

Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am and 11:30am

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 11:30am

Confession: Wednesday at 11am or by appointment

Baptisms and Marriages: Contact the parish during business hours,

M-F, 9am - 3pm or visit our website: www.ourladyoftahoe.org

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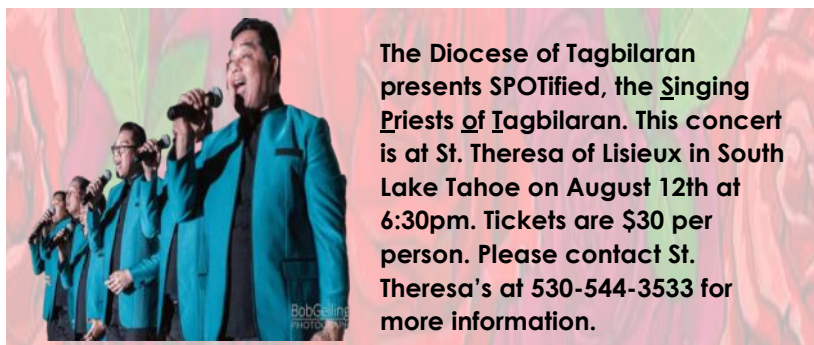
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People start to grumble because Jesus said that He is the Bread of Heaven. They know His father and mother. How could He have come from heaven? Jesus responds by saying that nobody can come to Him unless the Father draws them. Anyone who believes has eternal life. He is the Bread of Heaven, just like the manna their ancestors ate in the desert. Salvation is a person, not a religion. If we really want to be sure of eternal life, we must attach ourselves to Jesus and follow His way. There is nothing that we can do to make us right with God. Good deeds and religious virtues can never make us right with God. Only Jesus can do that. Anyone who believes and trusts in Jesus has eternal life. Jesus has paid the price for our sin. All we have to do is trust in Him. God has given His promise to every person in the world, the promise of eternal life. Trust in Jesus for eternal life. Trust anything else for eternal torment. Thank you Jesus for opening the doors to heaven for me. I receive your promise of salvation and I choose to follow you. Amen.

"The most deadly poison of our time is indifference."

Saint Maximilian Kolbe, the Polish Franciscan priest, missionary and martyr, is celebrated throughout the Church today, August 14. The saint died in the concentration camp at Auschwitz, during World War II, and is remembered as a "martyr of charity" for dying in place of another prisoner who had a wife and children. He was canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 10, 1982. St. Maximilian is also celebrated for his missionary work, his evangelistic use of modern means of communication, and for his lifelong devotion to the Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. All these aspects of St. Maximilian's life converged in his founding of the Militia Immaculata. The worldwide organization continues St. Maximilian Kolbe's mission of bringing individuals and societies into the Catholic Church, through dedication to the Virgin Mary. St. Maximilian, according to several biographies, was personally called by the Virgin Mary, both to his holy life and to his eventual martyrdom. As an impulsive and badly-behaved child, he prayed to her for guidance, and later described how she miraculously appeared to him holding two crowns: one was white, representing purity, the other red, for martyrdom. When he was asked to choose between these two destinies, the troublesome child and future saint said he wanted both. Radically changed by the incident, he entered the minor seminary of the Conventual Franciscans at age 13, in 1907. At age 20 he made his solemn vows as a Franciscan, earning a doctorate in philosophy the next year. Soon after, however, he developed chronic tuberculosis, which eventually destroyed one of his lungs and weakened the other. On October 16, 1917, in response to anti-Catholic demonstrations by Italian Freemasons, Friar Maximilian led six other Franciscans in Rome to form the association they called the Militia Immaculata. The group's founding coincided almost exactly with the Bolshevik revolution in Russia, and the Marian apparitions at Fatima, Portugal. As a Franciscan priest, Fr. Maximilian returned to work in Poland during the 1920s. There, he promoted the Catholic faith through newspapers and magazines which eventually reached an extraordinary circulation, published from a monastery so large it was called the "City of the Immaculata." In 1930 he moved to Japan, and had established a Japanese Catholic press by 1936, along with a similarly ambitious monastery. That year, however, he returned to Poland for the last time. In 1939, Germany invaded Poland, and Fr. Kolbe was arrested. Briefly freed during 1940, he published one last issue of the Knight of the Immaculata before his final arrest and transportation to Auschwitz in 1941. At the beginning of August that year, 10 prisoners were sentenced to death by starvation in punishment for another inmate's escape. Moved by one man's lamentation for his wife and children, Fr. Kolbe volunteered to die in his place. Survivors of the camp testified that the starving prisoners could be heard praying and singing hymns, led by the priest who had volunteered for an agonizing death. After two weeks, on the night before the Church's feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the camp officials decided to hasten Fr. Kolbe's death, injecting him with carbolic acid. St. Maximilian Kolbe's body was cremated by the camp officials on the feast of the Assumption. He had stated years earlier: "I would like to be reduced to ashes for the cause of the Immaculata, and may this dust be carried over the whole world, so that nothing would remain."



