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OUR LADY *of the Assumption*

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 1, 2019

“...For every one who exalts himself will be humbled,
but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Luke 14:11



“ Porque el que se engrandece a sí mismo,
será humillado; y el que se humilla, será engrandecido”.

Lucas 14:11

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday - Friday:

6:30 AM, 8:00 AM

5:30 PM (1st Friday)*

Saturday:

8:00 AM, 5:15 PM Vigil

Sunday:

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

12:30 PM (Spanish Mass)

5:15 PM

* Adoration & Benediction following

1st Friday Mass

CONFESIONS

Monday: 8:30 AM

Wednesday: 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM, 4:00 PM

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday - Saturday: - before 8:00 AM Mass

ROSARY

Monday - Friday: 5:45 AM -

before 6:30 AM Mass

Monday - Saturday: - after 8:00 AM Mass

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - Sunday: 8:00 AM

In St. Julie's Chapel

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

PARISH SCHOOL (PRE K-8TH GRADE)

3169 Telegraph Road

Mrs. Karen Fussell, Principal

School Office: (805) 642-7198

www.olaventura.org



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3167 Telegraph Road

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School Office: (805) 648-6836

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From Our Pastor

Your Invitation to Share Joy

We all know that food, clean air, exercise, and rest are important ways to stay healthy. Without these elements each day, we would soon become ill, despondent, and miserable. But what is the necessary elements needed for a healthy spiritual life? A healthy body demands an equally healthy spiritual life.

The key to a healthy, spiritual life is reflected in the lives of those who discover meaning and purpose; that is joy. So often, we are trapped in the illusion that seeking after what makes me happy is enough. We can strive to do those things which make us happy, but these will in the end, fail to satisfy our deeper longings. Joy, on the other hand, is realized in those efforts which ultimately fulfill us and helps us reach the deeper meanings and purpose of life. What brings you joy?

The best part of this search for ultimate fulfillment is what Jesus has promised His followers: **'I have come to give you life that you may live it to the full.'**(John 10:10). In our Catholic spiritual traditions, we are offered the richness of the treasures of spiritual fullness. The Church's traditions, teachings, lives of the saints, and a community of believers are a resource for our spiritual life and well-being. Through the traditional reminders of prayer, fasting, and service of others, we have a simple three-fold pattern of living which, when followed, can offer us more than we can imagine, with the grace of God.

Through reading of scripture, meditation of on the mysteries of Christ's life, and listening to the wisdom of the Church, we can find meaning and purpose in life and a growing self-awareness that connects us to God, others, and what is sacred around us. This is the purpose for joining a faith-sharing community of those who strive to deepen their spiritual life. Being joined with others in the presence of Christ in the Scriptures and in one another revitalizes the Spirit and joins us in the many gifts offered by the Spirit of God.

 Join your friends and fellow parishioners on an adventure of a lifetime by participating in the **Arise: Together in Christ**, faith-sharing experience. What better way than to walk with others who are seeking a closer relationship with Jesus and a more meaningful way of living a Catholic Christian life. The promise is everlasting life, our ultimate JOY.

Fr. Leon

Preparing for Next Week...

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I -Wisdom 9: 13 - 18b

Reading II - Philemon 9 - 10, 12 - 17

Gospel: - Luke 14: 25 - 33

Weekly Reflection

The key word in today's readings is: humility. In our society, we offer praise to certain people. Sometimes it is for those who are achievers and, because of their efforts, that praise is often warranted. Worthy of praise are those who heal diseases or are in the vanguard of social justice. Maybe its because they have overcome certain obstacles and limitations and serve as inspirations for us.



Other times, it is for those who are social influencers; those who set social trends, but offer little substance. For example, a well known family comes to mind and the media and public is fascinated by them. Media gives us an inside look at what would otherwise be private. But what do they add? Why are they famous? Are they famous for being famous? Is it because their appeal responds to the shallowness in ourselves?

On some level, we all crave recognition and honor. We want to be acknowledged for our work and our actions. God gives us all certain gifts. Some people are smarter than others. Some are excellent athletes. Some have a gift for making money. Some are beautiful- which is a tough one because our impression of beauty changes over the decades and is often culturally shaped. I guess the bottom line is that often, we are prideful people. So the question is: Do we use our God given gifts to lord those gifts over others? Do we try to set ourselves apart? (Which is the definition of something sacred.)

