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SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

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Monday - Friday | 8:00am - 3:00pm

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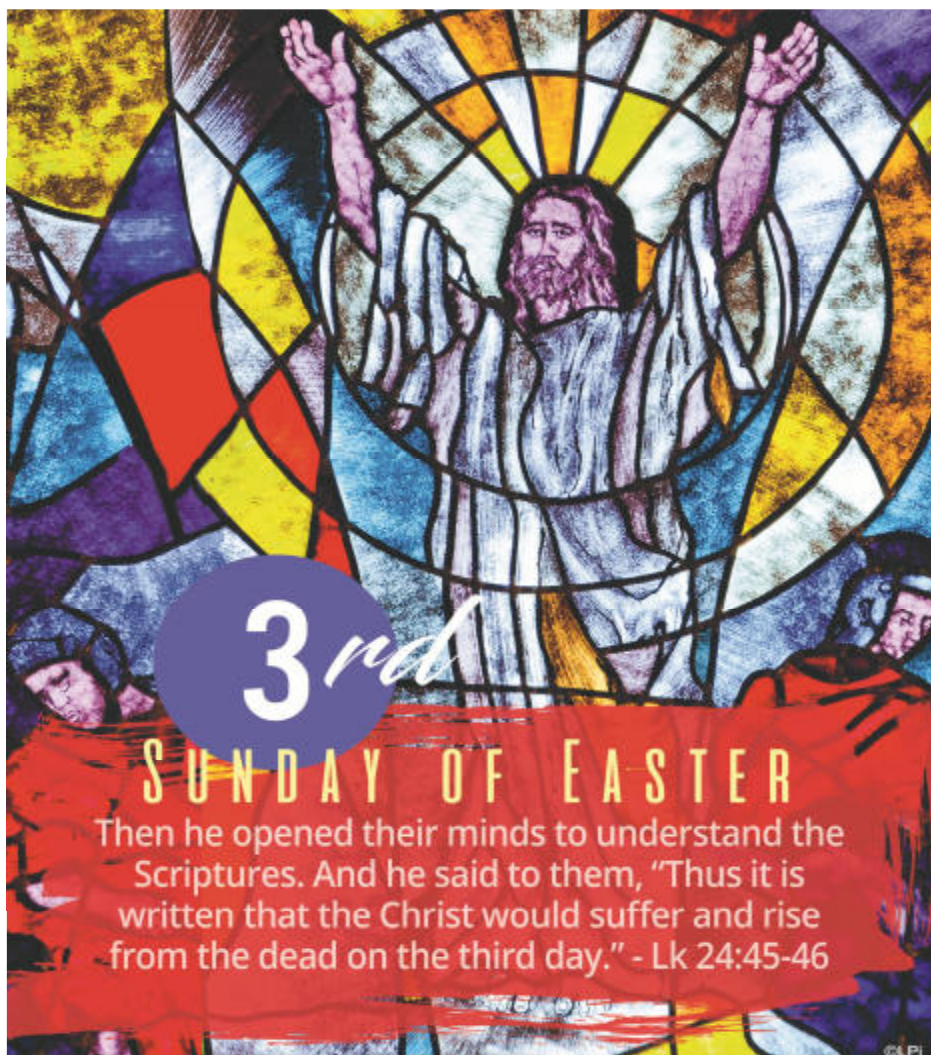
Monday - Friday | 9:00am - 11:00am

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



Earth Day
EVERY DAY

GOSPEL MEDITATION

April 18, 2021
Third Sunday of
Easter

**YOU ARE
WITNESSES
OF THESE
THINGS**

We often act out of ignorance. Armed with the best of intentions, we think we are seeing clearly and correctly, but we are not. We don't always

understand the full meaning of things and only perceive part of the truth. Hence, our judgments and actions can be impaired by myopic, incomplete or erroneous perceptions. The meaning of life, understanding of human experience, and negotiating life's challenges can all become skewed without proper understanding and vision. The resurrection of Christ is the corrective to our incomplete and limited view of life. Looking at things with the eyes of faith brings a depth of clarity and understanding to how we see God, ourselves, others, and the world.

