


Fathers Day Message from Fr. Tom

From the Pastor

A rather large and important study conducted by the Swiss government in 1994 and published in 2000 revealed some astonishing facts with regard to the generational transmission of faith and religious values. In short, the study reveals: "It is the religious practice of the father of the family that, above all, determines the future attendance at or absence from church of the children."

1. If both father and mother attend regularly, 33 percent of their children will end up as regular churchgoers, and 41 percent will end up attending irregularly. Only a quarter of their children will end up not practicing at all.
2. If the father is irregular and mother regular, only 3 percent of the children will subsequently become regulars themselves, while a further 59 percent will become irregulars. Thirty-eight percent will be lost.
3. If the father is non-practicing and mother regular, only 2 percent of children will become regular worshippers, and 37 percent will attend irregularly. Over 60 percent of their children will be lost completely to the church!

What happens if the father is regular but the mother irregular or non-practicing? Amazingly, the percentage of children becoming regular goes up from 33 percent to 38 percent with the irregular mother and up to 44 percent with the non-practicing. This suggests that loyalty to the father's commitment grows in response to the mother's laxity or indifference to religion.

In short, if a father does not go to church – no matter how faithful his wife's devotions – only one child in 50 will become a regular worshipper. If a father does go regularly, regardless of the practice of the mother, between two-thirds and three-quarters of their children will become churchgoers (regular and irregular). One of the reasons suggested for this distinction is that children tend to take their cues about domestic life from Mom while their conceptions of the world outside come from Dad. ***If Dad takes faith in God seriously then the message to their children is that God should be taken seriously.***

I want to thank my Father James and Grandfathers Michael and John Emil who practiced the faith and gave me an example of the importance and value of the faith to help us in life. Our gift to our Fathers this weekend is a medal and prayer card of St. Anthony. Here are 15 characteristics of St. Anthony to help our Fathers to be good holy men.

1. Obedience to God,
2. Purity of heart
3. Passion for the Holy Scriptures
4. Love for the Holy Eucharist and devotion to the Blessed Mother Mary
5. Prayerful
6. Total Humility
7. Disciplined
8. Courageous
9. Love for the poor and sick
10. Passion for learning and teaching
11. Patient
12. A man of integrity
13. Sanctity of life
14. Good servant leader
15. Unbreakable commitment for evangelization

Have a Happy Father's Day!

Fathers Day Message from Pope Francis

St. Joseph's "great mission is to be a guardian," the pope said.

The saint is a model for all educators, whether they are teachers, catechists, parents, religious or priests, "who are fathers, too, you know!" he said.

Like an educator, St. Joseph guided and accompanied Jesus so he could grow in "wisdom and age and grace," Pope Francis said. This is the same thing all parents must do, and "it would be a serious mistake to think that a father and a mother can't do anything to teach their children to grow in God's grace," he said.

Even though God was Jesus father, St. Joseph lovingly took on the paternal role and taught the young Jesus various skills, the value of work, reverence for the Lord, and fidelity and obedience to God's will, the pope said.

He also had to keep his family safe during the difficult period of their exile to Egypt, he said, which makes the saint a special example for refugees and those facing persecution.

The Pope said St. Joseph "knew how to cross the darkness of doubt, the experience of exile and fleeing from home, without ever losing faith in God and his love."

"Learn from him that only trust in God can turn doubt into certainty, evil into good, total darkness of the night into a radiant dawn," he said.

The Pope gave his heartfelt greetings to all fathers, "Best wishes! All the best on your day!"



VBS DONATION REQUESTS

Can you help outfit our Roar! VBS with some needed supplies? We're looking for donations of specific food items/gift cards and we're also hoping to get some recyclable items for the week of Vacation Bible School. There is a VBS DONATION board near the church restrooms with post-it notes for you to take with you. **Thank you to our Parish Community for your generous donations. We appreciate all that you have given towards our VBS very much.**

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



**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION
2019-2020**

Just a friendly reminder 2018-2019 Faith Formation (Whole Family and Sacrament Preparation) year is complete. Registration for the new year is available now, and classes will resume in September. The registration form is available in the Parish Office and on our website: <http://www.olgcv.org>. Online registration is available by going to our website and clicking on the Faith Formation box. Cost is \$100 for the 1st child & \$50 for each additional child. An early-bird discount of \$20 is offered if your children are registered by **July 1st**. All children are welcome!



