



### Who is there to Condemn you?

I choose the Forgiven Series this Lent to mirror our Gospels this Lent. A few have come for the conferences but I encourage all of you to watch Session 2 of the Forgiven Series on Formed to reflect on the Woman caught in Adultery and the response of Jesus to her. Come to confession and encounter the Mercy of Jesus!

I went to the movie Unplanned and I encourage every family with teenagers to attend this film as a family. This real story about Abby Johnson tells her story on how her heart was changed through love and prayer. She changed her understanding about what abortion is as she ran a Planned Parenthood clinic and left her career to join 40 days for life and has become one of the most vocal pro-life advocates. The message of love and prayer for women and their babies has changed the tone of the Pro-life movement.

After Abby quit her job after her eyes were opened and her heart was touched about the reality of abortion she came to realize the part she played in 22,000 abortions and in sorrow wondered how she could be forgiven. Her husband comforted her and said that God can forgive because He is God. God wants to forgive and embrace his children who return to him with contrite heart.

Watch Unplanned Behind the Scenes on Formed to understand this movie and the power of prayer behind the production of this film.

### Confession

Confessions on Tuesday **April 9** at 9AM in the Church.

Come to our Penance Service on Wednesday **April 10** at 7:15pm

Thursday during Adoration

Saturday at 8:45am and 3:30pm there will be 2 confessors available.

### Confession at Other Churches

Transfiguration April 10 at 7:30pm

St. Bede **April 13** at 7pm in Spanish and **April 15** in English

### GOSPEL FOR THE PROCESSIONAL ( PALM SUNDAY April 14th)

Luke 19:28-40

Jesus proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem. As he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples. He said, "Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, 'Why are you untying it?' you will answer, 'The Master has need of it.'" So those who had been sent went off and found everything just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying this colt?" They answered, "The Master has need of it." So they brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks over the colt, and helped Jesus to mount. As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; and now as he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen. They proclaimed: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest." Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He said in reply, "I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!"



**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

It is that time of year again when all at our school focus on preparing for the beautiful feast of Easter. Children present the Stations of the Cross on Fridays, we host the soup meal one Wednesday, we go to the sacrament of Reconciliation, and we participate in daily Mass. Fr. Tom has provided all with a list of wonderful ways to grow closer to Jesus with one way to do so through the program FORMED. Our students and families use this site once a week and thus are able to connect more closely as families. As we get nearer to Holy Week, let us all look back upon these 40 days and be glad we spent time making our daily focus the Lord who loves us all.

-Susan Anderson

**LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDIES WITH FR. FRANCISCO**

Join Fr. Francisco as we explore *The Gospel of John* together and discover new meaning for us this Lenten Season. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:00pm in Stack Center.

- April 9th:** Hour of Glory
- April 16th:** Passion and Resurrection

**COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH**  
*Do Not Be Afraid of Confession*

During the Lenten season, Confession will be available every Thursday at 7:00pm during Adoration & on Saturdays at 8:45am & 3:30pm. Our Communal Penance service is scheduled for Wednesday, **April 10th** at 7:15pm

**FORMED 40 DAYS OF LENT WITH FORMED.ORG**

**Pray the Stations of the Cross**

This beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross from St. Alphonsus Liguori is accompanied by the chanting of *Shabat Mater*, a traditional Catholic hymn.

**If you don't have an account yet, just follow the instructions below for free access to FORMED!**

On your computer, tablet or Smartphone go to our site [www.olgcv.formed.org](http://www.olgcv.formed.org) You should see the "register now" box. Set up a username- whatever username you'll remember - and a password and you are all set. To get the Formed app for your phone or tablet, visit [app.formed.org](http://app.formed.org). Use access code: M2RBF



**THE 2019 BISHOP'S APPEAL**

By sharing your time, talent and treasure with our sisters and brothers and our Church of the East Bay, you are making a sacrifice and returning to God a small portion of the many gifts he has given to you. By embracing Rebuild My Church through the 2019 Bishops Appeal, you are contributing greatly to building up the Kingdom of God here in the Church of the East Bay.

Your Generosity in Action: The Bishop's Appeal provide funds to offset some of the following expenses: Parishes and Schools in Need; Pastoral Ministries and Service; Clergy Formation and Retirement; Religious Education and Formation.