Even the disciples struggled with their limited understanding and ignorant perceptions. It was only when Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures that their eyes were opened. It was their "aha" moment when everything clicked. We all want the substance of our lives to come together, make sense, and have meaning. This is easier to achieve when things are going positively and life is good. It is when suffering, disappointment, death, hardship, and injustice enter the picture that things can become unsettled and disoriented. Our faith in the goodness and love of God is tested. We tend to shift our focus on these difficult and challenging moments and do not see them within the greater picture of how God intends life to unfold. We can gain, from the passion and resurrection of Christ, the clear vision we need in order to move away from ignorance to enlightenment.

We need our "aha" moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our journey. Our "aha" moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, "peace be with you," and we feel secure. It's all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God's goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News.

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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.

FIRST EUCHARIST BREAD SUNDAY

This is a notice to all OLA Parishioners, On **Sunday, April 18, 2021** our First Communion students will be celebrating Bread Sunday. **First Communicants and their parents will be attending the 9:00AM Mass.** This year our First Communicants number 50 students. Due to the number of students and their parents, I wanted to advise all of you of this event so you would have the opportunity to attend either the 5:00PM Saturday Mass or the 11:00AM Sunday Mass. This event happens only one time during their preparation for this beautiful Sacrament.

I appreciate your understanding and ask that you pray for our young boys and girls as they continue their preparation to receive Jesus in the holy Sacrament of Eucharist on May 2nd.

God Bless you.

Joan Cotton, Faith Formation Director



Pregnant? Worried? Need Help?
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STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Stewardship Opportunity

3rd Sunday of Easter

"Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened..." - LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day, we have the Stewardship opportunity to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a "God-centered" life and not a "self-centered" life.



READING OF THE WEEK

Sunday April 18: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday April 19: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday April 20: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday April 21: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday April 22: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51

Friday April 23: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday April 24: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69

Sunday April 25: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18



SATURDAY, APRIL 17

5:00 PM † Jeanette Brown
(Special Intention) Her Birthday
by Laurie Brown

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

9:00 AM Amanda Young's
(Special Intention—Recovery)
by Donna Kahren

11:00PM †Cian and Brid O'Neill

7:30PM †Peter Kerhoulas
by Chris Johnson

MONDAY, APRIL 19

8:00AM †Gloria Plog
by Sheila Johnson

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

8:00AM †Peter Kerhoulas
by Carolyn Albers

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

St. Anselmo, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00AM Jesus Quintero and Family
(Special Intention)
by Laura Peña

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

Earth Day

8:00AM Enedina Ceja
(Special Intention)
by Mendoza Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

St. George, Martyr, St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr.

5:00 PM †Lizz Baca
by Carmy Baca

OUR PARISH

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.

LIVE YOUR LIFE AND FORGET YOUR AGE.

—Norman Vincent Peale

THANK YOU!

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	04/11/21	\$ 8,835.25
E-Giving from	04/05/21 to 04/11/21	\$ 5,657.80
Total		\$ 14,493.05
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 "Contribute" page, where you will find the **WeShare** link to enroll and start making your donation.



EARTH DAY

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

To donate online, <https://www.scd.org/homemissions>



2021 VIRTUAL EVENT TAKE OUT DINNER

Please join us for our celebrating Sacramento Family Promise of 16 years. 16 years in 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

916 443-3107.





OUR LADY OF THE *Assumption* PARISH

YOU STILL HAVE TIME!

As we have talked about over the past couple weeks, our parish is in the process of conducting a parish-wide survey, which we believe will provide a clearer picture of where you, the parishioners, see the current state of our parish and to determine how you want our parish family to develop over the next few years.

Thank you to all those who have completed and returned their survey. If you have not returned your survey, time is running out. Please complete it this week and return it to the parish office in the envelope that was provided or drop it in the offertory basket. You can also complete your survey on our parish website, olaparish.net.

