



# OUR LADY of the ASSUMPTION PARISH

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SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

## PARISH STAFF

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## PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Friday | 8:30am - 4:30pm  
(Closed 12:00 - 1:00pm)

## ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council: Juan Yniguez

Liturgical Committee: Deacon Michael Tateishi

Finance Council: Joe Selewicz

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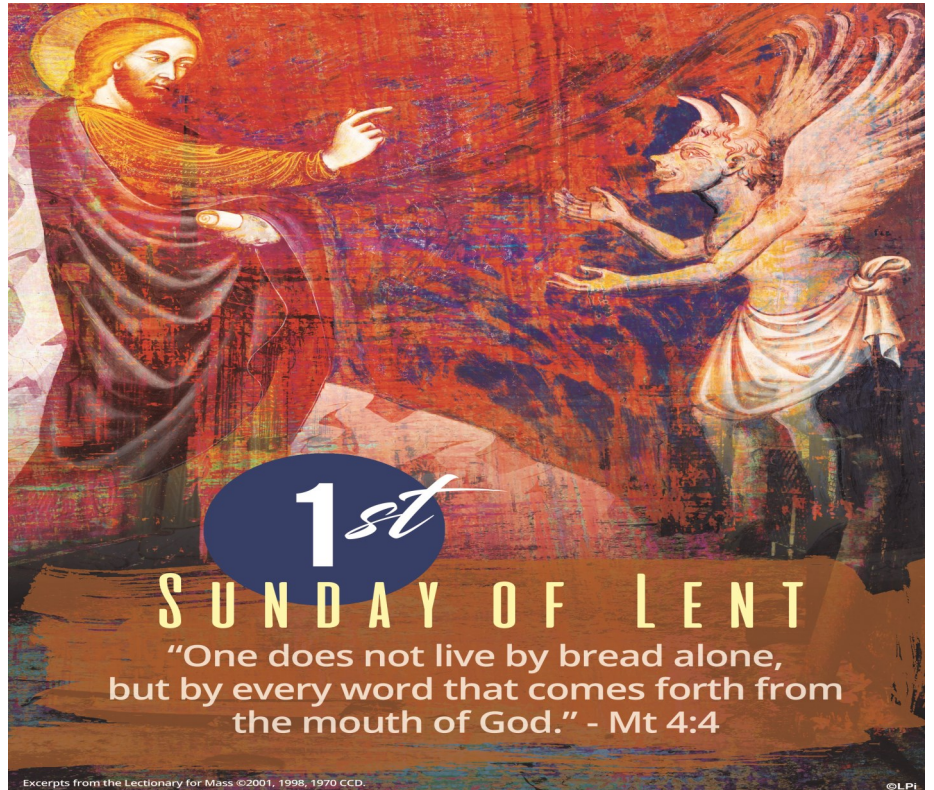
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## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Provides assistance for those in need within our parish boundaries. Please call: 916-481-6352

## HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

Ask an usher about them!



## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Required classes & scheduling, Deacon Michael

**First Eucharist (child), Reconciliation (child), & Confirmation (teen):** Faith Formation

**Marriage:** Contact office six months in advance.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 3:30pm or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact Pastor to request.

**Eucharist for Homebound Parishioners:** Call office.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Unbaptized or uncatechized. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, you are welcome to join this year-round process at any time by contacting Deacon Michael. Teteishi.

## 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.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

First Saturdays: 8:00am

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 & 7:30pm

Weekday: Mon - Fri | 8:00am

Holy Days: 8:00am & 5:00pm

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tues/Thurs after 8am Mass until 7pm

## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30pm or by appointment

# WE WELCOME YOU HOME

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.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

5:00PM † Edwin Silva  
by Fred & Susan Oliver

### SUNDAY, MARCH 1

8:00AM † Vince LaBate  
by Albers Family  
9:30AM † Enno "Ernie" Herbert  
(Bday) by Mary DeGraaf  
11:00AM † Mike Urge  
by Tom & Victoria Wrinkle  
7:30PM OLA Parishioners

