at the parish office if you would like to receive the Eucharist.

OLA Communications Information		
	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
R	June 14 – June 15	June 6
	June 21 – June 22	June 13
S	June 28 – June 29	June 20

If you have an event to promote or news to share, please fill out the Communications Request Form on our parish website at <u>https://</u> <u>olaparish.net/communications-</u> <u>committee</u>. All communications requests are subject to approval by Father Eduino.

For general questions or bulletin requests, you may also send an email to <u>communications@olaparish.net</u>.

# PARISH AND SCHOOL NEWS

#### **High School Student Leadership Opportunity**

**Fr. Eduino is looking for a high school student to be a member of the Pastoral Council.** This student would be an active participant in the advisory council to our Pastor, Fr. Eduino. If you are interested (or know someone who may be interested), please contact Jane Ricci for more information via email at ministrycoordinator@olaparish.net.

#### Meet Our New Pastoral Council Member



We welcome our new Pastoral Council Member, Brian Russo. Brian feels that the Pastoral Council will allow him to help build a stronger bond between the church and school. Modernizing the property while preserving our history is a major goal of his. He looks forward to getting input from parishioners from all walks of life as he serves on this council.

#### **Eighth Grade Graduate Altar Servers**

**Congratulations to our eight grade Altar Server graduates who have dedicated themselves to serving our Lord.** We pray for the best of everything for you as you begin your high school adventure. We would love to have you continue to serve at any Mass you attend! Please take this opportunity to share your valuable skills and experience with the newer Altar Servers as they serve Mass alongside of you. We are very proud of your accomplishments and will keep you in our prayers.



# Our Lady of the Assumption 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Year 1950-2025

2025 is OLA's 75<sup>th</sup> parish anniversary year! To hear about our exciting plans, from the Feast Day Dinner to our new Online Photo Directory, please join us after any of the Masses on Pentecost weekend (June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>). We will have birthday treats to share to celebrate the birthday of the Church and OLA's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year! We will have a table set up under the portico. If you have memories to share, questions about Flocknote, or just want to say "hi" and get a birthday treat, we would love to see you!

We are collecting memories about OLA in commemoration of our anniversary year. Please share a fond OLA memory in writing or a picture with your contact information. These can be emailed to <u>communications@olaparish.net</u>, dropped by the parish office, or brought to our table on Pentecost weekend. These will be used as part of our website tribute to OLA's 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee.

**Mark your calendars!** Friday, August 15th is our parish feast day. Masses will take place at 8:00 a.m. (OLA School faculty will be participating in liturgical ministries) and at 5:30 p.m. Following the 5:30 p.m. Mass, we will have a very special parish feast day dinner in Affinito Hall. More details about the parish dinner will be shared soon.

The OLA Parish Community congratulates the Maddox, Carney, DeSouza, and Mayer families as they celebrate bringing their children into the faith through the Sacrament of Baptism. For more information about baptisms at OLA, visit our website <u>https://olaparish.net/sacraments/sacrament-baptism</u>. You may also email <u>baptism@olaparish.net</u>.

#### Happy Ordination Anniversary!

Happy ordination anniversary to our Pastors Emeritus: Fr. Brendan McKeefry – June 18<sup>th</sup> and Fr. Michael Kiernan – June 3<sup>rd</sup>!

# **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

Are you interested in learning more about our rich Catholic faith and possibly becoming Catholic? Or do you know **someone who is interested**? Did you know that a person is brought into full communion with the Catholic Church through the reception of the three sacraments of Christian initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist? This occurs through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults - OCIA (formerly known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -RCIA). The OCIA is for those who have never been baptized, those who have been baptized in another faith, or those who have been baptized Catholic and have not completed the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. If you are over the age of 16 and interested, inquiries will be held on the following Wednesdays: August 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>. All sessions will be from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Affinito Hall, Meeting Room 3 (accessed via Cottage Way). You are welcome to join us at all four sessions and learn more! We will answer your questions and share the OCIA process. If you will be joining us, or if you have any questions, contact Jordan Holmes via email at ocia@olaparish.net.

