



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

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## Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

### 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**  
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM at  
Saint Thomas in Oroville,  
12:30 PM Saint Anthony's  
in Challenge

**Daily Mass**  
Monday: 8:30 AM  
Tuesday: 6:00 PM  
Wed-Fri: 8:30 AM

**Fr. German Ramos**  
Pastor  
[frramosoro@gmail.com](mailto:frramosoro@gmail.com)

**Thomas O'Connell**  
Deacon

**Jennifer Willin**  
Parish Bookkeeper

**Mrs. Kelly Floyd**  
School Principal

**Mrs. Tamara Landers**  
School Bookkeeper

**Mrs. Kattie May**  
School Secretary

**Parish Office**  
1330 Bird Street  
Oroville, CA 95965  
Phone: 530-533-0262  
Fax: 530-533-1148  
Mon - Thurs | 9 AM - 12 PM  
Fridays | 9AM-12PM, 1-3PM

**School Office**  
1380 Bird Street  
Oroville, CA 95965  
Phone: 530-534-6969  
Fax: 530-534-9374  
[www.stschool.net](http://www.stschool.net)

PARISH INFORMATION /  
INFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL

**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 require for preparation. Please contact the parish office.

**Funerals** Please contact the parish office, for assistance in arranging a funeral service. We can also arrange a reception after the funeral if desired.

**Sick Calls**

Father Ramos would like to reach out to those parishioners who are homebound, or otherwise unable to attend Mass. If you, or someone you know, needs to receive a visit, or Sacraments you can find a Sick Call/ Home Visit Request form in the Church Vestibule, the Parish Office or an on-line fillable electronic form, in English and Spanish, on the STAP website (<https://orovillecatholic.org>)."

**Mass Intentions:** If you wish to have your intentions offered up at Mass, you may do so by contacting the Parish Office at 530-533-0262.

**Prayer Requests**

To add/remove a name, please email: [SaintThomasBulletin.Oroville@gmail.com](mailto:SaintThomasBulletin.Oroville@gmail.com)

Thank you for your continued prayers for those in need.

Please Remember in Your Prayers

-Alan Armstrong	-John Ritter
-The Monsen Family	-Margaret Carnahan
-Joan Briggs	-Patricia Laird
-Jimmy Potestio	-Julie Silveira
-Patty Webber-Smith	-Daniel Briggs
-Jane Frericks	-Jeffery Spoor
-Ray Firpo	-Kana McCauley
-Jose Lopez	-John Plemmons
-Pamela Stair	-Frank Clanton
-Kayhli & Kelsie	-Thomas
-Ann & Russ Lewis	Edward Winter
-Jose Ignacio Ramirez-Gutierrez	-Jodi Williams
-	-John Miller
-Claudia Goebel	-
-Mason Ray	-
-Tina Molinaro	-
-Ann Bruggeman	-

**Catholics Ladies**

**Rummage Sale**

Friday, January 30

Drop donations 1-4 PM to the Gym

Saturday, January 31

sale open 8 AM - 2 PM

Sunday, February 1

sale open 8 AM - Noon

Thank you for your support!

Questions: Call Irene 530-712-1417

P.S. Look for Chili Cafe on Sat!!

**Many Thanks**

The Altar Society wishes to thank the many folks who donated poinsettias for our parish celebration of Jesus' birth. The abundance of beautiful poinsettias reflects the generosity of so many parishioners. We thank you for your love and giving spirit. May the joy of that first Christmas remain in your hearts through the new year!

God bless you.

**Thank you!**

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to help me attend SEEK 2026 in Denver. Your support and prayers truly mean so much to me. I am deeply grateful for your kindness and for investing in my faith journey. Please know that I will be praying for you.

