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Sunday, March 3, 2024 Bulletin for the Third Sunday of Lent

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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.

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SINCE GOD DOES SO MUCH FOR ME, WHAT COULD I NOT DO FOR HIM?

- ST. EMILY DE VIALAR

Regular Mass Schedule 8:00 a.m. daily Masses (Monday-Friday and

first Saturday)

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.

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 pm.

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.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Third Sunday of Lent

I am the Lord your God ... You shall not have other gods beside me. - Ex 20:2-3

One of the greatest golfers of all time — if not the greatest — was Jack Nicklaus. Which is why it is baffling that at the beginning of each season he would return to his childhood coach and re-learn how to grip the golf club. It's like Shakespeare re-learning the alphabet and grammar. Why would he do that? Because Jack knew that the fundamentals are always relevant. Perfecting and obsessing over his grip allowed him to do everything else in the game well. In sports and life, the best ones love the basics.

Similarly, as we begin Lent, we re-learn the spiritual basics in the Ten

Commandments. Consider the first, to "have no other gods besides me." This is our "grip." Is our connection to God one of absolute fidelity and exclusive worship? Am I willing to let go of my precious idols, the things I cling to instead of God? Once we say "yes" to this fundamental question of our spiritual "grip," then we are ready to properly engage with everything else in life. See how beautifully the game of life unfolds in the next nine commandments (numbered in parentheses): how we speak to God and others (2 and 8), how we organize our week (3), how we relate to our family (4) and the wider community (5 and 7), how we live our sexuality (6), and how we order all the other desires of the human heart (9 and 10). But don't rush to these later Commandments too soon! Everything in life is built on the first Commandment. The more we focus on worshiping God alone, the better we navigate the complexity of life with panache, effectiveness, and love.

Lenten challenge: This week, identify what you can do to better worship God alone. If you're not sure, scan the last nine commandments to identify what you are most likely to worship instead of God. Power, pleasure, control of your time, possessions, family, health, reputation, money? Commit to concrete action to help you let go of this "idol" to better hold on to God alone in faithful worship. Remember: the best love the basics.

-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 Theda Lord Tomasa Washington Ryan Daniels Donna Blaschke (wife) Donna Blaschke (mother) 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 Bryan Woodward Adam Peter Patricia Sieberg

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

Information		
	BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
DEADLINES	Mar 16-Mar 17	Mar 8
	Mar 23-Mar 24	Mar 14
	Mar 30-Mar 31	Mar 20

OLA Communications

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.

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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 March 3, 2024

Sunday:	3 rd Sunday of Lent	
Monday:	St. Casimir	
Tuesday:		
Wednesday:		
Thursday:	Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs	
Friday:	St. John of God, Religious	
Saturday:	St. Frances of Rome, Religious	
	St. Catherine of Bologna	
Next Sunday:	4 th Sunday of Lent Daylight Saving Time begins	



SATURDAY, MAR 2 8:00 AM All Parishioners (*Missa Pro Populo*) 5:00 PM † Emily Souza † Dorothy Neto by Fred and Susan Oliver

SUNDAY, MAR 3 7:30 AM † David Leatherby, Sr. 9:00 AM † Pietro Pozzuto by Antonietta Pozzuto 11:00 AM (Sp) The Doud family by the Doud family

7:30 PM All Parishioners (Missa Pro Populo)

MONDAY, MAR 4

8:00 AM †† Dale and Arlene Fuller †† Juan and Amelia San Miguel † Bill Portillo by the Portillo family

TUESDAY, MAR 5 8:00 AM † Molly Garcia by the Garcia family

WEDNESDAY, MAR 6 8:00 AM † Teresa Wilhelm (Sp) Larry Wilhelm by Florita Wilhelm

THURSDAY, MAR 7 8:00 AM † Kevin Livingston by Sue Livingston

FRIDAY, MAR 8 8:00 AM † Joao Jose Machado

SATURDAY, MAR 9 5:00 PM † Wolfgang Veickert by Victoria Ashcraft

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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 2/25/24 E-Giving 2/19/24 to 2/25/24 **Total:**

\$10,418.69 \$ 2,812.25 **\$13,230.94**



We 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 from the comfort of your home. To enroll please follow these simple steps:

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

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

Current WeShare customers with questions about their account can access customer support.

