

# Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

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## Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, humbly proclaim with our beloved Virgin Mary, that we are the servants of the Lord.

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we value and celebrate the diversity of our cultures and strive to be of loving support to one another. We are committed to the sacramental life and Traditions of the Church through worship, prayer, study, and service.

We seek to become true evangelists by continuing to nourish and strengthen our Roman Catholic Faith.

## Declaración de la Misión

Nosotros, la comunidad de fe de la parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Asunción, proclamamos humildemente con nuestra amada Virgen María, que somos siervos del Señor. Enraizados en el Evangelio de Jesucristo, valoramos y celebramos la diversidad de nuestras culturas y nos esforzamos amorosamente a darnos apoyo el uno al otro. Por medio del culto, la oración, el estudio y el servicio, estamos comprometidos a la vida sacramental y a las tradiciones de la Iglesia. Buscamos ser verdaderos evangelizadores nutriendo y fortaleciendo nuestra fe Católica Romana.

## Marriages / Bodas

Arrangements require a six month period of preparation. Please call the Ministry Center Office. / Reservaciones se requieren seis meses de anticipación para los preparativos.

## Quinceañeras

The scheduling for Quinceañeras should be made at least one year in advance. / La reservación de la fecha para una Quinceañera debe ser hecha por lo menos un año de anticipación.

## Funerals / Funerales

Please call the Parish Ministry Center Office. / Favor de llamar a la Oficina Ministerial.

## Wills / Bequests - Testamento / Legado

Please call the Diocese / Por Favor llame a la Diócesis: 909 475-5300

August 9, 2015



## Mass Schedule Horario de las Misas

Saturday 4:30 pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am  
12:00 pm en Español  
4:30 pm Youth Mass  
Tuesday 6:30 pm  
Wednesday 8:15 am  
Thursday 8:15 am  
Friday 8:15 am  
First Friday 6:30 pm Mass

*Sacred Heart & Santo Niño Devotions*

## Sacrament of Reconciliation, Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 9:00 am - 10:30 am

## Sacramento de Reconciliación, Veneración y Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento

Sábado 9:00 am - 10:30 am

## Visiting of the Sick & Home Blessings

If you'd like our priest to visit and anoint a sick family member, or to bless your home, please contact the Parish Office. He will call to arrange a date and time.

## Visitas a los Enfermos y Bendición de Hogares

Si le gustaría que nuestro sacerdote vaya a dar la unción a un familiar enfermo, o a bendecir su hogar, por favor hablar a la oficina parroquial. El sacerdote se comunicara con usted para acordar la fecha y la hora.

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## Ministry Center Office Hours

### Horario de la Oficina Ministerial

Sunday / Domingo: 10am to 12pm  
Monday through Friday - 9am to 3pm  
Saturday / Sábado - closed / cerrado

## Baptisms and Baptism Preparation

Bautizos y Preparación 909 882-2931

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## OLA School Email & Website

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Nineteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
August 9, 2015

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.  
— John 6:51



Decimonoveno Domingo  
del Tiempo Ordinario  
9 de agosto de 2015

Yo soy el pan vivo que ha bajada del cielo.  
— Juan 6:51

### *This Week's Mass Intentions*

Date	Mass Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday 8/8/2015	4:30PM	Mary Roden - Rest in Peace	Bill & Betty Sutcliffe
Sunday 8/9/2015	8:00AM	Marie Colella - Rest in Peace	Colella Family
		Cathy Mess - Special Intention	Colella Family
	10:00AM	Pat Dittenhaver - Special Intention	Sumpter's Family
	12:00PM	Mass for the People	
Tuesday 8/11/2015	4:30PM		
	6:30PM	Cesar Regaliza - Special Intention	Cathy Regaliza
		Mary Helen Rowe - Special Intention	Cathy Regaliza
Wednesday 8/12/2015	8:15AM	Sr. Camillus Gavigan - Special Intention	Lee & Judy Sena
Thursday 8/13/2015	8:15AM	Cathleen Regaliza - Special Intention	Regaliza Family
Friday 8/14/2015	8:15AM	Louise Serrano - Rest in Peace	Serrano Family
Saturday 8/15/2015	4:30PM	Mass for the People	



