

# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor Father Tom Verber O.S.A.

Associate Pastor Father Fernando Lopez O.S.A. and Deacon Phil Nelson

St. Thomas Aquinas Church - 100 Years of Serving the People of the Ojai Valley

April 7, 2019

Fifth Sunday  
of

I put water in the desert  
and rivers in the wasteland  
for my chosen people to drink.

Isaiah 43:20

Lent

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## LITURGIES

Saturday  
8:00AM Daily Mass

Vigils  
5:00PM English & 7:30PM Spanish

Sunday  
7:30AM & 9:30AM English  
11:30AM Spanish

Weekdays  
M-F 9:00AM Parish

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays  
3:30-4:30PM or  
by appointment 646-4338 X105

ROSARIES  
Wednesday 6:15PM ~ Spanish  
Friday 9:30AM ~ Cenacles of Life  
Sunday 7:00AM

ADORER CHAPEL HOURS  
Thursday morning through  
Saturday mornings

## PRAYER LINE

805-276-3799 or  
deaconphil@stacojai.org

## WEDDINGS

Call for appointment with the Pastor

## BAPTISMS

(Call for appointment)  
Spanish-Father Fernando  
English-Deacon Phil

## FUNERALS

Please call 646-4338 X101

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;  
Jan 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];  
Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20

Justice, according to the Mosaic Law, prevails for Susanna who trusted in the Lord's goodness. Unlike the perjury of the two elders, Jesus; testimony is true: he is the light of the world.

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

The seraph, mounted on the pole, released those doomed to die. Jesus, lifted high on the cross, saves us from death.

**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;  
Jn 8:31-42

Through God's intervention, the three servants are set free. If we believe in Jesus, his truth will free us from sin and death.

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

God makes a covenant with Abraham, who rejoices in Jesus as I AM.

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Denounced for blasphemy, for making himself God's equal, Jesus knows he can trust in God, his strength.

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Jesus will establish a covenant of peace in his blood, for Jews and Gentiles alike, for all God's children.

**Sunday:** Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 23:56 [23:1-49]

Jesus, humbling himself out of love for us, did not shield his face from buffets and spitting, but offered his life on the cross. He relied on his Father's love.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

**Thursday:** St. Stanislaus

**Friday:** Abstinence

**Saturday:** St. Martin I

GOOD INFORMATION

Our judgments are only as good as our information.

## LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

**Domingo:** Ez 37:12-14; Sal 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;  
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**Lunes:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];  
Sal 23 (22):1-6; Jn 8:12-20

**Martes:** Nm 21:4-9; Sal 102 (101):2-3, 16-21;  
Jn 8:21-30

**Miércoles:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

**Jueves:** Gn 17:3-9; Sal 105 (104):4-9; Jn 8:51-59

**Viernes:** Jer 20:10-13; Sal 18 (17):2-7; Jn 10:31-42

**Sábado:** Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

**Domingo:** Lc 19:28-40 (procesión);  
Is 50:4-7; Sal 22 (21):8-9, 17-20, 23-24;  
Fil 2:6-11; Lc 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

**Domingo:** Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma;  
Tercer Escrutinio

**Jueves:** San Estanislao

**Viernes:** Abstinencia

**Sábado:** San Martín I

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Artesanos preparan alfombras de flores y plumas de Quetzal en Guatemala para las fiestas de esta semana santa. Grupos de fieles practican su papel de personaje judío o romano para los vía crucis en México, Texas, Chicago y tantos lugares más. Fraternidades penitenciales están preparándose espiritualmente para cargar con imágenes sagradas y pesadas por calles españolas. Muchos más están preparando sus maletas para irse a la playa o las montañas donde, probablemente, nunca recordaran el nombre de Jesús.

