

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

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Served by the Augustinian's
Pastor Father Tom Verber O.S.A. and Associate Pastor Father Fernando Lopez O.S.A.
Deacon Phil Nelson



**St. Patrick's Day
Dinner & Dance**
Saturday March 18th
\$12.00 (Page 3)

Best Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner Around
Kick up your heels to the band CROWFOOT
Enjoy the Irish Dancers & More!

MARCH 5
2017

First Sunday
of
Lent

ONE DOES NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE,
BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES
FORTH FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.
- MATTHEW 4:4

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
M-F 7:00AM in the Villanova Chapel

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays
3:30-4:30PM or
by appointment 646-4338 X105
PENANCE SERVICE TUESDAY
MARCH 21, 7:00PM

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

ADORER CHAPEL HOURS
Thursday Morning through
Saturday Morning

PRAYER LINE
805-276-3799 or deaconphil@stacojai.org

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS THRIFT STORE

Fitzgerald Plaza 423 E. Ojai Ave. #102
646-9256

WEDDINGS

Call for appointment with the Pastor

BAPTISMS

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

FUNERALS

Please call 646-4338 X101

READINGS

Sunday:	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11 Like Adam and Eve, Jesus was tempted, but did not sin. Our sinfulness is acquitted through one man, Jesus Christ, in whom we are justified.
Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46 The command of the Lord is clear: love one another, for "whatever you do to these least ones, you do it to me."
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15 God's Spirit always inspire us how to pray and be open to the Word that the Father may be glorified.
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32 Nineveh heard the preaching of Jonah and repented. The Word calls us to repentance as well.
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12 If we petition in faith, we shall be heard, as was Esther.
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26 The Lord forgives us in the conversion of our hearts, and rejoices in the reconciliation of one to another.
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48 We are called to love even our enemies, and thus walk in God's ways, following the law of the Lord.
Sunday:	Second Sunday of Lent Daylight Savings Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9 Abram places trust in God's promise of making his name and descendants great on the earth. In Jesus' transfigured glory is revealed that life and immortality will rob death of its power.

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	First Sunday of Lent
Tuesday:	Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
Wednesday:	St. John of God
Thursday:	St. Frances of Rome
Friday:	Abstinence
Saturday:	Purim (Jewish festival of the story of Esther) begins at sunset

LOVE AND DEEDS

God doesn't want our deeds; God wants the love that prompts them.
St. Teresa of Ávila

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo:	1st Domingo de Cuaresma Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Sal 51 (50):3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11 Como Adán y Eva, Jesús fue tentado, pero no pecó. Nuestra pecaminosidad es absuelta por medio de un solo hombre, Jesucristo, en quien somos justificados.
Lunes:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46 El mandamiento del Señor es claro: el amor uno Otro, porque "todo lo que hagas a estos más pequeños, lo haces a mí".
Martes:	Is 55:10-11; Sal 34 (33):4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15 El Espíritu de Dios siempre nos inspira cómo orar y estar abierto a la Palabra para que el Padre sea glorificado.
Miércoles:	Jon 3:1-10; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lc 11:29-32 Ninive oyó la predicación de Jonás y Arrepentido La Palabra nos llama al arrepentimiento también.
Jueves:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Sal 138 (137):1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12 Si pedimos con fe, seremos escuchados, como lo fue Ester.
Viernes:	Ez 18:21-28; Sal 130 (129):1-8; Mt 5:20-26 El Señor nos perdona en la conversión de nuestros corazones, y se regocija en la reconciliación de uno a otro.
Sábado:	Dt 26:16-19; Sal 119 (118):1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48 Estamos llamados a amar incluso a nuestros enemigos, y así caminar en los caminos de Dios, siguiendo la ley del Señor.
Domingo:	2º Domingo de Cuaresma El horario de verano Gn 12:1-4a; Sal 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9 Abram confía en la promesa de Dios de hacer su nombre y sus descendientes grandes en la tierra. En la transfigurada gloria de Jesús se revela que la vida y la inmortalidad roban la muerte de su poder

