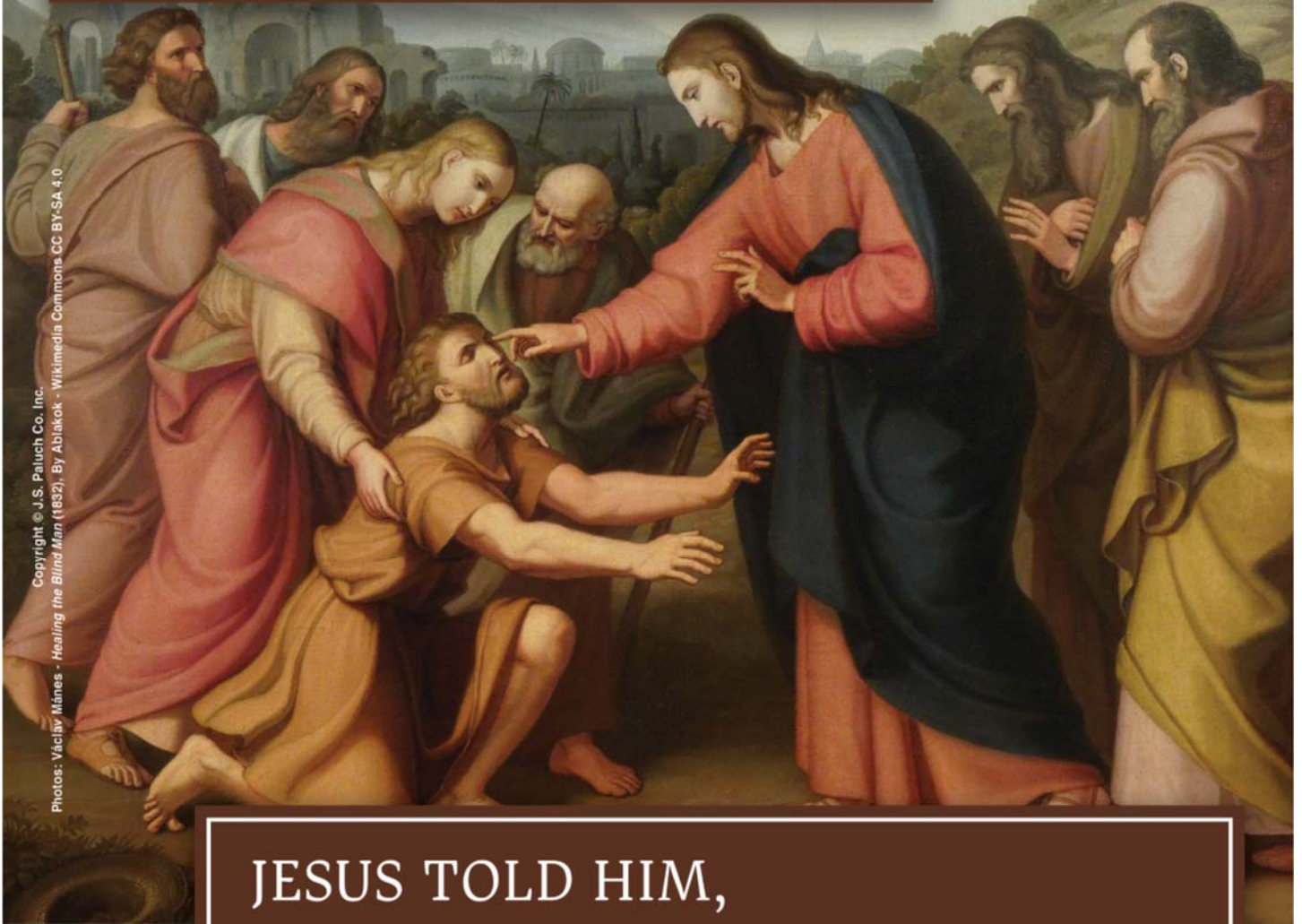


Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE BLIND MAN SAID,
“Master, I want to see.”



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JESUS TOLD HIM,
*“Go your way;
your faith has saved you.”*

MARK 10:51-52

October 28, 2018

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Getting ready for the future II

By the grace of God, our plans have come together for the modernization and renovation of our church. The capital campaign has collected \$3.3 million (correction), the City has issued all the required permits, and Archdiocese has approved our designs, project manager, construction company and finances. Work on our new worship space has begun! (See below.)

