

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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and Deacon Phil Nelson

LITURGIES

Masses have been suspended amid coronavirus out break indefinitely until further notice

Saturday
No Masses

Evening Vigils
NO Masses in Spanish

Sunday
NO Mass

Weekdays
M-F No Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

ADORER CHAPEL

No adoration until further notice

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

WEDDINGS

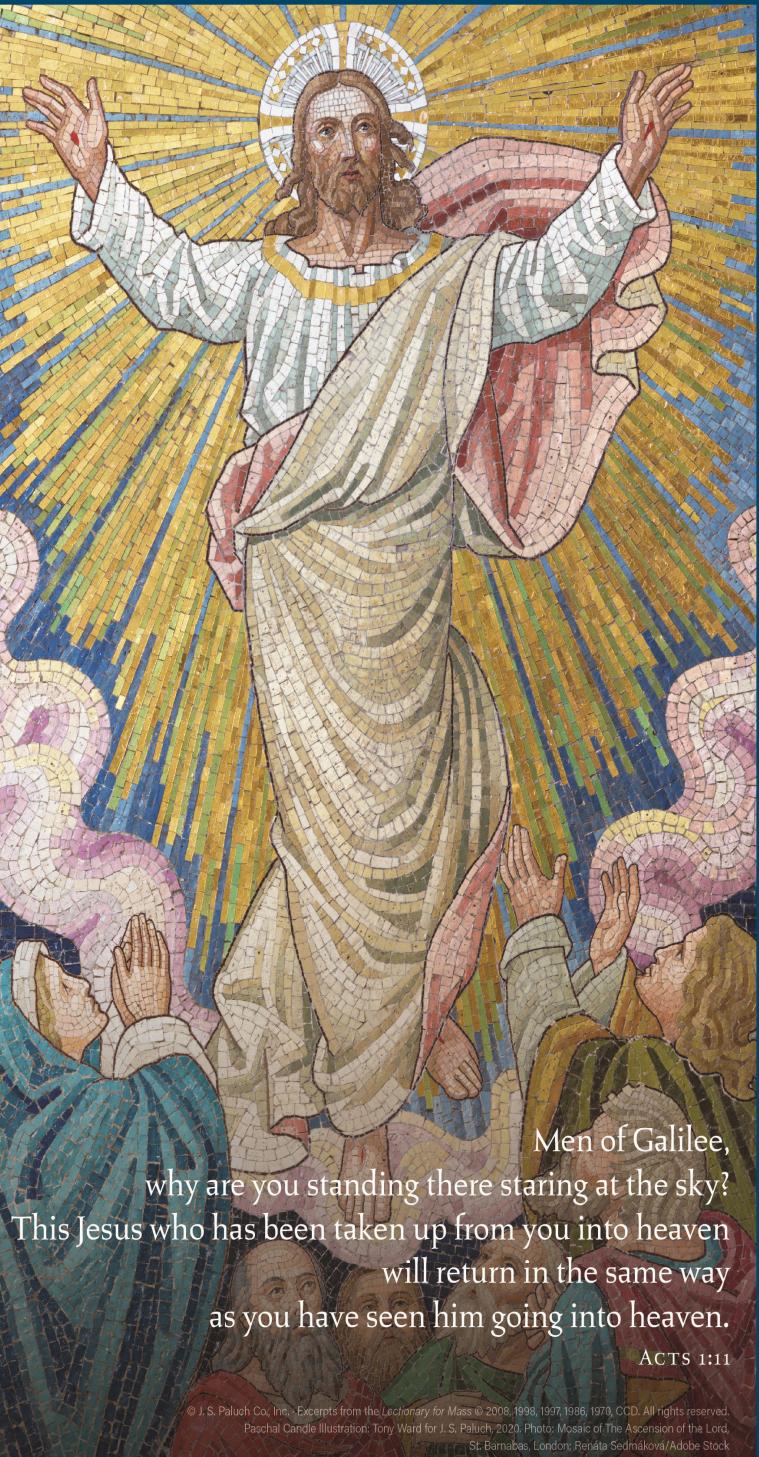
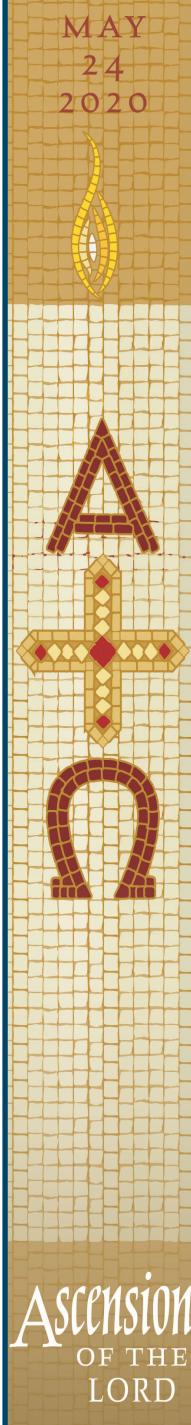
Call for appointment with the Pastor
(No more than 10 people)

