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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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 God.

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, MAY 9

5:00PM † Lizz Baca
by Baca Family

SUNDAY, MAY 10

10:00AM † Mary Jane Hamilton
by Hamilton Family
† Dave Merold
by Merold Family
† Kewith Farhar
by Hodsdon Family
OLA Parishioners

MONDAY, MAY 11

8:00AM No intentions

TUESDAY, MAY 12

*Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs;
St. Pancras, Martyr*

8:00AM Dale & Arlene Fuller
by Portillo Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Our Lady of Fatima

8:00AM No intentions

THURSDAY, MAY 14

St. Matthias, Apostle

8:00AM Andy Kurimay
by Antonio Family

FRIDAY, MAY 15

St. Isidore

8:00AM † Teresa Mary Groth
by Mom

SATURDAY, MAY 16

5:00PM † Rosa Vellanoweth
by Fernando & Peggy Vellanoweth



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MAY 11

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 [1ab]/Jn 14:21-26

TUESDAY, MAY 12

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 [2a]/Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 17

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21



GOSPEL REFLECTION

Don't Count the Losses

When earthly lives end, especially when the person is younger, we tend to focus upon and consider what was lost. We think of lost opportunities — things they won't be able to see, babies they won't be able to cradle, and adventures that now must go undiscovered. Our minds create this chasm between earth and heaven that sees the losses of this life as permanent ones, never possible to achieve again. This perception causes many folks to remain stuck in their grief as they ponder all of the missed opportunities and regrets.

This is not resurrection thinking. All of the love that we can give and receive, the joy and elation that can be experienced, the adventures that can be undertaken, and the possibilities to be discovered are all part of a continuous journey. They are not ends in and of themselves but are all part of the unfolding of a relationship we have with God, who not only makes all of these wonderful things possible now but sustains them and fulfills them into eternity. The perception and experience of loss is really an illusion, because in God's eternal kingdom and in God's time, nothing is ever lost. Even the most intimate and tender of moments we can conceive of sharing with another human being are only part of a journey toward perfect intimate and tender moments to be shared with God in our resurrected life. We become like God and see God as He is in eternity. What greater joy, love, and hope can ever be discovered as we walk down our often dimly lit paths in this world.

This is an awesome wonder and magnificent news to behold. Call to mind someone you have lost in death. How do you see them now? How do you see yourself in heaven? Remind yourself, again, that God is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our happiness is not going to be fully realized in this world, and there is nothing we can find here that cannot be found one hundred fold in eternity. It's all about relationship, and not solely about the relationships we have with each other, ourselves, and the world in which we live. It's about our relationship with God. If we realize how special that one relationship really is, then there is only one particular of heaven and life eternal that really matters: namely, that we fall into love eternal and discover truth. For when we finally close our eyes in death, then all will be well as long as we are with God. There are no losses, only gains.

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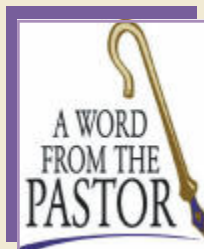


OUR PARISH

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER EDUINO

I hope you are all doing well and getting closer to God in this time of great silence. God gives us an opportunity, especially during this Easter season when we celebrate Christ's triumph over death, to be closer to God and to one another. He is our hope that unites us to God the Father and to each other. Our parish staff has put together some resources to help our parish community stay connected, pray, and serve each other. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you need anything, and please share this information with others.

Sincerely,
Fr. Eduino Silveira



MINISTRY NEWS

GABRIEL PROJECT UPDATE

The OLA Gabriel Project ministry has been active during this coronavirus pandemic. The OLA community responded greatly to our request for help with diapers and wipes. We now have a nice supply to provide help to moms in need. We also received gifts of cash donations! Donated car seats and strollers were distributed to families in need within the last month. Thank you to all who participated in helping the Gabriel Project help others. Keep the GP and all moms in your prayers, especially during this month of Mary!



