



Be A Disciple

Our Lady of Grace is has embraced the call of Pope Francis to be Missionary Disciples. Our Model for sharing the faith is more community oriented based on faith events seeking to draw us into the Mystery of God and then to share that experience with the World. If you want to know more contact the Office. We need everyone to participate and help facilitate faith events. John Lee is currently looking for volunteers to help facilitate our family events. Please contact him to learn more. Our First Communion preparation begins **August 26**.

In his apostolic exhortation “The Joy of the Gospel” (“Evangelii Gaudium”), Pope Francis invites all the faithful to be “missionary disciples.”

His call, which has captured the hearts and minds of many, prompts us to ask: “What is a missionary disciple?” If we take a closer look at Pope Francis’ words, we realize that they are meant not as a general summons, but as a deeply personal invitation to each one of us. We are each called to live out the gift and meaning of our baptism by our participation in the life of the church, and by our words and actions that witness to the transforming power of the Gospel.

Pope Francis offers his personal invitation when he said in that same exhortation:

“In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the people of God have become missionary disciples (cf. Mt 28:19). ... The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized.

“Every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God’s saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love.

“Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: We no longer say that we are ‘disciples’ and ‘missionaries’ but rather that we are always ‘missionary disciples’” (No. 120).

Missionary discipleship begins with, and grows in, friendship with the person of Jesus Christ.

Once we have truly experienced in a personal way the immense love and mercy of God revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, daily life is no longer the same. It is always God’s love and grace that first transforms us into missionary disciples.

With the grace of our baptism, we carry within us that same love of God that radiates to all around us, particularly to the poor and those who exist on the social and moral margins of society.

To become a missionary disciple, then, is to hear the voice of Jesus calling us to live the new life of faith in him.

We receive this new life of faith at baptism, and the whole Christian life is an unfolding of the initial baptismal gift of faith — faith that is believed, celebrated, lived and deepened through prayer. This first encounter with the love of God is that moment of evangelization, when the seed of the Gospel planted in our lives begins to grow and flourish.

Catechesis is the deepening of this baptismal gift of faith through an ongoing journey of coming to know and be formed in faith.

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**OLG FESTIVAL 2018
SEPTEMBER 29th-30th
#BeAHero**

**“There’s a Hero Inside You,
Waiting to be Discovered”**

Make plans to join us for our annual Parish Festival, **September 29th-30th.**

Consider being a **Festival Sponsor**--many generous individuals and businesses have sponsored the Festival in the past. Your Sponsorship will be acknowledged with a sign at the Festival as well as in our social media. Call the Parish Office for details.

Raffle Tickets: Tickets have been mailed! You could be the lucky winner but you have to return your tickets to the Parish Office to claim your prize.

Festival Donations are needed: It’s that time again to clean out your closets! New this year is the Heroes Flea Market! We are looking for gently used & clean kids’ clothing, costumes, stuffed animals, small toys, CD’s, books, home decorating treasures, frames & knick knacks. Donations may be brought to the Parish Office.



**CYO FALL SPORTS
REGISTRATION
NOW ONLINE**

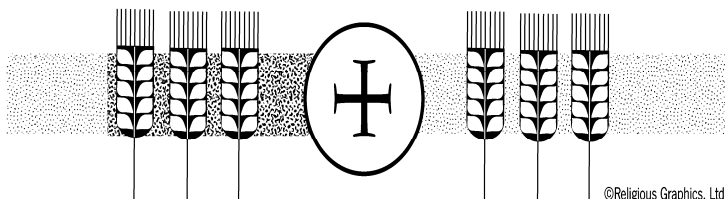


Registration is now available online for **CYO Boys Basketball** at www.olgcv.org, follow the link for CYO. **CYO Girls Volleyball registration will be available after August 15th.** All players will need to create an account if you had not done so last year prior to completing their first registration within the system. Boys Basketball is open for grades 2-8 and Girls Volleyball for grades 4-8.

Fees for CYO league 2018-2019

***Boys Basketball:** \$155.00 + \$55.00 uniform purchase fee. There will be a late fee of \$25.00 for registration **after September 7th.**

***Girls Volleyball:** Early registration fee is \$175 (August 16th - August 24th). \$190 through September 15th. \$190 + late fee of \$25.00 for registration **on or after September 16th.**



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We have registered the Parish with FORMED. Our site is www.olgcv.formed.org

Following is the instruction for you to register with our site and get started. You can also download the app from the app store for your phone or tablet.

Here’s how easy it is to get FORMED: Either on your computer, tablet or Smartphone go to our site www.olgcv.formed.org You should see the register now box. Now type in the parish code M2RBFP. Set up a username- whatever username you’ll remember - and a password and you are all set to explore all FORMED has to offer.



**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION
2018-2019**

It’s time to register for Whole Family Catechesis (K-5), 1st Holy Communion, Middle School Catechesis & Confirmation. Information flyers are available at the Church entrances. Registration Packets are available in the Parish Office. You may also register online at from our website, www.olgcv.org click on Registration for Faith Formation and click the link to register on line at the bottom of the page. For Spanish, select from the pull-down on the right-hand corner of the homepage. Or come & register in person on **August 26th** after the 9:30 Mass in Stack Center. Bilingual services in Spanish will be available.

Whole Family Catechesis (K-5th grade)
1st day of class & Orientation: **September 16th**
10:50am - 12:30pm

Middle School Catechesis (6th-8th grade)
Orientation w/ Parents: **September 16th**
10:50am - 12:30pm

First Holy Communion
Orientation w/ Parents: **August 26th**
10:50am - 12:30pm

Confirmation
Orientation w/ Parents: **October 7th**
6:00pm-8:00pm

**Cost is \$100 for the 1st child
\$45 for each additional child**

All children are welcome!

