

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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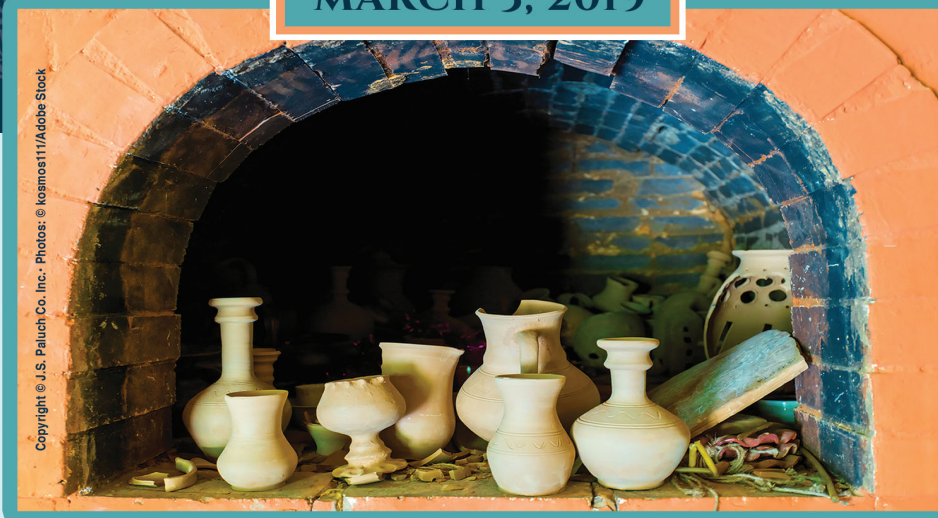


Served by the Augustinians
Pastor Father Tom Verber O.S.A.

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

MARCH 3, 2019



As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace,
so in tribulation is the test of the just.

Sirach 27:5

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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: Sir:27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

The fruit of our speech and actions will wither and die unless we first recognize the plank in our own eye. By humbly admitting our own sins, we can more fruitfully persevere in the work of the Lord.

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27

Return to the Lord who forgives us our sins. Discipleship entails making Christ our most important possession.

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

Through works of charity, one offer true praise to God. Following Christ will entail both persecution and blessings.

Wednesday: JI 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Be reconciled and return to the Lord by means of prayer, fasting and deeds of loving service.

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Choose not death, but life by denying yourself and following in the footsteps of the Lord.

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Fasting without love and repentance is meaningless as we await the return of the bridegroom.

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

We are called to a change of heart, to be renewed in the Lord by following his, not our ways.

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Moses recounts great events of salvation history which find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ. We confess him to be Lord, for God raised him from the dead. He is ever faithful, resisting temptation to forsake his Father's mission, trusting in God's love.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Casimir

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving

Thursday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity

Friday: St. John of God; Abstinence

Saturday: St. Frances of Rome

THE DIFFERENCE

The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one often comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won't.

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Domingo: Eclo:27:4-7; Sal 92 (91):2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lc 6:39-45

Lunes: Eclo 17:20-24; Sal 32 (31):1-2, 5-7; Mc 10:17-27

Martes: Eclo 35:1-12; Sal 50 (49):5-8, 14, 23; Mc 10:28-31

Miércoles: JI 2:12-18; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Jueves: Dt 30:15-20; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 9:22-25

Viernes: Is 58:1-9a; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Sábado: Is 58:9b-14; Sal 86 (85):1-6; Lc 5:27-32

Domingo: Dt 26:4-10; Sal 91 (90):1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lc 4:1-13

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Lunes: San Casimiro

Martes: Mardi Gras; Carnaval

Miércoles: Miércoles de Ceniza; Ayuno y Abstinencia; Ayudar

Jueves: Santas Perpetua y Felicidad

Viernes: San Juan de Dios; Abstinencia

Sábado: Santa Francisca Romana

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Cuando era niño mi padre me llevaba al rancho de mi abuelito en México. En una de esas visitas mi abuelo y mis tíos estaban quemando la tierra en su rancho. Mientras el fuego ardía, papa Manuel nos explicaba que era necesario reducir todo en cenizas para que la tierra recobrara sus fuerzas y quedará más fértil. Sin saberlo, mi abuelo me dio la imagen que hasta hoy sostiene mi concepto del Miércoles de Cenizas y de la Cuaresma.