The final weekend for Masses in the church will be Nov. 3-4. The move to our temporary worship space will take place the week of Nov. 5-9 under the capable direction of Fr. Ron Clark and Randy Rohrer. There will be no Masses that week at OLA. The climate-controlled worship space will be suitably decorated and filled with our altar, ambo and tabernacle, as well as the old pews (ultimately to be replaced). Handicapped parking and patio activities will move closer to the tent. The first weekend for worship in the new space is Nov. 10-11.

Our church and patio will become a construction zone, with all necessary safety features. Regular updates on the work-in-progress will be made to the parish as we repair the roof and strengthen the structure, construct a spacious new foyer, build accessible bathrooms, and install a beautiful *reredos* behind the altar. Visit www.olaclaremont.org for all the details.

Fr. Charles Ramirez, Pastor, Neomi Torres, Director of Administration

and the project management team

Two days' work (Monday and Tuesday)



Foundation



Lifting beams



Steel frame



Roof and walls



Flooring



Randy and Fr. Ron relax with the crew

Oct. 29-Nov. 2
Prep for move to our
new worship space

November 5-9
Church closed
NO MASSES

November 10
Groundbreaking
and Reception

November 10-11
First Masses in
new worship space

Around OLA³

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Liturgical news ★ All Saints, All Souls

Eucharistic Adoration begins in the Reflection Room at 7 a.m. on First Friday, Nov. 2, and continues until 7:45 a.m. on Saturday.

There will be no daily Masses at OLA Nov. 5-9 as we move our pews and sacred articles from the church to the new (temporary) worship space.

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Masses for All Saints

A holy day of obligation

Vigil: Wednesday, Oct. 31 at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 1

English Masses

6:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Spanish Mass 7:30 p.m. (church)

Vietnamese Mass 7:30 p.m. (aud.)

Masses for All Souls

English at 6:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Vietnamese Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Highlights

NOVEMBER CALENDAR ON PAGE 7

Canned food drive for Volunteers of America (VOA) center for the homeless is this weekend.

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Annual Memorial Mass

for our beloved deceased will be Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 6:30 p.m. Note early start.

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Bundle Sunday is Nov. 4.

Your donation will enable St. Vincent de Paul Society to give vouchers to the poor who come to our door.

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Monthly Council Reports

explain our active parish life.

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community life

Ladies of Columbus

Our hosts for coffee and donuts Sunday, Nov. 4, are the Ladies of Columbus.

This social and service group meets the first Tuesday of the month, and always welcomes new members. Members do not have to be married to a Knight.

The Ladies support a wide variety of charities including Crossroads, Shoes That Fit, and House of Ruth, in addition to OLA ministries. They host a very popular annual tea in spring.

For more information, stop by the auditorium next Sunday or contact Grand Lady Rita Ruiz at (626) 536-6628.



K of C presents...

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Nov. 11

after all morning Masses



“Trees and Trikes”

Knights of Columbus will also be collecting Christmas decorations and children’s bicycles for their holiday service project.

For more information contact Raymond Ayala at (909) 268-6197.

MONDAY, October 29

Eph 4:32-5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
6:30am
5:30pm Michael Ramirez

TUESDAY, October 30

Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5;
Lk 13:18-21
6:30am
5:30pm †

WEDNESDAY, October 31

All Hallows Eve (Halloween)
Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30
6:30am
5:30pm † Barbara Rudolph
Adrian Enrique, Jr.

THURSDAY, November 1

All Saints Day
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a
6:30am People of the Parish
5:30pm People of the Parish

FRIDAY, November 2

All Souls Day, First Friday
Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9;
Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or
from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-16
6:30am † All Souls
5:30pm † All Souls

SATURDAY, November 3

St. Martin de Porres, First Saturday
Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef;
Lk 14:1, 7-11
8:00am † Phong Bui
† Eleanor Tessier
Melba Oampo
4:00pm † All Souls
5:30pm † All Souls

SUNDAY, November 4

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28;
Mk 12:28b-34
7:00am † All Souls
9:00am † All Souls
11:00am † All Souls
1:00pm † All Souls
3:00pm † All Souls
5:00pm † All Souls
7:00pm † All Souls

