



Message from Rome

I am writing from Rome to let you know that I prayed for you as I met at the international Militia Immaculata assembly. I stopped at the shrine of Our Lady of Revelation and church of St. Paul of the three fountains where St. Paul was executed. I have kept up with the opening of the Synod on the Amazon and have been perplexed at what has happened so far with the image of Pacha Mama, a native earth goddess, being prayed to in the Vatican Garden and brought into St. Peter's in procession and protest banners being unrolled at the end of Mass. I will keep praying and fasting for the Pope and the Church. On a brighter note the canonization of St. John Henry Newman occurred on Sunday. His conversion to Catholicism and writing on the faith has brought many to a deeper understanding Jesus Christ and the Church he founded. Here is a quote of the new Saint:

"Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom, Lead thou me on; The night is dark, and I am far from home, Lead thou me on. Keep, Thou my feet; I do not ask to see The distant scene; one step enough for me."

Peace,
Fr. Tom



All Saints' Day Mass Times

October 31st: Vigil Mass at 6:00pm
November 1st: Mass with School at 8:15am
 Solemn High Mass at 7:00pm

All Souls' Day Mass Time

November 2nd: 8:15am

Gospel for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 27th)

Luke 18:9-14

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity -- greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

COLD & FLU SEASON

As always, you are reminded to use common good sense in the reception of Holy Communion during the annual cold & flu season. If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from partaking of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice. In the same way, you should refrain from offering you hand to others at the sign of peace. Likewise, if you are not comfortable sharing the sign of peace or receiving Holy Communion from the communal chalice for fear of infection, you should feel no pressure to do so. All of us must be aware of such sensitive matters in the intimate life of the Christian community & we should expect that some will refrain from the sign of peace and the communal chalice out of care for our well-being and not out of unkindness or lack of piety.



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BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS

Next weekend, **October 26th & 27th**, is our annual Bread for the World Offering of Letters, sponsored by OLG's Pax Christi/Social Justice Group. You will have an opportunity to sign postcards to your senators and representative asking them to support legislation that protects humanitarian foreign assistance funding for Central America. The need is great, as nearly half of Guatemalan children are chronically malnourished as are 15% of children in Honduras and El Salvador respectively. So take a few minutes after the Masses next weekend to visit our tables at the entrances to the

DELICIOUS BURRITOS FOR SALE!

The Hispanic Group will be selling Mexican food on **Sunday, October 27th** after the 11:30 Mass and at 3:00pm after the 1:30pm Spanish Mass at Stack Center. We will sell chicken and chile verde (pork) burritos. These will include: rice, beans, cheese, pico de gallo, sour cream and your choice of meat. Price is \$7.50 each. Come and join us and enjoy homemade Mexican food. Thank you for your support!

**CATHOLIC VOICE ANNUAL APPEAL**

Your donation helps our parish offset its payment for this important communication ministry. The Voice is the only regular source of Catholic news and information delivered to all parishioners in the diocese. *The parish pays \$746.00 each month for our parishioners' subscriptions.* We ask for a \$25 per household donation. We thank you for your support. **Check should be made payable to Our Lady of Grace.** Envelopes are in the pews for your use.

**DINNER WITH THE FRANCISCANS**

St. Maximilain Kolbe Council 16770 Knights of Columbus invites you to join us to for an evening of music and dining with the Franciscan Friars of the Province of St. Joseph of Cupertino. Stack Center doors open at 5:00pm on **Saturday, November 9th** for hors d'oeuvres, no-host bar and opening of the Silent Auction. Dinner is catered by Miraglia's Catering and will be served at 6:00pm. There will be a presentation on the Friars Ministries with dessert at 7:00pm. Council 16770 is selling tickets online and after Mass or you may come by the Parish Office. Prices are \$45/adult & \$30/child. The night is a fundraiser to support young men being formed for the Ministry. All proceeds from the event will be donated by Council 16770 to help with the cost of education and formation of a young man to become a Franciscan Friar.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY & CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL

An envelope for this special collection is in the pews for the collection **today, October 20th**. Please note that 45.5% of the funds raised will go to the National Office for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith, 4.5% to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, and 50% to the office of National Collections, Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Thank you for your response to this appeal.

NEW PROTOCOLS FOR LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please choose one of two days: **October 29th or November 12th for training beginning at 6:30pm.** If you have not been a lector or minister, this is your opportunity to "come and see". RSVP Jackie at jcrucz@olgcv.org with your choice of training date.



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.

**PILGRIMAGE AUGUST 2020
Passion Play, Poland & Prague
FINAL CALL!**

A play of life and death, promised in a moment of mortal threat. In 1633, in the middle of the Thirty Years War, Oberammergauers pledged to perform the "Play of the Suffering, Death & Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years. We will be closing applications for the Pilgrimage this month. Please contact Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-881-7850 or heidimdh106@gmail.com

CELEBRATE CHILDREN!

Dear Parents,

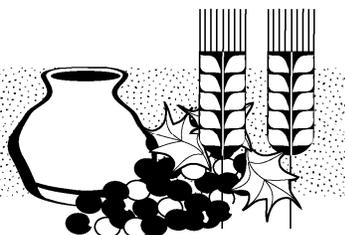
Our parish enthusiastically welcomes your growing family to fully celebrate with us. May we suggest:

- ***Relax.** God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
- ***Sit** towards the front or aisle where it is easier for little ones to see & hear.
- ***Quietly** explain the parts of the Mass.
- ***Sing** the hymns and **pray** the prayers together.
Children learn from your actions.
- *If necessary, the Family Room located at the right side of the Church is available for your use.

