

SEPTEMBER ■ 20 ■ 2026

Twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time



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■ 9 AM - 5 PM

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† 5% to Parish & 5% to Charity



Mass Schedule

Monday and Friday

+ 9 AM English

Tuesday and Thursday

+ 8:05 AM English

+ 9 AM Portuguese

Wednesday

+ 8:05 AM English

+ 6 PM English

Saturday

+ 5:30 PM English

Sunday

+ 9:30 AM English

+ 11:15 AM Portuguese

+ 1:30 PM Traditional Latin Mass

+ 6 PM English

Confession Schedule

Thursdays

■ 7 PM— 8 PM

All Saturdays

■ 5 PM–5:30 PM

First Friday

■ 9:30 AM

First Saturday

■ 9 AM –10 AM

Monthly during ARMEE

■ 7 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday

■ 9:30 AM— 9 PM First Church

First Friday

■ 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM First Church

First Saturday

■ 9 AM –10 AM First Church

Monthly during ARMEE

■ 7 PM



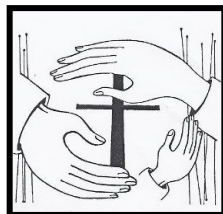
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Please contact Christine Does

209-495-0586

cdores12@aol.com to learn more.

For monetary donations,
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P.O. Box 1291 Turlock, CA 95381.



Valley Area Living Enabling Resources

V.A.L.E.R Office 209.634.0380

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Monday - Thursday

■ 2 PM - 6 PM



BISHOP'S MONTHLY REFLECTION

September 2026

MARY, MOTHER OF LIFE

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Earlier this month we heard these words on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

“For today, the Virgin Mother of God was assumed to heaven as the beginning and image of your Church’s coming to perfection, and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people; rightly you would not allow her to see the corruption of the tomb since from her own body, she marvelously brought forth. Your incarnate Son, the Author of all life.”

Mary is the Mother of the Author of all life! She, creature, bore her Creator! She, the humble and faithful Daughter of the Father, and Spouse of the Holy Spirit, gave birth to Jesus, the Son of God, he who is the Life, the Truth, and the Way. As today’s Psalm proclaims, Mary, Mother of Life, is “the highest honor of our race,” the Immaculate Conception, whose womb protected and nourished He who has sanctified human life. The Incarnation has wedded his divinity with our humanity, thus God uniting himself with the human race, and Our Lady serving as the Sanctuary for the Hope of the world.

We hear in the Gospel, how Mary bids her Son to perform his first sign as the Messiah at the Wedding Feast of Cana. This miracle points toward the Messianic Heavenly Wedding Feast of the Lamb. This is the revelation of Life to the fullest. Life filled “to the brim!” Complete!

Then, it is on Golgotha, Mount Calvary, that we find the Tree of Life; the New Eve, Mary; and the Second Adam, Jesus. Our Lady standing at the foot of the Cross, the Tree of Life; and her Son fastened, hanging on that Tree of Life suspended between heaven and earth. The Author of Life, sacrificing his life for the sake of our lives. Redeeming and saving us from that which threatens human life: sin and death! It is at the Sacrifice of the Mass where all of this comes together. The Paschal Mystery. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

Bishop Robert Barron expresses it well: “The God of Israel, the God of Jesus Christ, is a God of life, a God of the living. He hates death and the ways of death. The Ministry of Jesus is centered in his triumph of life over death- his Resurrection. In other words: His ministry is a ministry of life!”

As we see in our day and age: “When a society is fixated upon promoting a culture of death, it will manifest the total disregard for human life and dignity, which will not bring blessings upon us.” As it has been said, people need to be awakened to the reality: “that social justice begins in the womb.”

The sin of abortion rejects the truth - life is a good and a gift that finds its origin in God - a perfect gift that deserves protection. This brings us to the bottom line: "Killing is never the solution to address our culture problems." We must not succumb to the influence of evil, but remain true to God's gift of life. With God's grace and mercy, we must accompany those who desire to rise out of the darkness of abortion by leading them to healing and well-being, reconciliation with God, themselves, and their unborn.

Our diocesan offices: Life and Dignity and Marriage and Family Life can assist individuals by directing them to such programs as: Rachel's Vineyard and Project Rachel. For those who choose to give birth, and may find themselves in desperate need, the Church is there to accompany them by means of outreach programs, such as "Walking with Moms." When necessary, we, as the Body of Christ, the Church, are called to be with mother and child after birth.

May we continue to pray and uphold the sanctity and gift of life, born and unborn, especially now as we prepare and anticipate October, the Month of Respect Life. May we entrust all to the Divine Mercy of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Life. As I close, let us return to the image of the Wedding Feast of Cana, and pray that our hearts and souls be "filled to the brim" with God's grace and mercy as we persevere as faithful disciples of the Author of Life!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us. Our Lady Mother of the Church, pray for us. Mary, Mother of Life, pray for us!

