

OUR LADY OF THE Assumption PARISH

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Sunday, December 29, 2024

Bulletin for the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

<u>OLA PARISH SCHOOL</u> PRESCHOOL - EIGHTH GRADE (916) 489-8958 School Website: school.olaparish.net Principal: Robert Love

OLA ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Provides assistance for those in need within our parish boundaries. Please call: (916) 481-6352 Monday - Friday | 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Food Locker hours of operation are Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

You are invited to follow OLA Parish on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube!

facebook.com/OLAParish



voutube.com/@0LAParishCA

THE CHARITY WHICH BURNED IN THE HOUSEHOLD AT NAZARETH SHOULD BE AN INSPIRATION FOR EVERY FAMILY.

-ST. JOHN XXIII

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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Pastoral Council: Carmy Baca Finance Council: Joe Selewicz Buildings & Grounds Committee: John Blaschke

OLA SCHOOL

Principal: Robert Love Vice Principal: Hellen Brassfield Admissions: Elisabeth Gustorf advancement@olaparish.net

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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 29, 2024

Sunday:	The Holy Family	
Monday:		
Tuesday:	St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve	
Wednesday:	Mary, The Holy Mother of God; New Year's Day; World Day of Peace	
Thursday:	Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church	
Friday:	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	
Saturday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious	
Next Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord	
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	SATURDA	Y, DECEMBER 28		
	5:00 PM	-		
		by Maria Porter		
		(Sp) McArdle Family Intentions		
		by Jane and Jim McArdle		
	SUNDAY,	DECEMBER 29		
	7:30 AM	† Maria Judite Costa		
		by Antonio and Leontina Ferreira		
	9:00 AM	† Olivia Massetti		
		by the Massetti family		
		† Roderick Read		
	11:00 AM	by the Rutledge Family		
	11:00 AM	† Mary Zboralske by Frank Zboralske		
	7:30 PM	All Parishioners (Missa Pro Populo)		
MONDAY, DECEMBER 30				
	-	† Olivia Massetti		
	0.00 AM	by the Massetti family		
		† Louis Volpicelli		
	THEODAV	, DECEMBER 31		
	8:00 AM			
	0.00 AN	by the Rutledge family		
		† Robert Krush		
		by Maria Mendezona		
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1				
	10:00 AM 11 Benedict and Frances Hauck			
		† Ronald Ricci		
		by Julie Farnham and Lisa Matteol		
	THURSDA	Y, JANUARY 2		
	8:00 AM	† Phyllis Canny		
		by the Selewicz family		
	FRIDAY, J	ANUARY 3		
	8:00 AM	† Bill Portillo		
		by the Portillo family		
	SATURDA	Y, JANUARY 4		
	8:00 AM			
	5:00 PM	† Robert Kunstel		
		† Judie Balshor Plummer		
		by Fred and Susan Oliver		
		PRAY		

JOIN OUR OLA COMMUNITY





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

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!

FOR THESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL

Weekend Offertory 12/15/24 E-Giving 12/9/24 to 12/15/24 **Total:** \$ 8,734.00 \$ 3,663.27 **\$12,397.27**

Help OLA continue its mission by making a special gift today!

CASH + CHECK

Checks payable to Our Lady of the Assumption Parish *or* Our Lady of the Assumption School

ONLINE

Please visit https://olaparish.net/contribute

or scan our QR Code.



STOCK or PLANNED GIFTS

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

Our Lady of the Assumption is a 501(c)(3) organization. All gifts are tax deductible as allowed by the law. Tax ID number is #45-3954215.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 29

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

<u>Monday, December 30</u> 8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, December 31 8:00 am Mass

Wednesday, January 1

10:00 am Mass for the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God 6:00 pm Catholics in

Recovery – St. Anne's Rm.

Thursday, January 2 8:00 am Mass 8:30 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church 7:00 pm Living the Word -Affinito Hall Rm. 3

<u>Friday, January 3</u> 8:00 am Mass

<u>Saturday, January 4</u> 8:00 am Mass 3:30 pm Confessions -

Church 5:00 pm vigil Mass







We will have a 5th Sunday Second Collection for the OLA Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society this weekend.

