SEPTEMBER **24** 2023

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WITH MARY, SERVING CHRIST IN THE WORLD

Our Lady

of the

Assumption

The Lord is near to **all** who call on him.

Psalm 145:18a NIV

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+ GIVE TO THE LORD A PORTION OF YOUR INCOME

† MAKE YOUR GIFT A SACRIFICE

† USE YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPE OR

ONLINE GIVING

† 5% TO PARISH & 5% TO CHARITY

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

■ 9 AM Portuguese

Wednesday

■ 6 PM English

<u>Saturday</u>

- 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



Seated Dinner: 6:30 PM-9 PM Council #12847

Dinner includes: Steak, All You Can Eat Shrimp, Salad, Baked Potato, Roll and Rice Pudding

Steak & Shrimp Dinner Saturday, October 14, 2023 Drive Thru: 4:30 PM-6 PM

Please contact a Knight for tickets: Anthony Lopes (209) 241-1638, Leonard Costa (209) 620-3338

\$35 per person



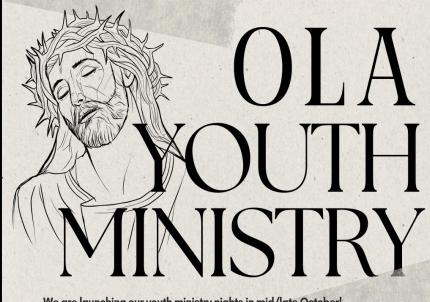
have a child over the age of 7 that loves to sing, please contact Ashley Soto at 209-648-9340. Practices are every Tuesday 4-6 pm in the new church. Choir sings every first Sunday of the month at the 9:30 am mass.







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.



We are launching our youth ministry nights in mid/late October! We are working hard to develop goals for our teen program & putting our plan into action. Please pray for the ministry & people behind the scenes! If you are an adult interested in volunteering on the leadership team, please email dgermanneolassumption.net.

In the meantime, please join our friends @ All Saints University Parish {The Factor youth group} for their Retreat October 20th-22nd in Mi-Wuk Village! Some of our OLA teens will be attending & we hope you will, too!

Register hére: https://allsaintscsus.org/factor-fall-retreat-2023

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RESPECT LIFE 🗱

OLA YOUNG ADULT GROUP

> OUR OLA YOUNG ADULT GROUP WILL BE A SOURCE OF COMMUNITY & FORMATION IN OUR CATHOLIC FAITH. PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR OUR LAUNCH IN EARLY NOVEMBER. IF YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE YOUR GIFTS, ARE FROM ANOTHER YOUNG ADULT GROUP & ARE INTERESTED IN COLLABORATING, OR WOULD LIKE TO SHARE IDEAS, PLEASE EMAIL DGERMANN@OLASSUMPTION.NET.

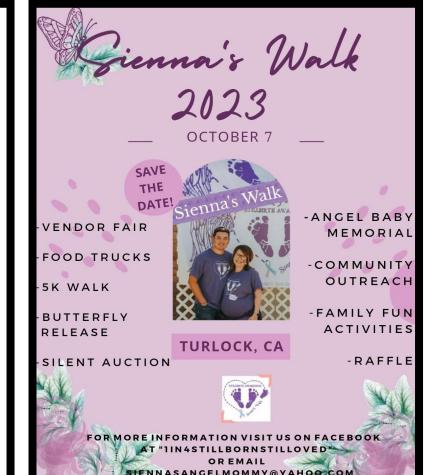


Altar Server Training



Monday, October 9th 6:30 PM in the New Church

All current altar boys as well as those who are in fourth grade and up and are interested in becoming an altar boy are encouraged to come.



The Daughters of Mary A CATHOLIC WOMEN'S MINISTRY

St. Therese of Lisieux: The Science of Love

Contacts Isabel Crawford (209)535-8034

Days/Hours Thursdays: 6:45 PM-8:15P M Jean Alt (209)756-8030

Office Location
Outside snack bar, Our Lady of the Assumption Church

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Meeting Schedule

Date	Topic
September 28	Introduction/Rosary/Pass out materials (Bring treat to share)
October 5	Chapter 1
October 12	Rosary and Eucharistic adoration
October 19	Chapter 2
October 26	Rosary and Eucharistic adoration
November 2	Chapter 3
November 9	Rosary and Eucharistic adoration
November 16	Chapter 4
November 23	No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!
November 30	Chapter 5
December 3-7	Parish mission with Father Wade Menezes (no meeting on Dec. 7th)
December 14	Advent social
January 4	Chapter 6
January 11	Rosary and Eucharistic adoration
January 18	Chapter 7
January 25	Rosary and Eucharistic adoration
February 1	Chapter 8
February 8	Mardi Gras social (end of semester celebration)

Additional: We will begin each session by praying the Rosary. On the Thursdays with no assigned chapter, we will be praying the Rosary and going into the chapel for Eucharistic adoration.

