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OUR LADY *of the Assumption*

PARISH
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10-27-2019

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Dn. Ed Mills

Dn. Charles Wessler

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday - Friday:

6:30 AM, 8:00 AM

5:30 PM (1st Friday)*

*Adoration & Benediction
following 1st Friday Mass

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

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM through

Sunday 8:00 AM in St. Julie's Chapel

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH SCHOOL

Pre-Kindergarten - Eighth Grade

Mrs. Karen Fussell, Principal

3169 Telegraph Road

School Office: (805) 642-7198

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ST. BONAVENTURE HIGH SCHOOL

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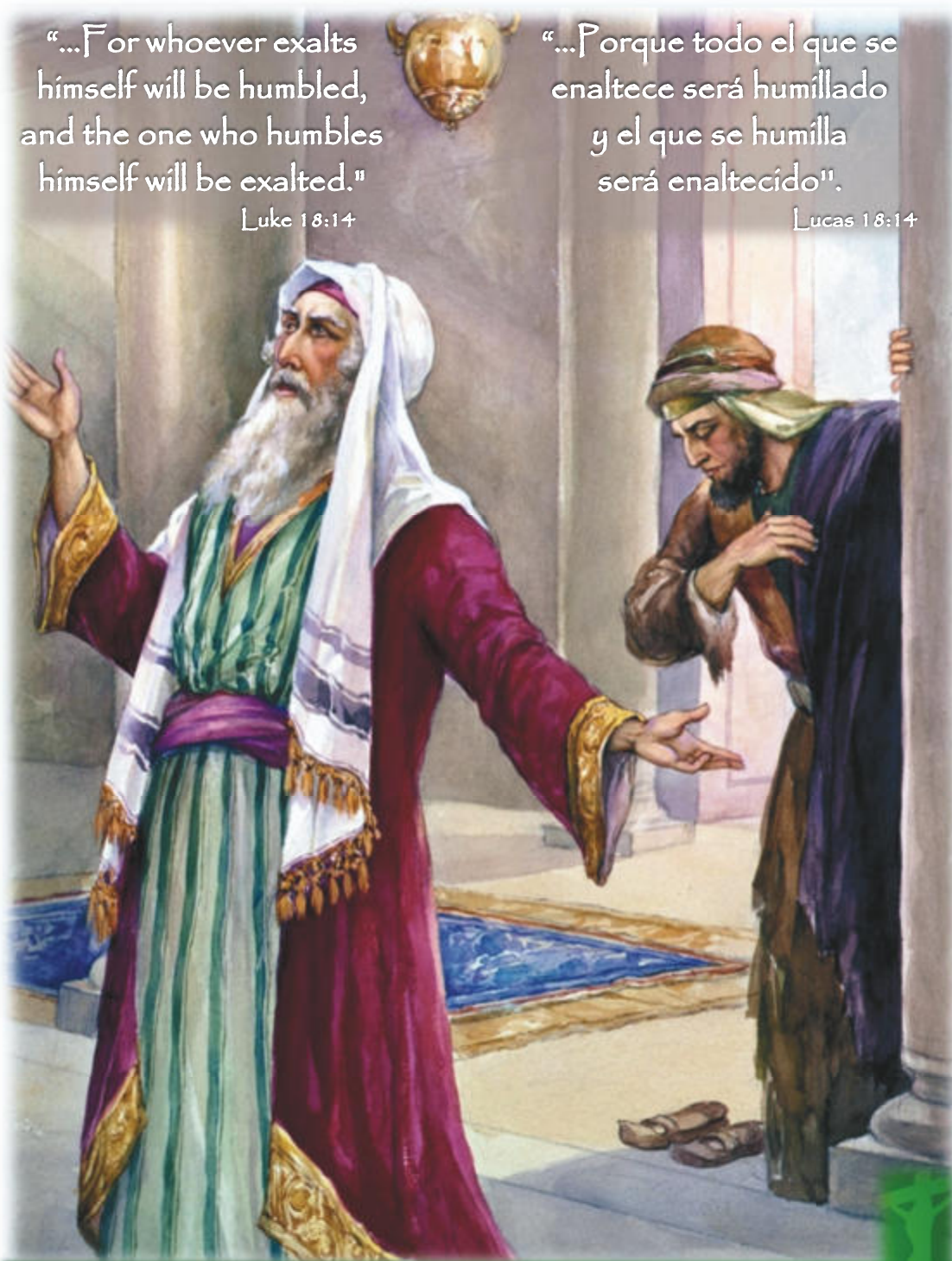
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"...For whoever exalts
himself will be humbled,
and the one who humbles
himself will be exalted."