### MONDAY, MARCH 2

8:00AM † Marjorie Chorness  
by Chambers Family

### TUESDAY, MARCH 3

**St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin**  
8:00AM † † Natalie & Mary Skochoho  
by Cynthia Findlay

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

**St. Casimir**  
8:00AM † John Frago  
by Bill & Anne Lippner

### THURSDAY, MARCH 5

8:00AM † John Frago  
by OLA Class of 80'

### FRIDAY, MARCH 6

8:00AM † David Leatherby Sr.  
by Leatherby Family

### SATURDAY, MARCH 7

**Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs**  
8:00AM † † Amelia San Miguel &  
Bill Portillo by Ernest Portillo  
5:00 PM † Tay Reed  
by Fred & Susan Oliver



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, MARCH 2

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10,  
15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46

### TUESDAY, MARCH 3

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-  
17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-  
19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32

### THURSDAY, MARCH 5

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1  
-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7  
-12

### FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-

7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

### SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8  
[1b]/Mt 5:43-48

### SUNDAY, MARCH 8

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19,  
20, 22 [22]/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt  
17:1



We warmly welcome our New Parishioners!

Mr. & Mrs. Jose Zuniga & Family  
Mrs. Lillian Labhard  
Mr. Ray Reveles  
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Rodriguez  
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Breault  
Mrs. Nicole Buchmiller  
Mr. & Mrs. Zach Turpen  
Mr. Jesse Rodriguez  
Ms. Amabel Snow

**"Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)**



## GOSPEL REFLECTION

### Find God in the Desert

Life can easily spin us out of control. While there are so many wonderful opportunities before us, we can also get easily distracted and exhausted. There is always something to do, respond to, or check. The clutter of our lives can take us off course, and the best remedy for getting back on track is the experience of the desert. Here we can face our demons square on, resist them, and get back on course. We desperately need the season of Lent. This simple time of year forces us into greater awareness and grounds us in what is good and true.

What weighs you down and keeps you trapped? Maybe you are trying to do too much and please too many people. It could be that your fragile self-image is always pushing you to prove yourself and find success. Anxiety and worry, ultimately due to a lack of faith, can quickly tempt you with despair. It could be that you are listening to too many voices and allowing all of the negativity that is present erode the genuine goodness in your heart and in all of God's creation. Or maybe you struggle too much with fear.

Perhaps so much so that you are far too preoccupied with your own agenda and goals and left with little psychological or spiritual room to consider and respond to the plight of your neighbor. Do anger, bitterness, stubbornness, and hatred have homes in your heart? How about greed, gluttony, pride, apathy, or lust?

For many, their passions and what can be found on the internet are their downfall, and they are robbed of their inner life and freedom. What is it, specifically, that tempts you away from a childlike trust in God? Define this and use the next few weeks to allow God to chart you a course away from them. Silence, being alone, grace, honesty, struggle, tears, and dryness are all found in the desert. You will also find God and your true self in this holy place. Ready to go?

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# OUR PARISH

## PARISH CALENDAR

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

9:00PM Missoula Children's Theater  
Parish Hall

### SUNDAY, MARCH 01

10:30AM Flame Group Meeting  
St. Paul's Room  
10:45AM Faith Formation Classes  
OLA School  
12:00PM Group Baptism  
Church  
12:10PM Stations of the Cross Practice  
Church

### MONDAY, MARCH 02

4:00 PM Christian Meditations  
Chapel  
6:00PM Catholics in Recovery  
St. Paul's Room

### TUESDAY, MARCH 03

1:30PM OLA - Weekly OAC Meeting  
St. Paul's Room  
7:00PM RCIA Adapted for Teens  
St. John Paul I Room

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 04

8:45AM Legion of Mary Meeting  
St. Paul's Room  
6:00PM Catholic Daughters Meeting  
St. Paul's Room  
6:00PM Youth Music Ministry Rehearsal  
Church  
7:00PM Adult Music Ministry Rehearsal  
Church  
7:00PM RCIA  
St. Paul's Room

### THURSDAY, MARCH 05

11:00AM Martha & Mary Gathering  
St. John Paul I Room  
7:00PM Living the Word  
St. John's Hall

### FRIDAY, MARCH 06

5:45PM Lenten Soup Meal  
St. John's Hall  
7:00PM Stations of the Cross  
Church

