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SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021

Second Sunday of ordinary time

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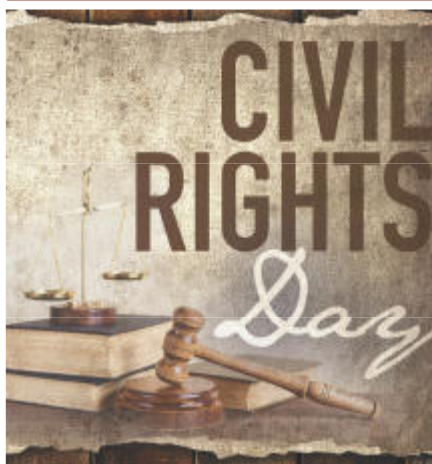
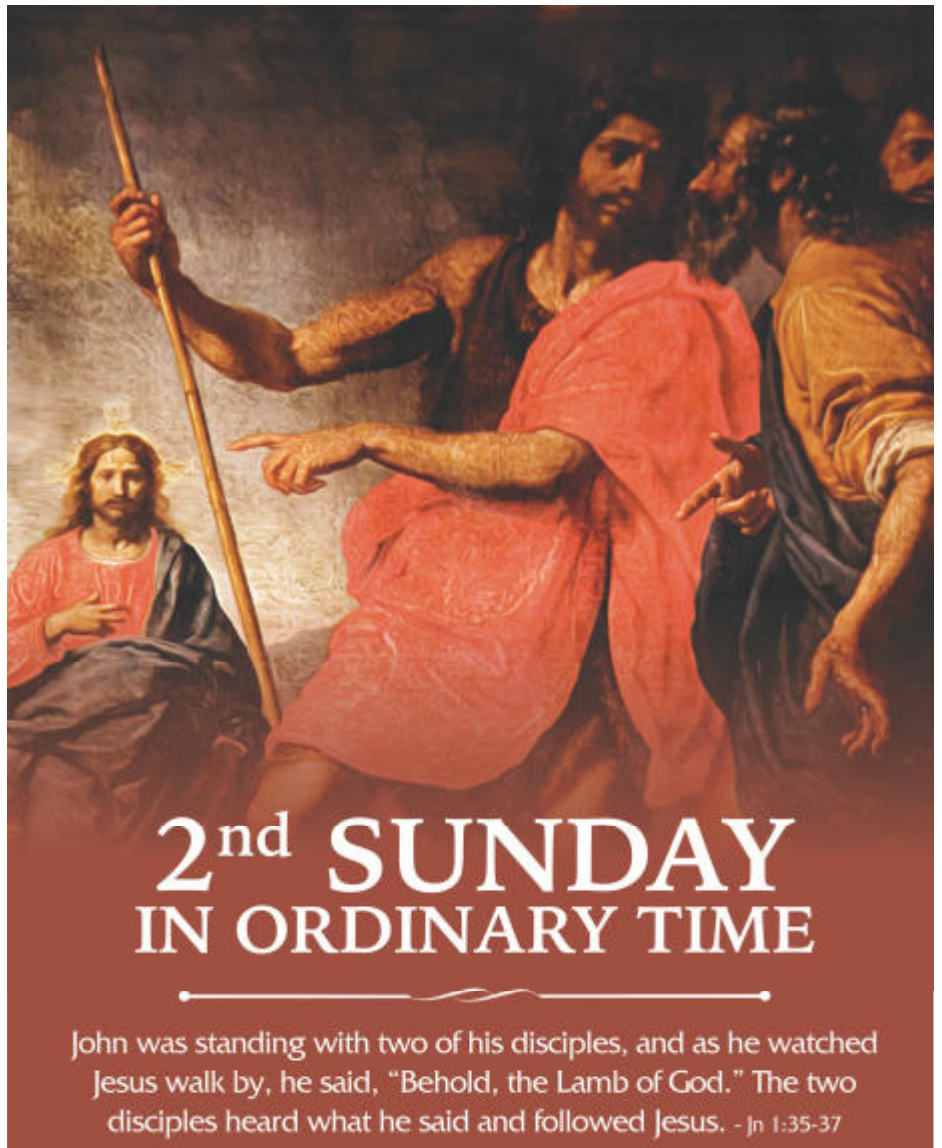
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HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

Ask an usher about them!

