

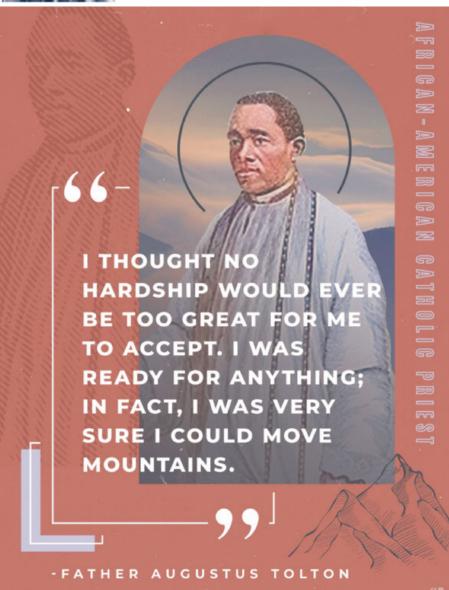
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Regular Mass Schedule

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 8, 2024

Bulletin for the

Second Sunday of Advent

Pastor
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Pastors Emeriti
Rev. Brendan McKeefry &
Rev. Michael F. Kiernan
Deacon
Paul Friedrich
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

OLA PARISH SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL - EIGHTH GRADE (916) 489-8958

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

OLA ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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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.

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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 8, 2024

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Monday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed

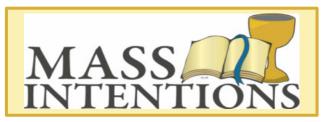
Virgin Mary

Tuesday: Our Lady of Loreto
Wednesday: St. Damasus I, Pope
Thursday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Friday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the

Church

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete "Rejoice" Sunday)



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

5:00 PM † Paul Hickey

by Abbes family

† Tom Bogetich

by the Oliver family

†† Emma Jean and Silvio Ferrari

by Don and Joan Cotton

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

7:30 AM † Jerry Laumer

by Deacon Paul and Sharon Friedrich

9:00 AM (Sp) Donna Deterding Parks

by the Callahan family

(Sp) Caleb Dixon

by OLA School 3rd grade families

11:00 AM † Darlene Beneto

by Nina Pucci

(Sp) The Plog family

by Sheila Johnson

7:30 PM All Parishioners

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

8:00 AM † Kevin Malone (birthday)

by Judith Malone

5:00 PM All Souls

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 AM (Sp) Paulina Carbon

by the Carbon Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00 AM (Sp) Ana Phelps (healing)

by the Barbarich family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

8:00 AM (Sp) John De Souza

by Virginia De Souza and family

† Molly Garcia

by Garcia Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

8:00 AM † Maria Judite Costa

by Antonio and Leontina Ferreira

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

5:00 PM † Michael Campos

by Linda Campos

† Molly Garcia

by the Garcia family

JOIN OUR OLA COMMUNITY







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Aren't signed up for OLA Parish Flocknote vet? 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 OR 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 advancement@olaparish.net or at (916) 489-8958 ext. 170.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 8

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

10:15 am Faith Formation -Bannon Hall and St. John's Hall

12:00 pm Group Baptisms -Church

Monday, December 9

8:00 am Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary **10:00 am** OL A Women's Book Club - Affinito Hall Rm. 3

5:30 pm Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Gabriel Project -Affinito Hall Rm. 3

Tuesday, December 10

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church 6:30 pm Knights of

Columbus - St. John's Hall

Wednesday, December 11

8:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Catholics in Recovery - St. Anne's Rm.

7:00 pm OCIA - Affinito Hall Rm. 3

7:00 pm Jesuit Christmas Choral Concert - Church

Thursday, December 12

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church

3:00 pm SVdP mtg. -

Affinito Hall Rm. 3

5:30 pm Mass and Reception for the Feast of

Our Lady of Guadalupe -Church and Portico

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

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

Friday, December 13

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, December 14

3:30 pm Confessions -Church

5:00 pm vigil Mass



The collection for the Retirement Fund for the Religious takes place this COLLECTIONS weekend, December 7/8.

