# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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## THE ASCENCION OF THE LORD

**MAY 12, 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 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 Paty Ruvalcaba 925-365-1835.

\* *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



Monday, May 13

7:30 am Maria Vinh Dinh

7:00 pm Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima

Tuesday, May 14

7:30 am Maria Thu Nguyen & Maria Thu

Van Nguyen +

Wednesday, May 15

7:30 am Brenda Agcaoili Thanksgiving

Thursday, May 16

7:30 am Virginia Morales +

Friday, May 17

7:30 am Pascual & Gertrudes Flores +

Saturday, May 18

8:00 am Haley Rose Bautista 5:00 pm Mariamma Thanksgiving 7:00 pm (SP) Guadalupe Barajas +

Sunday, May 19

8:00 am Juanita Gatmaitan Nicasio

Thanksgiving

10:00 am Nancy Dongallo + 12:00 am Androcles Alcantara +

2:00 pm (VN)

5:00 pm Confirmation Liturgy



#### **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS**

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

**Hispanic Association** Martha Hernández: Coordinator (vimaen42@gmail.com) Contacto en Español: Paty Ruvalcaba 925-365-1835

Columbiettes Leticia Rodrigues, President

925-339-8662

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

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**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Danny Vu, President <u>SVDPOLQW@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://joyintruth.com/go-into-the-whole-world-and-proclaim-the-gospel-to-every-creature/



Jesus said to his disciples:

"Go into the whole world

and proclaim the gospel to every creature.

Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.

These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages.

They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them.

They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God.

But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK

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, Patricia Diokno, Victoria Lapid, Kip Trombley, Nico Guillermo, Grace Feliciano, Adele Frijas, Elouise Nicolas, Betty Tecson, Efren Lopez, Debra Solomon, Bert Tomas, Ally Tomas Hartzell, Rosalina Masangcay, Patrick Embody, Aida, Rina Anthony, Jerome Francis, Vincent Francis, Joseph S., 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 925-458-4718.

#### STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Collection May 5: \$ 5,423.00 Building Fund: \$ 2,621.00 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 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.



Today is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to heaven on the fortieth day after Easter. In Cycle B, our Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Mark. Scholars have long noted some irregularities about the ending of Mark's Gospel. There is a natural break in the story line at verse 8, when Mark's report of the discovery of the empty tomb comes to an abrupt conclusion. This verse reports that the women were so frightened by what they had seen at the tomb that they told no one. This may be the original ending of Mark's Gospel, but it is also possible that the more complete ending has been lost.

Some manuscripts of Mark's Gospel, written between the fourth and ninth centuries, include what scholars have termed the Shorter Ending. This is often printed in our Bibles for reference. This ending indicates that the women told their story to Peter's companions. Scholars believe that this ending is not original to Mark. They theorize that this ending was added by copyists who sought to resolve the original abrupt ending at verse 8.

Other early manuscripts include a Longer Ending that scholars also believe was written by someone other than the Evangelist. Nonetheless, quotations from this Longer Ending are found in the writings of the early Church Fathers, and it was accepted at the Council of Trent as part of the canonical Gospel of Mark. Our Gospel for today's celebration of the Feast of the Ascension is taken from this Longer Ending.

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus' Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels-Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each case, Jesus assigns his disciples the task of proclaiming the gospel message to the entire world. There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize and to preach. In Luke's Gospel, however, the commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfillment of his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only the Gospels of Mark and Luke actually report Jesus' ascension into heaven. Matthew's Gospel concludes with Jesus' promise to remain with his disciples forever. Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus' ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after his death and Resurrection.

Even if this ending to Mark's Gospel was written by someone other than the Evangelist, in the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples, there are elements that are quite typical of Mark's Gospel. The signs that will accompany belief in Jesus are as vivid as the action performed by Jesus during his ministry. Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. During his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.

#### **OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

Saint of the Day: May 13



Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese children–Francisco and Jacinta Marto and their cousin Lucia dos Santos–received apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria near Fatima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia.

Mary gave the children three secrets. Following the deaths of Francisco and Jacinta in 1919 and 1920 respectively, Lucia revealed the first secret in 1927. It concerned devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The second secret was a vision of hell. When Lucia grew up she became a Carmelite nun and died in 2005 at the age of 97.

Pope John Paul II directed the Holy See's Secretary of State to reveal the third secret in 2000; it spoke of a "bishop in white" who was shot by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows into him. Many people linked this vision to the assassination attempt against Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981.