Humility means freedom from pride or arrogance. When we are humble, we don't lord our gifts over others. I think true humility is recognizing one another for our shared humanness and using our God given gifts to help one another and sustain one another. What do you think?

Our Lady of the Assumption Mission Statement and Welcome

"Our Lady of the Assumption is a welcoming community of disciples of Jesus Christ in the Roman Catholic Church. Through the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of Mary, we serve to build the Kingdom of God."

If you are visiting or are joining us for the first time, we are glad you came! All are welcome at OLA. We encourage everyone who wishes to join our parish to complete registration forms. Information is available in the Parish Information Center, on the church website at www.olaventura.com, at the Welcome Table on Friendship Sunday, or call us at (805) 642-7966.



Our Lady of the Assumption Church Parish Information Center Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Closed from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

****CLOSED Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day****

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Time	Event
September 2	9:00 a.m. Mass	Labor Day. Parish Information Center CLOSED.
September 4	5:30 a.m.	Men's Ministry Morning Meeting
September 5	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	OLA School: Principal & Faculty 'Meet & Greet'-OLA Plaza
September 6	6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.	First Friday Masses
September 7	6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	OLA Parish Mixer hosted by Men's Ministry
September 8	All Masses	Sunday Celebration: St. Vincent de Paul Hosting
September 8	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	SVdP Bundle Sunday
September 8	9:30 a.m.	Catechetical Sunday
September 8	3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Religious Education: 'Orientation Meet & Greet'
September 8	5:15 p.m. Mass - 8:30 p.m.	Confirmation: Year 2 Begins
September 9 and 11	6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Altar Server Training
September 10	9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
September 15	3:30 p.m. - 5:15 Mass (6:15 p.m.)	Confirmation: Year 1 Kick-off
September 17 or 18	4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Religious Education Classes Begin - Mulcahy Center

Announcement Requests: bulletin@ola-vta.org

Bulletin: Requests for September 15th bulletin due by 5:00 p.m., August 6th.

Pulpit Announcement: Requests for September 8th Masses due by 9:00 a.m., August 28th

Parish Life



ARISE Together in Christ is coming...

Please join us in praying for a successful kick-off of this new ministry and for the small group participants.

Over this six-week spiritual journey may the participants develop a closer relationship with Christ, deepen their faith, grow in community, and reach out in service to others.

The ARISE Together in Christ prayer will be on the back of the next bulletin. Please cut it out, put it where you will see it and pray it regularly. Together may we reflect the love of Christ to the world.

An Opportunity...

Gathering together to learn from their Teacher, the Apostles also nourished each other by sharing their stories.

ARISE is about people like you nourishing and supporting each other as you face the challenges of life.

"Come and See..."

Listen to your heart and accept the invitation! Come and learn more about ARISE, a process of spiritual renewal and evangelization that enables people to develop a closer relationship with Christ, grow in community, and reach out in service to others.

All are encouraged join.

Sign-Up Sunday coming this fall!

All Masses: September 14th and 15th

All Masses: September 21st and 22nd



OLA Parish Mixer

September 7th: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

OLA School Marian Plaza

Hosted by the Men's Ministry. Open to everyone! Cost \$5.00. Hear about the upcoming Men's Ministry Program, the Parish wide "Arise Together in Christ" Program, and other things happening in our parish. Most importantly, enjoy fellowship, as well as beer, wine and excellent food prepared by Deacon Dan and Cathy Bejorquez. For more information please contact Jerry Deal: (805) 642-7966, ext. 151.

Altar Server Training

Mon. & Wed., Sept. 9th & 11th: 6:00 p.m.

Mon. & Fri., Sept. 16th & 20th: 6:00 p.m.



Two training classes for new Altar Servers will be offered in September, consisting of two mandatory sessions in OLA Church. Parents need to attend the first session. Prospective Altar Servers will need to have made their First Holy Communion and be at least in the 4th Grade. Adults are also encouraged to become Altar Servers. Please RSVP: Deryl or Margaret Franzel at (805) 642-7966, ext. 170 or email altarservers@ola-vta.org.

