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SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday of the Lent

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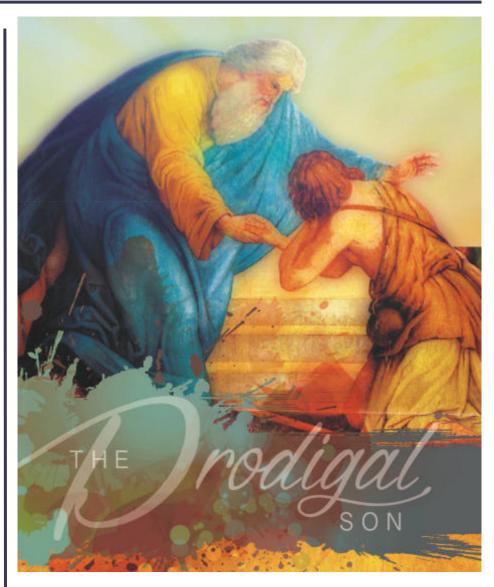
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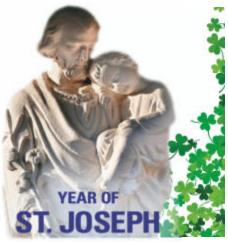
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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



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.

March 14, 2021 4th Sunday of Lent

Is there something to Lent that goes beyond our own spiritual house cleaning and spiritual refinement? Yes, there is! It has to do with listening and learning so that we can take up the task of the Gospel with greater clarity and fortitude. While the spiritual refocusing of Lent is necessary, the fruit of this Lenten conversion has much more to do with learning how we can be a better Church than it does about our eternal salvation. Salvation is a gift that flows out of God's unconditional Mercy and cannot be merited. The spiritual maturity we can experience as a result of our Lenten disciplines serves to reduce the anxiety and apprehension we may experience as messengers of good, but very challenging, and unsettling, news.

St. Oscar Romero said that, "a church that doesn't provoke any crises, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, a word of God that doesn't touch the real sin of the society in which it is being proclaimed, what gospel is that?" When we listen to those descriptive and provocative words, do they resonate with anything in our experience? As messengers of the Gospel, we are called to bring an unsettling message to the world. If our main concern is protecting our self-interests, then we are missing something huge! Many really struggle with being rejected, dismissed, or perceived as someone who is speaking out of turn. There is a counter cultural message that must be preached that clearly sides with the poor, marginalized, victimized, oppressed, neglected, disregarded, and lost souls throughout the world. There is a widespread misery among the peoples that is all too often allowed to fester with no one coming forward to offer a change or resolution.

The Church can speak to the needed structural changes that will allow people to earn just wages, feed their families and share abundantly and equally in the gifts of God's good earth. Such a vision is not some optimistic fairy tale, but the vision of the Creator himself. Lent reminds us, as St. Oscar Romero also states, that, "we are workers, not master builder, ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own." We are not called to labor simply for the benefit of the here and now but of the "what is to come." Our myopic vision can be replaced by a more far reaching Lenten vision that is much greater and deeper in scope. As long as we are carrying the right blueprints with us and our thoughts extend beyond ourselves, then even the little things we do and the simplest prayer we utter go a long way. They give witness to our preference for the light of Christ and not the darkness of error and sin.

Lord, Hear Our Prayer

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

5:00PM †Kevin Livingston

by MaryLee Johnson

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

9:00AM †Zaida Ronan

by Vickie Razo

11:00PM †Gloria Plog

by Larry and Florita

07:30PM †Arnold Army

by Hodsdon Family

MONDAY, MARCH 15

8:00AM †Gloria Plog

By MaryLee & Jerry Johnson

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

8:00AM †Fr. William Walsh

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day

8:00AM †Lorene Freuer

by Phyllip Howard

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00AM Mathew and Leslie

(Healing)

Andrew and Estrada Family

(Healing)

by Maria Isabel Estrada

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

8:00AM †Lilian Hoffman

by MaryLee Johnson



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Stewards Give Back

4th Sunday of Lent

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..." - John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back in Stewardship -with increase- our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.



Sunday March 14: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday March 15: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday March 16: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday March 17: ls 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday March 18: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47 Friday March 19: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a Saturday March 20: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53 Sunday March 21: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/ Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8 -11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Awake, O Sleeper!

This morning came a little earlier than I would have liked — Daylight Savings Time always does. Sometimes that morning sunlight seems more intrusive than illuminating. You're still half-lost in sleep, and that sun is demanding of you a lot more than you're ready to give.

I've said it, and I'm sure you've said it, too. "Just five more minutes." You hit the "snooze" button on your iPhone once (maybe twice? Show of hands?) and turn away from the window.

So many kings of the Old Testament were steadfast in their sleepy ways, rejecting the light their God tried to share with them. Likewise, John tells us that, though Light — Christ — was sent into the world, the world preferred darkness.

Sometimes it seems, when reading through Scripture, that all throughout salvation history, God has been trying to pull back the curtains, to rouse us from our defiant slumber.

And we resist Him. Time and time again, we resist Him.

Light brings a certain responsibility with it. It seems to compel productivity. Furthermore, there's no hiding in the light. Any photographer worth his salt knows how to manipulate it, highlighting the good and casting some merciful shade on the bad.