Thank you for your time, participation, and feedback.

THEOLOGY FOR ECCLESIAL MISSION

Help your ministry by growing in the faith! The Diocese of Sacramento has partnered with the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology to bring a new Master's Degree program to our diocese.

The Master of Arts in Theology for Ecclesial Mission will begin this summer. It is a four-year program designed for working people.

For more information visit: <https://www.dspt.edu/mathem>

For more information, contact
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BULLETIN DEADLINES

BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
Apr 17-18	Apr 09
Apr 24-25	Apr 16
May 01-02	Apr 23

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



vaticannews.va, Pope Francis prays before a statue of St. Joseph

World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on **Sunday, April 25, 2021** also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, *"Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest"* (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website.



April 18 — April 24, 2021

More information and registration
www.scd.org/mercy-motion-mission
 Questions? Alex Baraza • abaraza@scd.org • 916-733-0134
www.scd.org/oyya @SCDORVA

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

OLA LIVE EVENTS

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, April 15 at 7:00 pm

Living the Word Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, April 20 at 7:00 pm

Interactive Zoom Rosary hosted by
Knights of Columbus

Thursday, April 22

Livestream Lectio Divina and Taize Prayer

Thursday, April 29

Living the Word Zoom Meeting

www.olaparish.net



Love your
NEIGHBOR.

LIVE THE LITURGY

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy.

The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday of Easter

Being able to see the Risen Christ.

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 image from this reading lingers in your mind? What feeling did it give you?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: Name some times when you know Jesus is with you.

Question for Youth: What are some ways that you know that God is with you? Who are the people, where are the place, and what are the occasions when you feel closest to God?

Question for Adults: When have you had an "Aha" moment, when you suddenly realized that God was with you?



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_Joseph_Devotions.pdf

A weekly video component with reflections will also be provided.



Julie Nelson	Richard McClintock
Nancy Carlson	Daniel Armstrong
Jonathan Rassmussen	George Peres
Stacie Higginbotham	Gutierrez Family
Sandi Lanz	Kevin Livingston
Shirley Ward	Amanda Young
Mary Silva	Margaret Parker
J. Richard Heintz	Josefina Morales
Molly Garcia	

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



Let us pray for those in our community who have passed away.

Peter Kerhoulas

Betty Knigh

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



"We need to see each child as a gift to be welcomed, cherished and protected..."

Pope Francis

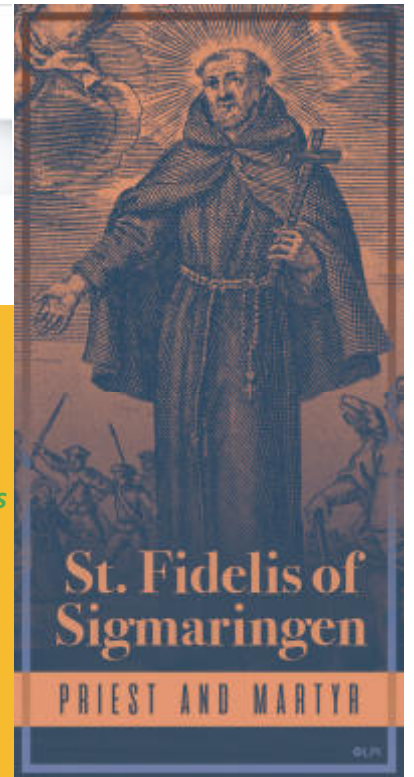
APRIL – NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child

Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Easter season. There is no better time than Easter to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God—our children.

For specific information on Safe Environment requirements for the Diocese of Sacramento, please visit:

www.scd.org/safe-environment





Shred Day 2021

St. Vincent de Paul Fund Raiser
"Help Us Help The Poor"

5057 Cottage Way, at the Walnut Avenue Parking Lot

April 24, - 8:00 a.m. - Noon

On-site Shred Truck ♦ You Can Watch!!

- ✓ Bring all old or new tax records and/or any other old dust-gathering confidential documents for professional shredding
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