PARISH RESOURCES TO HELP OUR PARISH COMMUNITY STAY CONNECTED, PRAY, AND SERVE EACH OTHER

Stay Connected

- ◆ Our parish office is accepting phone calls and responding to emails Monday-Friday. Call us at (916) 481-5115 or email us at parish@olaparish.net. We will respond to your phone messages and emails as soon as possible. To help us stay connected with you, please let us know if you have any updates or changes to your contact information, including your email address.
- ◆ Please visit our parish website on a regular basis: <https://olaparish.net/>. It is continually updated with important information, links to our live stream Masses, the weekly parish bulletin, and much more.
- ◆ Subscribe to our Flocknote emails and parish social media pages. On our parish website, Flocknote and all of our social media pages are linked in the upper left-hand corner of the homepage of the website.



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- ◆ Sign up for [MyParish App](#) for access to a wealth of information on your phone! On the Apple Store or on Google Play, search for "myparishapp" and download the app. Choose our parish name after downloading it.



Prayer and Spiritual Support

- ◆ We invite everyone to celebrate **Sunday Mass** with us every week at 10:00 am via Live Streaming on our [parish YouTube channel](#). Please note, these Masses are closed to the public until further notice.
- ◆ Other **prayer opportunities and resources** will be available as announced on our parish website, Flocknote emails, social media pages, and MyParish App.
- ◆ **Catholic in Recovery** is a ministry that serves those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments. Our parish group is here to offer confidential support, especially during this challenging time of isolation. Contact **Jenny Teeters** at jennyteeters@gmail.com for more information. <https://olaparish.net/catholicinrecovery>

Service

- ◆ **Our Ministry of Small Things** has volunteers ready to help with grocery shopping and/or to set up Meal Trains for those in need. To request assistance for yourself or someone you know, please call or email the parish office.
- ◆ Individuals or families struggling with significant financial hardship can contact our parish **St. Vincent de Paul chapter** to discuss support options available to you. Residence within our parish boundaries is required. Please call (916) 481-6352 to leave a confidential message, and someone will return your call within one business day.
- ◆ Do you know someone struggling with a crisis pregnancy? Our parish **Gabriel Project** is here to help. Please call (800) 910-0191 for information and support. <https://olaparish.net/respectlife>

SCHOOL & YOUTH MINISTRY



LITURGY AND MAY CROWNING IN TIMES OF DISTANCE LEARNING

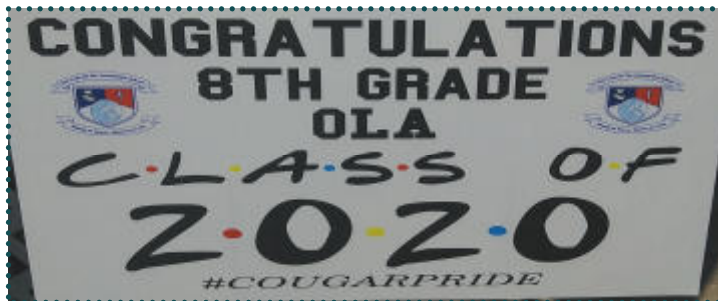
Keeping the tradition of Catholic Schools across America, we had a May crowning last Friday. This was a two-part prayer service. The first part took place as a Liturgy on Zoom. Some of our 8th grade students led us through a Mass with Fr. Eduino, helping with the readings and with devotional prayers to Mary. When Mass was finished, the crowning of Mary took place at OLA School. A statue of Mary was placed at the circuit where the track and mulberry trees meet the road. Two of our 8th grade students crowned our Blessed Lady.

It was a beautiful drive-by May crowning ceremony. It was so special and heartwarming for our faculty, students and parents. Even when we can't be physically together, we are together in spirit!



AWESOME SURPRISE FOR OUR 8TH GRADERS

Our 8th graders were surprised this weekend with these fun lawn signs to congratulate them on their upcoming graduation. We will sure miss them, but know they will do great things in High School and beyond.



