

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 12, 2017

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Deacon Loc Nguyen

Office Hours

Monday 10:00AM to 12PM

Tues. – Fri.: 8:00AM to 12PM

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM (English)

7:00PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12 Noon

4PM (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8AM

First Friday: after 7:30PM Benediction

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays from 5PM-7:30PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena-Wednesdays
after morning mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy- Mondays & Fridays
after morning mass

Confessions

Saturday 3:30PM to 4:30PM or by appointment

RCIA

Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church, contact Rene Asuncion at 925-458-4574.

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office. Spanish Classes, contact Hilda Avelar at 925-458-3656. Vietnamese baptisms, contact Fr. Peter Dung at the parish office.

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Religious Education

Contact Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed.

Tel:(925) 458-4574 *Website: olqwr.olqw.org

Email: director@olqwr.olqw.org

St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Mondays 9:30AM -11AM in the Parish hall

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 13

7:30 am Antonio & Jouilta Santos

Tuesday, March 14

7:30 am Robert Maxwell

Wednesday, March 15

7:30 am Luisa Servigon

Thursday, March 16

7:30 am Catalina Bautista

Friday, March 17

7:30 am Gloria Nilo

Saturday, March 18

8:00 am Eddy Hampton

5:00 pm Inocensia Frijas Rabang

7:00 pm (SP) Gabriela Marin

Sunday, March 19

8:00 am Elisa & Jonah Ngo

10:00 am Family Intention

12:00 pm Arturo & Aurora Mediana

4:00 pm (VIET)

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MT 17:1-9

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him.

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Fr. Culver, Carol Hampton, Ed Plaza, German Duarte, all those in the Parish who are sick, and all those listed in the Book of Intention. If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please call the rectory.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

March 5, 2017: \$4,955

Building Fund: \$2,809

2015 Assessment: Owe \$34,937

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or "Our Lady Queen of the World." This applies to all second collections also, unless otherwise noted. Capital Campaign checks are written to: **Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together.**

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements for the 2016 year are now available. If you would like to receive a statement, please make a note on your weekly envelope or contact the parish office. If you are not a registered parishioner or do not have an envelope number, no contribution statements will not be available.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association

cheska.simon@yahoo.com

Hispanic Association

Gladys Giron (925) 334-9873

Columbiettes

Columbiettes08@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus

gk7164@yahoo.com

Regina Mundi Guild

Patsy Welty, President 925-458-6787

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Louise Salazar, President

Legion of Mary

Rick Belza 925-261-0283

Vietnamese Association

PRAYING ON THE ROAD TO CALVARY

by Chris Sullivan

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

<http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/second-sunday-of-lent-cycle-a-sunday-connection>

Living the way of the cross is inevitable. The Lenten journey begins with a reminder of our own mortality: "From dust we came and to dust we shall return." Not one of us, as they say, escapes this journey alive. Death is the universal end of our earthly lives, and every one of us, if we live long enough, dies smaller deaths along the way.

These are the moments that can most try our faith—the fears, grief, and failures that pockmark the road and cause us to stumble or to crumble. An accident. A cancer diagnosis. Abuse. Betrayal. Divorce. Broken dreams. Every one of us carries a burden, often in secret. We put on a brave face.

We cry out to God—and we sometimes wonder if God hears. In this we are in exalted company. The Lord Jesus himself cries out from the cross, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Matthew 27:46) As Jesus shares our burden of death and the fearsome prospect of being abandoned by God, he also lights the path of hope: "...those who lose their life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 16:25).

How do we pray to and with Jesus when we feel we've lost ourselves? Some have suggested that one of the most potent prayers we have at our disposal is also one of the simplest: "Help!" When my mother died at 53 after a short and brutal battle with leukemia, I was in a dark hour and discovered for the first time what it means for someone to pray for me. A wise pastor reminded me that when I could not pray, my brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ could pray instead.

Our Catholic heritage offers us refuge in knowing that all the saints, living and dead, can lift up prayers on our behalf. We have the devotional prayers of our tradition—the Our Father, the Hail Mary, the Memorare, and the book of Psalms—which give us words for the times when we have no words of our own.

We also have silence. "Silence is God's first language," teaches St. John of the Cross. In our dark hours, it can be enough to lift our sufferings in wordless silence to God.

Lent ends with an empty tomb and the resurrected Messiah whose triumph promises our own resurrections. May our prayer this Lent unite our suffering with the Lord's suffering so that we can find in him the life he promises.

