



GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

# OUR LADY *of the Assumption* PARISH VENTURA

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**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 8, 2019**

**“Whoever does not carry his own cross and  
come after me cannot be my disciple.”**

Luke 14:27



**“Y el que no carga su cruz y me sigue,  
no puede ser mi discípulo”. Lucas 14:11**

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REV. MR. CHARLES WESSLER

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Monday - Friday:

6:30 AM, 8:00 AM

5:30 PM (1<sup>st</sup> 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  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday Mass

**CONFESSIONS**

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

**EUCHARISTIC 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](http://www.olaventura.org)



**ST. BONAVENTURE HIGH SCHOOL**

3167 Telegraph Road

Mrs. Christina Castro, Principal

School Office: (805) 648-6836

[www.saintbonaventure.com](http://www.saintbonaventure.com)



## From Our Pastor On the Way to ARISE!

Our parish, like so many throughout the Church, is preparing for the beginning of another year of faith formation. In the lexicon of OLA parish, we prepare our children in the Faith through OLA School and the Religious Education Program (REP), our youth through a program for middle schoolers (EDGE), through out two year Confirmation Program, our Adult initiation program (RCIA), and the many Faith enrichment programs through our ministries to Women and Men, and through a variety of spiritual, service, and social outreach organizations.

What is amazing about parish life is the quality of holiness that we find in so many folks. It is a pleasure, as a pastor, to discover the power and wonder of God's activity in the life of so many. I am privileged to be a part of your lives and to hear how God is at work. It bolsters my faith to see how, through the joys and sorrows of life, so many people are walking in the ways of the Lord.

What astounds me too is that so few of us are given this give and insight as we listen to others. What we hear in the Word of God, for example, is the reflection and wonder of people who have met the Lord and their story resonates with ours. Some of my favorite are the story of Zacchaeus, the tax collector, who found acceptance from Jesus even though he had been ostracized by his friends. Or the woman at the well who met Jesus, experienced his compassion, and was still blessed by his love and acceptance.

We have this opportunity in the months ahead to engage in a great endeavor to share the gift of faith that the Lord offers through others. Arise, Together in Christ/  Levantate allows us to hear the stories of faith from all those who God has called into relationship. That means, ALL OF US! How do we know what God is doing in our life unless we gather in prayer with others, reflect upon God's activity, and listen to how others have met the Lord in their life? We all have stories we MUST tell. We all have stories we MUST hear. We all have people we MUST meet because the Lord is inviting us through this program to gather with one another.

Come meet others wanting to be friends and saints.

*Fr. Leon*

## Preparing for Next Week...

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I - Exodus 32: 7 - 11, 13 - 14

Reading II - Timothy 1: 12 - 17

Gospel: - Luke 15: 1 - 32

## Weekly Reflection

### Keeping Our Eyes on the Prize

When we wake up each morning, how often do we think of heaven? Probably, not very often. We see our final destination as something to think about later. Yet, the readings today remind us what happens when we lose this focus. The book of Wisdom reminds us that "the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns." We become trapped in our human needs and wants. We struggle with the transitory nature of life because "the deliberations of mortals are timid and unsure are our plans." Yet, Jesus warns that we must be sure of our plan of discipleship. He offers an analogy in the Gospel where he likens discipleship to the construction of a tower. He asks, "Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion?" Jesus warns that the commitment is costly because we will have to let go of all human relationships and even our own lives in order to gain the heavenly prize. This understanding is symbolized in the request that Saint Paul makes in his letter. Paul is sending Onesimus, a slave, back to Philemon asking him to embrace him "no longer as a slave but...as a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord." Paul prays that Onesimus' life will be transformed in the Lord and the burdens and constraints of his old life will disappear. This reminds us of the new life that awaits us in our heavenly home. We are encouraged to begin and conclude each day in prayer that helps to center our lives on the prize of our discipleship as we trust that God will bless our daily efforts.

## 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](http://www.olaventura.com), at the Welcome Table on Friendship Sunday, or call us at (805) 642-7966.

## Get the OLA Mobile App!

For iPhone: Text **ParishApp1** to: 555888

For Android: Text **ParishApp2** to: 555888

See our website or the Parish Information Center for more detail.