Sharing the Gospel

Jesus is getting a place ready for you in heaven. One day you can spend time with Jesus there. You will never get sick. You will never be sad. You will never be left out. You will be loved because you are God's special child, and he wants to spend time with you every day.

Prayer

Thank you for promising to make a special place for me in heaven, Jesus.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of what you think your special place in heaven might look like.

Mission for the Week

Jesus is getting ready for you. Make sure you are getting ready for Jesus. Ask God to help you grow closer to him every day.



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OYYA Live

Join the staff from OYYA on Facebook Live at a new time at www.facebook.com/scdoyya four days a week at 2pm. On Mondays join the whole OYYA team for prayer and a check in. Richard Cherveny will break open Pope Francis' *Christus vivit* (Christ is Alive), a letter "to young people and to the entire people of God" on Tuesdays. On Thursdays we will dive into the lives of saints with Alex Barraza. And Deacon Kevin Staszko will conclude week on Fridays with a reflection and sharing of the Word of God.

Theology on Zoom Fridays

Young Adults are invited to grab a beverage of their choice and join us via Zoom every Friday night in May at 6:30pm for Theology on Zoom. Our guest speaker will change each week, follow us on Facebook and Instagram [@scdoyya](https://www.instagram.com/scdoyya) for list of speakers! The Zoom link to join is <https://zoom.us/j/5303667954>

LAUGHTER: THE BEST MEDICINE



SPIRITUAL GROWTH



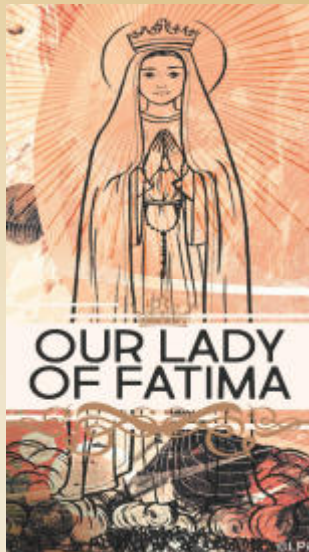
OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Location: Fatima, Portugal

Date: 1917

Summary

Three shepherd children (Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco) saw a ball of light appear near a tree. Upon closer examination they realized it was a beautiful lady. She told them she was from Heaven and that she wished for the children to come to that same place (the "Cova") on the 13 (beginning June 13th 1917) of the month for the next 6 months. Over the next six months Our Blessed Mother revealed "secrets" to the children. She told the now thousands of onlookers to have a devotion to her Immaculate Heart as well as to practice penance. During the September apparition, more than 30,000 witnessed the sun dim and white roses falling from the sky. Our Lady reminded the onlookers of the importance of praying the Rosary to end the war (WWI). On her sixth apparition, Our Lady identified herself as "Our Lady of the Rosary". It was on this occasion that most famous miracle of Fatima occurred: before a crowd of 70,000 witnesses, the sun danced.



Interesting Facts

- * First Secret: "The vision of hell"
- * Second Secret: "The future role of Russia and how to prevent it," "Consecrate Russia"
- * Third Secret: "A lengthy descriptive vision of what some speculate to be the end times".
- * In November of 1921 a spring began to flow at the apparition site.
- * The famous sun miracle was described as the rains stopping and blue sky appearing, followed by the sun spinning and radiating many colors. The surrounding area seemed to be enveloped by these colors. It did this two additional times, but moving in a zigzag pattern and seemingly descending to the earth.



POPE SPEAKS

MAY 14: DAY OF PRAYER

Pope calls faithful to unite with believers of all religions

Since prayer is a universal value, I have accepted the proposal of the Higher Committee for Human Fraternity that on this coming 14 May, believers of all religions should unite spiritually for a day of prayer, fasting, and works of charity, to implore God to help humanity overcome the coronavirus pandemic. Remember: 14 May, all believers together, believers of different traditions, to pray, fast, and perform works of charity.



FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Joan Cotton	Mary Silva
Larry Nelson	Cathy Quesinberry
Jennifer Burk	Gloria Plog
Julie Nelson	J. Richard Heintz
Nancy Carlson	Molly Garcia
Jonathan Rassmussen	Craig & Jane Holmquist
Stacie Higginbotham	Daniel McNerney
Sandi Lanz	Barbara Farren
Tom Bogetich	Richard McClintock
Joe and Sue Simon	Ben Koerber
Shirley Ward	Margaret Parker

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 are some ways that you can act like Jesus would if he were in your situation?

Question for Youth: Jesus is "the way, the truth, the life" and he asks us to do as he does. How do you try to follow Jesus' way?

Question for Adults: How are the promises of this Gospel passage made real in your own life? How do you experience yourself doing greater works than even Jesus did?

COMMUNITY

INVITE



Donate in Honor of MOMS

What better way to show mothers around you that you value them, than to donate to help other mothers in the community? When you donate on the Mother's Day page at saclife.org, enter the mother(s) you would like to honor with their email or mailing address and we will send them a personal Mother's Day card from you!

A MOTHER'S LOVE

A Prayer of Our Lady of Fatima

We praise you, Lord, and bless you,
For in a time of horrific war
And pandemic plague,
You sent us your mother,
Our Lady of Fatima.

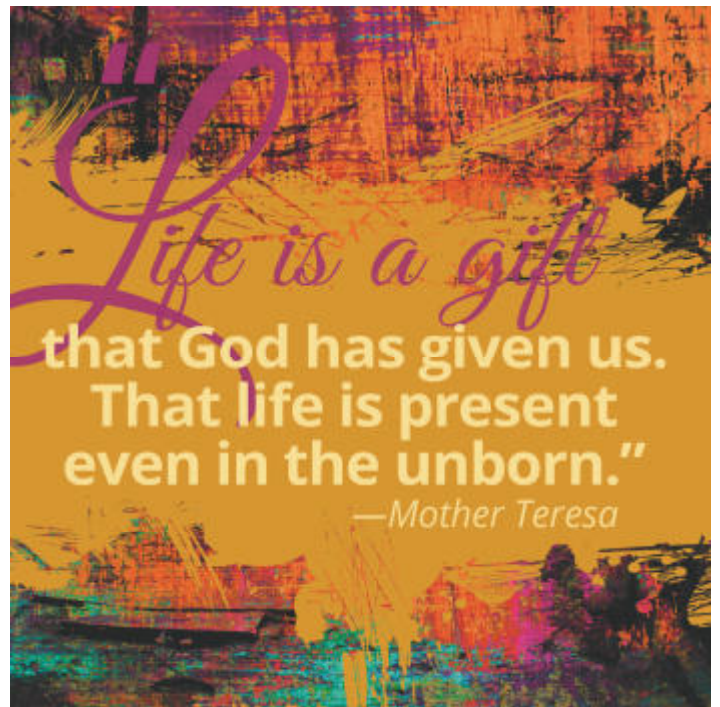
We sing praises to you,
For even in times of sorrow and fear
The Earth is still touched by one such as she.
And we are reminded,
Knowing that whatever war visits itself upon us,
Whatever deprivations,
Whatever want, Whatever illness,
Whatever calamity endured by humankind
That may cause us to look to the sky and despair,
That your children do not toil in this world apart from your
grace,
That our prayers are not unheard
And we do not go forth without a mother's love.

Keep us devoted to you, O Lord,
Devoted in our prayer, our words and our acts,
That all souls in this world may know your compassion, peace
and mercy,
That all souls who have departed this world may find salvation.

Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco, pray for us.
Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.
Amen



WORD OF LIFE



The logo for The Gabriel Project, featuring a stylized illustration of the Virgin Mary holding the infant Jesus, with the text "THE GABRIEL PROJECT" below it.	<p>Pregnant? Worried? Need Help?</p> <p><i>You are not alone. We can help.</i></p> <p>The Gabriel Project Call: 800-910-0191</p>
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RESPONDING to the Call

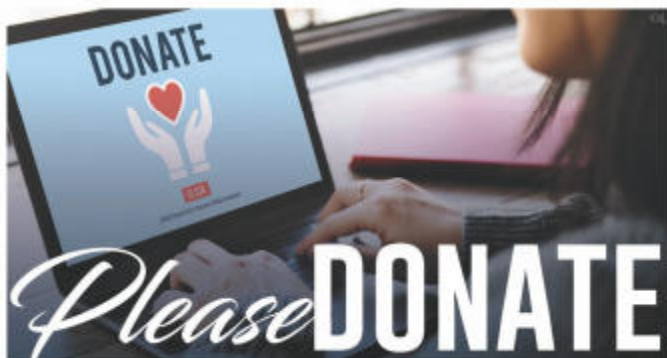
EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments
Witness for Jesus

This journey of faith is not always easy. Sometimes the greatest wounds are those we suffer when family members and friends wander away from God and leave us behind. The faith they had when they were younger is now strained, or they see the daily walking with Jesus to be too difficult. For them, Jesus becomes what Peter wrote about when he described Jesus as the stone that causes people to stumble and the rock that makes them fall. Our journey is hard enough, but watching a loved one stumble and fall is heart-breaking.

What are we to do in such a situation? Most importantly, we pray. We must realize that God is more powerful than us, and even if we can't make them see the truth, He can. Then we witness to the transformative power of Jesus by our own lives. We need to serve him in word and deed. We should let a joy of being a disciple enlighten our faces. Allow Jesus to work through us so that others may be drawn to him. Lastly, we must never lose hope. Many have walked long journeys alone only to find God far down the road. What will it take to bring someone to Christ? It might be an action, a word, or an emotion. We never know how certain people will be touched. That loved one is a gift from God in your life. Place them back in God's hands, and let Him pick them up if they have stumbled and fallen.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING
Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

May 10, 2020

5th Sunday of Easter

Stewards Cornerstones

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 PETER 2:7

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom on earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms as Christian Stewards. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember – no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

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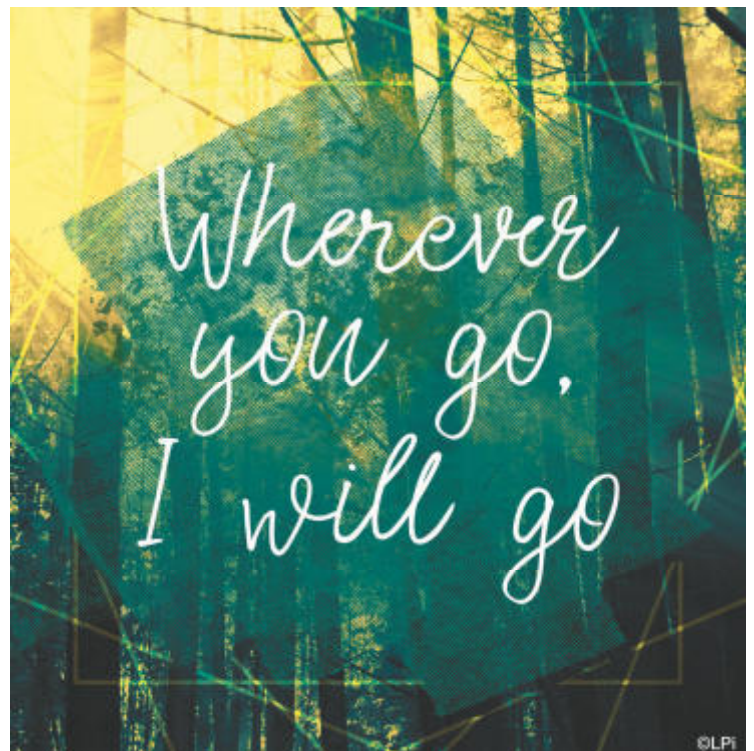
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- Click on **Donate**.
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If you have questions about your account or are having trouble to enroll, please contact our Manager, Ivan Florez in the office at



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