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Sunday, March 06 2022

SUNDAY OF LENT Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. - Lk 4:1-2a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Parish Office: Monday - Friday | 8:30am -4:00pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Provides assistance for those in need within our parish boundaries.

Please call: 916-481-6352

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

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

Ask an usher about them!

Please check our website for current MASS SCHEDULE information

www.olaparish.net



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.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 6, 2022

1st Sunday of Lent

One of the greatest temptations human beings face is leaving the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them in pursuit of more personal satisfactions. When we consider all that desires our attention in a given day, there are many lures that attract us to illusions about ourselves. We can easily find ourselves distracted or tired, preoccupied with preserving our status in life, social relationships, current trends, and corporate demands, and intrigued by pursuing what we perceive to be the "path of least resistance." The daily concerns of life can quickly take our eyes off of our truth, making the empty promises of worldly accomplishments and ideologies seem so attractive. What is at risk in giving into this temptation?

We cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. We replace the true God with a "pet" one. While many do not totally dismiss the idea of God and pretend to remain at least remotely connected, they do not invest themselves heart, mind, and soul in the relationship either. That is why we are so easily swayed. If something attractive comes along, we lunge for it. After all, having a position above and over everyone else is a good thing, isn't it? In more honest moments, many have to admit that they believe this to be true.



The Evil One is very convincing. But he can only gain control if we allow him to. About temptation, St. Basil remarks, "As the pilot of a vessel is tried in the storm, as the wrestler is tried in the ring, the soldier in the battle and the hero in adversity, so is the Christian tried in temptation." And here is found the reason for Lent. It is a wonderful opportunity to get a handle on the attractive lures of illusion that easily captivate us and bring us off track. It is also a time for some honest reflection rooted in prayer, fasting, and selfless giving that can bring us to temptation's remedy: love. Love of his Father gave Jesus resistance. It can do the same for us. ©LPi



PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Nancy Carlson	Sarah Maya	Larry Wager
Jonathan Rassmussen	Amanda Young	Peter Robledo
Stacie Higginbotham	Pauline Dressler	Chistrine Dudley
Sandi Lanz	Diva Orsolini	Martin Trillo
Shirley Ward	Nancy Colleran	Anna Gigi
J. Richard Heintz	Loretta Taylor	Vicente Flores
Richard McClintock	Jackie Doyle	Bill Koerlin
Charles Kesmodel MD	Tamsyn R Holmquist	Salvador Beltran
Debbie McGee	Evelyn Jensen	
Tom Hickman	George Wenthworth	
Mary Cottor	John Tenerio	

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

EMPTY EGG CARTONS NEEDED: The Saint Vincent de Paul Society deeply appreciates your generous support of the Food Locker. There is a current need for empty egg cartons. Please bring your empty cartons to the school or parish office. Thank you!



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Stewardship Priority

1st Sunday of Lent

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given me." (Deuteronomy 26:10)

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do we live our Stewardship by giving to God from our "first fruits" - the first and best that we have to offer, or do we give from what we have leftover? Second, do we realize that everything we have and that everything you are has been given to us by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

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FIND GOD IN THE DESERT

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Sunday of Lent

Theme: Lent is time to open our hearts more fully to Jesus.

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: When you feel tempted to do wrong, how do you remain strong in your faith?

Question for Youth: What is one thing you will do during Lent to become more open to God in your life?

Question for Adults: As you come to understand the temptation of Jesus in the desert, which one of the devil's offerings is hardest for you to resist?



SATURDAY. MARCH 5 8:00am + Teresa & Robert Wilhelm by Carmy & Tina Baca SUNDAY, MARCH 6 7:30am + Tomasa Washington by Anne Perez 9:00am + David Leatherby by Leatherby Family 11:00am † Drexel Parulan by Parulan Family 7:30PM + All Parishioners MONDAY, MARCH 7 Saint Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs 8:00AM + Bill Portillo & Amelia San Miguel by Portillo Family **†** Kevin Livingston by Sue Livingston **TUESDAY, MARCH 8** Saint John of God, Religious 8:00AM † Dale & Arlene Fuller by Portillo Family WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9 Saint Frances of Rome, Religious 8:00AM The Parulan Family by Spitzer Family † John West by Constance West **THURSDAY, MARCH 10** 8:00AM + Jaime Jose De La Vega by De La Vega Family FRIDAY, MARCH 11 8:00AM Jake De Souza by Virginia De Souza (Grandmother) SATURDAY, MARCH 12 5:00PM † Michael Ann Rockenstein

by Mike Rockenstein

https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/

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.



