

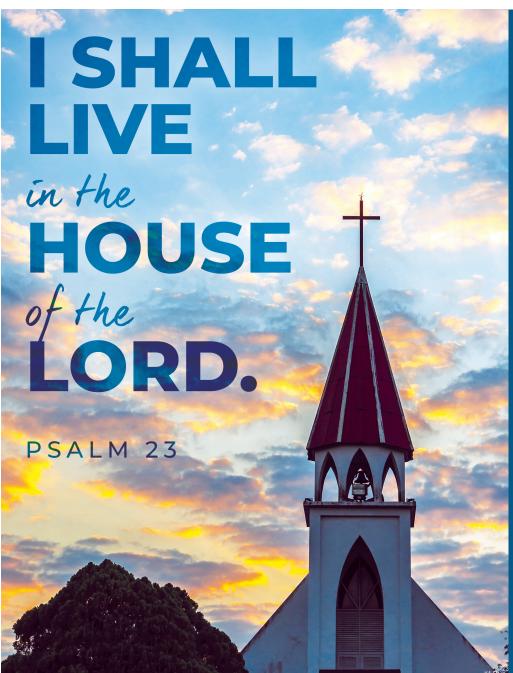
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Sunday Masses

Vigil Mass (Saturday) | 4:30pm Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

Daily Mass

Monday thru Saturday | 8:30am

Confession

Saturday | 3:00pm - 4:00pm Other | By Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday | 9:00am - 12:00pm Saturday | 3:00 pm- 4:00pm

Daily Devotions

9:00am after Mass

Mon - Sat | Holy Rosary
Mon | Holy Spirit
Tues | Saint Joseph
Wed | Mother of Perpetual Help
Thur | St. Therese of Lisieux
Fri | Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sat | Our Lady of Assumption

SACRAMENTS

Confirmation, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and RCIA classes begin this month

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.-Psalm 23:2-3

SUNDAY GOSPEL Reflection

Gospel for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Matthew 22:1-14

Today Jesus likens the "Kingdom of heaven" to a wedding feast given by a king for his son and his bride. The king sent his servants out to invite many guests. However, some of the guests who were invited refused to attend the feast. The king, however, was determined to have a great gathering for this special occasion. He once again sent out servants. The servants once again went out and informed other invited guests that the feast was prepared and the king wished them to come to the feast. Some of the invitees ignored the invitation, others went about their daily business and several others attacked the servants and killed them!

Naturally, the king was astounded and enraged. He immediately sent his troops to destroy the murderers and burn their city. Then the king instructed his servants to go out to the highways and by-ways and bring in all the people they encountered for the wedding feast. The king was determined to have a great feast for his son's wedding. He would not have his son and his bride slighted. And many people came to the wedding feast.

Jesus has invited each of us to his "wedding feast." He extends this invitation each and every day. Ask yourself: what is your response to Jesus' invitation? Do you have an excuse why it is impossible for you to attend the feast: "I have work to do." Or: "I have another commitment." Or: "I am tired."

Each and every day Jesus invites us to his "wedding feast." It is our choice and our decision to attend or to refuse his invitation. How will you respond to Jesus' invitation today? Be awake and alert: It may come in an unusual manner or through an individual you may not expect. Jesus will grace us through this encounter!

(Source:http://ferdinandbenedictines.blogspot.com/

THANK YOU

SUNDAY Collection October 1, 2023 Collection October 8, 2023 Catholic Voice \$5,620.00 \$4,609.00 \$1,264.00

Sign up for **ON-LINE GIVING** through **VANCO**.



MASS Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:30am Bernhardt Garon+

Karina & Jose Torres (Health in Marriage)

4:30pm Peg O'Toole+

Pauline Smith+

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:00am Simon & Teresa Nisperos+

Neville Lacey+

10:00am George Brandt (Healing)

Marian Baker+

12:00pm Miguel Uribe+

Rebecca Cabrera & Family (Health)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:30am Elton Broolus+

Salvador Martinez+

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

8:30am Jean Hewitt+

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:30am Apolonia Montenergo+

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:30am Valerie Walgren+

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:30am Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:30am All Young Adults

4:30pm Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

Please Pray for Healing

Margaret Doherty, George Brandt, and Ian Glover

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS REQUESTS

Let your Assumption Community offer prayers for your special intentions for a family member, a friend, a deceased love one or a special occasion.

Email info@assumptionsanleandro.org or visit the Rectory Office. Forms are available at the back of the Church.

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

Assumption University for Seniors - October 15

Join in the fun at the 1st annual AU Oktoberfest celebration of Germanstyle food, drinks, and fun No need to RSVP, just show up at 11:30 in the rectory.