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo:	Primer Domingo de Cuaresma
Martes:	Santas Perpetua y Felicitas
Miércoles:	San Juan de Dios
Jueves:	Santa Francisca de Roma
Viernes:	Abstinencia
Sábado:	Purim (conmemoración judía de la historia de Ester) comienza al atardecer

EL AMOR Y LAS OBRAS

Dios no quiere nuestras obras, sino el amor que las inspira.
Sta Teresa de Ávila

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER & DANCE
Saturday 18th, 6:00PM \$12.00

Best Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner in Town!!!!
 Libations, Music, Dancing, Friends & Family
 The charming Tony Cunningham and his cohorts are pulling out all the stops planning a wonderful night for all of us. You can buy your tickets with Tony after Mass or in the Office, tables of eight may be reserved. Please purchase your tickets on or before Thursday March 16th.



CENA DEL DÍA DE SAN PATRICK Y DANZA
Sábado 18, 6:00 PM \$ 12.00

Mejor Corned carne y col cena en la ciudad!
 Libaciones, Música, Baile, Amigos y familia
 El encantador Tony Cunningham y sus cohortes están sacando todas las paradas planeando una maravillosa noche para todos nosotros. Usted puede comprar sus boletos con Tony después de la Misa o en la Oficina, mesas de ocho puede ser reservado. Por favor Compre sus boletos antes del jueves 16 de marzo.

SEE'S CANDY FOR SALE
SUPPORT OUR YOUTH MINISTRY

See's Candy is being sold after Masses or you can order from Aina Yates 646-0307 or Brian Campos 646-4338 X102. All proceeds are for Youth Ministry-Religious Education Easter Candy and it is right here!!!!



VENDE LOS CAMELOS EN VENTA
APOYE A NUESTRO MINISTERIO DE LA JUVENTUD

See's Candy se vende después de las misas o se puede pedir a Aina Yates 646-0307 o Brian Campos 646-4338 X102. ¡Todos los ingresos son para el caramelo de pascua de la Educación Religiosa del Ministerio de la Juventud y está justo aquí !!!!

DAY LITURGICAL SYMBOLS OF THE MASS
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 7-8:30PM

At Mission San Buenaventura

Fr. Tom Elewaut will present Liturgical Symbols of the Mass: Explained and Experienced: Highly recommend for all Catholics who long to better understand the signs and symbols of our Holy Mass. Excellent resource for RCIA and Catechists alike. Fee is \$5 for two persons. Materials provided.



SÍMBOLOS LITÚRGICOS DE LA MISA
LUNES 6 DE MARZO 7-8: 30 PM

En Mission San Buenaventura

Fr. Tom Elewaut presentará los Símbolos Litúrgicos de la Misa: Explicado y Experimentado: Recomiendo encarecidamente a todos los católicos que desean comprender mejor los signos y símbolos de nuestra Santa Misa. Excelente recurso para RCIA y Catequistas por igual. La tarifa es de \$ 5 para dos personas. Materiale.

ANNUAL VILLANOVA AUCTION

Villanova Preparatory School would like to invite all St. Thomas Aquinas parishioners to join us at the Villanova Annual Parent Guild Auction. The event will be held on March 25th at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Hall. There will be dinner, live entertainment, raffle and both silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$75 each. To purchase tickets or for additional information, please contact Tessa Hottinger at (805) 646-14654 ext 126



SUBASTA ANUAL DE VILLANOVA

La Escuela Preparatoria Villanova quiere invitar a todos los feligreses de Santo Tomás de Aquino a que se unan a nosotros en la Subasta Anual del Gremio de Padres de Villanova. El evento se llevará a cabo el 25 de marzo en el Salón Parroquial de Santo Tomás de Aquino. Habrá cena, entretenimiento en vivo, rifa y subastas en silencio y en vivo. Los boletos cuestan \$ 75 cada uno. Para comprar boletos o para obtener información adicional, comuníquese con Tessa Hottinger al (805) 646-14654 ext 126



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the reposes of the souls of,

Bob May, father in law of Nancy Moraga May
Donna Gustafson Saenz, wife of Manual Saenz

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.

