



Saint Thomas the Apostle CATHOLIC PARISH

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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.

www.oroillecatholic.org



The Baptism of the Lord

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

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

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://orvillecatholic.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
Thank you for your continued prayers
for those in need.

Please Remember in Your Prayers

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

Attention---Coming Soon!!! 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!!

CRAB FEED

YES! With 2026 comes the
KC hosted CRAB FEED on

Saturday, January, 24th

DOORS open at 5pm

DINNER at 6pm

in Fitzgerald Hall.

Tickets are NOW available at
Marcozzi Jewelers, Briggs Firestone,
St. Thomas School Office
and at Masses.

Tickets are \$75 for either Crab or
Steak and \$90 for the Crab & Steak
COMBO. Clam Chowder, Green
Salad, Bread and Ice Cream come
with the dinner.

Steak dinners will have a Baked
Potato and veggie side dish. A Raffle
and Silent Auction will also be held.



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 11

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

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

Monday, January 12

8:30 AM

Tuesday, January 13

4:00 PM Confession and
Adoration

6:00 PM Bilingual Mass

Wednesday, January 14

8:30 AM

Thursday, January 15

8:30 AM

Friday, January 16

8:30 AM Mass

9:00-11:00 AM Adoration

Saturday, January 17

5:30 PM English

7:00 PM Spanish

Sunday, January 18

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

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.

THE PASTOR'S VOICE Sweet surrender – Holy silence

Silence--sweet scary silence. We want it. We don't want it. We crave it, but we're afraid of it. Silence makes us nervous. Lulls in conversation are quickly filled with idle, nonsensical chatter. Talk about the weather, tell a corny joke, say something--anything! Anything is better than silence. But silence is where it happens. Silence is where we learn about ourselves, to know our dignity. Silence is where we find God, where we allow God into our lives.¹

The psalmist writes in Psalm 46, "Be still, and know that I am God! The Hebrew word being translated here as "Be still" is *rapha*. It literally means be weak, release, die to yourself, drop down, or let go. This word has also been translated as "surrender."

The choice to surrender to Christ and place Him first takes commitment, and the journey to get there is difficult. This commitment has to be firm and will require sincerity, diligence, and sacrifice.² (5 steps to beginning to surrender)

So important is our surrender that Jesus Christ, himself, revealed a Surrender Novena to Fr. Dolingo Ruotola (1882-1970), an Italian priest, to teach us to turn our troubles over to Him and surrender to his will.³

¹ Hearing. Just some thoughts....silence...sweet scary... | by Anyutka | Medium

² <https://integratedcatholiclife.org/2022/03/hain-five-steps-to-beginning-to-surrender/>

³ <https://catholicnovenaapp.com/novenas/surrender-novena/>

Readings for the week of January 11, 2026

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17
Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Observances for the week of January 11, 2026

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Anthony, Abbot
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.