OLA SVdP serves those in need who live within our parish boundaries through the food locker and by helping with utility and rent payments. Your support makes the work of SVdP possible. Thank you for your generosity!



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 "<u>Contribute</u>" 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

Feast of the Holy Family

As a first-time pastor in a parish, I received a phone call one afternoon from a young married couple, "Father, our 2-year-old son drowned in our pool this morning. We are at the hospital. Please help us." I sped over. The little boy was gone, his body cold, slightly blue, laid out on a bed. His parents were distraught and in shock. For the next few years, I walked with the couple along their difficult and painful road. They openly shared with me how they were often tempted to blame and accuse each other for the loss. And yet, by God's grace, their love for each grew stronger and deeper as the years went by.

The Holy Family was not without its pain and loss, either. Luke tells us, after losing their twelve-year-old son, Joseph and Mary "after three days found him in the temple area, sitting among the teachers..." (Luke 2:46). We don't know specifically what those three days were like for them except for what Mary says: "Your father and I have been looking for you anxiously." The three days of his absence foreshadow his death and burial. His finding in the temple is a kind of resurrection for his family. They had to learn, again and again, that their family was becoming a place where death and resurrection was not only accepted but welcomed and celebrated. But surely they deeply felt the dangerous agony of their loss - just like every couple who has lost a child.

What losses in your experience of family still cause you anxiety? In what ways has God's presence seemingly vanished in your family? Will you keep searching for Jesus? Remember, he will rise and be found. Your family may be suffering, but when he is found, it will be stronger than ever before.

– Father John Muir ©LPi

For those in our community who have passed away...

All Souls

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



PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

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 <u>parish@olaparish.net</u>. Thank you. Lisa Coffman **Tomasa Washington Rvan Daniels Donna Blaschke** Alice Mayer Govaars (baby) **Esther Paulos** Cole Miller Whitney (baby) Wesley Villariza **Charlie Wetherall** Lawrence Wilhelm **Camille Peter Donna Deterding Parks Yolande De Forge Justin Langstroth** Adam Peter Langford Metzger **Mary Roy Shannon Langer Guadalupe Rodriguez Amber Morris**

Doug Abbes John Klaas **Kathy Harreld** T.J. Rapozo **Diane Goodman** Will Walker **Bennett Mattingly Jack Wetherall** Sally Leatherby **Elaine Lyons** John DeSouza **Jerry Seldon** Sheila Johnson **Nick Friedrich Jerry Beck April Valencia Robert DeAnda Angie Marakas** Linda Vaughan

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

OLA Communications Information				
	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE		
₽	Jan 11 - Jan 12	Jan 3		
DEADLINES	Jan 18 - Jan 19	Jan 10		
NES	Jan 25 - Jan 26	Jan 17		

If you have an event to promote or news to share, please fill out the Communications Request Form on our parish website at <u>https://</u> <u>olaparish.net/communications-</u> <u>committee</u>. 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.

PARISH AND SCHOOL NEWS

Giving Tree Thank You



Thank you message from Giving Tree chair Peggy Stradford: Dale and I want to thank all of our fabulous sponsors, donors, and workers! Your generosity allowed us to provide Christmas gifts to over 80 families in need. Many people also donated their time to shop for, wrap, move and distribute the gifts to our SVdP clients. The joy and gratitude of those we help makes this ministry so worthwhile, and we appreciate everyone who helped make it happen! Merry Christmas!

Santa's Breakfast and Bake Sale Recap





Santa's Breakfast and the Martha and Mary Bake Sale took place in Affinito Hall on Sunday, December 15th.

Thank you to the Santa's Breakfast chairs Claudia Oritz and Janelle Fong, and to Nicole Anton for chairing Santa's Workshop. Special thanks also go out to the Knights of Columbus, Martha and Mary ministry, the Boy Scouts, photographer Steve Hall, and all of the volunteers and families who made the event a success!







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

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 <u>ministrycoordinator@olaparish.net</u>. You may also call the parish office at (916) 481-5115 to leave a message.