Perpetual  
Light of Christ

Aug. 9th - Sept. 12th

**Fernando Arias**  
*Special Intention*

Requested by  
Sandra Arias

Sept. 13th - 26th

**Marie Colella**  
*Rest in Peace*

Requested by  
Colella Family



Michelle Acevedo, Charlie Baca, Don Brimmer, Pam C., Alejandra Campos, Linda Castro, Yuly Corzo, Pat Dittenhaver, Sister Fintan, Diana Fitzgerald, R.J. Jackson, Lenni, Egor Lisizin, Cathy Mess, Ellen Molina, Marihna Monroe, Patricia y Julia Moya, Pam O'Camb, CJ Reynolds, Joan Sefirt, Derek Sherrier, David Shupe, Ken Sousa & Lee Walker

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — After resting and taking nourishment twice, Elijah is strengthened to walk to the mountain of God, Horeb (1 Kings 19:4-8).

**Psalm** — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

**Second Reading** — Be sealed by the Holy Spirit of God so as to be imitators of God and live in love (Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2).

**Gospel** — Jesus professes that he is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will live forever (John 6:41-51).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26  
 Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20  
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1  
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12  
 Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28  
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56  
 Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. Lawrence  
 Tuesday: St. Clare  
 Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal  
 Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus  
 Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe  
 Saturday: **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

### *Our Lady of the Assumption Feast Day*

*Celebración de la Fiesta  
de Nuestra Señora de la Asunción*

*60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year End  
Intercultural Celebration*

*Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, Mass 4pm,  
Followed by a Potluck & Ice Cream Social*

*Celebración Intercultural  
del 60° Aniversario*

*Sábado, 15 de Agosto, Misa 4pm  
Seguida de una Cena & Helado Social*

*Potluck Assignment by Last Name  
(please bring a cultural dish)*

*A ~ M : Main Dish*

*N ~ T : Side Dish*

*U ~ Z : Dessert Dish*

*Compartimiento de Comida - Asignación por Apellido*

*(Por favor traiga un plato cultural)*

*A ~ M: Plato Principal*

*N ~ T: Plato de acompañamiento*

*U ~ Z: Postres*



## *This Week's Events - Focus on Witness*

Date	Time	Event	Location	
Sunday	8/9/2015	Morning Masses	Food & Fellowship: Grupo Coordinador Hispano	Parish Hall Kitchen Side
Monday	08/10/15	3:00-6:00PM	OLA School Registration	Parish Hall
		7:00-9:00PM	AI-Anon	OLA School Library
		7:00-9:00PM	Sex Addicts Anonymous	Mercy Ministry Center
		7:00-9:00PM	Boy Scouts	Arbor
Tuesday	08/11/15	9:00AM-1:00PM	FCCM	Parish Hall Stage Side
		6:30-9:00PM	AYM 4 Christ Core Team Mtg.	Parish Hall Kitchen Side
Wednesday	08/12/15	5:30-6:30PM	8:00 AM - Choir Practice	Church
		6:00-8:00PM	Religious Ed. Catechist Meeting	Parish Hall Kitchen Side
Thursday	08/13/15	6:30-9:00PM	El Coro	Church
Friday	08/14/15	6:30-9:00PM	Coro de Niños	Parish Hall Kitchen Side
		7:30-9:00PM	Grupo de Oración "Amor y Fe"	Church
Saturday	08/15/15	7:00AM-12:00PM	OLA School Clean - Up	OLA School
		9:00-10:30AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Church Reconciliation Room Church Sanctuary
		5:00 PM to 8:00 PM	<b>Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption</b> 60th Anniversary Year End <b>Intercultural Celebration</b>	<b>Parish Hall</b>
Sunday	8/16/2015	Morning Masses	Food & Fellowship: Cub Scouts	Parish Hall Kitchen Side

### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Después de descansar y alimentarse nuevamente dos veces, Elías se fortalece para caminar a la montaña de Dios, el monte Horeb (1 Reyes 19:4-8).

