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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 15, 2026

Fr. Thomas Khue, Parochial Administrator
Deacon Loc Nguyen
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 after morning mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:

Wednesdays after morning mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: Mondays to Saturdays
after morning mass

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 925-395-1835.

* *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 Non-Catholic Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, & membership in the Catholic Church. (Effective 2025)

• St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Wednesdays: 11:00 am to 12:30 pm at Palis Hall

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, March 16

7:30 am Catalina Bautista Thanksgiving;
Luisa Raagas Servigon +

Tuesday, March 17

7:30 am Deceased Parishioners

Wednesday, March 18

7:30 am Anna Mai Nguyen +; Paulino
Maglasang

Thursday, March 19

7:30 am Bishop Antonio Pepito Palang +;
Sotero & Teodora Cinco +

Friday, March 20

7:30 am Vicente & Ebias Families

Saturday, March 21

8:00 am Ramon Frijas +

5:00 pm Deceased Parishioners

7:00 pm (SP) Concepcion y Genara Mancia +;
Dominga y Porfirio Perlera +

Sunday, March 22

8:00 am Sick Parishioners

10:00 am Natividad Garcia +

12:00 pm Ruben & Laura San Buenaven-
tura Thanksgiving

4:00 pm (VN)

Next Week's Second Collection: March 22: Parish Assessment

Portrait on the cover:
<https://christian.net/special-themes/what-color-represents-lent/>



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Erica Riray,
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Columbiettes Peaches Roberts, President

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(dnilaloquiao@gmail.com; 925-864-1237)

Vietnamese Association: Hiep David Vu, President

GOSPEL READING

John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" — which means Sent —. So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jiten Prasad, Sherry Ingram, Baby Kade Benson, Josefina Matias, Maria Martinez-Gonzalez, Lyn & Travis Swan, Alicia Belza, Betty Tecson, Marife Cano, Father Tom, Sr. Emelita Cinco, Teresa Kim Cha, Sabu Martinez, Patricia Diokno, Melita Mendoza, Joe Quizon, Robert Mondoy, Jack Fernandez, Bert Tomas, Mario & Emma Dolor, Elouise Nicolas, Benedict Cha, Aida Ortega, Leslie Zelaya, Apolo Alcantara, Mila Estrada, Jovita Domingo, Jesse Unpingco, Linda Geoffroy, Gundalino Acomponado, Neil Joseph, and 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..

Gospel Reflection

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/fourth-sunday-of-lent-cycle-a-sunday-connection/>

BUILDING FUND SECOND COLLECTION

All Building Fund 2nd collection will be for diocesan approved building projects for our parish.

Saint Patrick

Saint of the Day: March 17



Legends about Saint Patrick abound; but truth is best served by our seeing two solid qualities in him: He was humble and he was courageous. The determination to accept suffering and success with equal indifference guided the life of God's instrument for winning most of Ireland for Christ.

Details of his life are uncertain but his popularity has never wavered. Current

research places his dates of birth and death a little later than earlier accounts. Patrick may have been born in Dunbarton, Scotland, Cumberland, England, or in northern Wales. He called himself both a Roman and a Briton. At 16, he and a large number of his father's slaves and vassals were captured by Irish raiders and sold as slaves in Ireland. Forced to work as a shepherd, he suffered greatly from hunger and cold.

After six years Saint Patrick escaped, probably to France, and later returned to Britain at the age of 22. His captivity had meant spiritual conversion. He may have studied at Lerins, off the French coast; he spent years at Auxerre, France, and was consecrated bishop at the age of 43. His great desire was to proclaim the good news to the Irish.

In a dream vision it seemed "all the children of Ireland from their mothers' wombs were stretching out their hands" to him. He understood the vision to be a call to do mission work in pagan Ireland. Despite opposition from those who felt his education had been defective, he was sent to carry out the task. He went to the west and north—where the faith had never been preached—obtained the protection of local kings, and made numerous converts.

Because of the island's pagan background, Patrick was emphatic in encouraging widows to remain chaste and young women to consecrate their virginity to Christ. He ordained many priests, divided the country into dioceses, held Church councils, founded several monasteries and continually urged his people to greater holiness in Christ.

He suffered much opposition from pagan druids and was criticized in both England and Ireland for the way he conducted his mission. In a relatively short time, the island had experienced deeply the Christian spirit, and was prepared to send out missionaries whose efforts were greatly responsible for Christianizing Europe.

Patrick was a man of action, with little inclination toward learning. He had a rock-like belief in his vocation, in the cause he had espoused. He never doubted his direction because he understood that grace could guide him. One of the few certainly authentic writings is his *Confessio*, above all an act of homage to God for having called Patrick, unworthy sinner, to the apostolate.