† Deceased



The Heights is open to
all high school teens
and takes place in the
Youth Room after the
5 pm Teen Mass

Jesus Rodriguez,
Coordinator of
Youth Ministry
909-626-3596 ext. 4215

Follow us on Instagram
@theheightsola

Fall Schedule

OCTOBER 28

Hallows & Muertos

NOVEMBER 4

Divide /

NOVEMBER 11

Plus +

NOVEMBER 18

Friendsgiving

DECEMBER 9

XLT

DECEMBER 16

Christmas Social

We invite each young adult age 18 to 35 to grow spiritually, form authentic friendships and have fun through our social, educational and prayer nights together. We'll be more than happy to see you at any of our gatherings. Join our Facebook group: *Young Adults of OLA*. View updates on *Instagram @youngadultsunited*. You may also email youngadultsunited01@gmail.com or call Patrick at (626) 622-5381 for location.

Weekly Blast!

10/28 Convalescent Home

10/31 Alpha La Verne

11/1 Café Solo

**YOUNG
ADULTS
UNITED**

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Celebrate Dia de los Muertos

Parishioner Al Villanueva is setting up an authentic *ofrenda* at the celebration of *Dia de los Muertos* in Claremont Saturday, Nov. 3, from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The location is Shelton Park at the corner of Harvard and Bonita avenues. Parishioners are invited to attend the free event in the Claremont Village and to bring a framed photograph of their beloved deceased family members or friends to add to his *ofrenda* table. Drop your picture off when you arrive, and pick it up when you are ready to go home.

The event includes *folklorico* dancers, *mariachis*, and altars at Shelton Park, food trucks along Harvard Ave., an artisans plaza at City Hall, children's activities and other entertainment at the Metrolink Train Depot on First Street. For information, call (909) 624-4141.

Annual Memorial Mass at OLA

Each year during the month of November, the Church invites us to remember our departed relatives and friends in a special way. The faith community at OLA will celebrate this call at its Annual Memorial Mass Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the new worship space.

Please join us as we remember and pray for all who have died in the past year. Our Catholic tradition teaches that "it is holy and good to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins" (2 Macabees 12). To pray for the dead is one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy.

Families are asked to bring a framed photograph of their deceased loved one to be placed on the Marian altar. NOTE: Due to limited space, these photos are limited to 5" X 7" in size.

A reception hosted by the OLA Bereavement Ministry will take place following the Memorial Mass. All are welcome.

Contemplative prayer group begins

A group dedicated to learning and practicing contemplative prayer is meeting under the direction of Fr. Chris Troxell on the second and fourth Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the convent. Anyone interested in any type of contemplative prayer (Centering Prayer, Silent Prayer, etc.) is invited to join members of the Stephen Ministry.

Participants are encouraged to acquire the book *Into the Silent Land* by Martin Laird. No experience is necessary for this introductory class. Questions may be directed to Fr. Chris (909) 626-3596 ext. 4272.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is a journey of faith. It is a time of preparation for adults in need of the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation.

Jesus is calling you closer to his heart! Come and visit us in the Faith Formation to learn more about this sacramental process.

Our new Coordinator of Adult Formation is Michael Ramirez. You may contact him at (909) 626-3596, ext. 4221, or mramirez@olalaremont.org.

40th reunion for high schools

The 40-year reunion for the Class of 1978 at St. Lucy's, Damien and Pomona Catholic high schools will be Saturday, Nov. 3, at Espiau's Restaurant in the Claremont Village. Alumni are invited from 3 to 9 p.m.

Spread the word to family and friends. Sign up on Eventbrite or contact Mike Escalante at Michael.Escalante25@gmail.com.

Clean sweep for fall helps StVdP

Are you ready to clear out the clutter at home now that the hot weather is over? Bundle Sunday is Nov. 4, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the north end of the parking lot. Bring usable clothing, household goods, small appliances, toys, books – but not strollers, cribs or car seats.

St. Vincent de Paul Society has a new partnership with ACTS Thrift Shop at 232 E. Foothill Blvd. in Pomona. OLA parishioners can donate household goods, furniture, small appliances, etc. to ACTS and we will receive credit toward vouchers that can be distributed to the poor who come to our door. The need is great. The store may be reached at (833) 577-4477 if you have any questions or desire a pick up.