# **Gabriel Project**



If you would like more information on OLA's Gabriel Project Ministry, please contact Rose Ross at <u>ross1671@sbcglobal.net</u> or Sharon Kropf at <u>skropf@winfirst.com</u>. We look forward to sharing how we provide spiritual, emotional, and material support to help meet the needs of women and families facing difficult or crisis pregnancies.

#### **May Baptisms**

# 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 during the Easter season to pray in the peaceful presence of our Lord.

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

#### **OLA Meditation Group**

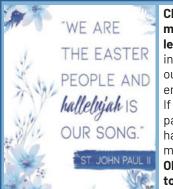
This group gathers weekly on Monday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. and follows Christian meditations to help participants grow in relationship with Christ.

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 <u>bilrider2808@sbcglobal.net</u> for more information. **"Be still and know that I am God."** 



# Living the Word Scripture Study

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



Choir in the Pews is a volunteer ministry that is open to all ability levels. We need prepared singers in the pews who are willing to sing out during Mass to support and encourage the singing of others. If you have been interested in participating in music ministry but have never had the time, this ministry is for you. Email Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net to learn more.



OLA Ministry Opportunities & Info. Want to join a ministry? Does your ministry need assistance? We can help you!

For more information about ministry at OLA, visit our website: <u>https://olaparish.net/community/ministries</u>.

**Do you wish to learn more about our parish ministries** and/or sign up to become involved? Please contact Jane Ricci, our OLA Ministry Coordinator, via email at <u>ministrycoordinator@olaparish.net</u>. You may also call the parish office at (916) 481-5115 to leave a message.

# Catholic Q & A: The Ascension of the Lord

**Question:** Couldn't Jesus have done more good if he stayed on earth, rather than ascended into heaven?

**Answer:** This is an interesting question! During his earthly life, Jesus gave sight to the blind, healed paralytics, drove out demons, and fed thousands with only a few loaves of bread. Imagine what he could have done if he'd never ascended into heaven! Imagine what our world could be! It's an interesting thought to consider, especially as the world faces challenges that only seem to deepen and expand. Yet at the Last Supper, Jesus says, "It is better for you if I go." Why? His response must have seemed strange to the Apostles at the time. In his place, Jesus says, he will send the Paraclete, the Comforter, the Advocate. He promises to send the Holy Spirit.

Jesus' departure allows the Apostles to become the leaders he has formed them to be. Jesus is no longer situated in only one geographical location, and his Church will never be a political kingdom. Soon after the Ascension, we celebrate Pentecost – the descent of the Holy Spirit and the radical empowerment of the followers of Jesus. We share in that empowerment and in that mission. Jesus is present in the sacraments, and he is present in us. Through our faith, hope, and love, we are called to be the good he does here on earth! ©LPi

#### Resources to Help You Grow in Faith and Knowledge for New and Existing Parishioners

If you are returning to your Catholic Faith, we would like to offer an informal conversation with a member of the parish staff to help facilitate a comfortable active return to our church community by sharing information on topics that may have changed in your absence: Sacraments, Explanation of Mass, Church Terminology, Divorce/Annulment, etc. as well as discussing the many OLA ministry options. Interested? Please leave a message for Jane at (916) 481-5115 or send an email: <u>ministrycoordinator@olaparish.net</u>. We are very excited to have you join our faith family!

**Did you know that our parish has access to Flocknote Engage, which includes** <u>free</u> and complete access to Bishop Barron's **Word on Fire ENGAGE video library and study programs**? All that is required is a Flocknote account. You can sign up for OLA Parish Flocknote emails and the Flocknote Engage educational resources at <u>https://olaparish.flocknote.com/</u>. Once you are signed up, login to OLA Parish Flocknote and visit Word on Fire (WOF) Digital to watch any of the videos at any time. This is a robust faith formation resource that includes access to multiple study programs (including free pdf study materials).

