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3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." - Mt 11:10

Regular Mass Schedule

8:00 am daily Masses
(Monday-Friday and
first Saturday)

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

**Confessions are heard inside
the church on Saturday
afternoons at 3:30 pm.**

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

Please check our website for
current MASS SCHEDULE
information

www.olaparish.net

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Pastor

Rev. Eduino T. Silveira
pastor@olaparish.net

Pastors Emeriti

**Rev. Brendan McKeefry &
Rev. Michael F. Kiernan**

Deacon

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Vice Principal, Steven Vidal

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P-8th Website:
www.school.olaparish.net

OLA ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

***Provides assistance for those in need
within our parish boundaries.***

Please call: (916) 481-6352

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

**Food Locker hours of operation
are Tuesday and Thursday mornings
from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm.**

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:30am - 2:30pm

GOSPEL MEDITATION

December 11, 2022

3rd Sunday of Advent

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

"Be strong, fear not!" Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life's roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life's unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives.

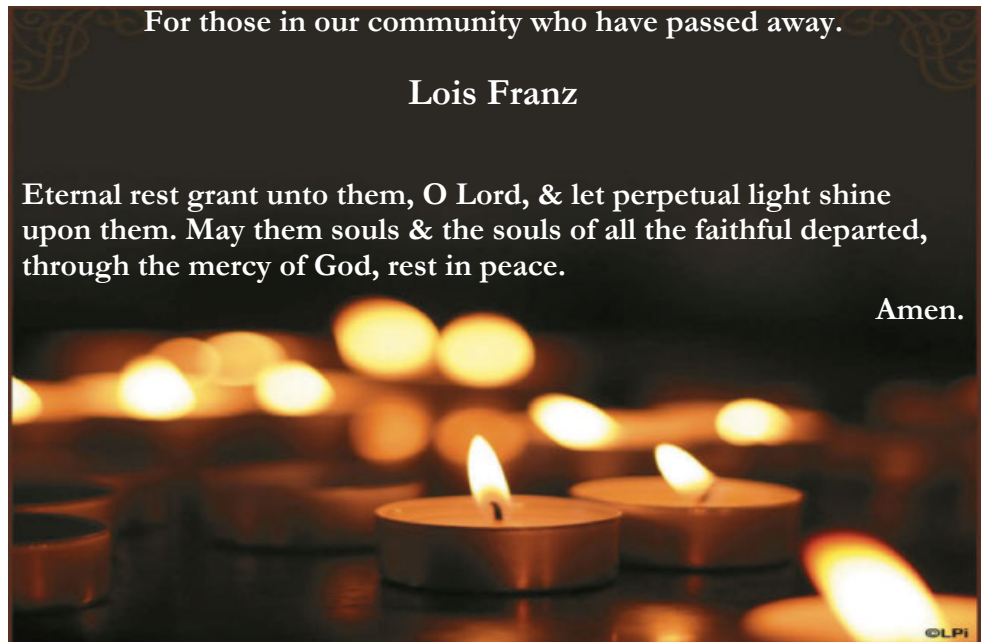
We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God's merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us. We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God's child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist's message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life's distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this?. ©LPi

For those in our community who have passed away.

Lois Franz

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

Amen.



PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

Jonathan Rassmussen
Stacie Higginbotham
Shirley Ward
J. Richard Heintz
Richard McClintock
Debbie McGee
Tom Hickman
Denny Colleran
Petra Morales
Amanda Young
Salvador Beltran
Chela DeAnda
Annette Megie
Maria Bosker
Olivia Jacobo

Diva Orsolini
Nancy Colleran
Loretta Taylor
Sandy Berumen
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Evelyn Jensen
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Larry Wager
Sarah Maya
Charles Kesmodel MD
Lisa Berumen Cox
Elsie & Mona Berumen
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Ericka Mora
Junior Mora

Adam Peters
Maureen Baker
Henry Holt (baby)
Joan Cotton
Wayne Stone
Sharon DeLeonardis
Crystal Weeks
Charles Roug
Lisa Coffman
Irene Simmons
Christine Jensen
Malachi Rex-Pentacost

DEADLINES	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
	Dec 24-25	Dec 12
	Dec 31-Jan 1	Dec 19
	Jan 7-Jan 8	Dec 30

Send to communications@olaparish.net.

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

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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.



