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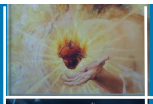
First Sunday of Advent

Our Lady of the Assumption



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CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

FIRST FIRDAY & FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

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Reconciliation

Saturday
- 7 PM – 7:30 PM

Sunday
- 5:30 PM – 5:45 PM

Monday during ARMEE

Mass Schedule

Monday
- 9 AM *Portuguese*
- 10 AM *English*

Tuesday
- 10 AM *English*

Wednesday
- 10 AM *English*
- 6 PM *English*

Thursday
- 9 AM *Portuguese*
- 10 AM *English*

Friday
- 9 AM *Portuguese*

Saturday
- 10 AM *English*
- 5:30 PM *Portuguese*
- 7:30 PM *Portuguese*

Sunday
- 9:30 AM *English*
- 11:15 AM *Portuguese*
- 6 PM *English Mass*

Parish Office

Monday– Firday
- 9 AM - 5 PM

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Tuesday, December 31st

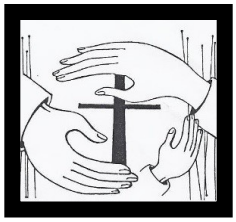
6 PM Mass followed by
New Year's Eve Dinner & Celebration
in the Parish Hall Tickets are available by
contacting Helder de Sousa.

Formation

Mondays
- 7:30 PM

Grupo de Oração
Divina Misericórdia
PORTUGUESE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
Thursdays, First Church
- 7 PM

Outreach



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V.A.L.E.R Office 209.634.0380
Tuesday - Thursday
- 11 AM - 3 PM

Pray for the Sick

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David Gullet	Samuel Gonzalez
Asselina Teixeira	Tyler Jorge
Adriana Garcia	Marie Dixon
Izlida Pacheco	Anthony Brown
Nair Gomes	Maria Azevedo
Hilario Mendes	Filipe Ormonde
Palmira Cardoso	Barbara Jean Daniels
Jesuina Teixeira	Francisco Vaz Nunes
Manuel Rodriguez	Bernadette Garcia
Luis Borba	Leotina Pessoa
Teresa Xavier	Artur Vitorino
Diane Silva	Margarida Nunes
John Silva	Ermelinda Ornelas

We Care Shelter

Please reserve a Tuesday night for your family and group to serve dinner at We Care. Every Tuesday has been reserved for OLA, but other nights available as well. Please contact Christine Dores to reserve a date and learn more about We Care:
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Parish Advent Mission

Surrendering to God in Trust and Gratitude

Presented by Fr. Patrick Dooling

Monday, December 2, 2019-Thursday, December 5, 2019

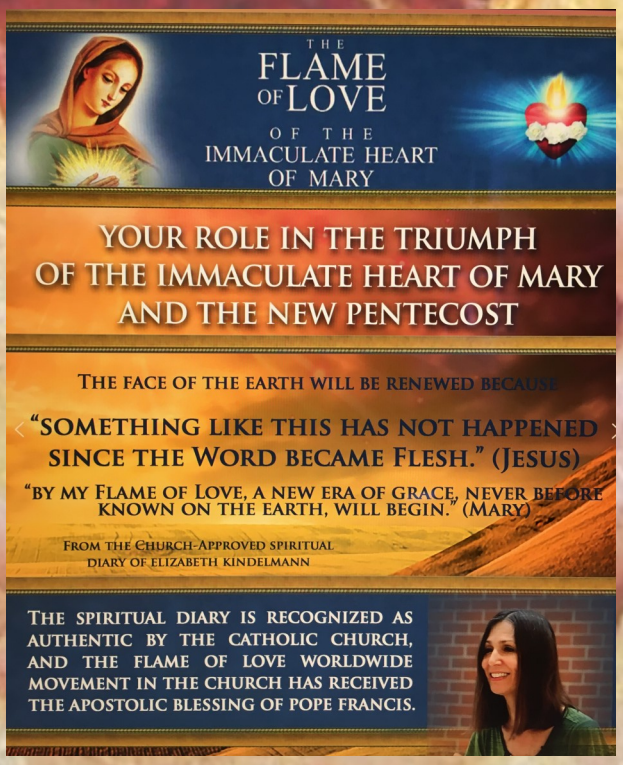
Morning Session (First Church):

