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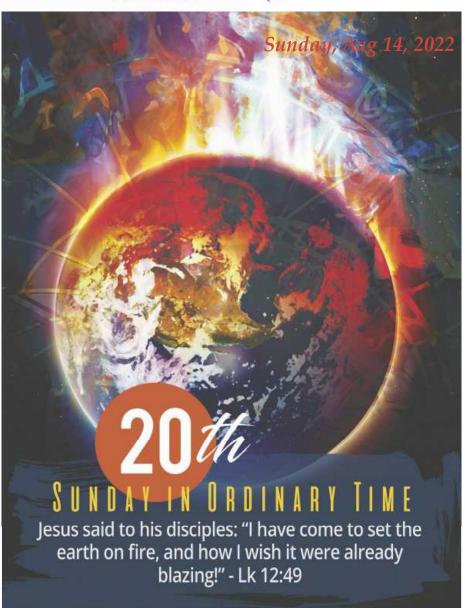
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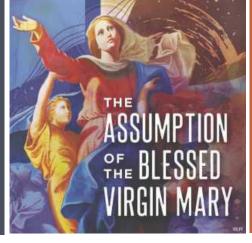
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### **Regular Mass Schedule**

8:00 am daily Masses (Monday-Friday and first Saturday) The weekend schedule is below: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm Sunday Masses at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 7:30 pm Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00 am and 5:30 pm

### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

August 14, 2022 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and selfabsorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction.

DE	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
ADL	Aug 20-21	Aug 12
EADLINES	Aug 27-28	Aug 19
V)	Sep 03-04	Aug 26

Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance. "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth.

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### **PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS**

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Annette Megie
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Jackie Doyle
Tamsyn R Holmquist
Evelyn Jensen
John Tenerio
Larry Wager
Sarah Maya
Charles Kesmodel MD
Lisa Berumen Cox

Ericka Mora
Junior Mora
Adam Peters
Maureen Baker
Henry Holt (baby)
Joan Cotton
Wayne Stone
Sharon DeLeonardis
Hector Valencia
Crystal Wecks

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

### **STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS**

**Stewardship Conscience** 

August 14, 2022

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Luke 12:51

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We Don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Live in Stewardship by forming your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.

https://camdendiocese.org/

### **REFLECTIONS**

### **Catholic Faith**

#### **Question:**

My neighbor is just beginning to explore the Catholic faith but was raised agnostic. I grew up believing in God, praying, and attending Mass. How does one start from scratch as an adult to develop a relationship with God?

#### **Answer:**

Start on a personal level! How did you and your neighbor become friends? How did you begin to discuss such a personal topic as faith? Communication, spending time together, and getting to know each other are essential to forming the bonds of a relationship. Personal prayer is essential to our relationship with God. We can't be close to someone we don't know! Invite your friend to explore the stories of Jesus in the Bible. Introduce them to the lives of the saints, especially ones you think they might be interested in.

Your neighbor might also have questions about the Catholic faith that you don't know how to answer. If your friend hasn't yet enrolled in RCIA classes, invite them to Mass at your parish. Introduce your friend to the faith formation director to make a connection. Personal support can be helpful as well, especially if few of your neighbor's current friends are practicing their faith. Connect your neighbor to other people in your parish living their faith well. The good examples of other faithful people could help your neighbor to feel welcomed and supported. Our Church is vibrant and alive!

I am an in-home care provider experienced with dementia patients. I currently have a part-time opening.

Excellent references. Lisa Marco (916) 544-3906



**SATURDAY, AUG 13** 

5:00pm † † Fred & Lizz Baca

by Carmy & Tina Baca

**SUNDAY, AUG 14** 

7:30am Tomasa Washington (Healing)

by Anne Perez

9:00am Cecilia Navarro (Healing)

by The Oliver Family

11:00am † Patrickson Carbon (His Birthday)

by Leighton -Armah Family Irene Simmons (Healing) by Nancy Arndorfer

7:30pm All Parishioners

**MONDAY, AUG 15** 

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00AM Joan Cotton (Healing)

by Catherine Apker

**TUESDAY, AUG 16** 

Saint Stephen of Hungary

8:00AM † John De Freitas

by Sandi Lanz

WEDNESDAY, AUG 17

8:00AM † Tony Vargas

by Joe & Amelia Vargas

**THURSDAY, AUG 18** 

8:00AM † † Ed & Martha Wilson (Anniversary)

by Holy Spirit Family Trust

FRIDAY, AUG 19

Saint John Eudes, Priest

8:00AM † Emmett Berry

by John & Susan Berry

SATURDAY, AUG 20

Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

5:00pm † Maria Nieves

† Mercedes Regalado

† Julia Mondragon

by OLA Families

### 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.



#### **WESHARE**

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- 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.

