

# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 3, 2022

*“Neither do I condemn you.  
Go, and from now on do not sin any more.” (John 8:11)*

*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, April 4

7:30 am John Pham †

## Tuesday, April 5

7:30 am Antonia Cruz Thanksgiving

## Wednesday, April 6

7:30 am Zenaida Santiago †

## Thursday, April 7

7:30 am Modesto & Gloria Salazar

## Friday, April 8

7:30 am Benjamin Fabia †

## Saturday, April 9

8:00 am Lina Arban

5:00 pm Gary & Betsy Samson's Intentions

7:00 pm (SP) Abel & Sulma Rosales †

## Sunday, April 10

8:00 am Nazariah Arban

10:00 am Ambrosia Nilo

12 noon Osorio Family Thanksgiving

4:00 pm (VN)



## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

**Filipino Association:** Nerissa Riray,  
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**Vietnamese Association:** Hiep David Vu, President  
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## GOSPEL READING

John 8: 1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" They said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

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, Leah Abejuela, Roy Tiano, Ana Marie Barre-ras, 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 27: \$ 6,532.00

Bishop's Ministries Appeal: \$ 2,578.00

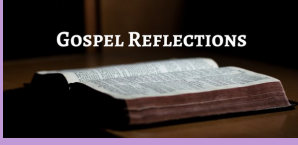
2022 Insurance: Total: \$ 19,319.00 Paid: \$ 4,844.00

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.

## GOSPEL REFLECTIONS



At the Liturgy of the Word on this Sunday, the events of Jesus' passion are proclaimed in their entirety. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read the passion of Jesus as

found in the Gospel of Luke. We will hear these events proclaimed again during the Triduum when we read the passion of Jesus from the Gospel of John.

Throughout Luke's Gospel we see that Jesus' words and actions proclaim the Kingdom of God. This motif continues throughout Luke's passion narrative. Jesus appears to be in total command of events at the Passover meal as he hands over the kingdom to his disciples. He welcomes them to the Passover meal announcing that this will be his last until the Kingdom of God is fulfilled.

As throughout Luke's Gospel, however, the disciples show little understanding of this kingdom that Jesus often announces. Following the meal, the disciples argue about who is the greatest. Jesus takes the opportunity to distinguish the meaning of leadership in the Kingdom of God from the forms of leadership seen in the world.

Jesus initiates a conversation with Simon and predicts his denial. Jesus then instructs his disciples to prepare themselves for the events that will follow. His words reveal an awareness of the challenges that all of them will face in the days ahead. As the disciples and Jesus enter the Mount of Olives, Jesus indicates the importance of the disciples' time in prayer, telling them that through prayer they will be able to face the challenges ahead.

As he prays, Jesus is tested. In the garden, an angel is sent to strengthen him and to prepare him for the events ahead. After this moment, Jesus is again in charge of the events and circumstances.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus is portrayed as active and vocal throughout his passion. When one of the disciples strikes the high priest's servant, Jesus heals the man, an event reported only in the Gospel of Luke. Jesus stops the disciples' protest against his arrest by noting that this is the "time for the power of darkness." Jesus engages and responds when brought before the Sanhedrin; his words speak about the "power of God" that will bring about the reign of the Son of Man. When questioned by Pilate, Jesus responds with just one phrase; yet before Herod, Jesus refuses to speak.

When Luke describes the Way of the Cross and Jesus' crucifixion, he calls to our attention many events that are not reported in the other Gospels. Throughout his Gospel, Luke has paid heed to the women who accompanied Jesus. Now, on the road to Calvary, Jesus speaks to the women who walk with him. Only Luke reports Jesus' words of forgiveness spoken from the cross. And only Luke reports the dialogue between Jesus and the good thief. Finally, in contrast with the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Luke reports no words of abandonment spoken by Jesus on the cross. Instead, Jesus, in full command until his death, commends his spirit to his Father and takes his final breath.

Throughout Holy Week, we will continue to reflect on 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 and brought to fulfillment the Kingdom of God.

## 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 retreats will begin at 7:00 pm in the Church.

### **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



Here are some more of my scattered thoughts...