### SATURDAY, MARCH 07

Girl Scout Cookies sale after all Masses  
Church Portico  
9:00AM First Eucharist Pictures  
Church

## CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

### CATHOLICS IN RECOVERY

Monday, March 2nd at 6:00PM  
St. Paul's Room

### MARTHA & MARY MEETING

Thursday, March 5th at 11:00AM  
St. John's Hall

### LENTEN SOUP MEAL

Friday, March 6th at 5:45PM  
St. John's Hall

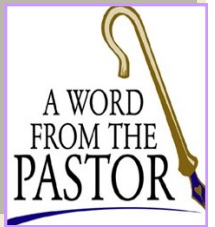
### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 6th at 7:00PM  
Church

## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER EDUINO

### Trusting in God

Today we begin this great season of Lent—a gift from God to help us grow in faith and love. As we are reminded in the first reading, God created men and women and all things out of love. All Creation shows that God is love. Unfortunately, the serpent tempted our first parents not to trust God and thus sin entered the world as the second reading reminds us. But God Who is rich in Mercy sent His Son, Who is God to destroy death, to recreate us as the New Adam. As we see in the Gospel Jesus rejected all temptations by trusting in God the Father and His Word. That is why Lent calls us to reject temptations and grow in trust of God and in love for others. Prayer and works of love are very important. In both we reject the devil who tries to separate us from God and one another.



## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

### *You're still on time to study the Catechism of the Catholic Church as a Community.*

The Vatican-approved Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church will be used.

- Sign up for Flocknote. Please go to our parish website, <https://olaparish.net/>, click on the Flocknote icon (image of a sheep) next to the Facebook icon at the top left-hand corner on the website homepage and select the group "Catechism in a Year."
- Look for emails each weekday for a year through the Flocknote email system.



## MINISTRY NEWS

### GABRIEL PROJECT

#### Throwing a Life Party!

On February 10th, members of the Gabriel Project Ministry threw a baby shower for client Treahanna and her beautiful two-month old daughter. Treahanna was accompanied by her children, parents and friends. OLA parishioners attended to celebrate and offer gifts for both mom and baby.

All were overjoyed and thankful for the love and support received through the Gabriel Project Ministry.



# SCHOOL & YOUTH MINISTRY

## SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Temperance - Virtue of the Month

This month, we focus on the virtues of perseverance and temperance. Last week, I unpacked perseverance, and this week temperance. The Virtue in Education program that our school follows is authored by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. Sister John Dominic Rasmussen gives a detailed explanation of the virtue of temperance here:

<http://bit.ly/virtuetemperance>.

To summarize, temperance is the virtue that regulates our lives and brings order to it. Temperance enables us to manage the gifts of pleasure. Through moderation we find middle ground. The medieval monks used to say, in rebus omnibus moderation - "Moderation in all things."

With temperance comes a crown of victory that brings us joy, inner peace, and freedom. It's a prize we win because we experience prudence in the pursuit of good. It orders our desires, corrals them, and guards us against the pursuit of pleasure without regard to reason. The most radical opposite state of temperance is addiction, which puts us in a state where we lack feeling any sensibility. We are controlled by our desires instead of controlling our own actions. And so the practice of temperance gives us freedom and the ability to live the fullness of life.

Temperance requires a lifetime of work. The gift of the Holy Spirit that goes with temperance is fear of the Lord. Pride is the enemy of temperance. When we are too prideful, we make of ourselves a God. Temperance guards against excessive selfishness and ego. Self-respect and confidence are good, but temperance checks us from going into excess in this area of our lives. The beatitude that represents temperance well is, "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God." Finally, the companion virtues to temperance, which we will focus on in the coming weeks, are honesty, humility, modesty, meekness, moderation, orderliness, and self-control.

God bless,  
Robert Love



### Cougar Classic Annual Golf Tournament Friday, May 1st, 2020

Our annual OLA Golf Cougar Classic will be at the Lincoln Hills Golf Club on Friday, May 1st, 2020.

### IT'S EASTER EGG TIME For The Annual OLA Easter Egg Hunt

Donations of plastic Easter eggs, Easter candy or other treats will be accepted at the Parish and School Offices until Wednesday, April 8th. We please ask that donors adhere to the school's nut-free policy when selecting candy to donate. Questions regarding acceptable candy donations can be sent to [olanurses@gmail.com](mailto:olanurses@gmail.com). General donation questions can be sent to [annareuter@yahoo.com](mailto:annareuter@yahoo.com).



## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

### YOUTH GROUP

#### Meetings

Meetings are held in the Youth Rom

Grades 7 & 8: Wednesdays, 7:00pm-8:30pm

### LIFE TEEN GROUP



#### Meetings

Grades 9 - 12: OLA's Life Teen Mass every Sunday at 11am followed by group meeting from 12-1:30pm

## UPCOMING Events

### OVERNIGHT LOCK-IN FOR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Begins Friday, March 27, 2020 at 7PM  
Ends Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 8AM

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish  
5057 Cottage Way, Carmichael, CA 95608

Inspiring speaker • Games • Adoration • Music • Snacks throughout the night

# ARISE!



\$25/person • info + register: [www.scd.org/lockin](http://www.scd.org/lockin)

Co-Sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry (OYAM)  
with Our Lady of the Assumption Youth Ministry, St. Paul Youth Ministry, and St. Joseph Life Teen (Lincoln)

No in and out privileges.  
Questions? Lindsey West  
LWest@scd.org • 916-733-0151  
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## YOUTH CHOIR & ENSEMBLE

### OLA YOUTH CHOIR FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We need singers for the OLA Youth Choir for **Stations of the Cross and Praise and Worship Music Prelude on Friday, 3/20/20, 6:30-8:00 pm (arrival time 6:15 pm)**. The annual Fish Fry event will be taking place beforehand, and you can come over to the church after having dinner at the Fish Fry in the Parish Hall. This choir will be joining our OLA Youth Ministry Choir and Ensemble for this special event and is **open to students in grades 3-12**. There are **two rehearsals: Wednesday, 3/11, 5:30-6:30 pm and Wednesday, 3/18, 5:30-6:30 pm in the church**. We would love to have a large youth choir for this very special event. If your child would like to participate, please confirm his/her participation via email: Casey Oliver, Music Director, at [worship@olaparish.net](mailto:worship@olaparish.net). Thank you!

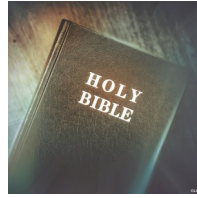


-CHOIR PRACTICE-



# SPIRITUAL GROWTH

## OPPORTUNITIES TO PRAY



### PRAYERS FOR PEACE

The Legion of Mary has a statue of Our Lady of Fatima for parishioners to host her at their homes, and commit to pray for peace in her presence.

For information, please call Maggie Mongeau at 483-5807 or the Parish Office 481-5115. We will deliver it so you can offer your prayers in this time of great need.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays and Thursdays, following

the 8 a.m. mass, & continuing until 7 p.m. First Saturday of the month following the 8 a.m. mass until 1 p.m.

For additional information please call Joan at 335-3532.

### LIVING THE WORD

Thursdays 7 p.m. in St. Paul's Room

### LECTIO DIVINA & TAIZÉ PRAYER

Typically the 4th Thursday of every month, during our regular "Living the Word" meeting time. Please check parish calendar.



Please hold in your prayers  
our sick brothers and sisters:

Joan Cotton  
Larry Nelson  
George Peres  
Jennifer Burk  
Julie Nelson,  
Nancy Carlson  
Jonathan  
Rasmussen  
Stacie Higginbotham  
Sandi Lanz  
Tom Bogetich  
Joe and Sue Simon  
Shirley Ward

Mary Silva  
Cathy Quesinberry  
Gloria Plog  
J. Richard Heintz  
Molly Garcia  
Craig & Jane  
Holmquist  
Daniel McNerney

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

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

**Question for Children:** What do you plan to do during Lent this year as a way of showing you want to grow closer to Jesus?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus was tempted by the devil. How are you tempted? What helps you resist these temptations?

**Question for Adults:** When you yourself pause to be alone with God, what distracts and prevents you from dwelling in that? Busyness? The demands of life? TV? The internet?