<http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/lent/articles/praying-on-the-road-to-calvary>

BIBLE QUIZ

Which king of Israel was renowned for his wisdom?

- A. Hezekiah
- B. Solomon
- C. Isaiah
- D. David

Last week's answer: The first three kings of Israel, in order, were: D. Saul, David, Solomon

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

FOOD DRIVE

We will maintain a donation barrel for non-perishable foods in the church foyer; please be generous. Our groups of volunteers are here every Monday, and they always need groceries to help the needy in our community. The demand has been much greater!



Feeding the Community

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

EASTER DONATIONS



The Youth Group will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt after the 12:00 pm mass on Easter Sunday April 16, 2017.

They are asking for donations of plastic eggs, baskets and prizes or cash donations. Donations can be brought to the CCD office or the rectory.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



ST. PATRICK'S DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the 9th annual St. Patrick's dinner on Saturday, March 18th. Tickets will be on sale after all masses through March 12th. No tickets will be sold at the door.



Adults: \$12.50

Youth 10 & Under: \$6.00

HISPANIC COMMUNITY

PROCLAMADORES DE LA PALABRA

La Diocesis de Oakland nos invita al Taller para: "Proclamadores de la Palabra"

Dia: Martes 21 de Marzo, 2017

Hora: 7-9 PM

Lugar: Parroquia Nuestra Senora Reina del Mundo

Donacion: \$5.00 Dolares

PARISH EVENTS

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, March 14 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office. **We will not schedule any baptisms during the season of Lent.**



LENTEN SOUP



Come join the Parish Community every Monday during Lent for a simple Lenten soup dinner. This

Monday, March 13, the dinner will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Our Lenten tradition of praying The Stations of the Cross will continue every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm in the Church. All are invited to come and enter

into the Passion of our Lord.

DIVINE MERCY PLAY

Save the date! St. Luke Productions presents:



FAUSTINA, MESSENGER OF DIVINE MERCY

April 28, 2017

7:00pm

Our Lady Queen of the World Church Hall

Tickets: \$15adults

\$5 youth

\$25 front row

Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office or online at tinyurl.com/OLQWplay, For more information, contact Katt Embody at kattembody@gmail.com or 925-439-7246.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Wednesdays, March 8 – April 5, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
San Damiano Retreat Center
710 Highland Dr., Danville
925-837-9141 katerik@sandamiano.org

As part of your Lenten spiritual practice, join us on Wednesday evenings March 8- April 5 for Taize Prayer in the San Damiano Retreat Chapel. Taize Prayer is a prayer service designed for contemplation through music, song, and silence. No prior knowledge for music or singing is needed. Come away from your busy life to rest in the Lord.

IMMIGRATION COMMUNITY MEETING

Catholics United for Social Justice, Concord Police Department, Catholic Charities of the East Bay, and Mt. Diablo Unified School District invite immigrant families to an informal gathering to offer a forum for you to converse and obtain information. Three events will be offered:

March 16, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
860 Oak Grove Rd., Concord

March 28, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Cambridge Elementary School Cafeteria
1135 Lacey Ln., Concord

April 19, 6:3 pm – 8:00 pm
Meadow Homes Elementary School Cafeteria
1371 Detroit Ave., Concord

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Friday – Sunday, April 28 - 30
Gloria Maldonado 510-384-6875
gloriamaldonado375@sbcglobal.net
AfterTheChoice.org

The Diocese of Oakland will host a Rachel's Vineyard weekend healing retreat the weekend of April 28 - 30. Rachel's Vineyard Retreats and Post-Abortion Healing groups offer hope, help, and healing for the soul in a loving, supportive environment, and result in life-changing transformations. Confidential sign-ups for women, men, and couples are happening now. Don't delay your healing and renewal in Christ any longer! To register or find out more, contact Gloria Maldonado, see above, or visit AfterTheChoice.org.

MARYKNOLL BOLIVIA IMMERSION TRIP

August 14 – 26
Dn. Leonel Yoque 213-747-9676
LYouque@maryknoll.org
Maryknoll.us/home/mission-trips

Young adults seeking to enrich their personal and ministerial Catholic Identity are invited to apply for this immersion experience in Bolivia. Help out in programs that benefit local people and the systems that jeopardize their human dignity, build relationships within communities, grow in Faith through on-site prayer and reflection, and share the gift of your experience with your peers as you return to the US. Deadline to apply is April 30. Apply in English or Spanish.