El Miércoles de Cenizas es la fiesta cristiana que por lo menos doce siglos ha señalado el comienzo de la Cuaresma. No cabe duda que para los latinos este día es de particular atracción. Es uno de los pocos días del año litúrgico en cual llegamos al templo en masa con tal de recibir las cenizas en la frente.

Nosotros somos un pueblo enraizado en la tierra y sabemos que la tierra necesita quemarse de vez en cuando para seguir produciendo. Nosotros como la tierra necesitamos dominarnos y cultivarnos para producir frutos y flores para el Señor y los demás.

ASH WEDNESDAY AND INTENTIONS

MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA E INTENCIONES

ASH WEDNESDAY ~ March 6, 2019

Daily Mass with Ash Distribution
9:00AM
Ash Service Religious Education
3:30PM
Mass with Ash Distribution ~ Bilingual 7:30PM

Fasting, Abstinence and Alms Giving

FRIDAY ~ March 8, 2019

Stations of the Cross ~ English 3:00PM
Stations of the Cross ~ Spanish 7:00PM

Rice Bowls will be available in the Vestibule



MÉRCOLES de CENIZA

6 de marzo, 2019

Misa diaria con distribución de cenizas
9:00AM
Servicio de cenizas educación religiosa
3:30PM

Misa con distribución de cenizas ~ bilingüe 7:30PM

Ayuno, abstinencia y donaciones de limosnas

VIERNES ~ 8 de marzo, 2019

Estaciones de la Cruz ~ Inglés 3:00PM
Estaciones de la Cruz ~ Español 7:00PM

Los cuencos de arroz estarán disponibles en el vestíbulo

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.

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	Mar 03	9:30AM	Bud & Mary McTavish	By: The McTavish Family
Monday	Mar 04	9:00AM	Paula Theis †	By: Family Members
Tuesday	Mar 05	9:00AM	Paul Del Toro †	By: The Morgan Family
Wednesday	Mar 06	9:00AM	George Heilshorn †	By: The Wood Family
Thursday	Mar 07	9:00AM	Gary & Chris Orthuber ☀	By: Susan Orthuber
Friday	Mar 08	9:00AM	Ralph & Angeline Bush †	By: Barbara & Carl Enson
Saturday	Mar 09	8:00AM	Frank Coscar Sr. †	By: Charles Coscarelli
		5:00PM	George Gerard †	By: Mary Kazmer



Pray for the repose of the soul of,

Isabella Ruiz-Guigliano

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.

Please keep Isabella and her family and friends in your prayers

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

ESTA SEMANA EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA

Sun:	3-03	7:00AM	Rosary
		10:30AM	RCIA
Mon:	3-04	9:00AM	Daily Mass
Tue:	3-05	MARDI GRAS	
		6:00PM	Homeless shelter
		7-8:30PM	English class
		7:00pm	RCIA
Wed:	3-06	ASH WEDNESDAY	
		9:00AM	Mass w/Ash distribution
		3:30PM	Ash Service-Religious Ed All are welcomed
		7:30PM	Mass w/Ash distribution Bilingual
		6:00PM-8:00PM	High School Youth Group
Thurs:	3-07		Adoration
		7:00PM	Choir
Fri:	3-08		Adoration
		9:30AM	Rosary
		3:00PM	Bulletin Submission Deadline
		3:00PM	Stations of the cross- English
		7:00PM	Stations of the cross- Spanish
Sat:	3-09		Adoration
		3:30-4:30PM	Reconciliation
		FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
Sun:	3-10	7:00AM	Rosary
		10:30AM	RCIA
		9:15AM-6:00PM	Confirmation Retreat

Dom:	3-03	7:00 AM	Rosario
		10:30AM	RCIA
Lun:	3-04	9:00AM	Misa diaria
Martes	3-05	MARDI GRAS	
		6:00PM	Refugio
		7-8:30pm	Clase de inglés
		7:00PM	RCIA
Miér:	3-06	MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA	
		9:00AM	Distribución de la Masa w/ceniza
		3:30PM	Ash servicio-religioso Ed Todos son recibidos
		7:30PM	Misa distribución de cenizas bilingüe
		6:00PM-8:00PM	grupo de jóvenes de la escuela secundaria
Jue:	3-07		Adoración
		7:00PM	Coro
Viernes:	3-08		Adoración
		9:30AM	Rosario
		3:00PM	envío del boletín Plazo
		3:00PM	estaciones de la Cruz- Inglés
		7:00PM	estaciones de la Cruz- Español
Sáb:	3-09		Adoración
		3:30-4:30PM	Reconciliación
		FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
Dom:	3-10	7:00 AM	Rosario
		10:30 AM	RICA
		9:15AM-6: 00PM	Retiro de confirmación

