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SUNDAY, SEP 19 2021

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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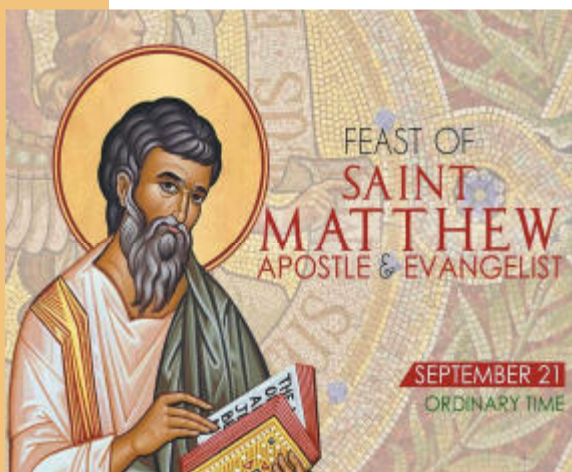
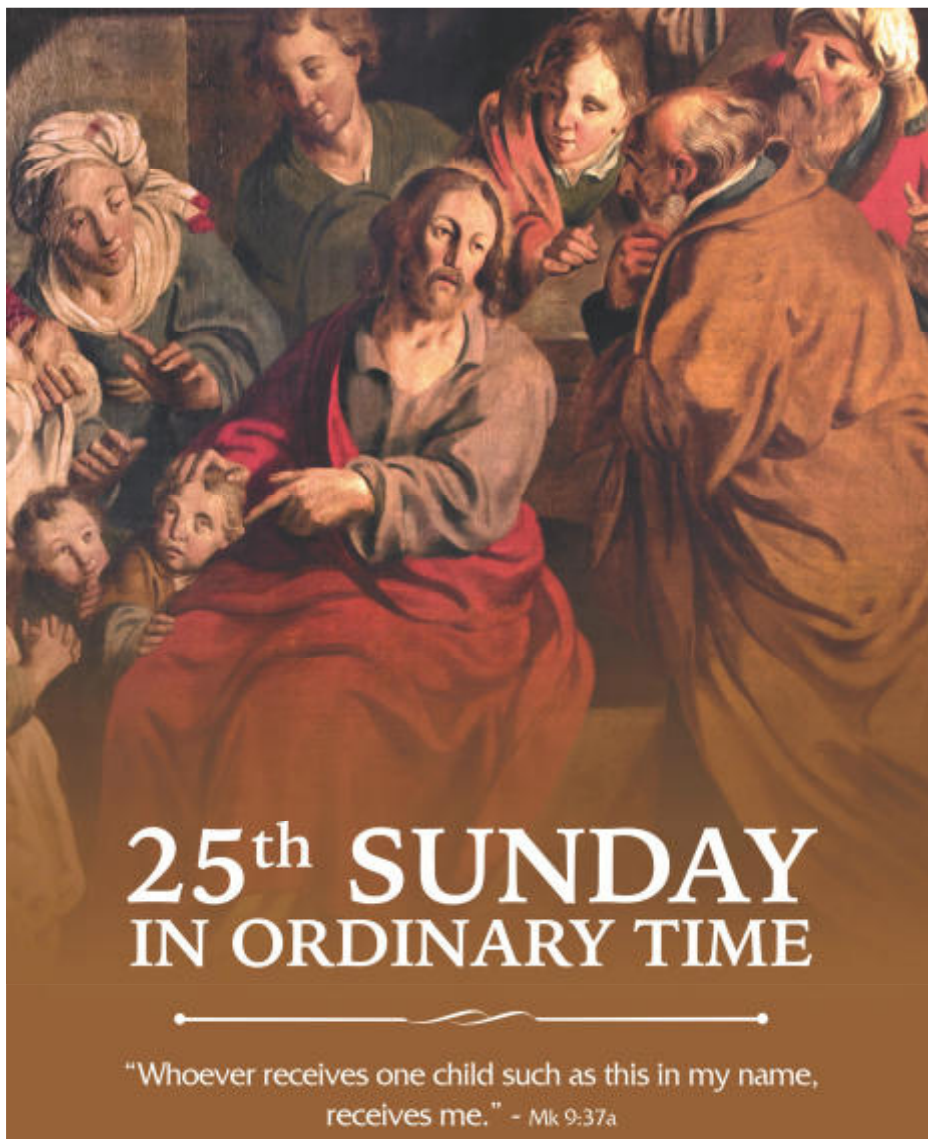
Monday - Friday | 9:00am - 11:00am

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 entire family of God.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