Luke 18:14

"...Porque todo el que se
enaltece será humillado
y el que se humilla
será enaltecido".

Lucas 18:14



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

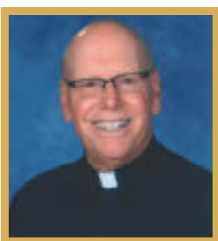
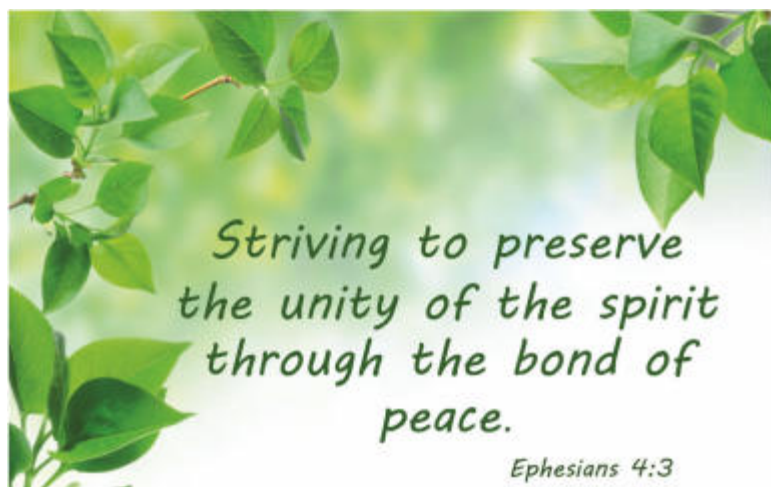


Welcome Home

OUR MISSION

"OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH 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, in the church vestibule, on the church website at www.olaventura.com, or call us at (805) 642-7966.



FROM OUR PASTOR

Let Us Rejoice and Be Glad

Teaching at St. John's Seminary for twenty years offered me an opportunity to engage in the formation, education, and discernment of Catholic men preparing for a priestly vocation. The ordination of a new priest affirmed this time spent in discernment. Even when a man decided not to continue, I always felt it a victory for the Church because of the skills and training that would come back to enhance their lives as faith-filled husbands and fathers. It was a joy and an honor to share in their lives. In addition, I enjoyed the friendship and support of a wonderful band of faculty and staff. In all, it is a gift to share in this ministry with so many people of faith and it continues to keep me hope-

filled that Christ leads His Church.

The Spirit of God continues to reveal His presence to me here at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish. Working here with Fr. Joe, the deacons and their wives, a talented staff, many gifted ministry leaders, and dedicated volunteers, and faithful parishioners...it continues to amaze me how good God is. Even in the midst of the issues we have identified as a "Crisis in the Church", it is encouraging that we are committed to one another and to the Lord. Pope Francis encourages his priests and his people when he states:

"...the pain of so many victims, the pain of the people of God and our own personal pain, cannot be for naught. Jesus himself has brought this heavy burden to his cross and he now asks us to be renewed in our mission of drawing near to those who suffer, of drawing near without

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embarrassment to human misery, and indeed to make all these experiences our own, as Eucharist. Our age, marked by old and new wounds, requires us to be builders of relationships and communion, open, trusting and awaiting in hope the newness that the kingdom of God wishes to bring about even today. For it is a kingdom of forgiven sinners called to bear witness to the Lord's ever present compassion. For his mercy endures forever."

This is the reason and purpose for being a Church, a community of believers who seek Unity under the mantle of Sign of the Cross. Take heart and thank God for the gift of faith lived in a loving community of disciples. Jesus Bless your people with PEACE.

