



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-eighth 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

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Oroville, CA 95965
Phone: 530-534-6969
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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	-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-Gutierrez	-Mason Ray
Williams	-Tina Molinaro
-Fred Zuponcic	-Glen Gabourel

ADORATION

Saint Isidore's in Yuba City

Sunday, 10/11 : 5:30-7:30 PM

Monday, 10/12 : 7-8:30 PM

Tuesday, 10/13 : 7-8:30 PM

Eucharistic Encounter through the
Heart of Mary including Lectio
Divina, devotional music, and a mis-
sion presentation.

COFFEE HOUR

Hosted this week by 50+ Group.
Please stop by and support their
ministry.

MASS CANCELLATION

OCT 12 TO 16

All priests of the diocese will be
attending Study Days at Christ the
King Retreat Center, Monday
October 12 to Friday October 16.
Because Father Ramos will be gone,
weekday masses will be cancelled
on those days.

CRAFT ITEMS NEEDED

for the Altar Society and
CLRS Holiday Bazaar.

Please donate your newly-made
crafts as well as gently used
Christmas decorations and gift ware.

Call Jan Jensen or
Mary Seegert to donate.



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, October 11

10:30 AM

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

Monday, October 12

~~8:30 AM~~ Cancelled

Tuesday, October 13

~~4:00-5:30 PM Confession~~

~~& Adoration~~ Cancelled

~~6:00 PM Bilingual Mass~~

Wednesday, October 14

~~8:30 AM~~ Cancelled

Thursday, October 15

~~8:30 AM~~ Cancelled

Friday, October 16

~~8:30 AM~~ Cancelled

~~Followed by Adoration~~

Saturday, October 17

5:30 PM English

7:00 PM Spanish

Sunday, October 18

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

Dear Friends,

Come along and visit some of the most beautiful places in Europe. Our pilgrimage takes us to the Holy Shrines of Florence, Assisi, Sorrento, Rome and more including a Papal Audience.

Our journey in Italy begins in Rome as we drive along the Autostrada del Sole speedway across the countryside to Florence – the cradle of the Renaissance Era and home of the infamous Medici Family.

From Florence and its historic sites, we will then encounter the tomb of St. Francis in Assisi and touch the walls of Assisi through which St. Francis, St. Clare and other Franciscans

journeyed. As we continue on this spiritual journey, we will drive along the Adriatic Sea to the medieval town of Lanciano then on to San Giovanni Rotondo, the home and burial place of St. Padre Pio. Next, we depart for Monte Sant' Angelo to see the Sanctuary of St. Michael the

Archangel. Our next destination is the picturesque Sorrento and Amalfi Coast where we experience the culture of this area, possibly having the opportunity to cool our feet in the history-laden waters of the Mediterranean Sea. On to Pompeii, where we are confronted by the historical,

archaeological discovery of the ruins of this once thriving city destroyed by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 19 A.D. We will journey back to "Oh Bella Roma" the Beautiful Rome, the Eternal City. There, the treasures of the Vatican Museum and Gallery, the Sistine Chapel and other magnificent churches will excite our senses and fill our spirits. We will tour the Basilica of St. Peter.

No trip to Rome would be complete without exploring Ancient Rome and its legendary Trevi Fountain, the mighty Coliseum, the Catacombs, and attending an audience with Our Holy Father, Pope Leo.

Come and join me in prayer, fellowship and experience Church with our sisters and brothers in Italy. Please look over the brochure and you will see that this 11-day pilgrimage will be a lifelong dream come true.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Ramos

The Pastor's Voice

HOLY WATER – Protection From Evil

The Catholic tradition has consistently affirmed that holy water, used with faith and the right intention, provides genuine spiritual protection against the influence of evil, and this teaching is grounded in the Church's conviction that God truly works through material signs to accomplish spiritual realities. The prayer of exorcism that accompanies the blessing of water in the Church's rites explicitly invokes God's protection, asking that the water may be freed from the power of evil and may become an instrument of God's blessing and defense for all who use it. This is not a medieval superstition that modern Catholics can quietly set aside. It reflects the Church's serious and consistent teaching that the devil is a real personal being who seeks to harm human souls and who can be resisted through the use of prayer, sacramentals, and the grace of God. Jesus Himself acknowledged the reality of demonic activity throughout the Gospels, casting out unclean spirits with a word and authority that astonished His contemporaries. The Church's rites of blessing have always included a dimension of spiritual protection, and holy water is one of the primary instruments through which this protection is sought and received. Saint Teresa of Avila, the great sixteenth-century Carmelite mystic and Doctor of the Church, wrote in her autobiography about her personal experience of the power of holy water to repel demonic influence, and her testimony has been cited in the Church's tradition as evidence of this protective dimension. The practice of sprinkling holy water over people, homes, fields, and objects has been part of Catholic life since the earliest centuries, precisely because the Church has always believed that God's blessing communicated through blessed water is a genuine defense against spiritual harm. The Catechism teaches that sacramentals derive their power from the prayer of the Church and from the intercession of the saints, and that they prepare the faithful to receive grace and dispose them to cooperate with God's protection (CCC 1670).

For a deeper understanding of this subject -

<https://www.catholicanswers101.com/holy-water-explained-like-youre-five/>

Readings for the week of October 11, 2026

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Observances for the week of October 11, 2026

Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: *Columbus Day; Indigenous Peoples' Day*

Wednesday: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Thursday: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Saturday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

"Smile at Jesus who you approach at Mass,
in Holy Communion and in Eucharistic Adoration."

St. Gianna Borella Molla (c. 1922 to 1962) Wife, Mother, and Physician