Will you not spend one hour with me? (Matthew 26:40)

Eucharistic Adoration is honoring and adoring Jesus Christ. As Catholics, we believe that He is truly present in the Eucharist - in body, blood, soul and divinity! If we can see with our "eyes" of faith, we will find Jesus there. He is waiting for us, hoping that we will find time to visit with him, as with a good friend. And, as a good friend, He wants to know us better.

Eucharistic Adoration is in the church on **Tuesdays and Thursdays following the 8:00 A.M. Mass until 7:00 P.M.**

For more information, please contact **Don Thamer @ 916-549** -7195 or Mary Ellen Hofmann @ 916-837-0229.



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



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, March 6

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

Monday, March 7

8:00am Mass

8:45am Parish Mission, Jesse Manibusan - St. John's Hall

9:45am School Retreat Sessions with Jesse Manibusan -St. John's Hall

4:00pm Meditation Group -Church

6:30pm Parish Mission, Jesse Manibusan - Affinito Hall 7:00pm Boy Scouts- Troop 328 - St. John's Hall

Wednesday, March 9

8:00 am Mass

8:45am Parish Mission, Jesse Manibusan - St. John's Hall

9:45am School Retreat Sessions with Jesse Manibusan - St. John's Hall

2:15pm School Music Practice - Church

6:30pm Parish Mission, Jesse Manibusan - Affinito Hall 7:30 pm Neocatechists - St. John's Hall.

Thursday, March 10

8:00am Mass 8:30am—7:00pm Adoration in the Church 3:00pm St. Vincent de Paul st. John's Hall.

5:30 pm Cub Scout (Webelos) - St. John's Hall.

7:00pm Living the Word Meeting - Affinito Hall Room 3

Tuesday, March 8

8:00am Mass

8:30am—7:00pm Adoration in the Church

8:45am Parish Mission, Jesse Manibusan - St. John's Hall

9:45am School Retreat Sessions with Jesse Manibusan - St. John's Hall

5:30pm Webelos Pack 225 -Affinito Hall, Room 3

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

6:30pm Parish Mission, Jesse Manibusan - Affinito Hall

6:30am Webelos - Pack 225 - Affinito Hall, Room 3

7:00 pm Catechesis OLA (Experiences) - Bannon Hall

Friday, March 11

8:00am Mass 5:45pm Lenten Soup Friday - St. John's Hall 7:00pm Catechesis OLA -Bannon Hall

7:00pm Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 12

5:00pm Mass

9:00am Eucharist Pictures -Church

10:00am Group Baptism (Spanish) Church

10:30 am Alanon Meeting -Affinito Hall

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

SCHOOL & PARISH NEWS



All are Welcome: One Church, One Body in Christ OLA Parish Lenten Mission with Jesse Manibusan

Jesse Manibusan is coming to Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Carmichael to help our faith community begin our Lenten journey. Jesse Manibusan is a singer, songwriter, catechist, storyteller, humorist, and evangelizer. Well recognized throughout the country as a dynamic speaker and musician, Jesse shares from his heart the love of Christ and the call to live out our baptism in every aspect of life. In his talks, he will share



the joy, hospitality, and welcoming (i.e., evangelization) of our Catholic faith. He will also speak to the unity of one Church, one people of God, bringing us to the table to foster unity and heal division.

All are welcome to attend all three days! General sessions for parishioners and community members are on Monday, March 7th - Wednesday, March 9th, 2022. Morning sessions are at 8:45 am in St. John's Hall, and evening sessions are at 6:30 pm in Affinito Hall. Admission is free!

Donations will be accepted to help us make this event available for all. Please check our parish website for more information (www.olaparish.net) or call our parish office at (916) 481-5115.



The annual St. Vincent de Paul Shred Day Saturday April 23 from 8-12 AM

2141 Walnut Ave,

Carmichael, CA 95608

We hope to see you there!