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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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#### **PARISH CALENDAR**

### Sunday, Aug 14

Masses: 7:30am-9:00am-11:00am-7:30pm

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

12:00pm Group Baptism - Church 12:30pm Girl Scouts Troop 103 -Affinito Hall Meeting Room #3

#### Monday, Aug 15

8:00am & 5:30pm Masses for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Church

3:00pm Meditation Group -Affinito Hall Room No. 3

#### Tuesday, Aug 16

8:00am Mass

8:30am—7:00pm Adoration in the Chapel

10:00am PERT (People Enjoying Retirement Together) - St. John's Hall

7:00pm Baptism Preparation Class - St. John's Hall

### Wednesday, Aug 17

8:00 am Mass

6:00pm RCIA Meeting -Affinito Hall - Meeting Room #3

### Thursday, Aug 18

8:00am Mass

8:30am—7:00pm Adoration in the Chapel

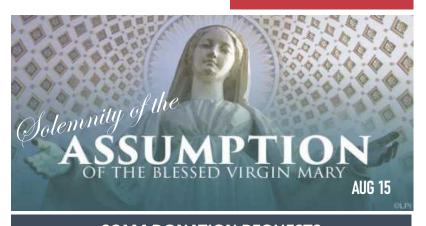
7:00pm Living the Word Meeting - Affinito Hall Room No.3

### Friday, Aug 19

8:00am Back to School Mass - Church

### Saturday, Aug 20

10:30am Alanon meeting -Affinito Hall Room #3 6:00pm parish Feast Day Dinner - Affinito Hall



### **SCAM DONATION REQUESTS**

Any parishioner who receives an email on behalf of our Pastor requesting to purchase gift cards to benefit others should immediately ignore it. Our Pastor will never send you a personal email requesting help or contribution. It's a scam.

If a parishioner believes they have been victimized, they should report the incident to local law enforcement and the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (https://www.ic3.gov/).

### **PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS**



Your Social Committee is planning a dinner on August 20, in honor of Our Lady of the Assumption's anniversary. Flyers are available in the back of the church.

If you plan to attend, please return the bottom of your flyer to the Church office or place it in the collection basket. Hope to see you there.



### **OLA EXTENSION OPEN POSITION**

Have you thought about how exciting it is to work with our students in the afternoons?

The **Before and After School Care** program has a part time open position.

If you are interested, please send an email to Lorena Rojas,

**Extension Director** 

rojas@olaparish.net

or call **925 822 8299.** 



### **Our Lady of the Assumption School**

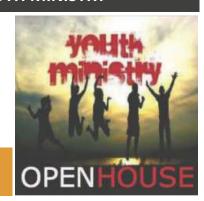
### Faith | Academic Excellence | Service | Community

OLA Parish School is excited to welcome back students on **Wednesday**, **August 17th**.

All are welcomed to join us for our **Back to School Mass** led by OLA Faculty at **8:00am on Friday, August 19th**.

### **OLA YOUTH MINISTRY**

Please join us Sunday,
August 21st from 10am11am for an open house of OLA Youth Ministry's youth room, located in Bannon Hall.



OLA Youth Ministry
Wish List

Cases of water

Cases of soda and or Soda minis

Big box variety of chips

Fruit snacks

Cookies

Candy: variety, individually wrapped

Karaoke machine

Throw rug 5 x 6

Small round end table

Uno

**Codenames** 

**Apples to Apples** 

**Headbands** 

What Do You Meme Family

Paper products - plates, cups, bowls, napkins

Plastic utensils

Interested in joining youth group? Please contact **Johann**, at **youth@olaparish.net** or **916-257-1970**.

### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

#### A Steward's Growing Pains

Have you ever written a check or seen the charge on the credit card machine that had far too many zeros on it for your comfort?

The brakes finally give up on the car you were hoping to nurse through the season. The water heater dies on the coldest week of the year. A medical procedure wasn't totally covered by insurance. We've all been here in this place, being asked to part with a not-so-small sum of money for a not-so-fun reason.

It's a little easier to bear when you're forking over dollar signs for a fun vacation or even a worthy cause like your child's education. But when it's something you weren't expecting, something negative, that uneasiness in the pit of your stomach can quickly become despair.

The next time this happens to you, embrace it.

Celebrate it. Wrap your arms around it and welcome it as a growing pain.

We are often asked, in life, to give more than we wish. Our loved ones demand greater patience than we think we have. Our prayer life is stalling, and we feel God isn't holding up His end of the communication bargain.

The daily grind seems to be grinding us down. We feel that uneasiness in the pit of our stomach, just as we do when we part with money we thought belonged solely to us.

That place of uncertainty propels us in life, in stewardship, in relationship. All forward motion comes from that feeling. Put out your hands and let yourself be thrust into the pit — He will stoop to take you out from the mud. Spread your arms on your cross — joy is waiting for you.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

### From the Vocations Committee....

The summer is quickly flying by and so is our time with the three seminarians who have been residing at the rectory:

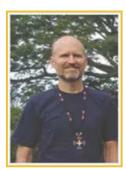
Ivan Franco, Scott Whittaker, and Benjamin Condon.

Here are some thoughts from Ivan and Scott as they prepare to leave...



From Ivan...."My last day at my cpe assignment is August 12th, so I will be leaving OLA on that day. I really appreciated the warm welcome from the parish community and especially Fr. Eduino. My next assignment will be in Mexico City where I will be studying Spanish in one of the Seminaries in Mexico City. I'm looking forward to a peaceful and joyful pastoral experience after studying Spanish in Mexico. Thank you and God bless."

From Scott.... "Dear OLA family, I want to thank you for your warm welcome this summer. I enjoyed staying at the parish while applying to be a seminarian with the Diocese of Sacramento. I am praising God that I have been accepted! Thank you for your support and prayers during the application process. I am thankful to Fr. Eduino for sharing his home. He has treated me like a father. I've enjoyed the conversations with him, his words of wisdom, and his excellent cooking. I'm thankful to Deacon Paul and Sharon for their encouragement and for involving me in some of the activities and ministries



of the parish. I've also enjoyed meeting the parishioners. I have been inspired by your prayer and devotion. It is exciting to see such an active community. I will be returning to Menlo Park around the 15th of August to begin my theology studies at St. Patrick's Seminary. Now that I am a seminarian I am looking forward to meeting more of my Catholic family in the Diocese and getting to know the new home where Jesus has called me. I am blessed to be here. God bless you."

As Scott, Ivan and Benjamin begin to transition into the next phase of their priestly formation, please keep them in prayer that God will shower His amazing grace, love, protection, and good health upon them. Please pray for all vocations!

Thank You and God Bless!

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### **COMMUNITY**

### BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Celebrate our parish feast day with us!

Masses for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will take place at 8:00 am and 5:30 pm on Monday, August 15th.

(Please note: It is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year because it falls on a Monday.)

### From the Bishop

**Bishop Jaime Soto** is asking all Catholics to oppose Proposition 1.

Participate in a webinar for clergy on effective preaching about the Gospel of Life and the reason to oppose Proposition 1 the next **August 22, 2022** 

For any questions, please contact Moises de Leon at 916-733- 0133, Mdeleon@scd.org or Miriam Sammartino at 916-733- 0253 Msammartino@scd.org



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### **PERT (People Enjoying Retirement Together)**



PERT (People Enjoying Retirement Together) will be gathering for lunch at Leatherbys on Tues, 8/16, 11am. 2333 Arden Way, Sacramento, room on the right. Come join us for a scoop or lunch and a visit with other parishoners. BYO cash and smile; napkins provided. Bring Leatherby's coupon, in back of bulletin.





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, August 25, 2022 at 6:30 pm

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

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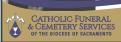
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