



**A Blessed Mothers Day to all Mothers! Fr. Tom**

**Our Lady of Grace Parish Picnic!**

**Save the date!**

**August 14, 2016 at Lake Chabot Park**

**Prayer, Food, Family, Games and Fun!**

**Pilgrimage to Poland! September 30-October 8**

Catch the vision of the Saints of Mercy!

St. Faustina, the Apostle of Mercy! St. Maximilian Kolbe seeking to evangelize the world by transforming hearts through acts of Mercy and prayer. St. John Paul II who proclaimed the Feast of Divine for the Church and transformed Europe and the world by offering the freeing and compelling message of Christ! Come for information or to sign up on **May 15** at 12:30pm at the OLG room in Stack Center.

**Pentecost next weekend! Pray the Pentecost Sequence**

Come, Holy Spirit, send forth the heavenly radiance of your light.

Come, father of the poor,

come, giver of gifts,

come, light of the heart.

Greatest comforter, sweet guest of the soul, sweet consolation.

In labor, rest, in heat, temperance, in tears, solace.

O most blessed light, fill the inmost heart of your faithful.

Without your grace, there is nothing in us, nothing that is not harmful.

Cleanse that which is unclean, water that which is dry, heal that which is wounded.

Bend that which is inflexible, fire that which is chilled, correct what goes astray.

Give to your faithful, those who trust in you, the sevenfold gifts.

Grant the reward of virtue, grant the deliverance of salvation, grant eternal joy.

PEACE  
be with you



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**CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE EAST BAY ANNUAL APPEAL, MAY 14th -15th**

Catholic Charities of the East Bay is our charity and so we are the greatest providers of social services in the East Bay! East year, we are given the opportunity to show our support for the good work they do in our name. By making a financial gift or pledge to the annual appeal next weekend you help all of us be the hands of hope for the poor and marginalized. Your gift helps us welcome the stranger, offer healing to those suffering trauma and enables our families to move to self sufficiency. In advance thank you for your generosity and for being the hands of hope. For more information contact Steve Mullin, Parish Outreach Manager, 510-768-3165.

**Gospel for PENTECOST SUNDAY (May 15th)**

**John 20:19-23**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."



**WE HOPE TO  
"MEET YOU IN PARIS"  
Saturday, May 21st  
At the  
OLG Spring Auction !**

Enjoy a Silent and Live Auction, catered dinner, Dessert Dash & Dancing ! 6pm--10:30pm--Call the Parish Office or School Office to make your reservation. You don't want to miss this fun adult evening out. Childcare for a nominal donation is provided by "Team Dawson". Come hang out with old friends and make some new ones !



**MOTHER'S DAY**

As a means of honoring our mothers, living and deceased, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **May 9th, 10th, and 11th**. Cards are available in the Parish office for those wishing to give or send a remembrance card. The names of those to be remembered will be placed at the altar for the three days of remembrance. Please complete the requested information on the half sheet of paper and return it to the Parish Office. A donation will be given to the "Get On the Bus" program that will bring children and their guardians from throughout the state of California to visit their mothers in prison.

**NEWS FROM ICF**

Come join the ICF as we honor the Blessed Mother before our next meeting on **May 12th.**, then enjoy a delicious Ravioli dinner. Doors will open at 5:30pm, the Rosary will be at 6:00pm and dinner at 6:30pm. For reservations please call either Stella Taddei at 510-581-5863 or Juanita Madrid at 510-582-7242. Deadline for reservations is **May 9th**. Hope to see many of you there. Grazie!

**FESCO SHUFFLE THANK YOU !!**

Another FESCO Shuffle is behind us and all those who participated had a wonderful time walking around San Leandro Marina.

Team OLG, Chris Ippolito, Dennise Burgess, and Colleen Lindberg are most grateful for the financial support of our parishioners and friends to our fundraising effort on behalf the Shuffle. To date Team OLG has raised over \$4,100. for FESCO. Thank you once again for all your support.