BAPTISMS

(Call for appointment)
Spanish-Father Fernando
English-Deacon Phil
(No more than 10 people)

FUNERALS

Please call the parish office
646-4338 X101



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Men of Galilee,
why are you standing there
staring at the sky?
This Jesus
who has been taken up
from you into heaven
will return in the same way
as you have seen him going into heaven.

ACTS 1:11

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MAY
24
2020Ascension
OF THE
LORD

When we hear an excerpt from a particular Gospel, it is easy to get the details and stories from all the Gospels all mixed up and combined into one. Theologian Gerhard Lohfink called this "making Gospel soup!" To understand today's Gospel passage, we must realize that this is material particular to Matthew and in his telling it takes place right after the Resurrection. There has been no "doubting Thomas" or any of the other stories that we've heard since Easter.

How often have you made a plan at an event, saying, "If we get split up, just go back to the car and wait" or "Stay at the fountain in the mall—I'll find you!" Earlier in Matthew, Jesus told the women at the tomb to tell the disciples, "If something happens, head back to Galilee" (28:10). This was the game plan and was both a geographic reference and a spiritual one. "Go back to what you know, what you remember." They were confused and hurting, but did as Jesus said, returning to Galilee, specifically to the mountain where they had a powerful experience with him before. That would make it understandable that the disciples showed up but were a bit leery or doubting.

YOU'VE GOT THIS

Put yourself in the disciples' shoes. This is May, the season of graduations, new jobs, new cars, marriages, and so many other transitions as young people strike out on their own. Jesus reminded the disciples, "I have the power, and I've been teaching you for three years. Now you have the power. Go. Make Disciples. Baptize in the name of the Trinity. Teach them what I taught you." Surely the disciples were frightened, and Jesus must have felt both fear and pride. This was the moment that happens in every lifetime. It was time for these disciples, these students, his "children" to become the masters. And how did he reassure them? As parents and teachers and mentors have been doing for centuries. He smiled and reminded them, "Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Or as we might say, "You've got this."

Today's Readings: Acts 1:1–11 Ps 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9; Eph 1:17–23; Mt 28:16–20

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DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	May 24	9:30 AM	†	By:
Monday	May 25	9:00 AM	Marie Coscarelli †	By: Charles Coscarelli
Tuesday	May 26	9:00 AM	Richard McCann ☼	By: Devine Family
Wednesday	May 27	9:00 AM	Helen Harnett ☼	By: John Harnett
Thursday	May 28	9:00 AM	Charles Coscarelli Sr †	By: Charles Coscarelli
Friday	May 29	9:00 AM	John Harnett †	By: Helen Harnett
Saturday	May 30	8:00 AM	Julia Coscarelli †	By: Charles Coscarelli
		5:00 PM	Sr Augustin (Estelle Moreno) †	By: Sr Barbara & Ana Luz

MINISTRIES IN NEED OF YOU

When we are able to come together, each of our ministries are in need of new people who can bring their time and talent; ideas and energy. Below is an example of three different types of Ministries. Perhaps you will see a place for you. Every person who is now or has been involved in a Ministry will tell you they get more out of participating than they have given.