**Salmo** — Haz la prueba y verás qué bueno es el Señor (Salmo 34 [33]).

**Segunda lectura** — Han sido marcados por el Espíritu Santo de Dios para que imiten a Dios (Efesios 4:30 — 5:2).

**Evangelio** — Jesús profesa que él es el pan de vida y todo el que coma ese pan vivirá para siempre (Juan 6:41-51).

### *Save the Date!* - Luau - Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> - 6pm to 9pm

All You Can Eat Teriyaki Chicken Dinner Show - Children (5-12) \$5 - Adults (13+) \$10  
Please purchase your tickets after Masses on September 12th & 13th - or in the  
Ministry Office during normal business hours. Tickets will not be available at the door.

**So, please buy your tickets early!**



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

From the moment of our founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are men of faith and men of action.

If you're interested in helping those in need, growing in your faith **and** serving our parish, we will be on hand at **each of the Morning Masses on August 9th** to answer any questions you may have and to facilitate your application.

### Meeting Spaces For Ministries

**All ministries requesting meeting space, (even those which are regularly scheduled ministries):**  
**Please submit all of your dates in writing, to the parish office to verify availability of room, as soon as you are able.**

Thank you, and may God bless you and our planning for the new season.

### OFFERINGS - OFRENDAS

8/1 - Saturday	
4:30pm:	\$2,682.58
8/2 - Sunday	
8am:	\$2,709.95
10am:	\$1,776.84
12pm:	\$ 401.59
4:30pm:	\$ 956.90
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$8,527.86</b>
<b>Mailed in:</b>	<b>\$ 780.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$9,307.86</b>

2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:  
\$1,122.88

**THANK YOU! ¡GRACIAS!**



## AYM Lock-In

### YOUTH LOCK-IN



**Drop-Off: Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm**  
**Pick-Up: Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8am**

This church sleepover is for all OLA Youth 13 yrs. and up. Participants must have parents sign them in and pick them up! Bring your church appropriate PJ's, sleeping bag, and pillow!

Come for an endless, awesome night of video games, karaoke, makeovers, food, and Jesus!

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN

#### What is RCIA for children?

The RCIA for children is a process that invites children, ages 7 to 14, interested in searching the Catholic Faith to discover what the Catholic Church teaches and believes. It is open to unbaptized children, children baptized in another faith, and children who may be baptized but who have not practiced their Catholic faith regularly. Like the RCIA for adults this process is accomplished in a comfortable, friendly and informal environment, but especially designed for children. Separate sessions of Catechesis (education) are presented in dialog format. Certain Rites are celebrated in the church and are combined with the Adults at the same Mass.



**RCIA for children is two years of formation and begins Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-6:45 pm.**  
**An orientation meeting for parents will be September 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.**

For more information contact:

Maria Rivera-Mena (909) 882-2931 Ext. 22

### RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA NIÑOS

#### Que es RICA para niños(as)?

La iniciación cristiana de los niños en edad catequética tiene su referente en el catecumenado de adultos, por eso su modelo es el descrito en el que se indican las adaptaciones propias para un catecumenado de niños. Especialmente, se deberá tener presente la gradualidad, que expresa la dimensión maternal de la Iglesia que acoge y acompaña, y la condición de los destinatarios, en concreto, su edad y situación. La iniciación de los niños, por lo tanto, también se desarrolla durante un proceso adecuado antes de acceder a los sacramentos. En este proceso de distinguen varios tiempos, a la vez que comporta algunos ritos.

**RICA para niños(as) es dos años de formación e inicia lunes Octubre 5 a las 5:30-6:45 pm.**  
**Reunión de Orientación para padres Septiembre 28 a las 5:30 pm.**

Para mas información comunicarse con:  
María Rivera-Mena (909)882-2931 Ext. 22

## Confirmation



## Classes

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CONFIRMATION

**Confirmation Classes have moved from Thursdays to Sundays at 2:30pm to 4pm, beginning with the Registration and Orientation Meeting on Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm**

**Students must attend with their Parents in order to register their student for Confirmation Classes**

**The Sacrament of Confirmation has 4 essential effects for our lives:**

- ◆ Completes our Sacraments of Initiation so we become more deeply rooted as a son or daughter of God
- ◆ Unites us firmly in our Lord, Jesus Christ
- ◆ So that we may more fully receive the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit
- ◆ Gives us special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend our faith

Please contact me with any questions or for more information.