Fr. Leon

Reflection & Upcoming Events



PARISH INFORMATION CENTER HOURS

Monday-Thursday

8:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Friday

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Closed Wednesday

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENT REQUESTS

[https://www.olaventura.com/
Submit-Announcement](https://www.olaventura.com/Submit-Announcement)

Bulletin requests due no later than
5:00 PM on Thursday: **10 DAYS**
before requested bulletin date.

Pulpit announcement requests due
by 8:00 AM on Wednesday before
requested announcement date.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Under Roman rule, the Jews paid a religious tax to the Jewish authorities for the maintenance of the temple as well as a tax to the Roman government. The Roman tax included both income taxes and duties in the form of tolls to use roads, bridges and to enter towns. The Roman taxes were collected by a class of independent contractors, usually Jews. The tax collectors paid a fixed sum for the right to collect. Anything they could collect above what they paid for the franchise was profit. Tax collectors were an ever-present symbol of Roman oppression. Often, they used cruel methods to become wealthy at the expense of their countrymen. Jewish society treated tax-collectors as the lowest class of sinners. Regarded as traitors, they were rejected socially and politically.

Pharisees were strict legalists, standing for rigid observance of Jewish law and tradition. They sought to impose that rigidity on the people. Though honored by Jewish society, Jesus saw them as covetous, self-righteous and hypocritical.

Here, both stand before God. The tax collector, free from pride or arrogance humbles himself because he knows himself to be a sinner and asks for God's mercy. The Pharisee praises himself because he is clueless that he too is a sinner.

God asks that we honestly look at ourselves and how our words and actions impact others. I ask myself: do I truly consider what I do and what I fail to do? Did I miss an opportunity for compassion and helpfulness? Did I miss a chance to act as Jesus would? Have I reached out to the socially and politically rejected? No matter who you are, no one is beyond the scope of God's mercy. I have to understand that I need his mercy and need to ask for it.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

Fingerprinting
(Appointment Required)
10:00 AM - 4:45 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Corporal Works of Mercy
Second Collection
All Masses

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

VIRTUS® Training:
Protecting God's Children (Spanish)
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

All Saints' Day Vigil Mass
Holy Day of Obligation
5:30 PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

All Saints' Day Mass
Holy Day of Obligation
6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 5:30 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

All Souls' Day Mass of Remembrance
(Reception to Follow)
10:00 AM

SAT. - SUN, NOVEMBER 2 - 3

Daylight Savings Time Ends
(Fall Back!)
2:00 AM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

OLA Holiday Craft Boutique
Vendors, Music & Fun!
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

VIRTUS® Training:
Protecting God's Children
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Celebration Sunday
hosted by Many Meals Ministry
After All Morning Masses

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Liturgical Blessing for
Newly Baptized
9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, and 12:30 PM

FRI. - SUN, NOVEMBER 15 - 17

Youth Ministry Confirmation Year II
Retreat
Forest Home - Ojai



Prayer and Worship

MASS INTENTIONS THE 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 28TH - NOVEMBER 3RD

Monday, October 28

6:30 AM † Pat Lyon

8:00 AM † Dr. Paul K. Edwards

Tuesday, October 29

6:30 AM Jeff Colitti

8:00 AM † Dottie Carey-Letcher

Wednesday, October 30

6:30 AM † Martin Librada & Sons

8:00 AM Michael Duran & † Mamie Jesu

Thursday, October 31

6:30 AM Ed Magdaleno

8:00 AM † PJ Manning Lunsford &
Bernadette Moore

Friday, November 1

6:30 AM End to Abortion

8:00 AM † Theodore Bittl &
† PJ Manning Lunsford

5:30 PM † Linda Posakony Rieder &
† Terencio & Matilde Gener

Saturday, November 2

8:00 AM † Betty Marks

5:15 PM † Sr. Ellen Davies & Margaret Franzel

Sunday, November 3

8:00 AM † Joseph Del Monaco

9:30 AM Mass for the People

11:00 AM † Frances Yoong & Jessica Tasto

12:30 PM † Antonio & Nicandro Guzman &
† Maria Guadalupe Arroyo

5:15 PM † Maria & Magnus Studer

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

TUESDAY 9:00AM - 5:00PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM - SUNDAY 8:00 AM

Adorers are always welcome. Would you consider being an occasional substitute adorer? If so, please contact the Eucharistic Adoration Ministry at (805) 642-7966, ext. 175 or adorers@ola-vta.org..

Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



Happy Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

♥ Bob and Pippi Ramsay
66 Years on October 23rd

♥ Raul and Jeanne Hernandez
28 Years on November 2nd

BAPTISMS

Abigail Aguirre

Aviyan Zagal
Dominguez

Sebastian Zagal
Dominguez

Grayson William
Guntner

Lea Emiliana
Landeross



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

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

November 8th

6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 5:30 PM



PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Thirty-first Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Reading I
Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2

Reading II
2 Thessalonians 1:11 - 2:2

Gospel
Luke 19:1 - 10

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

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.



Parish Life



WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Thank you for your continuing support of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish. For the month of October 2019 our parish budget calls for \$22,129.00 to be donated weekly at the Sunday collection. The collection for Sunday, October 13, 2019 was \$23,720.27. 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

THANK YOU
for your generosity

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: \$86,555.84
(as of 10/15/19)

Amount Paid: \$84,907.34



Difference Over/
(Under)
Goal vs. Paid:
(\$40,292.66)

ARISE TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Our "Arise Together in Christ" groups have just finished their 3rd week of the six-week Season 1. Some comments from participants

* "It's been nice getting to know new people."

* "I've enjoyed the faith sharing."

* "I look forward to our weekly meetings"

Please continue to pray for the participants and the Arise Together in Christ program.



If you missed out on participating in Season 1, please consider joining us for Season 2 in the Spring! arise@ola-vta.org ext. 128.

ARISE Coordinators
Deacon Dan & Cathy Bojorquez



The OLA Parish Bereavement Ministry, Hispanic Ministry, and Music Ministry extend a special invitation to everyone who has lost a loved one through death to celebrate our annual bi-lingual

**All Souls' Day Mass
of Remembrance**
November 2nd, 10:00 AM

As part of the remembrance of the loss of a loved one, all are invited to bring a picture of your loved one and visualize them riding to Mass with you. Pictures will be placed on the altar prior to the beginning of Mass to celebrate their lives with our whole community in the presence of God. Pictures can be picked up any time after Mass or can remain on the altar until November 15th. Please have contact information on the back of the picture frame.

Those from OLA remembered this last year will also be especially honored by a reading of their names and the placing of a flower on the altar in their honor during this special Mass. During the reading of names family members or friends are invited to come forward to place a provided flower on the altar.

All are invited to a special reception to be held in Mulcahy Center following Mass to continue this celebration of remembrance. We pray this Mass will bring joyful, loving memories of those we loved.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Hark the Herald Angels Sing! The OLA Holiday Craft Boutique is almost here! The Holiday Angels have been sewing, painting, baking and crafting all kinds of goodies for your Christmas stockings and holiday fun. Come find that perfect gift for someone special - including you!

For more information: Terri Rojo at (805) 642-7966, ext. 109 or schedule@ola-vta.org.



HOLIDAY POINSETTIA SALE: FINAL WEEK



Every year Defenders of Life sell Poinsettia plants to help support Life Centers of Ventura. Reserve Now - Pay Later. To place your poinsettia order/reservation visit our table in the vestibule or call (805) 642-7966, ext. 184. Defenders of Life will hear your message and return your call.

What could be easier? Red Poinsettia Plants are \$10.00 each or a carton of 6 for \$60.00. Plants will be delivered to OLA the first week of December for you to pick up. Thank you.

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 Breakfast Cereal.** Please check labels for expiration date. You may also make a monetary donation to OLA Food Baskets. Thank you for your support.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20TH - SUNDAY, NOV. 24TH

Please volunteer to assist our parish with preparation and delivery of food boxes in our community. Sign-up on our website at www.olaventura.com. Start your holidays by extending your generosity to those families that are in need. Jerry Deal (805) 642-7966, ext. 164.



THE 14TH ANNUAL JOSEPH PALMISANO MEMORIAL BASKETBALL CLINIC SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM, ST. BONAVENTURE HIGH SCHOOL

\$20.00 per player, \$35.00 for 2 players in family, and \$45.00 for 3 players or more in family. Registration forms and waivers are in school offices or online at <http://JosephPalmisano.tripod.com>. For more info: Mary at (805) 644-4655. All proceeds benefit the fund and provides scholarships to Sacred Heart School students. Donations are also accepted and are tax deductible.



