

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



Fifth Sunday of Easter

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 INFORMATION / I

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:

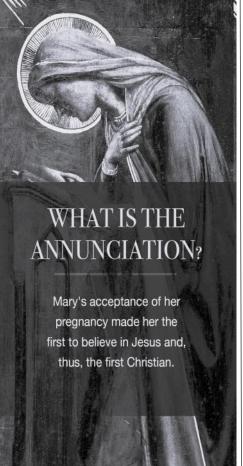
saintthomasbulletin.oroville@gmail.com Thank you for your continued prayers for those in need.

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour on Sunday, April 28 is hosted by the Men's Ministry. Stop by to support them and share coffee and fellowship!

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 <u>bmiller@scd.org</u> 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 -Mason Ray -The Monsen Family -Victor and Joan -Margaret Briggs -Jimmy Potestio -Patricia Laird -Patty Webber-Smith -Jane Frericks -Ray Firpo

-Ileen Cupido -Jose Ignacio Ramirez-Gutierrez -Jodi Williams Williams -John Ritter Carnahan -Julie Silveira -Daniel Briggs -Jeffery Spoor

LITURGICAL CALENDAR CALENDARIO LITURGICO

Sunday, April 28 8:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:30 PM @St. Anthony's in Challenge Monday, April 29 8:30 AM Tuesday, April 30 6:00 PM Wednesday, May 1 8:30 AM Thursday, May 2 8:30 AM Friday, May 3 8:30 AM Saturday, May 4 5:30 PM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish) Sunday, May 5 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

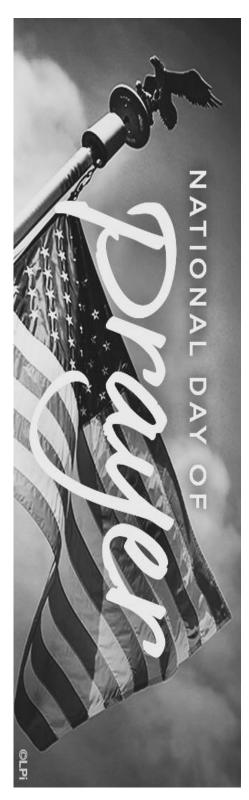
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Tuesday: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM Every Friday: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM 3rd Saturday of Every Month, 8:00 PM



Pregnant? Worried? **Need Help?**

> You are not alone. We can help.

The Gabriel Project Call: 800-910-0191



THE PASTORS VOICE

CHARITY (LOVE) – The third Theological Virtue

Christian theology upholds charity as the greatest of the three theological virtues. According to moral theology, charity is a divinely infused virtue which lets us focus our will to cherish God above all things for his own sake and to cherish humanity for the sake of God.

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection" (Col 3:12-14).

Charity is the ultimate perfection of the human spirit since it is a reflection and glorification of God's nature. It binds all virtues together in perfect harmony. It also purifies and uplifts human love to the perfection of God's love.

Our Catholic faith encourages us to practice charity in different ways. Since the apostolic age, Christians were taught to not just give, but to give from the heart, to everyone in need regardless of their race or religion because "Christ is all and in all."

In Colossians 3:11, we are instructed to love our neighbors because they are the children of God. We are all part of the same human family and share the same nature, needs and dignity. Because of our kinship and unity as God's people, we must have compassion and understanding for one another.

Charity is love that is unconditional, and by it we are able to reach out to our sisters and brothers and help relieve any physical, mental, moral or spiritual needs they may have.

The simplest way we can express charity is to speak, act and think with love. We must keep in mind that charity is all about love, and as it says in St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians: "Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, [love] is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth" (1 Cor 13:4-7).

With this Bible verse in mind, let us remember to always treat others with compassion. When we have love in our hearts and minds, it is easy for us to put the needs of others first. We act without self interest and always with the goal of helping others out. We develop a charitable spirit by supporting and engaging in parish social outreach ministries, programs at local Catholic Charities or the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Each one of us has a special gift that can be of use in God's work. How do you practice charity in your life? What charity work do you plan to do? Of these theological virtues only the virtue of Charity (Love) follows us to heaven. Once we leave this earth Faith is rewarded and Hope fulfilled.

https://www.archindy.org/criterion/local/2020/02-14/bethuram.html

Readings for the week of April 28, 2024

Sunday:Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8	
Monday:	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9
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Observances for the week of April 28, 2024

Sunday:5th Sunday of EasterMonday:St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the ChurchTuesday:St. Pius V, PopeWednesday:St. Joseph the WorkerThursday:St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; National Day ofPrayerFriday:Sts. Philip and James, ApostlesSaturday:6th Sunday of Easter