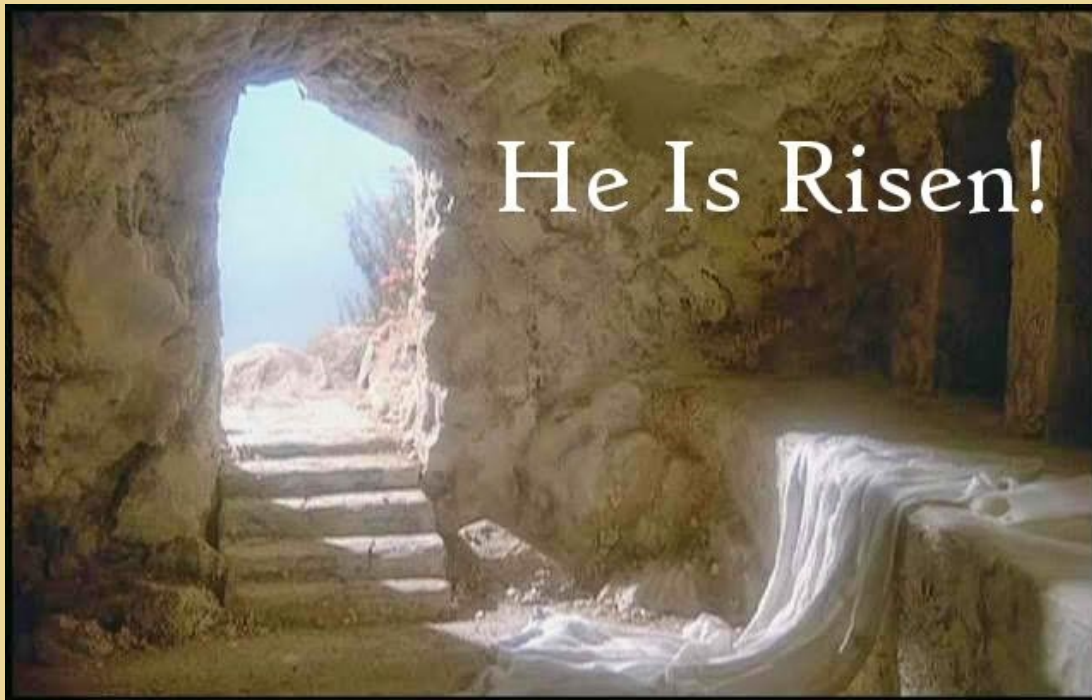


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EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 9, 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.

Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed.

Tel:(925) 458-4574-Website: olqwr.olqw.org

Email:director@olqwr.olqw.org

• 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 10

7:30 am Elena Villena⁺

Tuesday, April 11

7:30 am Liam Jack Bautista

Wednesday, April 12

7:30 am Felix & Inez Macapagal⁺

Thursday, April 13

7:30 am Joseph Nguyen Huynh Khang⁺

Friday, April 14

7:30 am Ambrosia Nilo⁺

Saturday, April 15

10:30 am Deceased Members of Laguardia Family⁺

5:00 pm Deceased Members of the Diokno Family⁺

7:00 pm (SP) Paula Marina Zelaya⁺

Sunday, April 16

8:00 am Eduardo Catalya⁺

10:00 am Garwai Bautista

12:00 noon Wilfredo Rabang

4:00 pm (VN)



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Filipino Association: Nerissa Riray,
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(Davidvu207@gmail.com)

Portrait on the cover:
<https://catholicvolunteernetwork.org/easter-sunday-reflection-forty-days-with-the-four-pillars/>

GOSPEL READING

Jn 20:1-9

On the first day of the week,
Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning,
while it was still dark,
and saw the stone removed from the tomb.
So she ran and went to Simon Peter
and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them,
“They have taken the Lord from the tomb,
and we don’t know where they put him.”
So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the
tomb.
They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter
and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the buri-
al cloths there, but did not go in.
When Simon Peter arrived after him,
he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there,
and the cloth that had covered his head,
not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.
Then the other disciple also went in,
the one who had arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed.
For they did not yet understand the Scripture
that he had to rise from the dead.

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 & Amante 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 March 19: \$ 7,247.00

Building Fund: \$ 2,799.00 Parish Assessment: \$ 1,249.00

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.



Easter Sunday
April 9, 2023

Father Tom's scattered thoughts continue...

My dear OLQW Family,

This is the day the Lord has made, Let us rejoice and celebrate!!!