Please keep Bob, Donna, their families and friends in your prayers.

Sun: 3-5 TOGETHER IN MISSION
 HAVE YOU MADE YOUR PLEDGE?
 After All Masses St. Patrick's Dinner Tickets
 7:00AM 3-5osary
 10:30AM RCIA

Mon: 3-6 Bulletin Deadline for 3/19
 5:00PM Bible Study
 7:00PM Bible Study-Sp

Tues: 3-7 Homeless Shelter
 7:00PM RCIA-Sp

Wed: 3-8 3:30PM & 6:00PM Religious Education
 6:15PM Rosary-Sp
 6:30PM Guadalupano

Thurs: 3-9 Adoration
 11:00AM Prayer & Reflection Group
 7:00PM Choir
 7-9:00PM Youth Group

Fri: 3-10 Adoration
 9:30AM Rosary
 3:00PM Bulletin Deadline
 5:30PM Stations of the Cross
 6:00PM Soup Supper
 7:00PM Stations of the Cross-Sp

Sat: 3-11 Adoration
 3:30-4:30PM Reconciliation

Sun: 3-12 SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD
 7:00AM Rosary
 8:30AM Religious Education
 10:30AM RCIA
 4-6:00PM Confirmation

Dom: 3-5 JUNTOS EN LA MISIÓN
 POR FAVOR VUELVA EN SU ENSAYO DE PROMESAS
 Después de todas las misas de St. Patrick's Dinner Entradas
 7:00AM Rosario
 10:30AM RCIA

Lun: 3-6 Fecha limite del boletin 3/19
 5:00PM Estudio Biblico
 7:00PM Estudio Biblico

Mart: 3-7 Reguio para personas sin hogar
 7:00PM RICA

Mié: 3-8 3:30 & 6:00PM Educación religiosa
 6:15PM Rosario
 6:30PM Guadalupano

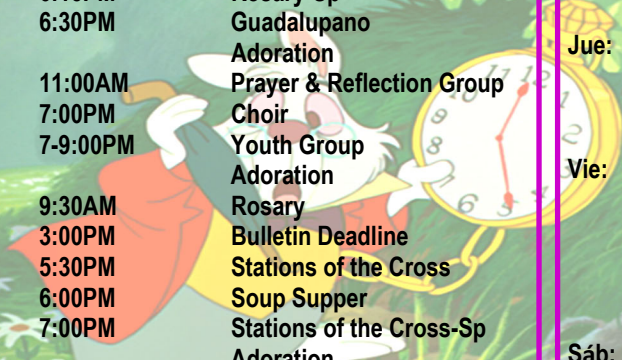
Jue: 3-9 Adoración
 11:00AM Grupo de Oración y Reflexión
 7:00PM Coro
 7-9:00PM Grupo de Jóvenes

Vie: 3-10 Adoración
 9:30AM Rosario
 3:00PM Fecha limite del boletin
 5:30PM ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ
 6:00PM CENA DE SOPA
 7:00PM ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

Sáb: 3-11 Adoración
 3:30-4:30PM Reconciliación

Dom: 3-12 AJUSTE SUS RELOJES
 7:00AM Rosario
 8:30AM Educación religiosa
 10:30AM RCIA
 4-6:00PM Confirmación

Spring forward!



Set your clocks ahead



BEREAVEMENT NOTICE: The March meeting has been CHANGED to the second Monday of March, 13th, at 2:00PM



AVISO DE BEREAVEMENT: La reunión de marzo ha sido CAMBIADA al segundo lunes de marzo, 13, a las 2:00 PM

Congratulations to Gloria Jones!

2016 Ojai Valley Chamber Commerce
 Member of the Year!

Congratulations ~ Well done!!!!



¡Felicitaciones a Gloria Jones!