- Monday—Thursday:

  10 AM Mass followed by Talk

Evening Session (New Church):

- Monday: 7:30 PM
- Tuesday: 7 PM
- Wednesday: 6 PM Mass followed by Talk
- Thursday: 7 PM– Talk by
  Christine Watkins & Vince Sigala



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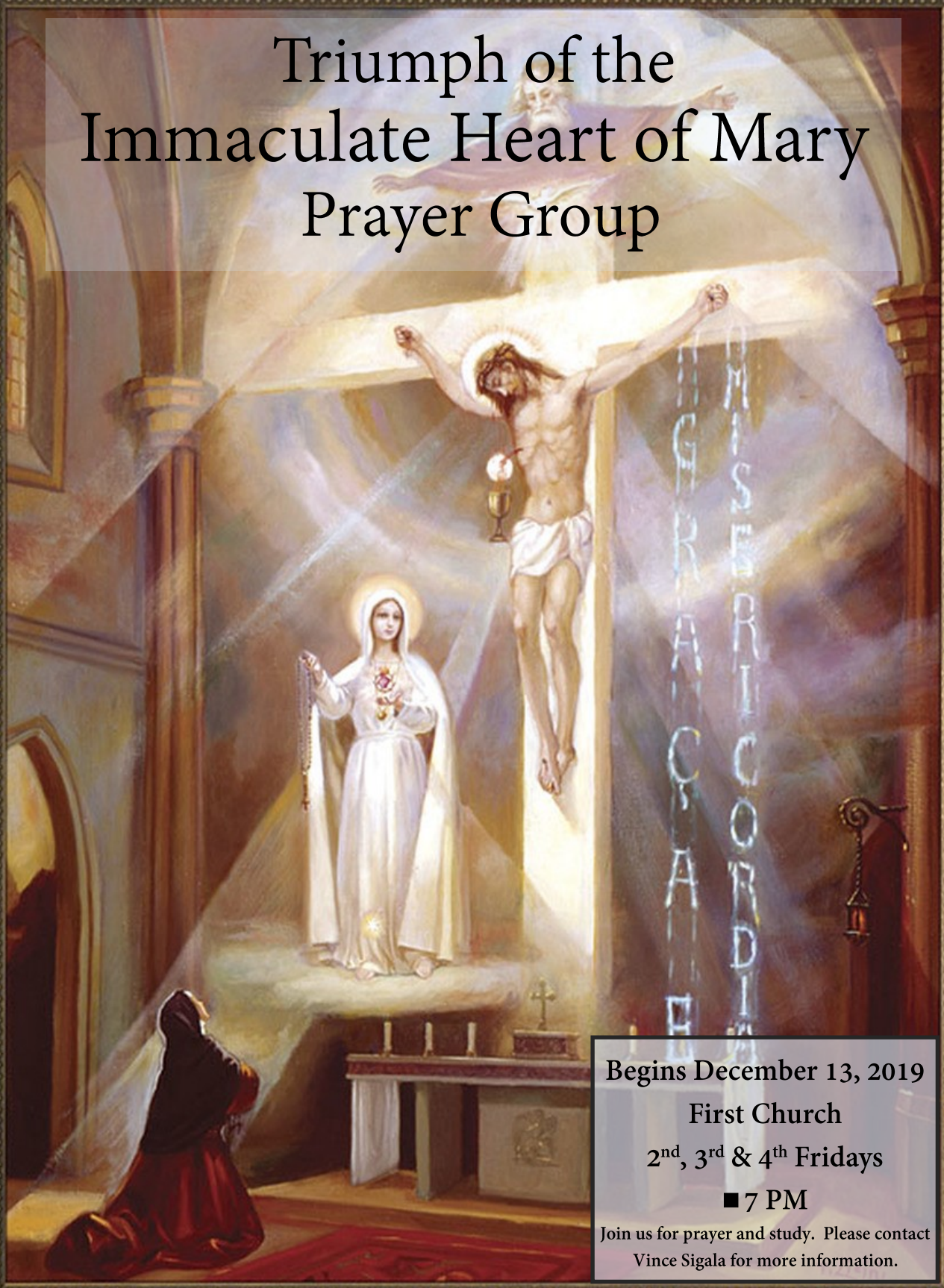
Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group