There is hope rather than irony in the fact that his burial place is said to be in County Down in Northern Ireland, long the scene of strife and violence.

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

PARISH EVENTS

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR 2026

March: For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Please Pray for the Repose Soul of :

**Jorge Rubillos
Shannon Hernandez
Enrique Sosa
Gundalina Acompanado**

*May the Perpetual Light shine upon them.
May they Rest in Peace.*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AFTER ADORATION AT 7PM

March 20th: Vietnamese Community
March 27th: Confirmation 3
April 3rd: Knights of Columbus

MEATLESS FRIDAY SUPPER DOORS OPEN AT 5PM PALIS HALL

March 20th: Filipino Association
March 27th: Hispanic Community

COMMUNAL PENANCE

Monday, March 23,rd at 7:00 pm

There will be various priest to hear confessions in English, Spanish & Vietnamese.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, March 16

11:30 am P#2: Legion of Mary
7:00 pm Hall & Portables: CCD

Tuesday, March 17

7:00 pm Hall: Finance Meeting
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Wednesday, March 18

11:00 am Hall: SVDP
7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice

Thursday, March 19

6:30 pm CH: Stations of the Cross(SP)
7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy (SP)

Friday, March 20

5:00 pm Hall: Meatless Friday Supper
6:00 pm CH: Adoration
7:00 pm CH: Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir
7:45 pm CH: Choir Practice

Saturday, March 21

9:00 am Hall & Portables: CCD
11:00 am P#2: Legion of Mary

Sunday, March 22

12:00 pm Hall: Vietnamese School
2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir

FLOWER OFFERINGS FOR OR IN MEMORY OF:

Natividad & Leonardo Garcia
Everardo Y Biatriz
Carlos Sr. & Godafreda Casimiro

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Plate March 8: \$ 6,854.00
Maintenance Fund: \$2,728.00
Assessment: \$45,118.00 - Paid: \$ 3,769.00
Liability Insurance: \$26,753.00 - Paid: \$

Thank you for your contribution n support of the ongoing ministries and needs of our parish

Please make all checks payable to Our Lady Queen of the World Church for first and second collections. Also please put your envelope number on the Memo line.

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 are able to donate, please bring them to the church hall on Monday, March 23rd, and no later than March 25th. We are requesting help to trim the palms on March 25th at 10:00 am. Please bring your own trimmers.



EASTER FLOWER FOR ALTAR



Would you like an Easter 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 31st.



REFUGEE FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

Refugee Foster Care supports unaccompanied refugee minors fleeing persecution and violence. We are seeking nurturing families to welcome a refugee youth into their home. Join us virtually to learn more!



March 26, 2026
6:30 PM



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RSVP HERE



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TRIDUUM SCHEDULE 2026

Holy Thursday: April 2nd

Multi-Cultural Mass at 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: April 3rd

Seven Last Words: 12:15 pm—3:15 pm:

Guest Speaker: Father Anthony Le

Stations of the Cross in Spanish:

6:00 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, April 4th

Liturgical Celebration will begin at 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday: April 5

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

2:00 pm: Spanish

4:00 pm: Vietnamese

2026 Bishop's Ministries Appeal: One diocesan family united in Christ

BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Unity advances the Gospel

BY CHRISTINE SCHRECK

The theme of this year's Bishop's Ministries Appeal – One Faith. One Family. One Mission. – invites Catholics throughout the diocese to put their faith into action by both meeting the needs of today and building and sustaining the future Church in the East Bay.

"Though we are many parishes, schools and ministries, we are one in faith and one in mission. United, we carry forward the Gospel for generations to come," Terri Porter, Director of the Office for Mission Advancement said.

"Together, we support the work of Catholic education, nurture vocations, care for the sick and homebound, and bring Christ's mercy to the poor and marginalized. This unity enables us to accomplish what no one parish or ministry could do alone."

Porter encourages people to think of the appeal as a statement of faith and unity, more than just a fundraiser. "Our ministries are growing, our young people are hungry for formation and our neighbors need care and compassion. This year, those needs continue to rise," she explained

She points to growth in enrollment in Catholic schools and faith formation programs, pastoral care reaching more people in need and increases in outreach demand due to economic pressure as reasons for the rising costs of ministry. Donations also support vocations and formation of seminarians, and outreach to the poor and immigrant communities, among other ministries.

With this year's focus on unity, Porter hopes to see broad participation: "It is my sincere hope that every household in our diocese will participate. Your participation – even through a modest gift – is a powerful witness of faith and solidarity. It demonstrates that, together, we answer Christ's call to love with action and truth."

Every household is invited to prayerfully consider a gift to be part of building One Faith. One Family. One Mission. †



Terri Porter, Director of Advancement, Diocese of Oakland

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