My Dear Parishioners,

1. Lent offers us the opportunity to prepare in a meaningful way, for the blessing of Christ's Resurrection and our Salvation. During this sacred season we solemnly recognize Jesus' sacrifices with those of our own. Lent is also an excellent opportunity to make changes in our lives.
2. As I reflect on this weekend's Gospel—Jesus' words to the scribes and the pharisees remind me of something that I had heard in the past, "Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones." Jesus saw deep into their hearts and into their histories and certainly understood their motives.
3. What a contrast between the cruelty of the scribes and pharisees and the compassion of Jesus in the Gospel. The scribes and the pharisees had no regard for the woman. They condemned her and they were ready to stone her to death. They only wanted to use her to trap Jesus. Jesus restored the woman. He forgave her sins and did not condemn her. He said, "Go forth and sin no more."
4. After this encounter with Jesus the woman received forgiveness from Jesus and also her life back again. The scribes and the pharisees saw themselves in whatever Jesus wrote in the sand on the floor of the temple... I think they saw their sinfulness and they were ashamed of themselves. They began to drift away, one by one.
5. After this encounter with Jesus the woman changed...Before she was a victim, worthless and a sinner. Afterwards, she found herself worth and turned her life around because of Jesus' intervention. You and I have encountered Jesus a lot of times in our lives—in the scriptures and in the Sacraments. Have we experienced any change, any transformation?
6. The woman received forgiveness from Jesus and also received her life back again. Jesus invited her to live a life of grace and union with God by saying to her, "Go away and sin no more." You and I need to do the same whenever we encounter Jesus and receive His forgiveness and mercy.
7. When I worked on an Indian Reservation, I heard this story among the Native Americans. There was a father who had two wolves fighting with him, one bad and one good. His son asked which wolf wins? The father said, "Whichever one he feeds the most." Jesus said, "Go away and sin no more." Let us be compassionate and merciful like Jesus. Jesus said, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

Have a blessed week,

Father Tom

## **PARISH EVENTS**

### **EASTER FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR**

If you would like to donate flowers in memory of your loved ones, envelopes for your donations are available at the table inside the church. Put your donation in the envelope and complete the information on the front and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Your donation will be used to make our altar look beautiful as we celebrate the risen Lord. All donations must be received by April 12th.

### **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.

In this mass, we can also pray for our relatives and friends to receive healing too.

### **LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

**Monday, April 11th at 7:00 pm**

In the spirit of Lenten Season, plan to join the parish community for our celebration of God's forgiveness. An opportunity for all of us to confess our sinfulness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will have 12 priests here for confessions and absolutions in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

### **HOLY FATHER'S APRIL 2022 PRAYER INTENTION**

For Health Care Workers: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries, may they be adequately supported by governments and communities. Please pray for this intention during the month of April.

### **HOLY LAND—GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

The Good Friday collection provides the necessary basic cash flow and operating income to sustain the Catholic institutions in the Holy Land. The funds support Holy places as well as pastoral, charitable. Educational and social works which the church support in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities. Please be generous!

### **ANNUAL CHRISM MASS**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH AT 10:00 AM**

You are invited to the Chrism Mass, April 12 at 10:00 am at the Cathedral of Christ the Light. This liturgy, celebrated by Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J. unites the diocese in recalling the gifts of the Priesthood and the Eucharist. The Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens are blessed and the Sacred Chrism is consecrated at this time. These Holy Oils impact the lives of those who are preparing to enter into the Church, those who are ill, and all those who are preparing for Confirmation and Holy Orders. In a sign of unity and fidelity, the priests of the diocese concelebrate mass with our Bishop and recommit ourselves to their priestly ministry.

### **EASTER FOOD BASKETS SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights Of Columbus will be distributing Easter Food Baskets on Thursday, April 14, 2022, from 10am – 12noon to all Bay Point pre-registered families at the church hall. To register, please contact the rectory at 925-458-4718 or any Knight.

For additional information please call Steve Carstensen 925-458-6148 or Manuel Rosario at 925-595-4358 or [mnrosario@comcast.net](mailto:mnrosario@comcast.net).

Donations will be greatly appreciated.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**RCIA**  
A JOURNEY IN FAITH

### 2022 Schedule



#### April

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

## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

#### **Monday, April 4**

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

#### **Tuesday, April 5**

7:30 pm Hall: Knights of Columbus  
7:30 pm Church: Choir Practice

#### **Wednesday, April 6**

1:00 pm Hall: Regina Mundi Guild  
7:30 pm Church: Choir Practice

#### **Thursday, April 7**

6:00 pm Hall: Columbiettes  
7:00 pm Church: Stations of the Cross (SP)

#### **Friday, April 8**

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

#### **Saturday, April 9**

9:00 am Hall & Portables: CCD

#### **Sunday, April 10**

1:00 pm Hall: Vietnamese  
1:00 pm P#3: Vietnamese Catholic Mothers  
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>.

*Lenten* SOUP *Suppers*

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:  
April 4th: Filipino Association

### 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 hall on Monday, April 4, 2022.

### 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.

Parish registration forms are available on the table at the church entrance, in the parish office or on the website: [olqw.org](http://olqw.org).

For our records: We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, etc. in your family, please notify the office by email at [rectory@olqw.org](mailto:rectory@olqw.org).



*"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 p over a period of time – to help us minister to the needs of those in our Diocese. May I cou sacrificial support once again?

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

*+ Michael Barber S.J.*

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

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#### **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.*

"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](http://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