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Our Parish Family includes Saint Thomas, the Apostle Parish, Saint Thomas, the Apostle School and Saint Anthony of Padua Mission Church.



## Palm Sunday, March 28 2021

### Parish Mission

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we the church answer the call of Christ to be a visible sign of His presence by participating in: Scripture and Sacraments, Worship and Prayer, Spiritual and Academic Education, Evangelization and Witnessing, Service and Charity, Fellowship and Community. Through our words and actions with our universal community of believers, we strive to share the love of God with the greater Oroville community and throughout the world.

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil**  
5:30 PM  
7:00 PM (Spanish)  
at St. Thomas in Oroville

**Sunday**  
8:15 AM & 10:30 AM at  
Saint Thomas in Oroville,  
12:30 PM Saint Anthony's  
in Challenge

**Tuesday-Friday  
Daily Mass**  
8:30 AM

**Confessions**  
Saturday  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM or by  
appointment

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## Gospel for Palm Sunday

### Mk 15:1-39

As soon as morning came, the chief priests with the elders and the scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him,

“Are you the king of the Jews?”

He said to him in reply, “You say so.”

The chief priests accused him of many things. Again, Pilate questioned him, “Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of.”

Jesus gave him no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now, on the occasion of the feast, he used to release to them one prisoner whom they requested. A man called Barabbas was then in prison along with the rebels who had committed murder in a rebellion. The crowd came forward and began to ask him to do for them as he was accustomed. Pilate answered, “Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?”

For he knew that it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead.

Pilate again said to them in reply, “Then what do you want me to do with the man you call the king of the Jews?” They shouted again, “Crucify him.”

Pilate said to them, “Why? What evil has he done?”

They only shouted the louder, “Crucify him.”

So, Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort.

They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him.

They began to salute him with, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting upon him. They knelt before him in homage. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him out to crucify him.

They pressed into service a passer-by, Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross.

They brought him to the place of Golgotha —which is translated Place of the Skull — They gave him wine drugged with myrrh, but he did not take it. Then they crucified him and divided his garments by casting lots for them to see what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, “The King of the Jews.”

With him they crucified two revolutionaries, one on his right and one on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying, “Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself by coming down from the cross.”

Likewise, the chief priests, with the scribes, mocked him among themselves and said, “He saved others; he cannot save himself.

Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe.”

Those who were crucified with him also kept abusing him.

At noon darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which is translated, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

Some of the bystanders who heard it said, “Look, he is calling Elijah.”

One of them ran, soaked a sponge with

wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink saying, “Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down.” Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

**\*\*Here all kneel and pause for a short time.\*\***

The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, “Truly this man was the Son of God!”

*Editors Note: Due to the length of the Gospel reading for Palm Sunday, there was no space for the other mass readings.*

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR CALENDARIO LITURGICO MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, March 28 | Palm Sunday**

8:15 AM

10:30 AM

12:30 AM @St. Anthony's in  
Challenge

**Monday, March 29**

There is no Daily Mass today.

**Tuesday, March 30**

8:30 AM

**Wednesday, March 31**

8:30 AM

**Thursday, April 1 | Holy Thursday**

7:00 PM (Bilingual)

**Friday, April 2 | Good Friday**

12:15 Good Friday Service

**Saturday, April 3 | Holy Saturday,  
Easter Vigil**

8:00 PM

**Sunday, April 4 | Easter Sunday of the  
Resurrection of the Lord**

8:15 AM

10:30 AM

12:30 PM at St. Anthony's in  
Challenge

**Rosary:** *St. Thomas:* before the 8:30 am mass during weekdays 7:50 am and 10:00 am on Sunday.

For Parish events visit <https://orovillecatholic.org/events-calendar/>

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

Bob Rice

Russ Lewis

Fred Reno

Frank Clanton

Thomas Edward Winter

Ann Lewis (Loseke)

Alan Armstrong

Dottie Doyle

Jane Frericks

Mary Cooksey

The Monsen Family

Victor and Joan Briggs

Chris Martin

Janet Clark

Sherry Moorehouse

PARISH INFORMATION / I  
NFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL  
OFFICE HOURS: TUE—FRI 9:00 AM—  
12:00 PM

**Baptisms (Bautizos)** Please contact  
the parish office

**Sick Calls or Sacrament of Anointing  
(Unción de los Enfermos)**

Please contact the parish office as  
soon as possible

**Weddings (Matrimonios)**

Minimum of six (6) months required  
for preparation. Please con-  
tact the parish office.

### Sick Calls

If any of your family members are ill or  
getting sick, please consider conferring the  
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Please  
call our parish office at 532-0262 and leave  
the persons name, physical address and the  
contact number of the caller. The priest  
will call you back at his earliest  
convenience. If you need a Eucharistic  
Minister, please call our office.

### The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore  
you,

we glorify you, we give you thanks for your  
great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O  
God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord  
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you  
take away the sins of the world, have mer-  
cy on us; you take away the sins of the  
world, receive our prayer; you are seated at  
the right hand of the Father, have mercy on  
us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone  
are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the  
glory of God the Father. Amen

### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the  
Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver  
of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored  
and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic  
Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of  
sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the  
dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in  
the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramen-  
tally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if you were already there,  
and I unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.  
(*Saint Alphonsus Liguori*)

### Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having  
offended Thee, and I detest all my sins be-  
cause of thy just punishments, but most of  
all because they offend Thee, my God, who  
art all good and deserving of all my love.

I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace  
to sin no more and to avoid the near  
occasion of sin. Amen.



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ing Car Magnets with "He is Risen!" at  
masses and from Grand Knight Jeff Bi-  
ble; 999-9093 or Jim Cupido; 533-5599  
The magnets are \$5. These are great re-  
minders of the focus of the Easter Sea-  
son.

### So Fresh, So Clean

So Fresh, So Clean - the campaign is un-  
derway and Catholic Ladies are collecting  
personal hygiene products that help the  
homeless to be healthier and feel better.  
Travel size shampoo, toothpaste, soap,  
deodorant, toothbrushes, socks, hats &  
scarves are helpful. The items may be de-  
livered to the parish office from 9-12, Tues.  
through Friday. Any questions, please call  
Sharon Reed 530-715-4642

### Mother Daughter 2021 Program

Saturday, April 10, 9am-12pm. The Mother  
-Daughter Programs explore God's special  
gift of human fertility and the beauty and  
wonder of God's plan for growing up and  
becoming a woman. The Teen and Tween  
Programs cover similar subject matter  
while differing in depth and scope. All  
presentations are pure, light-hearted, and  
affirming!

Tweens (Ages 10\*-12) \* Girls younger than  
10 who are already developing and show-  
ing signs of puberty are welcome to attend.  
For more information, Contact Jackelin  
Aguilar at 916-733-0156 or  
Jaguilar@scd.org

### Notes on Mass

For Holy Thursday, on April 1st, there  
will be a bilingual Mass at 7:00 PM.

For Good Friday, there will be a service  
at 12:15 PM

For Holy Saturday, April 3rd, The Easter  
Vigil will be held Starting 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday Masses will follow the  
regular Sunday Schedule.

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