Estos últimos se perderán las liturgias más significativas de nuestra fe cristiana; ritos llenos de movimiento desde afuera de la Iglesia hasta adentro. Están llenos de símbolos que nos llaman a la verdad de la existencia cristiana y humana: somos personas paradójicas. Comenzamos entre los hosannas del Domingo de Ramos, pasamos por las dolorosas imágenes del Viernes Santo y terminamos entre juegos de oscuridad, fuego y agua en la Vigilia Pascual. Muchas veces honramos al Señor y tantas veces lo negamos, pero él nunca deja de llamarnos. En fin nos recuerda que la condición humana es sagrada y profana a la vez.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**ESTA SEMANA EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA**

Sun:	4-07	7:00AM 10:30AM 4:00PM-6:00PM	Rosary RCIA Confirmaiton
Mon:	4-08	9:00AM 10:00AM 11:00AM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Daily Mass Woman bible study Mass video series English University series
Tue:	4-09	7-8:30PM 7:00PM-8:30PM 7:00pm 7:30PM-9:00PM	English class Liturgy Committee RCIA Spanish class University series
Wed:	4-10	3:30PM 6:00PM 6:00PM-8:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Religious Ed class Religious Ed Spanish High School Youth Group University series
Thurs:	4-11	7:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Adoration Choir University series
Fri:	4-12	9:30AM 3:00PM 3:00PM 7:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Adoration Rosary Bulletin Submission Deadline <b>Stations of the cross- English</b> <b>Stations of the cross- Spanish</b> University series
Sat:	4-13	3:30-4:30PM	Adoration <b>Reconciliation</b>
Sun:	4-14	7:00AM 10:30AM	Rosary RCIA

Dom:	4-07	7:00 AM 10:30AM 4:00PM-6:00PM	Rosario RCIA Confirmación
Lun:	4-08	9:00AM 10:00AM 11:00AM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Misa diaria Estudio bíblico de la mujer Serie de videos en inglés University series
Martes	4-09	7-8:30PM 7:00PM-8:30PM 7:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Clase de inglés Comité de liturgia RCIA Spanish class University series
Miér:	4-10	3:30PM 6:00PM 6:00PM-8:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	religioso Ed classes Religioso ed spanish grupo de jóvenes de la escuela secundaria University series
Jue:	4-11	7:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Adoración Coro University series
Viernes:	4-12	9:30AM 3:00PM 3:00PM 7:00PM 7:30PM-9:00PM	Adoración Rosario envío del boletín Plazo <b>estaciones de la Cruz- Inglés</b> <b>estaciones de la Cruz- Español</b> University series
Sáb:	4-13	3:30-4:30PM	Adoración <b>Reconciliación</b>
Dom:	4-14	7:00 AM 10:30 AM	Rosario RICA

**DAILY MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday	Apr 07	9:30AM	Debbie Young †	By: Matt & Jennifer Bender
Monday	Apr 08	9:00AM	Assunta Nocero†	By: Charles Coscarelli
Tuesday	Apr 09	9:00AM	Al Gonelli †	By: The Rod Smith family
Wednesday	Apr 10	9:00AM	Julia Coscarelli †	By: Charles Coscarelli
Thursday	Apr 11	9:00AM	Raye Boone †	By: Bereavement
Friday	Apr 12	9:00AM	Betty Young †	By: Bereavement
Saturday	Apr 13	8:00AM	Dela Ramirez †	By: Barbara Caballero & Ana Luz Munoz
		5:00PM	John Hidley ☀	By: Leslie Hidley

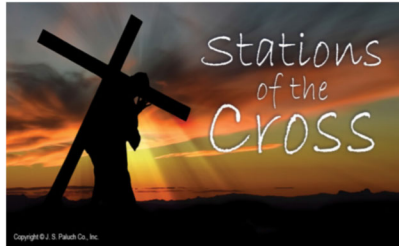


**THINGS TO KNOW**

**COSAS QUE SABER**

**FRIDAYS DURING LENT**

Stations of the Cross  
English 3:00 PM



**VIERNES DURANTE LA CUARESMA**

Estaciones de la Cruz  
Spanish 7:00PM

**LENT WITH BISHOP BARRON**

**WORDONFIRE.ORG**

Bishop Barron offers great resources and you can sign up to receive via email daily reflections on the Gospel

**CUARESMA CON EL OBISPO BARRON**

**WORDONFIRE.ORG**

Bishop Barron ofrece grandes recursos y puede inscribirse para recibir por correo electrónico reflexiones diarias sobre el Evangelio.