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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus monthly meetings are held the last Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm in Stack Center-Room 7. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, visit <https://oaklandkofc.org/> or join us at our next meeting **August 22nd.**

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners & guests. Please stop by Stack Center **August 26th**, after the 9:30am Mass 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.



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 **September 5th** at 7:00pm in the OLG Room in Stack Center.

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 August 12th:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,990.00
Last Year this week	\$ 9,127.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 8,920.00
Year-to-date this year:	\$ 281,213.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$ 280,595.00

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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| Cindy Abraham | Maxine Kruzel |
| Glen Alcorn | Laura Martell |
| Kathleen Andrews | Alice McLaughlin |
| Melissa & David Chavez & Family | Rose Montalban |
| Antonio O. Chocha | Florence Sharp |
| Claudia Dobbs | Rosemary Slater |
| Lynn Franks | Howard Songey |
| Anna Friedeberg | Lurdes Sousa |
| Byron Griffith | Mercedes Tellez |
| Don Jordan | Baby Jackson Tyler |
| | Bishop |

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

VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE



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.

NO COFFEE & DONUTS

There will be no Coffee & Donuts on **August 19th**, due to the Parish Picnic. We apologize for any inconveniences!

CASTRO VALLEY HOMELESS OUTREACH

A very special thank you to all who supported Homeless Outreach over the last year. As you know, your donations go directly to help people in our community & are truly a blessing! Below is a list of items of high priority:

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| Peanut butter | Cheese |
| Jam or jelly | Milk |
| Canned meat-chicken, tuna | Batteries (AA, AAA, C & D) |
| Instant oatmeal | Can openers |
| Dry Cereal | 1lb. Propane canisters |
| Ramen/Cup of Noodles | Jackets, gloves, socks |
| Single serving fruit cups | Tarps, Sleeping bags, blankets |
| Casseroles-anything that can be reheated using a camp stove | Propane lanterns |
| Rotisserie chicken | Handy wipes/diaper wipes, hand sanitizer |
| Cold cuts-ham, turkey, baloney | Gas or grocery cards |

We will gladly pick up your donation & deliver directly to the people who need it. Or you may drop off your donation at the Parish Office. For additional info, please contact Ken White at k2rm@comcast.net or 510-909-5774 or Sean Nalty at sean.nalty@olgetree.com or 415-369-3552.

**CALLING ALL WOMEN!
Magnificat SOTI Prayer Breakfast**

Please join us for a morning of Praise, Prayer & Inspiration by our speaker, Yolanda Rodriguez! Answering the call of her heart to serve women & lead others to Jesus through Mary, Yolanda has dedicated her life to the Immaculata, teaching women about their God-given dignity, mission & beauty as daughters of God. Men are always welcome to attend!

Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Catholic Women invite all to join them at their Prayer Breakfast.

September 8th, 2018, 9:30am - 12:30pm

Crowne Plaza
45 John Glenn Drive, Concord

Tickets are \$33. \$40 after September 1st. For more information, visit:

<https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/chapter-states-a-d/ca-walnut-creek/>. For reservations, visit:

Magnificatsortirsvp@gmail.com or call Kim Sullivan at 925-683-8220 with any questions.



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!

THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 19th:

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH PICNIC

LAKE CHABOT, COVE PICNIC AREA

10:00am--Mass

Noon-3:00pm--Lunch & Games

Tuesday, August 21st:

Men's Faith Share

7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

7:00pm--Parish Office, Upper Room

Wednesday, August 22nd:

SVdP Soup & Sandwich Meal

3:30-4:40pm--Outside Parish Office

Knights of Columbus

7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Thursday, August 23rd:

Adoration

7:00pm--Church

AA Serenity Group

7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

Saturday, August 25th:

Fiesta Mexicana

6:30pm--Stack Center

Sunday, August 26th:

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy of the Word

9:30am--Augustine Center

Coffee & Donuts

After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center

New Parishioner Registration

10:00am--Stack Center

1st Holy Communion Class

10:50am--Stack Center



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S
SOUP & SANDWICH MEALS**

If you or someone you know could benefit from a free meal, come by **every**

Wednesday from 3:30-4:30pm located outside the Parish Office.

Mass for the Intentions Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, August 19th

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30am Dorothy Madden--D
 11:30am James Barthman--D
 1:30pm Wanda Perino--L

MONDAY, August 20th

St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church
 8:15am Antonio Chocha--L

TUESDAY, August 21st

St. Pius X, Pope
 8:15am Gracie Rosario Guzman--L

WEDNESDAY, August 22nd

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 8:15am Christina & Christopher Nunes--L

THURSDAY, August 23rd

St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
 8:15am Lou Maravella--D

FRIDAY, August 24th

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE
 8:15am George Low, Jr.--D

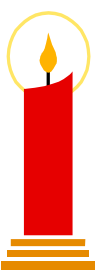
SATURDAY, August 25th

St. Louis & St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
 8:15am Glen Alcorn--L
 5:00pm Louis Rodriguez--D

SUNDAY, August 26th

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30am Tylor Bonora--D
 11:30am John Nichandros--D
 1:30pm Al & Carolina de la Torre--L



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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

August 20th through August 26th

Monday: Ezekiel 24:15-24; Matthew 19:16-22
 Tuesday: Ezekiel 28:1-10; Matthew 19:23-30
 Wednesday: Ezekiel 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16
 Thursday: Ezekiel 36:23-28; Matthew 22:1-14
 Friday: Revelation 21:9-14; John 1:45-51
 Saturday: Ezekiel 43:1-7; Matthew 23:1-12
 Sunday: Josea 24:1-2,15-18; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

Grow in Faith



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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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FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND

We are grateful to John Dexter for the generous donation in remembrance of Marlene & Aunt Gen.

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.

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