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

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

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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, Mar 3

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

10:15 am Faith Formation – Bannon Hall & St. John's Hall 12:00 pm Baptism – Church

<u>Monday, Mar 4</u>

8:00 am Mass **4:00 pm** Meditation Group -Church

<u>Tuesday, Mar 5</u>

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament -Church 2:00 pm PTG mtg. - Affinito Hall Rm. 3

<u>Wednesday, Mar 6</u>

8:00 am Mass 11:00 am Martha and Mary mtg. – St. John's Hall 6:00 pm Catholics in Recovery – St. Anne's Rm. 6:30 pm RCIA – Affinito Hall Rm. 3

Thursday, Mar 7

8:00 am Mass 8:30 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Church 6:00 pm School Science Fair - Affinito Hall Gym 7:00 pm Living the Word - Affinito Hall Rm. 3

<u>Friday, Mar 8</u>

8:00 am Mass 6:00 pm Youth Stations of the Cross – Church 6:30 pm Parish Fish Fry – Affinito Hall

<u>Saturday, Mar 9</u>

12:30 pm First Eucharist Pictures - Bannon Hall
2:00 pm Funeral Reception - St. John's Hall
2:00 pm Bible Study -Affinito Hall Rm. 3
3:30 pm Confessions -Church
5:00 pm vigil Mass

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need.

Learn more about the collection at <u>www.usccb.org/catholic-</u> relief. To Donate Online: <u>https://www.scd.org/crs</u>.





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

If you need help accessing the Flocknote Engage educational resources, or if you are interested in starting a small group study, please contact Casey Oliver at <u>worship@olaparish.net</u>.

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 Lorraine Messerer, Office Manager, at officemgr@olaparish.net.

PARISH AND SCHOOL NEWS

OLA Crab Feed Recap

Parish Mission Recap

Thank you to Father Bart Hutcherson for conducting an inspirational parish mission, "Becoming a Eucharistic People."



If you weren't able to pick up a copy at the parish mission, Fr. Bart's book "For the Beauty of the Earth: Experiencing the Glory of God in the Wonders of the 49th State" is available for purchase on his website, http://www.frbart.com/.

Fr. Bart passionately preached about the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. He called the parishioners of OLA to renew our commitment to the church's teachings about the Eucharist, asked us to examine how the Eucharistic liturgy offers a pattern for a rich Christian life, and finally challenged us to fulfill Jesus' command to take the Gospel to four corners of the world.

All three of Fr. Bart's inspirational talks can be viewed on our parish website, <u>https://olaparish.net/ola-live</u>.

Thank you to our Pastoral Council for organizing the hospitality and meals for the morning and evening sessions. Thank you to Fr. Eduino, Deacon Paul, and Deacon Michael for inviting Fr. Bart to come and preach. Finally, thank you to all of the parishioners and community members who attended!

Environment Committee Seeking New Members and Easter Lily Donations

Thank you to our parish Environment Committee for decorating the church for the Lenten season!

Are you interested in helping decorate the church? Members of the Environment Committee help plan and coordinate the decorating of the church for all the liturgical seasons and celebrations. To learn more, please reach out via email to Marylee Johnson at <u>imjohn@surewest.net</u> and Peggy Vellanoweth at <u>pcvella@aol.com</u>. Marylee and Peggy are especially hoping to mentor/train new leaders for the committee.

Easter Lily donations will also be needed for Easter. Flowers can be dropped off between Thursday, March 28 and Saturday, March 30.

March Martha and Mary Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 6, at 11:00 am in St. John's Hall. We will have a spiritual enrichment activity featuring a video from Bishop Barron and a festive St. Patrick's Day lunch. All ladies of the Parish are welcome! Last Saturday, February 24th, we had a very successful Crab Feed, chaired by school parents Julie Starbird and Darcey Schmelzer. Thank you to Darcey, Julie, and to all of the volunteers and sponsors who made the event possible. Thank you also to everyone who attended! Proceeds support the OLA School 8th grade class trip to Washington, D.C.



The 8th grade class did a great job serving everyone! There were over 300 people in attendance.



See you at next year's Crab Feed!

Youth Stations of the Cross and Parish Fish Fry

Join us for our parish Youth Stations of the Cross followed by the annual OLA Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 8th. The OLA Youth Stations of the Cross will be featuring youth from our parish school, Faith Formation program, and Youth Ministry. Stations of the Cross begins at 6:00 p.m. in the church. Doors open for the Lenten Fish Fry at 6:30 p.m. after the Youth Stations of the Cross, and dinner will be served after Fr. Eduino gives the blessing. The menu includes fish, fries, appleslaw, and Leatherby's Ice Cream for dessert. Gluten free options are available. All are welcome! The dinner is free of cost, but donations are appreciated. **Please RSVP by Monday, March 4th.** RSVP forms are available in the church and in the parish office. You may also RSVP online via our parish website.

"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 in the new year to pray in the peaceful presence of our Lord.

We are in need of more regularly scheduled Adorers on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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, we host prayer services twice a month in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Each month we pray the rosary and have a Lectio Divina and Taizé Prayer service. Both services are livestreamed for those who cannot attend in person. All are welcome to attend.

<u>Upcoming OLA Live Events</u> Tuesday, March 12th at 6:30 p.m.

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

Thursday, April 11th at 6:30 p.m.

Rosary (Glorious Mysteries) 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 guided 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 bilrider2808@sbcglobal.net for more information.



Living the Word Scripture Study

All are welcome to join us 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.