Holiday Food Basket Ministry

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD items are currently needed for OLA's Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Basket Ministry. When you are doing your shopping please pick-up a few extra items for the food baskets and place in the food box in the church vestibule. This week's featured items are **Main Meal Items (Spaghetti-O, Chili & Beans etc.).** Please check labels for expiration date. You may also make a monetary donation to OLA Food Baskets. Thank you for your support. For more info: Jerry Deal (805) 642-7966, ext. 164.

Parish Life

♥ Happy Anniversary! ♥

Vince and Lorelee Intenzo
20 Years on August 28th



Jimmy and Katie Flores
6 Years on September 1st



Baptisms



Please pray for the recently baptized as they begin their journey in the Body of Christ.

Megan Harper Avila Mia Rose Lopez Vega
Noah Reynoso Reyes Tomas Rafael Valles



In Remembrance

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.

Mass Intentions

SEP 2 - SEP 8

Monday, September 2

6:30 AM NO MASS

9:00 AM Joyce Cantrell

Tuesday, September 3

6:30 AM † Raul Aguilera & Reyes Haro Aguilera

8:00 AM Joaquin Altamirano

Wednesday, September 4

6:30 AM † Lydia Montano & Alec Stier

8:00 AM All Priests

Thursday, September 5

6:30 AM Ed Magdaleno

8:00 AM Sam Altamirano

Friday, September 6

6:30 AM Terri & Frank Rojo

8:00 AM Alec Stier

5:30 PM † PJ Manning Lunsford & End to Abortion

Saturday, September 7

8:00 AM † Christopher Vega

5:15 PM † Jim Farley & † Delfina Duran

Sunday, September 8

8:00 AM † Glenn Patrick McGiven & † Donald Mulcahy

9:30 AM Mass for the People

11:00 AM † Kerry Escalona & Ramon Ramos & Aurora Salas & Alice Maes

12:30 PM † Isabel Quiroz & † Emilio Sixto

5:15 PM † Thomas & Mary Frances Riordan & † Cathy Keating

Eucharistic Adoration in St. Julie's Chapel



Tuesday 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Adorers are always welcome. Would you consider being an occasional substitute adorer? Please phone Mary Ann or Elizabeth: (805)642-7966, ext. 175 or email adorers@ola-vta.org

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Weekly Offerings



Thank you for your continuing support of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish. For the month of August 2019 our parish budget calls for \$22,129.00 to be donated weekly at the Sunday collection. The collection for Sunday, August 18, 2019 was \$17,936.52. This collection is not only used for operating expenses each week, but also for any ongoing repair work, upgrades, etc. to our parish facility. There are many ways to contribute; credit card and automatic debit are available. Please visit www.olaventura.com.

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Together in Mission Our Story is Hope

Thank you to all those who have already contributed to this year's campaign. If you have not had the opportunity, please pick up a pledge card from the vestibule today and help us reach our parish goal.

Parish Goal: \$125,200.00

Amount Pledged: \$85,488.50 (as of 8/20/19)

Amount Paid: \$80,045.84

Difference Over/(Under) Goal vs. Paid: (\$45,154.16)

Women's Ministry

Save the date – September 21st
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Mulcahy Center



Open to all women. We will have a guest speaker and information on upcoming events. Join us!



OLA Parish Cub Scout Pack 3192



Hello OLA Parish Families! Do you and your son or daughter enjoy hiking, camping, and other fun scouting activities? If you do, then you would enjoy being a part of Cub Scout Pack 3192 based out of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish. We have some exciting activities planned for the 2019-20 school year, and we would love to have your family join us for our Pack Meeting on **Wed., September 4th**. Boys and girls in 1st through 5th grade are welcome to join our pack! For more information, please contact one of our pack leaders:

Brian Barker (805) 827-5789, BTBarker1@aol.com, or Joe Sassen (805) 766-1432, gitundra@hotmail.com.