SATURDAY, DEC 10

5:00 PM † Ricky Lopez

by Peggy & Fernando Vellanoweth

SUNDAY, DEC 11 - Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM (Sp) Tomasa Washington

by Anne Perez

9:00 AM † Herb and Barbara Jones

11:00 AM (Sp) Paulina Carbon (birthday)

by Leighton-Armah family

7:30 PM OLA Parishioners

MONDAY, DEC 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 AM † Fr. William Breault

TUESDAY, DEC 13

Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 AM (Sp) Joan Cotton (Healing)

by Catherine Apker

WEDNESDAY, DEC 14

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM † Lois Franz

by Joanna Fischer

THURSDAY, DEC 15

8:00 AM † Norma Oster

by Joanna Fischer

FRIDAY, DEC 16

8:00 AM † Lois Franz

by Linda See and family

SATURDAY, DEC 17

5:00 PM † † Fred and Lizz Baca

by Carmy and Tina Baca

† Dick Metz

by Metz family



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>

Thank you!

FORTHESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL

Weekend Offertory 12/4/22: \$ 8,866.00

E-Giving 11/28/22 to 12/4/22: \$ 5,550.83

Total: \$ 14,416.83

Average Weekly Budget Amount: \$12,000



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.

If you are a current WeShare customer and have questions about how to support your online giving contributions, please call to:

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



We will have a second collection the weekend of December 10/11 for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Give in gratitude. A donor to the Retirement Fund for Religious writes, "I still remember the lessons the sisters gave us and how they instilled in us the love of our faith." Show your thanks for the prayerful service of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your gift to next week's second collection helps provide care, medicine, and more. Please be generous.

<https://www.scd.org/retiredreligious>

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, Dec 11

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

8:00 - 11:30 am Santa's
Breakfast - Affinito Hall

9:00 am Faith Formation -
Bannon Hall - St. John Hall

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

12:00 pm Baptisms - Church

12:30 pm Girl Scouts Troop
103 - Affinito Mtg. Room 3

Monday, Dec 12

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am - 9:00 pm School
Christmas Concert Rehearsal
and Decorating - Church

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA
Basketball - Affinito Gym

3:00 pm Young Rembrants -
St. John's Hall

5:00 pm. Jesuit Jr. Program
- Bannon Hall

5:30 pm Webelos - Affinito
Mtg. Room 3

6:30 pm Boy Scouts - Troop
328 - Bannon Hall

Tuesday, Dec 13

8:00 am Mass

NO ADORATION TODAY

9:00 am - 3:00 pm School
Christmas Concert Rehearsal
- Church

10:00 am OLA Women's
Book Club - Affinito Mtg.
Room 3

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA
Basketball - Affinito Gym

6:30 pm Knights of
Columbus Mtg - St. John's
Hall

6:30 pm School Christmas
Concert - Church

Wednesday, Dec 14

8:00 am Mass

9:30 am - 3:00 pm
School Christmas
Concert and Take Down -
Church

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA
Basketball - Affinito Gym

5:00 pm. Jesuit Jr.
Program - Bannon Hall

5:00 pm Catholics in
Recovery - St. Anne's
Room

6:30 pm RCIA - Affinito
Hall Mtg. Room 3

Thursday, Dec 15

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am - 5:00pm

Adoration in the Chapel

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA
Basketball - Affinito Gym

6:00 pm Cub Scout Pack
225 - St. John's Hall

7:00 pm Living the Word
Scripture Study - Affinito
Hall Mtg. Room 3.

Friday, Dec 16

8:00 am Mass

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA
Basketball - Affinito Gym

Saturday, Dec 17

10:30 am Alanon Meeting
- Affinito Hall - Mtg. Room
3

1:30 pm Bible Study -
Affinito Hall - Mtg. Room 3

3:00 pm Confessions -
Church

5:00 pm Vigil Mass

PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS



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

For the Fourth Sunday of Advent, we are inviting 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 a Mass. Thank you for your participation!

Advent Contemplative Prayer and Penance Service

Join us at OLA for prayer and worship during Advent!

Advent Contemplative Prayer at 6:00 pm
and **Advent Penance Service** at 6:30 pm
on **Monday, December 19th** in the church.

Several priests will be present to hear confessions, and there will be beautiful live Advent instrumental music.

All are welcome to attend this prayerful event to help us prepare our hearts for Christmas.

Fill Your Advent with Holy Moments



Each parish family is encouraged to take home a free copy of Holy Moments during Advent.

What is a Holy Moment? Discover for yourself.

Holy Moments can change the world one simple act at a time. Our world needs such action to bring peace, community, and fulfillment. Advent is the start of a new church year; the perfect time to start new acts of kindness. The copies have been donated by two parish families so everyone can experience the joy that comes from living these simple, practical ways to change lives.

Books may be found at the church exits.

Volunteers Needed to Decorate the Church for Christmas

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the church for Christmas.

If you are interested in assisting, please email Marylee Johnson at jmjohn@surewest.net and/or Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net.

More details will be communicated soon.

Thank you!



