

# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD: MARCH 25, 2018

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### Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

### 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: 7:30PM

### 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](http://olqwr.olqw.org)

Email: [director@olqwr.olqw.org](mailto:director@olqwr.olqw.org)

### St. Vincent de Paul

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

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Monday, March 26**

7:30 am Anna Hang Tran

### **Tuesday, March 27**

7:30 am Johnny

### **Wednesday, March 28**

7:30am Angelina & Juanito Lingasin

### **Thursday, March 29**

7:30am For all parishioners

### **Saturday, March 31**

7:00pm For all parishioners

### **Sunday, April 1**

8:00 am Ngan Vu

10:00 am Dante Madarang

12:00 pm Antero Malonosan

2:00pm (SP)

4:00pm (VIET)

## **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**Jn 12:12-16**

When the great crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out: "Hosanna!

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel."

Jesus found an ass and sat upon it, as is written:

Fear no more, O daughter Zion;

see, your king comes, seated upon an ass's colt.

His disciples did not understand this at first,

but when Jesus had been glorified

they remembered that these things were written about him

and that they had done this for him.

## **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS**

### **Filipino Association**

*Lourdes Servigon* 925-334-9111

### **Hispanic Association**

*Rosie Estrada, Coordinator* 925-639-7946

*Gladys Giron, Secretary* 925-334-9873

### **Columbiettes**

*Columbiettes08@gmail.com*

### **Knights of Columbus**

*gk7164@yahoo.com*

### **Regina Mundi Guild**

*Leah Abejuela, President*

*labejuela@gmail.com*

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

*Esther Tilton, President*

*SVDPOLQW@gmail.com*

*Lina Ramon, Treasurer*

*Katt Embody, Secretary*

### **Legion of Mary**

*Rick Belza* 925-261-0283

### **Vietnamese Association**

## **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Ed Plaza, German Duarte, Doug Parker, Kathy Nebel, Michelle McLaughlin, Liliana Baltar, Jovita Domingo, 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 18: \$5,309**

**Parish Assessment: \$1,368**

**Tax statements are being mailed out. On your contribution envelopes, please indicate that you need a statement or call the rectory.**

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.

## REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL



This Sunday, called Palm or Passion Sunday, is the first day of Holy Week. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday are called the Triduum—three days that are the highlight of the Church year. There are two Gospels proclaimed at today’s Mass. The first Gospel, proclaimed before the procession with palms, tells of Jesus’ triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Riding on a borrowed colt, Jesus was hailed by the crowds as they blessed God and shouted “Hosanna!” This event is reported in each of the four Gospels.

At the Liturgy of the Word on Palm Sunday, the events of Jesus’ passion are proclaimed in their entirety. In Lectionary Cycle B, we read the passion of Jesus as found in the Gospel of Mark. We will hear these events proclaimed again when we celebrate the Triduum later in the week. On Good Friday, we will read the passion of Jesus from the Gospel of John.

In Mark’s Gospel, Jesus’ passion and death are presented as the consequence of the tension between the Jewish authorities and Jesus that had been building throughout his public ministry. This tension reached its breaking point when Jesus drove the merchants and moneychangers from the Temple. After this event, the chief priests and scribes began seeking a way to put Jesus to death, and yet, this is only the surface explanation for his death.

When Jesus was arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin—the council of Jewish priests, scribes, and elders—he was charged with blasphemy, citing his threat to the Temple. When he was brought before Pilate, however, the religious authorities presented his crime as a political one, charging that Jesus claimed to be king of the Jews. In continuity with a theme of Mark’s Gospel, the messianic claim of Jesus is widely misunderstood.

In Mark’s Gospel, Jesus’ disciples are rarely models of faith and do little to invoke confidence in their capacity to continue his ministry after his death. They fare no better in Mark’s narrative of Jesus’ passion and death. At the Last Supper, the disciples insisted that none among them would betray Jesus. When Jesus predicted that their faith would be shaken in the events ahead, Peter and the other disciples protested vehemently. Yet in the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus returned three times to find them sleeping. Jesus prayed in agony over his impending fate while his disciples slumbered through the night. Just as Jesus predicted, Peter denied Jesus, and the disciples were absent during Jesus’ passion and death. Only the women who had been followers of Jesus in Galilee are said to have been present at the Crucifixion, but they remained at a distance.

Throughout this Gospel, Mark challenges the reader to consider the claim with which the Gospel begins: Jesus is the Son of God. When we read Mark’s account of the passion, we begin to comprehend the deeper theological statement being made about Jesus’ death. In Mark’s telling of the passion narrative, Jesus understood his death to have been preordained, and he accepted this death in obedience to God’s will. Jewish Scripture is quoted only once, but there are several references to the fulfillment of the Scriptures. Jesus understood his anointing in Bethany as an anticipation of his burial, and he announced that this story would be told together with the Gospel throughout the world. Jesus predicted his betrayal by Judas as well as Peter’s denial. At his arrest, Jesus acknowledged that the preordained time had arrived. Jesus was both confident and silent before his accusers. After he was sentenced to death, Jesus did not speak again until his final cry from the cross. The bystanders misunderstood and believed that he was calling for Elijah. The Roman centurion, however, affirmed what Mark has presented throughout this Gospel: Jesus is the Son of God. Nowhere was this revealed more fully than in his death on the cross.