OLA Parish and School Celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day

On Thursday, December 12, OLA Parish and School celebrated the Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day with a Mass and reception. Our Lady appeared in Mexico in 1531 with a message of reconciliation and forgiveness for all the Americas. Highlights of the celebration included a bilingual Mass celebrated by Father Eduino with wonderful, reverential music and singing by the duo Luz y Cielo (Light and Heaven). The reception followed with tasty Mexican tamales, pan dulce (sweet bread) and hot drinks, along with more music.



Numerous students assisted Father Eduino with the Mass. OLA Faith Formation students Gabriel and Valentina Gomez and OLA School student Abril Negrete Piz all participated as altar servers, and OLA student Alex Negrete Piz (pictured above) served as the lector.

The celebration marks the first time OLA has hosted a bilingual Mass and reception in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Both the Mass and reception were very well attended. Many thanks go to the Planning Committee composed of Yesenia Piz, Sofia Gomez, Rosa Laura, Carmy Baca, Juan and Vicky Yñiguez, Deacon Paul, Sharon Friedrich, Deacon Michael, Robert Love, Casey Oliver, and of course Father Eduino. All signals point to making the celebration an annual event.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!



"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

There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, December 31st.

We apologize for any inconvenience. We have flyers in the church that list other nearby locations and times for Eucharistic Adoration.

We need more volunteers to support our Eucharistic Adoration ministry on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at OLA will resume on Thursday, January 2nd, 2025.

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.

Upcoming OLA Live Events

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

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

Thursday, January 23rd at 6:30 p.m.

Youth Revival Night of Prayer with Youth Ministry in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament

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

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 <u>bilrider2808@sbcglobal.net</u> 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.

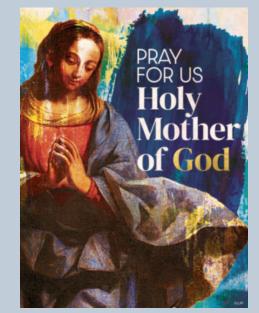
Mass Schedule for the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Join us for Mass for the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.

It is a holy day of obligation.

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

(No 8:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, January 1st.) The Mass will be live streamed on our parish website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel.





Faith Enrichment and Formation Resources from Flocknote Engage

Did you know that our parish has Flocknote Engage, which includes <u>free</u> access to Bishop Barron's Word on Fire ENGAGE video library and study programs? All that is required is a OLA Parish Flocknote account. Sign up for free at <u>https://app.flocknote.com/olaparish/</u>.

Login to Flocknote and visit Word on Fire (WOF) Digital to watch any of the videos at any time. This is a robust faith formation resource that includes access to the popular Catholicism series and other study programs (including free pdf study materials).

Fr. Eduino encourages parishioners to gather in small groups to learn more about our faith. The Flocknote Engage library is a great resource if you want to bring together a small group to learn about a variety of topics. On Flocknote Engage, the educational series available include Catholicism, The Mass, The Sacraments, The Creed, The Pivotal Players, and so much more. If you have any questions or are interested in leading a group, please contact Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net.

COMMUNITY



St. Vincent de Paul Society -OLA Conference

Thank you for your continued support! Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year to all of you!

We need soup 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? Please call us at (916) 481-6352 to leave a message, or email Marylee Johnson at <u>imjohn@surewest.net</u>.

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us!

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. 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 <u>amstrawn@comcast.net</u>.



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.



Rachel's Ministry Retreat

There are claims stating that abortion will solve the problem. However, these claims do not address the landslide of problems it creates – feelings of sadness, guilt, grief, isolation, and depression. Rachel's Ministry Retreat allows the healing process to begin for those who suffer from the traumas of abortion by offering Jesus' forgiveness and healing love and the hope and promise of resurrection. Two retreats will be offered next year:

-February 28-March 2, 2025 (in Spanish)

-June 6-8, 2025 (in English)

If you or someone you know would benefit from the weekend retreat, to experience God's love, mercy, and compassion, please call Project Rachel at 916-733-0161 and start the process of accepting God's loving mercy. More information is available on the diocesan website at <u>www.scd.org/postabortioncare</u>.

Find healing at Rachel's Vineyard



Call (916) 733-0161 or email projectrachel@scd.org. All messages are confidential.



Pregnant? Worried? Need Help? Call (800) 910-0191 The Gabriel Project



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