## 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.**

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

| Date               | Time                              | Event                                                                |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| September 7        | 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.             | OLA Parish Mixer hosted by Men's Ministry                            |
| September 8        | All Morning 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 12       | 8:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.              | Reflection Sessions: Bishop. Barron's 'Letter to a Suffering Church' |
| September 14       | 9:00 a.m.                         | Eucharistic Ministers at Mass – Training Sessions                    |
| September 15       | 3:30 p.m. - 5:15 Mass (6:15 p.m.) | Confirmation: Year 1 Kick-off                                        |
| September 16       | 7:00 a.m.                         | Eucharistic Ministers at Mass – Training Sessions                    |
| September 17 OR 18 | 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.             | Religious Education Classes Begin - Mulcahy Center                   |
| September 18       | 7:00 p.m.                         | EDGE Middle School Faith Formation Begins                            |

**Announcement Requests: [bulletin@ola-vta.org](mailto:bulletin@ola-vta.org)**

**Bulletin: Requests for September 22<sup>nd</sup> bulletin due by 5:00 p.m., September 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**Pulpit Announcement: Requests for September 15<sup>th</sup> Masses due by 9:00 a.m., September 11<sup>th</sup>**

## Parish Life



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

**September 8<sup>th</sup> 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!!



### Catechetical Sunday 2019

September 8th, 9:30 a.m. Mass  
"Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ."



Those who the parish community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

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### Welcome OLA's New Seminarian John Paul Simon

John Paul (goes by JP for some) and will be our seminarian Intern here at OLA this year. He finished his 2nd year of Theology at St. John's Seminary in Camarillo which gives him three more years before he is ordained as a priest for ADLA. John Paul is from Manila, Philippines and moved to Southern California in 2005. He is the youngest of four siblings. He looks forward to being involved here at the parish and meeting each and every one of you personally as he grows in his discernment to the priesthood.



### 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.

### 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 Peanut Butter and Jelly.** 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! ♥

**Patrick and Irene Lacomare**  
58 Years on September 9<sup>th</sup>

**Richard and Mary Cathcart**  
55 Years on September 12<sup>th</sup>

**Kevin and Joanna Peterson**  
12 Years on September 13<sup>th</sup>

**Joe and Colette Ellis**  
26 Years on September 11<sup>th</sup>



### 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.

† Catherine Keating



### Mass Intentions

SEP 9 - SEP 15

Monday, September 9

6:30 AM † Nora Mitchell

8:00 AM † Petra Avila de la Cruz

Tuesday, September 10

6:30 AM † Lucrecia Manzano

8:00 AM † Ernest Scholz

Wednesday, September 11

6:30 AM † Margaret Dahl & † Phyllis Porter

8:00 AM † Florence McNally

Thursday, September 12

6:30 AM Raymond Martinez & Terri & Frank Rojo

8:00 AM Rafael Montoya & Shawn Shirck

Friday, September 13

6:30 AM Mini Chavez

8:00 AM † Msgr. Donal Mulcahy

Saturday, September 14

8:00 AM † Mary Helen Supan

5:15 PM † Philip Ritchie & † Jim Sullivan

Sunday, September 15

8:00 AM † Theresa Dill

9:30 AM Mass for the People

11:00 AM † Leon Palmisano Sr. & † Mary Elizabeth Meade

12:30 PM † Emilio Sixto & † Otilia Olivo

5:15 PM † James Edwards & Asuncion Patricio

### 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.

### 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 25, 2019 was \$22,645.13. 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](http://www.olaventura.com).



### Women's Ministry

**Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Mulcahy Center**

The Women's Ministry is sponsoring a special event on Sat., September 21<sup>st</sup> after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Sisters Servants of Mary have been invited to share their 'Ministry to the Sick' with us. Faithful to the charism the sisters have received with their vocation of Servants of Mary, they care with love for the sick in all their needs: physical, spiritual and moral. **This event is open to all parishioners, especially to caregivers, those who care for their family and friends, as well as, Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and homebound.** Please join us after Mass for coffee, morning treats, presentation and small group faith sharing. Please RSVP by Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> by emailing [womensministry@ola-vta.org](mailto:womensministry@ola-vta.org) or call (805) 642-7966, ext. 142.



### Adult Bible Study

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

**Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> - Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 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 literacy 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.