2016 Ojai Valley Chamber Commerce
 Miembro del Año!

¡Felicitaciones ~ bien hecho !!!!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun: 3-5 9:30AM Jim Kerwin †
 Mon: 3-6 9:00AM Joseph Nocero †
 Tues: 3-7 9:00AM Javes Vigil
 Wed: 3-8 9:00AM Marian Kurzweil †
 Thurs: 3-9 9:00AM George Gerard †
 Fri: 3-10 9:00AM Assunta Nocero †
 Sat: 3-11 8:00AM Bridget Gorey †
 5:00PM Mary Quijada †

By: Bereavement
 By: Chuck Coscarelli
 By: Dennis & Peggy Vigil Wood
 By: Bereavement
 By: Mary Kazmer
 By: Chuck Coscarelli
 By: Paul Gorey
 By: Ministers to the Sick



THE BEST LENT EVER

Sign up at bestlentever.com If you do not have a computer or smart phone to access this wonderful program please talk to Father Tom.

THE UNIVERSITY SERIES

March 2-April 7 Various times at different parishes.

(Register at theuniversityseries.org) 805-496-0222

WORD ON FIRE - BISHOP BARRON ON LINE

On your computer or smart phone. (Sign up at wordonfire.com)

HOLY SATURDAY MASS & RIDES TO MASS

If you need a ride to Mass on Holy Saturday please call the office.

SOUP SUPPERS FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT 6:00PM

Marlene Lattimer 640-0403. **THERE ARE THREE FRIDAYS LEFT TO FILL. Monetary donations of what you pay for meal out is appreciated.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS DURING LENT 5:30PM IN ENGLISH AND 7:00PM IN SPANISH (IN THE CHURCH)

If you would be willing to lead the Stations of the Cross one evening please call the parish office.

SERVING AT HOLY WEEK MASSES

If you would like to serve at any of the Masses during Holy Week, please call Brian Campos or the office.

La mejor caravana de todos los tiempos

Regístrese en bestlentever.com Si no tiene una computadora o teléfono inteligente para acceder a este maravilloso programa, por favor hable con el padre Tom.

LA SERIE UNIVERSITARIA

2 de marzo - 7 de abril Varias veces en diferentes parroquias.

(Registrarse en theuniversityseries.org) 805-496-0222

PALABRA EN EL FUEGO - BISHOP BARRON ON LINE

Lecturas, reflexiones y más! En su computadora o teléfono inteligente. (Regístrate en wordonfire.com)

SANTO SÁBADO MASS & RIDES TO MASS

Si necesita un paseo a la Misa el Sábado Santo por favor llame a la oficina.

SOPORTES DE SOPA

VIERNES DURANTE LA CUARESMA A LAS 6:00 PM

Marlene Lattimer 640-0403. **HAY TRES SEVILLOS DEJADOS PARA LLENAR. Las donaciones monetarias de lo que se paga por la comida es apreciada.**

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

VIERNES DURANTE LA CUARESMA 5:30 PM IN ENGLISH AND 7:00 PM EN ESPAÑOL (EN LA IGLESIA)

Si usted está dispuesto a dirigir la Estación de la Cruz una noche por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia.

SERVIR EN LAS SEMILLAS DE LA SANTA SEMANA

Si desea servir en cualquiera de las misas durante la Semana Santa, por favor llame a Brian Campos o a la oficina.

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**COME PRAY WITH US
THE SEVEN THEMES OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING
PRAYER & REFLECTION
THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 10:00AM
IN THE LIBRARY**

Thursday, March 2:

Thursday, March 9:

No meetings March 16 and 23

Thursday, March 30:

Thursday, April 6:

Thursday, April 13:

3. Rights and Responsibilities

4. Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

5. The Dignity of Work & the Rights of Workers

6. Solidarity

7. Care for Creation

Contact Virginia Aguirre (805) 558-2296 for more information

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EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Tuesday March 7th for the March 19th Bulletin
 Friday March 21st for the April 16th Bulletin

PRÓXIMOS LÍMITES DEL BOLETIN

Martes 7 de Marzo para el Boletín del 19 de Marzo
 Viernes 21 de marzo para el Boletín del 16 de Abril

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Adults: What helpful advice could you offer someone faced with a temptation?