LAITY

This is a general term that describes all of us who are not clergy. Laity in Greek is laos, "The people". Vatican II recaptured the original meaning of the word, reminding us that laity is all the people of God who are called through baptism to transform the world.

APOSTOLATE

This word comes from apostle, as in one who is sent by Jesus to proclaim the Gospel....by word and deed. Lay Apostolate is the work most of the laity do everyday to transform the world and spread the love of Jesus. This is done through work as mothers, fathers, teachers, farmers, doctors, clerks, students, our everyday life.

LAY MINISTRY

This is used as a general term referring to lay activity in the Church. Vatican II renewed these ministerial roles. These ministries are, volunteer positions, extraordinary ministers, lectors, catechist, acolyte, and cantor to name a few. It also includes those who have a more professional role in the church like youth minister, director of Religious Education and RCIA coordinator.

MINISTRIES IN OUR PARISH WHO NEED YOU

- Ushers * Hospitality * Music * Choir * Lectors *
- Eucharistic Ministers * Children's Dismissal *
- Clerical Volunteers * Volunteers for the Parish Campus*
- Volunteers for cleaning of the Parish * Fund Raising * Liturgy *
- Environment of the Church * Bereavement * Women's Guild *
- Family to Family * Defenders of Life * RICA * Catechist *
- Religious Education * Youth Group * Junior High Ministry *
- Women's Guild * Knights of Columbus * Guadalupanos *
- Bible Study * Prayer Shawl Ministry * Homeless Shelter *
- St. Vincent De Paul * Open Pantry * Adoration *
- Ministers to the Sick & Homebound *

MINISTERIOS QUE LO NECESITAN

Cuando somos capaces de unirnos, cada uno de nuestros ministerios necesita nuevas personas que puedan aportar su tiempo y talento; Ideas y energía. A continuación se muestra un ejemplo de tres tipos diferentes de Ministires. Tal vez usted verá un lugar para usted. Cada persona que está ahora o ha estado involucrada en un ministerio le dirá que obtienen más de lo que han dado.

LAICADO

Este es un término general que describe a todos los que no somos clérigos. Laicos en griego es laos, "El pueblo". El Vaticano II recapturó el significado original de la palabra, Recordándonos que el laicado es todo el pueblo de Dios que es llamado por el bautismo a transformar

APOSTOLADO

Esta palabra viene del apóstol, como en quien es enviado por Jesús para proclamar el Evangelio ... por palabra y obra. El Apostolado de los Laicos es la obra que la mayoría de los laicos hacen todos los días para transformar el mundo y difundir el amor de Jesús. Esto se hace a través del trabajo como madres, padres, maestros, agricultores, médicos, empleados, estudiantes, nuestra vida cotidiana.

MINISTERIO LAICO

Se usa como un término general que se refiere a la actividad laica en la Iglesia. El Vaticano II renovó estos papeles ministeriales. Estos ministerios son, voluntarios, ministros extraordinarios, lectores, catequistas, acólitos y cantores, por nombrar algunos. También incluye a aquellos que tienen más Papel de la profesión en la iglesia como ministro de la juventud, Director de Educación Religiosa y

MINISTERIOS EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA

- Quien te necesita* Obreros * Hospitalidad * Música * Coro *
- Lectores* * Ministros eucarísticos * Despedida de menores *
- Voluntarios de oficina * Voluntarios para el Campus Parroquial
- *Voluntarios para la limpieza de la parroquia *
- Recaudación de Fondos * Liturgia * Entorno de la Iglesia *
- Desamparo * Women's Guild * Familia a Familia *
- Defensores de la Vida * RICA * RCIA * Catequista
- * Educación Religiosa * Grupo de Jóvenes *
- Junior High Ministry * Gremio de Mujeres *
- Kights de Colón * Guadalupanos * Estudio de la Biblia *
- Ministerio de Shawl de Oración * Refugio para personas sin hogar * St. Vincent De Paul * Despensa abierta * Adoración *
- Ministros a los enfermos y al hogar *

ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S PANTRY
The next will be June 20, 2020
IN NEED OF DONATION NOW

St Vincent de Paul's Pantry will be open and distributing to our customers, drive up, open your trunk and pre-bagged groceries will be placed in your car.