September 19, 2021

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

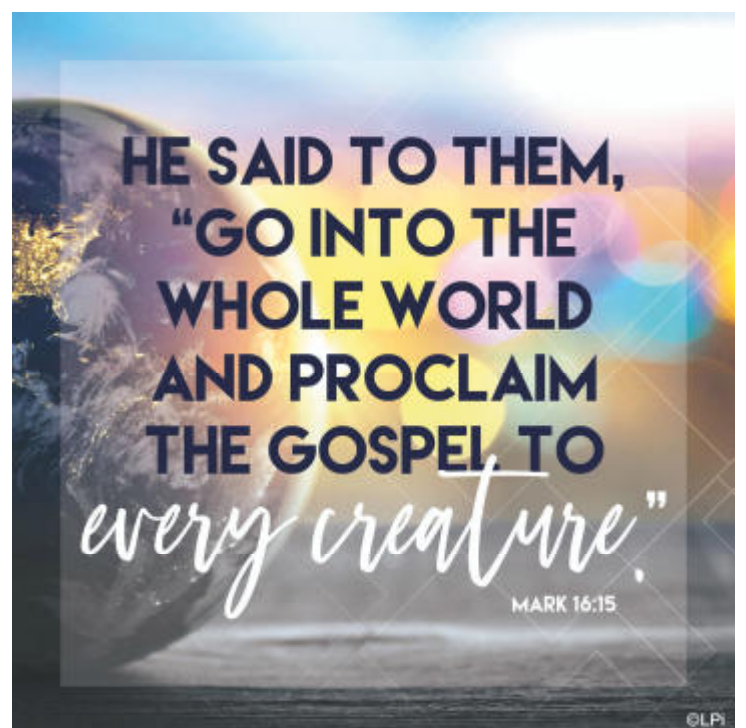
Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?



If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good.

We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

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STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Stewardship Service

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Mark 9:35

Jesus teaches His Stewards that they are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = sacred and "facere" = to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: We are called to serve others.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you hear the familiar teaching of Jesus in this Gospel, what word or phrase strikes you? What image lingers in your heart?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: What are some specific ways in which you can serve your friends or family members?

Question for Youth: Sometimes, when we strive to be first or be the one that wins, we hurt others. When has striving to be first hurt others? What can you do differently in the future to help others to succeed?

Question for Adults: Is the role of being a servant for others easy or difficult for you to embrace?

PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Nancy Carlson
Jonathan Rassmussen
Stacie Higginbotham
Sandi Lanz
Shirley Ward
J. Richard Heintz
Molly Garcia
Richard McClintock
Charles Kesmodel MD
Gutierrez Family
Debbie McGee
Mary Deveny
Steve Yates



Sarah Maya
Amanda Young
Margaret Parker
Josefina Morales
Pauline Dressler
Diva Orsolini
Nancy Colleran
Dolores Morales
Loretta Taylor
Joanne Kelley
Jackie Doyle
Tamsyn Rose Holmquist

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



SATURDAY, SEP 18

5:00PM † Georgia Kilkenny
by The Hodsdon Family

SUNDAY, SEP 19

7:30 AM † Vasco Faria and Family

9:00 AM † John Edward Kanne
by Ann Marie Duesbury

11:00 AM † Jaime Jose De La Vega
by De La Vega Family

7:30 PM All Parishioners

MONDAY, SEP 20

Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul
Chong Ha-Sang, and Companions, Martyrs.

8:00AM † Edwin Wilson
by Holy Spirit Family Trust

TUESDAY, SEP 21

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.

8:00AM † Elena Rojas
by Victoria Gigi

WEDNESDAY, SEP 22

8:00AM † Helen Gregorio and Family

THURSDAY, SEP 23

Saint Pius of Pietrecina, Priest

8:00AM Cecile Naverro (In thanksgiving for her
birthday earlier in the month)

by Casey Oliver

FRIDAY, SEP 24

8:00AM † Walt Sitner
by Brothers Family

SATURDAY, SEP 25

5:00PM † Fred Baca
by Carmy Baca

LIVING OUR FAITH

OUR PARISH

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, 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 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.

Thank You!

FOR THESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL!

Weekend Offertory	09/12/21	\$ 12,488.07
E-Giving	09/06/21 to 09/12/21	\$ 3,531.25

Total	\$ 16,019.32
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II Collect Priest's Retirement	09/12/21	\$2,703.20
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Average Weekly Budget Amount \$12,000.00