**Lent Reflections with Bishop Barron**

Lent is a wonderful time of reflection and a reminder of why we are called to the Mass and the miracle that happens right before our eyes.

Mondays, April 8th  
at 11am and 7pm in English  
March 20th, 27th at 7pm in Spanish.

Please contact the parish office for questions or to RSVP.  
All are welcome for this Lenten time of reflection!

**Reflexiones prestadas con el obispo Barrón**

La Cuaresma es un tiempo maravilloso de reflexión y un recordatorio de por qué estamos llamados a la Misa y al milagro que sucede justo delante de nuestros ojos.

Lunes abril, 8º  
a las 11am y 7pm en inglés  
el 20 de marzo, 27 a las 7pm en español.

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para preguntas o para RSVP. ¡ Todos son bienvenidos para este tiempo cuaresmal de reflexión!

**LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE 2019**

April 9, Tuesday	St. Francis of Assisi, Fillmore: 7 PM
April 10, Wednesday	Our Lady of Assumption, Ventura: 7 PM
April 11, Thursday	St. Sebastian, Santa Paula: 7 PM
April 11, Thursday	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Santa Paula: 7 PM
April 12, Friday	Mary Star of the Sea, Oxnard: 7 PM
April 17, Wednesday	Santa Clara, Oxnard: 6:30 PM



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION****DID YOU KNOW?**

In the Protecting God's Children program, adults learn how to identify potential signs of abuse and how to pick up on red flag behaviors that indicate a potential predator, even before abuse happens. Another tool in the arsenal of child protection is creative problem solving, where adults learn to think outside the box when it comes to finding solutions for protecting children.

One very effective creative problem-solving tool is to refocus the group's thinking, turning it away from the perceived "problem" and productively more toward a collaborative solution. Consider the challenge of how to deal with registered sex offenders whose children attend the school or participate in religious education at the parish.

Rather than discuss the topic, the leader might ask participants to finish the following sentences, "Wouldn't it be awful if..." and "Wouldn't it be wonderful if..." Once everyone has provided responses, the group can look through the answers to find connecting themes that may provide a previously untried solution. For more information from the VIRTUS® article "Creative Problem Solving — How Can it Help?"

**INFORMACION IMPORTANTE****¿SABÍA USTED?**

En el programa Protegiendo a los niños de Dios, los adultos aprenden cómo identificar posibles signos de abuso y cómo detectar comportamientos que indiquen la existencia de un posible depredador, incluso antes de que ocurra el abuso. Otra herramienta preventiva de protección infantil es la solución creativa de problemas, donde los adultos aprenden a pensar de manera innovadora cuando se trata de encontrar soluciones para proteger a los niños. Una herramienta creativa muy efectiva es reenfocar el pensamiento del grupo, alejándolo del "problema" percibido y orientándolo productivamente hacia una solución colaborativa. Considere el desafío de cómo tratar con los delincuentes sexuales registrados, cuyos hijos asisten a la escuela o participan en la educación religiosa en la parroquia. En lugar de discutir el tema, el líder podría pedirles a los participantes que terminen las siguientes oraciones: "¿No sería horrible si ..." y "¿No sería maravilloso si ..." Una vez que todos hayan respondido, el grupo puede revisar las respuestas para encontrar temas de conexión que pueden proporcionar una solución no probada anteriormente. Para obtener más información sobre el artículo de VIRTUS® "Creative Problem Solving — How Can it Help?" (Solución creativa de problemas: ¿cómo puede ayudar?)

***PLEASE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED***

*Please pray for our long time parishioner Mary Ellen Bovee.  
Please keep Mary Ellen and her family in your prayers.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual  
light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**

Envelopes are available in the church pews and vestibule to make donations toward our Easter Lilies. There is a place on the envelope to dedicate your gift. The envelopes will be placed on the altar on Easter. Thank you for your donations.

**DONACIONES DE FLORES DE PASCUA**

Los sobres están disponibles en las bancos de la iglesia y en el vestíbulo para hacer donaciones hacia nuestros lirios de Pascua. Hay un lugar en el sobre para dedicar su regalo. Los sobres se colocarán sobre el altar en Pascua. Gracias por sus donaciones.