During Holy Week, we prayerfully remember the events of Jesus’ passion and death. As we meditate on the cross, we ask again and anew what it means to make the statement of faith that Jesus, in his obedient suffering and dying, revealed himself to us as God’s Son.

## 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**

## PARISH EVENTS

### BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.



### LENTE COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Prepare your hearts for the celebration of Easter by attending our Lenten Communal Reconciliation Service on Monday, March 26 beginning at 7PM. Priests will be available to hear confessions in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### EASTER EGG HUNT



The Youth Group of OLQW will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018 at the parish grounds. The Youth group asks for donations of candies and gift baskets or toys for the children. Donations can be dropped at the rectory or at the CCD office. Checks can be made payable to OLQW.

Our next Bingo night is Saturday, April 7 at 6pm. Join us for a night of fellowship and fun!



## VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY

### FOOD FUNDRAISER



The Vietnamese community will be selling beef Pho after all Masses on Sunday, March 25. All proceeds will go towards fundraising for the parish. Come and enjoy a bowl or order one to go.

### IN REMEMBRANCE OF FR. CULVER



As many of you know, Father Culver LOVED movies. He had a large collection of movies that will be listed on Ebay. More than 56 listings of his DVDs have already been posted and more will be added everyday. What a lovely way to remember him while enjoying one of his movies. Just go to [tinyurl.com/FatherCulver](http://tinyurl.com/FatherCulver) and it will take you to his Ebay listings. All proceeds will go back to our parish.

### RELIGION QUIZ

What does not take place on Good Friday?

*Last week's answer:* On which day is Chrism Mass? Maundy Thursday



## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

<b>Mon. 03/26</b>	7:00pm	CH: Reconciliation Service
	7:00pm	H: Religious Ed
<b>Tues. 03/27</b>	7:00pm	CH: Holy Week Rehearsal
	7:30pm	H: K of C Officer's Meeting
<b>Wed. 03/28</b>	9:15am	CH: Legion of Mary
	7:00pm	CH: Holy Week Rehearsal
<b>Thurs. 03/29</b>	12:00pm	H: Easter Basket Pick-up
	7:00pm	P#2: Divine Mercy
<b>Fri. 03/30</b>	Divine Mercy Novena after morning Mass	
	4:00pm	H: Stations of the Cross (SP)
<b>Sat. 03/31</b>	Divine Mercy Novena after morning Mass	

## GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

### **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday).

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

### PASSION PLAY AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Church of the Good Shepherd Youth Ministry will present their 26<sup>th</sup> annual Passion Play, an original adaptation by one of the parishioners. Performances are scheduled as follows:

Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:00PM

Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> – 7:00PM

Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> – 5:00PM

Good Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> – 6:00PM

Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – 7:00PM

All are invited and welcome!



### CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE EAST BAY – STAND TOGETHER CONTRA COSTA

Catholic Charities of the East Bay is the lead agency for **Stand Together Contra Costa**; a rapid response, legal services, and community education project to support safety and justice for immigrant families in Contra Costa County.

The mission of this new network is to ensure that all people in Contra Costa County, regardless of immigration status or ability to pay, are afforded the due process rights established by the United States Constitution, and are protected from actions or policies that result in disparate, discriminatory, or unlawful treatment. For more information visit the **Stand Together Contra Costa** website at

<https://standtogethercontracosta.org/>, or call

**925-900-5151** (region covered: Contra Costa County).

Additional East Bay/Bay Area/NorCal networks:

**Alameda County Immigration Legal and Education Partnership**

Region covered: Alameda County

**510-241-4011**

<http://centrolegal.org/acilep/>



# *Holy Week Liturgy Schedule*

## Monday of Holy Week, March 26

7:00pm – Communal Reconciliation Service

## Holy Thursday, March 29

8:00am – Morning Prayer

7:30pm – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

*After mass, there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament from the Church to the hall for adoration. Adoration will follow until midnight. Everyone is invited to spend time with the Lord.*

## Good Friday, March 30

8:00am – Morning Prayer

12:15pm – Seven Last Words

*A reflection of the seven last words of Jesus will be led by Fr. Peter and leaders of each organization or community*

4:00pm – Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

6:30pm – Stations fo the Cross (English)

7:00pm – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Veneration of the Cross

9:00pm – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Veneration of the Cross (Vietnamese)

## Holy Saturday, March 31

8:00am – Morning Prayer

7:00pm – Easter Vigil Mass

## Easter Sunday, April 1

8:00am, 10:00am, 12 Noon

2:00pm (Spanish)

4:00pm (Vietnamese)

# ST. PATRICK'S DINNER - MARCH 17, 2018