Begins December 13, 2019

First Church

2nd, 3rd & 4th Fridays

■ 7 PM

Join us for prayer and study. Please contact Vince Sigala for more information.

*The mission of **Spirit of Father Mata** is to help the Sisters of the Missionaries of the Poor to continue the work begun by Father Mata – caring for the neediest families of Brazil, especially children and the elderly.*

THE GIVING TREE

Sprinkle a little kindness this Christmas and adopt a child. There are envelopes hanging on The Giving Tree in the Church lobby with details on how you can help one child in one of Spirit of Father Mata homes in Brazil this holiday season.

December 1, 2019

Dear Families,

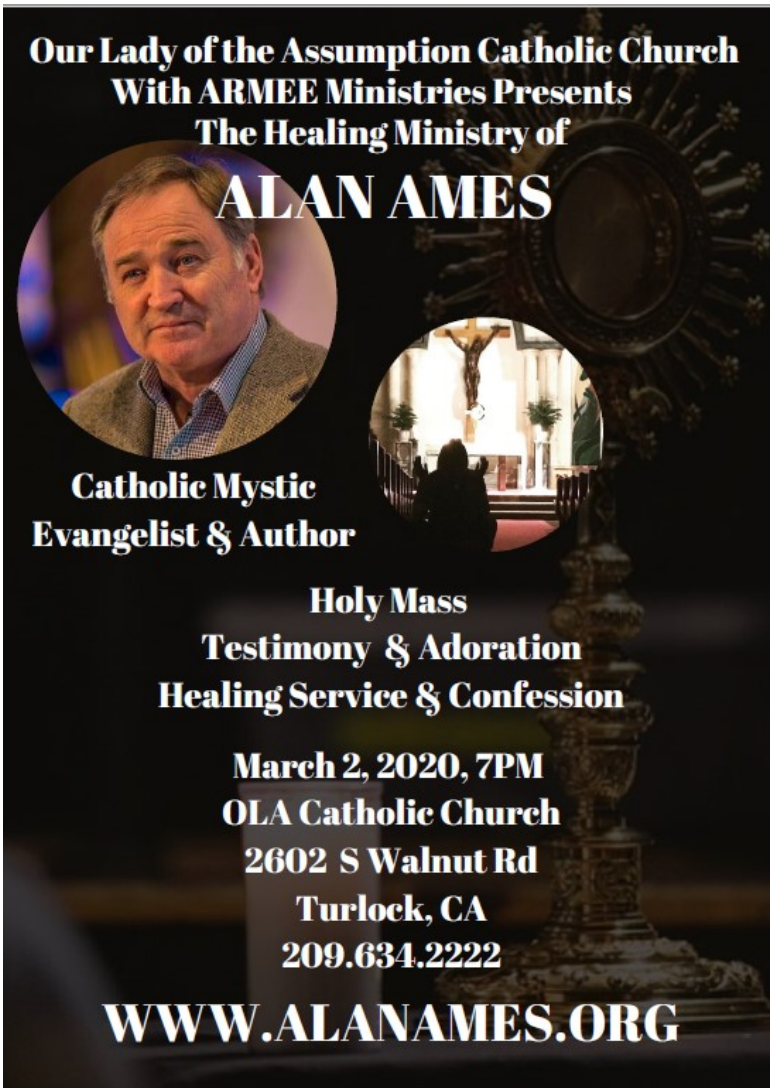
We are in the Christmas season, a time of giving. The parishioners of Our Lady of the Assumption Church have strived to reach outside the parish to help those in need. One of numerous projects the parish donates to each year is the Spirit of Father Mata organization. There are four homes in Brazil that provide care, food, education, and other kinds of support to children and their families in some of the neediest communities in that country. Father Mata founded these homes for the abandoned children of Brazil. Father Mata and the Sisters of the Missionaries of the Poor have maintained these homes through donations from the United States, Canada, and Portugal. For the past 40 years, Californian Catholic families have been especially generous in receiving Father Mata and the Sisters when they visited and in donating funds to keep the houses open. Father Mata passed in 2011 and the Sisters have continued his work spreading the message of God's loving mercy to those they serve.