Lent Reflections with Bishop Barron

We will be showing the Bishop Robert Barron series on The Mass. 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 March 11th, 18,th 25th and April 1st, 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

Vamos a mostrar la serie del Obispo Robert Barron en La Misa. 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 11, 18, 25 de marzo y 1 de abril, 8º a las 11am y 7pm en inglés
el 20 de marzo, 27 a las 7pm en español.**

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

FAMILY**FAMILIA****DID YOU KNOW?**

Sometimes children will behave in a manner quite unusual for them – stress, misunderstanding, or some form of abuse can be related to such behaviors. If you see your child exhibiting unusual behavior, talk with your child about their day or recent experiences in an open-ended conversation. Do ask factual questions, such as, “What did you do today? Did you do anything unusual today? Who did you see today? Did anyone say or do anything that was unusual or even upsetting? Then, ask feeling questions as a follow-up, and remember that sometimes it’s easier for a child to talk about someone else’s feelings first. For more tips in the VIRTUS® article “Conversation Guidelines for Parents: Be Aware,”

¿SABÍA USTED?

A veces, los niños se comportan de una manera bastante extraña: el estrés, los malentendidos o algún tipo de abuso pueden estar relacionados con tales comportamientos. Si ve que su hijo/a muestra un comportamiento inusual, hable con él o ella abiertamente sobre el día o las experiencias recientes. Haga preguntas de los hechos del día, tales como: “¿Qué hiciste hoy? ¿Hiciste algo inusual hoy? ¿A quién viste hoy? ¿Alguien dijo o hizo algo que fuera inusual o incluso molesto? Luego, como seguimiento, hágale preguntas sobre sus sentimientos, y recuerde que a veces es más fácil para un/a niño/a hablar de los sentimientos de otra persona primero. Para obtener más sugerencias revise el artículo de VIRTUS® “Conversation Guidelines for Parents: Be Aware” (Pautas de conversación para padres de familia: Esté atento/a),

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HELPED ON OUR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Centennial Committee Q-Time BBQ Company Don Losos Mexican Food Frontier Paints - Donated Paint

Jiagi Doris Zhang & Villanova Prep - Banner Design Ventura Signs & Screen Printing - Church Banners

Ojai Business Center - Printed Bookmarks & posters Women's Guild Dave Meisch - Built Stage Stairs

Karen Lewis - Donation of Thomas Aquinas College Chapel Painting Kirby Russell - Photography

Gil and Claudia Webber - Donated Chapel's stained glass window,
Loaves & Fishes' (discovered in their newly purchased home)

Ellen Rueth - Prepared Worship Aid Perry Van Houten - Ojai Valley Paul Ramirez - Painted Stage Floor

Tony Cunningham - Remodeled Parish Hall Stage Front Those who provided luncheon entertainment

Ojai Museum - Enthusiastic support and willingness to assist us in all our endeavors

Rose Chavez Boggs, Helen Chavez Peterson, Patricia Clark Doerner Barbara Caballero

For sharing their stories, a very special thank you to all the parishioners and staff who supported our Centennial

I am grateful for all the support and help in bringing together an important milestone in our parish history. It takes many willing people and I personally would like thank you all so much.

Marlene Lattimer Centennial Committee Chairman

**Thank you to all of the parent who helped with the children's activities at the 100th celebration party.
You are a blessing to this parish and very appreciated!!**

Parish information

Información de la parroquia

CONFIRMATION RETREAT ~
HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

The retreat will be led by NET MINISTRIES.
Would you please consider opening up your home to at least two of these young missionaries?

The nights would be, Saturday March 9th thru March 12th. They will leave Ojai on the morning of the 12th. More information is available. Please call Brian Campos at 646-4338 ext 102 or brianc@stacojai.org



RETIRO DE CONFIRMACIÓN ~
FAMILIAS ANFITRIONAS NECESITADAS

El retiro será liderado por NET MINISTRIES.
¿Podría, por favor, considerar la apertura de su hogar a al menos dos de estos jóvenes misioneros?

