

Celebrate!

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Fourth of July

**Rejoice
Honor
Party
Commemorate
Proclaim
Observe
Make merry
Consecrate
Have fun
Remember**

Hello's

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Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Community

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of June 28, 2009

"Your faith has saved you, go in peace."

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Thank you, and good-bye!

Coming in is always exciting and leaving behind those who have become part of one's life is hard and sad, but inevitable. OLA community, you are blessing in my life! You have helped me to grow spiritually, socially and academically. Working at OLA has enabled me to become comfortable with American culture, learn to drive on freeways, eat medium-rare steak and do charitable work like the Walk for the Hungry, and help the poor and orphans in Uganda and Rwanda. Different projects have been initiated there like

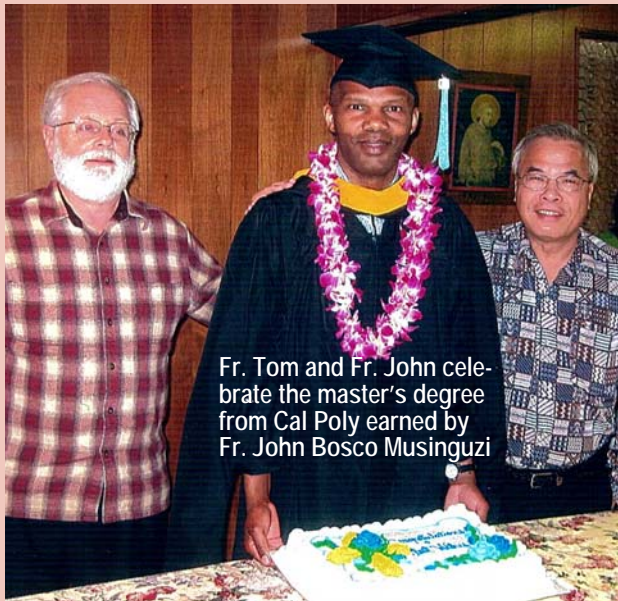
animal husbandry (pigs, goats, rabbits, etc), technical schools, a kindergarten, handicraft work, clean water, micro-finance, and modern farming. The projects have brought *hope* to the beneficiaries in rural villages.

I will be taking on my new assignment as a full-time chaplain at Providence Holy Cross Hospital in Mission Hills on July 1. With faith, love, and humility, I hope the new assignment will go well. I have been transferred for work but I will not forget you. I will be visiting whenever I get a chance and, please, come visit me too.

Thank you all for your love, abundant generosity, and hospitality. Special thanks to Fr. Tom, who as pastor, allowed me to come to work at OLA, thereby connecting me to this wonderful community. May God bless him in his new assignment in Beverly Hills.

Bye-bye,

Fr. John Bosco Musinguzi



Fr. Tom and Fr. John celebrate the master's degree from Cal Poly earned by Fr. John Bosco Musinguzi

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reasure

Today's reading from St. Paul explains the "divine economy" of stewardship – "The relief of others ought not to impoverish you; there should be a certain equality. Your plenty at the present time should supply their need so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."

Well done, good and faithful servants!

We are grateful for the contribution of countless OLA parishioners in preparing and staging the joyous community farewell celebration for Fr. Tom. The Mass and picnic were planned and coordinated by members of the Outgoing Pastor Transition Team. Thanks are due to liturgical planners and ministers – the environment team, the combined music ensemble from our three language communities, hospitality and Eucharistic ministers, lectors and dancers. Thanks also to those who set up the food service and brought delightful dishes to share, to the Knights of Columbus for manning the barbecue grill, to hospitality volunteers who kept the potluck running smoothly, and to the stalwart clean-up crew. A final note of appreciation to all parishioners who graced the celebration with their presence and prayers for Fr. Tom. Thank you all so much!

Parish offertory collection:

Weekend of 6/20-6/21	\$24,404
Same weekend 2008	\$26,261
Same weekend 2007	\$22,726

Around OLA

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Happy
Independence
Day to all!

Liturgical Events

Eucharistic Adoration takes place from 7 a.m. on First Friday, July 3 until 8 a.m. Saturday, in the Reflection Room.

