Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 5, 2023

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." (Matthew 23: 12)

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. 8:00amFirst 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. Tel:(925) 458-4574-Website: olqwre.olqw.org Email:<u>director@olqwre.olqw.org</u>

• 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



Monday, November 6 7:30 am All Souls **Tuesday, November 7** 7:30 am All Souls Wednesday, November 8 8:00 am All Souls 7:30 pm All Souls Thursday, November 9 7:30 am All Souls Friday, November 10 All Souls 7:30 am Saturday, November 11 Fr. Theo Palis + 8:00 am 5:00 pm Cerilina Trias + 7:00 pm (SP) Concepcion Hernandez + Sunday, November 12 8:00 am Frank Duff + 10:00 am Patricia Diokno 12:00 am Elisa & Eugene Alcantara + 4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Nerissa Riray, President (nriray@comcast.net)

Hispanic Association Martha Hernández: Coordinator (vimaen42@gmail.com) Contacto en Español: Gladys Giron 925-334-9873

Columbiettes Leticia Rodrigues, President 925-339-8662

Knights of Columbus *Kip Trombley* (gk7164(@yahoo.com)

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society: *Danny Vu, President* <u>SVDPOLOW@gmail.com</u>

Legion of Mary: *Danila Loquiao* (*dnilaloquiao@gmail.com*; 925-864-1237)

Vietnamese Association: *Hiep David Vu, President* (*Davidvu207*@gmail.com)

Portrait on the cover:

https://mjdasma.blogspot.com/2021/03/reflection-for-march-2-tuesday-of.html

GOSPEL READING Mt 23: 1-12

Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels. They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation 'Rabbi.' As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; vou have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master': you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled:

but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

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 October 29: \$ 6,570.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 2,615.00

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

2023 Assessment: Total: \$43,805.00 Paid: \$ 36,505.00

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-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11/05/2023

My Dear OLQW Parish family,

I am very grateful to your generous financial support for our parish. May the Good Lord and the Blessed Mother Mary, the Patroness of our parish bless you and repay abundantly. I am also grateful to the members of the Finance Committee for their guidance and support. So, please find below the summary of the Parish Financial Report for the year 2022. If you have any questions about the report you may call Fr Thomas.

Gratefully Father Thomas

Our Lady Queen of the World Church 2022 Income and Expense Statement

Income

| Income | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|
| | Sunday, Holidays | \$ 320,116.16 | |
| | Easter | 13,254.50 | |
| | Christmas | 10,876.00 | |
| | Other Unrest. Plate Collection | 25,973.00 | |
| | Other Restricted Fund | 43,851.00 | |
| | Sacramental Service | 8,165.00 | |
| | Gifts | 31,786.10 | |
| | Diocesan Approved Restricted | | |
| | Collection for Hall Extension | 35,779.10 | |
| | Festival/Carnival | 14,969.00 | |
| | Education, Program and Ministries | 52,312.69 | |
| | Interest from Diocese | 7,230.41 | |
| | Other Income | 1,000.00 | |
| Total Income | | 565,312.96 | |
| Expense | | | |
| F | Administration- Religious & Lay | | |
| | Salaries & Benefits | 180,127.96 | |
| | Parish Property | 43,712.21 | |
| | Rectory Living | 8,679.81 | |
| | Priest Salary & Benefits | 74,305.45 | |
| | Liturgy and Music | 9,230.72 | |
| | Faith and Ministerial Formation | 40,406.32 | |
| | Other Program and Ministries | 16,135.80 | |
| | Depreciation | 23,850.13 | |
| Total Expense | 1 | 396,448.40 | |
| Carry Over | | \$ 168,864.56 | |
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Today's Gospel continues to elaborate on the tension between Jesus and the scribes and Pharisees. Our Lectionary sequence at this point, however, is not quite a continuous reading of Matthew. In between last week's reading from Matthew and this week's, we find Jesus' question to the Pharisees about the Messiah being "David's son." Having concluded a series of dialogues with the Pharisees and other religious leaders, Jesus now directs his words to the crowds, warning them not to follow the example of the scribes and Pharisees.

The scribes and Pharisees were teachers of the Mosaic Law. They were entrusted with its interpretation and, thus, were influential in determining Jewish practice. In order to appreciate the conflict that is evident in this passage, we must understand that Jesus was basing his teachings on the same laws and traditions available to the Pharisees. Both were interpreting the Law of Moses in order to better adapt it to contemporary Jewish life. The differences between their teachings, therefore, are often highlighted and amplified by Matthew.

This part of Matthew's Gospel reflects aspects of the conflict between his Christian community and Pharisaic Judaism. Matthew's Church is thought to have included many Jewish Christians who may not have believed that a break with the synagogue was necessary to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus tells the crowd that it is correct to do and observe what the scribes and Pharisees teach; it is their example that is to be avoided, namely, their love of being honored and exalted. Hence, the Gospel reflects the tension of an active internal debate within the early Church.