- Oswaldo Guadiana-Orozco



The mission of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School, in union with our parish, is to form disciples of Jesus Christ who show reverence for the Eucharist, embody virtuous behavior, live out Gospel values, and pursue academic excellence.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**  
**CALENDARIO LITURGICO**

**Sunday, January 25**

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

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

**Monday, January 26**

8:30 AM

**Tuesday, January 27**

4:00 PM Confession and Adoration

6:00 PM Bilingual Mass

**Wednesday, January 28**

8:30 AM

**Thursday, January 29**

8:30 AM

**Friday, January 30**

8:30 AM Mass

9:00-11:00 AM Adoration

**Saturday, January 31**

8-2 Rummage Sale

5:30 PM English

7:00 PM Spanish

**Sunday, February 1**

8:00AM

10:30 AM

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

**Rosary:** *St. Thomas* after the 8:30 AM Mass during weekdays, and after the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Sunday Masses

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

4:00 PM Tuesdays

4:00 PM Saturdays

Or by Appointment

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Every Tuesday: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Every Friday: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

3rd Saturday of Every Month, 8 PM



**Pregnant?  
Worried?  
Need Help?**

*You are not alone.  
We can help.*

**The Gabriel Project**  
Call: 800-910-0191

## Faith Formation

Faith Formation is available for help to our families that are taking the online catchup courses for receiving the Sacraments in April and May of 2026. Please see our calendar in the Community Center.

These courses are due to be completed before Lent, February 18, 2026.

## Scholarship Opportunity

Notice to all LOCAL High School Seniors:

The LOCAL Scholarship applications for the Knights of Columbus Joseph C. Ghianda Memorial Scholarship is available starting on January 5, 2026 due by March 9, 2026 by 3:30 PM.

This will be our 26TH year and we will award two (2) \$1,250.00 scholarships. Contact your school Counseling Office and when filling out the application you MUST check the Knights of Columbus box under groups or organizations your parent or grandparent belongs to. They also MUST be in good standing (dues current) with Council 2603 for you to apply. You may also contact Jim Bruggeman Scholarship Chair @ 530-534-1544 or connieandjim4@gmail.com.

## CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Catholic Ladies Relief Society is sponsoring two \$500 scholarships for the local graduating seniors. If you have a senior in your family, encourage them to fill out the local scholarship application available now in the counseling office at their school. The completed application is due March 9, 2026.

## Year-End Tax Forms

If you are in need of a 2025 tax donation letter, please call the office and request one. Hours and phone number are on the front cover of this bulletin. Thank you!

## The Pastors Voice

### The Rites of the Catholic Church

#### The Great Schism

Christianity from its earliest days has been a faith of unity, one mystical body with Christ as its Head. (Ephesians 4:4-6) During the first millennium of Christianity the Churches of the East and West were part of the same faith though with cultural and liturgical differences.

However, throughout history this unity has been challenged by both doctrinal and political conflicts. One of the most impactful events in this regard was the Great Schism of 1054, a rupture between the western and eastern church. One of the most debated theological issues was the "Filioque" clause in the Nicene Creed. Originally the Creed proclaimed that the "Holy Spirit proceeded from the Father". But in the west, "and from the Son" (filioque in Latin) was added. For the Eastern Church, this unilateral addition violated traditional teaching and the authority of the Ecumenical Councils. On July 16, 1054 each placed a Bull of Excommunication on the other. In AD 1965, Pope Paul VI and Patriarch Athenagoras I lifted the mutual excommunications of AD 1054 beginning ecumenical dialogue.

The Second Vatican Council's Decree on the Catholic Eastern Churches emphasized, "The Catholic Church values highly the institutions of the Eastern Churches, their liturgical rites, ecclesiastical traditions and their ordering of Christian life. For in those churches, which are distinguished by their venerable antiquity, there is clearly evident the tradition which has come from the Apostles through the Fathers and which is part of the divinely revealed, undivided heritage of the Universal Church"

#### Readings for the week of January 25, 2026

Sunday:	Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
Monday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday:	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mk 5:1-12a

#### Observances for the week of January 25, 2026

Sunday:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week
Monday:	Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
Tuesday:	St. Angela Merici, Virgin
Wednesday:	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. John Bosco, Priest
Next Sunday:	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**TRUTH** - We live and move and have our being in the Divine Presence. Our every thought, every decision, every action, every choice, every word; what we do and don't do, what we say and don't say, all this and more we do in God's Divine Presence.