Regular parish Masses on Saturday, July 4 will be celebrated as usual at 8:15 a.m., 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Parish office hours

The parish office will be **closed** Friday, July 3 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

The parish office will be **open** Saturday, July 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please approach the OLA campus via Bonita Avenue.

community life

Independence Day Activities

- **Information booth** for OLA Parish and School at Memorial Park in Claremont from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call Ann Brown at 626-3596, ext. 235, to help with a shift.
- **Lunch in the park** for sale by OLA's Knights of Columbus (sausage sandwiches) and Ladies of Columbus (hot dogs).
- **An OLA float in the Claremont parade** with representatives from the OLA School community. Students in school uniform are invited to line up on Tenth Street at 3 p.m. with their families and bring decorations for the truck. The parade at 4 p.m. marches down Indian Hill and Harrison past OLA. Contact Margaret Banks at 593-5848 for details.

Highlights

OLA for Life will host an information table on the patio this Sunday after all Masses. Representatives of Pax Christi will be at the table to show their support for life.

Third World Handarts will be sold next Sunday, July 5, after all morning Masses
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Looking ahead...

World Youth Day meeting for teens and their families is this Sunday at 3:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Destination for 2010 is Madrid, Spain.

Register for Faith Formation classes, including Vacation Bible School, at the Faith Formation Center. Registration for Confirmation Year One is handled by Uturn Ministry.
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Fr. Tom says good-bye in a final message to OLA.
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Meeting

St. Vincent de Paul Society meets Monday, June 29 at 7 p.m. in the school library.

MONDAY, June 29

St. Peter and St. Paul

Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18;
Mt 16:13-19

6:30am T Mary Ann Cabrera
8:15am O † Catherine Reiderer
5:30pm M Croce Family

TUESDAY, June 30

The First Holy Martyrs
of the Holy Roman Church

Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

6:30am O Special Intentions
8:15am T Special Intentions
5:30pm T † JoAnn Vanderlinden

WEDNESDAY, July 1

Blessed Junipero Serra

Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34

6:30am T † Arturo David Perez
8:15am TX † Arturo Ahumada
5:30pm R Collective Intentions

THURSDAY, July 2

Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

6:30am T † Ellen & Tom Roach
8:15am TX Special Intentions
5:30pm R Lorraine Sandoval

FRIDAY, July 3

St. Thomas, First Friday

Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

6:30am TX Special Intentions
8:15am R Special Intentions
5:30pm T The Burke Family

SATURDAY, July 4

St. Elizabeth of Portugal, First Saturday,
Independence Day

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

8:15am T Independence Day
4:00pm † LaVonne Higgins
5:30pm Alex Orozco

SUNDAY, July 5

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time,

Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

7:30am † Eugene Boyk
9:00am Italian Catholic Fed.
11:00am People of the Parish
1:00pm † Fausta Villalvazod-
Martinez
3:00pm Special Intentions
5:00pm † Ramon Lara
7:00pm Collective Intentions

† = Deceased

Presider Key: R Ramirez
M = Musinguzi T = Tran
O = O'Reilly TX Troxell
F = Flores V = Visitor



Register now!

August 10-14

OLA Vacation Bible School

9 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.

Fun, music, prayer, learning

\$40 per participant

For more info contact Elena
at 626-3596, ext.213 or

mecardena@olaclaremont.org

More summer for kids...

OLA Summer Camp: Contact Margie Robinson at 626-3596, ext. 227, for information on this children's program that runs June 15 through July 31, Monday to Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; rates are available by week, day and "minimum day."

Camp Mariastella, a residential camp for girls in Wrightwood, is currently accepting applications for campers and registered nurses who would like to volunteer for one week in its summer program. Camp buses will pick up campers in Upland. Call the camp office for more information at (818) 285-1555 or email campmariastella@aol.com.

Family fare...

Pick up the latest edition of *Grace in Action* on the Welcome Cart this month. In it you'll find an article about a project to encourage kids to send handmade cards and letters to U.S. soldiers stationed overseas. Or visit the website www.graceinaction.org for a link with more information on "Kids Celebrate Soldiers."

Log-on to the same website for the article "Shoestring Summer" with 16 suggestions for free (or almost free) fun for kids and families.

Young adult group to hear Fr. Paul

Fr. Paul Spellman will speak on "Putting God on the Back Burner" at the regular monthly meeting of Trinity U, a new group open to interested young adults.

