Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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SUNDAY COLLECTION:

WEEKLY GIFTS GOAL: \$13,500

09.03.23 Regular Collection \$11,389.74

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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

■ 9 AM Portuguese

Wednesday

■ 6 PM English

Saturday

- 5:30 PM English
- 7 PM Portuguese

Sunday

- 9:30 AM English
- 11:15 AM Portuguese
- 1:30 PM Latin
- 6 PM English



Confession Schedule

All Saturdays

■ 5 PM-5:30 PM

First Friday

■ Following 9 AM Mass

First Saturday

■ 9 AM -10 AM



Valley Area Living Enabling Resources V.A.L.E.R Office 209.634.0380

Monday - Thursday

■ 2 PM - 6 PM

Festa Meeting

September 19, 2023

6 PM Mass with

Meeting to Follow



Second Collection - September 16th & 17th, 2023

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Fr. Manuel Fontes Sousa was born in Fajã dos Vimes, St. Jorge in the Azores Islands and has deep roots in the Central Valley. He arrived with his family in Modesto in 1968 and graduated from Ceres High School. Fr. Manuel participated in a Portuguese American youth group at Sacred Heart Parish in 1969; the group was instrumental in founding the Portuguese Cultural Center in Turlock, which eventually became Our Lady of the Assumption Church. In 1975, Fr. Manuel completed his studies at Modesto Junior College and later earned a Bachelors' degree in Behavioral and Social Science from St. Patrick's College in Menlo Park. He began his Theological Studies that fall. His first assignment as a priest was at St. Bernard's in Tracy, later serving at St. Anne's Church in Lodi. He came to Our Lady of the Assumption as Parochial Administrator in 1987 and was installed as Pastor on the Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption on August 19, 1988. For 36 years, Fr. Manuel served at Our Lady of the Assumption.

"What I love about the priesthood is that I become one with Jesus and the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. And it's an amazing thing when you do what we do as priests in Persona Christi, the power of God at work." - Fr. Manuel Fontes Sousa

Fr. Manuel spent much of his ministry offering faith formation to the parish including Vacation Bible School, Cursillos, retreats, the Charismatic Portuguese prayer group, and parish Missions. He had a special love for encouraging the youth in their faith through innovation programs. One of his greatest accomplishments is the building of the beautiful church at Our Lady of the Assumption. Fr. Manuel has a deep love for his family and the Church - his mission is to do God's will.

This summer, Fr. Manuel celebrated two very special occasions with parishioners, friends, and family: the 50th anniversary of Our Lady of the Assumption and his retirement! Although newly retired, Fr. Manuel continues to share his heart and calling by serving our local parishes – a true gift to our communities.

Fr. Manuel shares, "As a priest, I feel a special call to intimacy with Jesus. Of course, everyone does in different ways. And I just feel a special calling to be too close to the heart of Jesus. That I may offer that heart to people. People who are suffering, people who need the sacraments. What a tremendous calling."

Thank you, Fr. Manuel – for your pastoral service and dedication to our Diocese, and for serving the parishioners and community of Our Lady of the Assumption so well!



HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE

Do you want to have more meaning in your life? Do you want to do something that is satisfying and of great service to your community? Then become a Hospice volunteer!

Volunteers are needed to service families of the terminally ill who live in Turlock, Merced, Los Banos, Atwater and the surrounding communities.

Becoming a Hospice volunteer can be very rewarding. If this sounds like something you would like to do, or learn more about, please call, 209-664-2550 and register for the Covenant Care Hospice Volunteer Training. Volunteer Training will take place September 18, 25, and October 2, 2023 from 5:00 – 9:00 pm.



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: 209.495.0586 cdores12@aol.com



We Care is in need of food to hand out to the guests at the Navigation Center. Foods that can be easily carried such as a cup of noodles, water, granola bars, fruit cups, chicken salad kits are helpful.

