

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Thus it is written that
the Christ would suffer
and rise from the dead on
the third day.” - Lk 24:46

April 14, 2024

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 COD. ©LPI

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
Served by the Augustinians since 1926

185 St. Thomas Drive—Ojai, CA, 93023—(805)646-4338
www.stacojai.org—[Facebook.com/stacojai](https://www.facebook.com/stacojai)

Mass Times/Tiempos de misa

Monday—Friday~ Lunes—Viernes

9:00AM

Saturday—Sábado

8:00AM

Saturday Evening

English 5:00PM

Sábado Por la Noche

Español 6:30PM

Sunday Mass

English 7:30AM & 9:30AM

Misa Del Domingo

Español 11:30AM

Pastor:

Father Kirk Davis O.S.A.

Email: frkirk@stacojai.org

Associate Pastor:

Father Fernando Lopez O.S.A.

Email: frfernando@stacojai.org

In Residence:

Father Emmanuel Isaac, O.S.A.

Deacon: Phil Nelson

Email: deaconphil@stacojai.org

Office hours ~ Horario de oficina
Monday - Friday ~ Lunes - Viernes

Temporary hours—Horas temporales
9:30AM—1:30PM or by appointment

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ~
SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
EXPOSICIÓN Y ADORACIÓN**

of the Blessed Sacrament ~
del Santísimo Sacramento



Thursday/Jueves 9:30AM-through
Saturday/Sabado morning Benediction 7:45AM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN

Contact Parish Office

Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial

(805) 646-4338

<https://stacojai.org/worship/prayer-line>

WEDDINGS ~ BODAS

Contact Parish Office

Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial

(805) 646-4338

BAPTISMS ~ BAUTISMOS

English: Dn. Phil Nelson

Spanish: Fr. Fernando Lopez OSA

FUNERALS ~ FUNERALES

Contact Parish Office ~ Póngase en contacto con
la oficina parroquial (805) 646-4338

PRIVATE PRAYER ~ ORACIÓN PRIVADA

Chapel open Mon-Sat ~ Capilla abierta

de lunes a sábado:

10AM-4PM

Rosario en Español

Lunes y Martes

A las seis de la tarde

Rosary in English

To the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Fridays after the 9am mass



INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday: 4/15/24	9:00AM	A.J. Waski (L) & Katherine Waski † <i>By: Margo McGrath</i>
Tuesday: 4/16/24	9:00AM	The Klimaszewski Family (L) <i>By: Jon & Julie Teichert</i>
Wednesday: 4/17/24	9:00AM	Joanne Leicht † <i>By: The Leicht Family</i>
Thursday: 4/18/24	9:00AM	Kathleen Barrett † <i>By: The Hickok Family</i>
Friday: 4/19/24	9:00AM	Gretchen Mills † <i>By: Jon & Julie Teichert</i>
Saturday: 4/20/24	8:00AM 5:00PM	Mike Mills (L) <i>By: Jon & Julie Teichert</i> Fr. John Keller †
Sunday: 4/21/24	7:30AM 9:30 AM	The St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Community Fr. Bob Gavotto, OSA †

(L) Designates a Special Intention for Someone Living

Please Remember

*All Intentions & Announcements for Sunday & The
following week are due by Friday - 9 days before Publication.*

Life Choices — Bake Sale

This Sunday, April 14

proceeds will go to Life Choices

Providing services to women & babies

Supporting them through pregnancy and beyond

For more information

Call Maria Doran — (805) 649-3491

(Bakers Always Welcomed)

*For more information for Life Choices Pregnancy Center
ojailifechoices.org — (805) 646-6830*



Next Saturday, April 20

OPEN PANTRY

Volunteer & Donate

*Place Monetary Donations in an envelope marked
St. Vincent de Paul & place in Sunday Collection
basket or drop off at the office.*

Non-Perishable Items in receptacles at entrance to Church

Sign in: 8 to 9:30am

Distribution: 9:30 -10:30

(No Pets Allowed)

(For I was hungry and you gave me to drink) Matt. 25:35



A LETTER FROM FR. KIRK, OSA

We continue to pray for our Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper Kathleen Lansing, who underwent successful surgery to repair damaged vertebrae in her neck in March. It's expected to take about three months for her to recover before she can consider returning to work.

In the meantime, we have been blessed to have Mrs. Flora Ponce join our parish staff as a part-time Administrative Assistant. Flora has lived most of her life in the Ojai Valley and as a member of the St. Thomas Aquinas parish community. For the past several years Flora has volunteered her time as a catechist and lector here in the parish. She is a busy mom with a husband and three children. After graduating from Nordhoff High School, Flora went on to receive a BA in Finance from California State University – Northridge. Flora is re-entering the workforce after an 8-year break to raise her family. Her most recent employment was with the Laurel Springs School here in Ojai. Flora is bilingual English/Spanish and will be working from 9:30am to 1:30pm Monday thru Friday.

Please join me in welcoming her to the parish staff!

