

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 10, 2024

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.

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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, March 11

7:30 am Benjamin Fabia Sr. +

Tuesday, March 12

7:30 am Jack Mallet +

Wednesday, March 13

7:30 am Pascual & Gertrudes Flores +

Thursday, March 14

7:30 am Antonio & Jovita Santos +

Friday, March 15

7:30 am Ngan Vu, Mai Dinh &
Tinh Pham +

Saturday, March 16

8:00 am Catalina Bautista Thanksgiving

5:00 pm Elisa & Jonah Ngo

7:00 pm (SP) Pedro & Francisca Aguila +

Sunday, March 17

8:00 am Romi & Dori David
Thanksgiving

10:00 am Natividad Garcia +

12:00 am Laura & Ruben Buenaventura
Thanksgiving

4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Nerissa Riray,
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GOSPEL READING

Jn 3: 14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”
For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life.
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the
world,
but that the world might be saved through him.
Whoever believes in him will not be condemned,
but whoever does not believe has already been condemned,
because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.
And this is the verdict,
that the light came into the world,
but people preferred darkness to light,
because their works were evil.
For everyone who does wicked things hates the light
and does not come toward the light,
so that his works might not be exposed.
But whoever lives the truth comes to the light,
so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Eleccion Elevazo, Victor Mendoza, Rosalina Masangcay, Adolfo Miguel Jr.,
Proceso Beleza, Patricia Diokno, Mario & Emma Dolor, Jovita Domingo,
Elizabeth Zamora, Julie Hansen, Xander Saavedra, Carmenchu Saavedra,
Marlon Serna, Lois Belmessieri, Jonah Hansen, Chad Thompson, Viechel
Hunter, Logan Kenney, Father Tom, Jasmin Toledo, Carlo Lagarejos,
Joseph Guillermo, Victoria Lapid, Kip Trombley, Nico Guillermo, Grace
Feliciano, Adele Frijas, Elouise Nicolas, Betty Tecson, all those in the Par-
ish 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
925-458-4718.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Collection Mar 3: \$ 6,831.00

Building Fund: \$ 2,565.00

Assessment: \$51,581.00 Paid: \$ 12,895.26

Liability Insurance: \$20,261.00 Paid: \$ 4,052.20

*Thank you for your contribution support to sustain t,he
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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

03/10/2024

Here are Father Tom's scattered thoughts...

My Dear OLQW Parish family,

1. Throughout the Lenten Season, we are called to deepen our spiritual practices through Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving.
2. Today is the 4th Sunday of Lent is also known as Laetare Sunday. The word "Laetare" comes from the Latin word which means "Rejoice." It refers to a moment of joy and encouragement during the penitential season of Lent. The vestment of this Sunday is "rose" which signifies hope and anticipation.
3. Scriptural readings for this Sunday focus on the theme of God's Mercy, Forgiveness, and Restoration. The Gospel highlights the encounter between Jesus and Nicodemus that emphasizes that God sent His Son into the world not to condemn but to save.
4. This Sunday, Laetare Sunday, marks the halfway of Lent and reminds us that Easter is coming. It encourages us to persevere in our Lenten practices with hope and joy.
5. As Catholics, we are called to anticipate and to rejoice, to relax but not to undermine our Lenten discipline/austerity. We are encouraged to take time to reflect on our Lenten journey, to examine our hearts and to seek God's grace. We are also invited to recognize our need for redemption and our willingness to respond to God's love and light.

May our Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving draw us closer to God, openness for His mercy and fully preparing for Easter's joy.

Love and Prayers,
Father Thomas



The fourth Sunday of Lent is sometimes called Laetare Sunday. Laetare is a Latin word that means “rejoice.” Traditionally, Sundays are named after the first word of the liturgy’s opening antiphon. On this Sunday, the antiphon is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 66:10-11). Even as we observe our Lenten sacrifices, we rejoice in anticipation of the joy that will be ours at Easter.

Today’s Gospel reading is taken from John’s Gospel. It consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus’ reply to Nicodemus, the Pharisee who approached Jesus at night. Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus in today’s Gospel, Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses’ prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

The second part of today’s Gospel is a theological reflection on Jesus’ words to Nicodemus. The Gospel of John is known for this kind of reflection offered within the narrative. The words of the Evangelist are in continuity with the words of the prologue to John’s Gospel. In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation.

In John’s reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.

SAINT FRANCES OF ROME

Saint of the Day: March 13



The next time you recite the Nicene Creed at Mass, think of today’s saint. For it was Leander of Seville who, as bishop, introduced the practice in the sixth century. He saw it as a way to help reinforce the faith of his people and as an antidote against the heresy of Arianism, which denied the divinity of Christ. By the end of his life, Leander had helped Christianity flourish in Spain at a time of political and religious upheaval.

