



Responding to the bill to violate the Seal of Confession

I want to keep you informed about the Bill to legally bind a priest to be mandated to report incidents of sexual abuse revealed in a confession. On the surface it seems like a way to protect children. Priests are already mandated reporters for abuse of children for communications outside the confessional. The seal of confession is essential to insure there is one place a person can be honest with God and receive forgiveness and direction and grace on how to follow God's Law. If the State of California demands priests to break the seal, then a priests either will have to go to jail or be excommunicated from the church and jeopardize his soul for eternity. Only the scared penitentiary in Rome can forgive such a grave sin.

If this bill is made into law, we will make changes in the confessional to insure anonymity of penitents so people can feel secure that their sins will not be revealed to the State of California. This will protect those going to confession but may not protect the Priest since they could be targeted by activists or penitents who reveal to the State of California what they confessed. If I have to go to jail to insure the seal of Confession, then I will. To be honest, I seldom remember a persons sins after I give absolution.

The revelation of Cardinal McCarrick being an abuser last summer has scandalized Catholics and the credibility of the hierarchy to deal with clergy sexual abuse has been brought into question. Our Blessed Mother revealed in her Apparition at La Salette that failures would happen :*[Among] God's ministers, and the Spouses of Jesus-Christ, there will be some who will go astray, and that will be the most terrible.* There is also to be those who turn back to the Lord: *After all these will have arrived(famines), many will recognize the hand of God on them, they will convert, and do penance for their sins.*

The Message of Our Lady of America helps us to know what we can do with challenges to our faith and family so we may not be lost.

Our Lady of America

“My child, there will be peace, as has been promised, but not until my children are purified and cleansed from defilement, and clothed thus with the white garment of grace, are made ready to receive this peace, so long promised and so long held back because of the sins of men.”

“Making the rosary a family prayer is very pleasing to me. I ask that all families strive to do so. But be careful to say it with great devotion, meditating on each mystery and striving to imitate in your daily lives the virtues depicted therein. Live the mysteries of the rosary as I lived them, and it will become a chain binding you to me forever. They who are found in the circle of my rosary will never be lost. I myself will lead them at death to the throne of my Son, to be eternally united to Him.”

May Our Immaculate Queen lead us to the peace of Jesus!

Peace,
Fr. Tom

Andy Rivas, executive director of the California Catholic Conference, issued the following statement following the passage of SB 360 Mandatory reporting (Hill, D-San Mateo):

“We are disappointed that the California State Senate today passed SB 360, a bill that will help no one yet has the potential to hurt everyone. While the California Catholic Conference shares the desire to combat the scourge of sexual abuse of minors and is committed to strengthening mandatory reporting requirements, interjecting the government into the confessional is not going to accomplish that objective and could undermine the guarantee of confidentiality all of us depend upon. The Senate Appropriations Committee inserted amendments that recognize the need to protect confession. Unfortunately, those changes left out protections for employees and members of the church. We will continue to work to protect confession for all as the bill moves to the State Assembly.”

Send an email to your Assembly Member opposing SB 360. <https://cqrcengage.com/catholic/app/write-a-letter?0&engagementId=498306>

Gospel for The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 7th)

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Due to the length of the Gospel, it could not be printed this week. We thank you for your understanding.



INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, **July 4th** in honor of the federal holiday. The Parish Office will re-open on Friday, **July 5th** at 8:30am. Thursday's Mass will be at 8:15am in the Church. The entire Parish staff wishes you a safe and relaxing holiday.



**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION
2019-2020**

Registration for Sacrament Preparation & Whole Family Catechesis is available now and classes will begin in September. The registration form is available in the Parish Office and on our website: <http://www.olgcv.org>. Online registration is also 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**.

Whole Family Catechesis (K-5th grade)

1st day of class: September 8th
10:50am - 12:30pm

Middle School Catechesis (6th-8th grade)

1st day of class: September 8th
10:50am - 12:30pm

First Holy Communion

1st day of class: September 15th
10:50am - 12:30pm

Youth Ministry & Confirmation

1st day of class: September 8th
6:00pm-8:00pm

All children are welcome!



**1ST FRIDAY &
1ST SATURDAY DEVOTION**

Come join us **1st Friday, July 5th**, for Mass at 8:15am with the recitation of the Litany of the Sacred Heart. On **1st Saturday, July 6th**, join us for Mass, Adoration, Rosary & Benediction at 8:15am.



1ST FRIDAY-TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

There will be a Traditional Latin Mass on **July 5th** at 7:00pm, dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the Friary Chapel in the CASA at 19950 Anita Ave.



**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**:

\$ 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!

You shall love your neighbor as yourself

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**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 dwightmv700@aol.com for information or tickets.



**PARISH PICNIC AT
LAKE CHABOT PARK
AUGUST 11TH**

Our Annual Parish Picnic will be taking place **August 11th** 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.



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.



FESCO BACKPACK DRIVE

As you know, every summer FESCO, (Family Emergency Shelter Coalition), sponsors a backpack drive that our church generously supports. This drive supplies the children of the FESCO families with school supplies they will need for the upcoming academic year. We are hoping that you will consider participating in this event.