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Ticket \$100

CALL 209.634.2222 for Tickets

6 PM - 10 PM PARISH HALL Our Lady of the Assumption 2602 South Walnut Road, Turlock

PREMIUM WINES - LOCAL BREWS- ALCOHOL FREE BEVERAGES

September 2023

BISHOP'S MONTHLY REFLECTION

"For our struggle is not with flesh and blood, but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens." Ephesians 6:12



UNBOUND: A Practical Guide to Deliverance

There is a great need in our day and age to address the dark spiritual forces afflicting the minds and hearts of people. It was Pope St. John Paul II who challenged the bishops throughout the world to establish, within each of their dioceses, an outreach ministry to help the faithful who are spiritually afflicted by the influence of evil. The Pope stressed the importance that each diocesan bishop appoint an exorcist for his diocese.

We are to be reminded: doors opened to dark influences and sin, have the capability to bind us. Choices made in life that are contrary to God's ways, contrary to loving Him above all things, contrary to embracing His Commandments and contrary to loving our neighbor as ourselves - all of this - separates us from God's divine life - his sanctifying grace. But when we freely choose God, and respond to His grace and mercy, the door is opened to us to experience reconciliation, spiritual healing and freedom from the sins that hold us *bound*. It is only by way of the victory of the *death* and *resurrection* of Jesus - the Paschal Mystery – that a person can be healed and freed from slavery to sin.

Those seeking deliverance from the debilitating effects of sin, should be relieved to know that there is a ministry to assist them who are held *bound* and struggling with reoccurring sin. This outreach ministry is known as:

<u>Unbound Ministry</u>. It utilizes the integration of *Five Keys* into one's spiritual life. The following keys: Repentance and faith Forgiveness Renouncing the work of your enemies Standing in the authority you have in Christ

Receiving God's blessing of your identity and destiny -

have the potential to help one to experience conversion and the Father's mercy of deliverance - freedom from the bondage of sin – abundant life!

As the letter of Colossians reminds us:

"He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. "

Neil Lozano, the author of <u>Unbound</u>, states: "I have not written this book to prove the existence of the devil. I focus on deliverance from evil spirits in the context of the normal Christian life. Many people have gone to counseling, confess their sins, pursued a God-centered life and done all they know to be free from spiritual bondage in specific areas of their lives. No matter what they do, they find no relief. Many faithful, committed believers, have lived with hidden sin, compulsion and fear, due to the deception that surrounds the work of evil spirits. It may never have occurred to them that they might need deliverance from evil spirits. It is unfortunate that many people in the Church have never heard a clear warning about the dangers of the demonic. Uninformed, they dabble in things they shouldn't. "

Neal clarifies that: "Deliverance in its brightest sense is a word of salvation. It is the power of God destroying the works of the devil in our lives, so we may receive the inheritance we have in Christ: the kingdom of God. Deliverance from evil spirits removes the obstacles so we may receive, in Christ, the Father's blessing." Neal states that the primary point of this ministry is to speak to: "the hearts of those who seek deeper conversion to our Lord Jesus. Jesus is our liberator. He is the truth, and He has told us that the truth sets us free."

As we find ourselves in the month of September, we are reminded that this month is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. As Mother of the Church, she is concerned for our wellbeing, especially, our spiritual well-being. Her maternal concern is for us to avoid sin and to seek a life-giving relation-ship with her Son, Jesus. It is a comfort to know that Our Lady is always present to those whom she affectionately refers to as: "poor sinners." Because sin separates us from God's love, this saddens and afflicts her Immaculate Heart. Our Lady longs for our salvation. Seeing how her children choose poorly, in regard to avoiding sin, this pierces her Immaculate Heart like *swords*; a common image used in depicting Mary as Our Lady of Sorrows.

The *good news* is that grace and mercy abound! All that is needed is our willingness to respond and permit God to break the bondage that sin creates in our lives and to confess and be reconciled to Him, the Church and ourselves!

