

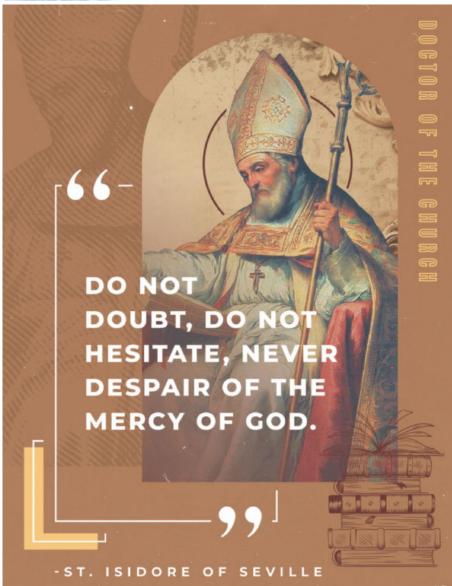
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Regular Mass Schedule Saturday vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. daily Masses (Monday-Friday and first Saturday)

Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Confessions are heard inside the church on Saturday afternoons at 3:30 p.m.

You may also call the parish office to schedule an appointment.

Please visit our website and subscribe to Flocknote for more information about our parish, ministries, and upcoming events.

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Sunday, December 1, 2024

Bulletin for the

First Sunday of Advent

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Rev. Michael F. Kiernan
Deacon
Paul Friedrich
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Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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PRESCHOOL - EIGHTH GRADE (916) 489-8958

School Website: school.olaparish.net
Principal: Robert Love

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Please call: (916) 481-6352

Monday - Friday | 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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Parish 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.

Observances for the week of December 1, 2024

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent

Monday: Tuesday:

St. Francis Xavier, Priest

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Wednesday:

Church

Thursday:

Friday: St. Nicholas, Bishop

Saturday: St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent





SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

5:00 PM † Michael Campos

by Lynda Campos

† Kevin and (Sp) Judith Malone (wedding anniversary)

by the Malone family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

7:30 AM † Nicholas Valdez

by Colleen and Doug

9:00 AM † Patricia Campini

by the Chambers family

(Sp) Caleb Dixon

by OLA School 3rd grade families

11:00 AM † Angela Helen Ward

by Bill Walters

† Jackie Steiner

by Nancy Arndorfer

7:30 PM † Jeffrey Kim

by the Kim family

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

8:00 AM † Bill Portillo

†† Dale and Arlene Fuller

†† Juan and Amelia San Miguel

by the Portillo family

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

8:00 AM (Sp) Tomasa Washington

by Anne Perez

† Jerry Laumer

by OLA Pert Club

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00 AM † Connie Shephard

by Susan and David Murphy

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:00 AM † Maria Judite Costa

by Antonio and Leontina Ferreira

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

8:00 AM † Kent Abbes

by the Abbes family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

8:00 AM † Paul Hickey

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by Abbes family

5:00 PM † Tom Bogetich

by the Oliver family

†† Emma Jean and Silvio Ferrari by Don and Joan Cotton

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

email & text

Aren't signed up for OLA Parish Flocknote yet? We can help you! We can assist you in the parish office and via email. Call the parish office or email Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net.

Are you attending Mass regularly at Our Lady of the Assumption Church but not registered?

Register today as a parishioner! Go online to https://olaparish.net/community/register-us or scan the QR code.



You may also call or visit the parish office for assistance.

Thank you!

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Please contact Elisabeth Gustorf, Advancement Director, at <u>advancement@olaparish.net</u> or at (916) 489-8958 ext. 170.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 1

Masses: 7:30 am - 9:00 am

- 11:00 am - 7:30 pm Monday, December 2

8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, December 3

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Church

2:00 pm OLA School PTG mtg. – Affinito Hall Rm. 3 7:00 pm Baptism

Preparation – St. John's

Wednesday, December 4

8:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Catholics in Recovery - St. Anne's Rm. **7:00 pm** OCIA - Affinito

Hall Rm. 3

<u>Thursday, December 5</u>

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Church

11:00 am Martha and Mary mtg. – St. John's Hall

6:30 pm She Shall Be Called Woman – St. Paul's Rm.