If you would like to participate, we are asking you to “adopt” a student. An organization has generously agreed to donate backpacks, so you would just need to provide the supplies for a backpack. For the student you “adopt,” we will give you a specific list of grade-appropriate supplies attached to a paper bag in which you can put the supplies. After all the supply bags are turned in, we will transfer the supplies to the donated backpacks. We estimate that all of the needed supplies for a backpack will cost \$30 – \$50 depending on the grade level and where you shop.

You may sign up at the entrances to the church after the Masses on the weekends of **July 13th - 14th or July 20th - 21st, if bags remain. You need to return your bag of supplies to the Church or Parish Office on or before Sunday, August 4th.** (Church Office is closed on weekends.) God Bless & thank you for your generosity!



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 3rd** 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 10% of your income to the Church and charity, for example, God will help you live on the rest.

Offerings of June 23rd:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 8,808.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 9,038.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [230.00]
Year-to-date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [15,571.00]

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 | Rose Montalban |
| Maria Bettencourt | Mona Mulvaney |
| Maureen Boeh | Angela Schaaphok |
| Peggy Burton | Florence Sharp |
| Ana Cochran | Rosemary Slater |
| Lynn Franks | Howard Songey |
| Anna Friedeberg | Lurdes Sousa |
| Tony Goncalves Jr. | Mercedes Tellez |
| Byron Griffith | Denyse Verhaegen |
| Linda Guzman | Marylou Vincent |
| Maxine Kruzal | Arthur Williams |
| Wally Lim | Peggy Winkenbach |
| Laura Martell | |

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

- FRED DORADO**
CONIGUNDA MANGUIAT
AZAEEL PANAMA
HENRY ATTWOOD



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

QUO VADIS YOUTH RETREAT

The Seminarians of the Diocese of Oakland will be hosting a **Quo Vadis Day** on **Monday, July 22nd** from 9:30-6:30pm at the Diocese of Oakland Youth Retreat Center in Lafayette. This day of gathering is open to young men ages 13-18 and the cost is \$20. To register or for more information, please email Cielo Barroso-Branco at cbranco@oakdiocese.org or call 510-267-8356.

ICF PICNIC

Come join the fun with the ICF for an old-fashioned picnic on **Thursday, July 11th** in Stack Center. Doors will open at 6:00pm and the picnic will begin at 6:30 pm. Menu includes: hot dogs with condiments, salads and desserts plus beverages. For reservations, please call Juanita at 510-582-7242, deadline is **Monday, July 8th**. Hope to see many of you there!



INSTRUCT ME IN YOUR WAYS, O LORD

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WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY
The Acts of the Apostles

The Acts of the Apostles provides us more than a history of the First Christians - it is the story about the Early Church with the Holy Spirit as the protagonist. Christ did not leave His Apostles alone - He sent the Holy Spirit to guide, instruct and equip them. Enrich and deepen your faith as you learn how the Apostles continued Christ's mission on earth through the Power of the Holy Spirit.

Join us for *Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom* in Stack Center, OLG Room, beginning **September 10th** at 7:00pm and continuing every other Tuesday for 20 Sessions. Cost is \$33. For more information or to register for the study, please contact Jay at the Parish Office at 537-0806 or Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-881-7850 or heidimdh106@gmail.com. Last day to register is **August 15th**.

MEN'S FAITH SHARE

The Men's Faith Share group meets on Tuesdays each week at 7:00pm in Stack Center, Room 7. We will read and discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings for the Mass. If you are looking for a small group setting to pray with and explore the Word each week, plan on joining us!

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 30th:

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Tuesday, July 2nd:

Men's Faith Share
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Wednesday, July 3rd:

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

Thursday, July 4th

Parish Offices Closed - Happy 4th of July!

Adoration
7:00pm--Church
AA Serenity Group
7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

Friday, July 5th:

First Friday Devotion
8:15am--Church
First Friday Traditional Latin Mass
7:00pm--CASA, Friary Chapel

Saturday, July 6th:

First Saturday Mass & Adoration
8:15am--Church

Sunday, July 7th:

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, June 30th

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1:30pm Ruth "Uty" Rodriguez--D

MONDAY, July 1st

St. Junipero Serra, Priest

8:15am Dorothy & Manuel Callier--D

TUESDAY, July 2nd

8:15am Debi Telles--D

WEDNESDAY, July 3rd

ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE

8:15am Matino Tuan Nguyen--L

THURSDAY, July 4th

8:15am Ruth Levenson--D

FRIDAY, July 5th

St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:15am Arthur Williams--L

SATURDAY, July 6th

St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

8:15am Richard Benson--D

5:00pm Maria Godinez--D

SUNDAY, July 7th

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Rudy & Augie Enriquez--D

9:30am Helen Maes--D



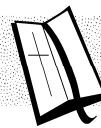
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

July 1st through July 7th

- Monday: Genesis 18:16-33; Matthew 8:18-22
- Tuesday: Genesis 19:15-29; Matthew 8:23-27
- Wednesday: Ephesians 2:19-22; John 20:24-29
- Thursday: Genesis 22:1-19; Matthew 9:1-8
- Friday: Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Matthew 9:9-13
- Saturday: Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29; Matthew 9:14-17
- Sunday: Isaiah 66:10-14; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20



Be doers of the Word and not hearers only

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.



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!

ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

The Rosary will be recited for World Peace after the 8:15am Mass each Wednesday in the Church. Please join us.

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