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. 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 "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

ADVENT 2024 - WEEK 2: PEACE

We generally translate the word "jihad" as a "holy war." There is a "greater jihad" and a "lesser jihad." And when we think of jihad only in terms of a holy war, we might assume the greater jihad as war on a large scale. Not so, a jihad is not about war, rather about struggle. And the greater jihad is about the struggle within our self, our human struggle to build up what is right and to prevent what is wrong, overcoming our passions, our impulses, our temptations.

Peace is a word like jihad, in that we generally think of peace in broad terms of ending the battles we have with each other as individuals, as groups, as nations. We often think of peace in terms of no wars, when we end our disagreements and join in fellowship. And as we prepare for Jesus Christ's second advent, we yearn and work for a world free of war, free of hate, free of disturbance. This is a wonderful ideal. But is our preparation only about our great struggle to effect a change to a world with no wars - to not conquer or dominate or oppress others? Perhaps there is a "greater peace." Jesus spoke to the crowds, yet the greater success was (and is) how he spoke to each of us individually. He searches for each of us in our despair. He searches for each of us in our loneliness. He reaches out to you and to me in our dreams and our hopes. He finds each of us in the quiet. Is finding peace within our self and is opening ourselves to the wonders of the Christ, how we begin to prepare for Jesus' second coming? In finding peace within, we can build upon that wonderful relationship with Jesus that calls us to share with others so all may find peace. By finding this greater peace within, we open the door to a lesser peace without. Prepare ye the way of the LORD!

Open your minds! Open your consciousness! Open your hearts!

- Deacon Michael Tateishi

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

Norm Kuhn, Ron Ricci, Ray Wilson, and 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

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 Adam Peter Langford Metzger Mary Roy Shannon Langer Guadalupe Rodriguez Amber Morris**

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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 28 - Dec 29

Jan 4 - Jan 5 *Early deadline due to holiday

*Dec 23

*Dec 10

*Dec 10

If you have an event to promote or 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.

PARISH AND SCHOOL NEWS

It's not too late to support the OLA Giving Tree program!

Thank you to all who have sponsored a family for the OLA Giving Tree and to those who have purchased gift cards!

If you would still like to help, you may do so by taking a gift card tag from the Giving Tree inside the church. Take a tag, purchase a gift card from either 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.



Thank you for your support! ALL gifts and gift cards are due back on Monday, December 9th.

Email Peggy Stradford at peggystradford@icloud.com if you have any questions.

Youth Christmas Choir and Ensemble

We need singers and instrumentalists for the OLA Youth Christmas Eve Choir and Ensemble at 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: Monday evening, December 23rd, at 6:00 p.m. Sheet music and a preparation video will also be provided.

If your child would like to participate, please confirm his/her participation by emailing Casey Oliver, Worship Director, at worship@olaparish.net.

Thank you to all of our youth musicians and their families for sharing their time and talent!



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.

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.



"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.

Upcoming OLA Live Events

Friday, December 20 $^{\text{th}}$ 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!

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!!!)

Advent Contemplative Prayer and Penance Service

Friday, December 20, 2024

Advent Contemplative Prayer at 6:15 p.m. and Advent Penance Service at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

COMMUNITY



St. Vincent de Paul Society - OLA Conference

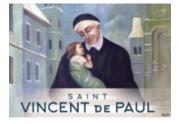
Thank you to parishioners and to the school for the kindness shown in support of our Thanksgiving Turkey

Drive. In the three service days that turkeys were distributed, 241 families consisting of 793 individuals were served. The Turkey drive was so successful that that we were able to ensure everyone wanting a turkey received one. Over 160 turkeys were distributed. Due to everyone's generosity, we have enough to give some out for Christmas as well. We always appreciate your caring and everything you do to help the less fortunate.

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? 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.



St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us!



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.

Radiate Love December 2024

Your Mission, Should You Choose to Accept It...

In families, husbands and wives marry in love, then see their love deepen through the myriad good times and challenges of a lifetime of marriage. The mission of the family is not for the fainthearted. It entails sacrifice and sometimes heartache, but all of that is meant to bring spouses closer together and further along the path to holiness. If they are blessed to become parents, they are tasked with teaching their children how to be human. What a concept!

Learn more and share the Good News about marriage and family life at: www.radiatelove.info. For questions contact: Andreya Arevalo aarevalo@scd.org 916-733-0155



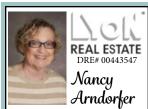
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