As we enter into the fourth week of Lent, we're getting so close to the main event. Can we handle the light that will come on Easter morning, bursting into the tomb as the stone is rolled away? Can we keep ourselves from hitting the "snooze" button on our souls, and sit up to face the dawn of a new day?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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INDOOR MASS TIMES



Masses and other services can now be held inside of the church at up to 25% capacity.

8:00 am daily Masses

(Monday-Friday and first Saturday)

The Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil Mass,

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 7:30 pm

Masses will be livestreamed with limited indoor seating available.

Face masks and social distancing required.

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

We will distribute Holy Communion for approximately 15 minutes after each weekend Mass. Please arrive at the church as soon as possible after the Mass concludes, which is about 45 minutes after the Mass start time

Church Wi-Fi

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

Church

Network: **OLA Parishioner**

Password: olachurch



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 Sun-

day.



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.

Friday, March 12 at 7:00 pm Livestream Stations of the Cross Tuesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm

Interactive Zoom Rosary (Sorrowful Mysteries) hosted by Knights of Columbus

Thursday, March 18 at 7:00 pm
Living the Word Meeting via Zoom
Friday, March 19 at 7:00 pm
Livestream Stations of the Cross

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Sierra Pregnacy & Health Dinner Event: May 7^{th.}
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Youth Ministry









We are excited to announce the kick-off of Our Lady of the Assumption School's largest fundraiser of the yearthe first-ever OLA Jog-A-Thon!

Our students will be jogging to show support for our school and raise funds to help pay for students' enrichment programs including music, art, science, and technology.



Your donation will help bridge the gap between revenue raised through tuition and the expenses incurred to keep OLA at the forefront of education.

Please follow the link below for more information and to learn how you can be a part of this exciting event!!

https://pledgestar.com/ola/pledge/?LgAdGRVZegEBHXRRWnlWQQ



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Please join us for our **2021 Virtual Event** Take Out dinner, celebrating Sacramento Family Promise of 16 years. 16 years in Promise Sacramento helping homeless families

become self-sufficient and getting into homes of their own.

The program will be start at 7 P.M. on April 24th, an online event. A link will be sent to your email prior to the event.

With the support of our community friends, Family Promise will continue their mission of helping homeless families use our partnership program to overcome the difficult and painful experience of homelessness and helping secure self-sufficiency and regain a home of their own. For more information email Marsha@sacfamilypromise.org or call 916 443-





SPIRITUAL GROWTH

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

On the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception in 2020, Pope Francis has released an apostolic letter about Saint Joseph and declared a "Year of St. Joseph" from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. The letter, Patris Corde ("a Father's heart") was released on the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as patron of the Universal Church. It can be found here: http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-letteraap 20201208 patris-corde.html

The Diocese of Sacramento is observing this Year in many ways.

Journey with Joseph Pilgrimage

We will soon be announcing Saint Joseph pilgrimage sites across the Diocese.





Please join us for a Cemetery Restoration and Clean Up Day

Saturday, March 20th

10 am to noon St. Joseph Cemetery 2615 21st Street, Sacramento

Lunch will be provided.

Advance registration required.

Please <u>click here</u> or visit <u>cfcssacramento.org/events</u> to join us!





St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgen Mary.

MARCH 19

Especial Mass 8:00 am Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

Seven Fridays with Saint Joseph

Everyone is invited to share in a special weekly devotion from the Solemnity of Saint Joseph on Friday, March 19th through the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on Saturday May 1st (with a pause for Holy Week), with the final Friday being May 7th. The full text of the devotion, called "The Prayers in Honor of the Seven Joys and Sorrows of Saint Joseph", is available here:

https://www.fdlc.org/sites/default/files Year_of_Saint_Josepl
Devotions.pdf

A weekly video component with reflections will also be provided.











QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Lent

We believe.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Listen to the Word

As you hear Jesus words to Nicodemus today, which words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart?

Look into Your Life

Question for Children: Who is one person in your life who supports your faith and helps it to grow?

Question for Youth: The Gospel speaks of following God as coming toward the light. How can you move towards the light in your own life? What is the darkness that needs Jesus' healing in your life? Question for Adults: When is it difficult for you to believe? What par-

ticular line in this reading helps your faith?

COMMUNITY



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





This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.useskaaps/catholic-relief.

THANK YOU!

Thank you Our Lady of the Assumption Families!

I am always amazed at the great generosity of our families. Even during these difficult times many have continued with their contributions to our parish by WeShare, by mail or by dropping in the mail box by the office. Thank you for your contribution that helps us to pay our bills.

May God continue to bless all our families and help all in this time of pandemic with the abundance of His Love.

Fr. Eduino Silveira



FOR THESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL!

Weekend Offertory 03/07/21 \$ 13,191.33 E-Giving from 03/01/21 to 03/07/21 \$ 3,794.92

Total \$ 16,986.25

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.



To enroll please follow these simple steps:

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

BULLETIN DEADLINES	
BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
Mar 20-21	March 12
Mar 27-28	March 19
Apr 03-04	March 26

PLEASE NOTE!

Send typed articles, in MS Word - Times New Roman, font 10, via email to: officemgr@olaparish.net, no later than 8am on the day indicated below. Mass intentions are not subject to these deadlines.





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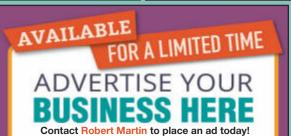
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