St. Vincent de Paul hosts OLA's NEW SUNDAY CELEBRATION

September 8th after 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:00 a.m. Masses

- Breakfast Burritos (Bacon and Egg or Veggie) with fruit (\$7) or
- French Toast Plate with Bacon and Scrambled Eggs (\$8)
All plates come with your choice of beverages.

Come and enjoy the fellowship!!

BUNDLE SUNDAY
Sept. 8th: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Clothing, household items, bric-a-brac are needed. NO FURNITURE ACCEPTED.

A Lesson in Humility

"For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Luke 14:11 (NIV)



POOR	EXALT	FEAST	HONOR	DINNER
FRIEND	SEAT	TABLE	HUMBLE	RICH
LAME	INVITE	GUESTS	LEAST	BLIND

Color Me!



Did You Know?

The right kind of touch is important for children

Children are often naturally affectionate and trusting, and this can lead to unexpected hugs or touches that indicate their love for the adults in their lives. For adults who are aware that some touching can be inappropriate or can appear to be a boundary violation even though it was initiated by the child, it can be difficult to respond in these instances. Healthy, appropriate touch is important for children. Use these instances as teachable moments where you can affirm your affection in words and guide an appropriate touch by description and example. Some examples of this could include patting a child on the shoulder or back, high fives, holding hands out of the classroom or when crossing the street, or helping a young child tie his shoelaces. As part of our commitment, the Archdiocese has updated the www.archla.org/protect website with valuable information and resources on how to protect our children and young people from child sexual abuse. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "The Healing Power of Touch, Part II": <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

Fingerprint Schedule

Santa Barbara Region



Monday, 9/14/19: SACRED HEART CHURCH
(Sr. Center) 10800 Henderson Road VENTURA 93004.
Pls. call for appt.: (805) 647-3235, ext. 300.

Tuesday, 9/24/19: ST. PASchal BAYLON (Hall Rm 1)
155 East Janss Road THOUSAND OAKS 91360.

For appt.: www.stpaschal.org/safeguard-the-children

For additional info please visit: <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/hr/Pages/fingerprinting.aspx>.



VIRTUS® Training

The following upcoming VIRTUS® Sessions have been scheduled for 2019:

Protecting God's Children

Saturday, 9/7, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church (Westlake Village)
Call (818) 991-3915 to reserve a place.

Wednesday, 9/18, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Assumption (Ventura)
Call (805) 390-1260 to reserve a place.

Keeping the Promise Alive: Recertification Training

Wednesday, 9/4, 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church (Westlake Village)
Call (818) 991-3915 to reserve a place.

Wednesday, 10/2, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Assumption (Ventura)
Call (805) 390-1260 to reserve a place.

OLA Parish Seeks Youth Choir Members!

Welcome back to OLA Youth Choir! Our kids LOVE leading music in mass on the first Sunday of every month (9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.) Rehearsals are on Wednesday: 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. (for 5th grade and younger) and 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (for 6th grade and older). From gospel study and song selection, to singing and learning an instrument, we delight in the spiritual fruits that come from making 'a joyful noise unto the Lord!' All are welcome and it is always a great time to join. Rehearsals have resumed. For more information: youthmusic@ola-vta.org or (805) 642-7966, ext. 108.



Faith Formation



Our Lady of the Assumption School

The 2019-20 school year is off to a great start!

We look forward to seeing everyone on September 5th at the OLA School 'Principal and Faculty Meet and Greet' 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Plaza.

Please mark your calendars:

- Scholastic Book Fair: Tuesday, Sept. 3rd - Friday, Sept. 6th
- Grandparents Day: Friday, Sept. 6th
- Back to School Night: Wednesday, Sept. 11th, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Mulcahy Center

Save the Date! OLA 5K

Saturday, January 25, 2020

More info to follow regarding sign-ups. Contact Gina Ravenscroft: (805) 642-7198 or email gina@olaventura.org.



Religious Education

2019-2020 Registration is now open!

Please visit our website: www.olaventura.com.

Pre-registration is required. Classes begin Tuesday, September 17th, OR Wednesday, September 18th. All students and parents must attend the 'Orientation Meet and Greet' on Sunday, September 8th: 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Questions: Please call (805) 642-7966, ext. 125 or email reled@ola-vta.org.