### Altar Server Training

**Mon. & Wed., Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>: 6:00 p.m.**

**Mon. & Fri., Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>: 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:altarservers@ola-vta.org).



### Eucharistic Ministers at Mass Training Sessions

Anyone interested in being trained as a Eucharistic Minister for Sunday Masses, and anyone interested in a "refresher" session are welcome to attend either of two upcoming sessions in the church: Saturday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. OR Monday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP by contacting Diana Huntley at (805) 642-7966, ext. 123 or [em@ola-vta.org](mailto:em@ola-vta.org).

### Lector Information Session and Training

**October 8<sup>th</sup> and October 11<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

Lectors proclaim the readings at Sunday Masses. All those high school-age and above are invited to become Sunday lectors. For more information: [lector@ola-vta.org](mailto:lector@ola-vta.org) or (805) 642-7966, ext. 171.

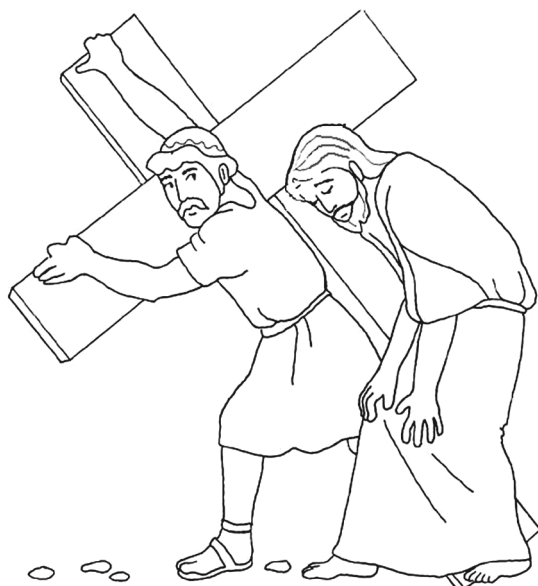


# Make God Number One!

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"Whoever does not carry his own cross  
and come after me cannot be my disciple."



## Did You Know?

Teach your children the concept of "total body safety"

Teaching the concept of "total body safety" encompasses all parts of the body, including the head, mouth, legs and arms, which are usually overlooked. Child abuse perpetrators can use any part of the body to stimulate a child or young person, or to arouse themselves. Additionally, it is important to stress to teens the importance of "total body safety" in their relationships with others. Tell them, "Just because a person is a close friend, or even a girlfriend or boyfriend, that does not give them a right to touch you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable." For more information, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Beyond the myth of the bathing suit," at <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](http://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, 9/14, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**  
St. Sebastian Catholic School (Santa Paula)  
Register online at [gcamarillosellshomes@gmail.com](mailto:gcamarillosellshomes@gmail.com) or call  
(805) 320-9049 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, 9/19, 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**  
St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church (Newbury Park)  
Call (805) 498-3602, ext. 100 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 Youth Choirs invite you!!



Our music ministers enjoy sharing their exceptional gifts during Masses on the first Sunday of every month (11AM & 5:15PM). Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. (for 5th grade and younger) & Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (for 6th grade and older) in the Youth Room. We also welcome VIRTUS® trained adults who would love to learn and share the gift of music! From gospel study and song selection, to singing and learning an instrument, we love to witness 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.

For more information, please contact Cheryl Kewley, OLA Youth

Music Coordinator at [youthmusic@ola-vta.org](mailto:youthmusic@ola-vta.org).

## Faith Formation

## Service and Outreach



### Our Lady of the Assumption School

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

Back to School Night: Wednesday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>,  
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 (Grades 1 - 5)

2019-2020 Registration is now open!

Please register on our website: [https://www.olaventura.com/Religious-Education-](https://www.olaventura.com/Religious-Education-Program)

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

### OLA Youth Ministry

Confirmation and EDGE Registration  
Now OPEN



EDGE Middle School Faith Formation offers a social community that is fun, active, and welcoming; as well as engaging teachings to help your student personalize and truly live out his or her faith. Please register at <https://www.olaventura.com/edge-middle-school-youth-ministry>. EDGE begins on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

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 15<sup>th</sup>.

Year Two class sessions begin September 8<sup>th</sup>.



### 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.

### 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.



### 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](mailto:manymeals@ola-vta.org), or (805) 642-7966, ext. 136.

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

This Wednesday: Chicken 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](mailto: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](mailto:singleagain@ola-vta.org).