The Diocese of Tagbilaran presents SPOTified, the Singing Priests of Iagbilaran. This concert is at St. Theresa of Lisieux in South Lake Tahoe on August 12th at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$30 per person. Please contact St. Theresa's at 530-544-3533 for more information.

Please visit St. Robert Bellarmine's 2024 Annual Rummage Sale

Dates:

August 23rd - 8am - 6pm

August 24th - 8am - 3pm

Please contact the office with any questions at 775-575-4011.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	10	5pm	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Sunday	11	8am	† Billy Knobloch	His Family
Sunday	11	11:30am	Happy Birthday Wesley Francis Savory!	David and Stephanie Scott
Wednesday	14	11:30am	† Flutario and Rosita Mangosing	Minerva Maranon
Thursday	15	11:30am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Thursday	15	5pm	Intention of the Priest	
Friday	16	11:30am	No Mass	

Last weekend's collection came to \$5,340. Donations are the financial lifeblood of the church. We ask that you continue this spirit of giving in not only your spiritual life but your personal and public lives as well, representing the enduring gifts of Jesus Christ.

Please join us for bible study next Wednesday from 10 – 11:15am in the parish hall. Please contact Janine Nyre (janinenyre@comcast.net) with any questions.



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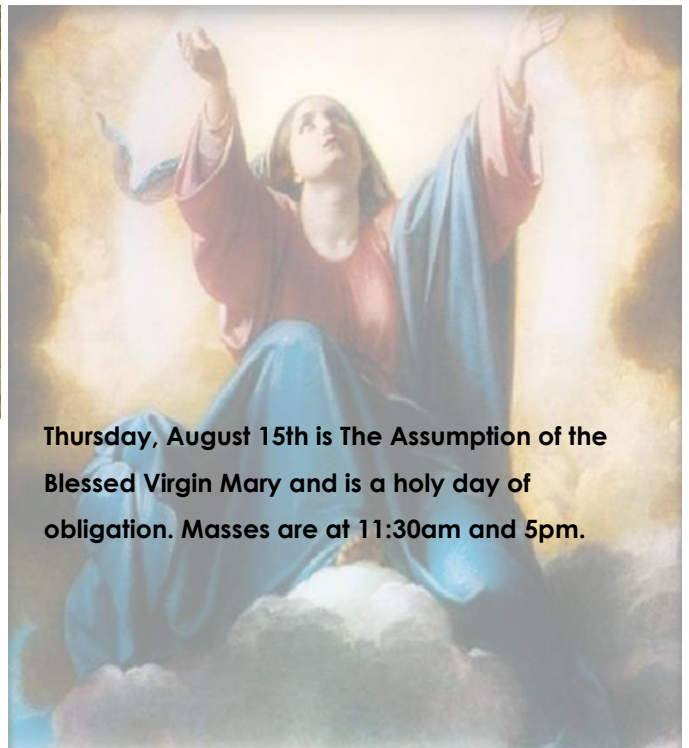
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Thursday, August 15th is The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a holy day of obligation. Masses are at 11:30am and 5pm.



Mass is cancelled Friday, August 16th. It is also cancelled Wednesday August 21st through Friday August 23rd. Fr. Rodel is away from Monday, August 19th through Friday, August 23rd for educational training.

Together in Holiness Marriage Conference – Married and engaged couples are invited to the fourth annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 9:45 am – 5:00 pm at St. Albert the Great Catholic Church in Reno, NV. This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God's plan for your family. Registration: \$64/couple and \$5/child for on-site childcare. An Early Bird discount is available through Monday, August 19, 2024 as well as scholarships upon request. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Reno. For more info, visit togetherinholiness.org or email jessie@forlifeandfamily.org.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.



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