In the Peace of Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Bishop Cotta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. To the left of the signature is a small, stylized cross symbol.

Bishop Cotta



Grief Support Group

*Help and encouragement
after the death of a loved one*

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. At this 13-week group, you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind.

Contact Us Today

Mondays 4:30 PM
begins September 14, 2026
Our Lady of the Assumption
2602 S Walnut Rd, Turlock
olassumption.net

griefshare.org



Festa Meeting

Monday, September 21st

6:30 PM Mass

Meeting to follow at 7 PM

BECOMING CATHOLIC - OCIA ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic Church and for those seeking more information on the Catholic faith. OCIA is also for Catholics who wish to complete the Sacraments the Initiation.

WHO IS OCIA FOR?

- Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion)
- Those who are already baptized and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church
- Those who were baptized Catholic as infants but never received religious education, Confirmation, or First Holy Communion.

OCIA begins meeting this September, please call the parish office (209) 634-2222 to register.



Men of St. Joseph

**Join us for spiritual growth and
fraternity.**

What?

A men's prayer group where all adult men parishioners are welcome to join.

When?

Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month from 7 PM to 8 PM.

Where?

In the parish hall Youth Room (Park behind the hall and enter through the Southeast corner door.)

Our Mission

To help Catholic men grow in their spiritual manhood and increase in devotion to St. Joseph as our spiritual father and perfect example to guide us to become better men and fathers.

The first meetings will be on September 8th and 22rd.

For more information, call or text Daniel Santos at 209-622-8228.



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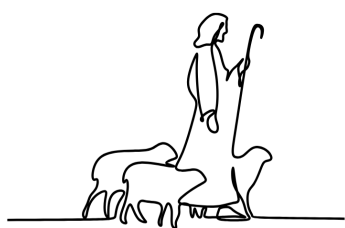
PORTUGUESE CLASSES AT OLA

Escola Jorge de Sena begins on October 5th and most classes are filled. However, we are hoping for additional students for the kindergarten class taught by experienced, credentialed teachers proficient in Portuguese. Early exposure to a second language is beneficial, giving children more time to build vocabulary and fluency. In the JDS class, the focus is on learning Portuguese through play activities, songs, stories, games, dances, and conversations.

Email MaryBorba7@gmail.com for a registration form or text her at 209 581-1942 with any questions.

THE FACTOR & OLA YOUTH GROUPS

Fall Calendar 2026



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- The Factor Youth Group Fall Retreat
- 6-8pm Youth Group Night @ All Saints Parish
- 6-8pm Youth Group Night @ OLA Parish
- 6pm Christmas Social - OLA & The Factor Youth Groups @ OLA Parish
- 6pm Factor Parent & Teen Info Night @ All Saints



All Saints University Parish
4040 McKenna Dr, Turlock, CA 95382

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish
2602 S Walnut Rd, Turlock, CA 95380



OLA Young Adults

Fall 2026

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OLA
YOUNG
ADULT
GROUP

- Young Adult Kickoff Night @ 6pm
- Soccer & Volleyball Night @ 6:30pm
- Young Adult Night @ 6pm

Instagram @ola_youngadults

Text OLAYOUNGADULTS 84576

Pray for the Sick

Most merciful Jesus, Who art the consolation and salvation of all who put their trust in Thee, we humbly beseech Thee, by Thy most bitter Passion, grant recovery to the sick of our parish provided this be for their soul's welfare, that with us they may praise and magnify Thy holy name. Amen.

Jesuina Teixeira	Jessica Mora
Teresa Xavier	Maria Pascoal
Lurdes Toledo	José Pascoal
Fatima Linhares	Marie Rose-Watkins
Frank Linhares	Angela Águeda
João Parreira	Natália Azevedo
Serafina Jordão	Barbara J. Daniel
Maggie Azevedo Barker	Julianne Rosa
Cecilia Pires	Eleutério Soares
George Azevedo	João Clemente Lopes
Norberta Aquino	Manuel Mattos
Evangelina Nunes	Rosealine Costa
João Machado	Jerry Avila
Lucia Bogacki	Felipe Ormonde
Joey Pacheco	Daniel Mendonca
Manuel Soares	Ilidio Jorge Almeida
Shirley Viera	Joe Freitas

Do you have a family member who cannot leave home and is in need of Holy Communion and prayer?
Please call the Parish Office (209) 634-2222.

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.