1. Today, we celebrate the most unique moment in humankind, the Resurrection of Jesus who triumphs over death. Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! What a great joy we celebrate today, Jesus' Resurrection! Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection are the most important events in all of history. Jesus' life and the meaning of His passion, death, and Resurrection has been spreading and touching more and more people ever since.
2. It is my great joy, on behalf of Deacon Loc, Sr. Elizabeth, Rene Asuncion, Faye Dolor, and Tuan Nguyen, to wish you and your loved ones a very Happy Easter! Where better to be than here in this small, cozy, warm, and friendly church, Our Lady Queen of the World, offering our prayers and thanks to God and lifting up our minds and hearts to God with joy on Easter Morning. "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!" Easter is the celebration of new life. And all creation join in the celebration because Jesus is raised from the dead. Not only Jesus, but we are too!
3. Easter is the day to renew our faith and hope in the Risen Lord. Easter is also the day to recommit our lives to living for the Kingdom of God. I remember St. Augustine once said, "We are Easter people, and Alleluia is our song." May our song always be Alleluia! Christ is risen, Alleluia!
4. As we celebrate Easter and our renewal of faith, we welcome our newly baptized and confirmed whose new life in Christ prepares them for eternal glory.

Baptism: Marco Velez-Vargas and Corina Morales

Profession of Faith, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation: Huong Garcia

Holy Eucharist and Confirmation: Fabian Aguilar-Moreno, Iban Aguilar-Moreno, and Dulce Duenas

Adult Confirmation: Chayton Alvarez, Kevin Azanza, Brent Bonifacio, Angel Flores,

Diego Guerrero, Deyhanara Lizarde, Joselyn Martinez, and Catherine Perez

I would like to thank all those who journeyed with them and supported them.

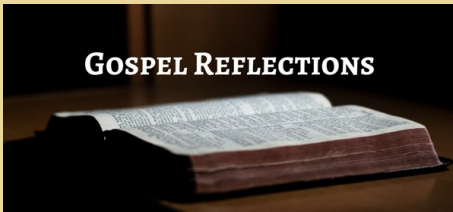
5. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank many people who worked hard to make the Lenten Season, Holy Week, and Easter a wonderful celebration!
6. Thank you to all who donated flowers and lilies for all the Altars. Their beauty reminds us of Christ's Resurrection and the newness of life. There is a new life for all of us after the tomb.

Happy Easter to all of you, and as always, you are in my prayers

Father Tom



GOSPEL REFLECTIONS



Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple.

Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead. Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.

Why Easter Is the Longest Liturgical Season in the Catholic Church

What Is the Octave of Easter?

The period from Easter Sunday through Divine Mercy Sunday (the Sunday after Easter Sunday) is an especially joyful time. The Catholic Church refers to these eight days (counting both Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday) as the Octave of Easter. (Octave is also sometimes used to indicate the eighth day, that is, Divine Mercy Sunday, rather than the entire eight-day period.)

Every day in the Octave of Easter is so important that it is treated as a continuation of Easter Sunday itself. For that reason, no fasting is allowed during the Octave of Easter (since fasting has always been forbidden on Sundays), and on the Friday after Easter, the normal obligation to abstain from meat on Fridays is waived.

How Many Days Does the Easter Season Last?

But the Easter season doesn't end after the Octave of Easter: Because Easter is the most important feast in the Christian calendar, even more important than Christmas, the Easter season continues on for 50 days, through the Ascension of Our Lord to Pentecost Sunday, seven full weeks after Easter Sunday! Indeed, for the purpose of fulfilling our Easter Duty (the requirement to receive Communion at least once during the Easter season), the Easter season extends a bit further, until Trinity Sunday, the first Sunday after Pentecost. That final week isn't counted in the regular Easter season, though.

How Many Days Are Between Easter and Pentecost?

If Pentecost Sunday is the seventh Sunday after Easter Sunday, shouldn't that mean that the Easter season is only 49 days long? After all, seven weeks times seven days is 49 days, right?

There's no problem with your math. But just as we count both Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday in the Octave of Easter, so, too, we count both Easter Sunday and Pentecost Sunday in the 50 days of the Easter season.

Have a Happy Easter

So even after Easter Sunday has passed, and the Octave of Easter has passed, keep on celebrating and wishing your friends a happy Easter. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us in his famous Easter homily, read in Eastern Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches on Easter, Christ has destroyed death, and now is the "feast of faith."

ThoughtCo. "Why Easter Is the Longest Liturgical Season in the Catholic Church." Learn Religions, Feb. 8, 2021, [learnreligions.com/50-days-of-easter-3970732](https://www.learnreligions.com/50-days-of-easter-3970732).