OLA Youth Christmas Eve Music Ensemble

We need singers and instrumentalists for the OLA Youth Christmas Eve Choir and Ensemble for the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass (3:00 pm arrival time). Open to youth in grades K-12.

There will be one in-person rehearsal: Wednesday evening, December 21st. Sheet music and a preparation video will also be provided. Please join us!

If your child would like to participate, please confirm his/her participation via email: Casey Oliver, Music Director, at worship@olaparish.net. Thank you!

Adoration at OLA

All are invited to come pray during Adoration in the church on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 am - 7:00 pm.

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

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

Please note: there will be no Adoration on Tuesday, December 13, due to the school Christmas Concert.





St. Vincent De Paul Society - OLA Conference

St. Vincent de Paul urgently needs clean shopping bags for the Food Locker (paper preferred, plastic okay). Bags can be dropped off in the SVdP collection bins inside the church or at the parish office.

Interested in volunteering for St. Vincent de Paul?

Please contact president Marylee Johnson:

jmjohn@surewest.net.

Congratulations to Donna Hill! Donna received the Ozanam Award at the recent St. Vincent de Paul Top Hat luncheon in Lincoln. The award is given by the SVDP Diocesan Council to the most valuable member of the local conference.

We served over 1400 people in November at our food locker. Also assisted several families with rent and utilities as well as providing coats and household items as well. Thank you OLA for helping us serve so many in need!

Santa Breakfast



Sunday, December 11th

From 8:00am to 11:30am

**\$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children, & \$20.00
for a family**

Santa will be available for Photos

The Shoppe will be open for the children

Youth Ministry Needs your Donations!

Please generously donate toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, travel soaps, and travel shampoo and conditioner to the baskets labeled Soap for Souls in the back of the church.

Youth Ministry will be making toiletry care packages for Joshua's House, a hospice program for the terminally ill homeless, as well as for members of our community benefiting from the St. Vincent de Paul food locker.

OLA Youth Ministry is also holding its annual coat drive.

It's time to clean out your closets and help us keep the unsheltered of Sacramento warm this Winter season. We will happily receive any gently used or new men and women's coats as well as socks and beanies. **We will be outside of the 9am and 11am Masses on Dec. 11th to collect coats.**

We are hiring for the Parish Office!

Interested in working in our parish office part time? Contact the parish office at 916.481.5115 or email Fr. Eduino at pastor@olaparish.net.

Our parish office hours are 8:30 am—2:30 pm Monday—Friday.

Thank you to our parish office volunteers!

Martha and Mary Bake Sale

The ladies of Martha and Mary will be holding their annual bake sale at the Santa Breakfast again this year!

We will be selling our delicious baked goods on Sunday, December 11th.

Thank you for supporting Martha and Mary!

COMMUNITY

Join Bishop Jaime Soto for this Diocesan Event

INTERCULTURAL ADVENT GATHERING POSADA

St. John the Baptist, Folsom
Gallagher Hall
December 17, 2022
10:00 am

All are welcome!
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Wote Mnakaribishwa!
Todos são bem-vindos!



Let's gather to commemorate Joseph and Mary's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus. When they were unable to find lodging in Bethlehem, Joseph and Mary were forced to seek shelter in a stable, where the Christ Child was born.

This is an event for the whole family
Este es un evento familiar

Pray the Rosary with us • Bring a traditional, cultural dish to share
Reza el Rosario con nosotros • Trae un plato tradicional y cultural para compartir

Let us know you are coming!

Register/Inscribete: www.scd.org/event/posada-intercultural-advent-gathering-0

For more information contact:

Teresa Donan, 916-733-0132, tdonan@scd.org
Beatriz LeCam, 916-765-3569

SCHOLA CANTORUM CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Enjoy the annual family program of music for Christmastide featuring choral processions, and familiar and new carols. **Dr. Donald Kendrick will conduct Schola Cantorum in their annual Christmas Concert "From Heaven On High" on Saturday, December 17th at 8 PM and Sunday, December 18th at 2 PM in Sacred Heart Church 1040-39th Street, Sacramento.** Suggested donation is \$20 General or \$15 Students/Seniors.

Tickets are available online: scholacantorum.com. You may also call (850) 545-4298. The choir has a variety of CD's that make wonderful gifts.

Christ the King Retreat Center Weekend Retreats

ALL WEEKENDS ARE OPEN TO MEMBERS OF ANY PARISH GROUP AND INDIVIDUALS.

For the full retreat calendar, please visit their website:

christthekingretreatcenter.org



The Auxiliary of the Carmelite Monastery in Georgetown is hosting a benefit luncheon on February 11, 2023, at St. Mel's Parish Hall in Fair Oaks.

Tickets are only \$25 pp and can be purchased online at carmeliteauxiliary.org. You may also email Brenda at blmcc77@gmail.com.

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