Las noches serían, el sábado 9 de marzo al 12 de marzo. Dejarán Ojai en la mañana del 12. Hay más información disponible. Por favor llame a Brian campos al 646-4338 ext 102 o brianc@stacojai.org

SATURDAY
MARCH 16TH

Tickets will be sold soon after Masses and in the office. Bring all your family and friends, buy a table!

Great food, corned beef and cabbage,
Live Band, there will be dancing!
Cold beverages & Adult Beverages too!



SÁBADO
16 DE MARZO

Los boletos se venderán poco después de Misas y en la oficina. Trae a todos tus familiares y amigos, ¡compra una mesa!
Buena comida, carne en conserva y repollo,
Live Band, ¡habrá baile!
Bebidas frías y bebidas para adultos también!

NOMINATIONS FOR NEW PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Pastoral Council is seeking new members. This group is not a governing board, but rather an advisory council and a source of wisdom and guidance for our pastor. The members represent the interests and needs of the entire parish community and work together with the pastor to do what is best for the parish.

Qualifications include:

- Being baptized
- Practicing Catholics
- Are active participants in our parish

Ideal candidates should be:

- Willing to listen
- Speak honestly
- Be flexible and open minded

This committee meets quarterly (four times per year) for approximately one and half hours...

If you or anyone you know has a desire to serve or would like additional information, please contact Fr. Tom or any of the current pastoral council members (their names and photos are in vestibule of the church along with "Nomination Forms" - both English and Spanish.

Deadline for nominations is Sunday, March 25.

NOMINACIONES PARA NUEVO MIEMBROS DEL CONSEJO PARROQUIAL

El Consejo Pastoral está buscando nuevos miembros. Este grupo no es una junta directiva, sino un consejo asesor y una fuente de sabiduría y guía para nuestro pastor. Los miembros representan el intereses y necesidades de toda la comunidad parroquial y trabaje junto con el pastor para hacer lo mejor para la parroquia

Las calificaciones incluyen:

- Ser bautizado
- Católicos practicantes
- Son participantes activos en nuestra parroquia

los candidatos ideales deben ser:

- Dispuesto a escuchar
- Habla honestamente
- Sea flexible y de mente abierta.

Este comité se reúne trimestralmente (cuatro veces por año) durante aproximadamente una hora y media...

Si usted o alguien que conoce tiene el deseo de servir o desea información adicional, contáctese con el Padre. Tom o cualquiera de los actuales miembros del consejo pastoral (sus nombres y fotos están en el vestíbulo de la iglesia junto con "Formularios de nominación", ambos en inglés y español).

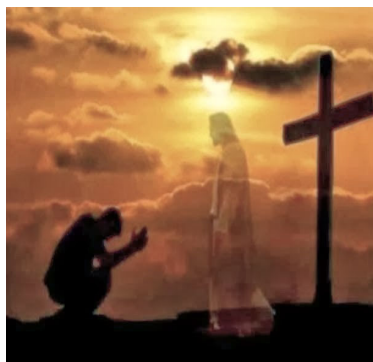
La fecha límite para las nominaciones es el domingo 25 de marzo.

Parish information cont.

Vocation Discernment Retreat:

The Augustinians will be conducting a vocation discernment retreat in San Diego the weekend of

March 8th-10th for single Catholic men between the ages of 18 and 40 who are open to God inviting them to ministry and life in a religious community. See one of the priests after Mass for details.



Retiro de discernimiento vocacional:

Los Agustinos estarán llevando a cabo un retiro de discernimiento vocacional en San Diego el fin de semana del 8 al 10 de marzo para hombres católicos solteros entre las edades de 18 y 40 que están abiertos a Dios invitándolos al Ministerio y a la vida en un religioso Comunidad. Vea a uno de los sacerdotes después de la Misa para más detalles.

On March 3rd, we will celebrate the Rite of Election at the 9:30 Mass.

All of our people in preparation to receive sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 20th will be officially received as Elect, by our Pastor, Fr. Tom. Not only are they electing to become Catholic, but God has elected them to be his adopted sons and daughters. Later on that afternoon, we will travel to another ceremony and meet Bishop Robert Barron who will receive them into the process of catechumen. This is part of the preparation journey.

Please pray for our people: Jessica, America, Mateo, Reylene, Lulu, and Emily who have responded and said yes to receiving sacraments at Easter! The responsibility of the entire parish is to be lifting them up in prayer, especially now during their last months of preparation. We give thanks that our parish is alive with new members.

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