RCIA

Please continue to pray for our catechumens and candidates as they now enter into a period of deeper formation in the RCIA process.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Mon. 3/13	5pm 7pm	H: Lenten Soup Religious Education
Tues. 3/14	7pm	H: Pre-Baptism Class
Wed. 3/15	5pm 7pm 7:30pm	P#2: Legion of Mary H: Filipino CommunityMtg. H: St. Patrick Dinner Mtg.
Thurs. 3/16	7pm 7-8:30pm	CH: Divine Mercy Group H: RCIA
Fri. 3/17	7pm 7pm	P#1 Hispanic Choir CH: Stations of the Corss
Sat. 3/18	9-10:30am 6pm	Religious Education St. Patrick Dinner



All God's People
- United in Faith -
2017 BISHOP'S APPEAL

MINISTRY FOCUS

Faith and Formation:

A portion of the Bishop's Appeal goes to help fund the Faith and Formation of our parish communities and many more in the diocese. Programs such as CYO, young adult ministries, and marriage preparation are just a few ministries funded by the Appeal.

As we go forth "United in Faith," it is the responsibility of all Catholics to grow deeper in relationship with God and become more faithful stewards of His gifts as we also share our faith in mission to all people.

Help for All Parishes:

100% of all funds collected over an individual parish's goal are returned directly to the parish. In 2016 Appeal, 36 parishes exceeded their Appeal goal. Parishes are set to get their rebate checks by the end of February

We hope to see even more parishes exceed their goal in 2017!

**COMMITMENT WEEKEND IS
NEXT WEEKEND!**

**For more information on the 2017
Bishop's Appeal please visit
www.oakdiocese.org/giving**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Bishop's Appeal?

The Bishop's Appeal is an organized effort to give every Catholic family in the Diocese of Oakland the opportunity to make a gift to the best of their financial ability to support the ministries and services that no one parish can provide on its own. It gives each household a chance to help further the mission of the Diocesan Church, through sharing our gifts and our faith as responsible stewards as we, together, share God's Mercy.

What does the Bishop's Appeal Fund?

- Pastoral Ministries & Services
- Religious Education & Formation
- Clergy Formation & Support
- Support for Catholic Schools & Parishes in Need
- Safe Environment Programs
- Assisting Local Parishes

More information can be found in the Bishop's Appeal brochure found in church, or by going to www.oakdiocese.org/giving.

Is the Bishop's Appeal different than the "Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together" capital campaign?

Yes. The Bishop's Appeal funds completely different components than the capital campaign with the exception of priest's retirement. The money received from the Appeal will be applied to the components listed above and is completely separate from the capital campaign account

Good Music for a Good Cause

NOTES FOR NOURISHMENT



World-Renowned Musicians

Performing Free Concerts for the Bay Area! Donations collected for nonprofit organizations that nourish our community

Sundays @ 3pm Sharing different artists & cultures each month
Venue: St Joseph Basilica, 1109 Chestnut, Alameda!

MARCH 19 @ 3pm "The Carpenter's Trio"

A special theme honoring our host venue, the Basilica of St Joseph, on its name-day! Be swept away by the dynamic sounds of very special *wood-crafted* instruments in the hands of international masters **TOM STONE**, violin, & **AMY LEUNG**, cello, with NFN host **DONNA STOERING**, piano. Beneficiary: SJBalameda.org projects in the community

APRIL 2 @ 3pm Faust & Rachmaninov: a Story in Music

NFN host **DONNA STOERING**, an award-winning recording artist, concert pianist & TEDx speaker who has served as Artistic Ambassador for both UK and USA to countries worldwide, performs the rarely-heard 2nd Sonata of Rachmaninov, which uses the piano to tell Faust's story. Beneficiary: ASEB (Alzheimers Services of the East Bay).

MAY 21 @ 3pm Golden Gate Boys Choir & Bell Ringers

Under its founder & director, Steven J Meyer, this Bay Area group has been "building bridges of understanding through music since 1988". They have completed successful tours of Europe, Asia, North America, and Australia, also performing at the Vatican, the United Nations and the White House. This concert will have two beneficiary organizations: GGBCBR scholarship assistance for needy boys, and a local charity that works with refugees/migrants.

Info: (510) 540 8136 see *Notes for Nourishment* on FB, or NotesForNourishment.org