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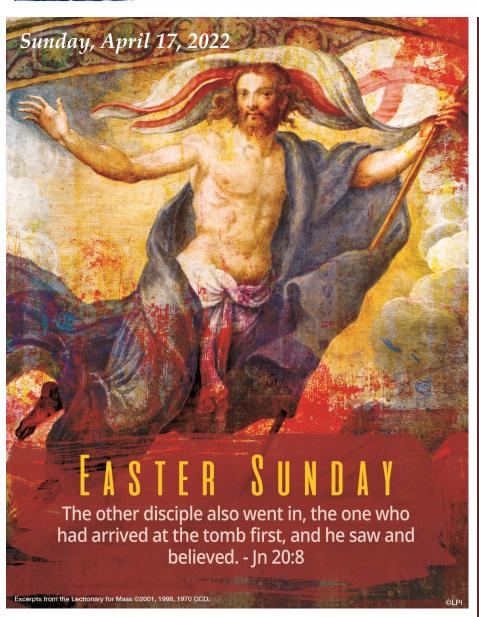
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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 entire family of God.



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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

GOSPEL MEDITATION

PREAD CHRIST IS RISEN!

April 17, 2022
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse.

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we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Nancy Carlson	Sarah Maya	Larry Wager
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Note: Please call the parish office to add a name or to remove them from this list. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Stewardship Lived

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (Acts 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others through your Stewardship. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

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CELEBRATE DIVINE MERCY AT OLA

WHAT IS DIVINE MERCY?

God's unfathomable, perfect forgiveness and love for us, no matter what!

WHAT IS A NOVENA?

9 days of prayer usually with a particular focus or intention in mind.

Jesus gave us the very words he wanted us to pray in this Novena when he appeared to St. Faustina through extraordinary revelations in Poland in the 1930s.

Pray the Divine Mercy Novena with us at OLA.

If you are signed up for Flocknote, you will receive an email reminder with resources each day, beginning on Good Friday.

Not signed up for our Flocknote emails? Sign up here:

https://olaparish.flocknote.com/

After all masses for Divine Mercy Sunday, we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet together as a parish community.

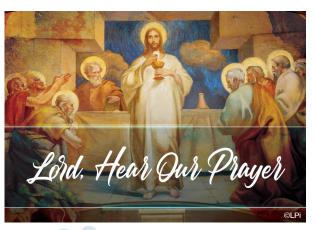
To learn more, read the articles about Divine Mercy in our April Stewardship Newsletter:

PARISH CELEBRATES DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Embracing "Charity, Forgiveness, and the Love of God"

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Divine Mercy Sunday and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy https://bit.ly/3DmhoYe





SATURDAY, APRIL 16
HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil at 8:15pm SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00am † Michael Palazzo

10:00am † Betty Sax & The Sax Family

by DeCristoforo Family

MONDAY, APRIL 18

8:00AM † Betty Sax

by Chambers Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

8:00AM (Sp) Kelly Meriano

by Meriano Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

8:00AM (Sp) Rita Jackson

by Pat Jackson

THURSDAY. APRIL 21

8:00AM (Sp) Tomasa Washington

bv Anne Perez

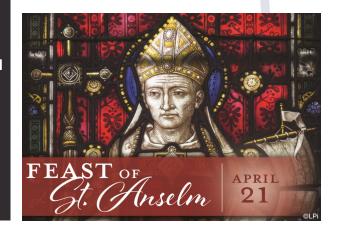
FRIDAY, APRIL 22

8:00AM † Michael Palazzo

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

5:00pm † Betty Sax

by Vellanoweth Family



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. Eduino, Pastor.



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 <u>Donate</u>.
- This will take you to our "Contribute" page, where you will find the **WeShare** link to enroll and start making your donation.

If you are a current WeShare customer and have questions about how to support your online giving contributions, please call to:

WeShare Donor Support Phone: **(877) 316 0260** or go to https://www.wesharegiving.com/support/

PERT (People Enjoying Retirement Together)

PERT METING FOR APRIL is canceled but we look forward to seeing everyone on May 17 for socializing, lunch and optional games.