The meeting on Sunday June 28 at 7 p.m. will be hosted by Jenny Boling, and includes dinner. A freewill offering will be taken.

Call 626-3596, ext 213, for directions.

Registration for Faith Formation

Registration for all Faith Formation classes has begun and will continue through Sept. 4. Fall classes include a Sunday pre-school program for 3, 4, and 5-year-olds, Elementary classes, and Junior High classes. Registration for Vacation Bible School is also open. Register at the Faith Formation Center during office hours – Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information, call the Faith Formation Center at 626-1360. Or e-mail Faith Formation Director Elena Cardeña at mecardena@olaclaremont.org.

Confirmation Year One is now part of Uturn Ministry. Registration packets may be picked up at the Welcome Cart, the parish office, and Uturn meetings.

Young adults enjoy "Theology on Tap"

Young adults – married, single, or dating, between the ages of 18-39 – are invited to the seventh annual summer speaker series called *Theology-on-Tap*.

Come meet other young adults for fun, networking, and a chance to discuss current issues of faith. The series is scheduled for Fridays

July 31

Aug 7

Aug. 14

Aug. 21

Host of the program is Holy Family Parish, 1527 Fremont Ave, South Pasadena, from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact OLA's Mary Vizcaino at vgfamily@verizon.net or go to <http://archdiocese.la/mya>.

Christian Initiation

Our next Inquiry Class for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith is Sunday, July 19 at 9:30 a.m. in the school library. Regular Catechumenate meets Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in the convent for prayer, then gathers in church for the 9 a.m. Mass and Dismissal, followed by formation and refreshments in the convent. There is no session on July 5.

The next meeting for the RCIA team is Thursday, July 9 in the convent at 7:15 p.m.

OLA Youth Ministry

Don't miss our information meeting for World Youth Day 2010 this Sunday at 3:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Permission slips for our trip to the Quakes game on Wednesday, July 8 are now available. We have a limited number of tickets at \$10 each.

Colleen Sweeney, Uturn Coordinator
Email: youth@olaclaremont.org

Sunday, June 28

HOG Junior meeting from
3 to 4:45 p.m.

World Youth Day Information meeting
3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in the auditorium

Teen Mass at 5 p.m.

HOG High from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Juana Torres

**CALL UTURN'S
24/7 HOTLINE AT
626-3596, EXT. 229**

Wednesday, July 1

Word-Up Bible Study from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 5

Hog Junior meeting from
3 to 4:45 p.m.

Hog High from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.



6 Outreach

Third World Handarts returns to OLA

Third World Gifts and Handarts will offer fine, hand-crafted items in the auditorium Sunday, July 5 after all morning Masses. This non-profit organization was founded in 1975 to market handcrafts from many developing nations and low-income areas of the U.S, in order to help support the self-employment of thousands of impoverished artisans who produce the crafts. Your purchases help them support themselves and their families. The crafts are produced through projects sponsored by Catholic missionaries, Peace Corps volunteers and other charitable relief programs. Thank you for your support of this very worthwhile mission.

Consider trying the JustFaith program

What is my responsibility toward the poor? How do I become someone who really cares for and acts on behalf of the poor and the vulnerable? At the end of August JustFaith will again be offered in our parish. The program is designed to empower and transform participants so that they can become voices for the voiceless and agents of God's good news to the poor. Be ready for a demanding, challenging thirty weeks! Check the Welcome Cart for more information and a sign-up sheet that you can leave in the parish office. Or call Deacon John Tullius at (909) 576-6276 if you have questions.

Stephen Ministry

We like to think of summer as being a relaxing, enjoyable time. But problems don't take a vacation. Many times our difficulties seem even worse during the summer because everyone else seems to be enjoying life while you are feeling down. If you are experiencing a difficult time – emotionally, spiritually, or relationally – you don't have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you, and provide one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Men are matched with male ministers and women are matched with female ministers. It's free and confidential.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, please call 626-3596 ext 332.

Prayer Requests



For our sick and suffering...