Confirmation Preparation October 15

Join us at 11am at the small hall

RCIA October 16

Join us at 7pm at Saint John Paul ii Room in the rectory

AYSAT - October 19

Students and their parents volunteer at the Bethel Food Pantry from 5:00pm-8:30pm

"Brown Bag Outreach"

Our Brown Bag Project for October is a baby bottle fundraiser for Birthright in conjunction with October being Respect Life Month. Beyond the unborn, Respect Life Month also shines a light on the needs of the elderly, individuals with disabilities, and others who may be marginalized or at risk. We encourages you to actively engage in efforts of respecting all lives. Bottles are available in the history room and will be offered up for a blessing on October 29.

October is Rosary Month: 31 day Rosary Challenge Day #15

We invite you to pray the Most Holy Rosary for the entire month of October. We have added a special 6:30 pm time to come together to pray as a family. We encourage everyone to join the challenge.

Let's follow the Blessed Mother's wishes to pray the Rosary. May we grow in our respect for the gift and Gospel of Life and during this month pray together the family rosary.

Into the Breach October 21

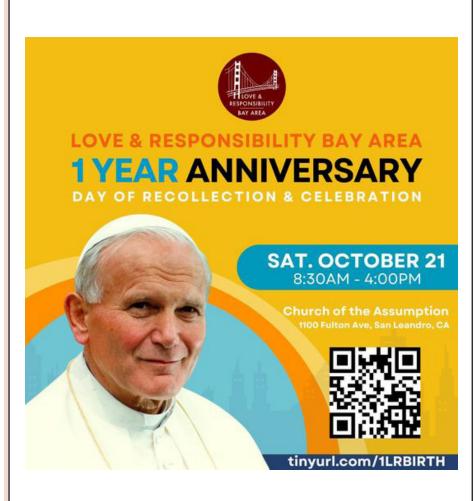
This in-person session on "The Mission of the Family" is sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 8217 and will be held from 8:00am until noon.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk - October 22

Assumption Community honors Marnelle Vieira-Ducey for Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October! We proudly continue this tradition of the Cancer Walk at Crissy Field in San Francisco.. You can get more information by calling the school office at 510-357-8772. To donate: https://tinyurl.com/3baaf76k

Faith Formation Kindergarten thru Fifth Grade - October 22

Classes are held at Ministry Center at 11:15am.



Facility Status and Repair/Maintenance

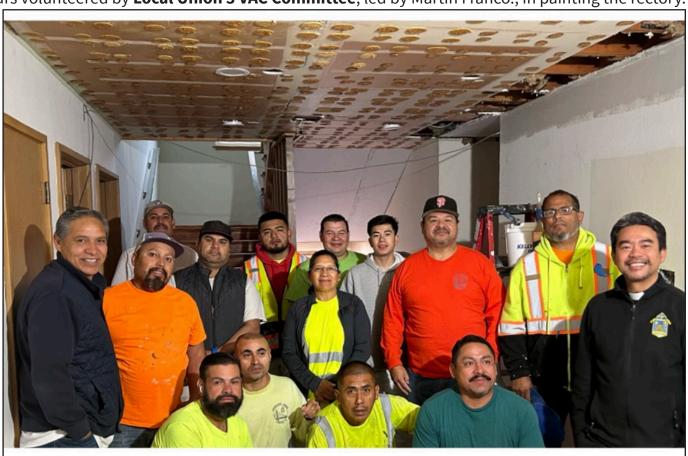
Important updates regarding the maintenance and improvements taking place. These projects go thru the process of obtaining at least three bids and are approved by the Diocese of Oakland and our Finance Committee. The Finance Quarterly Report will be shared with everyone next month with exact costs of each project.

- **1. Sound System Upgrade:** We are thrilled to announce that our church has undergone a significant enhancement in its sound system. This upgrade aims to provide a more immersive and spiritually enriching worship experience for all our parishioners. With this improvement, our hymns, sermons, and musical performances will resonate even more profoundly, fostering a deeper connection with our faith.
- **2. New Roof for the Ministry Center:** The Ministry center (the old convent), a place of quiet reflection and dedicated service, is receiving a new roof. This vital renovation ensures a safe and comfortable environment for our School Library, Faith Formation Classes, Ministry Groups, and staff. The roof is in a deteriorated condition, and many of the asphalt tabs blew off the roof in the last winter's storm. Your continued support makes it possible for us to maintain this sanctuary where spiritual guidance and support are provided.
- **3. Rectory Residence Repair:** In our commitment to preserving the beauty and integrity of our church facilities, we are replacing the old tile ceiling and light fixtures, and repainting inside of the rectory. This improvement not only enhances the aesthetics but also contributes to the overall safety and longevity of the building. We are grateful for your understanding and patience during this renovation process.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to all our parishioners and generous donors whose maintenance contributions have made these renovations possible. Your support enables us to maintain our sacred space and continue our mission of spreading love, compassion, and faith within our community.

