

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 27, 2023

*"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
(Mt 16,16)*

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. 7:30 am, Sat. 8:00 am
First Friday: 7:30 am with Adoration after Mass

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00 pm- 7:30pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:
Wednesdays after morning mass
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: Mondays to Saturdays
after morning mass
Exposition & Benediction : Fridays 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm 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.

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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 Saturdays 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm in the Parish hall

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, August 28

7:30 am Maximo Doctor +

Tuesday, August 29

7:30 am Rita M. Tan +

Wednesday, August 30

7:30 am Vincent Pham +

Thursday, August 31

7:30 am Ildelfonso– Sinforsosa Sebastian +

Friday, September 1

7:30 am Joseph Nguyen Huynh Khang +

Saturday, September 2

8:00 am Ngan Vu; Mai Dinh; Tinh Pham +

5:00 pm Maria Dinh +

7:00 pm (SP) Josie Maselli +

Sunday, September 3

8:00 am Josep Peter Le Van Truong +

10:00 am Raelette & Lou Gene San
Buenaventura Thanksgiving

12:00 nn Teresa Da Rosa Melo +

4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Nerissa Riray,
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Columbiettes Leticia Rodrigues, President
925-339-8662

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(gk7164@yahoo.com)

Regina Mundi Guild Leah Abejuela,
925-300-7081 (labejuela@gmail.com)

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President SYDPOLOW@gmail.com

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Portrait on the cover:
<https://caritas.us/blog/have-faith-do-not-be-afraid-matthew-14-22-33>

GOSPEL READING

Mt 16, 13 - 20

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples,

"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"

They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter said in reply,

"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus said to him in reply,

"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah.

For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.

And so I say to you, you are Peter,

and upon this rock I will build my church,

and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven;

and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

Then he strictly ordered his disciples

to tell no one that he was the Christ.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joe Quizon, Jasmin B. Toledo, Thomas Solis, Anecito Montecillo, Katt Embody, Raul Gonzalez, Fr. Tom, Narciso Fontecha, Victoria Lapid, Danilo Henson, Eduardo Sahulga, Eva Panugaling, Lisa Jott, Betty Tecson, Eleccion Elevazo, Victor Mendoza, Rosalina Masangcay, Adolfo Miguel Jr., Proceso Beleza, Patricia Diokno, Mario & Emma Dolor, Jovita Domingo, Elizabeth Zamora, 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 August 20: \$ 5,259.00

Parish Assessment: \$ 2,208.00

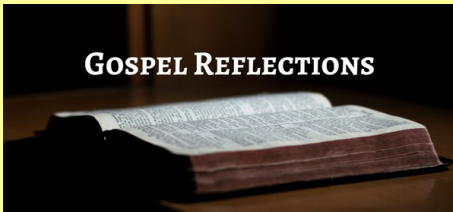
2023 Insurance: Total: \$19,534.00 Paid: \$ 14,659.00

2023 Assessment: Total: \$43,805.00 Paid: \$ 29,205.00

*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



It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/21st-sunday-ordinary-time-a-sunday-connection/>

Saint Monica

Saint of the Day: August 27



The circumstances of St. Monica's life could have made her a nagging wife, a bitter daughter-in-law, and a despairing parent, yet she did not give way to any of these temptations. Although she was a Christian, her parents gave her in marriage to a pagan, Patricius, who lived in her hometown of Tagaste in North Africa. Patricius had some redeeming features, but he had a violent temper and was licentious. Monica also had to bear with a cantankerous mother

-in-law who lived in her home. Patricius criticized his wife because of her charity and piety, but always respected her. Monica's prayers and example finally won her husband and mother-in-law to Christianity. Her husband died in 371, one year after his baptism.

Monica had at least three children who survived infancy. The oldest, Augustine, is the most famous. At the time of his father's death, Augustine was 17 and a rhetoric student in Carthage. Monica was distressed to learn that her son had accepted the Manichean heresy—"all flesh is evil"—and was living an immoral life. For a while, she refused to let him eat or sleep in her house. Then one night she had a vision that assured her Augustine would return to the faith. From that time on, she stayed close to her son, praying and fasting for him. In fact she often stayed much closer than Augustine wanted.