**SAVE THE DATE!
PARISH PICNIC AT
LAKE CHABOT PARK
AUGUST 11TH**

Mark your summer calendar now for our Parish Picnic! It will be a time for our Parish family to come together for Prayer, Fun, and Food. More details to come.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners & guests. Please stop by Stack Center **June 23rd**, 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.



FATHER'S DAY MASSES

As a means of honoring our fathers, living and deceased, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **June 17th, 18th, and 19th**. Cards are available in the Parish office for those wishing to give or send a remembrance card. The names of those to be remembered will be placed at the altar for the three days of remembrance. Please complete the half-sheet request form and return it to the Parish office.



**REBUILD MY CHURCH
BISHOP'S APPEAL 2019**

Many thanks to those parishioners who have already generously contributed towards our Annual Bishop's Appeal. We are off to a great start but have a ways to go! Following is the status of our Annual Bishop's Appeal through **May 31st**:

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| | \$ 18,733.00—Actual Donations Received |
| Our Goal for 2019: | \$29,000.00 |
| # of Acknowledged Donors to date: | 112 |
| Funds Raised (includes pledges) | \$25,724.00 |
| We are currently at 89% of our goal for this year's Bishop's Appeal! | |



**ICHTHUS -
YOUNG ADULT GROUP**

Ichthys will have it's last meeting on **June 19th** and will resume in September. Have a blessed summer!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD &
TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

Children's Liturgy and Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be on summer break and will resume in September, after Labor Day. See you in the fall!

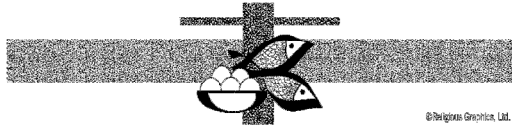
CHILDREN'S GUIDE TO MASS

At the entrances of the church, you will find 2 different Children's Guide to the Catholic Mass cards. The first is for young children and uses pictures and a simple description suggesting participation and sequential parts of the Mass. The second card with 25 windows is for children who can read and gives a simple description of the sequential activities during Mass. Please feel free to use these during the Mass and return these cards to the baskets at the end of Mass.



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. Many blessed thanks for those who have donated. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

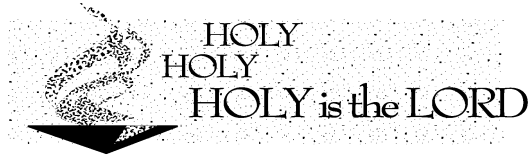


DID YOU KNOW???

Your Maintenance Fund Donation allows us to make crucial repairs and improvements to our facilities. Below are some recent examples:

- New stove & hood for the Casa kitchen
- HVAC repairs for the Church & Augustine Center
- Water heater for the Parish Office
- Semi-annual maintenance on the kitchen hood in Stack center
- Annual testing of fire extinguishers
- Microphones & equipment for the Evangelization programs

Thank you for your generous contributions!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THUNDER VALLEY CASINO TRIP
SATURDAY, JULY 27th**

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 7:30am, with return approximately 5:30pm. Tickets are available from any member of the Council. contact Dwight Speir at dwrightmv700@aol.com for information or tickets.

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 June 9th:

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| Sunday Plate: | \$ 8,494.00 |
| Weekly Budgeted Goal: | \$ 9,038.00 |
| Over/[Shortfall] | \$ [544.00] |
| Year-to-date Over/[Shortfall] | \$ [14,762.00] |

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 | Wally Lim |
| Jose Arellano | Laura Martell |
| Maria Bettencourt | Rose Montalban |
| Maureen Boeh | Mona Mulvaney |
| Peggy Burton | Angela Schaaphok |
| Ana Cochran | Florence Sharp |
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| Anna Friedeberg | Mercedes Tellez |
| Tony Goncalves Jr. | Denyse Verhaegen |
| Byron Griffith | Marylou Vincent |
| Linda Guzman | Arthur Williams |
| Maxine Kruzel | Peggy Winkenbach |

