Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 13, 2022

"This is my chosen Son; listen to him." (Luke 9: 35)

Fr. Thomas Khue, Parochial Administrator Deacon Loc Nguyen Sister Elizabeth Diep Huynh, Bookkeeper Maria Faye Dolor, Secretary

Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00ам - 1:00 рм

Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (English) 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon (English) 4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8:00AM First Friday: 7:30 am

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00PM- 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

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office.

* Spanish Classes, contact Gladys Giron 925-334-9873.

* *Vietnamese* baptisms, contact Fr. Thomas Khue at the parish office.

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed. Tel:(925) 458-4574-Website: olqwre.olqw.org Email:<u>director@olqwre.olqw.org</u>

• Religious Education

RCIA Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church.

• St. Vincent de Paul

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



Monday, March 14 7:30 am Pascual & Gertrudes Flores * Tuesday, March 15 Tinh Pham 7:30 am Wednesday, March 16 7:30 am Catalina Bautista Thursday, March 17 7:30 am Elisa & Jonah Ngo Friday, March 18 7:30 am Edgar & Rebecca Flores + Saturday, March 19 8:00 am Rosario & Gonzalo Arrivas Thanksgiving 5:00 pm Benita Vicente 7:00 pm (SP) Aquilino & Francisca Aguilar * Sunday, March 20 8:00 am Lynn Anderson 10:00 am Malachy Ohaegbulem Anyanwu * Natividad Garcia * 12 noon 4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

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GOSPEL READING Lk 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here: let us make three tents. one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Adele Discipulo, Virgilio Constantino, Francisco Arias, Pacita Grabek, Lynn Anderson, Helena Magante, Betty Tecson, Victoria Lapid, Bert Tomas, Po Hyun Cho, Henry Rodgers, Trinidad Crockett, Luz Valenzuela, Viet Anh Le, Patrick Kenney, Logan Kenney, Claire F. Luna, Bertha Baldauf, Ginger Lopez, Nadine Jerez, Carolyn Hoppenhauer, Mario Dolor, Paul Lapid, Daniel Muly, Michelle McLaughlin, Joe Quizon, Dave Lantz, victims of the Coronavirus, 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 March 6: \$ 6,799

Building Fund: \$ 2,315

2022 Insurance: Total: \$

2022 Assessment: Total: \$ 44,795.70 Paid: \$ 3,733.00

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 number on the Memo line.



On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The report of Jesus' Transfiguration is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew and Mark. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death.

POPE FRANCIS LENTEN MESSAGE FOR 2022



"Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up. So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all." (Gal 6: 9-10)

The Vatican released Pope Francis' Lenten message Thursday in which the pope recommended that Lent 2022 can be a time to put down the smartphone and encounter those in need face to face.

"Let us not grow tired of fighting against concupiscence, that weakness which induces to selfishness and all evil, and finds in the course of history a variety of ways to lure men and women into sin," Pope Francis said in the message published Feb. 24.

"One of these is addiction to the digital media, which impoverishes human relationships. Lent is a propitious time to resist these temptations and to cultivate instead a more integral form of human communication made up of 'authentic encounters,' face to face and in person."

The liturgical season of Lent begins on March 2 with Ash Wednesday. Catholics traditionally mark the 40 days of Lent with the practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Many choose to abstain from sweets, social media, alcohol, or other luxuries.

"Let us not grow tired of uprooting evil from our lives. May the corporal fasting to which Lent calls us fortify our spirit for the battle against sin," Pope Francis said.

"Let us not grow tired of asking for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, knowing that God never tires of forgiving."

"While it is true that we have our entire life to sow goodness, let us take special advantage of this Lenten season to care for those close to us and to reach out to our brothers and sisters who lie wounded along the path of life," he said.

"Lent is a favorable time to seek out – and not to avoid – those in need; to reach out – and not to ignore – those who need a sympathetic ear and a good word; to visit – and not to abandon – those who are lonely. Let us put into practice our call to do good to all, and take time to love the poor and needy, those abandoned and rejected, those discriminated against and marginalized."

For Pope Francis' 2022 Lenten message full text, please go to https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/it/bollettino/pubblico/2022/02/24/0134/00272.html#en.



Here are some more of Father Tom's scattered thoughts ...