OLA Schedule for Lent

The OLA Lent and Easter Triduum calendar is available on our parish website, and copies are available in the church and parish office. We will also include a weekly summary of events in the bulletin throughout Lent.

Tuesday, March 5

-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church from 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 7

-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church from 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 8

- **Youth Stations of the Cross** in the church at 6:00 p.m. (livestream)

-**Parish Fish Fry** in Affinito Hall, doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Adult / Family Faith Formation Resources AND Small Group Scripture Studies!

Fr. Eduino strongly encourages small groups to meet together to grow in faith, knowledge, and friendship! Thank you to some of our parishioners who have answered this special call.

Kristine Breault and friends are leading a Women's Lenten Bible Study with reflections from Blessed is She. Blessed is She is a Catholic Women's Community with Bible Study and small group resources and products. We purchased 10 books for their Lenten Study and have planned weekly events using their guide, all taking place on Saturdays at 2 p.m. during Lent. Please contact Kristine Breault at <u>kristinebreault@gmail.com</u> for more info!

Sandi Lanz is leading a Lenten bible study focusing on the impact of scripture on our personal lives today! Meetings are on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. throughout Lent and will be held at the home of Sandi Lanz. Call (916) 595-2413 to rsvp for additional information!

Did you know that our parish has access to Flocknote Engage, which includes <u>free</u> and complete access to Bishop Barron's Word on Fire ENGAGE video library and study programs? This is a robust faith formation resource that includes access to the complete Catholicism series, multiple study programs (including free pdf study materials), and more. Flocknote Engage is a great resource if you want to bring together a small group to grow in faith. If you have any questions or are interested in leading a group, contact Casey Oliver at worship@olaparish.net.

Check out our parish website which has even more spiritual and educational resources for your faith journey: <u>https://olaparish.net/formation/resources</u>.

COMMUNITY



St. Vincent de Paul Society -OLA Conference

Thank you for your continued support!

We need soup, canned green beans, and macaroni and cheese for the Food Locker. We also need grocery bags, especially paper bags. Drop donations off 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. For more information, please call (916) 481-6352.

Interested in volunteering for SVdP? Call (916) 481-6352 and leave a message, or email SVdP president Marylee Johnson at <u>imjohn@surewest.net</u>.

Save the Date for our upcoming Shred Day Fundraiser on Saturday, April 27th.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is available to those who need financial assistance to pay their home energy bills.

To find out if you qualify, call the toll-free hotline at 866-674-6327 or visit the informational website <u>https://liheapch.acf.hhs.gov/search-tool/</u>.



Weekly Meetings at OLA

Join Catholic in Recovery at OLA on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in St. Anne's Room. 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 visit our website <u>www.catholicinrecovery.com</u>, or contact Bill B. at <u>bbefort@bellsouth.net</u> or at (561)827-0624.

Find healing at Rachel's Vineyard



Call (916) 733-0161 or email projectrachel@scd.org.

All messages are confidential.

CRS Rice Bowl at OLA

During Lent, we are invited to encounter God in a deeper way through prayer, fasting and almsgiving and to answer our Gospel call to see the face of Christ in our sisters and brothers in need. Through CRS Rice Bowl– Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program—we will support our sisters and brothers around the world.

Here at OLA, we will have a CRS Rice Bowl on the altar in the church throughout Lent. Please place your contributions in the bowl after Masses, and all proceeds will go directly to Catholic Relief Services (CRS).

For more information about CRS Rice Bowl program, please visit <u>https://www.crsricebowl.org/</u>. There are prayer resources, inspirational videos, and more.

Eucharistic Revival Diocesan Congress

In celebration of the Eucharistic Revival, Bishop Soto invites Catholics across the Sacramento diocese to join us at our **Diocesan Congress on Saturday, March 9 from 2:00-6:00 pm** for one of three simultaneous gatherings: Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Sacramento (in Spanish), St. Francis Parish, Sacramento (in English), and a youth event at Immaculate Conception Parish, Sacramento (in English) hosted by the Black Catholic Ministry.

The Diocesan Congress will feature music, food, and speakers such as Priscilla Garza, Fr. Agustino Torres CFR, Rhyan Ramirez, Pedro de Acevedo, and more. The events will culminate with Mass and a Eucharistic Procession from each of the three locations to the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament for Night Fever from 7:00-9:00 pm. For more information, please visit our website at <u>www.scd.org/celebrate</u>.

Carmelite Fundraiser: "Showers to Flowers"

Help support our Carmelite Nuns by attending their fundraising dinner! This event includes dinner & dessert, raffle prizes, and a Silent Auction. Information about the Monastery, the nuns' lives, and the work of the Auxiliary is shared. This is a really fun event, with great food, prizes, wine available for purchase, and an informative slide show.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 at ST. CLARE PARISH, ROSEVILLE 6PM - 9PM, DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM RECOMMENDED DONATION OF \$50 PER PERSON

Purchase tickets at: https://www.carmeliteauxiliary.org/.



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