Next meeting: September 18<sup>th</sup>.



### Eucharist for Parishioners Who Are 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](mailto: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.

COME VISIT THE  
CHURCH LIBRARY

### OLA Library Ministry

Open Sunday, Monday & Tuesday:

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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](mailto:library@ola-vta.org) or call (805) 642-

7966, ext. 135.



## 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](mailto:faithinaction@ola-vta.org).

## Men's Ministry



The OLA Men's Breakfast Ministry aka 'O'Dark Thirty' will commence on September 11<sup>th</sup> 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 and will be available at the September 11<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:bookclub@ola-vta.org). All are welcome.

## Holiday Craft Boutique

Save the Date: Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>



Registration is now open for the Our Lady of the Assumption Parish annual Holiday Craft Boutique taking place after all morning Masses on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. 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](mailto:schedule@ola-vta.org) or (805) 642-7966, ext. 109. Bring your skills and creativity to OLA!



## Italian Catholic Federation Heritage Potluck

Sacred Heart Church, Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m.  
Biedermann Hall

Come and bring your family and friends to fun night at our Heritage Potluck! Bring a dish to share that represents your country of origin or use your favorite recipe. We will have a silent auction and drawing with many terrific items. What a great opportunity to shop for a special occasion or start early on your Christmas shopping list. Call Mike Pettit at (805) 665-8930 or Mary Poe at (805) 644-7025 for information and to sign up.



## 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 28<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:wme@ola-vta.org).

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## 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](http://www.shawlministry.com). To request a shawl please call the Parish Information Center at (805) 642-7966.



## Irish Party And Cultural Celebration:

### 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Party!

September 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Mulcahy Center.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians will be hosting the Fourth Annual Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Party! Featured will be one of the leading Irish Bands in the area (The Ploughboys) and from the Gaelic League, the dancing group (Ceili Rua). There will be an opportunity to participate in an Irish Jig or two. The ticket price is \$25 and includes dinner and beverage. Proceeds will benefit Our Lady of Assumption Church and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. For tickets or information contact Bill Ferguson: (805) 340-2619 or (805) 795-2916. Tickets are also available in the Parish Information Center. Come and join the fun!

## Save the Date: Sat., Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>

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

San Buenaventura Mission, O'Brien Hall  
211 E. Main St, Ventura CA 93001

- Silent auction, no-host bar & cornhole
- 6:30 p.m. Buffet dinner catered by Chef Jason Collis, program, line dancing.
- \$40 per ticket / \$300 per table of eight
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## De Nuestro Párroco

### ¡LEVANTATE! Emprendiendo el Camino

Nuestra parroquia, como muchas dentro de la Iglesia, nos preparamos para iniciar otro año de formación de fe. El esquema de OLA incluye la preparación de los niños en la Escuela OLA y en el Programa de Educación Religiosa (REP), a los jóvenes de los grados 6-8 con el programa de EDGE y a los de preparatoria con dos años de Formación para la Confirmación. Par los adultos tenemos el proceso de RICA y muchos programas de enriquecimiento en la fe. Cooperamos también con diversos programas en la comunidad que prestan ayuda espiritual, de servicio, y ayuda social.

Lo maravilloso de la vida parroquial es la calidad de santidad que encontramos en tantas personas. Es un placer, como párroco, descubrir el poder y la maravilla de la actividad de Dios en las vidas de tantos. Es un privilegio ser parte de sus vidas y escuchar como Dios trabaja en ellas. Aumenta mi fe el ver cómo, en el gozo y el dolor de la vida, tantos caminan los caminos del Señor.

Lo que me sorprende es que somos pocos a los que se les da este don y reconocimiento de escuchar a los demás. Resuenan nuestras propias experiencias al escuchar en la Palabra de Dios la reflexión y el asombro de los que se encuentran con el Señor. Esta por ejemplo la historia de Zaqueo, el recaudador de impuestos, aceptado por Jesús aun cuando sus amigos lo rechazan. La Samaritana quien al encontrarse con Jesús siente su compasión y es bendecida por su amor y aceptación.