During this period of renovation, some areas of the church may be temporarily affected. We kindly ask for your patience and understanding as we work to complete these upgrades efficiently and with the utmost care. We invite you to join us in prayer, expressing our gratitude for the blessings that allow us to maintain our church home and serve our community faithfully.

BIG Shout Out to our Facilities & Grounds Director Peter Gisslow! We also truly appreciate the many hours volunteered by **Local Union 3 VAC Committee**, led by Martin Franco., in painting the rectory.



Dear Parishioners,

The Church is where we gather every week to worship, to find solace, and to strengthen our faith. It's a place where we connect with God, each other, and the melodies of our hearts. Today, we're thrilled to share some exciting news with you our beloved church now boasts a brand new sound system. This transformation in our worship experience wouldn't have been possible without the incredible generosity and faith of our donors. Join us in celebrating this moment and expressing our heartfelt gratitude.

The Journey Toward Clarity

Our old sound system, like an old friend, had been with us for a long time. It had served us well, but over the years, it began showing signs of wear and tear. The persistent crackles, hisses, and occasional silences became a frustrating backdrop to our prayers and hymns, creating a disconnect between us and the divine messages we sought.

The vision was clear - to enhance the clarity of our worship. We longed for a sound system that would make every word, every note, and every prayer reach our hearts, no matter where we sat in our cherished sanctuary. We aimed to elevate our worship services and create a space where the voice of God and the harmonies of our congregation could be truly felt.

Honoring Our Donor Angels

Our journey toward a new sound system was marked by challenges, but it was also a testament to the power of faith and community. The cost of such an upgrade exceeded our regular budget, but our determination and your unwavering support and patience made the dream a reality. Today, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all of you who stood by us through this journey. Each of your contributions has had a profound impact on our church and our worship experience. Your faith in our mission is etched in our hearts, and we thank you from the depths of our souls for your unwavering support.

The New Sound System: A Gift to Cherish

Our newly installed sound system is a gift we will cherish for years to come. It was carefully selected and designed to cater to the unique needs of our church, and it stands as a testament to the wonders of audio engineering and technology.

The system comprises state-of-the-art microphones, amplifiers, speakers, and a soundboard that gives us precise control over audio levels. The sound quality is nothing short of divine, and the voices and instruments resonate throughout our sanctuary with impeccable clarity and depth. However, what truly sets our sound system apart is its inclusivity. Thanks to well-placed speakers and an acoustic layout designed with care, sound is evenly distributed throughout the sanctuary. No matter where you sit, every word and every note is crystal clear.

The Impact on Our Worship Experience

Since the installation of our new sound system, our worship services have undergone a transformation that's truly remarkable. The impact has touched every heart in our congregation.

Crystal Clear Messages: With the crisp and clear audio, Father John and Father Julius' sermons can now be heard and understood by everyone in the sanctuary. The Word of God reaches us more profoundly than ever before.

Uplifting Music: Both our Children and Adult choir's angelic voices and the melodies played by our talented musicians are even more enchanting. The sounds of praise fill our sanctuary, forging a spiritual connection that's truly heavenly.

Closer Community: The improved sound system has fostered a stronger sense of togetherness. Congregants can actively participate in hymns and prayers, creating an engaged and united atmosphere.

Accessibility for All: The inclusivity of our new sound system ensures that those with hearing impairments can fully engage in our services, ensuring that no one feels left out.

Special Events Shine: Our church's special events, from weddings to community gatherings, will also greatly benefit from the new system. The clarity of audio and the beautiful ambiance now elevate these moments to a new level.

Looking Ahead

As we bask in the glory of our new sound system, we acknowledge that this is just the beginning. The journey of faith, community, and togetherness is ongoing, and there are countless opportunities for us to grow, improve, and better serve our congregation and community.

So, to all who made this possible, we thank you from the depths of our hearts. Your patience, your generosity, your faith, and your support have allowed us to create a space where the harmony of our faith and the beauty of our worship can truly shine. This new sound system in our church is more than just a technical upgrade; it's a testament to the incredible power of community, faith, and generosity. We are grateful to have each and every one of you as part of our congregation, and we look forward to many more years of beautiful worship, fellowship, and togetherness.

May the grace of God and the melodies of our hearts continue to fill our sanctuary and our lives with everlasting joy.

Thank you for making this dream a reality. With love and gratitude, Father John