This is an effort to improve access to families in our area. They will have the option of going to a local store and selecting items of their choosing, rather than waiting for whatever is available from the LA thrift store. From now on, the StVdP truck on Bundle Sunday will come from the ACTS store.

Baby shower for OLA for Life

OLA for Life will be collecting baby items after all Masses next weekend, Nov. 3-4. collecting baby shower items: clothes for one year and under, diapers, bottles, toys, bedding, or new strollers and baby carriers. Cash donations are welcome. Recipient of the donations will be Assure Pregnancy Counseling Center in Fontana and Los Angeles Pregnancy Service (LAPS). For details, contact Terry Moore at (562) 469-2366. All participating in the shower will have an opportunity to participate in a game, with prizes for the winners.

Help Alternative Market

Volunteers looking for a brief commitment that offers a world of caring may join the team that prepares our Alternative Gift Christmas Market. The market celebrates its 33rd anniversary this year all day Sunday, Nov. 18, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Volunteers stuff bulletins with the “shopping list” on Saturday, Nov. 10. They help set up the market on Nov. 17 at noon. The day of the event needs cashiers, greeters, refreshment hosts, or table assistants. To find the true spirit of Christmas, you may volunteer through Monica Awad at monica.awad@sbcglobal.net.

Veterans Day collection for USO

Coming up is a collection for the USO center at Ontario Airport on Sunday, Nov. 11. Bring items to benefit military personnel who are traveling: personal hygiene kits, books, games, non-perishable snacks, phone cards, gift cards, or donations via cash or checks. Thank you for helping our soldiers!



IN OCTOBER REMEMBER TO PROTECT/WELCOME –

- Marriage and families
- Unborn babies
- The young and the aged
- Persons with disabilities
- Those who are terminally ill
- The homeless, refugees
- Prisoners on Death Row
- Victims of violence/abuse
- Human/workers' rights
- The poor, the defenseless
- All God's Creation

TO OPPOSE –

- Abortion
- Drug Abuse
- Euthanasia/assisted suicide
- Unjust prison terms
- Death Penalty
- Civilian harm/death in war
- Human trafficking
- Domestic violence
- Unsafe working conditions
- Marginalization of the poor
- Environmental destruction

**PRAY THE ROSARY
 DURING THE MONTH
 OF OCTOBER FOR THE
 PROTECTION OF LIFE
 AND FOR THE CHURCH.**

Parish Offertory Collection	
Weekend Oct. 20-21	\$17,118
Online	\$ 4,424
Total	\$21,542
Budget	\$25,402
Under Budget	\$ (3,860)

Fall Calendar 7

Weekend of Oct. 27-28	Food collection for Volunteers of America local center (Page 6)
Wednesday, Oct. 31	Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m. for All Saints, a holy day of obligation
Thursday, Nov. 1	Feast of All Saints, a holy day of obligation: English Masses at 6:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Spanish at 7:30 p.m. (church) and Vietnamese at 7:30 (aud.)
Friday, Nov. 2	All Souls Day/First Friday Masses: 6:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Viet)
Saturday, Nov. 3	Dia de los Muertos in Claremont Village (Page 5)
Sunday, Nov. 4	Bundle Sunday for St. Vincent de Paul Society, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Weekend of Nov. 3-4	Stewardship Announcement Weekend: Grateful Disciples
Weekend of Nov. 3-4	Baby shower for OLA for Life on the patio (Page 6)
Week of Nov. 5-9	No daily Masses on OLA campus (move to new worship space)
Fri/Sat, Nov. 9 & 10	Festival at Pilgrim Place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., food, crafts, fun for kids
Saturday, Nov. 10	Groundbreaking for Capital Campaign donors
Sunday, Nov. 11	Pancake Breakfast and "Trees and Trikes" collection after AM Masses
Weekend of Nov. 10-11	First Masses in our new worship space at the north end of the parking lot
Sunday, Nov. 11	USO collection for military traveling through Ontario Airport (Page 6)
Wednesday, Nov. 14	Annual Memorial Mass at 6:30 p.m. for our beloved deceased (Page 5)
Sunday, Nov. 18	33rd Annual Alternative Gift Christmas Market from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 22	Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at OLA at noon in the auditorium
Sunday, Nov. 25	OLA Blood Drive from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the auditorium



Prayer Requests



For our sick and suffering...

