

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 20, 2022

*“I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!”
(Luke 13: 3)*

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

Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00 PM

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.

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• 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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, March 21

7:30 am Letecia Eroja †

Tuesday, March 22

7:30 am Felipe & Elvira Enrique †

Wednesday, March 23

7:30 am Elmer & Winnie Grajo Anniversary

Thursday, March 24

7:30 am Pascual & Gertrudes Flores †

Friday, March 25

7:30 am Benjamin Sr. & Tomasa Catalya †

Saturday, March 26

8:00 am John Pham †

5:00 pm Malbog Family Thanksgiving

7:00 pm (SP) Rosita Escobar †

Sunday, March 27

8:00 am Johnny Bautista

10:00 am Pedro & Gloria Franco

12 noon Constantino Villanueva †

4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

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GOSPEL READING

Lk 13:1-9



Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!”

And he told them this parable:

“There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?’ He said to him in reply, ‘Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.’”

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 13: \$ 5,858.35

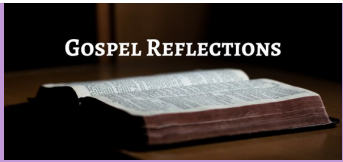
Parish Assessment: \$ 2,263.00

2022 Insurance: Total: \$ 19,319.00 Paid: \$ 4,844.00

2022 Assessment: Total: \$ 44,795.70 Paid: \$ 7,466.00

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.



Now into the third week of the Season of Lent, our Sunday Gospel prepares us to hear Lent's call to conversion and repentance. Today's reading is found in the chapters of Luke's Gospel that describe Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. During this journey, Jesus teaches and heals. He must also respond to those who question and challenge his authority and actions. There is no parallel in Mark's or Matthew's Gospels for today's reading from Luke. While Mark and Matthew describe an incident in which Jesus curses the fig tree, today's reading makes the barren fig tree the subject of a parable.

Luke tells us that some among the crowds report to Jesus a massacre of Galileans by Pilate. The intention of the crowd seems to be to ask Jesus to explain why these people suffered. It was commonplace to render people's suffering as evidence of their sinfulness. Jesus challenges this interpretation. Those who were massacred were no more or less sinful than the ones who report the situation to Jesus. Jesus replies that even a fatal accident, a natural disaster, ought not to be interpreted as punishment for sin.

Jesus' words at first appear to have a fire-and-brimstone quality. Jesus says in essence, "Repent or perish as these people did; all are sinful before God and deserving of God's punishment." The tone changes, however, in the parable that follows. The parable of the barren fig tree contrasts the patience and hopefulness of the gardener with the practicality of the property owner. When told to cut down the fig tree because it is not producing fruit, the gardener counsels patience. If properly tended, the barren fig tree may yet bear fruit.

Throughout his journey to Jerusalem, Jesus has been teaching about the Kingdom of God. In this parable, we find an image of God's patience and hopefulness as he prepares his Kingdom. God calls us to repent, and it is within his power to punish us for our failure to turn from our sinfulness. And yet God is merciful. He delays punishment and tends to us so that we may yet bear the fruit he desires from us.

This, then, is our reason for hope: Not only does God refuse to abandon us, he chooses to attend to us even when we show no evidence of his efforts. Next week's Gospel will give an even clearer picture of the kind of mercy that God shows to us.

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 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 my scattered thoughts...

My Dear Parishioners,

1. We are now in the 3rd week of Lent. This 3rd Sunday of Lent is all about second chances. The scripture readings prepare our heard for repentance and conversion. During Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, He teaches and heals...God calls us to repent, but He is patient and merciful. We need to be patient and merciful with one another.
2. Lenten season is a time to get a deeper relationship with God. I hope you are enjoying rediscovering Jesus and have found the answer to Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?"
3. We need to pray for our brothers and sisters who are in the RCIA and Adult Confirmation programs who are preparing for the Easter Sacrament. I am very grateful to them for saying "Yes" to Christ and to the Catholic Church and looking forward to celebrating with them on Easter vigil.
4. We are in the middle of Lent...How many Lenten journeys have we made? How many Lents will we see in the future? Jesus continues to call us to conversion and repentance.
5. "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep" is the title of the 2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all parishioners who have given to the Bishop's Appeal in the past, as well as those who also gave and continue to be generous to our parish , OLQW. This is a yearly appeal that assists our diocese in supporting a variety of ministries, services and programs that benefit many throughout the East Bay. We haven't achieved our goal in the past, but I do hope we, together, as a parish, do our best to make the goal this time. Our overall parish goal this year is \$19,600. 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."

With a grateful heart,

Father Tom

PARISH EVENTS



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 21st: Hispanic Community
March 28th: Vietnamese Community
April 4th: Filipino Association

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

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

LENTEN RETREAT



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. Bring your lunch, refreshments will be provided.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RCIA
A JOURNEY IN FAITH

2022 Schedule

March

March 26th: 2nd Scrutiny @ 12:00 pm Mass

April

April 2nd: 3rd Scrutiny @ 5:00 pm Mass
April 10th: Palm Sunday @ 10:00 am Mass
April 11th: Communal Penance @ 7:00 pm
April 12th @ 10:00 am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the Light
April 14th: Holy Thursday @ 7:00 pm Mass
April 15th: Good Friday morning events and 7:00 pm Veneration
April 16th: Holy Saturday 8:00 am morning prayers then practice



WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, March 21

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

Tuesday, March 22

Wednesday, March 23

Thursday, March 24

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

Friday, March 25

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

Saturday, March 26

9:00 am Hall & Portables: CCD

Sunday, March 27

7:00 am Hall: Vietnamese Community
1:00 pm Hall: Vietnamese
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 <https://oakdiocese.org/parish-support>.

MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 2022 AT 10 AM

The Church encourages all the faithful, especially the elderly, those seriously ill or anticipating surgery to attend this Holy Mass.

The Mass with the Anointing of the Sick is not only for the elderly or sick, but for all of us, so that we too may receive Healing spiritually and/or physically from our merciful God.

EASTER SUNDAY EGG HUNT

On Easter Sunday, April 17th, the Religious Education will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt at **11:30 am** on 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.

VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY

CURBSIDE FUNDRAISER

Sunday, March 27th, the Vietnamese Community will be having a Curbside Food Event. They will be selling some delicious rice plates and other goodies. Please see our website for ordering information.

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.



**St. Vincent de Paul Conference at
Our Lady Queen of the World Church**



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DISTRIBUTION**



**Saturday, April 2
11:00 am—3:00 pm**

or until supplies last

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OR WALK UP**

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of the World Church, the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano**