St Vincent de Paul's Pantry is always on the
3rd Saturday of each month.

The pantry is in much need of the following Items:

Canned meats: tuna, spam, chicken, ham...etc.

Paper towels, toilet paper, cereal of all kinds, pasta of all kinds, rice, beans, jam, jelly, peanut butter, crackers.

Baby products are also in need, Diapers of any size, especially in need of size #3

Canned and non-perishable needed as well

St. Vincent de Paul's pantry is also running "Food Share" all through May, every Monday at 12:00 PM
For everyone's safety boxes are place in the trunk of your car.

Share the Harvest is also available on the 1st Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM

Thank you to all the volunteers and supporters, all your help is go graciously appreciated.
If you would like to help with putting the bags together we are bagging on the Fridays before at 2:30 PM.

Monies donations: Please make checks out to **ST VINCENT DE PAULS** and place it in a **clearly marked envelope** and drop off your envelope at the church office.

WE NEED DONATIONS NOW

**NO ADORATION WILL BE AVAILABLE
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
AMID THE
CORONAVIRUS BREAKOUT**



**NO HABRÁ ADORACIÓN DISPONIBLE
HASTA NUEVO AVISO
AMID EL
CORONAVIRUS BREAKOUT**

STA THRIFT STORE
Located in Fitzgerald Plaza
423 E. Ojai Avenue #102
646-9256
Dorothy Rice, Manager

Our Parish Thrift Store which is a financial benefit to the Parish is in need of donations to stock the shelves.

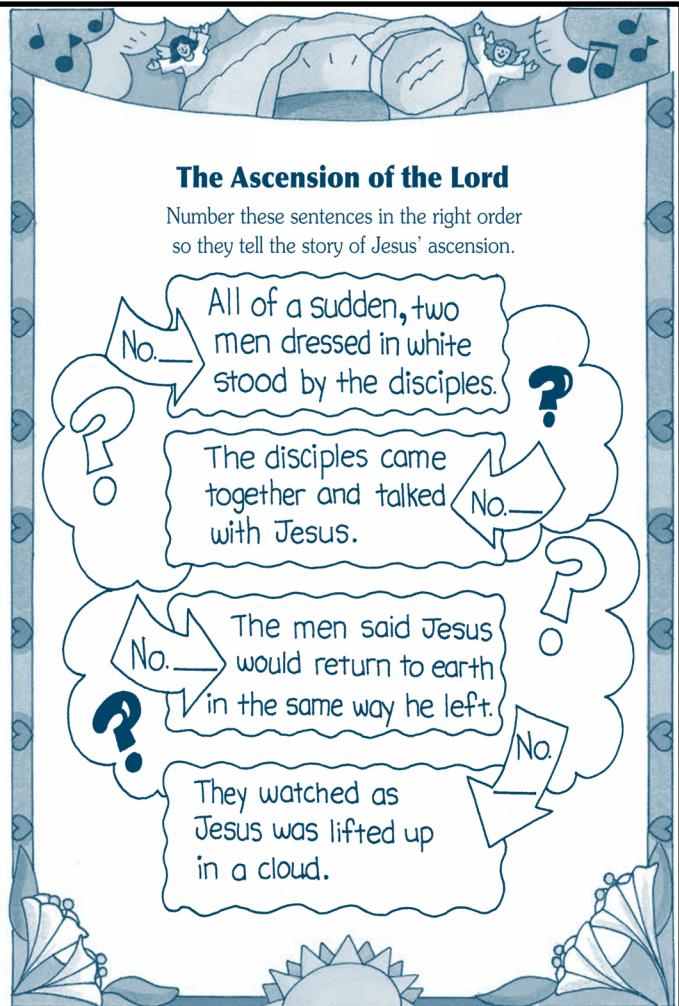
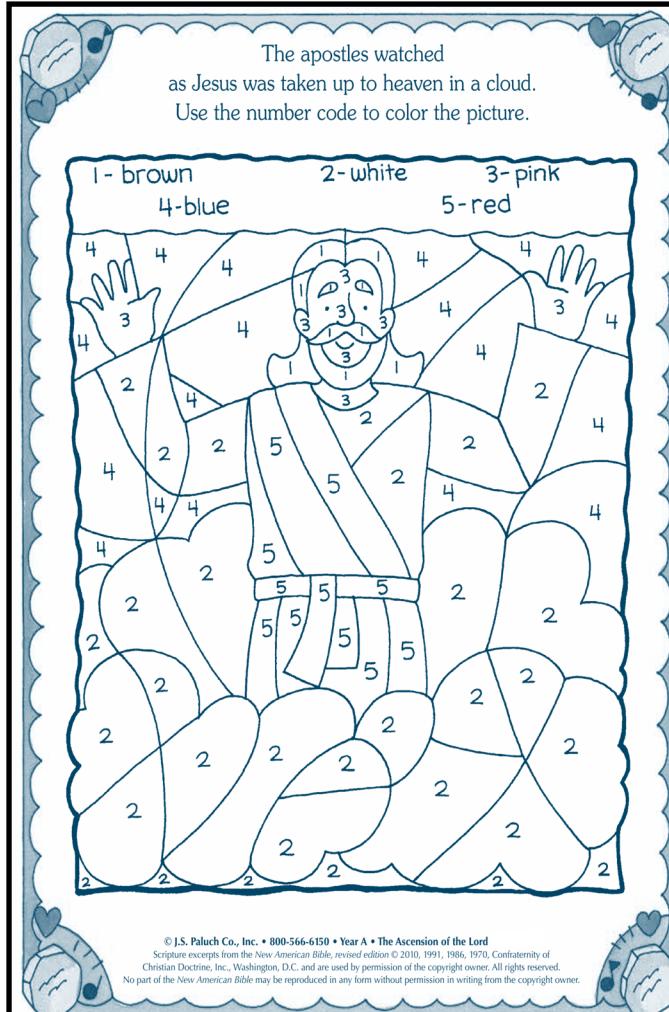
St Thomas Aquinas Thrift Store