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SCHEDULE information

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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 wider Diocesan community, and with the entire family of God.

WE WELCOME YOU HOME

January 17, 2021
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

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Thank you for joining us today! We welcome you to our faith family and look forward to growing in faith and friendship with you. If you are interested in formally joining our parish community and/or the Catholic Faith, you can do so on-line or by coming in to the parish office. 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. Eduino, Pastor.



January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal
Protection of Unborn Children

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

5:00PM No Intention

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

9:00AM No Intention

11:00AM No Intention

MONDAY, JANUARY 18

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

8:00AM † Stephen Beneto
by Eleanor Van Dyke

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00AM No Intention

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

8:00AM No Intention

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21

St. Anges, Virgin and Martyr.

8:00AM No Intention

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

8:00AM No Intention

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

5:00PM Ella Gilbode (Special Intention)
by her Godmother



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Finding Stewardship

January 17, 2021

2 Nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” - JOHN 1:38

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, to live your Stewardship, by asking the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.



Sunday Jan 17: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday Jan 18: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday Jan 19: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday Jan 20: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday Jan 21: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday Jan 22: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday Jan 23: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

Sunday Jan 24: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

PARISH LAUNDRY HELPERS

We have a committee of parishioners who have signed up to wash the communion laundry and faithfully weekly pick it up and wash away! We have noticed, however, that it seems there are others helping with this task who are not part of the committee – **DON'T GET US WRONG WE WELCOME YOU AND APPRECIATE YOUR HELP**, HOWEVER, we just need to have you contact Marylee Johnson at 916-359-1225 and give her your name.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Christ Is Anything but Ordinary

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flatlining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet? Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.

Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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OUR PARISH

OLA LIVE

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 14 at 7:00 pm

Living the Word Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, January 19 at 7:00 pm

Interactive Zoom Rosary hosted by Knights of Columbus

Thursday, January 21 at 7:00 pm

Living the Word Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, January 27 at 7:00 pm

Interactive Zoom Rosary (Glorious Mysteries) hosted by OLA Parish

Thursday, January 28 at 7:00 pm

Live Stream Lectio Divina and Taize Prayer



Church Wi-Fi

We now have wireless internet (WiFi) in the Church and St. John's Hall Church

Network: OLA Parishioner

Password: olachurch



St. John's Hall

Network: St. John's Hall Guest

Password: GuestWiFi1!!!

Go to our parish website:

<https://olaparish.net/live-stream-mass> to access the worship aid online each Sunday.

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Weekend Dates	Article DUE
Jan 23—24	January 15
Jan 30—31	January 22
Feb 06—07	January 29



Pregnant? Worried? Need Help?

Call (800) 910-0191



Updated regular Mass Times and Locations

8:00 am daily Masses

(Monday-Friday and first Saturday) will be located inside of the church with limited outdoor seating available in front of the church under the portico. Indoor seating is not permitted at this time.



The Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 9:00 am, and Sunday 11:00 am Masses

Will be live streamed inside of the church with limited outdoor seating available in front of the church under the portico. Indoor seating is not permitted at this time.

The Masses will also be available to view throughout the weekend on our website, YouTube channel, and Facebook page.

Communion

Will be distributed outdoors in front of the church up to 45 minutes after each Mass.

The Sunday 7:30 pm Mass is cancelled at this time.

Communion will be distributed in front of the church from 7:30 - 8:30 pm on Sunday evenings.

PUZZLES

Come to our parish office and take home a fantastic puzzle that will keep you busy, healthy, and happy.