To all Parishioners:

The presence of children is a gift to your Church. Like all of us, they are members of the Body of Christ & a reminder of the growth & future of our Church. Please welcome our children & their parents, & give them a big smile of encouragement!

Give thanks
to the
Lord of the
harvest



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

Offerings of October 13th:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 10,277.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 9,038.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 1,239.00

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 | Sheila McAlinden |
| Maria Bettencourt | Rose Montalban |
| Maureen Boeh | Mona Mulvaney |
| Peggy Burton | Florence Sharp |
| Heidi Carne | Howard Songey |
| Ana Cochran | Lurdes Sousa |
| Byron Griffith | Mercedes Tellez |
| Linda Guzman | Denyse Verhaegen |
| Maxine Kruzel | Mary Lou Vincent |
| Wally Lim | Arthur Williams |
| Laura Martell | Peggy Winkenbach |

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

- FR. STANISLAUS POON**
FR. MATTHEW VELLANKAL
ANTONIO PANGELINAN
COMMANDER SAL ROMO

USE SCRIP WHILE YOU SHOP

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.

OLG PARISH CHRISTMAS OUTING

Come enjoy a beautiful day at Filoli Gardens on **December 10th**. We will depart OLG by bus at 11:00am & return at 5:00pm. The cost is \$95 per person & includes: transportation, high tea, self-tour of Filoli Gardens and house. Holiday attire is encouraged! To reservations & payment instructions, please call Dorothy Cassani no later than **November 1st** at 510-331-5553.

**OLG CRAB FEED 2020
SAVE THE DATE!**

You don't want to miss the OLG Crab Feed scheduled for **February 1st, 2020** in Stack Center, hosted by the Knights of Columbus.



BOY SCOUT WREATH SALE

Boy Scout Troop 876 will be taking orders for Christmas wreaths on **November 2nd & 3rd** after the 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 Masses. Place your order for delivery the 1st week in December. Enjoy the smell of fresh greenery this holiday season while helping the Scouts earn money to support their troop in their only fundraiser of the year.

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.

**CHRIST THE LIGHT CATHEDRAL
CONCERT - All Souls' Requiem**

Join Bishop Barber, SJ and the Cathedral Choir of Men & Boys on **November 2nd** at 11:00am as we pray for the faithful departed. The choir will sing David Brigg's Requiem for choir, organ and orchestra under the direction of the Cathedral's Director of Music, Rudy de Vos.

**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.



THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 20th:

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children's Liturgy of the Word
9:30am Mass--Augustine Center

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

1st Communion & Middle School Catechesis
10:50am--Stack Center

Confirmation/Youth Ministry
6:00pm--Stack Center

Tuesday, October 22nd:

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
9:30am--Parish Office, McGarvey Room

Women's Evening Bible Study
7:00pm--Stack Center, OLG Room

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

Wednesday, October 23rd:

Knights Of Columbus Meeting
6:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Thursday, October 24th:

RCIA
7:00pm--Stack Center, OLG Room

Adoration
7:00pm--Church

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

Sunday, October 27th:

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children's Liturgy of the Word
9:30am Mass--Augustine Center

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

New Parishioner Registration
10:30am--Stack Center

Whole Family Catechesis
10:50am--Stack Center

Hispanic Group Burrito Sale
After 11:30am & 1:30pm Masses--Stack Center



Mass Intentions for the Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, October 20th

THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30am Louis Rodrigues--D

MONDAY, October 21st

8:15am Catalina Ortoljo--L

TUESDAY, October 22nd

St. John Paul II, Pope

8:15am Natalie Ingram--L

WEDNESDAY, October 23rd

St. John of Capistrano, Priest

8:15am Rose Nicasio--D

THURSDAY, October 24th

St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8:15am Jose, Julia & Teresa Sousa--D

FRIDAY, October 25th

8:15am Modesta Lachica--D

SATURDAY, October 26th

8:15am Al Stainbrook--D

5:00pm Aaron Alcorn--D

SUNDAY, October 27th

THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30am Aaron Alcorn--D



pray always and never lose heart!

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EXECUTION ALERTS

The following execution is scheduled to take place in **October:**

October 30th Ruben Gutierrez Texas

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

THE ALTAR SOCIETY CAN USE YOUR HELP

We are in need of 1 or 2 women to take turns doing the Holy Laundry. Rotation is about once every 5 or 6 weeks. If you can help in this ministry, please contact Luz Estella or leave a message at the Parish Office at 537-0806. Thank you!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

October 21st through October 27th

Monday: Romans 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday: Romans 5:12, 15, 17-21;
Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday: Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48

Thursday: Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53

Friday: Romans 7:18-25; Luke 12:54-59

Saturday: Romans 8:1-11; Luke 13:1-9

Sunday: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18;
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14



*Be doers of the Word
and not hearers only*

DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve the OLG Community on your schedule? Consider joining the *Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick*. We deliver the Blessed Sacrament to the sick and homebound who are unable to join us at Mass on a regular basis. Qualifications required? A faith-filled and compassionate heart! Minimal training required. If this could be your calling or you have questions, please contact Theresa at 510-581-7694 or leave your name and number at the Parish Office. Blessings!

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.



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