## POPE SPEAKS

### OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

"On this Lenten journey, back to what is essential, the Gospel proposes three steps which the Lord invites us to undertake without hypocrisy and pretense: almsgiving, prayer, fasting. What are they for? Almsgiving, prayer and fasting bring us back to the three realities that do not fade away. Prayer reunites us to God; charity, to our neighbor; fasting, to ourselves. God, my neighbor, my life: these are the realities that do not fade away and in which we must invest. Lent, therefore, invites us to focus, first of all *on the Almighty*, in prayer, which frees us from that horizontal and mundane life where we find time for *self* but forget God. It then invites us to focus *on others*, with the charity that frees us from the vanity of acquiring and of thinking that things are only good if they are good for me. Finally, Lent invites us to *look inside our heart*, with fasting, which frees us from attachment to things and from the worldliness that numbs the heart. Prayer, charity, fasting: three investments for a treasure that endures.

Jesus said: "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Mt 6:21). Our heart always points in some direction: it is like a compass seeking its bearings. We can also compare it to a magnet: it needs to attach itself to something. But if it only attaches itself to earthly things, sooner or later it becomes a slave to them: things to be used become things we serve. Outward appearance, money, a career or hobby: if we live for them, they will become idols that enslave us, sirens that charm us and then cast us adrift. Whereas if our heart is attached to what does not pass away, we rediscover ourselves and are set free. Lent is the time of grace that liberates the heart from vanity. It is a time of healing from addictions that seduce us. It is a time to fix our gaze on what abides."

Where can we fix our gaze, then, throughout this Lenten journey? It is simple: upon the Crucified one. Jesus on the cross is life's compass, which directs us to heaven. The poverty of the wood, the silence of the Lord, his loving self-emptying show us the necessity of a simpler life, free from anxiety about things. From the cross, Jesus teaches us the great courage involved in renunciation. We will never move forward if we are heavily weighed down. We need to free ourselves from the clutches of consumerism and the snares of selfishness, from always wanting more, from never being satisfied, and from a heart closed to the needs of the poor. Jesus on the wood of the cross burns with love and calls us to a life that is passionate for him, which is not lost amid the ashes of the world; to a life that burns with charity and is not extinguished in mediocrity.

- Basilica of Santa Sabina, Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019



# COMMUNITY

## NOURISH

### A TRAVELER'S GUIDE TO HEAVEN A LENTEN REFLECTION MARCH 10, 7:00 – 8:30 PM OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

Lent is God's annual reminder that this life is a short voyage intended to end with him forever in heaven. Steve Patton M.A., J.D., will offer these and other "travel guides":

- ♦ What the Church really teaches about death, judgement, heaven and hell.
- ♦ Science-based evidence for the existence of the soul and an afterlife.
- ♦ Why fear of dying is healthy, but fear of death is not.
- ♦ How best to prepare for death: the most amazing voyage ever.



Steve serves as a Community Liaison for Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services of the Diocese of Sacramento.

## INVITE

### MISSION DOCTORS ASSOCIATION 2020 WEST COAST RETREAT/SEMINAR MARCH 27 - 29



For Catholic doctors, dentists, nurse practitioners and physician assistants considering short-term mission service. This will be held at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles. 11 CME available. This weekend is offered free of charge to those considering serving at a Mission Hospital or Clinic in Africa of Latin America.

Visit the website: [www.MissionDoctors.org](http://www.MissionDoctors.org) or call the office for more information (213) 368-1872.

### PLEASE NOTE! NEW BULLETIN DEADLINES

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

Bulletin Weekend Dates	Article DUE
March 14 - March 15	March 6
March 21 - March 22	March 13
March 28 - March 29	March 20
April 4 - April 5	March 27

## WORD OF LIFE

"[The Gospel of Life] is therefore meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!" (*The Gospel of Life 5*)



**Pregnant?  
Worried?  
Need Help?**

*You are not alone.  
We can help.*

**The Gabriel Project**  
Call: 800-910-0191

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### MOTHER-DAUGHTER PROGRAM FOR TEENS (AGES 13-16) SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

The Mother-Daughter Programs explore God's special gift of human fertility and the beauty and wonder of God's plan for growing up and becoming a woman.