It requires about $6,000 per month to maintain each of the four homes. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis reminds us that if we seek holiness pleasing to God's eyes, we must recognize the Lord in the poor and the suffering. Practicing works of mercy is at the heart of the Gospel. Consider sponsoring a child for a week, a month, or even a year. Consider gathering your family members and pool your resources to help one child for a year. It requires $60 a month and $720 per year to support each child.

Hanging on the Giving Tree you can find an informational card, an envelope, and a photo of a child from one of the homes you might want to "adopt" this Christmas. Sprinkle kindness through this holiday season and extend your generosity to these children. Your check may be sent in the addressed envelope or you may go online to donate at http://spiritoffathermata.com/ with PayPal while indicating it is directed towards a particular child in your notes, if you choose.

Spirit of Father Mata Team

Antonio & Mary Borba, Fatima Gioletti, Daniel Lourenco,
Helio Couto, Carla Nunes, Helen Oliveira, Albertina
Sisters of the Missionaries of the Poor in Brazil



Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday Devotion

December 6th

- 9 AM Portuguese Mass
- 10 AM - 9 PM Adoration

First Saturday Devotion

December 7th

- 9 AM - 10 AM Adoration & Confession
- 10:30 AM - English Mass

Prevention, Protection, Accountability

Safe Environment

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS and OFFICE OF PERMANENT DEACONS

To assure the safety of all our children and vulnerable people in our diocese, all ministers and volunteers must go through a process of background checks and training. This is especially true of all our seminarians and permanent deacons.

No visiting deacon may minister in the Stockton Diocese, even for individual sacraments such as a baptism or a wedding, without first providing a current letter of good standing from his Bishop or Religious Superior.

All permanent deacons and seminarians who have an assignment in the diocese go through series of background checks, both national and international. They have to do a Live Scan (Department of Justice and FBI), a VIRTUS training, and a Sexual Harassment training. Also, deacons have to do a Psychological Testing after their second year of the six-year program, and for seminarians they do a Psychological Testing before entering the seminary and a follow-up just before becoming a Transitional Deacon. They are also provided with ongoing opportunities for training through an annual retreat and workshops to promote their human and spiritual and ministerial development.

The Office of Vocations and the Office of Permanent Deacons oversees all these processes of investigation and certification for seminarians and permanent deacons in our diocese.

Visit the Office of Vocations on our diocesan website:

https://stocktondiocese.org/vocations

Visit the Office of Permanent Deacons on our diocesan website:

https://stocktondiocese.org/permanent-diaconate-formation

Also, for more information, visit the Diocese of Stockton website's Safe Environment link:

https://21788.sites.ecatholic.com/usccb-information

Feast of Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 9, 2019

- 9 AM Portuguese Mass
- 10:30 AM English Mass

Christmas Masses

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, December 24th

- 5 PM English Vigil Mass

Wednesday, December 25th

- 12 AM Midnight
- 9:30 AM English
- 11:15 AM Portuguese

NO 6 PM MASS

Mary the Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, December 31st

- 6 PM Bilingual Mass

New Year's Eve Dinner & Celebration
in the Parish Hall. Tickets are available after Mass.