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, September 23 at 6:30 pm

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

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, Sep 19 7:30am-9:00am-11:00am & 7:30pm Mass 8:00am Faith Formation meeting—Bannon Hall 6:00pm (Spanish) Talleres de Oración y Vida - Retiro Matrimonial - St. John's Hall	Monday, Sep 20 8:00am Mass 4:45 pm OLA Volleyball practices Girls Varsity - Affinito Hall Gym 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 328—St. John's Hall
Tuesday, Sep 21 8:00am Mass	Thursday, Sep 23 8:00am School Mass 2:15 pm OLA volleyball practices - Affinito Hall Gym 6:30pm Lectio Divina/Taize Prayer—OLA Church
Wednesday, Sep 22 8:00am Mass 2:15pm School Music Practice—Church 3:15 pm OLA volleyball practices - Affinito Hall Gym 7:00pm RCIA—Affinito Hall - Meeting Room 3 7:30pm Neocatechists - St. John's Hall	Friday, Sep 24 8:00am Mass
Saturday, Sep 25 11:00 am Baptism OLA Church	Sunday, Sep 26 7:30am-9:00am-11:00am & 7:30pm Mass 10:30am Flame Meeting—St. Paul Room 12:30pm Girl Scouts Troop 103—Affinito Hall - Meeting Room 3 6:00pm (Spanish) Talleres de Oración y Vida - Retiro Matrimonial - St. John's Hall



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm (livestream)

First Saturdays: 8:00 am

Sunday, 7:30 am

Sunday, 9:00 am (livestream)

Sunday, 11:00 am

Sunday, 7:30 pm

Weekday, 8:00 am, Monday to Friday

BULLETIN DEADLINES

BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
Sep 25-Sep 26	Sep 17
Oct 02-Oct 03	Sep 24



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2021: 10/21, 11/18, 12/16
2022: 1/20, 2/17, 3/17,
4/21, 5/19, 6/16

Attend diocesan parent support Zoom
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- November 16 @4pm
- December 14 @4pm
- January 11 @4pm
- February 9 @4pm
- March 15 @4pm
- April 20 @4pm

Get more information at
www.pendola.org

Special Collection Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund—Sep 26

The past few weeks we have witnessed the aftermath of the destruction of a number of natural disasters—the recent earthquake in Haiti and the subsequent impact of Tropical Storm Grace on the Haitian people and the latest devastation caused by Hurricane Ida on the Gulf Coast. Many people are in great need of our support.

In response to these disasters, and in anticipation of similar humanitarian crises arising from these and future disasters, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested dioceses around the country participate in a special emergency collection.

The funds collected in this one-time special appeal will become part of the Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund. Your donation will be used to support the USCCB efforts for pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church as well as the efforts of Catholic Relief Services and/or Catholic Charities USA, the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church. Both organizations work with local agencies to respond to immediate emergency needs and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts.



men's FAITH RENEWAL 8th ANNUAL

LIVING WITH COURAGE:
Lessons for men from St. Joseph

SATURDAY, OCT. 16, 2021
St. Mel Parish, Fair Oaks

With Guest Speaker
FR. MATTHEW SPENCER

Fr. Matthew previously hosted Relevant Radio talk show, "St. Joseph's Workshop". He now serves his community as the Provincial of the Oblates of St. Joseph in Santa Cruz CA.

Father will share his wisdom and insights of the many great lessons from St. Joseph. Learn how by his devotion and care for Jesus and Mary. St. Joseph will also help you in all of your needs to be the man God calls you to be.

As shown in the image above, learn how St. Joseph is presenting Jesus to you!

SAT. 10/16 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

- Registry at 8:00 am
- Holy Mass 8:30 am
- Continental breakfast
- Inspirational talks by Fr. Spencer with OIA
- A hearty catered OCTOBERFEST lunch
- Opportunities for confessions
- Event concludes at 3:45 pm

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men's DAY OF FAITH RENEWAL

ALSO: SPECIAL EVENT - FRIDAY, OCT. 15 - 7pm
A talk for the entire family by Fr. Spencer followed by a

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SPIRITUAL GROWTH

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The View from the Back of the Line

Have you known that person? The one who leaves every person they encounter feeling a little more blessed for having met them? They're the friend you can count on when nothing is going well. They're the one who's always "doing" for others. They're never gossiping or sniping or complaining.

We wonder how they do it, how they have it in them. We're a little envious, even if we don't let ourselves acknowledge it. That, folks, is what the view is like from the front of the line, gazing at those suckers in the way back and wondering why they're smiling so much.

We've all been at the front of a line and felt no shame about it. We show up early, we put in the time and the legwork, and we "earn" whatever it is we came for — sports tickets, the latest Apple product, whatever. That's how it works here on Earth, where the fastest win the race, the fittest survive and the first shall be first, always. It's exactly why stewardship is such a tall order. Stewardship calls us to play by the rules of another kingdom — one where the richest have the least amount in their bank accounts and the happiest don't seem to have anything to show for it, at least materially. If you have a person in your life who always seems happy "doing" for others, it's because by a boatload of God's grace, they play by the rules of the other place.