As we acknowledge our brothers and sisters who are presently suffering from spiritual affliction, I want to stress the importance of our diocesan Ministry of Deliverance, and thank those involved and committed to it! I, especially, encourage the clergy, and invite the laity, to acquire a copy of Neal Lozano's book: <u>Unbound</u>. As individuals become familiar with this specialized ministry, it will help them to experience the true *freedom* that only Jesus can give us!

Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us.

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Bishop Cotta



FIRST FRIDAYS & FIRST SATURDAYS

THE DEVOTION OF REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

> **FIRST FRIDAY** 9 AM - Mass in Portuguese in the Chapel 9 AM - 5:30 PM Adoration in the Chapel

FIRST SATURDAY 9 AM-10 AM Holy Hour of Adoration & Confession in the Chapel 10 AM - Bilingual Mass in the Chapel

BASIC ELEMENTS OF THE

- Go to Confession
- Attend Holy Mass and receive Holy Communion on both days in the spin of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the Immaculate Heart of More
- Pray the Rosary devoutly, meditating on the mysteries of Christ's life with the intention of making reparation
 Adore the Blessed Socrament for at
 - least an hour

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WESTERN REGION REGIONAL DAY

Teams of Our Lady Expert de Merez Sealers - Expert de Merez Sealers

Marriage & Family Spirituality: Relationship, Identity, Mission

Teams of Our Lady invites all married couples to a day of prayer, reflection and community!

Saturday, November 18, 2023 9:00 am to closing mass at 5:30 pm Our Lady of Assumption Parish, Turlock

Adoration * Speakers * Couple Time * Social Time * Mass

Featured Speaker Deacon Ben Seitz



Deacon Ben and Jennine Seitz, members of Teams of our Lady in North Dakota, founded the Six Stone Jars Mission in 2021 to share the peace, joy, and love that can only be found in Jesus Christ and His Catholic Church with others. Deacon Ben was born in Saint Paul, MN in 1964 and raised in a Catholic family, attended Catholic schools from K-12 and Joined the United States Air Force (USAF) shortly after graduating from high school. It was at a USAF the net Lennine and they were married a year later in Great Britain where both were assigned. They spent the next 23 years traveling the world in the USAF while raising five children.

Over the years, both Deacon Ben and Jennine have figured out the importance of a sharing their faith as a couple, making time to pray together and nurturing a Catholic culture in their marriage. They now share the lessons learned in marriage over the past 38 years with other married couples. Jesus Christ is the answer to every trial in marriage! Deacon Ben retired from the USAF in 2007 and the family moved to Fargo, ND. He earned a Masters of Arts in Theology from Catholic Distance University and was ordained a Deacon in the Fargo Diocese in October 2020. He is currently the Director of Evangelization at Sts. Anne and Joachim Parish in Fargo, ND.

For more information or to RSVP contact: Karyn & Tony Alamo, Western Region Responsible Couple 209.678.1857 or <u>western-rc@teamsofourlady.org</u> Love Offering to cover speakers/lunch/event expenses will be gratefully accepted

Pastoral Council Nominations

The Pastoral Council will be accepting nominations for new members beginning next weekend. Please prayerfully discern your nomination. There will be an informational meeting for nominees on November 14th at 6 PM.

Pastoral Council is a Consultative Body that: A Council Member is :

Is advisory to the Parochial

That listens to the parish

That assists parishioners with

That creates a pastoral plan of action

That invites others to help carry out that

implementation through resources and

Administrator

plan

evaluation.

- Prayerful
- Has the ability to listen
- Understands or is willing to learn about the Mission of the Church and the Diocese
- Enthusiastic about the future of this parish
- Willing and able to make the commitment to this ministry





Jonathan Sanchez Memorial Fajita Fundraiser

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023 DRIVE THRU: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

MEAL CONSISTS OF: FAJITAS (CHICKEN OR STEAK), RICE, BEANS, CHIPS, SALSA AND TORTILLAS

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.

Palmira Cardoso Iesuina Teixeira Teresa Xavier Marie Dixon Maria de Jesus Pascoal Lurdes Toledo Fatima Linhares Frank Linhares João Parreira Suzanna da Rosa Lucia Cardoso Tyler Jorge Serafina Jordão Christina Soares da Silva Maggie Azevedo Barker Filomena Fontes Sadler Amy Águeda José Azevedo Lee Joseph Neves Natalia Neves Ioão Borba Angela Agueda Margarida Silva

