

Saint Thomas the Apostle CATHOLIC PARISH



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Our Parish Family includes Saint Thomas, the Apostle Parish, Saint Thomas, the Apostle School and Saint Anthony of Padua Mission Church.



The Most Holy Trinity

Parish Mission Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we the church answer the call of Christ to be a visible sign of His presence by participating in: Scripture and Sacraments, Worship and Prayer, Spiritual and Academic Education, Evangelization and Witnessing, Service and Charity, Fellowship and Community. Through our words and actions with our universal community of believers, we strive to share the love of God with the greater Oroville community and throughout the world.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:30 PM
7:00 PM (Spanish)
at St. Thomas in Oroville

Sunday

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM at Saint Thomas in Oroville, 12:30 PM Saint Anthony's in Challenge

Daily Mass

Monday: 8:30 AM Tuesday: 6:00 PM Wednesday-Friday: 8:30 AM

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Baptisms (Bautizos) Please contact the parish office

Sick Calls or Sacrament of Anointing (Unción de los Enfermos)

Please contact the parish office as soon as possible

Weddings (Matrimonios)

Minimum of six (6) months required for preparation. Please contact the parish office.

Funerals Please contact the parish office, for assistance in arranging a funeral service. We can also arrange a reception after the funeral if desired.

Sick Calls

Father Ramos would like to reach out to those parishioners who are homebound, or otherwise unable to attend Mass. If you, or someone you know, needs to receive a visit, or Sacraments you can find a Sick Call/Home Visit Request form in the Church Vestibule, the Parish Office or an on-line fillable electronic form, in English and Spanish, on the STAP website (https:orovillecatholic.org)."

Announcements

Chalice Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus, Oroville Council 2603 is conducting a Raffle for a new Chalice for our parish! The fundraising drive will be held during the months of April thru June with prizes being awarded at our Patron Saint Feast day celebration on July 1st, 2023. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of a new Chalice and Paten. Tickets are just \$5 and will be sold in front of the church after Mass by our brother Knights and at the parish and school office.

1st prize is \$500, 2nd prize is \$300 and 3rd prize is \$200. Please pray for the success of our raffle drive this season.

CLRS Invites You

The Catholic Ladies Relief Society was established on April 18, 1888, in the Sacramento Diocese.

Our local Society #12, began in 1965, 58 years ago! All women of Saint Thomas the Apostle are invited to

our last meeting (including lunch) of the year to meet with us, eat with us, and learn a little about who we are and what we do. Come on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at Noon in the Parish Office.

Any questions??? Mary 530-589-2986

Healing Mass

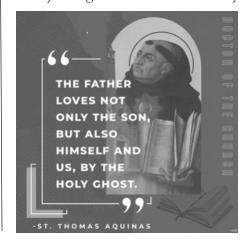
A special HEALING MASS will be celebrated on Tuesday, June 6 at 10:30 AM. For those who have chronic health issues or injuries, Father will be conferring the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. After mass, the Altar Society will provide a luncheon in the Community Center. Plan to attend and bring family members.

Blood Drive

On Sunday June 25, 2023 from 8AM-2PM in the community center, We will be hosting a Blood Drive. Questions can go to Ron Ullman (530) 282 3451 Thank You.

Congratulations and Thanks

Students from Faith Formation and St. Thomas School celebrated important events recently. 20 Students were confirmed on Saturday May 13. We were privileged to have Bishop Jaime Soto presiding at the Confirmation Mass. On Saturday, May 20 we celebrated First Communion with 20 students and their families who filled our church. Many thanks to all who helped with these celebrations. A special thank you goes out to all the Catechists who instruct our students and guide them on their faith journey. We are blest to have so many who give their time unselfishly.