Have a blessed Easter. For more info contact: Kathi Sikora 707-4796-0736 kcsikora@aol.com

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, April 17

Easter Sunday

Masses: 8:00am

10:00am (Livestream)

11:00am Easter Egg Hunt

11:15am Group Baptism -

Church

12:30pm Reception Baptism - St. John's Hall

Monday, April 18

8:00am Mass

3:00pm MS Boys Volleyball -Little Dribblers - Affinito Hall

6:00pm Sacramento Choral Society - Church

7:00pm Boy Scouts - Troop 328 - St. John's Hall

Tuesday, April 19

8:00am Mass

8:30am—7:00pm Adoration in the Church

6:30pm Knigths of Columbus meeting - St. John's Hall

7:00pm Baptism Preparation - English - St Paul Room

Wednesday, April 20

8:00 am Mass

7:00pm RCIA - Affinito Room 3

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

Thursday, April 21

8:00am Mass

8:30am—7:00pm Adoration in the Church

2:30pm MS Boys Volleyball -Affinito Hall Gym

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

Friday, April 22

8:00am Mass

Saturday, April 23

5:00pm Vigil Mass

10:30am Alanon Meeting-Affinito Hall Room 3

6:00pm Alanon Quarterly 7:30 pm Neocatechists - St.

John's Hall & Bannon Hall

Sunday, April 24

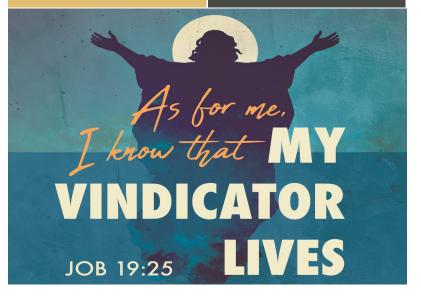
Masses: 7:30am-9:00am-

11:00am-7:30pm

7:30am Basketball - Affinito Hall

10:30am Flame Meeting - St. Paul's Room

12:30pm Girl Scouts Troop 103 - Affinito Hall Meeting Room 3



SCHOOL & PARISH NEWS



HATS FOR THE HOMELESS UPDATE

The first year of Hats for the Homeless was a huge success! A big thank you to all those who donated hats or yarn. Most of you are anonymous but you know who you are.
Your caring and generosity is most appreciat-



ed. In one year, the Hats project distributed 801 hats! Some of you donated scarves that were also paired with hats to make wonderful sets for extra warmth. The following services were supported: OLA Giving Tree, Super Fritz Gifts for UC Davis Children's Cancer Center, Loaves and Fishes, Mustard Seed School, Sharing God's Bounty at St. Ignatius, St. John's Lutheran Church downtown ministries, Sacramento Kindness Campaign, Tiny Feet Foundation, and the Gabriel Project. Now is the time to build our supply for next winter's cold weather. The containers will stay in the back of church for your donations. Gifts of yarn (machine washable, #4 weight only) is also very welcome. Those unfinished projects of yarn around the house can find a good home with those who are knitting and crocheting hats. Your caring has made a difference!! Questions: contact Angie

at amstrawn@comcast.net.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS BAGS!



JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT OLA SCHOOL

Mrs. Hellen Rowell, who currently teaches 3rd grade, will be job-sharing with Mrs. Penney in 5th Grade next year. This creates an opening in 3rd grade, which we have posted on EDJOIN.



Mrs. Lynn Sweeney, who has faithfully served as our Extension Director

and Enrollment Management Specialist, will be retiring in June. We thank Mrs. Sweeney for her outstanding service to OLA, and she will be greatly missed. Mrs. Elisabeth Gustorf will take on Mrs. Sweeney's Enrollment Management duties, and we will post an opening for a part-time Extension Director. We thank Mrs. Sweeney for her invaluable service to OLA School.

We are grateful to Mrs. Gustorf for taking on the enrollment management duties. We are in good hands.

Here are the positions that we have currently posted:

2nd Grade Teacher

3rd Grade Teacher

Librarian/STEM Lab Teacher (combined position)

Extension Director

Preschool Teacher

Preschool Instructional Assistant

We will conduct interviews for these positions in April. If you know of any outstanding prospects for these positions, please ask them to send their resume and cover letter to OLA Principal, **Robert**

Love: love@olaparish.net.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Leave It in the Tomb

Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out.