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

**CAROL THOMAS
ANNABELLE PARENTI**



**SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING
DURING THE SUMMER**

While you are away on summer trips, you can still stay up-to-date on your giving and continue your weekly offering through the summer months! Visit our parish website at www.olgcv.org and select "Online Giving" at the top of the screen to register and get instructions on how to make offerings online. If you need help, contact Colleen at 537-0806 or email: clindberg@olgcv.org



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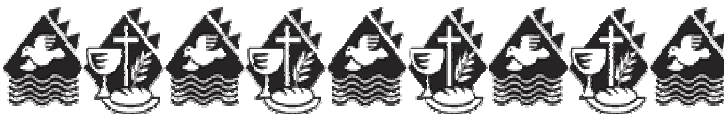
The Knights of Columbus monthly meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of every month at 6:00pm in Stack Center-Room 7. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, visit <https://oaklandkofc.org> or join us at our next meeting, **June 26th**.

2020 PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND, CZECH REPUBLIC & GERMANY

August 11th - 21st, 2020

The Passion Play of Oberammergau

The Passion Play takes place only once every 10 years. The summer of 2020 will be the last opportunity to see this world-famous play until the year 2030. **Don't miss this chance to experience the Passion Play of Oberammergau.** The price for this 11-day pilgrimage is \$4649 per person and includes RT air from SF, 1st class/select hotels, 1st class admission tickets for the Oberammergau Passion Play, most meals, sightseeing & more. Book early! Please contact Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-881-7850 or heidimdh106@gmail.com for more details.



SCRIP ORDER FORMS ARE HERE!

You can purchase SCRIP gift cards and spend it at local stores where you already shop. SCRIP cards (at face value) help Our Lady of Grace's Evangelization Program earn 2%-17% per certificate. Stop by the Parish office and look over the list. 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.

REGARDING FLYERS FOR YOUR EVENTS

When creating a flyer for your event to be placed on the church bulletin boards, please use a half-sheet format (5.5 x 8.5). There are many who want their events promoted, but we simply do not have enough space when the flyers are a full-sheet. But first, please submit your flyer to the Parish Office for placement on the bulletin boards in church and on the rolling sign board outside Stack Center on Sundays. Thank you for your understanding.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 16th:

The Most Holy Trinity

Happy Father's Day!

Coffee & Donuts

After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center

Tuesday, June 18th:

Men's Faith Share

7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Wednesday, June 19th:

Strobridge Dinner

5:30pm--Strobridge Apartments

Ichthus

7:00pm--Stack Center, Resource Room

Thursday, June 20th

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

7:00pm--Parish Office, Upper Room

Adoration

7:00pm--Church

AA Serenity Group

7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

Sunday, June 23rd:

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Coffee & Donuts

After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center

New Parishioner Registration

10:00am--Stack Center



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GRIEF WORKSHOP

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was sudden or tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion and sadness. Join us and let us accompany you on your healing journey. Fr. Pdraig Greene will facilitate an evening to discuss grief on **Thursday, June 27th** at 7:30pm at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Dr. Pleasanton. Grief can be due to the death of a loved one, divorce or separation. All are welcome, regardless of religious affiliation. Please call Eleanor Flatley at 925-846-8708 for more information.

Mass Intentions for the Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, June 16th

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

11:30am Randall Soares--D

1:30pm Fernandez & Gonzalez Families--L

MONDAY, June 17th

8:15am Father's Day Remembrance

TUESDAY, June 18th

8:15am Father's Day Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, June 19th

St. Romuald, Abbot

8:15am Father's Day Remembrance

THURSDAY, June 20th

8:15am Macario Zaldivar--D

FRIDAY, June 21st

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

8:15am Louis Rodrigues--D

SATURDAY, June 22nd

St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop

Sts. John Fisher, Bishop & Thomas More, Martyrs

8:15am Jim & Kristi Lynn & Family--L

5:00pm Aaron Alcorn--D

SUNDAY, June 23rd

THE MOST HOLY BLOOD & BODY OF CHRIST

9:30am Cec Penland--L

1:30pm Jose Duarte--D

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

June 17th through June 23rd

Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-58

Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11;

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30;

Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10;

Matthew 6:24-34

Sunday: Genesis 14:18-20;

1 Corinthians 11:23-26;

Luke 9:11-17



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.

RELEVANT RADIO - 1260 AM



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

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