Faith Formation/Service and Outreach

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

**TUESDAYS: 9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
THROUGH 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 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 1 - 5

Information is available at <https://www.olaventura.com/Religious-Education-Program>.

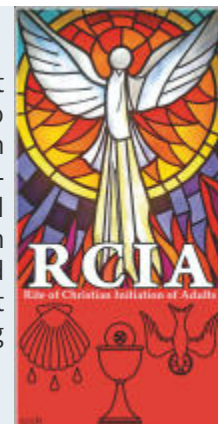
Pre-registration is required. Classes are already underway for this year. Questions: Please call (805) 642-7966, ext. 125 or email reled@ola-vta.org.



RCIA

RCIA is the means by which adults discover what it means to be Catholic and are fully initiated into 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. For more information contact Deacon Don Huntley via email at rcia@ola-vta.org or by phone at (805) 642-7966, ext. 123.

Any parishioner is welcome to drop in and be part of RCIA to learn more about a subject presented. Our next two gatherings will be October 29th - Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism & Confirmation, and November 5th - Sacraments of Initiation: Eucharist.



YOUTH MINISTRY CONFIRMATION

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. Contact Gabe Rivera: (805) 642-7966, ext. 121.

EDGE

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>. Sign up at EDGE for Michael James Mette family concert!



Service and Outreach

MANY MEALS & ST. ANN'S CLOSET COLLEGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 4300 TELEGRAPH ROAD, VENTURA

MEALS SERVED WEDNESDAYS: 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Many Meals will be hosting our OLA **Sunday Celebration on Nov. 10th** after 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM Masses. Please join us for breakfast and fellowship! Breakfast will include choice of burrito, frittata, and seasonal fruit, juice, coffee, and tea. \$7 per person, \$15 per family.



EUCCHARIST FOR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND

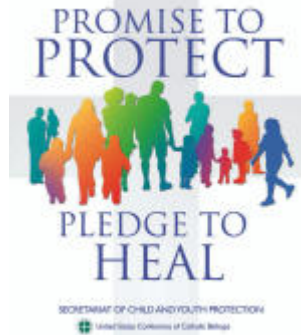
If you or someone you know are unable to attend Mass on a regular basis due to health or age-related issues, the OLA Homebound Eucharistic Ministry will arrange to visit each week and bring the Eucharist to your home. For more information: (805) 642-7966, ext. 141 or EMHomebound@ola-vta.org.

PHONE PALS

Phone Pals is a 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. We match 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! For more info, please contact Kate Mills: (805) 642-7966, ext. 112 or faithinaction@ola-vta.org.



Safeguard the Children/Service and Outreach



SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN FINGERPRINT SCHEDULE Santa Barbara Region

Saturday, 11/16/19

SANTA CLARA ELEMENTARY
(School Auditorium)
324 S. E Street, OXNARD 93030
For appointment, please call:
(805) 483-6935.

Saturday, 11/23/19

ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL
(Rothe Hall)
225 N. Olive Street
For appointment, please call:
(805) 585-1575



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



2019 VIRTUS® TRAINING

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Wednesday, 11/6/19, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION
(Santa Cruz Room)
Call (805) 390-1260 to reserve a place.

Wednesday, 11/13/19, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION
(Santa Cruz Room)
Call (805) 390-1260 to reserve a place.

KEEPING THE PROMISE ALIVE Recertification Training

Wednesday, 11/20/19, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION
(Santa Cruz Room)
Call (805) 390-1260 to reserve a place.

Friday, 1/10/19, 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
Santa Clara Catholic Church (Oxnard)
Call (805) 483-6935 to reserve a place.

DID YOU KNOW?

OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRAYS FOR THE HEALING OF ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ABUSED

As members of the Catholic community, each of us can contribute to the healing of those harmed by abuse, especially by remembering victim-survivors in our prayers. We pray for those harmed by someone, whether in church, family, school or community, confident that healing is possible, and mindful that we can all work to prevent further abuse. Inspired by the vision of a victim-survivor, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has created a prayer and information card as a tangible symbol of outreach and support to those in need. Please join in this effort and our shared hope that the resources and prayer on the card will reach those in need to bring the healing light of Christ to the darkest places of pain. The bilingual prayer card and posters, including information on how to report abuse, have been distributed to all parishes and are available for download at archla.org/support.



CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 13th at 6:00 p.m.. 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: Rochida McClure at ext. 143 or 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 ext. 124 or email singleagain@ola-vta.org. Next meeting: November 6th.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Join us to find support and help in working through the grief process & transforming your pain into healing & joy. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the Parish House (21 N. Dunning Street) from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Entry is down the driveway, through the gate, in the backdoor and through the kitchen. You can start with the group any time. Our next meeting is 11/5/2019. For more info please contact Ken at (805) 624 7966, ext. 150 or email griefsupport@ola-vta.org.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Have You Enrolled in Amazon Smile? It's a No-Cost Way to Give to Charity

The holidays are approaching and you can help by supporting us as you begin your holiday shopping. If you haven't already registered please go to Smile.Amazon.com and you will be prompted to choose a charity. Choose Our Lady of the Assumption Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Ventura CA. From that date forward, the OLA SVdP Conference will receive .5% of your purchase amount from Amazon.

Thank you from SVdP!





Ministry Information



OLA PARISH YOUTH CHOIRS INVITE YOU!

Our music ministers enjoy sharing their exceptional gifts during Masses on the first Sunday of every month, 11:00 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. 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.

'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.

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. For more information, please contact Joseph & Diane Domitrovich or Russ & Jeanine Walker at ext. 187 or 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 Feb. 28-Mar.1 in Antelope Valley. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Ed and Jo Lara at (818) 848-6729 or www.twocanlove.org. We help make good marriages better.

OLA CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 7:00 PM

Please mark your calendars and plan to come enjoy a break from the Christmas songs you will be hearing at the mall! All are welcome to join us for this free musical experience.



ROSARY MAKERS

Would you like to learn how to make a rosary? Our Lady of the Assumption Rosary Makers will be meeting Wednesday 11/13 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 ext. 166 for more information.



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 11/09. For more info call Jan Parrone at ext. 178 or visit www.shawlministry.com. To request a shawl please call the Parish Information Center at (805) 642-7966.



MEN'S MINISTRY

The OLA Men's Breakfast Ministry aka 'O'Dark Thirty' meets at 5:45 a.m. in Mulcahy Center. For more information please contact Ken Lynch: (805) 642-7966, ext. 151.



OLA WOMEN OF FAITH WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Save the Date!

Saturday, December 14th

Advent Morning of Reflection, featuring a presentation by Women of the Bible



OLA BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP DECEMBER 9TH, 7:00 PM SAN MIGUEL ROOM

The book under discussion on will be *Thea Bowman, Faithful and Free* by Maurice J. Nutt. Plan to read the book and attend this meeting in order to learn about an inspiring musician, teacher, and Catholic nun whose example living the Christian Life is amazing. All are welcome at the meeting. There is no charge, but each participant must get his or her own copy of the book. We hope to see you there. For more information, directions to San Miguel room, or to let us know you're coming, call Mary Ann Bognar at ext.167, or email bookclub@ola-ventura.org

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 or call ext. 135.



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION SCHOOL

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- Fall Movie Night: Saturday, November 2nd
- Snapper Jack's Fundraiser: Wednesday, November 13th
- Noon Dismissal: Nov. 21st-22nd, Nov. 25th-26th
- Thanksgiving Recess: November 27th-December 1st

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Saturday, January 25, 2020

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Si usted está de visita o se une a nosotros por primera vez, nos alegra que haya venido! Todos son bienvenidos en OLA. Animamos a todos los que deseen unirse a nuestra parroquia a completar los formularios de registro. La información está disponible en el Centro de Información Parroquial, en el vestíbulo de la iglesia, en el sitio web de la iglesia en www.olaventura.com, o llámenos al (805) 642-7966 .