PARISH EVENTS

BAPTISM CLASS



Our next Baptismal class for parents and godparents is **Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7pm at Palis Hall.** Please register at the Parish Office or call 925-458-4718.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Congratulations to the following Conformandi Candidates who received their Sacraments on Easter Vigil:

**Iban Aguilar-Moreno
Fabian Aguilar-Moreno
Cheyton Alvarez
Kevin Azanza
Brent Bonifacio
Dulce Duenas
Angel Flores
Hoang Garcia
Diego Guerrero
Deyhanara Lizarde
Joselyn Martinez
Catherin Perez**

CCD Classes:

There will be no classes from April 8 to April 15. Monday night classes will resume on April 17th. Saturday classes will resume on April 22nd.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

April 7– 16, 2022

Starting on Good Friday, April 7th, after the morning prayer, the novena for the Divine Mercy will begin. The schedule for the Novena will be everyday after the morning mass until April 15th. On Sunday, April 16th, the novena will be at 1:00 pm.

Healing Mass with Anointing of the Sick Saturday, April 15, at 10:30 am

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

The Anointing Mass is not only for the elderly or sick but for all of us, so that we too receive HEALING spiritually or physically from our Merciful God.

(Please note there will be no 8 am mass this day)

LAS MONTAÑAS SUPERMARKET

SAN PABLO 13901 San Pablo Ave, San Pablo, CA 94806 (510) 965-1507 Monday - Sunday 7:00 am - 9:30 pm	CONCORD 1725 Willow Pass Rd., Concord, CA 94520 (925) 687-7417 Monday - Sunday 7:00 am - 9:00 pm	CONCORD 2691 Monument Blvd., Concord, CA 94520 (925) 686-5123 Monday - Sunday 7:00 am - 9:00 pm
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WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, April 10

8:30 am CH: Divine Mercy Novena
11:15 am P#2: Legion of Mary
5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community

Tuesday, April 11

8:30 am CH: Divine Mercy Novena
7:00 pm SM: Pre-Baptismal Class
5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community

Wednesday, April 12

8:30 am CH: Divine Mercy Novena
5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community

Thursday, April 13

8:30 am CH: Divine Mercy Novena
5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community
7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy Prayer (SP)

Friday, April 14

8:30 am CH: Divine Mercy Novena
5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community
7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, April 15

12:00 nn P#2 Legion of Mary
5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community

Sunday, April 16

1:00 pm P#3: St. Joseph Group
1:00 pm Hall: Divine Mercy Potluck
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



Welcome New Parishioners

If you are not registered, please take a moment to fill this out and return it to the parish office or you may drop it in the collection basket so we may contact you.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

Address _____

(Street)

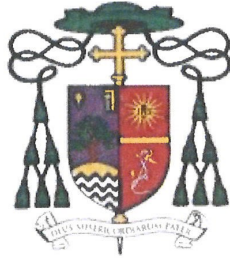
(City)

(Zip).

Email: _____

(If you are a registered parishioner and have moved or changed phone numbers, please update your contact information by calling the office at 925-458-4718 or email Rectory@olqw.org.)

MICHAEL C. BARBER, S.J.
BISHOP OF OAKLAND



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October 7, 2022
Our Lady of the Rosary

To All the Faithful of the Diocese of Oakland,

Our world is in need of renewal. Too many of our brothers and sisters are hurting and in need of healing - but too many of us are in turn separated from the very source of our strength: Our Lord Jesus Christ.

To revive our connection to Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, I am calling for our Diocese to join in the National Eucharistic Revival to reflect upon the centrality of the Eucharist in our lives and to reaffirm our call to be a people nourished, fed, and renewed by the Eucharist itself.

The theme of the National Eucharistic Revival 2024 is "Behold, I make all things NEW." Christ Himself invites us to renew our personal encounters with Him in this Revival. It is my prayer that as we all reinvigorate our devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and deepen our formation on the Real Presence, we will in turn be inspired to missionary action. Jesus is here and will renew us.

As part of this Revival, I am calling for a **Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Congress in 2023** with the theme: *"I am with you Always!"*

Save the dates:

September 8-9 for the Spanish-language track
September 15-16 for the English-language track

More details are forthcoming.

I know these weekends will be a wonderfully renewing time of prayer, talks, discussion, Mass, Adoration, and a public procession of the Blessed Sacrament. My appreciation goes out to the Steering Committee guiding this Congress, a group of the faithful on fire for the Lord chosen from parishes across the Diocese.

It is time to revive and rekindle the fire of the Eucharist in our hearts. We are looking forward to collaborating with you to make this 2023 Diocesan Congress not only successful, but also fruitful and faithful.

With the assurance of my prayers and blessings, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Michael Barber S.J.

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

For the greater glory of God