Recently: Alene Abrahams, Marta Duran, Carol Hotzinger, Augustine Katigbak, Heath McGarry, and Hank Stark

Previously Announced: David Alexander, Marcia Brunner, Desiree Brutocao, Debbie & Nicole Buffum, Brian Carlson, Violette Chaowi, Mary Contreras, Barbara Felton, Cynthia Garcia, Angelo Giuliano, Carol Giuliano, George Gould, Peggy Hayes, David Jordan, Ted Kelly, Terry Kistler, Vivian Lopez, Ralph Martin, Raul Matthews, Romelia Mayorga, Heath McGarry, Ms. Gia Montgomery, Judith Moore, Hilary Paul, Luna Plunkett, and Glen Thompson

For those who have died...

James Brooks, friend of Hazel Aldridge; Francisca Galaviz Escovedo, friend of Maria Cruz Rodriguez; John Gaeta, Jr., brother of Hope Moreno; Corazon Magdangal, aunt of Leonita Francisco; Carlos Teran, father of Tina Teran; Adriana Velentini, mother of Nicoletta Mehrmand; and for the families and friends who mourn their loss

Christmas in summer?

As the Alternative Christmas Market Committee looks ahead to the 24th annual market in November, a few new members are needed, including someone interested in learning how to coordinate this event in the future. The market has served an important role in educating the OLA community about local, national and international programs serving the poorest of the poor. It also raises thousands of dollars for organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, House of Ruth, Village Network Africa, and Hope Partners. The coordinating role, unlike many ministries that involve an ongoing commitment, involves a limited time period. Most activity occurs between September and early December with a few tasks in January, and then scheduling in June. The committee has many committed and experienced members who take on a variety of tasks. However, there is a need for a co-facilitator who might lead the committee in new directions in the future. The co-facilitator would "shadow" Hugh Menton step-by-step this year and then take the lead in 2010 with support as needed. Hugh may be reached at hmenton@aol.com.

For monthly meeting notices, please turn to Page 3.

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Prayer Groups

- **Ave Maria Rosary Group** will gather Tuesday, June 30 at 9 a.m. in the convent chapel.
- **Prayer Warriors** will meet Tuesday, June 30 at 6:45 p.m. in the church.
- **Lectio Divina** will meet Tuesday, & Wednesday, June 30 & July 1 at 6 p.m. in the Reflection Room.
- **Centering Prayer** will meet Thursday, July 2 at 6 p.m. in the Reflection Room.
- **Haitian Ministry** will not meet this week.

12-Step Groups

- **Al-Anon** will meet Wednesday, July 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Upper Room (above kindergarten).
- **Alcoholics Anonymous** meets Saturday, July 4 at 3 p.m. in the Sapienza Room.
- **Clutterers Anonymous** meets Mondays at 9:30 a.m. at Claremont United Church of Christ.
- **Co-Dependents Anonymous** meet Mondays at 6 p.m. at Claremont Presbyterian Church.
- **Overeaters Anonymous** will meet Monday, June 29 at 9 a.m. in the Reflection Room.

Service/Support

- **Sew 'n' Sews** will not meet in the months of July and August.
- **Singles in Transition** will not meet this week.

Coffee 'n' donuts

Coffee and donuts will be served this Sunday in the auditorium after morning Masses by the **Catholic Daughters**. We thank the **Italian Catholic Federation** for serving last week.

Uturn Ministry

- **Teen Mass** is celebrated every Sunday at 5 p.m. in the church.
- **High School Ministry (HOG)** Meet Sundays June 28 & July 5 See Page 5.
- **Junior High Ministry (HOG Jr.)** Meet Sundays, June 28 & July 5 See Page 5.

Adult Formation

- **Next Inquiry Class** is Sunday, July 19 in the school library at 9:30 a.m.
- **RCIA Catechumenate** See Christian Initiation, Page 5.
- **Adult Bible Study** will be on hiatus all summer. Meetings resume Sept. 9.
- **Women's Bible Study** will meet Thursday, July 2 at 9 a.m. in the Sapienza Room.

Youth Classes

The Faith Formation Center's regular hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The office is closed on weekends. The center may be reached at 624-1360. Registration for Vacation Bible School and fall classes begins June 22. See Page 5.