City of Turlock, We Care Program join forces to open day center to provide safe, cool place for adults TURLOCK, CA. – The City of Turlock and the We Care Program have launched a day center open to all residents looking to connect with social services or just needing a cool, safe place to relax and socialize. The center is located at 275 Third St. and can be accessed through the United Samaritans Foundation parking lot on Broadway. It is open from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Anyone 18 and older is welcome to use the center, which features an air-conditioned space with restrooms, TV, water and coffee. It is open to all adults in the community – not just those who are part of the We Care Program. Since the center began operations Wednesday, June 7th, 2023 nearly 400 people have dropped by. There is a housing manager who can help those in need of shelter as well as a social services case worker from La Familia. Once a month, a physician from Community Health Centers of America provides free medical access. "The success of this program is already higher than anticipated," said Maris Sturtevant, Executive Director of the We Care Program. "The center creates a safe place for people to use the restrooms and rest during the day that is not the streets and sidewalks. Already, we are seeing clients using this time to connect to new jobs, resources and housing. The dedicated staff has helped community members by providing someplace to be and someone to talk to who wants to help." "We are delighted to join with We Care to create this new navigation center. Our goal is to help people access all needed services and job opportunities. Over the next few months we will evaluate the impact and explore ways to make it better", said Reagan Wilson, Turlock City Manager. Jeffrey Lewis, President and CEO of Legacy Health Endowment in Turlock, praised the partnership that led to the center. "The City of Turlock keeps moving forward to ensure that any resident who needs a place to cool or get warm has somewhere to go," he said. "Along with We Care, this ongoing commitment to ensure residents are protected from the heat and the cold underscores a commitment to humanity."



Welcome Dominique!

Hello, my name is Dominique Germann and I am the new Youth and Young Adult Coordinator! I am excited to serve the youth, young adults, and Our Lady of the Assumption Parish community. Previously I was a 6th Grade Teacher at Sacred Heart School in Turlock. My involvement with youth and young adults includes Vacation Bible School, 4-H youth development, and Young Adult Teams of Our Lady (YATOL). I look forward to helping develop programs that help youth and young adults grow closer to Jesus and Our Lady. Whether you are a high schooler, young adult, or long-time parishioner, please say hello when you see me around the Parish!



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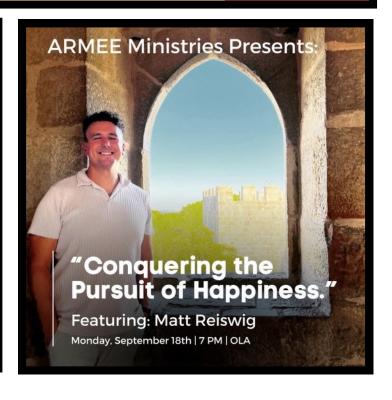
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A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a wonderful opportunity to focus on each other without distraction and learn more about your relationship!

Live your best life in love



The Fall 40 Days For Life is from Wednesday, September 27th through Friday, November 3rd. We are hoping to get as many people as possible to come out to 2030 Coffee Rd. for an hour a week any time between 8AM and 3PM. There are people scheduled on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8AM to 2PM, so if you can make it then that would be great, but if you come when no one will be there, please bring a partner.





Congratulations Deacon Edwin

Celebrating 20 Years as a Deacon September 13, 2023

We are so grateful to Deacon Edwin and Margaret Santiago who have faithfully served our Parish Community for the last 20 years. May God bless you in your family life and ministry!

Lord Jesus Christ, Servant of all,

Send your Spirit upon Deacon Edwin as he serves your Church.

Give him eyes to see the needs of your people.

Give him a discerning mind to know your truth.

Give him a generous spirit when he is tired but needed. Give him a humble heart when his work goes unnoticed.

Give him peace of mind in obedience and service.

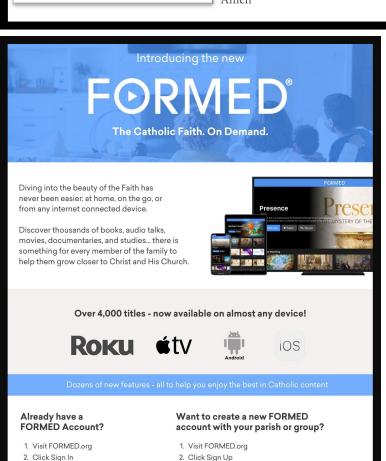
Give him health of body so he may serve with strength.

Make him fertile ground for your inspiration and love.

Comfort him when he questions himself and his ministry. Grant him grace as he ages so he may share your wisdom. Make his heart like yours so he may love your people.