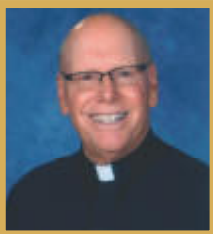
Todos están invitados a traer una foto de su ser querido y visualizar como ellos también lo acompañan a la celebración de la Misa. Antes de iniciar la Misa, las fotos serán acomodadas enfrente del altar. Acompañados por toda la comunidad recordaremos sus vidas y la presencia de DIOS. Se puede llevar su foto después de Misa o dejarla en el santuario hasta el 15 de noviembre. Por favor incluya su nombre y teléfono en la parte de atrás de la foto.

Queremos honrar de una manera especial a los difuntos que tuvieron su servicio fúnebre en Nuestra Señora de la Asunción este año, leeremos sus nombres y pondremos una flor en el altar durante la Misa. Les pedimos a los familiares y amigos que pase a poner la flor en el altar cuando se lean los nombres.

Después de Misa, todos están invitados a una recepción especial en el Centro Mulcahy para continuar celebrando la memoria de nuestros seres queridos. Esperamos que nos acompañe a esta Misa especial. Le pedimos a Dios que esta Misa nos llene de recuerdos llenos de gozo y de amor por nuestros queridos difuntos. Con la bendición de Cristo.



El Ministerio de Duelo, el Ministerio Hispano, y el Ministerio de Música le extienden una invitación especial a todos los que han perdido a un familiar. Acompáñenos a celebrar esta Misa bilingüe en honor de los Fieles Difuntos el Viernes 2 de noviembre, 10:00 AM



DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Alégrense y Llénense de Júbilo

Como maestro en el seminario de San Juan por 20 años tuve la oportunidad de ser parte de la formación, educación y discernimiento de los hombres católicos que se preparan en su vocación sacerdotal. La ordenación de un nuevo sacerdote afirma el tiempo que paso en discernimiento. Aun cuando un hombre decide no continuar, siempre sentí que era una victoria para la Iglesia por las habilidades y el entrenamiento mejorarían su vida como esposo y padre lleno de fe. Era un gozo y un honor haber compartido parte de sus vidas. Además, disfrute la amistad y el apoyo de los maravillosos empleados y el personal. En resumen, es un regalo compartir en este ministerio con tantas personas de fe

que continúa manteniéndome lleno de esperanza de que es Cristo quien guía Su Iglesia.

El Espíritu de Dios continúa revelándose Su presencia aquí en la Parroquia de la Asunción. Trabajar aquí con el Padre Joe, los diáconos y sus esposas, el personal talentoso, y tantos maravillosos líderes de ministerios, voluntarios dedicados y feligreses fieles que continúan revelando lo bueno que es Dios. Aun en medio de los retos que hemos identificado como una "Crisis en la Iglesia", estamos llenos de esperanza sabiendo que estamos comprometidos unos con otros y con el Señor. El papa Francisco alienta a sus sacerdotes y a su pueblo cuando nos dice:

"...el dolor de tantas víctimas, el dolor del Pueblo de Dios, así como el nuestro propio no puede ser en vano. Es Jesús mismo quien carga todo este peso en su cruz y nos invita a renovar

nuestra misión para estar cerca de los que sufren, para estar, sin vergüenzas, cerca de las miserias humanas y, por qué no, vivirlas como propias para hacerlas eucaristía. Nuestro tiempo, marcado por viejas y nuevas heridas necesita que seamos artesanos de relación y de comunión, abiertos, confiados y expectantes de la novedad que el Reino de Dios quiere suscitar hoy. **Un Reino de pecadores perdonados invitados a testimoniar la siempre viva y actuante compasión del Señor; «porque eterna es su misericordia».**

Esta es la razón y el propósito de ser Iglesia, una comunidad de creyentes que buscan la Unidad bajo el manto del Signo de la Cruz. Apreciemos y demos gracias a Dios por el regalo de la fe vivida en una comunidad amorosa de discípulos. Jesús, bendícenos con tu PAZ.