- **Children's Liturgy of the Word** will resume in the fall.
- **Preschool classes** for 3, 4 and 5 year olds will resume in the fall.
- **Elementary Religious Ed** – Classes resume in the fall.
- **Junior High Religious Ed** – Classes resume in the fall.
- **Vacation Bible School** is the week of Aug 10-14, 9:00 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Register now!

Community Calendar

July 10-12
Sierra Madre

Couples retreat with Fr. Bob Weiss. Come spend quiet time together to reflect on the power of God in your lives as an individual, a couple, and a family. Experience the healing power of Jesus through Scripture and prayer. RSVP to (626) 355-7188, ext. 107.

July 11
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
St. Denis Church
Diamond Bar

Seminar for parents with ADHD children, topics include discipline and homework; \$100 per person or \$150 per couple, with assistance available; details at www.ofdifferentminds.com. Church is located at 2151 South Diamond Blvd.

Weekend of
Aug. 21-23
Sierra Madre

Retreat with Paula D'Arcy, international speaker and president of the Red Bird Foundation, at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center; cost is \$300 per person for a single room or \$250 for a double; Friday evening only is \$50; RSVP to (626) 355-7188, Ext. 107.

Wedding Happiness

Corey E. Stevens & Robert B. Decker

Alison Bland & Erik Youngquist

Michelle Hadley & Daniel Ambord



Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

435 Berkeley Avenue – Claremont, CA 91711

Interested in the Catholic Church? We invite you to one of our Inquiry sessions. Call Elaine Beliveau at 626-3596, ext. 268, for more information. See “Adult Formation” on Page 7 for the weekly schedule.

Baptisms Information about Baptism is available at the Welcome Cart on the patio after weekend Masses. All parents must attend a Baptism Orientation during which a date for the Baptism may be reserved. Please allow four to six weeks before the Baptism. English Orientation begins with 9 a.m. Mass on the *first* Sunday of the month, followed by a one-hour meeting. The child’s parents and godparents are then given instruction at a two-hour Baptism Preparation Class at 7 p.m. in the church on the *second* Monday of the month. The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on various Saturdays.

Weddings Congratulations! Please call Mary Jean Neault, our Director of Pastoral Ministries (ext. 216) at least six months ahead for preparation and scheduling. Weddings are scheduled Saturdays at 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m. Visit the Welcome Cart on the patio for details.

Anointing of the Sick Please call the parish office day or night.

Hospital/Home Visits For distribution of Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

Funeral Arrangements Please contact the parish office for help with services and special needs.

Stephen Ministry: This one-on-one care-giving ministry at OLA is available upon request to those seeking emotional and spiritual support through a Life challenge such as loss of a job, personal illness, separation or divorce, illness or the death of a loved one. Please call 626-3596, ext. 332 to leave a confidential message.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Hotline: One-time emergency assistance for individuals and families. Call (909) 626-3596, ext. 333 to leave a message. Your call will be returned by a volunteer case manager.

Sunday Mass Schedule

7:30 a.m.	Cantor-led Song
9:00 a.m.	Contemporary
11:00 a.m.	Contemporary
1:00 p.m.	Spanish Mass
3:00 p.m.	Vietnamese Mass
5:00 p.m.	Teen/Contemporary
7:00 p.m.	Cantor-led Song

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00 p.m.	Cantor-led Song
5:30 p.m.	Cantor-led Song

Weekday Mass Schedule

6:30 a.m.	Daily
8:15 a.m.	Daily
5:30 p.m.	Daily
8:15 a.m.	Saturday

Saturday confessions

3:15 – 3:45 p.m.	English/Spanish
6:30 p.m.	English

Pregnancy Counseling Hotline
Pregnancy Counseling Center, (corner of Haven and Foothill). 10390 Regis Court, Rancho Cucamonga, Suite B, CA91730
Call (909) 985-0205 24 hours a day.
Free services are confidential.