**DON'T MISS OUT ON THESE AUCTION ITEMS !**

Here is just a sampling of the wonderful live and silent auction items we have lined up and waiting for your bid:

- *Santa Cruz Family Weekend Package:* Includes a 2 Night Stay at Hilton Santa Cruz plus Boardwalk Vouchers, and \$65. certificate for dinner for 4 at Warf House Restaurant in Capitola!
- *Relaxing Weekend for 2 in Livermore;* includes a one night stay at the Resident Marriott in Livermore, a certificate for 2 guest on their All Inclusive Taste of Livermore Wine Tour. Plus Wine tastings at 4 wineries and a delicious made to order lunch. And a \$50.00 Gift Card for Sauced BBQ & Spirits in Livermore.
- *Disneyland Adventure Basket!* Includes FOUR 1 Day Hoppers! 2 Night Stay at Quality Inn Placentia-Anaheim, Plus fleece blanket, autograph book and much more!
- *And much more !!!!*

*Must be present at the Spring Auction to bid!  
Don't delay get your tickets today!*

*See the Auction Flyers at the entrances of the church for further details!*

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION APPEAL**

This weekend (**May 7th-8th**) our parish will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese and support local needs, so please be generous in this collection.

**WELCOMING REFUGEES AT OLG**

In Matthew (Mt25:35), we are encouraged to love and care for the stranger. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me". Our Savior himself lived as a refugee because his own land was not safe.

In January, Bishop Michael Barber asked, "Wouldn't it be great if we became the first diocese in the USA where every parish co-sponsored a refugee family with Catholic Charities?" In March, several of your fellow parishioners met and asked, "Wouldn't it be great if we could be one of the parishes to respond to this call for service?" Answer: We hope to be!

On **May 14th and 15th** you will be hearing more about our proposal at the Masses. There will also be an important planning meeting on Wednesday, **May 18th** at 7:00pm at which you can get answers to your questions and find out the ways you can participate.

For example, there will be opportunities to provide a warm welcome at the airport, collect household goods and furnishings, stock the pantry, and/or connect refugees to available services. It is important to remember that we will be working in partnership with the Catholic Charities East Bay's Refugee Resettlement Program, rather than taking on this challenge on our own. It is also our hope that we will be working in partnership with a sizeable group of committed parishioners so that the work of providing support to the newly arrived refugee family will be a shared responsibility and a joy to perform.



**A NOTE OF APPRECIATION**

The Cande Family would like to sincerely thank the OLG community for the love and support we have received during the year of Dennis' illness, and in the days since his passing. We thank the Helping Hands team, the Folk Group, and all of the many friends who helped make Dennis' funeral a true celebration of his life. We are truly blessed to be a part of this community.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Prayer shawls are universal and embracing, they comfort and enfold, wrap and warm, shelter and embrace. Those who knit or crochet or receive a shawl are blessed. If you know someone in need and wish to give them this gift of prayer, you are welcome to pick one up at the parish office or contact Ruth Picha at 538-9063.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Stewardship of treasure involves trust in God. You have to really believe in God's Providence and trust that if you give ten percent of your income to the Church and charity for example, God will help you live on the rest.

**Offerings of May 1st:**

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,020.00
Last Year this week	\$ 8,886.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 8,920.00</b>
Year-to-date this year:	\$151,541.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$145,042.00

*May God bless your continuing generosity.*



**Your Prayers Are Requested**

Please lift up in your prayer those many among us who are ill and those who have asked for our prayerful remembrance:

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| Larry Bronzini    | Byron Griffith |
| Virginia Cabardo  | Elaine Jordan  |
| Kathleen Denning  | Richard Martin |
| Julie Dillon      | Mike Roth      |
| Estela Enriquez   | Florence Sharp |
| Juanita Estrellas | Iwan Tunggal   |
| Mary Franks       | James Van Wert |
| Pat Geiger        |                |

*As we pray for an end to war and violence in our world, let us remember in prayer those family members of our parish community serving on active duty, including:*

- DAVID SANCHEZ      MICHAEL SANCHEZ**

*Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased in our parish families and all who mourn the loss of a loved one.*

- ELDON ANDERSON  
ROSALIE GESSMAN  
KEVIN JAMES SELLARDS**

**“Sharing God’s Mercy” –  
UPDATE: APRIL 19th  
BISHOPS APPEAL UPDATE  
CONGRATULATIONS**

Our Goal for 2016:	\$25,139.54
# of Registered Families	980
# of Acknowledged Donors to date:	100
Funds Raised (includes pledges)	\$25,637.50

We are currently at 102% of our goal for this years Bishop’s Appeal. We are most grateful to all those who have contributed! From this point forward, our parish will receive 100% of all funds raised above goal back to address some of our own parish needs.

**33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY RETREAT**

Please join us in this special Marian devotion recommended by saints and recent popes. We will use the book *33 Days to Morning Glory: A Do-It-Yourself Retreat In Preparation for Marian Consecrations* by Fr. Michael Gaitley available for purchase in the church office.