El padre León

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Bajo el dominio romano, los judíos pagaban un impuesto religioso a las autoridades judías para el mantenimiento del templo, así como un impuesto al gobierno romano. El impuesto romano incluía tanto los impuestos sobre la renta como los aranceles en forma de peajes para usar carreteras, puentes y para ingresar a las ciudades. Los impuestos romanos eran recaudados por una clase de contratistas independientes, generalmente judíos, que pagaban una suma fija por el derecho a cobrar. Cualquier cosa que pudieran recaudar por encima de lo que pagaban por la franquicia, era ganancia. Los recaudadores de impuestos eran un símbolo siempre presente de la opresión romana y a menudo utilizaban métodos crueles para hacerse ricos a expensas de sus paisanos. La sociedad judía trataba a los recaudadores de impuestos como la clase más baja de pecadores y como se consideraban traidores, eran rechazados social y políticamente.

Los fariseos eran estrictos legalistas que defendían la rígida observancia de la ley y la tradición judías. Ellos pretendían imponer esa misma rigidez a la gente. Aún siendo honrados por la sociedad judía, Jesús los vio como codiciosos, mojigatos e hipócritas.

Aquí, ambos están ante Dios. Por un lado, el recaudador de impuestos, libre de orgullo o arrogancia, se humilla porque sabe que es un pecador y pide la misericordia de Dios. Por otro lado, el fariseo se alaba a sí mismo porque no tiene idea de que él también es un pecador.

Dios nos pide que honestamente nos miremos a nosotros mismos y a cómo nuestras palabras y acciones tienen un impacto en los demás. Me pregunto si ¿yo realmente considero lo que hago y lo que dejo de hacer? ¿Perdí una oportunidad para ser compasivo y ayudar? ¿Perdí la oportunidad de actuar como lo haría Jesús? ¿Me he acercado a los que son rechazados social y políticamente? Sin importar quién seas, nadie está más allá del alcance de la misericordia de Dios. Tengo que entender que necesito de su misericordia y que necesito pedirla.

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

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Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church, Ventura, CA

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Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Financial Statement

Operating Income	Church	School
Collection Envelopes	1,200,764	0
Tuition and Fees	72,911	1,441,606
Fundraising	0	87,908
Restricted/Building Donations	760,736	30,202
Preschool & Daycare	0	166,221
Other (property rental, donations, exchange)	114,642	29,832
Bequests	33,242	0
School Subsidy	0	40,000
Total Operating Income	2,182,295	1,795,769
Operating Expenses	Church	School
Salaries & Benefits	844,763	1,405,330
Operating Costs (includes exchange)	604,147	119,843
Other (primarily Education and Ministry)	214,517	101,189
Archdiocesan Assessment	135,391	0
School Subsidy	40,000	0
Total Operating Expenses	1,838,818	1,626,362
Capital Improvements (-)	71,787	40,855
Contributions to Financial Reserves (-)	329,082	0
Withdrawal from Financial Reserve (+)	0	32,250
NET Income/Outgoing	-57,392	+160,802

Envelope and Plate Collection Fiscal Years 2015 - 2019



Your Offerings At Work

Income

Our Lady of the Assumption relies on your donations. Thank you for your support. Regular envelope and holy day giving for this last fiscal year totaled about \$1.2 million which is slightly down from the year before. Many factors contributed to the decrease in weekly envelope collections, the most prominent being the Called to Renew campaign and a decline in church attendance. This source of income essentially covers the ongoing operating expenses (see below). Special restricted donations totaled \$760 thousand. All totaled, including revenues charged for programs the revenues of the parish totaled just over \$2 million for the church and \$1.8 million for the school.

Operating Expenses

Our parish expenses went up last year. These largely consist of Salaries/ Benefits (\$844 thousand) and Operating Costs (\$604 thousand) which include utilities, insurances, liturgy expenses, repairs and maintenance etc. The Ministry and Education costs were down and totaled \$214 thousand this year. Education costs this year also included \$40 thousand for school subsidy. Our Lady of the Assumption keeps 90% of general donations and 100% of building fund and other restricted donations. These are used for renovation, upkeep, repairs, and improvements of our aging facilities, education and social services. Our assessment paid to the Archdiocese this year was \$135 thousand. All totaled, Our Lady of the Assumption's operating expenses were \$1.8 million. Adding in the completed capital improvements this year, we had a net decrease of \$57 thousand in our reserves.