Watch and take notes — and don't be afraid to join them at the back of the line.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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LIVE THE LITURGY

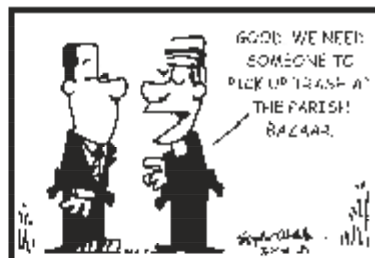
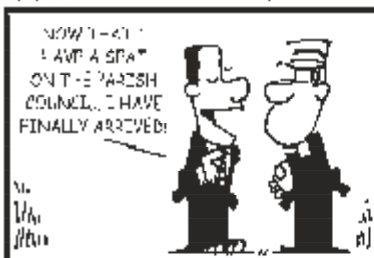
LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

What does it mean to be God's servant? In essence, it means being willing to call the world back to its childlike innocence, showing all that a joy-filled playfulness has a place in life. The servant of God serves to foster the Kingdom of God. God's kingdom is not a sterile, unhappy, strict, and rigid reality. It is quite the opposite. It is a kingdom devoid of jealousy and selfish ambition where peace, gentleness, mercy, and good works abound. To be a servant of this kingdom means that selfish ambition must be set aside so that others can be first, and justice pursued at all cost. The prayer of this kind of servant is not focused on self-advancement or need. Rather, the servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. In this way, we who are servants can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led by God. We can then be used to lay the cornerstones of the kingdom: faith, hope, and love. It is upon these that God's firm dwelling is built. Accepting this call may place us last in the world's eyes but first in God's.

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25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HUMOR

OLA PARISH 2021 STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

Our first-annual Stewardship Renewal is an important event for the community of OLA. It is a time when we reassess the way we use God's gifts by making commitments of time, talent, and treasure. Renewing ourselves in these areas results in great spiritual benefits for us as individual parishioners and for the community around us. All registered parish families will be receiving a 2021 Stewardship Renewal Handbook and Commitment Card in the mail.

The first major event of the renewal is the parish Ministry Fair, which is the last weekend of the month, September 25-26, in Affinito Hall. After each weekend Mass (or before the 7:30 pm Sunday Mass), representatives from the parish ministries, councils, and committees will be available to answer questions and hand out informational materials. Please save the date and plan to visit our Ministry Fair. We will have some fun activities planned following standard COVID-19 protocols. The Ministry Fair is everyone's opportunity to learn more about the ministries that might interest them.



Help us help the poor!

**The annual St. Vincent de Paul
Shred Day**

Saturday, October 23th 8am-noon

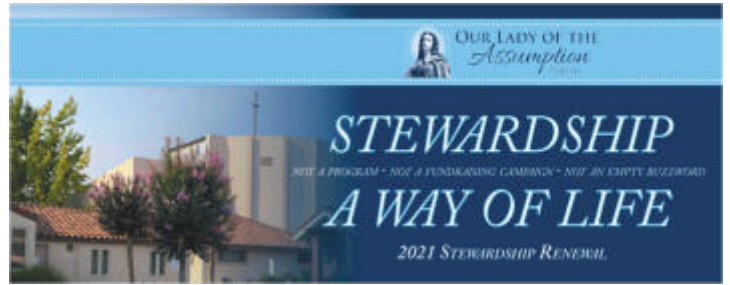
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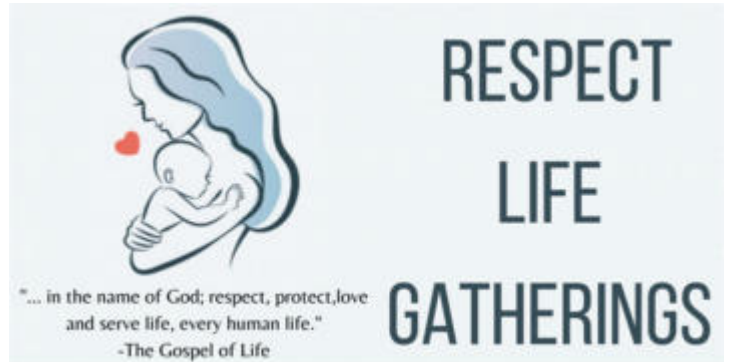
5\$ per paper bag,

\$10 per box.

We hope to see you there!



The highlight of the Stewardship Renewal is Commitment Sunday Weekend, which is Saturday, October 2nd and Sunday, October 3rd at all Masses. This is the weekend that parishioners will fill out their stewardship commitment cards to sign up for ministries and service, dedicate time to prayer, and pledge financial giving to the parish. We hope to see you there for both weekends, and stay tuned for volunteer opportunities that will help make these events possible.



October 14, 2021 10:00 AM–October 15, 2021 1:00 PM

PERT



Regretfully, **PERT gatherings are suspended** until Covid virus is less hazardous to our members. Please pray for vulnerable youngsters and oldsters, and those who live where vaccines aren't available. Hope to resume in a few months.

Thanks,
Kathi Sikora
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