My Dear Parishioners,

- 1. The alternative opening prayer for the 2nd Sunday of Lent today beautifully expresses our hope for this Holy Season of Lent, "Open our hearts to the voice of your Word and free us from the original darkness that shadows our vision. Restore our sight that we may look upon your Son who calls us to repentance and change our heart…" My prayer is that our hearts would be open, that we be freed from darkness and have our sight restored. It is really a prayer that we be transformed during this season of Lent!
- 2. It takes time for us to get to know a person. The longer we know a person the better we know that person. It took the apostles a long time to get to know Jesus and the longer they were with Jesus the better they get to know him.
- 3. The apostles Peter, James, and John got to know Jesus better when Jesus was transfigured before their eyes on the mountain top—They saw Jesus' divinity revealed! The Apostles got to know Jesus better and the meaning of being His Apostles during the Last Supper, in His passion, death and resurrection...It is the same for us. Our love for and knowledge of Jesus as well as our understanding what Jesus is asking of us, grow gradually—if we follow in His footsteps and listen to Him!
- 4. The attitudes of the Apostles Peter, James and John were transformed when they witnessed Jesus' transformation on the mountain top. Lent is also the time of transformation of ourselves and our attitudes in order to see Jesus more clearly...During the season of Lent we need to ask ourselves: "Where do we stand before God and each other?"
- 5. In today's gospel God the Father speaks to the three Apostles Peter, James and John: "This is my beloved Son, listen to Him." That is what Lent is about. Listen to Jesus! Are we giving God sufficient time to speak to us? Is the Lord asking something of us this Lent? So, my brothers and sisters, lest us follow the advice of God the Father: "This is my beloved Son, listen to Him!"
- 6. The Bishop's Ministries Appeal. It is that time of the year again...our Bishop asks for our help in carrying out the mission of service in our Diocese of Oakland. Please prayerfully consider making a one time gift or a pledge payable over a period of time. The goal of our parish, OLQW, is \$19,600. I do hope, with your support, we will make our goal this year. On behalf of our Bishop, I thank you in advance for your generosity. Donations can be made online at **www.oakdiocese.org/giving** or a check can be made to OLQW and on the memo line write "Bishop's Appeal."
- 7. Please pray for one another and pray for Peace in Ukraine.

God bless and Happy Lent Father Tom

PARISH EVENTS

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday in English during Lent at 7:30 pm in the Church. Every Thursday in Spanish during Lent at 7:00 pm in the Church.

Parish Lenten Retreat

English: Monday, April 4th Spanish: Thursday, April 7th Vietnamese: Friday, April 8th All retreat will begin at 7:00 pm in the Church. Speakers will be announced at a later date.

Palm Sunday: April 10th

Communal Penance: Monday, April 11th @ 7:00 pm

Holy Thursday: April 14th

Multi-Cultural Mass @ 7:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Hall: 9:00 pm—9:30 pm: Parish Community 9:30 pm—10:15 pm: Filipino Community 10:15 pm—11:00 pm: Hispanic Community 11:00 pm—12:00 am: Vietnamese Community

Good Friday: April 15th

Seven Last Words: 12:15 pm—3:15 pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish: 4:00 pm in the Hall Stations of the Cross in English: 6:30 pm in the Church Veneration of the Cross:

7:00 pm in English; 9:00 pm in Vietnamese

Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 16th

Liturgical Celebration will begin at 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday: April 17th

8:00 am, 10:00 am , 12:00 pm: English 2:00 pm: Spanish 4:00 pm: Vietnamese



"Feed my lambs, feed my sheep" 2022 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Dear Faithful of the Diocese of Oakland,

It is time once again to ask for your help in carrying out our mission of service in the Diocese of Oakland. The annual Bishop's Ministries Appeal helps with the expenses of vital ministries and programs throughout the Diocese. With your support, we are making a difference, even in these challenging times.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is *Feed my Lambs, Feed My Sheep*, which was Jesus's command to baptized Christians, to serve and care for his flock, helping more people to come to know God's love and mercy. We cannot complete this work God has given us without your support.

Again this year, I ask you to consider making a special commitment – a one-time gift or a pledge payable over a period of time – to help us minister to the needs of those in our Diocese. May I count on your sacrificial support once again?

With gratitude for your love and support of Christ and his Church,



Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, S.J. Bishop of Oakland

Bishop's Ministries Appeal Prayer

Loving and merciful God, we are your family, brothers and sisters entrusted with the mission of your Church in the Diocese of Oakland. We call upon our blessed Mother, Queen of the World and patroness of our Diocese, to guide us as a people committed to serving the needs of all God's people, to tend the flock entrusted to our care.

Look upon us, loving Shepherd, the sheep you have redeemed by your Precious Blood. We offer you our grateful prayer and ask your blessing on all our endeavors. Amen.

FAST & ABSTINENCE IN LENT

We fast in Lent to allow our physical hunger to remind us of our spiritual hunger and our need for God.

- Fasting is one full meal (with minimum food at other mealtimes) and no food in between meals for people 18-59 years of age.
- Abstinence is not eating meat for 14 years old and older.
- All Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence
- Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of Fasting.

Please do not bring flowers the Church during the Lenten season.