During the 2018 Bishop's Appeal, Our Lady of Grace surpassed it's goal of \$29,000 and contributed \$39,578! This means the \$10,578 comes back to us and will help meet our parish needs!



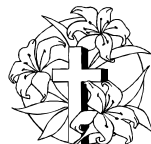
**LENTEN SOUP & BREAD MEAL**

Please plan on joining us for a simple meal of soup and bread on Wednesdays during Lent. Our Soup & Bread Meal follows the 6:00pm Mass. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this week's meal. Financial donations at the Soup Meal will be accepted for Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**English & Spanish**

Stations of the Cross in English, led by our school students are offered at Our Lady of Grace, Fridays at 2:30pm during Lent in the Church. Stations of the Cross in Spanish are offered at 7:00pm. On Good Friday, they will be offered at Noon in English, and 6:00pm in Spanish.



**EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS**  
**OUR LADY OF GRACE TRADITION**

Once again, this year we are inviting you to remember family members and friends through a Flower Offering which will help us to purchase the plants and other decorations we need to beautify our sanctuary. You may list the names of loved ones you wish to remember or memorialize by using the special Easter Flower Offering envelopes available in the pews. A list of names of all who are remembered will be available after Easter.



**ALTAR CANDLE MEMORIALS**

We are looking to have 6 monthly sponsors for our Altar Candles. We ask for a donation of \$20 to cover the cost of the candles for the month. Our donors for the month will be recognized in the first bulletin of the month and there will be a monthly Mass offered for the intention of our Candle Memorial. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

**ALTAR CANDLE MEMORIAL DONORS**

We deeply thank the following donors who have given generously towards sponsoring our Altar Candle Memorial:

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
SAVE THE DATE!**

**June 24th-June 28th, 9:00am-12 noon**  
Cost is \$65/child and \$105/family. Registration forms are now available at the church exits and in the Parish Office. For more information, please contact John Lee at 510-582-9266.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Stewardship of treasure involves trust in God. You have to really believe in God's Providence and trust that if you give 10% of your income to the Church and charity, for example, God will help you live on the rest.

**Offerings of March 31st:**

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,039.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 9,038.00</b>
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 1.00
Year-to-date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [4,280.00]

*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     | Laura Martell             |
| Maureen Boeh    | Rose Montalban            |
| Peggy Burton    | Mona Mulvaney             |
| Ana Cochran     | Angela Schaaphok          |
| Angel Cuevas    | Florence Sharp            |
| Claudia Dobbs   | Rosemary Slater           |
| Fred Dorado     | Howard Songey             |
| Lynn Franks     | Lurdes Sousa              |
| Anna Friedeberg | Mercedes Tellez           |
| Byron Griffith  | Baby Jackson Tyler Bishop |
| Linda Guzman    | Denyse Verhaegen          |
| Cher Jones      | Marylou Vincent           |
| Maxine Kruzal   | Arthur Williams           |

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

**VERY REV. JAMES MATTHEWS**

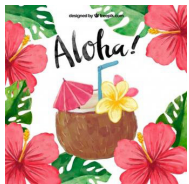
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**REGISTER FOR FESCO'S  
22nd ANNUAL SHUFFLE WALKATHON  
Saturday, May 4th - San Leandro Marina**

Chris Ippolito and Colleen Lindberg will be outside Mass on Saturday & Sunday, **April 6th & 7th**, and **April 27th & 28th**, if you would like to stop by and offer your support for team OLG! Sign up to walk or to donate at [www.FESCOShuffle.org](http://www.FESCOShuffle.org). For more information or a pledge sheet, go to [www.fescofamilyshelter.org](http://www.fescofamilyshelter.org) or call Stephanie Miller at the FESCO office at 510-886-5473, ext. 101. Help end family homelessness in Alameda County!