**Parishioners have brought these puzzles to share.
Take the challenge to build a big one!**

SCHOOL & YOUTH MINISTRY

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Sunday we began Faith Formation classes for all our students. What a joy to see their faces beaming through the computer. They thoroughly enjoy seeing and saying hi to their fellow classmates! Classes will continue most Sundays from 9 am-10 am. Our dedicated Catechists spend a great deal of time each week planning their lessons and working to make the class interesting, active, and enjoyable.

Parents, thank you for your support and help in attending class with your child. You are their primary Catechist and we appreciate your guidance in carrying out the lessons taught each week. A calendar of classes will be sent again to provide the dates for classes. Classes continue to meet each Sunday, with the exception of holiday weekends.

First Eucharist is scheduled for Sunday, May 2, 2021, at 2:00 PM. Confirmation is scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at 6:00 PM. It is imperative all students attend classes and participate in the activities planned to enhance the meaning of the Sacraments.

Confirmation Students – Fired Up, the Bishops Rally will be virtually presented on Saturday, March 6th from 1:00 PM-4:00 PM. Bishop Soto will close the Rally with Mass. This Rally is MANDATORY for all Confirmation students. Registration forms are available and are also being sent by email. If you have any questions regarding Faith Formation Classes, please contact Joan Cotton, email: faithformation@olaparish.net

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You're Invited **JANUARY 16, 2021 @ 7PM**

Rise up
Young Church

SPECIAL GUEST: MARK HART

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PROTECT EVERY LIFE

Respect Life Novena

JANUARY 14 - JANUARY 22, 2021

Our Respect Life Novena is dedicated to those babies who have been aborted, for those mothers who have suffered a loss of a child, and mothers in need. Each day will be led by our diocesan clergy and laity. Connect to Facebook or Instagram for each day's prayer and reflection: @SCDFormedFaith

Solidarity Walk

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021

We encourage families to take time to reflect on the gospel of life and pray the rosary. Take a selfie or record yourself taking a walk around the neighborhood as you pray for an end to abortion, and post using #SCDProLife

Learn more about the Novena and Walk:

www.scd.org/protecteverylife

Questions? Contact Moses De Leon, mdeleon@scd.org

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

LIVE THE LITURGY

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We have often heard it said that God is always calling but we are not always listening. It is not only that we are not listening, but that we are not familiar enough with God to even recognize that it is God who is calling! We can easily mistake God's voice for someone or something else and miss some profound opportunities for connection. We have to train our minds, hearts, and souls to specifically listen for the voice of God. It is a voice that draws us to deeper places, leading us to moments of grace and more profound God awareness. To look at Jesus and be able to say, "Behold, the Lamb of God," means that I know something special about this person whom others know as simply a man. I will become more attentive and receptive when he says, "Come, and you will see." I may even be more willing to set aside what I am doing and actually go.

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Gutierrez Family

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



QUESTION OF THE WEEK

God calls us to follow Christ.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Listen to the Word

As you hear this familiar story of Jesus calling his first disciples, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart?

