

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

*“Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”
(Matthew 25: 13)*

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

Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00am—1:00pm

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 with Adoration after Mass

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00pm- 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 6:00pm- 7:30pm

Confessions

Saturday 4:00pm—5:00pm 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, November 13

7:30 am All Souls

Tuesday, November 14

7:30 am All Souls

Wednesday, November 15

7:30 am All Souls

Thursday, November 16

7:30 am All Souls

Friday, November 17

7:30 am All Souls

Saturday, November 18

8:00 am All Souls

4:00 pm Robert Angelito Sr. +

Sunday, November 19

8:00 am Marlene Serna

10:00 am Carlos & Rosario Baltazar +

12:00 am Rick Belza Thanksgiving

2:00 pm (SP) Maria & Antonio Sandoval +

4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Nerissa Riray,
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Knights of Columbus Kip Trombley
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Portrait on the cover:
<https://readingacts.com/2012/11/07/matthew-251-13-the-ten-virgins/>

GOSPEL READING

Mt 25: 1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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, Abraham Nacnac, Julie Hansen, Xander Saavedra, Carmenchu Saavedra, Marlon Serna, Lois Belmessieri, Jonah Hansen, Faye Dolor, Chad Thompson, Viechel Hunter, 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 November 5: \$ 5,917.00

Building Fund: \$ 2,603.00

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

2023 Assessment: Total: \$43,805.00 Paid: \$ 40,155.00

*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.



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11/12/2023

Here are Father Tom's scattered thoughts...

My Dear OLQW Parish family,

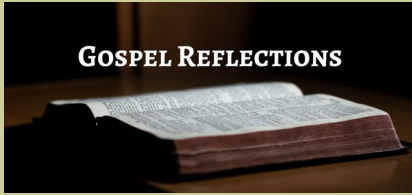
- 1) You are cordially invited to an evening of Prayers & Praises & Thanksgiving To God—a Sacred Music Concert by All Choirs of our Parish. Come to enjoy, to thank and to support our choirs. It is for free, November 18th at 7:00 pm in the Church.
- 2) Parables are never as simple as they appear on the surface. They always carry a deeper meaning which is applicable to our daily living. All of us are invited to take our place in the Kingdom of God. We have only ourselves to blame if we fail to arrive or we are unprepared when the time comes. We are living in a world of uncertainties, but the one thing we can be sure of is DEATH! While we do not know the day, the time or the hour it is one appointment we CANNOT cancel! Death will catch us unaware... and unexpectedly God will enter into our lives... Christ is always prepared to meet us, so we, on our part, we must be prepared to meet Him. Christ does not give us an appointment, but He comes as he wills into our lives. The parable is a warning because the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. So stay awake and be prepared and ready oils for the lamps to welcome Christ.

Pray for one another to be ready for Christ!!!

Prayers and Love,

Father Thomas

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS



In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In last week's Gospel, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/32nd-sunday-in-ordinary-time-a-sunday-connection/>

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT

Saint of the Day: November 15



Albert the Great was a 13th-century German Dominican who decisively influenced the Church's stance toward Aristotelian philosophy brought to Europe by the spread of Islam.

Students of philosophy know him as the master of Thomas Aquinas. Albert's attempt to understand Aristotle's writings established the climate in which Thomas Aquinas developed his synthesis of Greek wisdom and Christian theology. But Albert deserves recognition on his own merits as a curious, honest, and diligent scholar.

He was the eldest son of a powerful and wealthy German lord of military rank. He was educated in the liberal arts. Despite fierce family opposition, he entered the Dominican novitiate.

His boundless interests prompted him to write a compendium of all knowledge: natural science, logic, rhetoric, mathematics, astronomy, ethics, economics, politics, and metaphysics. His explanation of learning took 20 years to complete. "Our intention," he said, "is to make all the aforesaid parts of knowledge intelligible to the Latins."

He achieved his goal while serving as an educator at Paris and Cologne, as Dominican provincial, and even as bishop of Regensburg for a short time. He defended the mendicant orders and preached the Crusade in Germany and Bohemia.

Albert, a Doctor of the Church, is the patron of scientists and philosophers.

