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Fr. Leonard Marrujo, Parochial Administrator  
Fr. Chris Berbena, Parochial Vicar  
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Dolores Hurtado, Bookkeeper  
Joe Petersen, School Principal

**CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Saturday:** 8:15 AM, 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)  
**Sunday:** 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM and 12:00PM  
**Weekdays:** 8:15 AM  
**Holy Days:** 8:15 AM, 7:00 PM

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

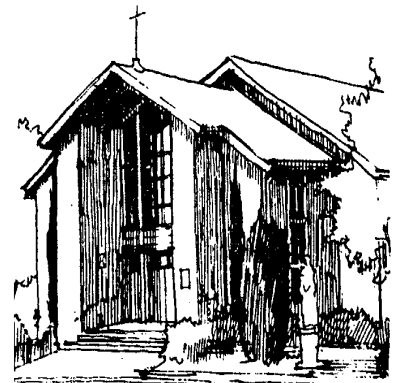
**Saturdays:** 3:30 to 4:00 PM

**Perpetual Help Devotions:**

Tuesday mornings after 8:15 AM Liturgy

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and  
Chaplet of Divine Mercy:**

Every Wednesday 8:45-9:45 AM

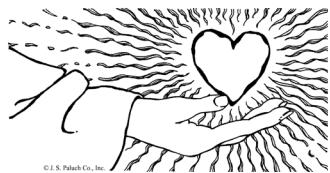


## Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019

“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race.”

— Revelation 21:3



### A Word from the Pastor

The last two weeks I have written a couple of articles pertaining to stewardship and how we as a community can support our parish ministries. Our parish ministries comprise many programs, including Youth and Adult faith formation. These ministries are essential to evangelizing and retaining our members so they can continue their life and spiritual journey with us. The Parish Pastoral Council along with the Strategic Planning Committee, continue to meet and plan for new programs. The question remains, how can we pay for these programs that many of you desire? The weekly Sunday collections are, unfortunately, not sufficient enough to operate a parish of this size. The reality is we are not bringing in sufficient income to maintain the programs already in place and to provide for the upkeep of the parish buildings and grounds.

Let me reiterate the concept of steward. A steward is someone who has been given gifts by another for the sake of the other. Those gifts are entrusted to him or her, to be used, as that other would wish. Jesus likes the image of steward. He uses it in parables over and over again, sometimes with happy results: those who were given their talent go out and actively cooperate with His grace, and they double it and they hear, “Well done, good and faithful servant.” And then there are others who fail to grasp the concept, therefore not leaving something in good condition. But if we’re going to understand what it means to be a steward, we need to understand that there’s something that comes first. Steward is what we do. We steward the gifts of the Kingdom, our life, our gifts, our talents, the power of the Holy Spirit, the grace that we are given and the taking care of a parish community. But in order to understand stewardship, first we’re going to have to understand who we are. That gift that we were given at baptism obviously at some point needs to become a gift that we ourselves choose to cooperate with. We begin to do that when we reach the age of reason, when we approach the wondrous gift of new life in Jesus

offered us when we make our first communion, when we come forward to the altar and receive Jesus. That gift is strengthened in us when we’re confirmed; when we make for ourselves the promises that were made for us at baptism, when we take our place as adult Christians. That gift is affirmed every time we come here to say, “Yes” to the Savior Who loved us first.

Stewardship involves all of us who are members of this parish community. To give of oneself is a great gift, i.e., volunteering time, service and finances. We cannot continue to operate a parish without your cooperation and that means for us to come together as volunteers and benefactors. Yes, it is expensive to maintain the plant buildings and the surrounding grounds. It is expensive to pay our staff a living wage, taxes, insurance, and the electric, water and gas utility bills. And on top of all that, we are obligated to pay our monthly diocesan assessment. These things add up and in the Bay Area we all know how expensive it is to live here. I appreciate what we receive from you and I also understand your situation. It is my hope that together we can find solutions to finance the needs of our parish community. God bless.

### In Memorium

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our beloved former parishioner, Jim Bill, who died recently. May God hold him and his family in the palm of His hand.



### Impenetrable

The same fence that shuts others out, shuts us in.

—Anonymous

## What's Happening?

### Vacation Bible School

#### **ROAR! Life is Wild, God is Good!**

Church of the Assumption is excited to announce the return of our Vacation Bible School! The VBS session will be held here on June 17 through the 21st, 2019 from 9:00a.m. to 12p.m.

We are asking for **adult volunteers**, so please call the parish office if you are interested.