Look into Your Life

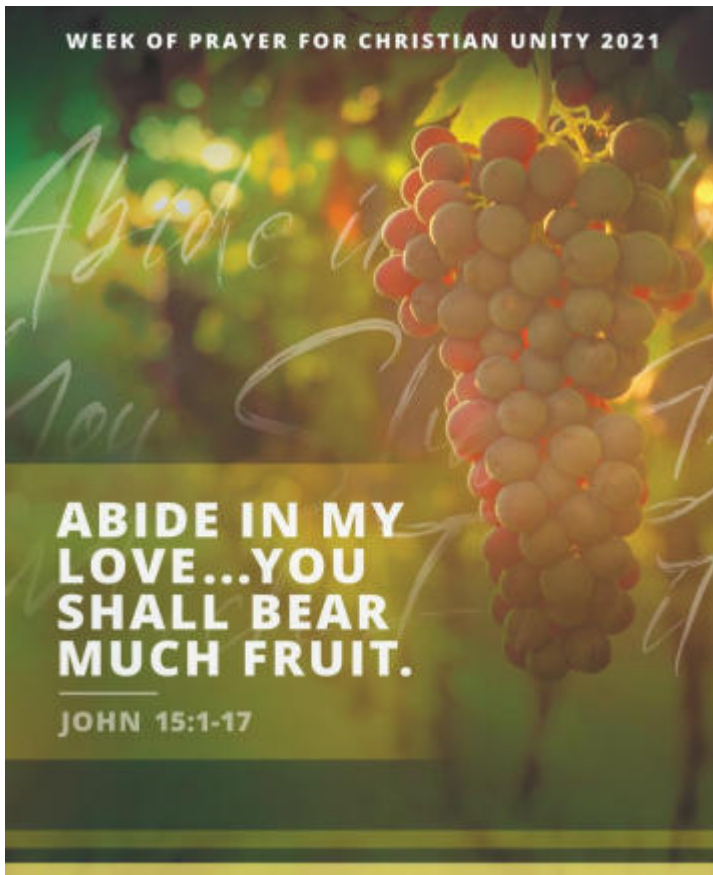
Question for Children: What can you do this week to show that you are a follower of Jesus?

Question for Youth: Andrew seemed to know immediately that he should follow Jesus. Do you have that same sense of confidence in your faith in Jesus? What helps? What makes it hard?

Question for Adults: In what ways do you experience being called by Jesus? What does he want you to do?



COMMUNITY



Virtual Special Event for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on January 19, 2021

You are invited to a Virtual Special Event on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme for the event is *Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit* (cf. John 15:1-17). This event is sponsored by the North State Ecumenical Conference, and has the support of Bishop Jaime Soto. It will feature the following:

- * A rendition of *Lift Every Voice and Sing* by a **Virtual Ecumenical Choir**
- * A **Panel Discussion** with several Christian faith leaders, who will address *Racism in the Church*
- * A **Worship Prayer Service** led by Christian faith leaders (including Bishop Jaime Soto), with Bishop Minerva Carcaño of the United Methodist Church, California Nevada Conference, as the Homilist

Livestream information will be announced soon. There is no charge for this event. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Deacon Dennis Gorsuch, NSEC Chair, at (916) 984-8550, or E-mail: dennisgorsuch@comcast.net

TAX SEASON IS HERE

We will be sending tax statements to all parishioners who generously donated to OLA in 2020.



You may disregard the note in the January 10, 2021 bulletin that stated you must proactively request a statement".

FROM THE BISHOP



In response to the violence at the United States Capitol on Wednesday, January 6, Bishop Jaime Soto issued the following statement:

"The reckless upheaval at the Nation's Capitol is a disturbing development in a still restless America. With renewed fervor let us pray for our country and its leaders during this time of transition. Accompany these prayers with our own resolve to build a culture of life with reverence and respect for one another."

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.



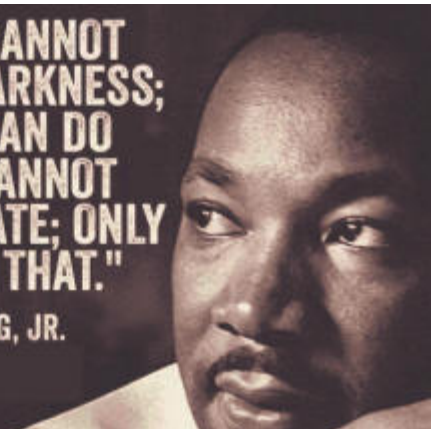
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- [Go to https://olaparish.net](https://olaparish.net)
- Click on Donate.
- This will take you to our "Contribute" page, where you will find the **WeShare** link to enroll and start making your donation.



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DRIVE OUT HATE; ONLY
LOVE CAN DO THAT."**

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