How to Reach Us

Parish Office (909) 626-3596

Fax (909) 624-3680

Website: www.olaclaremont.org

email Address: ola@olaclaremont.org*

Parish Office Hours

Open 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday,
 Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Parish Staff

- Rev. Msgr. Thomas Welbers, Pastor
- Rev. John Nghi Tran, Associate Pastor
- Rev. John Bosco Musinguzi, Associate Pastor
- Rev. Msgr. Peter O’Reilly, Retired Priest
- Rev. Jose Luis Florez, Presider at Spanish Mass
- Deacon Bob and Kathy Steighner
- Deacon John and Joyce Tullius
- Retired Deacon Art and Nadine Escovedo
- Sharon Hueckel, Dir. of Administration (x203)
- Mary Jean Neault, Dir. of Pastoral Ministries (x216)
- Elaine Beliveau, Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A., x268)
- Deacon Bob Steighner, Liturgy Coordinator (x234)
- Ann Brown, Coordinator of Lay Ministries (x235)
- Colleen Sweeney, Youth Coordinator (x215)
- Sandra Rojas Leonor, Office Manager (x231)
- Bing Macavinta, Business Manager (x202)
- Jean McKenna, Bulletin/Communications (x232)
- Jim Case, Facilities Manager (x270)
- Brian Carlson, Contemporary Ensemble
- Roberto Roman, Spanish Choir
- Tien Dinh, Vietnamese Choir
- Jeff Brown, Contemporary/Youth Ensemble

Faith Formation and Religious Education

Faith Formation Center (909) 624-1360

Elena Cardeña, Director of Faith Formation (x213)

OLA Catholic School

611 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont, CA 91711

Tel. (909)626-7135 Fax (909)398-1395

Regular office hours

Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fridays 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Bernadette Boyle, Principal (x206)

Lynn Diego, Secretary (x207)

Scrip Manager (x208)

*Bulletin deadline is now **Sunday at noon for the following weekend. Bring copy to the parish office or email bulletin@olaclaremont.org.**

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“All You Need Is Love . . .”

Ancient writers tell the story of John the Apostle, as an old and frail man, being carried on a stretcher into the Sunday assembly of his community at Ephesus for the celebration of the Eucharist. He was the last living eyewitness of Jesus, and the young people of the community were eager to hear stories of Jesus and final words of wisdom before he died. Week after week, all he would say to everyone, young and old, “Little children, love one another.” When the people badgered him for more, eager to hear the many things about Jesus that had to be in his memory, he simply replied, “Little children, love one another. When you have heard that, and do it, there’s nothing more you need.”

Today, as I bid farewell to you, the wonderful community of OLA, and prepare to live among a new community of faithful whom God has placed in my care, I leave you those words as my own as well. The “love” that John (and Jesus, and Paul) speaks of embraces but infinitely surpasses the idea of love expressed in the Beatles’ 1966 song, whose title I adopted above. Jesus gave the example of love in his total other-centered self-giving in sacrifice on the cross. A true follower of Jesus can’t be satisfied with anything less. Perhaps, as you prepare to welcome your new pastor and associate pastor, Fr. Charles Ramirez and Fr. Chris Troxell, you may want to spend some time reading and reflecting and praying that wonderful hymn on the qualities of genuine love that St. Paul gives us in 1 Corinthians 15.

In 1994, when I first came to Our Lady of the Assumption as your pastor, Monsignor Bill Barry told me a story about when he first came as pastor thirty-one years earlier. He followed Fr. Don Strange, a wonderful and much-loved pastor who had built the parish community from very humble beginnings. And he was facing the same problem I was facing, following in the trail of an immensely popular pastor. When he talked to Fr. Strange about this, the older and wiser pastor simply said, “Bill, just love your people, and tell them often that you love them, and everything will fall into place. That’s all you need.” That’s why he adopted as his theme song, “You’ll Never Know Just How Much I Love You,” and would sing it whenever the occasion seemed right – which was very often.

I have tried to follow that advice as well. And now I can do no other than to leave it up to you to decide how well I did that.

And so my parting words to you, as well as my welcoming words to Fathers Charles and Chris, can only be, “Little children, love one another.”

However, unlike Jesus, who told his friends as the Last Supper, “Where I am going you cannot come,” **you** are always most welcome to make the westward journey to Beverly Hills to come and visit. Here’s my contact information:

Church of the Good Shepherd
505 N. Bedford Drive,
Beverly Hills, CA 90210-3213
310-285-5425

thomas.welbers@gmail.com
www.goodshepherdbeverlyhills.org

(I’m also on Facebook and <http://twlegacy.blogspot.com>.)

I love you, and, as I begin to love another community, I will not stop loving you.

Fr. Tom Welbers