When he was 29, Augustine decided to go to Rome to teach rhetoric. Monica was determined to go along. One night he told his mother that he was going to the dock to say goodbye to a friend. Instead he set sail for Rome. Monica was heartbroken when she learned of Augustine's trick, but she still followed him. She arrived in Rome only to find that he had left for Milan. Although travel was difficult, Monica pursued him to Milan.

In Milan, Augustine came under the influence of the bishop, St. Ambrose, who also became Monica's spiritual director. She accepted his advice in everything and had the humility to give up some practices that had become second nature to her. Monica became a leader of the devout women in Milan as she had been in Tagaste.

She continued her prayers for Augustine during his years of instruction. At Easter 387, St. Ambrose baptized Augustine and several of his friends. Soon after, his party left for Africa. Although no one else was aware of it, Monica knew her life was near the end. She told Augustine, "Son, nothing in this world now affords me delight. I do not know what there is now left for me to do or why I am still here, all my hopes in this world being now fulfilled." She became ill shortly after and suffered severely for nine days before her death.

Almost all we know about St. Monica is in the writings of St. Augustine, especially his *Confessions*.

Reflection

Today, with Google searches, online shopping, text messages, tweets, and instant credit, we have little patience for things that take time. Likewise, we want instant answers to our prayers. Monica is a model of patience. Her long years of prayer, coupled with a strong, well-disciplined character, finally led to the conversion of her hot-tempered husband, her cantankerous mother-in-law and her brilliant but wayward son, Augustine.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-monica/>

PARISH EVENTS

DEVOTION TO OUR LADY

Wednesday, September 13: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, October 13: Our Lady Queen of the World



ALL DEVOTIONS WILL START AT 7:30 PM AT THE HALL FOR PROCESSION WITH ROSARY, FOLLOWED BY MASS.

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: AUGUST 2023: FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY

For World Youth Day, We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Trường Việt Ngữ

Để chuẩn bị cho năm học 2023 -2024, xin quý phụ huynh nhận đơn ghi danh cho các em sau Thánh Lễ Chúa nhật (lúc 4 giờ chiều). Hạn chót nộp đơn ngày 31 tháng 8 năm 2023. Muốn biết thêm chi tiết xin liên lạc với sơ Diệp (Sr. Elizabeth) tại văn phòng Giáo xứ sáng Thứ Ba, Thứ Tư và Thứ Sáu

Tel: 925 458 4718 hoặc
Email: diephuynhmtg@gmail.com
Xin cảm ơn.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the upcoming school year, 2023-2024 is ongoing. Please see Mr. Rene Asuncion at the CCD office or come to the Parish office to register. Registration forms are also available on our website. Last day to register will be September 9th.

Building Faith | 10 Commandments

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, August 28

11:15 am P#2: Legion of Mary
7:00pm CCD

Tuesday, August 29

7:30 pm K of C Officer's Meeting

Wednesday, August 30

Thursday, August 31

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

Friday, September 1

6:00 pm Adoration
7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, September 2

9:00 am Hall & Portables: CCD
9:30 am CCD Mass
12:00 pm Hall: St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday, September 3

2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir



CASINO BUS TRIP

SPONSORED BY THE FILIPINO ASSOCIATION

SATURDAY,

SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

\$40 PER PERSON

WITH \$20 CASH BACK FROM RED HAWK

ASSEMBLE AT 8:00AM

OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE WORLD
3155 WINTERBROOK DRIVE, PITTSBURG, CA 94565

EXPECTED RETURN: NO LATER THAN 6:00PM

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.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County

Friends of the Poor Walk



Saturday, Sept. 23

Walks Begin at 9 am

Sign up. Donate. Participate.

Feed, Clothe, Shelter, and Heal Those in Need



Benefitting your neighbors in need
throughout Contra Costa County

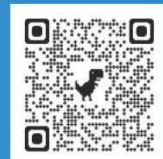
Together we can end poverty one person,
one family, one community at a time.

TO REGISTER/DONATE Please
visit: fopwalk.org

1) SVdP District Council FOP Walk
440 La Gonda Way
Danville, CA 94526

2) St. Agnes SVdP FOP Walk
3966 Chestnut Ave.
Concord, CA 94519

3) West County SVdP FOP Walk
St. Joseph's School
1961 Plum St.
Pinole, CA 94564





Conversion

Are you perfect? I certainly am not. Though I deeply love Christ, and have committed myself to serving in His name, I am also a sinner in need of ongoing conversion.

Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist is one of the most important sources of that conversion. Unworthy that I am, Christ desires to feed me with His very self and draw me closer to Him. The grace received through the most perfect gift of the Holy Eucharist gives me the strength and desire to follow Him more faithfully.

Some Catholics fall into the understanding that we have to be perfect to receive the Holy Eucharist. However, Pope Francis reminds us that the Holy Eucharist "is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak." Do you remember what our response is prior to receiving the Holy Eucharist? "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." We humbly acknowledge our sinfulness and place our trust in the merciful Lord.

Of course, there are times we have sinned so gravely that we need to do a bit (or perhaps a lot) more work before presenting ourselves at the Eucharistic table. Christ has blessed us with the Sacrament of Reconciliation in which we confess our sins and takes steps to recommit ourselves to Christ and to one another.

This journey of ongoing conversion can be likened to the journey of a couple in marriage. Their wedding day does not signify that a perfect relationship has been established. Though the couple has committed themselves to each other in love, they realize they need to constantly improve their communication, sacrifice themselves more for the other, and be willing to apologize and forgive. This is their "ongoing conversion".

Yes, they will have their disagreements and frustrations with one another, but these won't prevent them from sitting down and eating together. Indeed, those meals will be an opportunity for healing and strengthening their relationship.

Yet, if one of them breaks the bond of trust through infidelity, that person is not going to easily present him or herself at the dinner table. They will need to first begin the arduous task of repentance and sacrifice to prove themselves once again worthy of the trust and love of their spouse.

May all of us be willing to accept the ongoing journey of conversion through the grace of the Holy Spirit, our prayer, and repentant hearts. May Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist nourish and enliven us in our conversion.

Father John Prochaska

Pastor, Saint Joseph the Worker, Berkeley, CA

Parochial Administrator, Saint Ambrose, Berkeley, CA



REGISTER NOW!

SEPTEMBER 8-9, 2023

SPANISH LANGUAGE TRACK

SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2023

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRACK

"I Am With You Always"

Diocese of Oakland Eucharistic Revival Congress

Join us for a weekend of renewing prayer, talks, discussion, Mass, Adoration, and a public procession of the Blessed Sacrament

WWW.OAKDIOCESE.ORG/EUCHARISTICREVIVAL2023

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL CONGRESS SCHEDULES

Holy Spirit, Fremont
5 p.m. – English

St. Joachim, Hayward
4:30 p.m. – English

August 19

St. Perpetua, Lafayette
5 p.m. – English

St. Bonaventure, Concord
5 p.m. – English

St. Joseph, Pinole
6 p.m. – Spanish

September 2

St. Anthony, Oakland
7:30 p.m. – Vietnamese

St. Catherine, Martinez
4:30 p.m. – English

St. Francis, Concord
5:30 p.m. – English

St. Callistus, El Sobrante
5:30 p.m. – English

All Saints, Hayward
7 p.m. – English

Our Lady Queen of the World,
Bay Point
5 p.m. – English

Our Lady Queen of the World,
Bay Point
7 p.m. – Spanish

St. Leo the Great, Oakland
5 p.m. – English

More information:

www.oakdiocese.org/eucharisticrevival

Register for the Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Congress:

Sept. 8-9 (English) and
Sept. 15-16 (Spanish) ●

CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH

Mary, Mother of the Eucharist



JULY 20

Start date for the Consecration to Jesus through Mary



33 days of preparation and prayer for the Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary



AUGUST 22

Consecration Day at the Cathedral of Christ the Light, with Bishop Michael Barber, SJ presiding

**DIOCESAN
CONSECRATION TO
JESUS THROUGH MARY**
a part of the
**2023 DIOCESE OF OAKLAND
EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

Are you ready to respond to the call for missionary discipleship, with Mary as the perfect model? Consider consecrating yourself to the Lord through our Blessed Mother with this 33-day consecration!

Register now and receive email instructions, daily prayers and video links.
For more information, visit consecrationgroup.org

ADORATION WAVE

NINE DAYS OF CONTINUOUS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND

COMING TO A PARISH NEAR YOU BETWEEN
SEPTEMBER 8-16, 2023



"I Am With You Always"

Diocese of Oakland
Eucharistic Revival Congress

Covering the two weekends of the Revival Congress, different parishes and religious communities will take a 3-hour block of Adoration which picks up from one parish to the next - creating a wave of Adoration throughout the whole Diocese the entire time we're convening for the Eucharistic Revival Congress!

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