



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



Twenty-first 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

Thomas O'Connell

Deacon

Mrs. Martha Orozco

Parish Secretary

Parish Bookkeeper-call office

Mrs. Kelly Floyd

School Principal

Mrs. Tamara Landers

School Bookkeeper

Mrs. Martha Mireles

School Secretary

Parish Office

1330 Bird Street
Oroville, CA 95965
Phone: 530-533-0262
Mon - Thurs | 9 AM - 12 PM
Fridays | 9AM - 2PM

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://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
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	-Pamela Pritchett
-Jose Lopez	-Frank Clanton
-Pat McCarthy	-Thomas
-Kayhli & Kelsie	Edward Winter
-Ann & Russ	-Jodi Williams
Lewis	-John Miller
-Jose Ignacio	-Claudia Goebel
Ramirez-	-Mason Ray
Gutierrez	-Tina Molinaro
Williams	-Glen Gabourel

CLRS Coat Drive Fundraiser

Catholic Ladies Relief Society will
be in front of Church on Sept. 12 and
13, and on Sept. 19 and 20, to collect
monetary donations. We are so
pleased with our parish support of
this project. We have been able to
provide up to 180 coats annually for
the children in the Oroville area
including our Saint Thomas
students. If you want to request a
coat for your child, please see the
ladies at the table. For more info,
Margaret Salerno
530-589-9117.

THANK YOU AND
GOD BLESS YOU ALWAYS!

K of C RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus is holding
a RAFFLE to pay for materials used
to remodel the school QUAD Area
over the summer. The work
included repairing the sprinkler
system, repairing rails on the stage,
repairing broken sidewalk, some
new plantings and removing and
replacing the grass area.

TICKETS are \$5ea Or \$20 for 5.

The PRIZES are: 1st= \$1,000,
2nd =\$100, and 3rd=\$100.

The Drawing will be on SUNDAY
Sept. 20th at our PANCAKE
BREAKFAST. Contact Jim Cupido
for Tickets @ 530-533-5599 or get
them before or after MASSES



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
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Sunday, August 23

10:30 AM

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

Monday, August 24

8:30 AM

Tuesday, August 25

4:00-5:30 PM Confession
& Adoration

6:00 PM Bilingual Mass

Wednesday, August 26

8:30 AM

Thursday, August 27

8:30 AM

Friday, August 28

8:30 AM

Followed by Adoration

Saturday, August 29

5:30 PM English

7:00 PM Spanish

Sunday, August 30

8:00 AM

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 Update

Faith Formation classes begin on **Sunday, September 13**, at 9 AM outside the Community Center.

Registration will be held on **Sundays through August 30th** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Community Center.

Next Sunday 8/30 is the last day to register

Ministry Days 2026

You're invited to Ministry Days 2026, the largest gathering of Catholic ministry leaders and volunteers in the Diocese of Sacramento on Saturday, September 26, 2026. This year, the day focuses on mental health and challenges us all to encounter the Sacred Heart of Jesus as the ultimate source of mercy and healing. Enjoy a great day of networking, prayer and fellowship as we discuss new ways to serve families as they navigate the complexities of mental health. Tickets are on sale now at ministrydays.com.

The Pastor's Voice

Is the Catholic Church Truly Holy?

The Church's Role in Social Justice

The Church's commitment to social justice further demonstrates its holiness, addressing systemic issues like poverty and inequality. Rooted in the Gospel, its social teaching promotes the dignity of every person (Genesis 1:27). Papal encyclicals, such as *Rerum Novarum* and *Laudato Si'*, articulate principles for a just society. The CCC calls Catholics to work for the common good, inspired by Christ's love (CCC 1905). Critics sometimes accuse the Church of being too political, but its advocacy stems from moral convictions, not partisanship. From opposing apartheid to defending workers' rights, the Church has shaped global justice movements. Its social doctrine balances individual responsibility with communal solidarity. Misconceptions about the Church's role often ignore its long history of service to the marginalized. By championing justice, the Church reflects the holiness of its mission. This engagement with the world affirms its divine calling.

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Readings for the week of August 23, 2026

Sunday: _____ Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29
Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Observances for the week of August 23, 2026

Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle
Tuesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Monica
Friday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Joanne Sullins from LPI, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.

YOUR AD HERE

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If you believe what you like in the gospels, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe, but yourself.

- Saint Monica – (c. 332 – 387)