Recent: Margaret Ruiz and William Putney

Previously: Elza V. Barba, Mike Bustamante, Lisa Carranza, Rita, Nazaire, Thierry & Elmiere Domond, Jenny Franco, Gildardo Gonzalez, Roberta Gorman, Margaret Goulding, Enrique Juarez, Israel Lopez, Sue McCoppin, Toan V. Nguyen, Victor Pina, Lupe Reynoso, Marilyn Rhyne, and Sylvia Stephens

For our beloved deceased...

Jesse Barajas, mother of Chris Barajas; Ben D. Bollinger, father-in-law of Susan Brunasso; Rose-Rita Domond, wife of Deacon Joe Domond; Maria L. Garcia, mother of Paula Janse; Olimpia Rodriguez-Guadarrama, sister-in-law of Alberto Rodriguez; Alex Martinez, uncle of Laura Sanchez; and for the family and friends who mourn their loss

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Comunidad de Habla Hispana

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En México y otros países latinoamericanos se están preparando para celebrar el Día de Todos los Santos (1^o de noviembre) y el Día de los Fieles Difuntos (2 de noviembre). Estas dos fiestas cristianas fueron mezcladas con antiguos ritos y devociones mesoamericanas. Ellas enfatizan que la muerte es parte normal del ciclo de la vida y que los difuntos no se olvidan de sus seres queridos. Esta es la base de la devoción católica a los santos: Dios es Dios de los vivos y no de los muertos (Mateo 22:32); por eso los muertos siguen vivos en una nueva dimensión.

En estos días, las familias pasan tiempo en los cementerios, visitando las tumbas de sus parientes y amistades, lavando las lápidas, poniendo arreglos de zempasuchil y encendiendo veladoras.

En casa, muchos latinos construyen y adornan altarcitos dedicándolos a las almas de sus seres queridos que han muerto. En los altares se encuentran papel picado, fotos de los difuntos, artículos religiosos, comida, bebida, cigarritos y otras cosas que los ya muertos disfrutaban durante sus vidas. Para los niños muertos se añaden juguetitos que les gustaban en vida.

— J. S. Paluch Co.



DIOS TE ESTA LLAMANDO MAS PROFUNDAMENTE A SU CORAZON!

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana Para Adultos

RICA es una jornada de preparación sacramental para todos los adultos que necesitan bautismo, primera comunión o confirmación.

El Coordinador Michael Ramírez.
LLame a Magali Amezcua al
(909) 626- 3596 ext. 4211
para más información.

Ven a visitarnos en la Oficina de Formación de Fe!

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435 Berkeley Avenue – Claremont, CA 91711

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Bulletin deadline is Sunday for the following weekend. Email bulletin@olaclaremont.org.

Interested in the Catholic Church? We invite you to one of our Inquiry sessions. Call Michael Ramirez at (909) 626-3596, ext. 4221 for more information.

Baptisms Brochures about the Sacrament of Baptism are available at the display case on the patio, or the parish and Faith Formation offices. Please call 4-6 weeks before the date of Baptism. For English AND Spanish Baptisms, please contact the parish office at (909) 626-3596, ext. 0.

Weddings Congratulations! Please call the parish office at least six months ahead for preparation, scheduling, and an appointment with a priest. Weddings are scheduled Saturdays at 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m. Visit the display case on the patio for more information.

Anointing of the Sick Please call the parish office day or night.

Hospital/Home Visits For distribution of Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

Funeral Arrangements Please contact the parish office for help with services and special needs.

Stephen Ministry This one-on-one care-giving ministry at OLA is available upon request to those seeking emotional and spiritual support through a life challenge such as loss of a job, personal illness, separation or divorce, illness or the death of a loved one. Please call 626-3596, ext. 4332 to leave a confidential message.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Hotline One-time emergency assistance for individuals and families. Call (909) 626-3596, ext. 4333, to leave a message. Your call will be returned by a volunteer case manager.

