

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 23, 2023

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 24

7:30 am Ligia Ramirez⁺

Tuesday, April 25

7:30 am Iluminada Reyes⁺

Wednesday, April 26

7:30 am Fr. Joseph Dang⁺

Thursday, April 27

7:30 am Rose Lapointe⁺

Friday, April 28

7:30 am Leonila & Gloria Salazar⁺

Saturday, April 29

8:00 am Ebias & Vicente Families

5:00 pm Francisco Angsel Borja⁺

7:00 pm (SP) Zoila Rosales⁺

Sunday, April 30

8:00 am Amanda Graham

10:00 am Michael Enriquez⁺

12:00 noon Edmund & Teresita Fababier
Thanksgiving

4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Nerissa Riray,
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Portrait on the cover:
<https://cruxnow.com/commentary/2020/04/todays-emmaus-story-offers-lessons-for-quarantine-both-during-and-after>

GOSPEL READING

Lk 24:13-35

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?"

They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see."

And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"

So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.



Third Sunday of Easter
4/23/2023

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

Dear OLQW family,

1) Today the Church celebrates the 3rd Sunday of Easter and the Church invites us to reflect on the Emmaus story. It is a lovely story written for us by St. Luke: How the Risen Christ walks among us, how the Risen Christ is with us all the time, how the Risen Christ is not seen (what prevents us from recognizing Him?) It is Christ who comes into our midst. It is Christ who decides the time to reveal Himself to us. Here is the great mystery of faith. In every moment of our lives, in the brightest and in the darkness of times, it is God who reveals Himself in new and unexpected ways.

2) The Emmaus story also invites us to reflect on some aspects of the Holy Mass we celebrate every weekend. Whenever we gather together for an Eucharistic celebration, we are invited:

To hear Jesus,

To see Jesus,

To receive Jesus,

And to serve Jesus by sharing with others our encounter with the Word in the Flesh.

We continue the celebration of Easter. The Church continue the celebration. Easter Never Ends! Why? Because Jesus rose from the dead and He is with all of us and He is Everywhere!

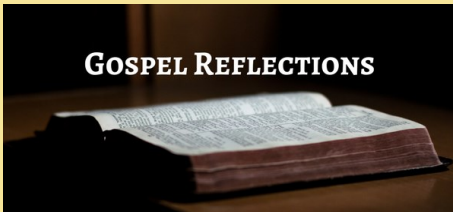
3) Mother's Day Novena will start on May 5th and continue until Mother's Day, May, 14th. There are envelopes on the table at the entrance of the Church and in the parish office. Please complete the front of the envelop. Enclosed your donation and drop the envelope in the collection basket or send it the parish office . The envelopes will be placed on the altar during the Novena.

4) Thank you very much for generous response \$ 2,957.00 to the Holy Land collection on last Good Friday. May God bless you abundantly.

Love and Prayers

Father Tom

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS



On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Saint of the Day: April 29



The value Catherine makes central in her short life and which sounds clearly and consistently through her experience is complete surrender to Christ. What is most impressive about her is that she learns to view her surrender to her Lord as a goal to be reached through time.

She was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and grew up as an intelligent, cheerful, and intensely religious person. Catherine disappointed her mother by cutting off her hair as a protest against being overly encouraged to improve her appearance in order to attract a husband. Her father ordered her to be left in peace, and she was given a room of her own for prayer and meditation.

She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer, and austerity. Gradually, a group of followers gathered around her—men and women, priests and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs. Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candor and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374.

Her public influence reached great heights because of her evident holiness, her membership in the Dominican Third Order, and the deep impression she made on the pope. She worked tirelessly for the crusade against the Turks and for peace between Florence and the pope.

In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes and putting even saints on opposing sides. Catherine spent the last two years of her life in Rome, in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Pope Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her "children" and was canonized in 1461.

Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy. Pope Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970. Her spiritual testament is found in *The Dialogue*.

