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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." - Lk 3:5-6

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 4,2022

Pastor Rev. Eduino T. Silveira pastor@olaparish.net

Pastors Emeriti Rev. Brendan McKeefry & Rev. Michael F. Kiernan

Deacon **Paul Friedrich** deaconpaul@olaparish.net

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

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Provides assistance for those in need within our parish boundaries.

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

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Parish Office Hours

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION

12/4/22—2nd Sunday of Advent

At sixty years of age, Maria and Paul had a beautiful life. High school sweethearts, they had four children, five grandchildren, a successful business, good friends and a fabulous beach house. They felt very blessed. Their strong faith in God saw them through some difficult challenges. Without warning, Paul died suddenly. Maria was devastated. Why did God do this? Why did God allow this to happen? An indescribable depth of sadness weighed heavily upon her heart. She felt betrayed by the God she thought was looking out for her. She was overwhelmed by despair. Have you ever experienced such incredible and deafening sadness? Where is God in all of the pain?

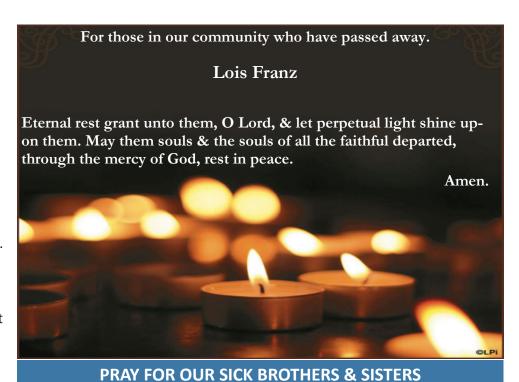
We often want God to fix things or intervene and change nature's course. When He doesn't act as we desire, it shakes our faith. We do not always understand or appreciate why things happen as they do. There is much that is beyond our control. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus and Jesus is the way to God. There is something more going on in life than what we can see with human eyes. We are on a sacred path, and God is with us. God is with us in our confusion, suffering, doubts, and intense sadness. Jesus announced God's vision for humanity and taught people to see God and themselves for who they are.

DE	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
EADLINES	Dec 17-18	Dec 05
NE	Dec 24-25	Dec 12
Ο,	Dec 31-Jan 1	Dec 19

Send to communications@olaparish.net.

There is a way through and beyond all hardship and suffering. God does not abandon us.

God has a clear vision for the future, both for us individually and for our world. It is a vision of harmony and gentleness where all will live as one and the "wolf shall be a guest of the lamb." God is not indifferent. He is the God of "endurance and encouragement." In God, we see what we may be, what may come and who we can become. When Maria opened herself to God's creative presence, she learned to trust. She began to realize that she could endure more than she had imagined. She also discovered a spark of encouragement, bringing her through the sadness to where she could be. In retrospect, Maria knew that God's reassuring presence was with her. @LPi



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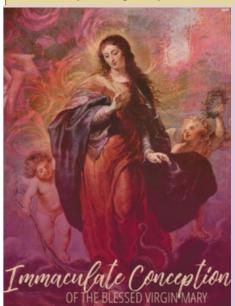
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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.



Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, December 8th

Masses at 8:00 am and

5:30 pm



SATURDAY, DEC 3

8:00 AM OLA Parishioners

5:00 PM † † Fred and Lizz Baca

by Carmy and Tina Baca

† Dick Metz

by Metz Family

SUNDAY, DEC 4 - Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM (Sp) Tomasa Washington

by Anne Peret

9:00 AM † Ricky Lopez

by Peggy & Fernando Vellanoweth

11:00 AM Robert J. Osborn

by Jane Osborn

7:30 PM (Sp) John Yoo (Healing)

By Don and Mary Ellen Thamer

MONDAY, Dec 5

8:00 AM Janice Kostal

by Frank & Kate Romano

TUESDAY, DEC 6 - Saint Nicholas, Bishop

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

by Catherine Apker

WEDNESDAY, DEC 7

Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM † Tom Bogetich

by the Oliver family

THURSDAY, DEC 8

Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM (Sp) Elijah & Lyn Morales (Healing)

by Cecilia Jimenez

5:30 PM OLA Parishioners

FRIDAY, DEC 9

8:00 AM † Beverly Gorst

bv Victoria Razo

† Kevin Malone Sr.

by Judith Malone and family

SATURDAY, DEC 10

5:00 PM † Ricky Lopez

by Peggy & Fernando Vellanoweth

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.

Thank you!

COLLECTION AMOUNTS FOR SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER

WILL BE POSTED IN NEXT WEEKEND'S BULLETIN.

WESHARE

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

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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 4

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

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

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

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

2:00 pm Funeral - Church

Monday, Dec 5

8:00 am Mass
12:30 pm Music Ministry
Prayer Service Recording

ketball - Affinito Gym

3:00 pm Young Rembrants -

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA Bas-

St. John's Hall

5:30 pm Webelows - Affiinito Mtg. Room 3

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

6:30 pm Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary - Church

Tuesday, Dec 6

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am - 7:00pm Adoration in the Chapel

2:00 pm PTG Meeting - St. John's Hall

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

5:30 pm Pack 225 - St. John's Hall

Wednesday, Dec 7

8:00 am Mass
11:00 am Martha and Mary
Gathering - St. John's Hall
3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA Basketball - Affinito Gym
7:00 pm Art Negrette

presentation on Camino de Santiago - St. John's Hall **6:30 pm** RCIA - Affinito Hall

Mtg. Room 3

Thursday, Dec 8

8:00 am & 5:30 pm Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am - 5:00pm Adoration in the Chapel

