



Franciscans Celebrate 35 years of Ministry as the Province of St. Joseph of Cupertino

The Conventual Franciscans began our ministry in California in the 1920's in Pismo Beach California. The province of Our Lady of Consolation from Indiana was the first to send friars to minister in California from the Conventual Franciscans. We have continued Ministry at St. Paul the Apostle in Pismo Beach for over 90 years. Our Second Ministry in California came from the diocese of San Diego where we were given care of the Parish of St. Thomas the Apostle in Riverside after a Friar from St. Bonaventure Province was helping the Bishop and he allowed us care of the parish. In the 1950's the Province of St. Bonaventure from the Chicago area took on Ministry at Bishop Montgomery High School in Torrance and were given Our Lady of Guadalupe mission in Hermosa Beach to start a parish. In 1981 we became the Province of St. Joseph of Cupertino and in February 1982 we had our first provincial Chapter where we charted out our ministries in California. In 1984, we began ministry at St. Paul's in San Pablo beginning our ministry in the Diocese of Oakland. In 1994 we purchased the Holy Family Sisters convent on Redwood Road in Castro Valley as our house of studies for our theology students going to school in Berkeley or Menlo Park. On July 1, 2015 the Conventual Franciscans of St. Joseph of Cupertino Province received the care of Our Lady of Grace. In the Summer of 2016 we moved our provincial center to Castro Valley and named our house St. Joseph of Cupertino Friary.

A Dinner with the Friars

Join the Franciscans celebrating 35 years of Ministry as a Province! This fundraising dinner will raise funds for support of our students in formation for priesthood and ministry.

When: Sunday **November 26** at 5 Pm in Stack Center.

Tickets are 40 dollars and available after Mass from the Knight of Columbus or at the Parish Office during the week

The Knights of Columbus have sponsored the event and Miragila Catering will be preparing the Meal.

There will be a Silent Auction and Music.

Help the Franciscans prepare another generation for ministry.

Pilgrimage Blessings

I would like to thank all of you who sent petitions with our pilgrim group. I prayed with the Petitions and left some at Fatima and some at Lourdes. Some people have let me know some of their petitions were answered. Thank you Blessed Mother!

It was such a blessing to pray at these shrines where the faith of people and the power of God are so evident. Candle light processions, Masses, people sacrificially praying the rosary while crawling on their knees, groups of people bringing the sick to the spring of water at Lourdes. So many young people were also making pilgrimages from around the world.

Peace,

Fr. Tom

Gospel for the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (November 12th)

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

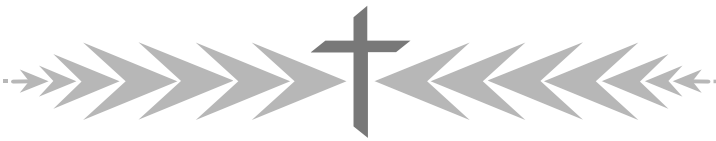
VETERANS DAY

**VETERAN'S DAY**

Friday, **November 10th**, is a federal holiday. The Parish Office will be closed and will re-open at 9:00am on Monday, **November 13th**. Have a safe Veteran's Day weekend.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our Parish our annual *Mass of Remembrance* will be celebrated on Wednesday, **November 8th** at 7:00pm. This Mass has proved to be a very memorable liturgy for us who recall, in a particular way, those who have died in the past twelve months, as well as those who have gone before us in faith and in death.

**REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

The envelopes for All Saints and All Souls will be placed on the altar for the month of November for those wishing to remember their loved ones.

You may bring a picture of your loved one to be placed on a table before the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Church and it will remain there through the month of November. Please put your name and contact on the back of the photo.

Our *Book of Remembrance* also provides an opportunity to record the names of deceased loved ones to be lifted up in prayer during the month of November.

ICF MINISTRONE SOUP DINNER

Come join the ICF for Lisa's Delicious Minestrone Soup Dinner on **November 9th**. Doors open at 6:00pm & dinner is at 6:30pm. All those attending please note that we will be collecting canned goods to help replenish the OLG St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Please check the dates on those donations. For reservations, please call Stella Taddei at 510-581-5863 or Juanita Madrid at 510-582-7242 by Monday, **November 6th**. Enjoy!

ICF BAKE SALE

Satisfy your sweet tooth and plan ahead for the holidays by shopping at the ICF Bake Sale/Fundraiser after all the Masses on Sunday, **November 12th** in Stack Center. Lots of goodies to choose from! Hope to see many of you there. Thanks for your support.

HELPING THOSE IN NEED THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

The following are the many ways to help those most in need this holiday season.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL
"For I was naked and you clothed me"
(Matthew 26:36)

This year the Our Lady of Grace St. Vincent de Paul Conference will be participating in the One Warm Coat Drive . We invite parishioners to donate new or gently used men's, women's or children's coat to this drive. These coats will be distributed through the drop-in centers and clothing closet at St. Vincent de Paul's main campus in Oakland . **Please bring your donation and place in the barrel at the Somerset entrance of the church or in the parish office. We will be accepting coats from November 1 – December 31.** We thank you for your help. St. Vincent de Paul of Alameda County will hold a toy drive for children attending the Christmas open house at the St. Vincent de Paul main campus in West Oakland . If you would like to participate in this toy drive, please drop a new and unwrapped toy in the barrel at the Somerset side of the church or in the parish office (same barrels as the coat drive). **We will be accepting toys from November 6th through Sunday December 3rd.** Thank you for helping make a child's Christmas a little brighter.

CASTRO VALLEY HOMELESS OUTREACH

We would like to thank those who have assisted with the CV Homeless Outreach. You continue to be very generous and the recipients of your kindness are incredibly appreciative. You indeed share God's blessing with these people. We are still in need of food (canned or prepared), propane for camp stoves, flashlights, batteries, plastic flatware, lanterns, pallets, plywood or OSB sheets- full (4x8) or half (4x4) and tarps. You can drop off your donation to the Parish Office or we can arrange to pick-up your donation and deliver to those in need. For further inquiries, please contact Ken White at k2rm@comcast.net at (510) 909-5774 or Sean Nalty at sean.nalty@ogletree.com at (415) 369-3552 .

FESCO AND CASTRO VALLEY OUTREACH CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES

Beginning the weekend of **November 19th** the Giving Trees will be available. More details to follow.

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
NOVEMBER 19th**

The Annual Appeal for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the weekend of **November 18th-19th**. The programs funded by CCHD change lives for the 46.2 million people living in poverty here in the United States. Your donation will empower local communities and strengthen families who are on the margins. People with disabilities will find affordable and supportive housing, men and women reentering society after incarceration will have the opportunity to learn new skills, and community agriculture projects will receive grants to become sustainable. Please help us continue this good work by supporting the collection for CCHD.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
A DINNER WITH THE FRANCISCANS**

Join us on Sunday, **November 26th** as we celebrate the **35th year of the province of St. Joseph of Cupertino!** Doors open at 5:00pm and dinner begins at 6:00pm. Dinner will be catered by Miraglia Catering. Tickets are \$40 per person and are available at the Parish Office.

**The Lord IS CALLING You!!??
MEN'S FAITH SHARE**

All men of the parish are invited to join Our Men's Faith Share and Bible Study every **TUESDAY** evening from 7 – 8:15pm in Stack Center-Room 7. Each week Fr. Paul leads a discussion on the meaning and application to our lives for the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. **COME & YOU WILL SEE!** (Jn 1:39). Next meeting is **November 7th**.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners and guests. Please stop by Stack Center on **November 12th** at 10:30am. to register or update your information. A Hospitality volunteer will greet you at the New Parishioner Registration Table. We are grateful to our volunteers for providing this ministry on our behalf.

COME JOIN US

All are invited after the **9:30am** Sunday Mass to gather in Stack Center for coffee and donuts.



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 October 29th:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 8,528.00
Last Year this week	\$ 7,712.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 8,920.00
Year-to-date this year:	\$366,155.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$358,935.00

May God bless your continuing generosity.



Your Prayers Are Requested

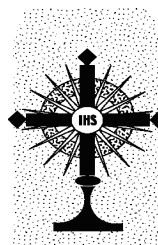
Please lift up in your prayer those many among us who are ill and those who have asked for our prayerful remembrance:

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| Glen Alcorn | Dieter Hahn |
| Kathleen Andrews | Don Jordan |
| Susanna Ax | Elaine Jordan |
| James Barthman | Laura Martell |
| Jackson Tyler Bishop | Alice McLaughlin |
| Leonardo Cabardo | Rosy Pereira |
| Jose Cisneros | Stephanie Rosevear |
| Claudia Dobbs | David Rountree |
| Lynn Franks | Florence Sharp |
| Byron Griffith | Mercedes Tellez |
| | Iwan Tunggal |

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

**FR. ANTHONY HERRERA
ESPERANZA ORTEGA**

**ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**



Join us every Saturday for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:15am Mass, and every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Church. Also, there will be Adoration every 1st Friday of the month at 7:00pm.



**ROSARY MEDITATIONS
FROM ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE**

Militia Immaculata Celebrating 100 years!

100 years ago St. Maximilian Kolbe along with 6 other Franciscans began a prayer movement of Consecration to the Blessed Mother to evangelize the world and lead people through Mary and her mission of bearing Christ to the world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In honor of this anniversary and the witness of the life and heroic death of St. Maximilian Kolbe we will use his reflections to help us enter into the mysteries of the Rosary. Our Reflection this week is the Sorrowful Mystery of The Carrying of the Cross:

“The Sorrowful Mysteries

The Carrying of the Cross--Luke 23:26-32

It is beautiful, that way; the true royal way, that is, the way of the Cross, which leads directly to heaven. Love is burning behind these thorns. Pray that I do not remain behind. (KW 42)”.

FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND

We are grateful the Paganini and Pasquini Family who donated to the Flower Fund for the flowers that decorate the altar this weekend.

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.



**HIGH SCHOOL TEENS: GOT QUESTIONS?
ALPHA - November 5th**

Join us tonight from 6-8pm in Stack Center to share a **Meal**, watch an exciting **Video** & discuss in small groups the video and **our Faith in God** as we have **Fun** & make new **Friends!** Our hope for those teens who attend ALPHA is to have a deep experience with God as we explore our faith and answer questions in a comfortable setting. Invite your friends, all are welcome!

VETERANS DAY SERVICES

The Castro Valley Veterans invite you to join the 6th Annual Veterans Day Services at the Castro Valley Veterans Memorial Saturday, **November 11th** at 11:00am. Located at the Castro Valley Community Park 3683 Quail, the program will last about an hour.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 5th:

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Coffee & Donuts
After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center
- Liturgy of the Word
9:30am--Augustine Center
- 1st Communion Class
10:50am--Stack Center
- ALPHA/Youth Ministry
6:00pm--Stack Center

Monday, November 6th:

- Women’s Evening Bible Study
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Tuesday, November 7th:

- Tuesday Morning Bible Study
9:30am--Parish Office
- Men’s Faith Share
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Thursday, November 9th:

- Adoration
7:00pm--Church
- ICF Meeting & Dinner
6:00pm--Stack Center
- AA Serenity Group
7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

Friday, November 10th:

- Parish Office Closed
in observance of Veteran’s Day

Saturday, November 11th:

- Adoration
8:45am--Church

Sunday, November 12th:

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ICF Bake Sale
After all Masses--Stack Center
- Coffee & Donuts
After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center
- Liturgy of the Word
9:30am--Augustine Center
- First Communion Class
10:50am--Stack Center
- ALPHA/Youth Ministry
6:00pm--Stack Center

Mass Intentions for the Week



All Masses are celebrated in the Church.

MONDAY, November 6th

Blesseds Alfonso Lopez, Pedro Rivera, Modesto Vegas, Dionisio Vincente, Francisco Remon, Miguel Remon, OFM, Conv., Priests & Martyrs

8:15am Velasquez & Moran Families (D)

TUESDAY, November 7th

8:15am Luis Martinez (D)

WEDNESDAY, November 8th

Blessed John Duns Scotus, OFM, Conv., Priest

8:15am Rudy & Augie Enriquez (D)

7:00pm Mass of Remembrance

THURSDAY, November 9th

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

8:15am Richard Benson (D)

FRIDAY, November 10th

St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

8:15am James Finn (D)

SATURDAY, November 11th

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:15am Lilia Sousa (D)

SUNDAY, November 12th

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Ruth Rousey (D)

1:30pm Rafael Valenzuela Medina (D)

EXECUTION ALERTS

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

November 8th	Patrick C. Hannon	FL
November 8th	Ruben Ramirez	TX
November 9th	Jack Greene	AR
November 13th	Scott Dozier	NV
November 15th	Alva Campbell Jr.	OH

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

November 6th through November 12th

Monday: Romans 11:29-36; Luke 14:12-14
 Tuesday: Romans 12:5-16b; Luke 14:15-24
 Wednesday: Romans 13:8-10; Luke 14:25-33
 Thursday: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12;
 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17;
 John 2:13-22
 Friday: Romans 15:14-21; Luke 16:1-8
 Saturday: Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27;
 Luke 16:9-15
 Sunday: Wisdom 6:12-16;
 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
 Matthew 25:1-13

COME & SEE

The Life & Ministry of the Friars

We invite unmarried men, ages 18-50 to meet the Friars, pray with us, learn our Spirituality and learn more about our life! **November 24-26**, beginning on 11/24 at 4:00pm at the Holy Family Friary (19697 Redwood Road, Castro Valley). For more information, call Fr. Paul at 510-671-0537.

WINGS

WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT

We invite all women to join us for WINGS (Women in God's Spirit).

WINGS is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study,

Catechesis, life sharing and community.

We will meet at Transfiguration Church

Marian Room (Hall)

Next Meeting: **November 16, 2017**

9:15am to 11:15am

Speaker: Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw

Topic: Spiritual Growth

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This week we extend our gratitude to:

DR. JOAN M. JUPINA, D.D.S.