Blessings,

Fr. Kirk

UNA CARTA DEL PADRE KIRK, OSA

Continuamos orando por nuestra secretaria/contadora de la parroquia Kathleen Lansing, quien se sometió a una cirugía exitosa para reparar las vértebras dañadas en su cuello en marzo. Se espera que le tome unos tres meses recuperarse antes de que pueda considerar regresar al trabajo.

Mientras tanto, hemos sido bendecidos de que la Sra. Flora Ponce se una a nuestro personal parroquial como asistente administrativo a tiempo parcial. Flora ha vivido la mayor parte de su vida en el valle de Ojai y como miembro de la comunidad parroquial de St. Thomas Aquinas. Durante los últimos años, Flora ha ofrecido su tiempo como catequista y lector aquí en la parroquia. Ella es una madre ocupada con un esposo y tres hijos. Después de graduarse de Nordhoff High School, Flora se recibió en la BA en Finanzas de la Universidad Estatal de California - Northridge. Flora está volviendo a entrar en la fuerza laboral después de un descanso de 8 años para criar a su familia. Su empleo más reciente fue con la escuela Laurel Springs aquí en Ojai. Flora es inglés/español bilingüe y trabajará de 9:30 a.m. a 1:30 p.m. de lunes a viernes.

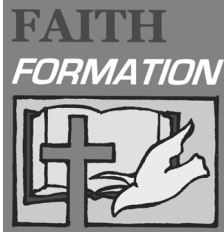
¡Únase a mí para darle la bienvenida al personal de la parroquia!

Bendiciones,

P. Kirk



**THE
THIRD
SUNDAY
OF
EASTER**



Adult Faith Formation Program

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Preparing the Catholic Way—Catholic Burial

Preparando el Camino Católico—Entierro católico

(Preparing a Catholic Funeral—Preparando un funeral católico)

11AM in English—1PM en español

Presenter: Michael Boyko

The Adult Faith Formation Program includes:

Prayer, presentation, and time for discussion.

A light brunch will be offered

For more information &/or childcare.

Contact Aina Yates at (805) 646—4338 ext. 111)



Augustinian Pilgrimage to Italy

November 5 to 21, 2024

Following in the Footsteps of St. Augustine

Inspired by St. Augustine's Italian travels and conversion in the 4th Century.

Led by Fr. Kirk Davis OSA – Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish-Ojai

November 5	Depart for Milan
November 6 – 8	Milan/Pavia
November 8 – 9	Florence
November 9 – 13	San Gimignano/Siena/Lecceto
November 13 – 15	Cascia/Assisi
November 15 – 21	Rome/Ostia
November 21	Return to US



What's Included:

RT airfare, airport transfers in US and Italy, all ground transportation in Italy, portage as needed, two meals per day (breakfast + lunch or dinner), modest hotel and monastery accommodation in shared rooms, guided tours and entry fees, gratuities for guides, & drivers.

Cost: \$4750.

Total number of participants: limited to 30.

Please contact Fr. Kirk Davis: 805-646-4338 x105 or frkirk@stacojai.org for more information

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION for the Sanctity of Human Life

Saturday, April 27, 2024

Mass at 12 Noon

St. Anthony's Church

2511 South 'C' Street

Prayer Stop at Planned Parenthood

Procession through neighborhood

Adoration + Benediction

Refreshments will be served



Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Peter challenges the religious leaders of Jerusalem who put Jesus to death to repent of their sins and be converted. Have you ever seen someone have a conversion to the Faith?

Second Reading: John tells us that we should turn to Jesus, our Advocate, when we sin and fail to keep his commandments. Can you think of a time when you sought Jesus in a time of need?

Gospel: The resurrected Jesus taught the disciples how they were witnesses to the Scriptures being fulfilled in his suffering, death, and resurrection and that forgiveness of sins was to be preached in his name. How might you share your faith this week at home or at work?

Tercer domingo de Pascua

Primera Lectura: Pedro desafía a los líderes religiosos de Jerusalén que mataron a Jesús a arrepentirse de sus pecados y convertirse. ¿Alguna vez has visto a alguien convertirse a la Fe?

Segunda Lectura: Juan nos dice que debemos acudir a Jesús, nuestro Abogado, cuando pecamos y no guardamos sus mandamientos. ¿Puedes pensar en algún momento en el que buscaste a Jesús en un momento de necesidad?

Evangelio: Jesús resucitado enseñó a los discípulos cómo eran testigos del cumplimiento de las Escrituras en su sufrimiento, muerte y resurrección y que el perdón de los pecados debía predicarse en su nombre. ¿Cómo podrías compartir tu fe esta semana en casa o en el trabajo?

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes when God appears in our path, we do not recognize him. In these moments, Jesus invites us to reach out and touch him. Remember that Christ is real, Christ is alive, and Christ stands before each one of us — so reach out. Touch him.

INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

A veces, cuando Dios aparece en nuestro camino, no lo reconocemos. En estos momentos, Jesús nos invita a acercarnos y tocarlo. Recuerda que Cristo es real, Cristo está vivo y Cristo está ante cada uno de nosotros, así que extiende tu mano. Tócalo.

Readings for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/
1Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/
Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and
8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29
(22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Las lecturas de la semana del 14 de abril de 2024

Domingo: Hch 3, 13-15. 17-19/Sal 4, 2. 4. 7-8. 9 (7)/1 Jn
2, 1-5/Lc 24, 35-48
Lunes: Hch 6, 8-15/Sal 118, 23-24. 26-27. 29-30/
Jn 6, 22-29
Martes: Hch 7, 51—8, 1/Sal 30, 3-4. 6 y 7 y 8. 17 y
21/Jn 6, 30-35
Miércoles: Hch 8, 1-8/Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 6, 35-40
Jueves: Hch 8, 26-40/Sal 65, 8-9. 16-17. 20/Jn 6, 44-51
Viernes: Hch 9, 1-20/Sal 116, 1. 2/Jn 6, 52-59
Sábado: Hch 9, 31-42/Sal 115, 12-13. 14-15. 16-17/
Jn 6, 60-69
Domingo siguiente: Hch 4, 8-12/Sal 117, 1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28.
29 (22)/Jn 3, 1-2/Jn 10, 11-18

Observances for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter
Monday: Tax Day
Thursday: Bl. Andrew of Montereale
Saturday: Bl. Simon of Todi
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer
for Vocations

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 14 de abril de 2024

Domingo: 3^{er} Domingo de Pascua
Lunes: Día de impuestos (EEUU)
Jueves: Bl. Andrés de Montreal
Sábado: Bl. Simón de Todi
Domingo siguiente: 4^o Domingo de Pascua; Día mundial
de oración por las vocaciones

Prayer in Times of Darkness

Dear Jesus, When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me. Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek. Amen.

Oración en tiempos de oscuridad

Querido Jesús, Cuando estoy preocupado, solo, y asustado, acompáñame. Ayúdame a conocerte en los tiempos duros como lo hago en tiempos de júbilo. Tú eres la luz que yo busco. Amen.

STAFF AND SERVICES

Pastor, Father Kirk Davis, O.S.A.	(805) 646-4338 x105	frkirk@stacojai.org
Associate Pastor, Fr. Fernando Lopez O.S.A	(805) 646-4338 x103	frfernando@stacojai.org
Deacon Phil Nelson	805-646-4338 x109	deaconphil@stacojai.org
Parish Office/Bookkeeper, Kathleen Lansing	(805) 646-4338 x101	office@stacojai.org
Administrative Assistant, Flora Ponce	(805) 646-4338 x101	office@stacojai.org
Religious Education, Aina Yates	(805) 646-4338 x111	aina@stacojai.org
Bulletin Editor, Virginia Aguirre	(805) 646-4338 x101	bulletin@stacojai.org
Facilities & Grounds, Mario Ramirez	(805) 646-4338 x106	office@stacojai.org
Aquinas Center & Facility Rental	(805) 646-4338 x101	office@stacojai.org
Bereavement	(805) 646-4338 x101	office@stacojai.org
Communion to the Sick, Steve Barrack	(805) 646-4338 x101	stephenpbarrack@gmail.com
St. Vincent de Paul	(805) 646-4338 x104	
Food Pantry	(805) 646-4338 x112	



Child's Name: _____

Catechist's Signature: _____

What did you learn in Mass today?

The Archdiocese continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families

During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and on behalf of Archbishop José H. Gomez, we affirm our continued commitment to report allegations of sexual misconduct to law enforcement, support victim-survivors in their healing journey, and protect children and the vulnerable. The Archdiocese created a website, <https://lacatholics.org/protect/> that serves as a comprehensive tool containing resources, programs and services for protecting children and reporting abuse. If you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual misconduct by someone affiliated with our Church, please contact law enforcement and the Archdiocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213) 737-7650 or visit <https://lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse/> for help and support.

La Arquidiócesis sigue ayudando a sobrevivientes de abuso sexual y a sus familias

Durante el Mes Nacional de Prevención del Abuso Infantil, y en nombre del Arzobispo José H. Gomez, afirmamos nuestro compromiso continuo de denunciar acusaciones de conducta sexual inapropiada a las autoridades policiales, apoyar a las víctimas sobrevivientes en su camino de sanación y proteger a los niños y a los vulnerables. La Arquidiócesis creó un sitio web <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>, que sirve como una herramienta integral que contiene recursos, programas y servicios para proteger a los niños y denunciar abusos. Si usted, o alguien que conoce, es víctima de conducta sexual inapropiada por parte de alguien afiliado a nuestra Iglesia, comuníquese con las autoridades policiales y con la Coordinación de Asistencia a las Víctimas de la Arquidiócesis al (213) 637-7650 o visite <https://lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse/> para ayuda y apoyo.