

St. Bonaventure the Seraphic Doctor

The Feast day of St. Bonaventure is on July 15th. He is a Franciscan Doctor of the Church. He is known as the Seraphic Doctor because of his writing about the seraph Angel who appeared to St. Francis and imprinting the wounds of Christ on St. Francis.

On July 15th, Saint Bonaventure died and entered Heavenly glory. As the minister general of the Friar Minors, he served faithfully for 17 years. He is known as the "second founder" of the Franciscans after St. Francis of Assisi.

Prayer of St. Bonaventure

Pierce, O most sweet Lord Jesus, my inmost soul with the most joyous and healthful wound of Thy love, and with true, calm and most holy apostolic charity, that my soul may ever languish and melt with entire love and longing for Thee, may yearn for Thee and for thy courts, may long to be dissolved and to be with Thee.

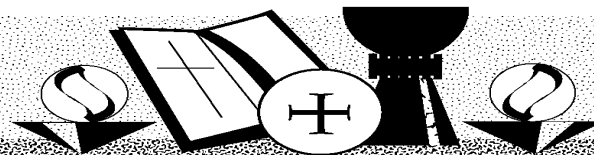
Grant that my soul may hunger after Thee, the Bread of Angels, the refreshment of holy souls, our daily and super substantial bread, having all sweetness and savor and every delightful taste.

May my heart ever hunger after and feed upon Thee, Whom the angels desire to look upon, and may my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of Thy savor; may it ever thirst for Thee, the fountain of life, the fountain of wisdom and knowledge, the fountain of eternal light, the torrent of pleasure, the fullness of the house of God; may it ever compass Thee, seek Thee, find Thee, run to Thee, come up to Thee, meditate on Thee, speak of Thee, and do all for the praise and glory of Thy name, with humility and discretion, with love and delight, with ease and affection, with perseverance to the end; and be Thou alone ever my hope, my entire confidence, my riches, my delight, my pleasure, my joy, my rest and tranquility, my peace, my sweetness, my food, my refreshment, my refuge, my help, my wisdom, my portion, my possession, my treasure; in Whom may my mind and my heart be ever fixed and firm and rooted immovably. Amen.

Evangelization Update

- In August, we welcome John Lee as our Evangelization Coordinator.
- We will have Registration for First Communion, Whole Family Catechesis and Confirmation beginning July 16th in the Parish Office.
- We now have Formed.org to help you in your faith. We will be inform you in the coming weeks how you may access this Catholic streaming service for Movies, Books and Audio teachings.

Peace,
Fr. Tom



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The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 15th)

Mark 6: 7-13

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them.” So they went off and preached repentance. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.



VBS WISH LIST

To keep the cost of VBS affordable for all, we ask for your help. Thank you for donating any of the following items! Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please call 582-9266.

Gift Cards - In any amount from the following stores:

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| Safeway | Target | Michaels |
| Home Depot | Trader Joe's | Costco |

Thank you to our Parish Community for your generous snack donations! Our VBS Snack Wishlist has been filled. **We appreciate all that you have given towards our VBS very much.**

We are still accepting gift cards of any amount to be given as 'Thank You' gifts for our hardworking & dedicated VBS volunteers.

We ask for your prayers to the Holy Spirit for the success of our summer VBS.

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 \$16,016.00 and \$5,338.00 was set aside for Parish 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, our Refugee Family and FESCO.

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



**NEWS FROM OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THUNDER VALLEY CASINO TRIP
SATURDAY, JULY 28th**

Join the St. Maximilian Kolbe Council 16770 Knights of Columbus for a fun day at Thunder Valley Casino Resort. We will travel by chartered bus from Castro Valley to Thunder Valley Casino Resort in Lincoln, CA. (near Sacramento) Tickets are \$35.00 per person, you will receive a \$12.00 food coupon and a \$15.00 gaming coupon upon arrival. Enjoy Finger Tip BINGO, 50/50 Raffle and other games during the trip (\$5.00 per game). Departure will be from OLG at 7:30 am, with return approximately 5:30 pm. Tickets are available from any member of the Council. contact Dwight Speir at dwrightmv700@aol.com for information or tickets.

**A NEW COORDINATOR
FOR EVANGELIZATION AT OLG**

John Lee will be arriving in August to help us develop and expand our Evangelization efforts. John has been a DRE for the last 3 years in Green River Wyoming. He will be pursuing Masters degree in Philosophy from the Dominican School of Theology in Berkeley. He is beginning to understand the housing expense and crisis in our area and needs help.

ROOM WANTED

Our new Coordinator of evangelization, John Lee is looking for an affordable room to rent in a house, somewhere between Berkeley and Castro Valley. If you know of any options please send him an e-mail to lee.john.marc@gmail.com

NEWS FROM ICF

Hi All,
Come join the ICF for their Hot Dog, with all the trimmings, dinner on **July 12th** in Stack Center. Doors open at 6:00PM and dinner is at 6:30PM. For reservations, please call Juanita at 510-582-7242, deadline is **July 9th.**

Hope to see many of you there.



**PARISH
PICNIC**

**SAVE THE DATE
PARISH PICNIC
AUGUST 19TH
LAKE CHABOT PARK**

Our Annual Parish Picnic will be taking place **August 19th** 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.