PARISH EVENTS



CASINO BUS TRIP

SPONSORED BY THE FILIPINO ASSOCIATION

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023

\$40 PER PERSON

WITH \$20 CASH BACK FROM SKY RIVER

ASSEMBLE AT 7:00AM

OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE WORLD

3155 WINTERBROOK DRIVE, PITTSBURG, CA 94565

EXPECTED RETURN: NO LATER THAN 7:00PM

FOR RESERVATIONS, CONTACT:

CATHY COLLADO [925] 759-2641, CATA080833@YAHOO.COM,

OR TERESA ELAMPARO [925] 726-1015, TELAM513@YAHOO.COM

*THE FEE MUST BE PAID IN FULL, TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE TRIP. WE ACCEPT CASH OR CHECK PAYABLE TO FIL ASSOC OF OLQW (CASH PREFERRED).

*THE FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE IF YOU CANCEL LESS THAN A WEEK BEFORE THE TRIP.

NET PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT OLQW PARISH.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, April 24

11:15 am P#2: Legion of Mary

7:00 pm Hall & Portables: CCD

Tuesday, April 25

7:00 pm Hall: Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, April 26

Thursday, April 27

7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy Prayer (SP)

Friday, April 28

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, April 29

10:00 am Hall & Portables: CCD

2:00 pm Hall: Filipino Association

Sunday, April 30

1:00 pm Hall: Vietnamese School

2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir

EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS IN MEMORY OF

Natividad Garcia
Sheila Jaime Mansapit
Alejandro Jerez y Senora
Jose Leon Zapata y Senora
Giron-Zelaya-Butler Families
Pungyan Family
Heidy & Kurt Maxon

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Nadine Jerez, Carolyn Hoppenhauer, Mario & Emma Dolor, Daniel Muly, Joe Quizon, Jasmin B. Toledo, Thomas Solis, Anecito Montecillo, Fr. Tom, Katt Embody, Raul Gonzalez, Narciso Fontecha, Victoria Lapid, Danilo Henson, Eduardo Sahulga, Eva Panugaling, Edgar Villacorta, Lisa Jott, Betty Tecson, Eleccion Elevazo, Victor Mendoza, Rosalina Masangcay, Adolfo Miguel Jr., 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 April 16: \$ 5,900.00

Bishop's Appeal: \$ 4,254.00 Maintenance Fund: \$ 632.00

2023 Insurance: Total: \$19,534.00 Paid: \$4,909.00

2023 Assessment: Total: \$43,805.00 Paid: \$10,955.00

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.

RUMMAGE SALE

MAY 1 - 3, 2023

Sponsored by the
Regina Mundi Guild



MAY 1

(MONDAY)

5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

MAY 2

(TUESDAY)

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

MAY 3

(WED) BAG DAY

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

DONATION DROP OFF | APRIL 30 & MAY 1 | 9 AM TO 5 PM

ITEMS ACCEPTED: **CLEAN & USABLE** CLOTHINGS, SHOES, LINENS, JEWELRIES, WHITE ELEPHANT ITEMS, **WORKING** SMALL APPLIANCES, CHINA, DISHES, GLASSWARES, GAMES, TOYS & BOOKS

PLEASE NO ENCYCLOPEDIAS, TEXTBOOKS OR MAGAZINES.

WE NO LONGER ACCEPT: ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES THAT DON'T WORK; NO BABY FURNITURES LIKE CAR SEATS & STROLLERS OR ANY LARGE APPLIANCES & FURNITURES

MOTHER'S DAY

PANCAKE BREAKFAST BUFFET

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

May 14,
2023

8:00 am
to 10:00
am

FREE-WILL
DONATIONS
ACCEPTED

PRE-REGISTER A
SEAT WITH ANY
KNIGHT

- *Pancakes
- *Eggs
- *Eggs with chorizo
- *Biscuits & Gravy
- *Bacon
- *Sausage
- *Ham
- *Fresh Fruit

Holy Week 2023