Andrew Godunio Antonio Silveira Violante Silva Alfredo Parreira Niveria Soares Edgar Cândido Steve Chambers Maria Natalia Azevedo Maria Fernandina Carvalho Cecilia Pires Bobby Moules Elizabeth Baptista Silveira Celeste Drumonde João Vitorino Olivia Esteves Anne Abruzzini Diane Silva John Silva George Azevedo Noelia Bettencourt Rose Cunha Bettencourt Albert Bettencourt João Silveira Virginia Azevedo Maria Emilia Nunes Tito Rebelo **Richard Fernandes**

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 Luisa Sousa Dean Silva João Cardoso Antonio Rosa Luis Borba John Couto Samuel Freitas Edwina Luis Carmen Sanchez Antonio Rocha Arthur Silva Maria José Pires Maria Madruga Dylan Linhares John Gallardo João Afonso Maria Enes Manuel Inacio da Silveira Maria Jose Rocha Idoina Vaz Debra Jean Brasil Julio Armando Teixeira Antonio Brasil Virginio Da Silva



Monday • Segunda-Feira, September/Setembro 25 9:00 AM – Português Int. of Michelle Toledo, aniversário do baptismo – da mãe Matilde

<u>Tuesday • Terça-Feira, September/Setembro 26</u> 9:00 AM – Português † Manuel e Maria Xavier, aniversário da morte – da nora Teresa Xavier

Wednesday • Quarta-Feira, September/Setembro 27 6:00 PM – English Int. of Ava Elise Lopes, anniversary of baptism – from grandparents

Thursday • Quinta-Feira, September/Setembro 28 9:00 AM – Português † Pais e irmãos de Honório e Helena Teixeira

Friday • Sexta-Feira, September/Setembro 29 9:00 AM – Português † Zelia Azevedo – de Maria José Soares

Saturday • Sábado, September/Setembro 30 5:30 PM – English Int. of Rick & Sandra Duran, wedding anniversary 7:00 PM – Português Int. de John & Lisandra Vitorino e filhos, aniversário do casamento – dos pais João e Margarida

Mass Intentions

Sunday • Domingo, October/Outubro 1

9:30 AM – English † Emídio e Eugénia Soares – from family † Emily Freitas – from OLA Knights † Fernando Faria Bettencourt – from David Ferreira † Francisco Galhano e Luis Sousa – from wife and sister † Joe Nunes – from wife and family † Luis Borba – from family † Manuel Pimentel – from the Pimentel family † Sarah Sears – from Alfred Sears & family † Serafim e Asselina Teixeira – from family † Silva & Cahill deceased and living family † Tony, John & Margaret Salvador, Guilhermina e José Gonçalves – from Mary Int. of Fr. Manuel Sousa – from David & Elizabeth Costa

Int. of Randel Gerard Montenegro – from Mary Jane & Ramon Montenegro

11:15 AM – Português

- † Adriano Fagundes da família
- † António Diniz da esposa Maria
- † António e Maria da Conceição Rosa
- † Arthur Silva da esposa Tina Marie
- † Bob Andrade and deceased family of Manuel & Odelta Andrade
- † Defuntos de Georgina Ourique
- † Defuntos de José e Maria da Neves Brasil
- † Defuntos de Manuel e Fátima Soares
- † Defuntos de Nelcina Brasil
- † Defuntos de Tony e Nellie Soares e Almas do Purgatório
- † Francisco e Isabel Luis e familiares de Odelta Luis
- † Francisco Gomes e int. da esposa Georgina
- † Jaime da Silva da esposa Margarita
- † João Bettencourt, aniversário da morte de Fatima e Johm Mendes
- † Joe & David Pacheco da familia
- † José e Alda Valadão da familia
- † José Rodrigues Oliveira from David Ferreira
- † José Valte e Maria Celeste Avila de Artur e Antelma Oliveira
- † Laudelina R. Alves from family
- † Livramento Luis da comadre Fernanda Azevedo
- † Manuel Matos e Defuntos de Maria Matos
- † Pais de Hélio Couto
- † Pais de José e Alfredina Sousa
- † Pais e defuntos de João e Maria Emília Nunes
- † Vitalina e João Borges e José Coelho
- † Zoraida e Michael Dutra de Maria José Soares Int. de Odelta Luis
- Int. de Peter & Catherine Freitas e familia e int. de Angelina Vieira
- Int. de Tibério e Rosa Azevedo e familias
- Int. ac morio e Rosa Azevedo e familias
- Int. e saúde de Paulo Soares e familia e de Cristina Soares da Silva e familia Pela conversão de Nikolas Cruz – de Elvina Flores

1:30 PM – Latin For Parish Community

6:00 PM – English

For Vocations to the Priesthood, Consecrated Life and for our Seminarians