"I see you hiding in that tomb," he says. "I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice."

He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, "Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here." Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure — maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.

Step into the light. He is waiting for you.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS©LPi



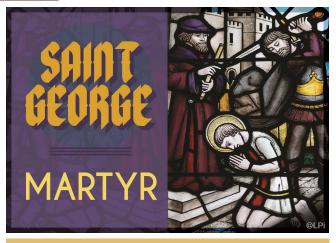


In an effort to bring us safely back together for prayer and community, the parish will be hosting weekly virtual events. The events will be either live-streamed or on Zoom so you can watch and participate from the safety of your home. More events will be added, so please check the schedule each week for updates.

- Friday, April 15, 2022 at 7:00 pm Good Friday Stations of the Cross
- Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Livestream Lectio Divina and Taizé Prayer in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament





LIVE THE LITURGY

Alleluia, Christ is risen! What a glorious and holy day. The resurrection of Christ speaks of freedom, new life, restored faith and enduring, unconditional love. The huge stone, separating death and life, has been moved, allowing God's radiant power to usher in eternal life. When we see the truth of Christ's resurrection through eyes of love, we see the fullness of timeless beauty, truth, and wonder revealed. The emptiness of the tomb is filled with the eternity of love. We have many stones and boulders blocking the path to freedom, love, and joy. They are often too big for us to move, and they cripple us. We can take a leap of faith today and believe with all our heart, mind, and soul that there is much more than can be seen by the naked eye. There is something very holy, sacred, and eternal stirring within us. We want to live forever!

Christ's resurrection brings us joy and allows us to see ourselves as we are meant to be seen, as God's children destined for glory!

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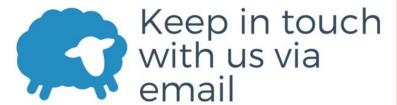
For those in our community who have passed away.

Michael Palazzo

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, & let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul & the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **OLA PARISH FLOCKNOTE ENGAGE EMAILS AND RESOURCES**

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having you as part of our flock



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



Looking for videos and other resources to help you grow in your faith? Our parish provides Flocknote Engage for our entire parish community, which includes complete free access to Bishop Barron's Word on Fire Engage video library! All that is required is a Flocknote account. Once logged into Flocknote, click on the Word on Fire Digital button to watch any of the videos at any time. This is a robust faith formation resource that includes access to the highlyacclaimed Catholicism series, the Pivotal Players series, multiple study programs (including free pdf study materials), and much more. We hope that everyone will enjoy and utilize this incredible resource. Families, friends, and ministries are encouraged to gather in small groups and watch videos, and complete study programs together. Flocknote Engage also includes regular educational emails with resources that help you grow in faith, and we use Flocknote emails to communicate important parish news and events.

If you have any questions, or if you need help signing up or accessing the Flocknote Engage resources, please contact **Casey Oliver** at **worship@olaparish.net**.



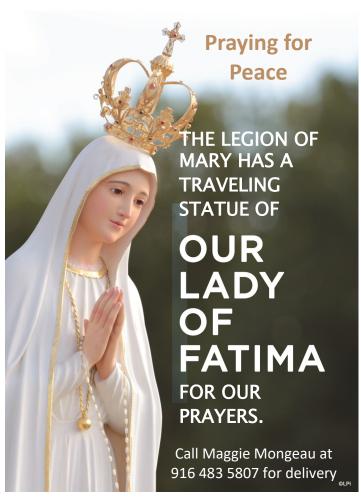
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Did you know that a person is brought into full communion with the Catholic Church through reception of the three sacraments of Christian initiation—Baptism, Con-



firmation, and the Holy Eucharist? This occurs through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

If you are over the age of 16 and interested, or know someone who is interested, we will be holding Inquiry Information Sessions on April 20 and April 27 from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm in Affinito Hall (Meeting Room 3). Please feel free to stop by on either or both evenings so we can chat about your questions regarding our rich Catholic faith and the RCIA process. For more information, please contact Dcn. Paul Friedrich at deaconpaul@olaparish.net or 916.481.5115.



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