OLA Youth Ministry

Confirmation Registration Now OPEN



The Confirmation program at OLA is leading students to a passionate and authentic relationship with Jesus Christ in the Catholic Church. The program includes large group sessions, small group sessions, adoration, Mass attendance, and service projects. We've got a way for you to encounter Christ and grow in your faith.

Please register on our website at <http://www.olaventura.com/youth-ministry>. Contact Gabe Rivera: (805) 642-7966, ext. 121.

Year One class sessions begin September 15th.

Year Two class sessions begin September 8th.



RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is a one year experience where people gradually discover what it means to be Catholic not just by learning about it, but also experiencing Catholic life and worship as a part of the parish community. RCIA involves preparation of non-baptized adults for sacraments of initiation, as well as adults already baptized who are interested in receiving the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

We have begun this year's journey and welcome anyone interested to register online at: <https://www.olaventura.com/rcia-registration> and join us on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Cruz Room.

For more information contact Dn. Don at (805) 642-7966, ext. 123.

Adult Bible Study

Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 10th - Dec. 17th, Santa Cruz Room



This course introduces the participants to the study of the Gospel of John. It will look at the world within which this gospel tradition originated, developed, took on its present form, while focusing on the recognition and appreciation of its distinct literary and theological profile. You are welcome to take the entire course or drop in on a class or two at any time. Classes led by Dn. Ed.

Service and Outreach

Many Meals

College United Methodist Church
4300 Telegraph Road, Ventura



Please stop by Saint Ann's Apparel: Wed, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
All donations are needed. Especially in need: COATS!

We are in need of some new volunteers!!

Many Meals is in need of a few good women and men to work for 1 1/2 hours weekly at Many Meals. We need guest servers and food servers in the kitchen between 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. This is a great way for a family to serve together. Please contact Kevin Klier for details: manymeals@ola-vta.org, or (805) 642-7966, ext. 136.

Menu: Served 6:00-7:00 p.m.

This Wednesday: Meatloaf and Mashed Potatoes

Thank you to all of our volunteers!



Cancer Support Group

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 11, 2019. If you, a loved one, or a friend have cancer then this ministry is for you. The Cancer Support Group provides spiritual as well as educational support for cancer survivors and their loved ones. Prayer is a key component of this ministry. Join us if you want a community of others who understand the physical and emotional toll that cancer can take. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month in the Parish House. For more information, call Rochida McClure at (805) 642-7966, ext. 143 or email cancersupport@ola-vta.org.

Single Again Support Group



Don't try to go through separation or divorce alone; come be with friendly, caring people who understand and will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Join fellow parishioners for prayer, ministerial support, and life tools to help you continue to build the right foundation for yourself and your family. Support group meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Parish House. For more information, call Rochida McClure at (805) 642-7966, ext. 124 or email singleagain@ola-vta.org. Next meeting: September 4th.



Eucharist for Parishioners Who Are Homebound

Communion for the Homebound If you or someone you know are unable to attend Mass on a regular basis due to health or age-related issues, the OLA Homebound Eucharistic Ministry will arrange to visit each week and bring the Eucharist to your home. For more information: (805) 642-7966, ext. 141 or EMHomebound@ola-vta.org.



'Drivers to Mass' Ministry

We are looking for drivers to participate in our 'Drivers to Mass Ministry' for all OLA Masses, especially Saturdays. Must be a minimum of 18 years of age. Please contact: John Stebbins: (805) 642-7966, ext. 156 for further details and requirements. We hope that you'll consider aiding those in need of transportation to celebrate Mass at OLA.



"Support and Encourage the Priesthood"

Serra Club meets at St. Johns Seminary to share evening prayer in the Chapel then meet and dine with the Seminarians to get to know them and pray for their vocations. Come as our guest to experience our special evenings at St. John's Seminary. Contact Patrick Cunningham for more information: (805) 650 9492.