Leander’s own family were staunch Christians: his brothers Isidore and Fulgentius were named bishops, and their sister Florentina became an abbess. Leander entered a monastery as a young man and spent three years in prayer and study. At the end of that tranquil period he was made a bishop. For the rest of his life he worked strenuously to fight against heresy. The death of the anti-Christian king in 586 helped Leander’s cause. He and the new king worked hand in hand to restore orthodoxy and a renewed sense of morality. Leander succeeded in persuading many Arian bishops to change their loyalties.

Leander died around 600. In Spain, he is honored as a Doctor of the Church.

Reflection

As we pray the Nicene Creed every Sunday, we might reflect on the fact that that same prayer is not only being prayed by every Catholic throughout the world, but by many other Christians as well. Saint Leander introduced its recitation as a means of uniting the faithful. Let’s pray that the recitation may enhance that unity today.

PARISH EVENTS

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS:

March 2024: For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world: inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY AT 7:00 PM
BEFORE ADORATION IN THE CHURCH

The schedule of leaders will be:

Mar 8: Hispanic Community

Mar 15: Confirmation 3 Students

Mar 22: Vietnamese Community

Mar 29: Knights of Columbus & Columbiettes

MEATLESS FRIDAY SUPPER

Come join the different communities in our Parish who will be preparing meatless Friday Suppers in lieu of our Monday Night Lenten Soups. The schedule is as follows:

Mar 8: Vietnamese Community

Mar 15: Filipino Association

Mar 22: St. Vincent de Paul

Doors open 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RCIA Schedule

Saturday, March 9th @ 5 pm
3rd Scrutiny

Sunday, March 17th @ 10 am
Presentation of Creed

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, March 11

7:00 pm Hall & Portables: CCD

7:00 pm SM: RCIA

Tuesday, March 12

7:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community

Wednesday, March 13

11:30 am P#2: Legion of Mary

Thursday, March 14

6:00 pm CH: Stations of the Cross (SP)

6:00 pm Hall: Columbiettes

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

Friday, March 15

5:00 pm Hall: Meatless Supper

7:00 pm CH: Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, March 16

9:00 am Hall & Portables: CCD

11:00 am Hall: Knights of Columbus

12:00 pm Hall: St. Vincent de Paul

6:00 pm Hall: St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Sunday, March 17

1:00 pm Hall & P#3&4: Vietnamese School

1:00 pm P#1: St. Joseph Group

1:30 pm CH: Youth Choir

2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir

Easter Sunday Egg Hunt

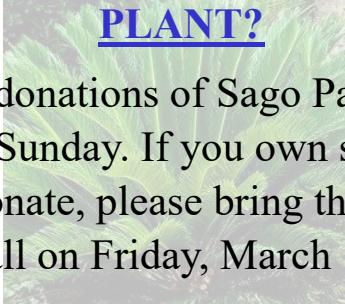
On Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024, the Religious Education will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt at 11:30 am on the Parish Grounds. We need donation of Plastic Eggs in a variety of sizes and candies and prizes. Please bring them to the CCD Office during CCD hours on Saturday or Monday or bring them to the Rectory during Rectory Office hours no later than **March 23, 2024.**

Your donation is much appreciated by the Religious Education Department and the parish.

PALMS FOR PALMS SUNDAY

DO YOU OWN A SAGO PALM PLANT?

We need donations of Sago Palm leaves for Palm Sunday. If you own some and able to donate, please bring them to the church hall on Friday, March 15th, 2024.



EASTER FLOWER FOR ALTAR



Would you like an East Lily on our altar in memory of a loved one or to represent your family? We are in need of donations

to make our altar more festive as we welcome the Risen Christ once again into our hearts.

Please place your donation in an envelope marked “Easter Lily” with the name of the person or family you want represented. Drop your envelope in the collection basket. All donations must be received by March 22nd.

COMMUNAL PENANCE

Monday, March 18th at 7:00 pm
There will be various priest to hear confessions in English, Spanish & Vietnamese.

TRIDUUM SCHEDULE 2024

Holy Thursday: March 28th

Multi-Cultural Mass @ 7:30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Hall:

9:00 pm—9:30 pm: Parish Community

9:30 pm—10:15 pm: Filipino Community

10:15 pm—11:00 pm: Hispanic Community

11:00 pm—12:00 am: Vietnamese Community

Good Friday: March 29th

Seven Last Words: 12:15 pm—3:15 pm:

Guest Speaker: Father Fernando Cortez

Stations of the Cross in Spanish: 4:00 pm in the Hall

Stations of the Cross in English: 6:30 pm

in the Church

Veneration of the Cross:

7:00 pm in English; 9:00 pm in Vietnamese

Easter Vigil: Saturday, March 30th

Liturgical Celebration will begin at 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday: March 31st

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm: English

2:00 pm: Spanish

4:00 pm: Vietnamese



SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024
Reserve by March 9th!



**Sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus**

\$15.00 per meal

The menu includes:
Corned Beef OR Chicken
Potatoes
Carrots & Cabbage
Dessert sold through Cake Auction

Call Becky Trombley
at 925-285-4947 or
Kip Trombley at
925-285-5118
to reserve!