

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



Good Shepherd Sunday

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 Wed-Fri: 8:30 AM

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Parish Office

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NFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL 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 require

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)."

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.

Prayer Requests

If you need someone added or removed from the prayer list on the bulletin, please email:

saintthomasbulletin.oroville@gmail.com Thank you for your continued prayers for those in need.

K of C Breakfast this Sunday!

Knights of Columbus to host their monthly breakfast on Sunday, April 21st. Breakfast includes French Toast, eggs, sausage, hashed brown potatoes & drink. Adults \$8, Kids 5-12 \$4. Come and enjoy this meal with your parish family.



Announcements

30th Annual Walk for Life

The 30th Annual Walk for Life is Saturday, April 27th at 9A.M. We will meet up on the Oroville Dam parking lot, and walk across the Dam and back, you may walk at your convenience.

The walk is a fundraiser for Caring for Woman Pregnancy Resource Center and to bring the Christian Community together in fellowship to support this vital ministry. We need and sincerely appreciate your support. The funds raised for the walk will give us the opportunity to touch lives by surrounding their clients with God's love and truth. If you have any questions, call the parish office at (530)533 0262 or Caring for Women at (530)533-8388. Thank you and God bless you for your support.

Camp Pendola Work Weekends

From the Diocese: Join us for one of our two work weekends at Camp Pendola in Camptonville, CA. We have many projects that are needed to get camp ready for the campers! Projects include painting, repairing cabin walls, clearing brush and blackberry bushes from trails. This year we have two weekends for you to choose from May 18 - 19 and May 25 - 27 lodging and meals will be provided to all who join us! Contact Bobbi Miller at bmiller@scd.org if you have any questions and to RSVP. (Camptonville is one hour from Oroville)

Please Remember in Your Prayers

-Frank Clanton -Thomas Edward Winter -Ann Lewis (Loseke) -Alan Armstrong -Jodi Williams -The Monsen Family -Victor and Joan -John Ritter Briggs -Jimmy Potestio Carnahan -Patty Webber-Smith -Jane Frericks -Ray Firpo

-Jose Ignacio Ramirez -Jose Ignacio Ramirez-Gutierrez -Mason Ray Williams -Margaret -Patricia Laird -Julie Silveira -Daniel Briggs

-Jeffery Spoor

LITURGICAL CALENDAR CALENDARIO LITURGICO

Sunday, April 21 8:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:30 PM @St. Anthony's in Challenge Monday, April 21 8:30 AM Tuesday, April 23 6:00 PM Wednesday, April 24 8:30 AM Thursday, April 25 8:30 AM Friday, April 26 8:30 AM Saturday, April 27 5:30 PM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish) Sunday, April 28 8:00AM 10:30 AM 12:30 AM @St. Anthony's in Challenge Rosary: <u>St. Thomas</u>: 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 Tuesdavs 4:00 PM Saturdays Or by Appointment

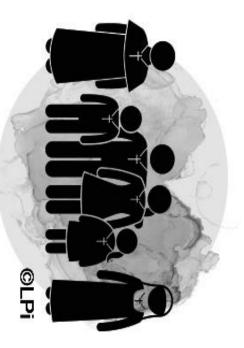
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Tuesday: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM Every Friday: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM 3rd Saturday of Every Month, 8:00 PM



Pregnant? Worried? Need Help?

> You are not alone. We can help.

The Gabriel Project Call: 800-910-0191





THE PASTORS VOICE

HOPE – The second Theological Virtue

We all face difficult moments of darkness and anxiety when things can become difficult. Some may become disillusioned with life and lose hope. During these challenging times, hope can also be misunderstood. We may think that it is having a positive attitude or being optimistic. We may place our hope in things of this world, such as our work or charitable projects, thinking they will bring us happiness.

Pope Francis reminds us that true hope is not built on human words or assurances, but on God's Word and His promise of salvation and eternal life. The Easter season is a time to reflect on the effects of Jesus' Resurrection, the opening of heaven for humanity. It is a time of joy together. It can also be a good time to reflect on the true nature of hope and on those who can act as models of it for us today.

Hope is perhaps the most difficult of the three theological virtues to understand. It can be described as an unshakable trust and assurance that the promises of God will be fulfilled. This trust is based on what He has done for us in His Son Jesus, through His Death and Resurrection. Like faith, it is not a human attitude or opinion, but it is a gift of the Holy Spirit.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes the true nature and meaning of the virtue *Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our* happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit. (CCC 1817)

God has placed in each of our hearts the desire and longing for true happiness. The virtue of hope responds to this innermost desire and helps us to place our trust in God. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes the work and function of hope. *[This virtue] takes up the hopes that inspire men's activities and purifies them so as to order them* to the Kingdom of heaven; it keeps man from discouragement; it sustains him during times of abandonment; it opens up his heart in expectation of eternal beatitude. Buoyed up by hope, he is preserved from selfishness and led to the happiness that flows from charity. (*CCC* 1818) Jesus used the image of the kingdom of God to express the content of our hope. He used parables, images, and symbols to describe what is eternal and invisible to the human eye. St. Paul declares, "Now hope that sees for itself is not hope. For who hopes for what one sees?" (Romans 8:24). This gift of the Holy Spirit helps us envision what still cannot be seen and which would otherwise be impossible to expect.

https://catholicstand.com/hope-misunderstood-virtue/

Readings for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday:Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18	
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/l Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Observances for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday:4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for VocationsMonday:Earth DayTuesday:St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and MartyrWednesday:St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr; Administrative Pro-fessionals' DayThursday:Thursday:St. Mark, EvangelistFriday:Arbor DaySaturday:Sth Sunday of Easter