7:00 pm Living the Word – Affinito Hall Rm. 3

<u>Friday, December 6</u>

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, December 7

8:00 am Mass

3:30 pm Confessions - Church

5:00 pm vigil Mass



The weekend of November 16th-17th we had a special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Thank you for your generosity.

Total CCHD collection amount: \$2,308.83

The next special collection will be for the **Retirement Fund for the Religious**. Today, more than 37,000 women and men religious are past age of 70. Their institutes face critical economic challenges as the costs of health care escalate and as the need for handicapped-accessible housing increases. **This collection will take place the weekend of December 7/8.**



We encourage parishioners to enroll in our automated donation program called WeShare.

This program provides a convenient way to make your donations to our church from the comfort of your home.

To enroll please follow these simple steps:

Go to https://olaparish.net and click on <u>Donate</u>.

This will take you to our "Contribute" page, where you will find the **WeShare** link to enroll and donate.

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION

1st Sunday of Advent

Once again, we come to Advent, the beginning of our Liturgical Year in the Catholic Church. How appropriate this is as we begin anew another year in hope and anticipation of Christ's second coming into our lives, restless, as we remember and celebrate the Lord's fulfillment of the promise made long ago through Jesus the Christ. It was a promise of justice for the long-suffering Israel and Judah, and as much for all the world, needy, afraid, lost. And as Luke reminds us, this Lord of Justice will come to us again in "power and great glory" as we stand before this Son of Man in need of redemption through his justice.

But lest we forget, his justice is born in mercy and compassion. His justice is meted out in forgiveness and love. This is a justice not of our need for retribution but of God's need for love. "Hear O Israel, the LORD your God is the one God. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength." And just as God asks us for this complete love, God cannot help but love us as completely - with all God's heart, with all God's soul, with all God's strength. It is a love so great that it cannot, it should not be secreted away within our selfish selves. Rather it should flow forth in love of our neighbor.

This is the hope of Jesus' second advent that through the memory of his first, we make this world a better place helping the lost, the needy, the afraid. That we fulfill the promise made of old to be just to others, ending their suffering, nurturing their promise, righting their wrongs through mercy, compassion, forgiveness, and love.

- Deacon Michael Tateishi



PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Lisa Coffman

Bulletin Sick List Policy

To ensure the privacy of people who are sick, please make sure you have their permission before submitting their name to the list.

Once a name is added, it will be removed either when requested OR after six months. Names will then be removed unless there is a specific request to keep the name on the list for longer.

To add a name, remove a name, or if a name has been removed that needs to be added back, you may call the parish office at (916) 481-5115 or email parish@olaparish.net. Thank you.

Tomasa Washington Rvan Daniels Donna Blaschke Alice Mayer Govaars (baby) **Esther Paulos** Cole Miller Whitney (baby) **Jonathan Whitfield Wesley Villariza Charlie Wetherall** Lawrence Wilhelm **Camille Peter Donna Deterding Parks** Yolande De Forge **Justin Langstroth Roger Nagtalon Adam Peter Langford Metzger Mary Roy Shannon Langer Guadalupe Rodriguez**

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Call the parish office to add a name or to remove a name from this list.

OLA Communications Information

BULLETIN WEEKEND ARTICLE DATES

Dec 21 - Dec 22

DEADLINES

Dec 14 - Dec 15

Dec 28 - Dec 29

*Early deadline due to holiday

Amber Morris

*Dec 4

*Dec 10

*Dec 18

news to share, please fill out the Communications Request Form on our parish website at https:// olaparish.net/communications**committee**. All communications requests are subject to approval by Father Eduino. For general questions or bulletin requests, you may also send an email to communications@olaparish.net.

If you have an event to promote or

PARISH AND SCHOOL NEWS

OLA Giving Tree Information

It's not too late to sponsor a Giving Tree family. We have received requests to help over 80 families with Christmas gifts, and there are still some families on the list. Thank you to all who have already signed up to sponsor a family!

The Flocknote Signup to sponsor a Giving Tree family has already been sent via email if you are subscribed to OLA Parish Flocknote. The Signup is also on the parish website at www.olaparish.net, or you may scan the QR code below.



Scan the QR Code below using the camera on your smartphone to access the Giving Tree Signup.



If you need help signing up for a family, please email Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net or Peggy Stradford at peggystradford@icloud.com.

If you aren't able to sponsor a family, you can still help by taking a gift card tag from the Giving Tree that will be set up in the church starting the First Sunday of Advent, December 1st. Take a tag, purchase a gift card from Walmart or Target in any denomination, write the amount on the gift card, and bring the gift card to the parish office. The gift cards will be used to either help shop for the families or to supplement the gifts the families receive.

ALL gifts and gift cards are due back on or before Monday, December 9th. Once you sign up to sponsor a family, Peggy Stradford will send you an email with clothing sizes and suggested gifts for the family, along with detailed instructions for gift return.

Families needed to light the Advent wreath candles for the Sunday Masses during Advent.

For each Sunday of Advent, we would like to invite families to light the Advent wreath candles at all of the weekend Masses.

If your family is interested in participating, please email Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net and we will assign you. Thank you for your participation!

Youth Ministry Coat Drive and Update



There will be a Youth Group Meeting on Dec. 8th from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the youth room in Bannon Hall. Youth Revival Night will not be held in December. The next Youth Revival Night of Prayer will take place on Thursday, January 23rd, 2025. Questions? Contact Johann Rubia-Miller at youth@olaparish.net.

Donations Needed for Santa's Breakfast

This year Santa's Breakfast will be taking place on Sunday morning, December 15th, from 8-11:30 a.m. in Affinito Hall. Children can drop off their letters to Santa, pose with Santa for photos, and shop for gifts! Donations are needed for the Secret Santa Shop, including any new or gently used items such as toys, games, kitchen items, books, decor, etc. to the school office. We also need gift wrapping supplies (gift bags, tissue paper, tape, etc.).

Don't know about the shop? Santa's Secret Shop is open to kids only, on the morning of Santa's Breakfast, so they can shop for siblings, parents, grandparents, friends (or even themselves) with parent volunteers helping them shop, if needed. All gifts are \$1 each, gift-wrapping included. Thank you for your donations! Questions? Call Nicole Anton at (916) 254-9311 or email nicole.p.anton@hotmail.com.

The ladies of Martha and Mary will be also holding their annual Bake Sale as part of Santa's Breakfast. We are asking for contributions of baked goods (nut free, please) from our parishioners. If you can help, drop off your baked goods at Affinito Hall on Saturday, December 14, between 9:00 a.m. and noon. Cookies, cakes, breads and candy are all welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Stradford at peggystradford@icloud.com.

"Brick by Brick" OLA School is Building Our Faith

Students: Please cut out the brick and bring it to school on Monday to add to your class board and help your class "build" their faith!



PRAYER AND FORMATION AT OLA

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

All are invited to come pray in the church on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Make time to pray in the peaceful presence of our Lord during this Advent season.

To sign up for an Adoration time slot, please contact Don Thamer at don.nprz6@gmail.com or (916) 549-7195 mobile/text.

OLA Live Events in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament

At OLA, in addition to weekly Adoration, twice a month we host prayer services in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Each month we pray the rosary and have a prayer service with OLA Youth Ministry. Both services are livestreamed.

<u>Upcoming OLA Live Events</u> Friday, December 20th at 6:30 p.m.

Advent Contemplative Prayer and Penance Service

Thursday, January 9th at 6:30 p.m.

Rosary (Luminous Mysteries) in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us in prayer inside the church or online! https://olaparish.net/ola-live

OLA Meditation Group

This group gathers weekly on Monday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. and follows Christian meditations to help participants grow in relationship with Christ.