**THE PASSION PLAY OF OBERAMMERGAU**

**Fact #4** The Director, Chistian Stuckl, who directed the play in 2000 and 2010, has stated that he has 1,800 people working together to bring this play to the stage in the summer of 2020. All the tickets offered by Nawas Travel are the best available "Category 1 Tickets". You will have the best seating in the theater. **Half a million people will see this play in the summer of 2020. Space is always on a 1st come basis and every ticket will be sold!** For more information on our August 11-21, 2020 Pilgrimage to Poland, Prague and Germany with Fr. Tom Czeck, please contact Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-881-7850 or heidimdh106@gmail.com



**OLG SPRING AUCTION  
SAVE THE DATE--MAY 18TH!**

Aloha! Our Lady of Grace's Spring Auction is scheduled for **Saturday, May 18th, 5:30-10:30pm**. This year's theme is **Tiki Tiki Luau**. We need donations! Do you have a nice bottle of wine? Extra tickets to a Sporting Event? Musical? Symphony? Is there a favorite kids' class/camp, fitness club/class, restaurant or spa that you might solicit a gift certificate or gift basket from? Do you have a cabin or vacation home? Do you like to bake or cook? Offer to make dinners, jams, desserts or soups. Are you crafty? Create jewelry, knitwear, blankets or quilts. *Homemade is priceless!* If you like to bake, we'd love a donation of cake, cupcakes, etc. for the Dessert Dash! If you own a business or provide a service, place an AD in our program. **Donations accepted through April 15th.** Have questions? Please **s e n d q u e s t i o n s t o :** our.lady.of.grace.auction@gmail.com. Stay tuned for ticket & website information!

**PARENT CAFÉ UPDATE - DATE CHANGE!**

The April 28th Parents Cafe has been cancelled and rescheduled for **May 5th**, please note this change on your calendar. More details to come.

**COME GET YOUR SCRIP ORDER FORMS!**

You can purchase SCRIP gift cards and spend it at local stores where you already shop. This is a great fundraiser for the church. Orders placed on the 1st & 3rd week of the month will be ready for pick-up on the 2nd & 4th week of the month. Payment is due at the time of your order. Forms are available at the back of the church or in the Parish Office. Questions? Please contact the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

**THIS WEEK****Sunday, April 7th:****The Fifth Sunday of Lent**

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

**Tuesday, April 9th:**

Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
9:30am--Parish Office, McGarvey Room  
Scripture Studies with Fr. Francisco  
7:00pm--Stack Center  
Men's Faith Share  
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7  
Women's Evening Bible Study  
7:00pm--Stack Center, OLG

**Wednesday, April 10th:**

Lenten Soup Meal  
Following the 6:00pm Mass--Stack Center  
Ichthus  
7:00pm--Stack Center, Resource Room  
Communal Penance Service  
7:15pm--Church

**Thursday, April 11th:**

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

**Friday, April 12th:**

Stations of the Cross - English  
2:30pm--Church  
Stations of the Cross - Spanish  
7:00pm--Church



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*Mass Intentions for the Week*



All Masses are celebrated in the Church

**SUNDAY, April 7th**

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

- 7:30am Anty Zaldivar--D
- 9:30am Rudy & Augie Enriquez--D
- 11:30am Tom Gilotti--D

**MONDAY, April 8th**

- 8:15am Helen Maes--D

**TUESDAY, April 9th**

- 8:15am Bill Correia--D

**WEDNESDAY, April 10th**

- 8:15am Helen Maes--D
- 6:00pm Xavier Ramos--D

**THURSDAY, April 11th**

- St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr*
- 8:15am Lilia Sousa--D

**FRIDAY, April 12th**

- 8:15am Nguyen Family--L

**SATURDAY, April 13th**

- St. Martin I, Pope & Martyr*
- 8:15am Christopher Guerrero--D
- 5:00pm Norma Wardle--D

**SUNDAY, April 14th**

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

- 9:30am Ruth Picha--L
- 1:30pm Antonio Chocha--D



**THIS WEEK--Continued**

**Sunday, April 14th:**

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 9:30am--Augustine Center
- Coffee & Donuts
- After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center
- New Parishioner Registration
- 10:00am--Stack Center
- Whole Family and Middle School Catechesis
- 10:50am--Stack Center
- Youth Ministry/Confirmation
- 6:00pm--Stack Center

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**April 8th through April 14th**

- Monday: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; John 8:12-20
- Tuesday: Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30
- Wednesday: Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42
- Thursday: Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59
- Friday: Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42
- Saturday: Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56
- Sunday: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56

**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 meet at Transfiguration Church  
Marian Room (Hall)

Next Meeting: **April 11th**  
9:00am to 11:15am  
Speaker: Moina Shaiq

Topic: "Meet A Muslim, There Is No 'Us & Them'"

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

April 11th	Mark Robertson	Texas
April 11th	Christopher Pike	Alabama
April 24th	John King	Texas

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



**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.

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