THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 26, 2020

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

(Matthew 4:17)
Monday, January 27
7:30 am  Father Richard Culver
Tuesday, January 28
7:30 am
Wednesday, January 29
7:30 am  Antonio Santos Jr.
Thursday, January 30
7:30 am
Friday, January 31
7:30 am  Lina Ramon
Saturday, February 1
8:00 am  Anna Tran Hang
5:00 pm  Kathy Alden
7:00 pm (SP)
Sunday, February 2
8:00 am  Mary Embody
10:00 am  Lita Gatmaitan
12:00 pm 4:00 pm (VN)

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GOSPEL READING
MT 4:12-17

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested,
he withdrew to Galilee.
He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea,
in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali,
that what had been said through Isaiah the prophet
might be fulfilled:
Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,
the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan,
Galilee of the Gentiles,
the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light,
on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death
light has arisen.
From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

PRAY FOR THE SICK
Beverly Cawley, Kathy Nebel, Sylvia Ho, Conception Huezo, Ray & Alice
Conner, Connie Trias, Claire Luna-Fernandez, Mario & Emma Dolor, Bertha
Baldauf, Amy Kueck, Jovita Domingo, Carol Wagner, Julian Martinez, Vir-
ginia Cabaddu, Nena Davi, Danny Muly, Michelle McLaughlin and 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 458-4718.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE
Sunday Plate January 12:$
Seminary-Diocese: $
Thank you for your contribution support to sustain the ministries &
ongoing needs of our parish.
Please make all checks payable to either “OLQW” or Our Lady Queen of the
World for both first and second collections.  Also please put your envelope num-
ber on the Memo line.
Today’s Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus’ public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus’ public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today’s Gospel places Jesus’ ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people’s diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus’ ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

Angela has the double distinction of founding the first teaching congregation of women in the Church and what is now called a “secular institute” of religious women.

As a young woman, she became a member of the Third Order of Saint Francis, and lived a life of great austerity, wishing, like Saint Francis, to own nothing, not even a bed. Early in life she was appalled at the ignorance among poorer children, whose parents could not or would not teach them the elements of religion. Angela’s charming manner and good looks complemented her natural qualities of leadership. Others joined her in giving regular instruction to the little girls of their neighborhood.

She was invited to live with a family in Brescia (where, she had been told in a vision, she would one day found a religious community). Her work continued and became well known. She became the center of a group of people with similar ideals.

She eagerly took the opportunity for a trip to the Holy Land. When they had gotten as far as Crete, she was struck with blindness. Her friends wanted to return home, but she insisted on going through with the pilgrimage, and visited the sacred shrines with as much devotion and enthusiasm as if she had her sight. On the way back, while praying before a crucifix, her sight was restored at the same place where it had been lost.

At 57, she organized a group of 12 girls to help her in catechetical work. Four years later the group had increased to 28. She formed them into the Company of Saint Ursula (patroness of medieval universities and venerated as a leader of women) for the purpose of re-Christianizing family life through solid Christian education of future wives and mothers. The members continued to live at home, had no special habit and took no formal vows, though the early Rule prescribed the practice of virginity, poverty, and obedience. The idea of a teaching congregation of women was new and took time to develop. The community thus existed as a “secular institute” until some years after Angela’s death.

www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-angela-merici/
BIBLE CLASS
Father Peter will be offering a Bible class for all adults interested in refreshing your knowledge of Scripture. Classes will be on Third Tuesday night from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The next Class will be on February 18th, 2020. For more information, contact Rene Asuncion or the Parish office.

PARISH EVENTS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Knights of Columbus invite you to come join them for Pancake Breakfast at Palis Hall on Sunday, February 2nd at 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

FOOD DRIVE
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Friday, January 31
7:00 pm  P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, February 1
9:00 am  Religious Education
3:30 pm  Confession
6:00 pm  BINGO

Sunday, February 2
9:00 am  K of C Pancake Breakfast
1:00 pm  Hall: VN School
2:00 pm  P#2: Vietnamese Choir

STO. NINO FESTIVAL
January 11, 2020

Marriage Preparation is an intense time for engaged couples. Our programs include periods of deep couple conversations, reflection and prayer. Presenters share their faith and marriages, addressing important real-life topics from a Catholic perspective.

Register online for Marriage Preparation Programs at www.EastBayCatholic.com or call Laura Windham at 510-267-8395.

SAN DAMIANO RETREAT
MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT
“Life-giving Love and Proactive Interdependence”
Presented by Fr. Rusty Shaughnessy, OFM, Richard & Karla Obernesser
FEBRUARY 7-9, 2020

“I’LL TAKE CARE OF ME FOR YOU, YOU TAKE CARE OF YOU FOR ME.”

REGISTRATION ONLINE IS AVAILABLE AT WWW.SANDAMIANO.ORG OR CALL US AT (925) 837-9141 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY PHONE.
WORLD DAY OF THE SICK, initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II and held annually worldwide near the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J.

Bishop Barber invites all who are sick or ill, as well as family members, caregivers and healthcare providers, to observe this day with him and many priests, religious and laity from throughout the diocese.

Please join us in this special opportunity to pray for the healing and hope in this fragile population.

WDS 2020 will include:

- Mass
- Sacrament of Anointing the Sick
- Blessing of Caregivers and Healthcare Providers
- Distribution of Holy Water from Lourdes, France
- Distribution of Rosaries
- Prayer Petitions to Our Lady of Lourdes
- Distribution of Lourdes Holy Cards
- Malta Clinic Open House
- Pope Francis Legal Clinic – Health Care Directive
- Reception to follow Mass

No RSVP is necessary.

For more information please visit oakdiocese.org/WDS
Happy New Year! 2020 is here! Our four beautiful ladies has been working hard the last few months of 2019 selling their respective raffle tickets. Below is a chart that shows the status of each candidate as of the first counting and the chart on where we are in meeting our goal for our "Solar Project".

Help your favorite candidates win by purchasing the raffle tickets, Souvenir ads or coronation ball dinner tickets. Souvenir ad forms are available from each candidate and on the table by the door of the church. The second counting will be held on March 5, 2020 and the 2nd Early Bird Drawing will be drawn on Sunday, March 8, 2020. Make sure to get your raffle tickets from your favorite candidates. All proceeds will benefit the "Solar Project".