TIENDA STA THRIFT
Ubicado en Fitzgerald Plaza
423 E. Ojai Avenue # 102
646-9256
Dorothy Rice, gerente

Nuestra Tienda De ahorro parroquial, que es un beneficio financiero para la Parroquia, necesita donaciones para abastecer los estantes.

GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN



Join us
On-Line stream Mass

Sunday 9:30 AM English
11:30 AM Spanish

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM
Saturday 8:00AM

Celebrate and Pray with us!

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
Ojai, CA

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We Miss You!

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*He was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.
— Acts 1:9*

*Se fue elevando a la vista de ellos,
hasta que una nube lo ocultó a sus ojos.
— Hechos 1:9*

URGENT APPEAL TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

We appreciate your continued financial support as you are able during this time. Your donations will allow our parish to support our community, pay our staff, and to continue to meet our financial obligations through these challenging times. You may mail in or drop off your contributions at the parish office or it might be the best time to consider online giving. It would take a few moments to set up. Please click on the link below this message to set up.

Donate Now go to our on-line bulletin to sign up

LLAMAMIENTO URGENTE A NUESTRA COMUNIDAD PARROQUIAL

Apreciamos su apoyo financiero continuo especialmente si es posible durante este tiempo difícil. Sus donaciones permitirán a nuestra Iglesia continuar cumpliendo con nuestras obligaciones financieras para seguir apoyando a nuestra comunidad en estos tiempos difíciles. Si puede seguir apoyando con sus donaciones, por favor hágalo enviándolo por correo, dejándolo en la oficina parroquial o por nuestra nueva opción en línea. Para donar en línea de una forma segura hágalo en este sitio web. Presioné aquí para obtener más información sobre esta opción.

Donar Ahora ve a nuestro boletín en línea para registrarte.

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