Learn more and register: [www.scd.org/motherdaughter](http://www.scd.org/motherdaughter)  
Cost: \$20

### CHRISM MASS THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020 AT 6:00 PM CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

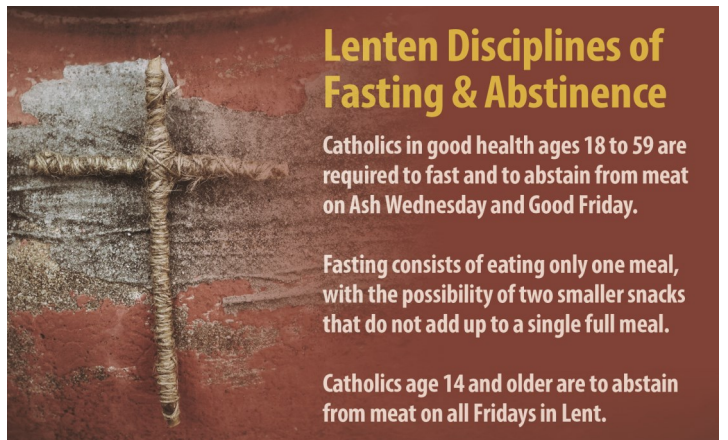
The Chrism Mass is one of the most beautiful liturgies of the Church. At this Mass the Bishop blesses the oils that will be used throughout the diocese for the coming year. Also as a vivid expression of our unity the priests of the diocese come together to renew their commitment to priestly service. The Chrism Mass is a reminder that we are priestly people, called to proclaim the gospel, inspired by the sacraments we have received. You are cordially invited to join Bishop Soto, the priests of the diocese and your Catholic brothers and sisters to celebrate the Chrism Mass, and to pray for God's continued blessings on the Church of Sacramento.

### Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



# STEWARDSHIP

## OFFERING

For these gifts we are grateful!

Week of February 23

Weekend Offertory .....\$8,304.42

Electronic Giving ..... \$2,118.91

**Total ..... \$10,423.33**

**Average Weekly Budget Amount ..... \$12,000.00**

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

Please gently take note of the upcoming second collections:

⇒ March 21-22: Catholic Relief Services



Assisting people in need

## THANK YOU FOR HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED THROUGH THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Your gift will make a difference in someone's life. If you have not yet made a donation, it's not too late! Envelopes are still available in the church or in the parish office. Please remember...25% of what you give is returned to our parish to assist people in our own community who need help.

## WAYS TO HELP OUR PARISH

### AMAZONSMILE

When shopping at Amazon, enter through AmazonSmile, They donate 0.5% of the purchase price to our Parish. Please bookmark our link, located at [smile.amazon.com/ch/45-3954215](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-3954215), and support us every time you shop at no additional cost to you. Thank you

### ESTATE PLANNING

A legacy gift to Our Lady of the Assumption is one of the most rewarding and far-reaching investments you can make. Our Lady of the Assumption takes the trust you place in us seriously. We are grateful to those who have included us in their plan for the distribution of their assets after death. We pray that you will keep Our Lady of the Assumption Parish and/or School in mind. We invite you to contact the Parish Office if you wish to learn more about how you can include us in your estate planning.

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

**MARCH 1, 2020**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

*"It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." MATTHEW 4:10*

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, as Christian **Stewards**, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things. Ask God how he is calling you to serve.

**STEWARDSHIP SERVICE**

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**St. Vincent de Paul Home Visitation Team**

Saint Vincent de Paul needs volunteers to staff its home visitation teams. We serve once every five weeks for two and one half hours per day to help people in need pay their rent or utility bills. With enough people on team, serving every day is not always necessary. This is a wonderful opportunity to volunteer and be part of our Parish ministries. Please contact Fran Rider at (916) 488-4229, for more information.



**SIGN UP!**

**Homebound Ministry**

The Homebound Ministry serves the needs of homebound persons unable to attend mass. It is a beneficial opportunity for the sick not only to receive communion but to have a nice visit from an OLA parishioner who cares. Please call Peggy at (916) 488-1982 if you are able to assist.

## STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER



### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

**Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network**



**Catholics in China**

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

## ONLINE GIVING

### DO YOU USE WESHARE ONLINE GIVING?



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**PRAY**



**FAST**



**GIVE**