LITURGICAL CALENDAR CALENDARIO LITURGICO

Sunday, June 4

8:00AM

10:30 AM

12:30 AM @St. Anthony's in

Challenge

Monday, June 5

8:30 AM

Tuesday, June 6

6:00 PM

Wednesday, June 7

8:30 AM

Thursday, June 8

8:30 AM

Friday, June 9

8:30 AM

Saturday, June 10

5:30 PM Vigil

7:00 PM Spanish Vigil

Sunday, June 11

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

12:30 AM @St. Anthony's in Challenge

Rosary: St. Thomas: after the 8:30

AM Mass during weekdays, and after the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Sunday Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 PM Tuesdays 4:00 PM Saturdays Or by Appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Tuesday: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Every Friday: 9:00 AM-

11:00 AM

3rd Saturday of Every Month, 8:00 PM



Pregnant? Worried? Need Help?

You are not alone. We can help.

The Gabriel Project Call: 800-910-0191

Book of the Month

Jesus and the Roots of the Eucarist: Unlocking the secrets of the Last Supper

-by Brant Pitre, professor of Sacred Scripture at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. Don't let his credentials scare you, he writes with simplicity and clarity. 8 chapters in 202 pages. ISBN 978-0-385-53186-3 – eBook ISBN 978-0-38553185-6

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Please Remember in Your Prayers

Frank Clanton Ramirez Thomas Edward Jose Ignacio Winter Ramirez-Gutierrez Jodi Williams Ann Lewis (Loseke) Alan Armstrong Mason Ray Williams The Monsen Family Victor and Joan John Ritter Briggs Margaret Carnahan Jimmy Potestio Patricia Laird Patty Webber-Tyler Remi Elizabeth Whalley Smith Jane Frericks Julie Silveira

Ray Firpo

Jose Ignacio

The Pastors Voice

Lessons from Saint Thomas the Apostle

Being in Jesus presence brings out the best in us

Who was the apostle Thomas? Chances are that you know Thomas as "doubting Thomas." The Gospels don't tell us a lot about him, so he's identified with the story in John's Gospel about needing to touch Jesus' wounds from the crucifixion before he'd believe. But this isn't all there is to Thomas. There's a good chance that Thomas was a twin. John tells us that Thomas was known as "Didymus" the Greek word for twin (John 11:16, 20:24, 21:2). Interestingly, Thomas also means twin in Aramaic, the common language throughout first-century Palestine. Church tradition tells us that Thomas was a missionary who might have ended up in India, but it's hard to say with any certainty how far east he traveled. And yet when Vasco da Gama's fleet reached India in 1498, the Portuguese were surprised to find Christian communities thriving in the south of the Subcontinent. They were even more surprised by the locals' certainty that their church had been established by St. Thomas. They shouldn't have been, as countless travelers, including Marco Polo, had claimed that the saint's grave was there. For the St. Thomas Christians, there is still no doubt that theirs is an unbroken tradition going back to their patron's arrival in the year 52.

One compelling lessons we can learn from this Disciple – being in Jesus' presence brings out the best in us by increasing our faith. Conversely, being away from Jesus triggers doubt. It's easy to think of bravery as a trait that we either have or we don't. The truth is that sometimes we're braver than others. When Jesus told the disciples that He was heading back to Judea to see Lazarus, the disciples fearfully reminded Him that the Jews there had just tried to stone Him (John 11:8). It's Thomas who pipes up, "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (11:16). After a comment like that, you'd think that we'd remember him as "Thomas the Brave." But the emotional impact of Jesus' trial, flogging, and crucifixion had a toll, and Thomas finds it hard to bounce back. He's the only one who isn't present the first time Jesus appears to the disciples and this has an effect on his faith (John 20:24). When the disciples all come to tell him that they've seen the risen Lord, Thomas refuses to believe it (John 20:25). Thomas' moment of bravery didn't entirely define him, and neither should his moment of doubt. We all have moments we're proud of and other moments we wish we could forget. What we learn from Thomas is that being in Jesus' presence brought out the best in him by increasing his faith. Conversely, being away from Jesus seemed to trigger doubt.

https://www.jesusfilm.org/blog/lessons-thomas/ https://aleteia.org/2018/05/18/the-little-known-story-of-how-st-thomas-the-apostle-brought-christianity-to-india/