Parish Life



OLA Phone Pals

Phone Pals is a convenient, flexible, and rewarding ministry that provides a great way to stay socially connected to our larger community via telephone for adults who find it challenging to leave home. Phone Pals matches adults who enjoy talking with other adults and are comfortable talking on the phone, a remote connection to each other and an opportunity to grow wonderful relationships in the process! This opportunity can be fulfilled from the comfort of your home and requires a weekly time commitment of 20-60 minutes. Calling times will be arranged between the person requesting a call and the person calling. If you would like to participate or volunteer to be a caller, contact Kate Mills: (805) 642-7966, ext. 112 or faithinaction@ola-vta.org.

YLI - Young Ladies Institute: Garage Sale: September 7th, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

YLI - Catholic Women's Organization since 1947 - is having its annual garage sale! 8258 Tiara Street, Ventura. All proceeds donated to charities including: St. John's Seminary, Catholic Charities, Get on the Bus, Life Centers, and many more. We accept donations, except furniture. Help us support our charities. Questions: Debbie Kost, (805) 657-4929.



Men's Ministry



The OLA Men's Breakfast Ministry aka 'O'Dark Thirty' will commence on September 11th at 5:45 a.m. in the Mulcahy Center. The subject will be Bishop Barron's Letter to the Suffering Church. The question is: Are you feeling hurt, angry, or demoralized about the sexual abuse crisis plaguing the Catholic Church? We all grieve the wicked ways that priests have abused children, seminarians, and other vulnerable people. I know many of us feel, understandably, demoralized and defeated. How do we respond? Bishop Robert Barron has recently written a book titled '*Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks*' on the Sexual Abuse Crisis. The book is 105 pages and will be available at the September 11th meeting. For more information please contact Ken Lynch: (805) 642-7966, ext. 151.

OLA Book Discussion Group

The next Book Discussion Group meeting will be on Monday, September 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the San Miguel Room. The book under discussion will be '*The Time Is Now: A Call To Uncommon Courage*' by Joan Chittister. Participants purchase their own copies of the books and come to the meetings to discuss them with the group. We always welcome new members and hope you will join us. For more information about the Book Group, how the books are chosen and what's next, call Mary Ann Bognar at (805) 642-7966, ext. 167, or email: bookclub@ola-vta.org. All are welcome.



Holiday Craft Boutique

Save the Date: Nov. 3rd

Registration is now open for the Our Lady of the Assumption Parish annual Holiday Craft Boutique taking place after all morning Masses on November 3rd. A 6' table will be \$25.00. If you are a crafter and would like to be involved, please register now with Terri Rojo at schedule@ola-vta.org. or (805) 642-7966, ext. 109. Bring your skills and creativity to OLA!

OLA Library Ministry

Open Sunday, Monday & Tuesday:
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

COME VISIT THE
CHURCH LIBRARY



Come visit the OLA Church Library! Located in the Parish Center, we are a great place to find wonderful books about faith. Stop by and check it out. Books are available to check out, too. For more information, please email library@ola-vta.org or call (805) 642-7966, ext. 135.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

WorldWide Marriage Encounter is a marriage enrichment ministry whose goal is to help make "Good Marriages Great". Our ministry holds a monthly Community Sharing Circle for all encountered couples: A time for Fellowship and encouragement. **Our next meeting is on September 28th, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the OLA Parish House.** Childcare will be provided. For more information, please contact: Joseph & Diane Domitrovich or: Russ & Jeanine Walker: (805) 642-7966, ext. 187, wme@ola-vta.org.

Your love as husband and wife is a gift to one another as well as a gift from God. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to receive the tools needed to make the most of this precious gift. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next WWME weekend: Nov 1st - 3rd. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Ed and Jo Lara: (818) 848-6729 or go online at www.twocanlove.org. We help make good marriages better.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry welcomes anyone who enjoys knitting or crocheting or wants to learn! We meet the 2nd Saturday of the month in the Parish Center. We have supplies! Our next meeting is 9/14. For more info call Jan Parrone at (805) 642-7966, ext. 178 or visit www.shawlministry.com. To request a shawl please call the Parish Information Center at (805) 642-7966.



Rosary Makers

Would you like to learn how to make a rosary? Our Lady of the Assumption Rosary Makers will be meeting Wednesday 9/11 at the Parish House, 9:30-11:00 a.m. Also have you broken your chain rosary and would like to have it fixed? Call Aurora Gonzales at (805) 654-0316 for more information.