Children: What helps you do the right thing when you want to do something wrong?

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Evangelio: Mateo 4: 1-11

Adultos: ¿Qué consejo útil podría ofrecerle a alguien frente a una tentación?

Niños: ¿Qué te ayuda a hacer lo correcto cuando quieres hacer algo mal?

Did You Know?

It may be difficult to understand why an abuse victim does not come forward immediately to report an assault. For those who have suffered sexual assault or abuse, denial can be a powerful defense mechanism, one that allows them to cope with the trauma and its aftermath. Often, an abuser is someone the victim knows and trusts, which makes it even harder to understand why the abuse is happening, and harder to come forward and ask for help and protection. For a copy of the VIRTUS© article "The Many Faces of Denial, Part 2" email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call (213) 637-7227.

Reportar el abuso es lo correcto

La negación como mecanismo de defensa puede ser difícil entender por qué una víctima de abuso no se presenta inmediatamente para reportar un asalto. Para aquellos que han sufrido asalto o abuso sexual, la negación puede ser un poderoso mecanismo de defensa, que les permita hacer frente al trauma y sus secuelas. A menudo, un abusador es alguien que la víctima conoce y en la que confía, lo que hace aún más difícil entender por qué el abuso está sucediendo, y más difícil de presentar y pedir ayuda y protección. Para obtener una copia del artículo de VIRTUS © "The Many Faces of Denial, Part 2" (Las muchas caras de la negación, parte 2), envíe un correo electrónico a bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org o llame al (213) 637-7508.

CARE AND PREPARE

Finding Loving Care at the End of Life

7-9PM THUR MAR 16TH
 OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 21 E SOLA STREET
 SANTA BARBARA, CA 93101

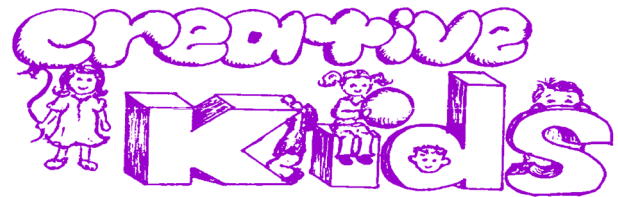
Discussion:

Accessing Quality Care

Protecting Loved Ones

Church Teaching on End of Life

Caring Pastorally at the End of Life



Lenten Sacrifices

During the season of Lent we try to better ourselves in some way that would be pleasing to God.

For example:

We do not eat meat on Fridays as a sacrifice to God.

Many people try to do something, like go to church more often, pray the rosary, volunteer to help, read the bible, or do something nice for someone each day of Lent.

And some people try to give up something that may not be good for them, like their favorite food, watching TV, talking bad about a classmate, or fighting with a sibling.

Depending on your age, you may not be required to do any of these things.

However, it would be nice if you could think of something you would be willing to do for Lent and try to stick to it from now until Easter.

Try it!



Office of Life, Justice & Peace
 Archdiocese of Los Angeles



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Lenten Penance Service 2017 Schedule

March 21, Tuesday
March 22, Wednesday
March 23, Thursday
March 29, Wednesday
March 29, Wednesday
March 31, Friday
March 31, Friday
April 4, Tuesday
April 5, Thursday
April 12, Wednesday
April 12, Wednesday

St. Thomas Aquinas, Ojai: 7 PM
Mission San Buenaventura: 7 PM
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Santa Paula: 7 PM
Our Lady of the Assumption: 7 PM
St. Anthony, Oxnard: 7 PM
Sacred Heart, Ventura: 7 PM
Mary Star of the Sea, Oxnard: 7:30 PM
St. Francis of Assisi, Fillmore: 7 PM
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Oxnard: 7 PM
St. Sebastian, Santa Paula at: 7 PM
Santa Clara, Oxnard: 6:30 PM