Reflection

An information glut faces us Christians today in all branches of learning. One needs only to read current Catholic periodicals to experience the varied reactions to the findings of the social sciences, for example, in regard to Christian institutions, Christian life-styles, and Christian theology. Ultimately, in canonizing Albert, the Church seems to point to his openness to truth, wherever it may be found, as his claim to holiness. His characteristic curiosity prompted Albert to mine deeply for wisdom within a philosophy his Church warmed to with great difficulty.

Saint Albert the Great is a Patron Saint of:

Educators/Teachers
Medical Technicians
Philosophers
Scientists

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

PARISH EVENTS

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: NOVEMBER 2023 : FOR THE POPE

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

MASS SCHEDULE

Mass on Saturday, November 18th will be as follows:

4:00 pm—English Mass

Spanish mass will be on Sunday, November 19th at 2:00 pm.

SAY IT WITH FLOWERS

Remember a loved one, celebrate a birthday, or anniversary with a gift of flowers for the Sanctuary. Donors and those honored or remembered will be noted in the bulletin. Please place your donations into an envelope with your name, the name of the one being remembered or honored, the date you would like the flowers to be offered and place it into the collection basket or bring it to the rectory.

FLOWER OFFERINGS

Jerez Family
Godafreda Casimiro

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

All weekday mass intentions in November will be for All Souls, all your intentions will be placed at the Altar. All Souls Envelopes are available on the table at the Church entrance.

HALL EXPANSION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Building Fund 2nd collection will be for the Hall Expansion Capital Campaign. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, November 13

7:00 pm Hall, SM & Portables: CCD
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Tuesday, November 14

7:00 pm SM: Pre Baptismal Class
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Wednesday, November 15

11:30 am P#2: Legion of Mary
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Thursday, November 16

7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy Prayer (SP)
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Friday, November 17

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Saturday, November 18

9:00 am Hall, SM & Portables: CCD
12:00 pm Hall: St. Vincent de Paul
7:00 pm CH: Music Concert

Sunday, November 19

1:00 pm Hall & P#3 & 4: Vietnamese School
1:00 pm P#1: St. Joseph Group
2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir

We were reminded again today that evil people exist. Hackers and scammers are working hard to take advantage of kind people.

You may get a text or email that says something like: "Good friend, I need your discreet help. I am at the hospital with a parishioner, and they need (something). I can't talk on the phone right now so please respond by way of email. I truly am grateful for kind people like you."

Or

"Dear friend, I have misplaced my wallet and need to help a parishioner. Is it possible for you to assist very discretely in this time of need. I am unable to talk on the phone right now so please respond in kind. God bless you."

The contact will look like it is from someone you go to church with. It may even appear to be from their email address or phone number.

The State Deputy for the Knights of Columbus email address was used recently to send similar scam emails. In the past some of our parishioners have been targeted using the email or phone number of our Clergy.

If you get an attempted scam email or text, please do not respond to it. Please let the real person know that you have received a scam communication.

It may be prudent to let the parish at large know that a scam is making the rounds.

Thanksgiving Food Drive



Help us help others

We are collecting donations to fill Thanksgiving Dinner boxes for the less fortunate in our Community.

From Oct 28 through Nov 19

Accepting Donations of Cash, Turkeys and
Grocery store gift cards

You may give to any Knight of Columbus

or contact Pat at 925-234-3975

or email to fsbbc7164@gmail.com

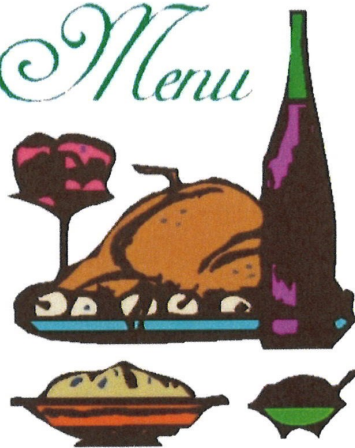
Please contact us

if you are a parish family in need.

Service in Bay Point only

Thanksgiving

Menu



"The Knights of Columbus will be accepting turkeys in the hall after all the masses on Sunday, 11/19. Please donate a turkey if you can for our Thanksgiving Food Drive. We are in need of turkeys more than anything else. Thank you."



**AN EVENING
OF MUSIC TO
PRAISE &
GLORIFY
GOD**

NOVEMBER 18, 2023

7 PM - 9 PM

**A FREE CONCERT FEATURING THE MULTIPLE
CHOIR GROUPS AND MUSICIANS IN THE PARISH
OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE WORLD CHURCH.**

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