Save the Date: Sat., Sept. 28th
5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**San Buenaventura Mission, O'Brien Hall
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- Silent auction, no-host bar & cornhole
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Su Invitación a Compartir el Gozo

Todos sabemos que la comida, el aire limpio, el ejercicio, y el descanso son maneras importantes de permanecer sanos. Sin estos elementos diarios, pronto estaríamos enfermos, desanimados, y miserables. ¿Pero cuáles son los elementos necesarios para una vida espiritual sana? Un cuerpo sano pide una vida espiritual igualmente sana.

La clave para una vida espiritual sana se refleja en las vidas de los que descubrieron un significado y un propósito, el gozo. Seguido nos encontramos atrapados en la ilusión de que solo necesito lo que me hace feliz. Cuando solo buscamos las cosas que nos hacen feliz, al final fracasamos en atender nuestras necesidades más profundas. El gozo solamente es posible con el esfuerzo por alcanzar un entendimiento más profundo y un propósito en la vida. ¿Qué trae el gozo?

La mejor parte de esta búsqueda por una completa realización es lo que Jesús nos promete, ‘**He venido para que tengan vida y la tengan en abundancia**’ (Jn 10,10). Nuestras tradiciones espirituales católicas nos ofrecen las riquezas de los tesoros de la plenitud espiritual. La Iglesia tiene tradiciones, enseñanzas, vidas de los santos, y una comunidad de creyentes como recursos para nuestra vida espiritual y bienestar. Nos ofrece la oración, el ayuno, y el servicio a los demás como un modelo sencillo a seguir y con los cuales, con la gracia de Dios, nos ofrecen más de lo que imaginamos.

Al leer la Escritura, meditar sobre los misterios de la vida de Cristo, y escuchar la sabiduría de la Iglesia, podemos encontrar significado y propósito en la vida y crecer en conocernos personalmente para conectarnos con Dios, con otros, y con los que es sagrado a nuestro alrededor. El profundizar en la vida espiritual es el propósito de ser parte de un grupo de compartimiento de fe. Reunimos para sentir la presencia de Cristo en las Escrituras y en los demás es como regeneraremos el Espíritu y nos unimos a tantos dones que nos ofrece el Espíritu de Dios.

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Lectura I - Sabiduría 9: 13-18b

Lectura II - Filemón 9-10, 12-17

Evangelio - Lucas 14: 25 - 33

Reflexión Semanal

La palabra clave en las lecturas de hoy es “humildad”. En nuestra sociedad se ofrecen halagos a ciertas personas, a veces a aquellos que por su esfuerzo son exitosos. Dignos de elogio son aquellos que curan enfermedades o están a la vanguardia de la justicia social y porque han superado ciertos obstáculos y limitaciones, nos sirven de inspiración.



Otras veces, los halagos son para aquellos que son influyentes socialmente; por ejemplo aquellos que establecen tendencias sociales, a pesar de su poca sustancia. Un ejemplo de esto es una familia muy reconocida con la que los medios y el público están fascinados. Los medios nos dan una mirada interna a lo que de otro modo sería privado, pero ¿con qué contribuyen? ¿Por qué son famosos? ¿Será que son famosos por ser famosos? ¿Será que su atractivo corresponde a nuestra propia superficialidad?

Hasta cierto punto, todos anhelamos reconocimiento y honor. Queremos ser reconocidos por nuestro trabajo y por nuestras acciones. Dios nos da regalos particulares a todos; algunos son más inteligentes, otros son excelentes atletas y varios tienen un don especial para hacer dinero. Por otro lado, algunas personas son hermosas, lo cual es complicado porque nuestra impresión de lo que es belleza cambia a lo largo de décadas y depende de factores culturales. En resumidas cuentas, somos personas orgullosas y entonces la pregunta sería: ¿Usamos los dones dados por Dios para imponernos a los demás? ¿Estamos intentando distinguirnos de los demás? (Lo cual conocemos como la definición de algo sagrado).