Wednesday, January 1st

- 9:30 AM English Mass
- 11:15 AM Portuguese Mass

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 5th

- 11 AM Bilingual Mass

Followed by procession and celebration in the Parish Hall

Mass Intentions Liturgy

Monday • Segunda-Feira, December/Dezembro: 02
9:00am - Português
† Norberto e Clélia Cândido, aniv. da morte – das filhas
10:00am – English
† Manuel Moniz
Tuesday • Terça-Feira, December/ Dezembro: 03
10:00am – English
† Maria Aguiar
Wednesday • Quarta-Feira, December/ Dezembro: 04
10:00am – English
For the Intentions of Jason Oliveira and Michael and Melanie Lopes
6:00pm – English
Teams of Our Lady, US Super Region for all members living and deceased
Thursday • Quinta-Feira, December/ Dezembro: 05
10:00am – English
† For the deceased relatives of Manuel and Nellie Oliveira
9:00am – Português
† Defuntos de José e Madalena Silveira
Friday • Sexta-Feira, December/ Dezembro: 06
9:00am – Português
† Mariana Bettencourt, aniv. da morte – da nora Maria
† Maria da Concei-ção Rosa – do Marido António Rosa
† Zélia Azevedo e Angela Belo – de Maria Cabral
† Alda e Michael Dutra
† Francisco e Isabel Luis e defuntos de Odelta Luis
† Pelos defuntos de João e Margarida Vitorino
† Defuntos de Georgina Ourique
† José Luis Melo – da esposa e filho
Por Peter e Catherine Freitas e filha – dos pais
Por uma graça recebida – de Lee Cabral
Por Helena Teixeira, aniv. do baptismo – do marido Honório
Saturday • Sábado, December/ Dezembro: 07
10:00am – English
† Poor Souls in Purgatory
5:30pm – Português
Por todos os membros das Equipas de Nossa Senhora vivos e falecidos
7:30pm – Português
Pela saúde de Filomena Silva – de uma amiga
Sunday • Domingo, December/ Dezembro: 08
9:30am – English
† Manuel & Virginia Moniz & Jr. – from daughter Monica Robinson
† Marlene & Dick Saugling – from Mary Salvador
† Alfredo & Maria Sousa – from daughter Fátima
† Mike & Manuel Alvernaz – from family
For the health of Trisha Aguirre – from mother
For Sebastian Medeiros, anniv. of baptism – from Paul & Iria Nunes
11:15am – Português
† Almas do purgatório – de Arminda Sousa
† Maria de Lurdes Nunes, aniv. da morte – de Beatriz e Francisco Lourenço
† Maria da Concei-ção Brasil – de José e Madalena Silveira
† Maria de Jesus Avila – do marido e filhos
† Elizabeth da Silva – da mãe Elvina e irmã Helena e Sandra
† José Jordão e defuntos de Serafina Jordão
† Pedro Reis – da esposa e família
† Álvaro Toledo – da esposa e filhos
† Maria Bernardete Brasil e Manuel Sousa – da família
† Manuel e Maria Zulmira Machado, José e Artur Machado – da família
† Leontina Silva – do marido e filhos
† Manuel e Glória Dinis e Francisco Vaz Dinis – de Maria Dinis
† Socorro, Celina e Adelino Amaral – de António Amaral
† Leonesa Dinis – do marido e filha
Pelas int. dos filhos e netos de Teresa Xavier
6:00pm – English
† Cassy Mancebo – from mom, dad & family
† Jonathan & Balberto Sanchez, Sr. – from family
† Manuel M. & Nívia F. Cardoso – from daughters & family

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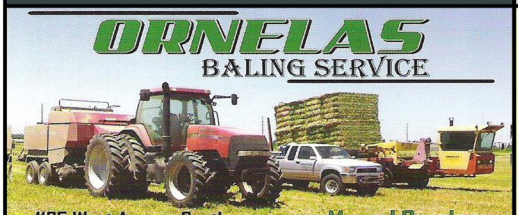

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