**Check out our parish website!** It has even more spiritual and educational resources for your faith journey. If you have resources that you would like you share, please let us know! <u>https://olaparish.net/formation/resources</u>.

**Our parish social media channels feature inspiring and educational content.** Learn about the saints, feast days, teachings of the Catholic Church, and so much more!

🚯 <u>facebook.com/OLAParish</u> 🥯 <u>instagram.com/ola\_parish\_ca</u>

# COMMUNITY



# St. Vincent de Paul Society **OLA Conference**

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. Questions? Call (916) 481-6352.

Thank you for dropping off your donations at the parish office or in the church SVdP collection boxes.

In the spirit of love and justice, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Sacramento Diocesan Council provides help to our neighbors in need through person-to-person service. Our organization, through a network of charity, provides help to those who live in poverty and struggle to make ends meet.

# To Be Living Stones in God's Temple

In these past weeks, we witnessed the providential passing of Pope Francis on Easter Monday. What a wonderful sign of hope it was that, despite his frailty, he resolutely decided to appear on the balcony of St Peter's Basilica to bless all the faithful gathered for the Easter Urbi et Orbi blessing. Let us commend his soul to God, confident that the Pilgrimage of Hope which he began on earth might be brought to eternal fruition in the communion of saints. After the period of anxious anticipation following the Pope's death, we can once again rejoice. Almighty God, through the prayerful discernment of the Cardinal-electors, has willed to provide us a Holy Father from our own country! Pope Leo born in Chicago as Robert Francis Prevost is the 267th in an unbroken chain of Roman Pontiffs stretching all the way back to Saint Peter himself. We have no doubt that Leo will continue leading us on the Pilgrimage of Hope begun by Francis, while bringing his own profound wisdom and breadth of experience to his new role as Bishop of Rome. Let us pray for our new Holy Father, Leo. May he, as Saint Peter said, also become a true living stone, helping us all to build up God's House on earth. - Dr. Joey Belleza, Assistant Director of Lay Formation, Diocese of Sacramento

#### Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference

The upcoming Northern California Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference is coming soon. There may be a small group interested in going who may carpool from OLA. If you are interested, please go to: https://ncrcspirit.org/.

#### Summer at Jesuit High School

Girls and boys from first grade through twelfth are welcome! High School classes and NEW camps including STEM, Arts, Special Interest, Sports, and more! For more information go to: Summer at Jesuit - Jesuit High School .

# Find healing at Rachel's Vineyard



Call (916) 733-0161 or email projectrachel@scd.org. All messages are confidential.

#### **Official Jubilee Prayer**

#### Father in heaven,

may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanguished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

#### **Retrouvaille – A Lifeline for Married Couples**

Is your marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille is an outreach to married couples who are experience difficulties that are leading towards anger, arguments, growing apart, or divorce.

This is a lifeline to save your marriage. Retrouvaille can help you:

- Rebuild your emotional connection. •
- Learn healthy communication methods. •
- Manage conflicts effectively. •
- Forgive and rebuild trust.

The next retreat is June 27-29 at Christ the King Retreat center, in Citrus Heights. Please contact John & Peggy at 1-530-536-0449 or helpourmarriage.org.

# Weekly Meetings at OLA



Join Catholic in Recovery Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. in St. Anne's Room. However, beginning Wednesday May 28th thru July 17th, Bill B. will not be conducting on-campus, inperson meetings. However, he will conduct virtual meetings and will resume the in-person meetings beginning July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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.

For more information on the program, visit our website at: www.catholicinrecovery.com, or for more information regarding the schedule and program contact Bill B. at (561) 827-0624 or at bbefort@bellsouth.net.



Pregnant? Worried? Need Help? Call (800) 910-0191 The Gabriel Project