May God abundantly bless you and your family,

Kathleen Estrella

Director of Youth Confirmation  
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**August 9<sup>th</sup> Morning Masses**

**Food and Fellowship Hosts Convivo y Bocado**

**Grupo Coordinador Hispano**

**August 16<sup>th</sup> - Cub Scouts**  
**August 23<sup>rd</sup> - Young at Heart**  
**August 30<sup>th</sup> - Readers**  
**September 6<sup>th</sup> - Social Concerns**  
**September 13<sup>th</sup> - OLA School**  
**September 20<sup>th</sup> - Religious Education**  
**September 27<sup>th</sup> - Eucharistic Ministers**

## Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School

It's a wonderful Summer, OLA!

We are also so pleased to announce the grand opening of our **OLA Preschool**! Our first day is **September 1st** and we are accepting registrations, now!

Without your help, it wouldn't have been possible.

God bless you and thank you for sharing your gifts!

As we prepare for the 2015-2016 school year we would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued prayers and support and to invite you to consider giving to your young loved ones the opportunity for a strong, faith-filled education. By receiving a spiritual and educational foundation that maximizes personal growth and development, our students are prepared for the future. Please take the time to contact us and explore how we can assist in your child's success.

**Summer office hours are: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
or email/call for an appointment.**

**OLAssumption@sbdioocese.org/909-881-2416  
We'll be happy to arrange for campus tours.**

***Please mark your calendars with these  
Important School dates and times:***

**August 10th** – Payment of fees in the hall 3:00pm – 6:00pm. Fundraising info will be available at that time. True Grits Uniforms will also attend. If you are unable to attend on this date, please contact the office before August 10th to make payment arrangements. Miss Rina can take credit card payments in the office during regular summer hours.

**August 15th** – School clean-up 7:30 – noon. Parents earn double service hours! Please bring cleaning supplies such as brooms, rakes, paper towels, Windex, etc. Don't worry, you'll be done by 11:30; plenty of time to get ready for the 4:00pm celebration Mass for Our Lady of the Assumption!

**August 17th** – New parent meeting in the Grade 8 at 6:00pm. Parents of Kindergartners, please bring two photos of your child.

**August 18th** – Mandatory meeting in grade 4 for parents of 6th-8th graders, last names beginning with A-L.

**August 19th** – Mandatory meeting in grade 4 for parents of 6th-8th graders, last names beginning with M-Z.

**August 20th** – Meeting in grade 4 for parents of 4th and 5th graders.

**August 24th** – First day of school! School dismisses at noon. School dismissal is 2:40pm (new dismissal time for the entire school) Tuesday and Wednesday the first week. Noon dismissal Thursday, August 27th; no school Friday.

Although our 8th grade class is closed, we still have space in grades K – 7. If you are interested in providing your children or grandchildren with quality, Catholic education, please contact our office. We will work with you to build a strong learning foundation for your children.

**May the rest of your Summer  
provide you with happiness and peace!**

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE



Durante los últimos años, la Iglesia católica en los Estados Unidos de América ha reconocido un poco más la presencia hispana. Por tal motivo, muchos músicos han compuesto cantos bilingües, en inglés y español. Por ejemplo, el cantautor Bob Hurd, quien escribió el canto: "Pan de vida, cuerpo del Señor". Este himno, basado en Gálatas 2:3 y Juan 6:35, mezcla el español con el inglés

para hablar de que todos somos uno en el cuerpo del Señor. No hay raza, género humano o condición social que sea mejor o peor que la otra. En Cristo todos podemos estar unidos en servicio mutuo, amor y humildad. Para la jerarquía de la Iglesia católica en Estados Unidos, este mensaje es de suma importancia porque a veces le cuesta trabajo compartir su liderazgo con los que no son angloparlantes. Como comunidad hispana, nos corresponde desafiar con amor a la Iglesia jerárquica de este país para que sea más fiel al pan de vida, hecho de múltiples granos de trigo, cada uno de valor inestimable ante los ojos de Dios.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM



**We are Catholics. We are Americans.** We are proud to be both, grateful for the gift of faith which is ours as Christian disciples, and grateful for the gift of liberty which is ours as American citizens. To be Catholic and American should mean not having to choose one over the other. Our allegiances are distinct, but they need not be contradictory, and should instead be complementary. That is the teaching of our Catholic faith, which obliges us to work together with fellow citizens for the common good of all who live in this land. That is the vision of our founding and our Constitution, which guarantees citizens of all religious faiths the right to contribute to our common life together.

