

# 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.



## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

#### <u>Fr. German</u> Ramos

Parochial Administrator frramosoro@gmail.com

Thomas O'Connell
Deacon

## Shirlee Ohls-Morris Parish Bookkeeper

Mrs. Kelly Floyd School Principal

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Mon-Thurs | 9:00 AM - 12:00
PM
Fridays | 9:00 AM -12:00 PM,
1:00-3:00 PM
www.orovillecatholic.org

## School Office

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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**

#### Mass Intentions:

If you wish to have your intentions offered up at Mass, you may do so by contacting the Parish Office at 530-533-0262.

#### Healing Mass, Feb 8

There will be a Mass of Healing on Thursday, February 8 at 10:30 AM. During the mass, the Sacrament of the Sick will be conferred on those who are ill, scheduled for surgery, or are elderly. After mass, there will be a luncheon in the Community Center, hosted by the Altar Society.

#### Ash Wednesday is Feb 14

There will be mass and the Imposition of Ashes at 8:30 AM, 12:30 in Challenge, and 6:00 PM (bi-lingual mass). Ashes will also be distributed at a prayer service at 12:00 Noon.

#### **Soup and Stations**

Beginning on Friday, February 16 we will have a simple soup meal in the Community Center at 6:00 PM, followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:45

PM. Join us in this annual Lenten tradition as we prepare for the Easter celebration.

#### **Rummage Sale Coming**

The Catholic Ladies Relief Society will be holding their winter rummage sale from 8 am-2pm on Saturday, Feb 3rd and 8 am – 12 pm on Sunday, Feb 4th. We ask that you bring donations to this sale on the morning of Friday, Feb. 2nd from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM. The funds raised from our sales are our main source of funds for relief efforts in our community and parish. Please remember us, bring your donations, and come visit our sale.

#### **Donation Letter Request**

Any parishioner needing a 2023 Tax letter for donations - please make contact with the parish office. Stop in or call to have your letter completed.

#### **Palms**

With Lent Just a few weeks a way, we are putting a box in the vestibule of the church, for collecting last years palms. These will be burnt and used for the application of ashes on Ash Wednesday.

#### **Eucharistic Camino**

Join the hundreds of "pilgrims" that have been gathering each month at various parishes throughout our deanery during this year of Eucharistic Revival. We have planned a very special hour of adoration which begins at 5:00 pm Monday, February 5th in the church. This is followed by an hour of Hospitality in Fitzgerald Hall with light refreshments and sandwiches. Come seek the real presence of Jesus Christ in Adoration of His Holy Eucharist! More info: Call the church office (get your Camino passport!) and check outstmparadise.net/eucharist-revival

#### **Book Fair**

St. Thomas school is having their Scholastic Book Fair this weekend and next weekend, February 4th, after the 8:00 and 10:30 masses. Stop by and check out all the wonderful books. This fair supports our school library and helps us purchase books for our students. Thank you, St. Thomas Library

#### LITURGICAL CALENDAR CALENDARIO LITURGICO Sunday, January 28

8:00AM

10:30 AM

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

Monday, January 29

8:30 AM

Tuesday, January 30

6:00 PM

Wednesday, January 31

8:30 AM

Thursday, February 1

8:30 AM

Friday, February 2

8:30 AM

Saturday, February 3

5:30 PM Vigil

7:00 PM Spanish Vigil

Sunday, February 4

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

12:30 PM @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

#### **Deanery Meeting**

Join us for the Deanery meeting of the Sacramento Diocesan Council of Catholic Women to be hosted by the Women's ministries of St. Joseph Parish, Marysville. SDCCW encompasses many of the Catholic Women's organizations in our Diocese. We strive to "empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service, responding with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world". Come spend time with us as we share ideas, prayers, a meal and our faith as Catholic Women.

Thursday, Feb. 15, 2024 Saint Joseph Catholic Church 702 C Street, Marysville, Ca.

10:30 Registration.....\$10.

11:00 Mass 12:00 Lunch 1:00 Meeting & raffle

RSVP to: Maeva Barickman (530) 712 5709

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#### The Pastors Voice

History of the Catholic Cannon - Old Testament - continued

Picking up where we left off - there is sufficient evidence that the Septuagint translation of Sacred Scripture was adopted universally by Jews at the time Jesus preached His message of salvation through the establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. It was the principal Scriptural translation that the first century Old Covenant faithful, including Jesus and His Apostles, quoted when referring to passages of Sacred Scripture. When Jesus read from the scrolls of Scripture in the synagogue at Nazareth, it was the Greek Septuagint translation of the prophecy of Isaiah that He read from and applied to Himself. At this point in salvation history there was agreement among the Jews, including the Jewish Jesus and His Jewish followers, regarding the sacred text – still no cannon of the Hebrew Scriptures. The question that must be asked and answered is - what was the impetus to close their scriptures, to adopt a "cannon"?

The answer may be that the Septuagint was the most powerful evangelizing tool of the earliest Christians precisely because the first Christians were Jews who knew the Septuagint was universally considered equal to the Hebrew original by all Jews including the High priest in Jerusalem! After the destruction of the Jerusalem Temple in AD 70, leading rabbis reorganized Jewish worship. They reviewed the existing collections of their sacred writings and developed an official list of twenty-four books. They rejected the books that were not originally written in Hebrew, they numbered seven and included portions of the books of Daniel and Esther. The books rejected were; Tobit, Judith, 1 Maccabees, 2 Maccabees, Wisdom, Ecclesiasticus (Sirach), Baruch. All were written after the conquest of Alexander the Great (336-323BC) written in Greek. What was originally entirely translated by Jewish scholars, was re-written by the Rabbis and the Hebrew scriptures closed. Because most of the early Christians spoke Greek, including Jews such as Paul, the original Septuagint was adopted by the Church as its Sacred Scriptures. The canon of both the Old and New Testaments, were finally settled at the Council of Rome in 382, under the authority of Pope Damasus I, and remained so throughout all of Christendom until the 15 th century.

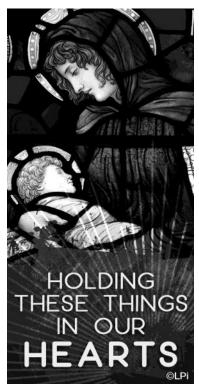
https://www.agapebiblestudy.com/documents/Is%20the%20Catholic%20Old%20Testament%20Accurate.htm

https://stpaulcenter.com/thoughts-on-the-churchs-old-testament-canon/

#### Please Remember in Your Prayers

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

Jose Ignacio



#### **Faith Formation Update**

Lord, I leave the past in your mercy, the future in your providential care and the present moment in your love. - St. Francos of Assisi.

PARENTS: "Please remember to turn in copies of your Sacrament Certificates and if necessary complete the online preparation courses made available to you in December.

Friday February 2, is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord