



### Setting a Vision

The moment I heard Our Lady of Grace would be open for ministry two years ago I immediately contacted my provincial and asked him to send me to minister to you. In 2014 I was given the job of promoting our Marian Apostolate of the Mission of the Immaculata started by Saint Maximilian Kolbe who used Miraculous medals with the image of Our Lady of Grace as a way of evangelizing a world that had rejected the message of Love in Jesus Christ. St. Maximilian Kolbe began an Evangelization outreach under the direction of the Immaculate Virgin Mary to bring all to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Over the last 2 years we Franciscans have come to know the parish and you have come to know us. Fr. Paul was the first to join our Ministry team in summer of 2015 as he transitioned from his last Parish and began Ministry here and as Vocation Director. One of the first Changes was the expanding of the monthly Spanish Mass to weekly in October 2015. My first year was such as blessing as I got to know people and learn of all the great ministries happening at the Parish. You were introduced to Fr. John Hienz, our Provincial and Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw, as well as Fr. Francisco Nahoe, all of whom helped at Masses. In 2016, Br. Christopher Saindon joined us as a teacher at Our Lady of Grace School. On July 1, 2017 Fr. Kevin who has been assisting at the Parish will be our Parochial Vicar and Fr. Paul will be a part time Associate as he focuses more on vocation ministry.

This year there will be many Ministry changes as we move to an Evangelization Parish model focusing on Whole Family Catechesis, Community Events, and focusing on liturgy, worship, and Adoration as encounters with the Divine. We hope to extend the reach of our evangelization efforts. As part of this new Ministry emphasis, our offices have been renewed over this last year with new flooring, painting, and new art work to have a welcoming atmosphere to greet those who enter. Thanks to the Rebate from the Diocesan Capitol Campaign we have begun the long-deferred maintenance of Stack Center this Summer. Now we have come to you to ask what works and what needs attention in our Ministry and facilities. With your help we will discern the Spirit and open ourselves to what God wants to accomplish at Our Lady of Grace.

### Interpreting the Survey

There were 4 areas I would like to address from our Survey.

1. Mass times: 28% of the surveys asked for a time change for the Mass. Over 90% of those who wanted a change indicated earlier. I desire the people at Our Lady of Grace have a greater voice in determining our Sunday Mass Schedule so I will propose some schedules and have people at the Mass choose the time they desire. Next Weekend there will be a vote on preferred times.

A. 7-9-11-1 B. 7:15-9-11-1 C. 7:30-9:30-11:30-1:30 D. 7:30-9:15-11:15-1:15

E. 7:30-9-11-1 F. no preference

If the Community would like Mass earlier, as your Pastor, I prefer B or D. Since there is only one Mass on Saturday this is a separate question since it does not affect any other Mass time. Possible Saturday times 4:30, 4:45, or 5pm.

2. Community Area showed 20% thought that was an area we need attention. The Pastor, Priests, and Pastoral Staff are working to keep Community as an essential dimension to all we do. We are continuing our Parish Picnic, on **August 20** this year, and will seek to continue to offer events through the year. Our Faith Formation will consist of events that will all have a community dimension along with a Catechetical focus. As this new model is implemented we will need more people to volunteer and participate to provide an experience of a shared faith in a community of Love and concern. We will seek to build teams to create experiences of Faith, Enlightenment, and a community of Love.

3. Grounds and Facilities was an area of concern for 19% of Our Community. We have three options A. Maintain what we have, B. Maintain and upgrade what we have, C. We develop a vision we believe in and work to build it. We have begun addressing deferred maintenance in the Office and Stack Center already. You will hear more soon.

4. Religious Education was an area of concern for 17% of Our Community. Fr. Paul and myself have during the last year been directly involved in the Religious Education programs. Fr. Paul headed Youth and Confirmation and I worked with Robyn Lang and Susan Anderson to make changes in the First Communion preparation. This year we will continue to focus on developing a Whole Family Catechesis and focusing on Evangelization. You will hear more soon.

### Last Call for Reservations for Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes

After July 5 I can no longer guaranty the price of \$3499. for the Pilgrimage on **October 3**.



**INDEPENDENCE DAY**

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, **July 4th** in honor of the federal holiday. The Parish Office will re-open on Wednesday, **July 5th** at 9:00am. Tuesday's Mass will be at 8:30am in the Church. The entire Parish staff wishes you a safe and relaxing holiday.



**REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION IS NOW OPEN ONLINE**

It's time to register for next year and we are very excited to be using a new online registration process, powered by ActiveNetwork.

<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/OurLadyofGraceChurchFaithFormationCenter>

Registration Fee is \$100. per child with a \$55. sibling discount Early Bird discount of \$15 per family if registered by **July 15th**, 2017 (COUPON CODE: REG2017)

We will also be available on Sunday **July 9th** in the Parish office from 10:30am – 12:30pm and 2:30pm-3:30pm to help walk through the online registration process.