**FESTIVAL /FINANCIAL STATUS INFORMATION**

**FESTIVAL/FINANCIERA PARROQUIAL INFORMACION**

**PARISH FESTIVAL SAVE THE DATES  
MAY 4th & 5th**

Our annual Parish Festival will be a weekend Community event!

We will need:

- ◆ Volunteers      ◆ Plants
- ◆ Auction Items   ◆ Books
- ◆ Rummage Sale Items

Contact Marti Reid with questions or ideas to make it even more fun  
805-798-2888 or reidmarti4@gmail.com

**TO ALL BUSINESS OWNERS:**

If you would like to have the name of your business prominently displayed at the Festival this year please call Franceen Fallet 646-5848 about becoming a SPONSOR.

**FESTIVAL PARROQUIAL GUARDAR LAS FECHAS  
del 4 y 5 de mayo**

¡Nuestro Festival Parroquial anual será un evento comunitario de fin de semana!

Necesitaremos:

- ◆ Voluntarios      ◆ Plantas
- ◆ Artículos de subasta   ◆ Libros
- ◆ Artículos de venta de artículos

Póngase en contacto con Marti Reid con preguntas o ideas para hacerlo aún más divertido  
805-798-2888 o reidmarti4@gmail.com

**A TODOS LOS PROPIETARIOS DE NEGOCIOS:**

Si desea que el nombre de su empresa se muestre de forma destacada en el Festival este año, por favor llame Franceen Fallet 646-5848 acerca de convertirse en un PATROCINADOR

Parish Festival  
Early Bird Drawing  
April 14th



Festival parroquial  
dibujo temprano de aves  
14de abril

**St. Thomas Aquinas Financial Status**

	Monthly (January 2019)	Monthly (February 2019)	Year to Date (7/1/18- 2/28/2019)
Unrestricted Income*	\$33,873	\$31,992	\$418,622
Restricted Income**	\$26,101	\$6,226	\$122,347
Expenses	\$59,496	\$58,341	\$483,332
Net	\$478	-\$20,122	\$57,637

\* Unrestricted income includes: plate and envelope collections, online giving, donations, fundraisers, etc.  
 \*\* Restricted income includes: sales from Parish Thrift Store (supports Religious Education) and the Building Fund  
 The Finance Committee apologizes for the absence of financial status reports the last two months. The table above indicates the financial status for January, February and fiscal year to date. The parish received a very generous one-time donation from a parishioner to assist the parish meet its ongoing obligations and is responsible for the positive balance shown year to date. The Building Fund has received significant increases in contributions which is very helpful in planned maintenance for water damaged ceiling area in the restrooms at the back of the church and other areas that need attention. Maintenance money was also used for some of the expenditures preparing for the centennial celebration although a great deal of cleaning, trimming, and painting effort was through the efforts of the many volunteers that helped make the event such a great success. Thanks again to the Centennial Committee, the parish and visiting priests and the myriad of volunteers that participated in the event.

**PARISH INFORMATION CONT.**

**INFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL CONT.**

**“Unplanned”**

Is a very impactful movie. It portrays the reality of abortion and is graphic in some moments. It is also a beautiful film that depicts the transformative power of mercy and human kindness. For those you know who are suffering from the effects of having an abortion the following assistance is available:

By your sideLA.org (877) 301-9684  
 Pregnant and need help?  
 OptionsForPregnancy.com  
 (877) 398-7734



**“No planificado”**

Es una película muy impactante. Retrata la realidad del aborto y es gráfico n algunos momentos. También es una hermosa película que representa el poder transformador de la misericordia y la bondad humana. Para aquellos que usted sabe que están sufriendo de los efectos de tener un aborto la siguiente ayuda está disponible:

Por su sideLA.org (877) 301-9684  
 ¿Está embarazada y necesita ayuda?

**Open Pantry Saturday**

April 20, 2019, 9:00AM

(Third Saturday of each month)

If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one. -Mother Teresa



**Despensa abierta Sábado,**

20 de abril , 2019, 9:00 AM

(Tercer sábado de cada mes)

Si usted no puede alimentar a un centenar de personas, Entonces sólo una alimentación. -Madre Teresa

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