Saturday, April 16, from 7am to 1:30pm

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

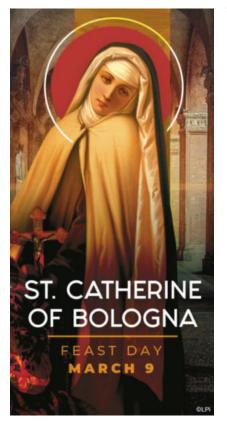
Filling the Basket This Lent

Lent calls us into deeper everyday stewardship because it beautifully creates opportunities to be mindful of the call of Christ in even the most mundane moments of our day.

Many of us will participate in the time-honored tradition of doing penance, or "giving something up" for Lent. When we do this, we are mimicking the Israelites who filled their baskets with the first fruits of their harvest, "and having set them before the Lord, your God, (bowing) down in his presence" (Deuteronomy 26:10).

What are we going to bring before the Lord this Lent? What are our first fruits? If you're struggling with

ideas for how to "fill your basket," it can help to come at the problem from the opposite side. Take a look at the six characteristics of Everyday Stewardship and think about the moments in your day when you fail to fulfill the virtues to which they call you. What is keeping you from being mindful of the call of Christ



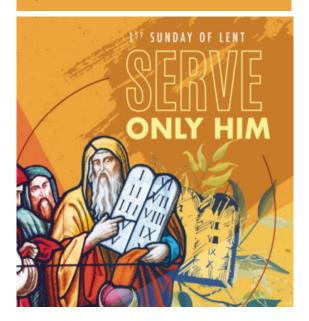
throughout your day? I promise you, if you listen, you'll hear it more than once.

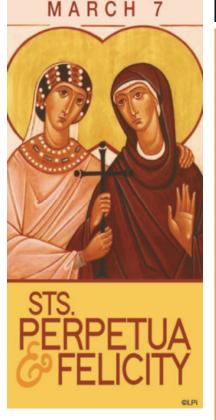
What is keeping you from being prayerful? When you have set your first fruits before the Lord, what keeps you from bowing down in His presence to finish the offering? What keeps you from being grateful — especially of the small things that so often go unnoticed? What keeps you from being gracious, from leaving people smiling as they walk away? What keeps you from being committed and accountable? Where do your excuses come from and what makes you indulge them?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Human beings did not come to believe in God just because of someone's private testimony about him. Rather, belief in God became real when human beings understood that all of human history is being guided and lead, kept and sustained by a God who is incredibly in love with all that he has made. It is this realization that leads us to thanksgiving and gratitude for the one who gives us "this land flowing with milk and honey." It also leads us to adoration and worship as we continue to see the creative power of God's presence in all of the events of our lives. The Church stands as a living witness to all of these things and calls us this Lent to reflect and remember. There is a great temptation for human beings to leave the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them. Falling into this temptation we cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. While having more may seem better, the only thing we really need more of is love. This fortifies us and keeps us from falling. **CLPi**





COMMUNITY

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.

Tuesday, March 14, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Rosary in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament -Sorrowful Mysteries

Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Lectio Divina and Taize Prayer in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament www.olaparish.net



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with Deacon Mike & Chaplain Barb Turner, Grief Ministry Trainers for the Diocese of Sacramento

MARCH 19 & MARCH 20

FREE)

ATHOLIC FUNERAL CEMETERY SERVICES

9 am to 4 pm

In person or Virtual

St. Mary Cemetery & Funeral Center 10000 6509 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento -OR- via Virtual Lifesize Link

Attendance for both days are required

This free two day workshop provides training for those who are being called to offer comfort and support in their parish. At the end of the 16 hours of training, you will receive a certificate of completion.

To learn more and to RSVP: cfcssacramento.org/events or 916-840-2138





Selling of raffle tickets for St. Vincent de Paul Dinner for the Poor will be at all Masses on the weekends of April 2nd & 3rd and 9th & 10th. The winner receives a trip to Hawaii.

All proceeds go to our parish conference.







March 12, 2022 9am - Noon Holy Spirit Parish 3159 Land Park Dr. Sacramento 95818

Open and walk the door of mercy, which rescues us from spiritual death and its many sorrows, if only we are humble enough to walk through it.

Register: https://forms.gle/skDYWoWójqgkcxwE7



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