9:00 am Parent Engagement (CSAC) - Affinito Mtg. Room 3

3:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul mtg. - St. John's Hall

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA Bas-

ketball - Affinito Gym **7:00 pm** Living the Word

Scripture Study - Affinito Hall Mtg. Room 3

Friday, Dec 9

8:00 am Mass 9:00 am—3:00 pm School Christmas Pageant Rehearsal—Church

3:00 pm - 9:00 pm OLA Basketball - Affinito Gym 3:00 pm Set up for Breakfast with Santa - Affinito Hall

Gym, Kitchen, and Mtg. Room 3

5:00 pm Jesuit Christmas Choral Concert - Church

Saturday, Dec 10

10:30 am Alanon Meeting - Affinito Hall - Mtg. Room 3
3:00 pm Set up for Breakfast with Santa - Affinito Gym, Kitchen, & Mtg. Rm 3
1:30 pm Bible Study - Affinito Hall - Mtg. Room 3
3:00 pm Confessions - Church
5:00 pm Vigil Mass

PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS

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!

Parish Town Hall Meeting

The Parish Town Hall meeting scheduled for Sunday, December 4th is postponed.

There will be no meeting this Sunday.

It will take place in the beginning of the new year.

More details to follow.

Advent Rosary & Advent Contemplative Prayer and Penance Service

Join us at OLA for prayer and worship during Advent!

Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary on Monday, December 5th, at 6:30 pm in the church.

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.

OLA Giving Tree Sign Up

It's not too late to help a Giving Tree family. We have more families than ever who are in need. We have received requests to help over 90 families this year!

Sign-ups for the Giving Tree are on the parish website at www.olaparish.net. If you need help signing up for a family, you can also email Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net and Peggy Stradford at peggystradford@icloud.com. You may also contribute by taking a tag from the Giving Tree inside the church. Take a tag, purchase a gift card from Walmart or Target in any denomination, write the amount on the gift card, and

ALL gifts and gift cards are due back on or before December 7th. Once you sign up, clothing sizes and suggested gifts for the family you selected will be emailed to you.

bring the gift card to the parish office.

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. 4th and Dec. 11th to collect coats.

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





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. Our next meeting is Thurs. Dec 8 at 3 pm in St. John's Hall. (Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of every month.) Interested in volunteering for St. Vincent de Paul? Please contact president Marylee Johnson: jmjohn@surewest.net.

Beware of CIM Delays Sunday, December 4th

The California International Marathon will run on Sunday, December 4th, 2021, causing some intersections near the church to be closed. The race starts at 7am near Folsom Dam and travels Oak Avenue, Fair Oaks Blvd, and J Street to the Capitol. Intersections will be closed only while the race comes through, but be prepared to leave home early and avoid the racecourse on your way to church.

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



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

During 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



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!

Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela

Ever wonder about "making" a pilgrimage? What is a Pilgrimage? A pilgrims journey – OK, a journey to where? Christianity general acknowledges three (3) great pilgrimage destinations: The Holy Land/Jerusalem; Rome/The Vatican; and Santiago de Compostela in Northwestern Spain. If you, or your family, are interested in, or considering, a "pilgrimage" to Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain, consider attending a brief presentation on the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St. James) on December 7, 2022 at 7:00 PM in St. John's Hall. The presentation will include a brief photograph introduction to the "Camino's" history, geographic features and cultural traits. Thereafter, participate in an informal Question and Answers session on ALL aspects of planning and completing a pilgrimage to Santiago, either "solo" as an individual pilgrim or with a family or group of friends. For additional information, please contact Art Negrette, (916) 705-3333.

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. If you would like to help, you can drop off nut-free baked goods on Saturday, 12/10, from 10:00 am to 12 noon at our stand in Affinito Hall.

Contact Peggy Stradford at peggystradford@icloud.com for more information. Thank you!

COMMUNITY

Diocesan Advent Retreats and Events

Advent Retreat Day Are You the One?

December 10th, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Holy Cross Parish 1321 Anna St. West Sacramento Spend a few hours during this holy season refreshing your spirit and reflecting on your call to ministry. Cost \$20 includes morning hospitality and lunch. RSVP by Dec 7th https://tinyurl.com/3pw29xx9 Contact: Teresa Donan 916-733-0132 or tdonan@scd.org

Advent Day of Reflection Am I Ready?

December 10th, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Sacred Heart Catholic Church 3141 Saint Stephans Dr. Anderson Ca. Advent Day of Reflection for Deacons, Leaders of Parish Ministry, Catechist, and Parents. With our special guest Fr. Bong Rojas. Come and spend a few hours to refresh your spirit and reflect on preparing yourself, and your family for Advent. Contact: Renae Magaña rmagana@scd.org

Intercultural Advent Gathering Posada

December 17, at 10am St. John the Baptist Parish, Gallagher Hall, 307 Montrose Dr., Folsom, CA 95630

Register: https://tinyurl.com/2ftyh73b

Remembrance Tree and Candlelight Vigil

Wednesday, Dec. 7th, 2022

Ornament Decorating 4-6:30 pm , Vigil 7-8:00 pm at both Calvary and St, Mary's Cemeteries

A special blessing will be offered for all of the faithful departed. Your decorated ornaments will be blessed and hung on our Christmas Trees. Limited art supplies available starting at 4 pm. Come early to decorate the Free Memorial Ornaments. Decoration tables close promptly at 6:30 pm. Vigil starts promptly at 7 pm. Seating may be limited. Seating is first come, first reserved.

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.**

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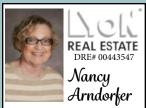
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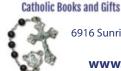
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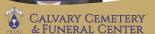
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