THANK YOU FROM THE FRANCISCAN VIETNAM MISSION

The Conventual Franciscans of California offer their sincerest thanks to the parish community of Our Lady of Grace for its generous support of the Franciscan Vietnam Mission in the mission appeal of June 16th-17th. May God reward you with many blessings and may the saving Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ be ever proclaimed throughout the world.

PLEASE REGISTER...

Parish Registration will take place TODAY, July 8th after the 9:30am Mass at Stack Center.

Why is it important that we register at Our Lady of Grace? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass? Why should we bother to use the envelope system?

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend Our Lady of Grace they automatically belong. At times young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parent's registration. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself with Our Lady of Grace. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of Our Lady of Grace. Your registration affects Our Lady of Grace in many ways. Census numbers can determine what obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, confession, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Registering at Our Lady of Grace is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of our parish.

The expense of the envelope system is cost effective. Using the envelope system is a way that our parish can verify your participation in weekly Mass. If you are receiving envelopes but not using them, please consider using them now.



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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 July 1st:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,037.00
Last Year this week	\$ 8,165.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 8,920.00
Year-to-date this year:	\$ 230,277.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$ 226,744.00

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 | Don Jordan |
| Kathleen Andrews | Elaine Jordan |
| Melissa & David Chavez & Family | Maxine Kruzell |
| Antonio O. Chocha | Laura Martell |
| Claudia Dobbs | Alice McLaughlin |
| Lynn Franks | Rose Montalban |
| Anna Friedeberg | Florence Sharp |
| Theresa & Bill Fuller | Rosemary Slater |
| Byron Griffith | Lurdes Sousa |
| | Mercedes Tellez |
| | Baby Jackson Tyler |

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

**ARCHIDONA CASTANEDA
MARY BERRY**

COME JOIN US



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



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.



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

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. Call Jay at 510-537-0806 for more information. The next Pre-Baptism Class will be held on **July 11th** at 7:00pm in the OLG Room in Stack Center.

**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.

**WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY NEWS
"Wisdom is seeing with God's eyes."
- Pope Francis**

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. In this study, we will examine biblical wisdom as it relates to daily life. Drawing on the wisdom literature of the Bible--Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes--*Wisdom* will teach you how to actively seek out sound guidance and increase your sense of peace in navigating life.

The Women's Evening Bible Study will begin *Wisdom: God's Vision for Life* on **Monday, September 10, 2018** at 7:00pm. We will meet every other Monday for 8 sessions. Cost is \$23. For more information or to register, contact Jay in the Parish Office or Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-881-7850 or heidimdh106@gmail.com. **Last day to register is Wednesday, August 22, 2018.** You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 8th:

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

New Parishioner Registration
After 9:30am Mass --Stack Center

Wednesday, July 11th:

Pre-Baptism Class
7:00pm--Stack Center, OLG Room

Thursday, July 12th:

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

Saturday, July 14th:

Adoration
8:15am--Church

Sunday, July 15th:

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Coffee & Donuts
After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center



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 \$4.00.** The glass globes in the candle stand must be left in the church.

EXECUTION ALERTS

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

July 11th	Scott Dozier	Nevada
July 17th	Christopher Young	Texas
July 18th	Robert Van Hook	Ohio

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

Mass  for the Intentions  Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, July 8th

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30am Helen Maes--D
- 9:30am Rosalinda Alfiler--D
- 1:30pm Imelda Corona--L

MONDAY, July 9th

St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

- 8:15am Luis Martinez--D

TUESDAY, July 10th

St. Veronica Giuliani, Virgin, OFM

- 8:15am Evelyn & Raymond Trezza--D

WEDNESDAY, July 11th

St. Benedict, Abbot

- 8:15am Lilia Sousa--D

THURSDAY, July 12th

- 8:15am Stephanie Rosevear--D

FRIDAY, July 13th

St. Henry

- 8:15am Antonio Marquez--D

SATURDAY, July 14th

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

- 8:15am Angelito Mendoza--D
- 5:00pm Debbie & Doug Reetz & Family

SUNDAY, July 15th

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30am Mary Jane & Jack Dexter, Sr.--D
- 9:30am Josephine Herrera--D
- 1:30pm Teresa Torres--L



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ROSARY BEFORE MASS

Come join in prayer of the Rosary 30 minutes before each of the weekend liturgies. Pray for our Parish. All are welcome!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

July 9th through July 15th

- Monday: Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22; Matthew 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8,12; Matthew 10:1-7
- Thursday: Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9; Matthew 10:7-15
- Friday: Hosea 14:2-10; Matthew 10:16-23
- Saturday: Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 10:24-33
- Sunday: Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13

Grow in Faith

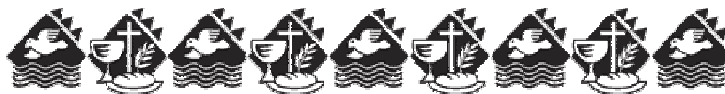


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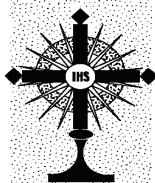


FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND

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.



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.

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