There will be a video presentation each Monday leading up to the consecration which will take place on **June 4th**, the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. You do not need to go to the video presentations to do the retreat. Books are available in the office for purchase.



**FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND**

Do you have some spare blossoms that you can share? Our Environment Committee needs your help to decorate the altar area each week, either by bringing in flowers from your yard or through a monetary donation towards the purchase of flowers. Flower donations envelopes can be found at the entrances of the church to make a donation in memory of honor of a loved one. If you have any question feel free to contact Jay at 537-0806. Your donation in honor of your loved one will be mentioned in the bulletin.

**THIS WEEK**

*Sunday, May 8th:*

**HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY**

Children’s Liturgy  
9:00am--Mass  
Youth Ministry  
In the Gym after 9:00am Mass

*Monday, May 9th:*

WEBS - 33 Day Reflection  
7:00pm--Stack Center  
Maxamilion Kolbe Committee Meeting  
7:00pm--Stack Center

*Tuesday, May 10th:*

Bible Study  
9:30am--Parish Office

*Wednesday, May 11th:*

Pax Christi/Social Justice Meeting  
7:00pm--Augustine Center  
Youth Pilgrimage Meeting  
7:00pm--Stack Center

*Thursday, May 12th:*

ICF Dinner Meeting  
6:00pm--Stack Center  
Serenity Group  
7:30pm--Stack Center

*Saturday, May 14th:*

Seculars Meeting  
9:00am --Parish Mass

*Sunday, May 15th:*

**Coffee & Donuts After All Masses**

Children’s Liturgy  
9:00am--Mass  
Youth Ministry  
In the Gym after 9:00am Mass  
Poland Pilgrimage Sign Up  
12:30pm -- Stack Center

**HAPPY Mother’s DAY**

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

Please note: All weekday masses will be celebrated in the Church until further notice.

**MONDAY, May 9th**

8:30am Mother's Day Remembrance

**TUESDAY, May 10th**

*St. Damien de Veuster, Priest*

7:00am Mother's Day Remembrance

**WEDNESDAY, May 11th**

7:00am Mother's Day Remembrance

**THURSDAY, May 12th**

*St. Nereus & Achilleus Martyrs*

*St. Pancras, Martyr*

7:00am Richard Benson (D)

**FRIDAY, May 13th**

*Our Lady of Fatima*

7:00am Lilia Sousa (D)

**SATURDAY, May 14th**

*St. Matthias, Apostle*

8:30am Velasquez & Moran Family (D)

**SUNDAY, May 15th**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

7:30am Mary Joan Gawlowski (D)

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

The following executions are scheduled to take place in **May** :

May 11th Earl Forrest MO

May 12th Vernon Madison AL

We ask your prayers for these persons, for the victims of their crimes, and for their families.

**FROM EDEN INTERFAITH COUNCIL**

The Eden Interfaith Council representing all faith will be walking in next weeks Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade. OLG Parishioners are invited to participate! Call Mark Vaz (538-3453) for information on where to meet as well as information on this newly formed group in the community.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**May 9th through May 15th**

- Monday: ACTS 19:1-8; John 16:29-33
- Tuesday: ACTS 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: ACTS 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19
- Thursday: ACTS 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26
- Friday: ACTS 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19
- Saturday: ACTS 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17
- Sunday: ACTS 2:1-11;  
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13  
John 20:19-23



**AN INVITATION**

Authors and Parishioners of Our Lady of Grace, Mark Vaz and Terry King invite you to join them at the Castro Valley Library "Authors Fair", Saturday, **May 21st** from 1:00-4:00pm. Come and learn about the writers in our midst and be inspired by our vibrant literary community.

**NEWS FROM IMMACULATE HEART RADIO**

Don't miss the Immaculate Heart Radio Bay Area "ELEVATE CONFERENCE". This special day is packed with encouraging and inspirational talks by your favorite Immaculate Heart Radio personalities! **June 25th** at the Santa Clara Marriott. Go to [ihradio.com/elevate/](http://ihradio.com/elevate/) for tickets and details.

**DEVOTIONAL CANDLES**



Candles for our candle stand are available for purchase in the Parish Office or in the Sacristy after mass on Sundays. The candles will burn for 5 days. The cost per candle is \$3.00.

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This week we extend our gratitude to:

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