—USCCB, *Our First, Most Cherished Liberty:*  
A Statement on Religious Liberty



### THE BEGINNING OF EVERYTHING

Everyone recognizes the truth of good proverbs, and so they endure from generation to generation. The Russians have a surprisingly bold one that fits this Sunday's Gospel: "Bread is the beginning of everything."

Judging from the first reading, Elijah might have felt that it was too late for bread—too late for life itself. This great prophet was at the end of his rope and endurance. Then, not one, but two angels visit him. One offers food and drink. The other gives startling directions. For Elijah, this food from the angels is bread for his journey. On the strength of the heaven sent gift of food, he walks to the mountain of God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers himself, not just as bread for the journey, but as bread for life itself. He gives his flesh as life for the world. "I am the bread of life" (John 6:48). He is the beginning of everything.

### EL COMIENZO DE TODO

Todo el mundo reconoce la verdad de los buenos proverbios, y por eso perduran de generación en generación. Los rusos tienen uno sorprendentemente audaz que le pega al Evangelio de este domingo: "El pan es el comienzo de todo".

De acuerdo a la primera lectura, puede ser que Elías sintiera que era demasiado tarde para ser pan —demasiado tarde para la vida misma. Este gran profeta estaba ya al final de sus fuerzas y de su aguante. Entonces no uno, sino dos ángeles lo visitan. Uno le ofrece comida y bebida. El otro le da unas sorprendentes instrucciones. Para Elías esta comida de los ángeles es pan para su camino. Fortalecido por este regalo celestial de comida, él sigue su camino a la montaña de Dios.

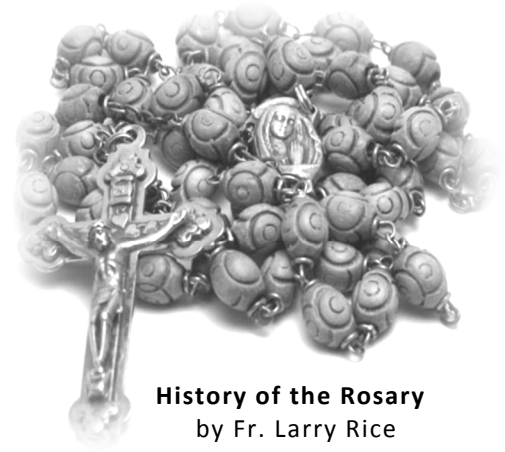
En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús se ofrece a sí mismo, no sólo como pan para el camino, sino como pan para la vida misma. Él da su carne para dar vida al mundo. "Yo soy el pan de vida" (Juan 6:48). Él es el comienzo de todo.

### MAKE DEPOSITS

Friendship is like a bank account. You can't continue to draw on it without making deposits. —Anonymous

### OTROS DEPÓSITOS

La amistad es como una cuenta bancaria. No se puede sacar constantemente sin hacer depósitos. —Anónimo



### History of the Rosary

by Fr. Larry Rice

Without a doubt, one of the most well-known and easily recognized Catholic devotional practices is praying the Rosary. The actual origin of the Rosary is very hard to trace. According to tradition, an apparition of the Virgin Mary appeared to St. Dominic began as a way for the laity to imitate the monastic practice of praying the Liturgy of the Hours. Because most of the laity, and even many monks, could not read, they substituted 150 repetitions of the Our Father for the Psalms, sometimes using a knotted cord to keep count of the prayers. In the twelfth century, the rule of English Anchorites, Ancrene Wisse, specified how groups of 50 Hail Marys were to be broken into five decades of ten prayers each.