Russel Wright	Tom McGuire
Steve Sperry	Brityn Butrick
Alfredo Parreira	Barry Matthews
Tiberio Azevedo	Antonio Faustino Fontes
John Silva	Ronald Jones
William Paul Batt	Sherrill Gomes
Maria R. Cardoso	Joseph Pierce
Donald Mello	Zilda Morais
Anne Marie Walker	João Medeiros
Maria Emilia Nunes	Maria Filomena Sousa
Celeste Drumonde	Joe I. Silva
John Verissimo	Maria de Lourdes Ormonde
Bruno Parreira	Maria Mercês Nunes
Manuel Dutra	Manuel Jorge Morris
Maria Judite Jordão	Carla Sanchez Vargas
Margarida Reis	Felisberta Sequeira Soares
Antonio Alves	Antonio Amaral
Tito Rebelo	Frances Couto
José Nelson de Sousa	Maria Honoria Teixeira
Maria Fernanda Azevedo	Felipe Ormonde
Angelina Vieira	Maria Fatima Oliveira

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday • Segunda-Feira, September/ Setembro 21

9:00 AM – English

Int. of Luis & Raquel Bettencourt and family

Tuesday • Terça-Feira, September/ Setembro 22

8:05 AM – English

CAIC Students, Families and Benefactors

9:00 AM – Português

† José Nelson de Sousa e int. de Fátima de Sousa

Wednesday • Quarta-Feira, September/ Setembro 23

8:05 AM – English

CAIC Students, Families and Benefactors

6:00 PM – English

Int. of Melanie Oliveira Lopes, on her birthday and Ava Elise, on her baptism anniversary – from parents and grandparents

Thursday • Quinta-Feira, September/ Setembro 24

8:05 AM – English

CAIC Students, Families and Benefactors

9:00 AM – Português

† Julia Jordão – da nora Serafina Jordão

Friday • Sexta-Feira, September/ Setembro 25

9:00 AM – English

Int. of Michelle Toledo, baptism anniversary – from mother Matilde

Saturday • Sábado, September/Setembro 26

5:30 PM – English

† Manuel & Maria Xavier, death anniversary – from daughter-in-law Teresa Xavier

Sunday • Domingo, September/Setembro 27 9:30 AM – English

† Cesar & Leonor Oliveira and Paula Oliveira – from Marco & Helen Oliveira

† Esteban Miranda – from Mark Jeffords

† Fatima Oliveira – Paul & Iria Nunes

† Felisberta Sequeira Soares – from family

† Fernando & Eugénia Cardoso – dos sobrinhos

† Manuel Nascimento – from family

† Maria Meirelles – from the Freitas

† Michael Hornback, Gary Theicker, Luz &

Jesus Nava

† Natalia Neves and Emídio & Eugénia Soares – from Connie Silveira

† Tony M. Pedro – from wife Brittany & children

Int. of Sister Maria Rosa de Jesus Ferreira – from Michael Silva and daughters

11:15 AM – Português

† Almas do Purgatório – de Jorge, São e Catarina Azevedo

† Amaro Nunes e defuntos de Margarida Nunes

† António Augusto Carvalho de Sousa – de Maria Augusta de Sousa

† Avós e tios de Gerardo e Filomena Freitas

† Defuntos de António e Maria Carvalho

† Defuntos de Armelim e Madalena Sousa

† Defuntos de Euclides e Gabriela Alvares

† Defuntos de Liliana Berbereia

† Defuntos de Luis e Iva Ferreira

† Filipe e Maria Madruga – from Joe & Connie Madruga

† Francisco e Rosa Freitas – de Gerardo e Filomena Freitas

† Francisco, Adelaide, Gregório, Maria & Serafim Azevedo – de Bernardete Luis e família

† Hermínio José Azevedo – da esposa e família

† João e Maria Alice Silva – da família

† José e Clementina Reis – dos filhos

† José Xavier e defuntos de Teresa Xavier

† José, Maria, António e João Ramos Sousa – da família

† Manuel Duarte Luis e int. de B. Luis – da família

† Manuel e Maria Augusta Machado, Manuel Clemente Machado e José Samuel Machado – do filho e irmão António

† Maria de Jesus Martins

† Maria Socorro e António Amaral e seus pais

† Mark Azevedo e defuntos de António e Maria Azevedo

† Pais e irmãos de António e Elvina Flores

† Pe. José Carlos Vieira Simplício,

Pe. Valentim de Freitas, Pe. Joaquim Esteves,

Pe. Richard Forti, Pe. Eugene Trainer

† Rosália Batista e Teresa Olive – duma amiga

Int. de António e Beatriz Machado, filhos e netos

Int. de Pe. Manuel Fontes Sousa

Int. dos filhos, netos e bisnetos de Cecilia

Vitorino

1:30 PM – Traditional Latin Mass

† Lyle Holly – from Beth & Craig Holly

6:00 PM – English

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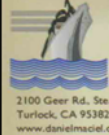
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