*Remember, all children are welcome!*

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

We will be participating in our annual Peter's Pence Collection this weekend, **July 1st - 2nd**. As described by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, "The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease". Envelopes are in the pews. Please donate as you as able. *Your generosity is appreciated! Thank you!*

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HELP US HELP OTHERS**

Do you know of anyone within our parish boundaries that could use help? Many around us are on fixed incomes and find it difficult to make it through the end of the month. For a number of our clients, we bring them food once a month to help supplement their food budget. At times when unexpected expenses have arisen (car, medical, etc.) we are also able to help with a portion of the rent or utilities. Names are always kept confidential. The St. Vincent de Paul message machine number is 510-581-2164 and messages are checked daily.



**YOU ARE INVITED! PARISH PICNIC AUGUST 20TH LAKE CHABOT PARK**

Our Annual Parish Picnic will be taking place August 20th in the Cove Picnic Area at Lake Chabot Park.

Mass in the Park will begin at 10:00am, followed by lunch and games from 12:00pm-3:00pm.

Please RSVP to the Parish Office with the number of adults and children attending, as well as what dish you're bringing to share. There are cards at the entrances of the church with further information.



**SPRING AUCTION PROCEEDS**

We were delighted with the Spring Auction results this year due to the efforts of a great committee and of course the enthusiastic bidders who attended this fun event. After expenses the OLG School received \$13,884.00 and \$5,000.00 was set aside for Parish Children's Ministry programs.

In addition to the money raised for Our Lady of Grace School and Parish programs we were able to send charitable donations to the following organizations: Catholic Charities of the East Bay, and FESCO.

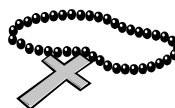
Thank you to all those who attended this fun event and contributed to the great outcome.

**UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

During the summer months Stack Center will be getting a facelift. We have plans for new floors, doors, wall coverings, and paint. All of this takes time and scheduling please be patient as we complete this project. We look forward to the big reveal in August.

**ICF NEWS**

**All members, please note:** Since there will be work going on in Stack Center this summer, our meetings for July and August will be held at outside venues. The place and time will be noted on the flyer, dates remain the same (2nd Thursday). Hope you can make it.



**ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE**

The rosary will be recited for World Peace after the 8:15 am Mass each Wednesday in the Church. Please join us.

**ALL GOD'S PEOPLE  
UNITED IN FAITH  
UPDATE: JUNE 11th  
The Bishop's Annual Appeal  
CONGRATULATIONS**

Our Goal for 2017: \$25,139.54  
 # of Registered Families 980  
 # of Acknowledged Donors to date: 151  
 Funds Raised (includes pledges) \$28,500.00

We are currently at 113% of our goal for this year's 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.



**PRE-BAPTISM CLASS FOR  
PARENTS  
AND GODPARENTS**

**BAPTISM** If you are wishing to have your child, ages infant to six years baptized, parents and godparents need to attend a pre-baptism class. You also need to be registered members of the parish for at least three months. Email Jay or call her at 510-537-0806 for more information.

The next Pre-Baptism Class will be held **July 11th** at 7:00pm in the Parish Office Music Room.

**GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY**

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was sudden and tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion and sadness. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief.

There is a support group meeting bi-monthly to accompany you on your healing journey at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton. The group meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings at 7:30pm. Upcoming dates are **July 13th and 27th, and August 10th and 24th**. No pre-registration is necessary. For more information call Eleanor at 925-846-8708.



**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 June 25th:**

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,214.00
Last Year this week	\$ 7,528.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 8,920.00</b>
Year-to-date this year:	\$218,468.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$217,374.00

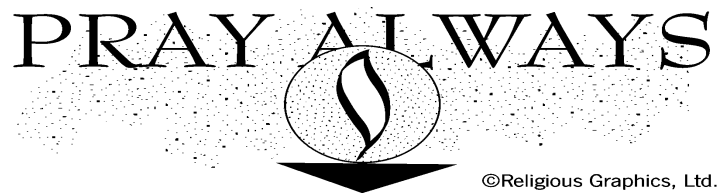
*May God bless your continuing generosity.*



**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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| Glen Alcorn      | Elaine Jordan      |
| Kathleen Andrews | Alice McLaughlin   |
| Susanna Ax       | Rosy Pereira       |
| James Barthman   | Adoree Rivera      |
| Peggy Burton     | Stephanie Rosevear |
| Leonardo Cabardo | David Rountree     |
| Claudia Dobbs    | Florence Sharp     |
| Lynn Franks      | Mercedes Tellez    |
| Byron Griffith   | Iwan Tunggal       |
| Don Jordan       |                    |



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

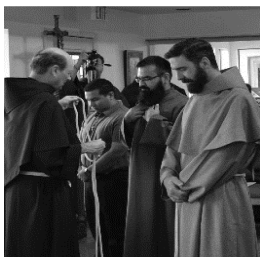
**CHRISTIAN CALINGO**

**Gospel for The Fourteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time (July 9th) Matthew 11:25-30**

“At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do. All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

**Franciscan Friar  
Come and See Invitation**

for Men 18 - 50



Join the Friars on a Road Trip to our Investiture of our New Friars

**July 17 -21, 2017**

Meet Friars from all over U.S.  
New Friars Receiving of the Habit.  
Learn More About our Life!!