Meetings are in the church on the first Monday of the month and then on Zoom for the rest of the month. Email Fran Rider at billrider2808@sbcglobal.net for more information. "Be still and know that I am God."



Living the Word Scripture Study

All are welcome for the Living the Word Scripture Study on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Affinito Hall Meeting Room 3. At Living the Word, we discuss the Sunday scripture readings and how they apply to our daily lives.

Holy Day of Obligation

Solemnity of the

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Join us for Mass on Monday, December 9th, for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

It is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses will be at 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Students from OLA School will be present at the 8:00 a.m. Mass, and the 2nd grade class will be participating in liturgical ministries.

Both Masses will be live streamed on our parish website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel.

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us!

Save the Date:

Bi-lingual Mass & Celebration in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe

T H U R S D A Y



D E C E M B E R

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5:30 PM – Mass: Our Lady of the Assumption Church
6:30 PM – Reception: The Church Portico
Mexican Music, Pastries and Beverages
(Flowers for Our Lady are Welcome!!!)



OLA Ministry Information

Want to join a ministry? Does your ministry need assistance?
We can help you!

For more information about ministry at OLA, visit our website: https://olaparish.net/community/ministries.

Do you wish to learn more about our parish ministries and/or sign up to become involved? Please contact Jane Ricci, our OLA Ministry Coordinator, via email at ministrycoordinator@olaparish.net. You may also call the parish office at (916) 481-5115 to leave a message.

COMMUNITY



St. Vincent de Paul Society - OLA Conference

Thank you for your continued support! We need soup, stuffing, and instant mashed potatoes for the OLA Food Locker. We also need paper grocery bags and empty egg cartons. Please drop off donations at the parish office or in the church SVdP collection boxes.

For those who need assistance and live within our parish boundaries, the food locker is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 A.M.-12 P.M. We can also help with utility and rent payments. Call (916) 481-6352 for more information.

Interested in volunteering for SVdP? We are in great need of a driver to pick up food on Tuesdays. Please call (916) 481-6352 to leave a message, or email Marylee Johnson at imjohn@surewest.net.

Food Locker Story: A volunteer worker at our Food Locker related this story. She was working to bring food to the already long line of cars waiting to be served. Recognizing the person behind the old blue Toyota Corolla, (most of SVDP's volunteers have become familiar with the clients and are on a first name basis), she said with a smile to the lady behind the wheel, "Can I get you anything special today?" The lady looked up and with tears streaming down her face, said, "Nothing special... it's just that I have been so stressed out lately." What those few little words asking if there was anything special meant! Priceless. These instances reflect what St. Vincent de Paul may have asked a person in need many years ago on the streets of Paris. Today, SVdP's volunteers radiate that special Love because YOU make it possible.



Weekly Meetings at OLA

Join Catholic in Recovery Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. in St. Anne's Room. The meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. Confidentiality is protected. We welcome those recovering from any addiction, compulsion, or unhealthy attachment: alcoholism; drug addiction; compulsive overeating; restricted eating; lust/pornography addiction; gambling addiction; technology addiction; compulsive spending/debting; codependency; control, fear, resentment, and grief.

For more information, please go online to our website <u>www.catholicinrecovery.com</u>, or you may contact Bill B. at <u>bbefort@bellsouth.net</u> or at (561) 827-0624.

Hats for the Homeless Appeal

Winter weather is now upon us, and the need for hats is great! Hats have already been distributed to Mercy Pedalers, Loaves and Fishes, and Carmichael HART and this will continue through March. The donations for OLA Giving Tree and Super Fritz Collection for UC Davis Children's Cancer Center are being gathered.

Contributions are needed and much appreciated! They can be left in the containers at the back of church or at the parish office during office hours. Donations of yarn (#4 weight worsted machine washable) are also welcome. To all those who are mystery donors at church, a HUGE thank you! Your gifts warm not only the heads but also the hearts of those who receive them. Gloves and scarves also welcome. Matt. 25:37-40. Questions? Contact Angie at amstrawn@comcast.net.





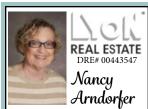
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