La humildad significa liberarse del orgullo o de la arrogancia. Cuando somos humildes, no imponemos nuestros dones sobre los demás. Creo que la verdadera humildad es reconocernos mutuamente por nuestra humanidad compartida y usar los dones dados por Dios para ayudarnos y sostenernos mutuamente. ¿Qué opinas al respecto?

Nuestra Señora de la Asunción Declaración de Misión y Bienvenida

“La Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Asunción es una comunidad de discípulos de Jesucristo dentro de la Iglesia Católica Romana. Por medio de los Dones del Espíritu Santo y la intercesión de María, somos servidores dedicados a construir el Reino de Dios.”

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Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de la Asunción Horario del Centro de Información Parroquial

Lunes a Jueves ~ 8:30 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.

Viernes ~ 8:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.

Sábado ~ 8:30 a.m. a 12:00 p.m.

Domingo ~ 9:00 a.m. a 2:00 p.m.

Miércoles cerrado desde el mediodía - 1:00 p.m.

- 8 - **Cerrado lunes, 2 de septiembre para el Día del Trabajo.**

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LEVANTATE Primera Temporada inicia la semana del 6 de octubre

¡Después de las vacaciones del verano, viaje con nuestra familia parroquial en una jornada de fe! LEVÁNTATE Unámonos en Cristo es una nueva manera de renovar nuestra espiritualidad católica. Por medio de la Escritura y la oración en pequeños grupos, LEVANTATE ofrece la oportunidad para formar nuevas amistades, fortificar la fe, y tener una relación más profunda con Cristo y con los demás. Este atento a más información los domingos 15 y 22 de septiembre.

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (RICA)

El RICA es el proceso para los adultos que desean prepararse para los sacramentos de: Bautismo, Primera Comunión o Confirmación. Este proceso está disponible en inglés o en español. Se ofrece también para los adultos que, teniendo sus sacramentos, desean aprender más sobre su fe católica. Nos reunimos cada martes, 7:00 p.m. en el Salón Santa Cruz.. Si desea más información comuníquese con Rosario al (805) 642-7966 ext. 192 o por email hispanicministry@ola-vta.org



Horario para Huellas Digitales 2019 Región de Santa Barbara

Sábado, 14/9/19: Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón (Sr. Center) 10800 Henderson Road, VENTURA 93004 . Para la cita por favor llame (805) 647-3235, ext. 300.

Martes, 24/9/19: ST. PASCHAL BAYLON (Hall Salon 1) 155 East Janss Road THOUSAND OAKS 91360. Para la cita: www.stpaschal.org/safeguard-the-children

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Sábado , 5/10/19, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM - Español
Escuela Notre Dame (Santa Bárbara)
Llame al (805) 966-4941 para reservar un lugar.

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Viernes , 25/10/19, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM - Español
Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora de los Dolores (Santa Bárbara)
Texto (805) 696-3263 para reservar un lugar.

Todo voluntario adulto debe conocer las normas de cómo mantener a los niños y jóvenes seguros, debe proporcionar sus huellas digitales y debe asistir a la clase de VIRTUS. Para información adicional, visite: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>



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Ofrenda Semanal

Gracias por su continuo apoyo a la Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Asunción. Para el mes de agosto de 2019, nuestro presupuesto parroquial exige \$22,129.00 para ser donados semanalmente en la colecta del domingo. La colección del domingo 18 de agosto de 2019 fue de \$17,936.52. Esta colección no solo se usa para gastos operativos cada semana, sino también para cualquier trabajo de reparación en curso, mejoras, etc. a nuestra instalación parroquial. Hay varias maneras de contribuir; tarjeta de crédito y débito automático están disponibles. Por favor visite www.olaventura.com.

Unidos en Misión Nuestra Historia es Esperanza



Gracias a los que ya han contribuido a la campaña de este año. Si aun no ha tenido la oportunidad, por favor tome una tarjeta de compromiso del vestíbulo y ayúdenos a lograr la meta de nuestra parroquia.

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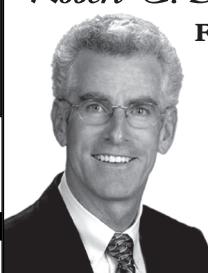
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