The feast of Our Lady of Fatima was approved by the local bishop in 1930; it was added to the Church's worldwide calendar in 2002.

#### Reflection

The message of Fatima is simple: Pray. Unfortunately, some people—not Sister Lucia—have distorted these revelations, making them into an apocalyptic event for which they are now the only reliable interpreters. They have, for example, claimed that Mary's request that the world be consecrated to her has been ignored. Sister Lucia agreed that Pope John Paul II's public consecration in St. Peter's Square on March 25, 1984, fulfilled Mary's request. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith prepared a June 26, 2000, document explaining the "third secret."

Mary is perfectly honored when people generously imitate her response "Let it be done to me as you say" (Luke 1:38). Mary can never be seen as a rival to Jesus or to the Church's teaching authority, as exercised by the college of bishops united with the bishop of Rome.

https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/our-lady-of-fatima/



#### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

05/12/2024

Here are some of my scattered thoughts.....

My Dear OLQW Family,

- 1. Congratulations and best wished to the 29 students who received their First Holy Communion Saturday, May 11th 2024. May their love and reverence for the Holy Eucharist continue to grow each day. My gratitude to Rene Asuncion and his teams for teaching and guiding the children through this process. My gratitude is to the parent, godparents, and grandparents for supporting them.
- 2. Today is also Mother's Day. I want to with All Mothers a Happy Mother's Day. For those whose mothers and grandmothers are still alive—cherish them today. Hug them and kiss them. Honor them. Thank them. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember them and pray for them. As Catholics, let us honor the Mother of the Lord today. Thank her for her maternal care. Let us also ask God for the graces to understand and appreciate the great mystery and gift of the church as our Mother, and live our lives worthily as beloved sons and daughters, to bear good fruits for the Kingdom. We honor and are grateful to our mothers because they carry us in their wombs— our first homes! They give us life, they offer us to the families, they teach us and nurture us and love us unconditionally. There is no one like mother, no substitute for her place, no equal to her love. Mother is an ongoing relationship of love and care.
- 3. Let us also pray for and congratulate our 17 young people who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Sunday, May 19, the Feast of Pentecost at 5:00 pm. All are invited to attend.
- 4. Today, we celebrate the Feast of Ascension of the Lord Jesus. Just imagine the scene, after speaking to the disciples, Jesus was lifted up to the heavens—Awesome! Jesus left, but has not left us alone, deserted or abandoned us. He is always with us when we gather together to celebrate the Holy Mass, to pray, or when we reach out to help each other. Before leaving, Jesus passed on and entrusted to disciples with the responsibility of carrying on His mission—preaching the Good News and establishing the Kingdom of God. The responsibility of the disciples is also our responsibility. As members of His Church, we too are called by Jesus and sent out just as the disciples were. We are Christ witnesses in our homes with our families, and our neighbors in our Parish Communities. Pray for one another so we can be Jesus' witnesses with our lives.

Love and Prayers Father Tom

#### **PARISH EVENTS**

## POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS:

May 2024: For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

Registration for 2024-2025 Religious Education Classes is now open. Please see Mr. Rene Asuncion at the CCD office to register. You may also pick up an application at the rectory.











Faith Formation

### **BAPTISM CLASS**



Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is **Tuesday**, **May 14**, **2024 at 7pm**. Please register by calling or emailing Faye Dolor at the Parish rectory, 925-458-4718 or mfmdolor@olqw.org.

#### **WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

Monday, May 13

6:00 pm CH: Holy Spirit Novena

Tuesday, May 14

7:00 pm CH: Holy Spirit Novena 7:00 pm SM: Pre-Baptismal Class 7:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Group

Wednesday, May 15

11:30 am P#2: Legion of Mary 7:00 pm CH: Holy Spirit Novena

Thursday, May 16

6:00 pm Hall: Columbiettes 7:00 pm CH: Holy Spirit Novena 7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy Group (SP)

Friday, May 17

7:00 pm CH: Holy Spirit Novena 7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, May 18

9:00 am
CH: Holy Spirit Novena
10:00 am
CH: Confirmation Practice
Hall: St. Vincent de Paul
Hall: Filipino Association

Sunday, May 19

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

1:00 pm P#1: St. Joseph Group 2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir 5:00 pm Hall: Dolor-Riray Reception

#### **SUPPORT FOR CAREGIVERS**



Nourish for Caregivers is a ministry created specifically to offer support to the unique challenges of in-home caregivers. This Christ -centered program brings resources and support to family caregivers who carry both the blessing and burden of providing comfort and healing to people who are ill, suffering, and

need special care. Caregivers can join local and/or national Zoom calls for more information, please go to https://oakdiocese.org/nourish-for-caregivers.