Join us for just the Ceremonies, or from July 17-21 when we'll learn more about Franciscan Religious Life and Discernment! Meet either in Castro Valley, or Arroyo Grande. For more information, call Fr. Paul at 510-671-0537.

**IMMACULATE HEART RADIO  
1260AM**

Immaculate Heart Radio has a new show! Tune-in 9-10am PST to hear **The Bright Side** with Cy Kellett. Host Cy Kellett will help you to thrive in your faith each day and encourage you to live it fully! For more info or to listen on your computer or mobile device go to IHRadio.com

**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, July 2nd:**

***The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Children's Liturgy  
9:30am--Mass

**Tuesday, July 4th:**

**PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED TODAY FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY**

**Thursday, July 6th:**

Adoration  
7:00pm--Church  
Serenity Group  
7:30pm--Augustine Center

**Saturday, July 8th:**

Adoration  
9:00am--Church  
Confession  
3:30pm--Church

**Sunday, July 9th:**

***The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Children's Liturgy  
9:30am--Mass

**FATIMA & LOURDES PILGRIMAGE  
CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE APPARITIONS AT FATIMA!!**

Information and brochures for Fr. Tom's pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes are available in the parish office. The eleven day trip begins **October 3rd , 2017** and is only \$3,499 per person. The trip includes roundtrip air from San Francisco, first class/select hotels, most meals, and services of a professional tour director. Space is limited so book early to avoid disappointment.



**FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND**

Flower donation envelopes can be found at the entrances of the church to make a donation in memory of or honor of a loved one or other occasion.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Jay at 537-0806. Your donation in honor of your loved one will be mentioned in the bulletin.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

All masses are celebrated in the Church.

**MONDAY, July 3rd**

*ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE*

7:00am Mercy Peterson (D)

**TUESDAY, July 4th**

8:30am Louis Rodrigues (D)

**WEDNESDAY, July 5th**

*St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest*

*St. Elizabeth of Portugal*

8:15am Mercy Peterson (D)

**THURSDAY, July 6th**

*St. Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr*

7:00am Anthony Velasquez (D)

**FRIDAY, July 7th**

7:00am Patrick Conroy (D)

**SATURDAY, July 8th**

*Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:30am Luis Martinez (D)

**SUNDAY, July 9th**

7:30am Brendan Dolan (D)

1:30pm Rafael Valenzuela Medina (D)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**July 3rd through July 9th**

Monday: Ephesians 2:19-22; John 20:24-29  
 Tuesday: Genesis 19:15-29; Matthew 8:23-27  
 Wednesday: Genesis 21:5,8-20a; Matthew 8:28-34  
 Thursday: Genesis 22:1b-19; Matthew 9:1-8  
 Friday: Genesis 23:1-4,19; 24:1-8,62-67;  
 Matthew 9:9-13  
 Saturday: Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29;  
 Matthew 9:14-17  
 Sunday: Zechariah 9:9-10; Romans 8:9,11-13;  
 Matthew 11:25-30

The SPIRIT  
 of TRUTH  
 is always with us



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**COME AND SEE DAY  
 WITH THE DOMINICAN NUNS**

Praising unceasingly. Blessing by intercession. Preaching through a life of contemplation. Single, Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 38 are invited to experience a taste of the life of a cloistered Dominican nun.

Contact Sister Joseph Marie, O.P., vocation director, at [vocations@nunsmenlo.org](mailto:vocations@nunsmenlo.org), or visit our website at <http://nunsmenlo.org/discernment-days/> to learn more and to register for one of our upcoming Come and See Days: Saturday July 15, 2017; Saturday, October 21, 2017; and Saturday January 13, 2018. The event is free and all meals will be provided. Space is limited and fills fast!

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**PETE'S HARDWARE**



**ADORATION OF THE  
 BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Join us every Saturday for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:30am Mass, and every Thursday at 7:00pm in the church.

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

The following executions are scheduled to take place in July :

July 6th	William Charles Morva	VA
July 19th	Mark Pickens	OH
July 19th	Kosoul Chanthakoummane	TX
July 26th	Ronald R. Phillips	OH
July 27th	Taichin Preyor	TX

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