Sunday Mass Schedule

- 7:00 a.m. Traditional cantor-led song
- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary ensemble
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary ensemble
- 1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
- 3:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass
- 5:00 p.m. Teen/Contemporary
- 7:00 p.m. Cantor-led song

Saturday Vigil Masses

- 4:00 p.m. Cantor-led song
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary ensemble or cantor-led song

Weekday Mass Schedule

- 6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
- 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
- 8:00 a.m. Saturday

Saturday Confessions

- 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. English/Spanish
- 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. English

How to Reach Us

Parish Office (909) 626-3596

Fax (909) 624-3680

Website: www.olaclaremont.org

email Address: reception@olaclaremont.org

Parish Office Hours

Open 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Open Saturday and Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
(Lunch break from 12:30 to 1 p.m.)

Parish Staff

Rev. Charles J. Ramirez, Pastor

Rev. Ron Clark, Associate Pastor

Rev. Paul Phan, Associate Pastor

Rev. Chris Troxell, Associate Pastor

Deacon Jim and Karen Allgaier

Deacon Joe and Rita Domond

Deacon Bob and Kathy Steighner

Deacon Art and Nadine Escovedo, retired

Neomi Torres, Director of Parish Administration (x4203)

Victor Hernandez, Director of Faith Formation (x4213)

Dcn. Jim Allgaier, Outreach/Stewardship Coord. (x4216)

Michael Ramirez, Adult Formation Coordinator (x4221)

Jesus Rodriguez, Youth Ministry Coordinator (x4215)

Mary Muñoz, Coordinator of Music Ministry (x4263)

Jean McKenna, Communications Coordinator (x4217)

Bing Macavinta, Bookkeeper (x4232)

Katy Salisbury, Administrative Assistant (x4268)

Karina Pardo, Laura Aguilera, Melly Grigolla and

Elizabeth Preciado, Receptionists (x0)

Roberto Roman, Spanish Choir

Tinh Nguyen, Vietnamese Choir

Faith Formation and Religious Education

Faith Formation Center (909) 624-1360

Victor Hernandez, Director of Faith Formation (x4213)

Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

No Sunday hours during the summer

OLA Catholic School

611 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont, CA 91711

Tel. (909) 626-7135 Fax (909) 398-1395

Office hours: Mon-Thurs 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fridays 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Principal Bernadette Boyle

Website: www.ola-ca.org

In the spotlight...

Pastoral Council

This month all councils are working on preparations for the start of construction on the church and the many ways it will affect parish life.

All goals are aligned with our parish mission, including plans for...

- Promoting unity through our liturgical celebrations;
- Welcoming events, especially those for families with young children;
- Evangelizing programs such as Alpha and sacramental preparation programs tailored to individual needs;
- Support of the many outreach ministries which serve OLA and the broader community.



Parish Mission: “OLA welcomes all people to grow in the Catholic faith as we celebrate our diverse community, nurture the Gospel message, and exemplify our love of Christ by serving others.”

What the councils want the parish to know this month

Administration

This council has been addressing the practical aspects of the approaching construction phase, including a new “patio” activity area. Goals include good stewardship of parish resources, better communications, campus safety, and encouraging broad financial support among parishioners.

Community Life

This council supports parish events with broad appeal, especially for families with young children, such as the recent Trunk or Treat. A welcome event for newcomers is planned in 2019.

Formation

This council led planning for Trunk or Treat for families, and is

anticipating a second Alpha series for adults in January 2019. All Faith Formation programs are up and running this month, including Confirmation preparation for teens and adults.

Outreach

This council reported that two JustFaith classes are now in session. The new program to provide a monthly dinner at the homeless shelter operated by Volunteers of America (VOA) has begun. Next up will be programs for Christmas outreach, including our annual Alternative Gift Christmas Market on Nov. 18.

Spanish-Speaking

This council’s new focus is on building welcoming ministries as a way of growing and strengthen-

ing the community. Improving communications using a variety of media (written and online) is another goal. More burritos sales were promised in the future to support its ministries.

Vietnamese

This community celebrated the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary this month. Its goal is to increase Vietnamese membership in the parish.

Worship

To goals of this council are 1) to provide more “teaching” Masses, the next to focus on the biblical connections in our liturgies; and 2) to provide an activity bag for young children coming to our Masses that will have teaching books and other related materials.