Jesus references two aspects of Jewish spiritual life prescribed by the Law of Moses. Phylacteries are small boxes which contain Scripture verses that are placed on the left forearm and forehead. Tassels refer to the fringes worn on the corners of a person's garments; the tassels help to remind those who wear them to keep the commandments.

The warning Jesus gives against seeking places of honor in the community was directed as much toward the Christian community as the named Jewish leaders. Indeed, it is a warning that resonates with us today. Christian leadership is a call to service for the glory of God; those who would be leaders among us must, like Jesus, be servants of all.

https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/31st-sunday-in-ordinary-time-a-sunday-connection/

ST. LEO THE GREAT Saint of the Day: November 10



With apparent strong conviction of the importance of the Bishop of Rome in the Church, and of the Church as the ongoing sign of Christ's presence in the world, Leo the Great displayed endless dedication as

pope. Elected in 440, he worked tirelessly as "Peter's successor," guiding his fellow bishops as "equals in the episcopacy and infirmities."

Leo is known as one of the best administrative popes of the ancient Church. His work branched into four main areas, indicative of his notion of the pope's total responsibility for the flock of Christ. He worked at length to control the heresies of Pelagianism—overemphasizing human freedom—Manichaeism—seeing everything material as evil—and others, placing demands on their followers so as to secure true Christian beliefs.

A second major area of his concern was doctrinal controversy in the Church in the East, to which he responded with a classic letter setting down the Church's teaching on the two natures of Christ. With strong faith, he also led the defense of Rome against barbarian attack, taking the role of peacemaker.

In these three areas, Leo's work has been highly regarded. His growth to sainthood has its basis in the spiritual depth with which he approached the pastoral care of his people, which was the fourth focus of his work. He is known for his spiritually profound sermons. An instrument of the call to holiness, well-versed in Scripture and ecclesiastical awareness, Leo had the ability to reach the everyday needs and interests of his people. One of his sermons is used in the Office of Readings on Christmas.

It is said of Leo that his true significance rests in his doctrinal insistence on the mysteries of Christ and the Church and in the supernatural charisms of the spiritual life given to humanity in Christ and in his Body, the Church. Thus Leo held firmly that everything he did and said as pope for the administration of the Church represented Christ, the head of the Mystical Body, and Saint Peter, in whose place Leo acted.

Reflection

At a time when there is widespread criticism of Church structures, we also hear criticism that bishops and priests indeed, all of us—are too preoccupied with administration of temporal matters. Pope Leo is an example of a great administrator who used his talents in areas where spirit and structure are inseparably combined: doctrine, peace, and pastoral care. He avoided an "angelism" that tries to live without the body, as well as the "practicality" that deals only in externals.

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.

<u>GRIEF SUPPORT: AN EVENING WITH</u> <u>SANDY</u>

The grief support is called An Evening with Sandy. It is on Tuesday evening from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. It is a peer ministry and drop in session. That means that we are group of people sharing our experience of grief along with each other. Sandy Heinisch is a grief trainer with the Diocese of Oakland who is also going through the grief process. Being a drop in session means you can come when you can if you are not able to make it one week that's okay. You can come the next week or when you can. Here is the link there is no password necessary.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83978676350

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

Vallathil's Family John Paul Martinez Perez Zelaya-Giron-Butler Family Members

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 6

7:00 pmHall, SM & Portables: CCD7:30 pmCH: Choir Practice

Tuesday, November 7

7:00 pmCH: Vietnamese Catholic Mothers7:00 pmHall: Knights of Columbus7:30 pmCH: Choir Practice

Wednesday, November 8

11:30 amP#2: Legion of Mary7:00 pmHall: Hispanic Community7:30 pmCH: Choir Practice

Thursday, November 9

7:00 pmP#2: Divine Mercy Prayer (SP)7:30 pmCH: Choir Practice

Friday, November 10

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, November 11

9:00 amHall, SM & Portables: CCD12:00 pmHall: St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday, November 12

1:00 pm 1:00 pm 2:00 pm Hall & P#4: Vietnamese School P#3: Vietnamese Catholic Mothers 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."

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"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.



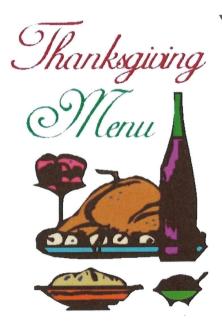


Help us help others

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

NOVEMBER 18, 2023 7 PM - 9 PM

AN EVENING

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A FREE CONCERT FEATURING THE MULTIPLE CHOIR GROUPS AND MUSICIANS IN THE PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE WORLD CHURCH. FREE WILL DONATION APPRECIATED!

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