We are now accepting registrations so please pick up a form from the tables located in the back of the church. All ages are welcome ... preschool and older. We need campers, counselors and counselors-in-training.

### Middle School Action Team

Two weeks ago our students learned about a project for bringing Christmas to an orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico. We listened to Ms. Joanna Garcia, a parent coordinator at Bancroft Middle School, as she shared her family's experience bringing Christmas to the orphanage. Our MSAT will be planning a similar project in our parish for this coming Christmas.

### Assumption Ministry Fair

We invite you to attend the Ministry Fair here at Assumption after all the Masses on Sunday, June 9. All ministries will have a table at the fair and will be there to answer any questions and encourage you to become more involved with the many ministry opportunities that our parish offers. Be sure to sign up to expand your stewardship role here at Assumption.

### Altar Server Appreciation Social

Calling all Altar Servers! You are invited to attend a social in your honor after the 12 Noon Mass on Sunday, June 9. There will be yummy treats of hot dogs and ice cream and fun for all to thank you for your service to our Assumption parish community! Please join us!

### Wear Red!

Be sure to wear red to Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 9, as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit sent by Jesus to empower us to spread the Good News.

## Assumption Gardens Need Your Help

If you have been thinking about helping out in our Assumption gardens, **NOW is the time.** Four of our six Tuesdays-With-Larry volunteers are temporarily out of action for various health reasons. If you can spare one to four hours per week (you pick the day and time), we can use your help until our volunteers are able to resume work. There is no heavy lifting and no ladders, but yes, there is a lot of bending. Tasks include weeding, watering, sweeping, deadheading of roses, and light trimming. Please call Larry Graves if you can help out at (510) 352-4777. He will meet you in the garden and help you get started. Thank you.

### Bulletin Articles

If your church ministry has an article or an announcement to publish in our weekly parish bulletin, it is due to the parish office no later than Friday before 5:00p.m. Bulletins are sent to the publisher on the following Tuesday. All articles must be submitted to Rhina at this email address:

**[slassumption@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slassumption@sbcglobal.net)**

We will always print your article if we have room in the bulletin. Thanks for your help.

### Recycling Drive

Boy Scout Troop 556 will hold its next monthly recycling drive to earn money to help scouts pay for summer camp on Saturday, June 15 from 10-11:00a.m. at Assumption School across from the Ministry Center. The troop is collecting plastic and glass beverage bottles and aluminum cans. Please contact Jason Beito at (510) 439-7050 or [jbeito@gmail.com](mailto:jbeito@gmail.com). Thank you.

### Financial Update for May 12, 2019

Plate Collection.....	\$ 5,549.50	
EFT Collection.....	\$ 290.00	
Total.....	\$ 5,839.50	
Goal.....	\$ 9,500.00	
Over/(Under).....	\$ (3,660.50)	
Easter Goal: \$20,000.00		We have reached 95%
Plate Collection: \$19,040.78		of our goal. Thank you for your generosity!

## St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "I give you a new commandment: love one another.....This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you show that you have love for one another, especially those suffering and poor, and that indeed you are the disciple of Jesus.

This week our members were able to bring your love to a disabled gentleman living alone by bringing him food and fellowship.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call our Help-Line at (510) 352-6079.

### At the School

#### 2019 Scholastic Book Fair

Get ready to stomp, chomp and **READ** at the Scholastic Book Fair! There's an impressive collection of engaging and affordable books for all ages. Reading unlocks the power of the imagination and gives children the opportunity to discover who they are. Please visit the Book Fair during the following shopping hours in the Small Hall: Today, Sunday, May 19  
Family Book Fair Day, 10:00a.m. ~ Noon

#### Environment Stewards

Congratulations to our Assumption students who submitted entries to the Oro Loma Sanitary District's 2019 School Outreach Project. Students were encouraged to create posters promoting the value of being good stewards of the environment. Fourteen Assumption students were recognized and received monetary awards at the Oro Loma Open House. Congratulations!

#### Summer Fun

Mr. D's Sport's Zone will be open again this summer for K-7th graders. Sessions start June 17 and run through August 9. Credit cards and Venmo are now being accepted. Please email Mr. D at: [mrdszone@gmail.com](mailto:mrdszone@gmail.com) for more information and to register your child. More on this and other school news and fun fundraisers may be found in the Trojan News at: [www.assumption-sl.org](http://www.assumption-sl.org)

## Ministry Opportunities

Please join our Liturgical Ministries here at Assumption by volunteering your time and talent to enrich our weekly liturgies.

### To sign up, follow these instructions:

1. **Go to the Assumption Ministry website** at: [www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/sl assumption](http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/sl assumption)
2. Just under the blue box in the middle of the page, you should see, "Don't have an account yet? Sign up now." **Click "Sign up now".**
3. **Fill out the enrollment form completely**, indicating at which ministries you would like to sign up, at which masses you prefer to serve, and how often you would like to serve.
4. Don't forget to **click "submit" at the bottom of the page!** You will receive an email once your enrollment form is processed.

If you have any questions, please contact Giovanna Giuliani at:

[assumptionscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:assumptionscheduling@gmail.com).

Our faith community here at Assumption will be more vibrant and alive because you are willing to be a part of it. Please sign up soon!

### Faith Book

#### From today's Revelation reading:

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

#### Reflection:

Revelation is the assurance that, despite the apparent victories of evil in our world, God is sovereign and just and will overcome evil in the end and reward the just who have persevered and lived faithful lives. Revelation speaks to those who look to God a comfort that only God can give. It is a prophetic book urging us to hear the Word of God and stay faithful to the covenant God has made with us in Christ.

#### So we ask ourselves:

If someone were to ask you, "Which do you think is winning in the world, good or evil? What would you answer?  
What hope does the reading from Revelation stir in you?

**WE REMEMBER AT THE EUCHARIST**

**Weekly Mass Intentions  
May 18 — May 25, 2019**

**Saturday 18 5:00 Francis Mendonca +**

**Sunday 19 7:30 Jim O'Brien +  
9:00 Isabel Luisotti +  
10:30 John & Margaret Galego+  
12:00 Pedro Oliveros, Sr. +**

**Monday 8:15**

**Tuesday 8:15**

**Wednesday 8:15 Robert Seeberger (L)**

**Thursday 8:15**

**Friday 8:15**

**Saturday 25 8:15 Jack Campe +**

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday 19 GYM CYO 11:00a.m.-7:00p.m.  
H Family Book Fair 10:00a.m.  
Noon**

**Monday GYM CYO 3:30-9:00p.m.**

**Tuesday H Dad's Club 7:30p.m.**

**Wednesday CR Bible Study 10:00a.m.  
CH Children's Choir 2:00p.m.  
H G.S. 6:00p.m.  
H B.S. 7:00p.m.  
GYM CYO 3:30-9:00p.m.  
CH Adult Choir 7:00p.m.**

**Thursday CR Knit/Crochet 10:00a.m.**

**Friday GYM CYO Pay to Play 6-8:30p.m.**

**Saturday 25 GYM CYO 9:00a.m.-9:00p.m.  
MC St. Vincent de Paul  
9:00a.m.**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

Head Lector:  
Cathy Ralph.....895-0420  
Altar Server Coordinators:  
Dennis Burigay.....895-1628  
Mike Tedeschi.....357-9447  
Head Communion Minister:  
Faye Caruso.....882-5002  
Head Usher: Ed Hernandez.....351-7025  
Head Greeter: .....  
Ministry Scheduler:  
Giovanna Giuliani.....872-9053

Faith Formation & Teen Confirmation:  
Mary Schirmer.....352-1537  
St. Vincent de Paul  
Denis Ducey.....352-6079  
Pastoral Council:  
Doug Taylor.....638-3050  
School Board:  
Paul Carney .....357-8772  
Finance Committee:  
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Tuesdays with Larry:  
Larry Graves.....352-4777  
Rosary Makers:  
Irene Haines.....483-7975

CYO:  
Nathaniel Fripp.....789-5565  
Tom Shaddle.....357-1342

All Saints Skilled Nursing  
Lizette Rocha.....351-1342

Communion to the Homebound:  
Mary Croak.....352-1537  
Communion to Kindred Hospital:  
Susan Sequeira.....352-5614

Prayer Chain:  
JoMarie Stavosky.....889-9469  
Knit/Crochet Group  
Gloria Calegari.....357-0943

Linens:  
Anita De Marais.....357-9172  
Cursillo  
Jennie Gisslow.....875-9170

**Assumption Parish Mission Statement**

Assumption Parish is a culturally diverse and vibrant Catholic community which strives to grow as followers of Jesus Christ. We do this by accepting the challenge to build a Christ-centered community that draws on the wisdom of our seniors and the energy of our youth. We are committed to Catholic education at various levels. We are nurtured by Liturgy and faith formation programs, which enable us to share our gifts of time, talent, treasure and vision with our parish family and surrounding communities.