Every Monday during Lent, different Parish communities will be providing Lenten Soup at the hall from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

The schedule is as follows:

March 14th: K of C & Columbiettes March 21st: Hispanic Community March 28th: Vietnamese Community April 4th: Filipino Association

EASTER SUNDAY EGG HUNT

On Easter Sunday, April 17th, the Religious Education will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt after the 12 noon mass in the Parish Grounds. We need donation of Plastic Eggs in a variety of sizes and candies and prizes. Please bring them to the CCD Office during CCD hours on Saturday or Monday or bring them to the Rectory during Rectory Office hours no later than April 11, 2022.

Your donation is much appreciated by the Religious Education Department and the parish.

PALMS FOR PALMS SUNDAY **DO YOU OWN A SAGO PALM PLANT?**



We need donations of Sago Palm leaves for Palm Sunday. If you own some and able to donate, please bring them to the church hall on Monday, April 4, 2022.

SPANISH COMMUNITY TACO SALE

The Spanish community will be selling "Tacos al Vapor" (Steamed tacos) on Saturday March 19 after the 5 PM and 7 PM mass.

Order of three tacos (1 chicharrón, 1 potato and 1 beans) is \$5.00

Sorry, no substitutions of fillings

Please place your order with Gladys Girón at 925-334-9873 by March 18th.



Curbside Food Pick-Up

Date: March 20, 2022 (Sunday) P/U Time: 9:00 am to 1:30 pm Where: Our Lady Queen of the World (Church Hall) 3155 Winterbrook Dr. Bay Point, CA 94565

* Place your order via email or telephone: Nerissa Riray (925) 698-0180 nriray@comcast.net

Shawnie Graham (925) 261-8544 ladycion 16@qmail.com

** Order by Thursday ** March 17, 2022



Filipino COMBO DISH: Chicken Adobo/Veggie Stir Fry/Steam Rice For \$12.00 (Capital Campaign)

(Net proceeds benefit OLQW Church)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



<u>March</u>

March 2nd: Ash Wednesday: 1st day of Lent March 6th: 10:00 am Mass March 13th: 12:00 pm Mass March 20th: 1st Scrutiny @ 10:00 am Mass March 26th: 2nd Scrutiny @ 12:00 pm Mass

<u>April</u>

April 2nd: 3rd Scrutiny @ 5:00 pm Mass April 12th @ 10:00 am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the Light



WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, March 14

11:15 am	P#2: Legion of Mary
5:00 pm	Lenten Soup: Knights of Columbus
7:00 pm	Hall & Portables: CCD

Tuesday, March 15

Wednesday, March 16

Thursday, March 17

7:00 pm Church: Stations of the Cross (SP)

Friday, March 18

7:00 pm	P#1: Hispanic Choir
7:30 pm	Church: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 19

9:00 am	Hall & Portables: CCD
10:30 am	Hall: Hispanic Group

Sunday, March 20

7:00 am	Hall: Filipino Assoc.
1:00 pm	Hall: Vietnamese
1:00 pm	P#3: St. Joseph Group
2:00 pm	P#2: Vietnamese Choir

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

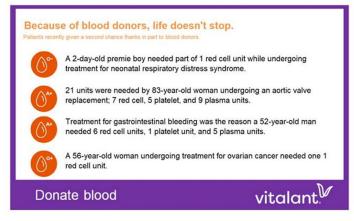
Please drop your Sunday Envelopes in the wooden box in front entrance of the Church or the rectory mail box or mail it to the Church. You can also go online at <u>https://oakdiocese.org/parish-support</u>.

OLQW BLOOD DRIVE

On behalf of our recipients, THANK YOU for sponsoring February's blood drive. We are so grateful to you and the donors who came out to save lives.

We started the drive with 31 appointments, 22 people attended the drive and **15 donors gave 19 lifesaving units of blood**. When whole blood is broken down into its components, it has the potential to positively affect the lives of three patients. This means that Our Lady Queen of the World has contributed to helping save the lives of 57 people at this blood drive.

Vitalant relies on our community partners to safeguard patient needs and replenish the blood supply as we all look at ways to recover and get back to normal. Your efforts are used to support patients in need.



<u>LENTEN RETREAT</u>



Sponsored by St. Anthony Columbiettes

THEME: OUR FAITH AND COPING WITH LOSS

When: Saturday, April 2-- 9 am to 3 pm

Where: St. Anthony Catholic Church, Padua Hall 971 O'Hara Ave., Oakley, CA 94561

For: All Christian Women

Pre-Register today – 925-848-8925 (Libby)

Cost: FREE FREE FREE FREE

Join us for a day of sharing and growing in your faith. Father Mac Lingo, Parochial Vicar, will be our main speaker. Brother Juan Carlos Ponce, our Pastoral Year Intern and St. Anthony Columbiettes will also be a part of the Team

We will start registration at 8 am and start retreat at 9 am to 3 pm in Padua Hall, located on Cypress Rd. side of parking lot. <u>Bring your</u> <u>lunch, refreshments will be provided.</u>

Don't miss this great opportunity to engage with others and reenergize your faith.