#### **HALL EXPANSION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

The Building Fund 2nd collection will be for the Hall Expansion Capital Campaign.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### Please Pray for the Repose Soul of:

Kathleen Embody
Rodolfo Dimalanta
Jack Mallet
Rena De Marco
Bob Hoppenhauer
Nancy Dongallo
Leslie Gehrke
Michael Gott

May the Perpetual Light shine upon them.

May they Rest in Peace.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATON**

## **Confirmation Schedule**

Holy Spirit Novena:
All Confirmation students must attend

May 10th @7:00 pm May 11th @ 2:00pm May 12th @ 6:00 pm May 13th @ 6:00 pm May 14-17th @ 7:00 pm May 18th @ 9:00 am

Saturday, May 18th @ 10:00 am Confirmation Practice

Sunday, May 19th @ 5:00 pm
Confirmation Liturgy
Celebrant:
Very Reverend Lawrence D'Anjou
Vicar General

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION May 11, 2024

Aguilar-Moreno, Anabell
Aguilar-Moreno, David
Aguilar-Moreno, Santos
Aguayo- Soto, Ashley
Aguayo-Soto, Brayan
Alipio, Gerard
Aviles, Tyler
Ayala, Kaily
Azanza, Natasha
Barbac, Meagan
Caracosa, Jetzy
Cisneros, Ramon
Dela Cuesta, Zaiden
Diaz, Diego

Gil, Natasha

Gonzalez, Kayro
Guerrero, Melissa
Hernandez, Kimberly
Magdaleno, Jacqueline
Martinez, Jacqueline
Martinez, Kimberly
Mejia, Dammian
Mejia, Kayla
Montoya, Evelin
Morales, Corina
Ng, Watson
Nguyen, Catherine
Nwafor, Ma. Sochima
Parra, Santiago

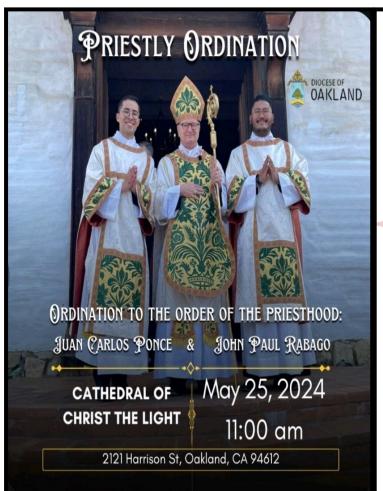
We would like to congratulate all the following students that received the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time.

## **DEVOTION TO OUR LADY**

Monday, May 13, 2024 Thursday, June 13, 2024 Friday, July 12, 2024 Tuesday, August 13, 2024 Friday, September 13, 2024 Monday, October 14, 2024

Our Lady of Fatima
Our Lady of Manaoag
Our Lady of Lourdes
Our Lady of La Vang
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Our Lady of the World

ALL DEVOTIONS WILL START AT 7:00 PM AT THE HALL FOR PROCESSION WITH ROSARY, FOLLOWED BY MASS.



# ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PILGRIMAGE AND MASS

Sunday, May 19, 2024, 11:00 AM Location: Cathedral of St. Mary Assumption

The Archdiocese of San Francisco is celebrating the send-off Mass for the National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage at 11:00 a.m. on May 19, 2024, at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption. The Procession will walk from the Cathedral and across the Golden Gate Bridge.

This Eucharistic procession is a unique and historic event. All Eucharistic pilgrims from the Diocese are encouraged and invited to attend both the Mass and the procession.

Learn more about the National 2024 Pilgrimage go to https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/st-junipero-serraroute. For information on participation and transportation, contact Fr. Erick Villa at frjetvilla@srcdublin.org.

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We also accept gifts of stock. For more information, please contact the Office for Mission Advancement at 510-267-8314.

También aceptamos donaciones de acciones. Para obtener más información, comuníquense con la Oficina para el Avance de la Misión al 510-267-8314.

Payments should be mailed directly to: Los pagos deben enviarse por correo directamente a:

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Attention: 2024 Bishop's Ministries Appeal

All contributions to the Bishop's Ministries Appeal are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Todas las contribuciones a la Campaña de los Ministerios del Obispo son deducibles de impuestos en todo el peso de la ley.