En los próximos meses tendremos la oportunidad de compartir el gran regalo de fe que el Señor nos ofrece por medio de los demás. El gran esfuerzo de Levántate, Unámonos en Cristo nos permite escuchar las historias de fe de los que Dios ha llamado a tener una relación con él. Me refiero a, ¡TODOS NOSOTROS! ¿Cómo sabemos lo que Dios está haciendo en nuestra vida si no nos reunamos en oración con otros, reflexionemos sobre la actividad de Dios, y escuchemos cómo otros han conocido al Señor en sus vidas? Todos tenemos historias que DEBEMOS de contar. Todos tenemos historias que DEBEMOS de escuchar. Todos tenemos personas que DEBEMOS conocer. El Señor nos invita a que nos reunamos y nos conozcamos por medio de este programa.

Vengan y conozcan a otros que desean ser amigos y santos.

*El padre León*

### Preparándose para la próxima semana ...

Vigésimo cuarto domingo en el tiempo ordinario

Lectura I - Exodo 32: 7 - 11, 13 - 14

Lectura II - Timoteo 1: 12 - 17

Evangelio - Lucas 15: 1 - 32

## Reflexión Semanal

### Con los ojos puestos en la recompensa

Cuando nos levantamos cada mañana, ¿con qué frecuencia pensamos en el cielo? Probablemente, no muy a menudo. Vemos el pensar en nuestro destino final como algo para más tarde. Sin embargo, las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan lo que sucede cuando perdemos este enfoque. El libro de la Sabiduría nos recuerda que "un cuerpo corruptible hace pesada el alma y el barro de que estamos hechos entorpece el entendimiento". Quedamos atrapados en nuestras necesidades y deseos humanos y luchamos con la naturaleza transitoria de la vida porque "Los pensamientos de los mortales son inseguros y sus razonamientos pueden equivocarse". Sin embargo, Jesús advierte que debemos estar seguros de nuestro plan para el discipulado y nos da una analogía en el Evangelio donde compara el discipulado con la construcción de una torre. Jesús pregunta: "¿quién de ustedes, si quiere construir una torre, no se pone primero a calcular el costo, para ver si tiene con qué terminarla?" y advierte que el compromiso es costoso porque tendremos que abandonar todas las relaciones humanas e incluso nuestra propia vida para ganar el premio celestial. Este entendimiento está simbolizado en la solicitud que hace San Pablo en su carta cuando envía a Onésimo, un esclavo, de regreso a Filemón pidiéndole que lo abraza "ya no como esclavo, sino como algo mejor que un esclavo, como hermano amadísimo . . . no sólo por su calidad de hombre, sino de hermano en Cristo!". Pablo reza para que la vida de Onésimo se transforme en el Señor y para que las cargas y limitaciones, de su antigua vida, desaparezcan. Esto nos recuerda la nueva vida que nos espera en el hogar celestial y nos anima a comenzar y concluir cada día en oración, para centrar nuestra vida en la recompensa del discipulado, con la cual confiamos que Dios bendecirá nuestros esfuerzos diarios.

### 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."

¡Si nos está visitando o nos acompaña por primera vez, nos da gusto que nos acompañe! Todos son bienvenidos en OLA. Si desea ser parte de nuestra parroquia lo invitamos a que llene el formulario de registración. Para más información puede pasar al Centro de Información Parroquial, visitar nuestra página web de [www.olaventura.com](http://www.olaventura.com), pasar por la Mesa de Bienvenida de Domingo de Amistad o llamando al (805) 642-7966.



### 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.



## 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 esta 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 Salon Santa Cruz.. Si desea más información comuníquese con Rosario al (805) 642-7966 ext. 192 o por email [hispanicministry@ola-vta.org](mailto: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)  
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Para la cita: [www.stpaschal.org/safeguard-the-children](http://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)  
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## MANTENER VIVA LA PROMESA, RECERTIFICACIÓN

**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/>

## Educación Religiosa

### ¡El registro 2019-2020 ya está abierto!

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## ¿SABIA USTED?