Amen





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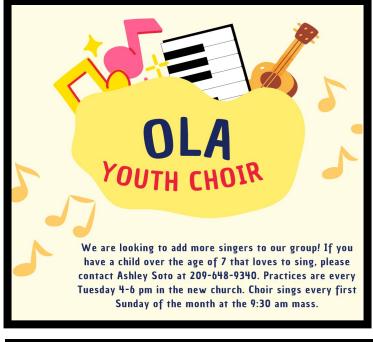
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Diocese of Stockton

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Pray for the Sick

Heavenly Lord, we need Your divine intervention in our lives. We need You to empower our bodies with Your holy presence, and Your arms envelop our minds to soothe this pain. We shall not buckle under the strain and when it's a new day, our healed body will be a representation of Your power. Thank You, Your holiness for such attention to our lives, and In Christ's name, Amen.

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Do you have a family member who cannot leave home and is in need of Holy Communion and prayer? Please call Beatriz Lourenco (209) 668-3801.

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Christopher De Sousa Maria Madruga Maria Luisa Sousa Dylan Linhares Dean Silva John Gallardo João Cardoso João Afonso Antonio Rosa Maria Enes Luis Borba Manuel Inacio da Silveira John Couto Maria Iose Rocha

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Monday • Segunda-Feira, September/Setembro 14 Mass Intentions 9:00 AM - Português

† Eduardo Sousa e Manuel F. Azevedo, aniversário da morte – da esposa e filha

Tuesday • Terça-Feira, September/Setembro 12 9:00 AM - Português

† António Cabral e Int. de Lee Cabral

Wednesday • Quarta-Feira, September/Setembro 13 6:00 PM - English

Int. of Helena Wolf, baptism anniversary - from parents

Thursday • Quinta-Feira, September/Setembro 14

9:00 AM - Português

† Manuel Faustino Sousa – de Clemente Sousa

Friday • Sexta-Feira, September/Setembro 15

9:00 AM - Português

Int. do sr. Pe. Larry, aniversário natalício - da Familia Paroquial

Saturday • Sábado, September/Setembro 16

5:30 PM - English

Int. of Gabriela Lacerda, on her birthday - from godchild

7:00 PM - Português

† José da Rosa da Silveira – do filho José Silveira

Sunday • Domingo, September/Setembro 17

9:30 AM - English

- † Adelino Toledo from wife and daughters
- † All Souls in Purgatory from Rosa Correia
- † Alvaro Manuel Silveira, parents and brother from John & Connie Silveira
- † Aníbal Augusto da Silveira from family
- † António & Maria Amélia Bettencourt from family
- † Diane Lopes from mom & dad
- † Francisco Luis from wife & daughter Orlanda & Michelle
- † Frank & Albina Lopes from family
- † João Arlindo Cardoso from family
- † José Maria e Serafina Sousa from Helena Teixeira
- † Manuel Pimentel from Pimentel family
- † Maria Alice Dutra from goddaughter Charleen
- † Tony Thomas from Sherrill Gomes

Int. of Zulmira Sousa - from Paulo Sousa & family

11:15 AM - Português

- † Almas do Purgatório de Ana Simões e familia
- † Alvaro Toledo e pela saúde de Lurdes Toledo
- † António e Rosa dos Reis Avila da filha
- † António Oliveira Brasil da esposa Nelcina e filhas
- † António Oliveira e António & Lucilia Costa da familia
- † António Vieira Borges do filho e nora Tony e Jacinta Borges
- † Artur Vitorino da esposa e filhos
- † Bernardino Dias e Defuntos de Fátima Dias
- † Clemente Leonardo e Defuntos de Jacinta Leonardo
- † Dean Arthur Silva and Arthur Silva from Tina Marie Silva, mother and wife
- † Defuntos de António e Maria Carvalho
- † Defuntos de Artur e Antelma Oliveira
- † João e Maria F. Jorge de Gerardo e Filomena Freitas
- † João Pacheco, aniversário da morte da filha Fernanda Azevedo
- † Joaquim e Aurora André da família
- † José Luis e Leontina Silva da família
- † José Natal Sousa da esposa e filhos
- † José Samuel Machado do irmão António Machado
- † Luis e Beatriz Brasil do filho e nora
- † Manuel e Clementina Silva e António Batista dos filhos
- † Manuel e Idoína Vaz
- † Maria L. Machado, aniversário da morte do marido José e família
- † Miguel Soares e Defuntos de Maria José Soares
- † Pais de Artur e Florinda Teixeira
- † Pais de Carlos e Terezinha Costa
- † Ramiro Oliveira e Defuntos de Fátima Oliveira
- † Teresa Borges Costa do marido Francisco

Int. of Lucinda Aguiar, aniversário natalício – do marido

1:30 PM - Latin

For Parish Community

6:00 PM - English

† Francisco Rosa – from famil

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