The practice of meditation while praying the Rosary is attributed to Dominic of Prussia, a Carthusian monk. Other monastics added additional prayers. There was very little change in the structure of the Rosary between the sixteenth and twentieth century. In the years following World War II, Holy Cross Father Patrick Peyton began the Family Rosary Crusade, promoting the devotion on radio and television until his death in 1992. In the year 2002, Pope John Paul II instituted five new optional mysteries: the Luminous Mysteries.

Rosaries can be made from a wide variety of materials, from cheap plastic beads to precious jewels. Once they have been blessed, they are considered a sacramental and should not be bought or sold. Oh, and a rosary should not be worn around the neck like a necklace.

*Fr. Rice is Vocations Director for the Paulist Fathers.*

# ADULT FAITH

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19th SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME:  
THE BREAD OF LIFE

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In the Scriptures today, we find that the food given by God strengthens us for the journey! Elijah was able to walk forty days and forty nights in the strength of the Lord, Jesus continues to teach his listeners about the bread of life – the bread which is himself, given to believers who will receive eternal life.

Part of the teaching of Jesus uses the same wording as the segment we heard last Sunday. That John's Gospel restates the teaching of Jesus being the bread of life means that this truth is truly important to those who hear the Word. What does "Bread of Life" mean to us today? What does "Eucharist" mean to us?

In his Letter to the Ephesians, Paul reminds them -- and us-- that we are called to new life, to be imitators of God. We are nourished in our new life through the Eucharist. The Church also gives us the challenge to live as faithful disciples – to love and serve the Lord. How do we do that? By loving and serving one another each day—in kindness, compassion and forgiveness – as our simple daily way of being disciples and apostles.

We read that "in the Eucharist we participate in the Paschal Mystery of Christ, in his dying and rising, which is made present for us in the Eucharistic sacrifice." (US Catholic Catechism for Adults, p. 224). Our own share in the Paschal Mystery is found in the many ways we die to ourselves, our sinfulness and weaknesses, our cocoons of comfort and self-centeredness. Our new life, our "resurrection" in faith, makes us new persons, renewed and strengthened in discipleship and in faith. Our hearts and lives are ever more and more conformed and shaped to the Gospel values, the teaching of Jesus – the two great commandments and the beatitudes are our guides. The way we prepare for and receive Eucharist, the Bread of Life, is formative of our discipleship: attentive, reverent, faith-filled and alive in the Spirit. The Body of Christ. Amen!

August 15: Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption:  
4 PM - Special Parish Mass & Gathering afterwards

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS:  
7:00 – 9:00 PM - PARISH HALL

August 26<sup>th</sup>: Adult Initiation  
Opening Evening

September 2<sup>nd</sup>: A Walk Through the Church  
September 9<sup>th</sup>: A Walk -A-Bout the Parish  
Ice-Breakers

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English o Español - Lecturas del día



St. Bernardine & Community Hospitals  
of San Bernardino



are in need of Eucharistic Ministers who are willing to give their time to offer Eucharist to patients. The commitment would be twice a month or perhaps as "on Call". Training will be provided by the Spiritual Care Staff. For more information please call Sister Terry at: 909-475-5018

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS Adult Baptism and Confirmation

How did the Bible come to be? How can I get to know and pray the Mass better? What is the Catholic teaching about Jesus and Mary? How many sacraments are there and what do they mean? Who is God? Why do Catholics honor the saints? How do Catholics pray? Other questions???



Interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith? Perhaps inquiring about becoming Catholic?

Already Catholic but would like to prepare for Confirmation and/or Eucharist?

One way to learn more about the Catholic faith is to join us as a faith-sharer, and perhaps become a sponsor for a friend you will bring – or meet in the group. We discover many things about the parish, about ourselves, about our faith together. Topics include the Mass, the Bible, Saints, the prayers of the Church, Catholic devotions, the Liturgical Year – and much more!

Starting on **August 26, 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall**, the Wednesday evening sessions of Adult Initiation will resume with an information evening -- so we can hear your questions and together journey toward growing in faith. More information in upcoming bulletins!

Call Clare at the Parish Office 882-2931 for information and to pre-register.