Enseñe a sus hijos el concepto de "seguridad de todo el cuerpo". La enseñanza del concepto de "seguridad de todo el cuerpo" abarca todas las partes del cuerpo, incluida la cabeza, la boca, las piernas y los brazos, que generalmente se pasan por alto. Los perpetradores de abuso infantil pueden usar cualquier parte del cuerpo para estimular a un niño o a un joven, o para excitarse ellos mismos. Además, es importante repetirles a los adolescentes la importancia de la "seguridad de todo el cuerpo" en sus relaciones con los demás. Dígalos, "Solo porque una persona es un amigo o amiga cercano/a, o incluso una novia o novio, eso no les da derecho a tocarte de una manera que te haga sentir incómodo/a". Para obtener más información, busque una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® "Beyond the myth of the bathing suit" (Más allá del mito del traje de baño), en <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.



## 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 25 de agosto de 2019 fue de \$22,645.13. 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](http://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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## Escuela de la Cruz

La Escuela de la Cruz es para hombres casados que, en colaboración con diáconos y sacerdotes, se preparan para comunicar el espíritu de la cruz con su vida y testimonio. El grupo se reúne los lunes a las 7:00 p.m. en la casa parroquial. Para más información comuníquese con el Diácono Raul (805) 642-7966, ext. 149.

## Encuesta Parroquial de la OLA

OLA está iniciando la fase 1 de una encuesta parroquial! Agradecemos su tiempo tomando unos minutos para responder 10 preguntas iniciando sesión en el siguiente enlace: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3XJW9CM>.

Si tiene alguna sugerencia para nuestra próxima encuesta, envíe un correo electrónico al presidente del Consejo Pastoral, Dave Lombardi, a [pastoralcouncil-ola-vta.org](mailto:pastoralcouncil-ola-vta.org).



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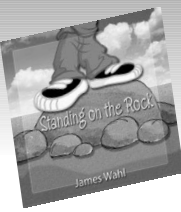


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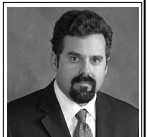
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Please join us in praying for a successful kick-off of this new ministry and for the small group participants. Over this six-week spiritual journey may the participants develop a closer relationship with Christ, deepen their faith, grow in community, and reach out in service to others.

**Information tables after all masses today.**

## **Sign-Up Weekends:**

**All Masses: September 14th and 15th**

**All Masses: September 21st and 22nd**

Gracious God and Father,

We enter in o your presence realizing you know us better than we know ourselves.

You know the cares and sufferings we carry in our hearts.

You call us to holiness and we trust you to lead us together on our journey to be a enewed Church, for with you all things are possible.

Create us anew in Jesus Christ your Son.  
Liberate us from all that keeps us from you.  
Heal us from every form of sin and violence.

Transform us to live your Word more profoundly.

Awaken us to the sacred; rebuild trust among us.  
Enliven our parishes; reunite our families.

May your Holy Spirit empower us to live as a community of love, freed to share in your work of recreating our world and restoring justice.

We believe you are doing something new, calling us to arise together in Christ to celebrate the fullness of life. Amen.



Por favor acompáñenos a orar por un exitoso comienzo a este nuevo ministerio y por los participantes de nuestros grupos pequeños. Para que durante estas 6 semanas de jornada espiritual que los participantes formemos una relación mas cerca con Cristo, una fe mas profunda, crecer como comunidad y ejercer mas servicio a otros.

**Mesas con información después de misa Hoy!**

## **Fines de semana de inscripción:**

**Todos las Misas: Domingo 15 de Septiembre**

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Dios y Padre de infinita bondad,  
acudimos a Ti sabiendo que nos conoces  
mejor que nosotros mismos nos conocemos.  
y sabes el peso que llevamos en nuestro corazón.

Nos llamas a la santidad  
y, porque para Ti todo es posible,  
confiamos que nos guiaras unidos por la senda  
que nos lleve a ser una Iglesia renovada.

Creanos de nuevo en Jesucristo tu Hijo.  
Liberanos de todo lo que nos aleja de Ti.  
Sananos de toda forma de pecado y violencia.

Transformanos para vivir tu Palabra mas profundamente.

Despierta en nosotros la sed de lo sagrado.  
Restaura entre nosotros la confianza.

Vivifica nuestras parroquias;  
y reunifica a nuestras familias.

Que tu Espiritu Santo nos fortalezca  
y nos congregue en una comunidad de amor,  
liberados para servirte y continuar tu misión  
de recrear el mundo y restaurar la justicia.

Creemos que haces algo nuevo,  
con tu llamado a levantarnos en Cristo  
para celebrar la plenitud de la vida. Amen.