



Praying For The Dead

The *Dies Irae* is commonly attributed to the authorship of Friar Thomas of Celano. It is a hymn of singular awe and piety. It is customarily sung as part of the Requiem Mass, the mass said for the repose of the deceased. The hymn is a meditation on the Last Judgment, when Christ will come again in glory, no longer granting mercy, but as the Just Judge who will separate the just from the wicked, casting the latter into eternal fire, and welcoming the former to eternal bliss. The hymn closes with a supplication for mercy before the coming of that terrible day.

Pie Jesu Domine,	Faithful Lord Jesus,
dona eis requiem.	grant them rest.
Amen.	Amen.

Please take some time this month to pray for those who have died this last year. Their names are by our Blessed Mother.

Franciscans At OLG

I would like to thank all who came to the fundraiser dinner to support our province of St. Joseph of Cupertino. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who prepared and hosted the dinner. If you were unable to come and would like to support the Franciscan friars before the end of the year, please stop by the Office with a donation. Please make your checks payable to "Conventual Franciscans of California".

Your support helps us educate our young men in formation who may someday serve you and your children. We need your help to cover the costs of our retired friars, who serve as they can, like Fr. Thomas Hamilton who helps with Adoration and Confessions. Your contributions help our friars obtain degrees so they can serve like Br. Chris Saindon who teaches at our School. Your contributions help us send Friars to serve in our Mission in Vietnam. Our Mission continues to prosper with more people seeking to become Franciscans than we have room to house. These young men are inspired by our community life, serving the poor, caring for lepers, running an orphanage, helping the sick and elderly, assisting and running churches and reaching out to oppressed minorities, all through prayer and sacrifice. Finally, we ask your help to care for our sick friars who offer their sufferings for our church and ministries.

We have sought to offer Our Lady of Grace Parish the best we have to offer. The Franciscans gave up two Parishes to take on the Ministry at Our Lady of Grace. Fr. Paul Gawlowski ended our ministry at St. Paul the Shipwreck in San Francisco to minister here at Our Lady of Grace. Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw served us offering his expertise as a professor in Scripture and his gift of a joyous spirit with fluency in multiple languages. Fr. Paul Fazio offers us his years of experience as a pastor and as an instructor in the formation of Franciscans. Fr. Francisco offers his education, service, and expertise by overseeing the Evangelization and Confirmation ministry without a salary. His gift of Language has been utilized in our Spanish Ministry, educational Scripture Series, developing First Friday Devotion by organizing a Latin Mass and Choir. Each friar is unique and offers different gifts. We have had many of our young men in formation volunteer and serve this community on their breaks from School. Friar Israel will be here to help around Christmas. We hope we may inspire your faith and help this community and we ask you remember our efforts by supporting us.

Our Parish Finances

If you have been watching our finances, you may realize that we were falling behind on our budgeted income to run the Parish. We did not raise our budgeted income this year since we did not achieve it last year. One Parishioner has made a heroic effort to help us close the gap between what was budgeted and what we have received. We could all make an effort to help us stay on budget this year. If we could all give 5 to 10 dollars more a week, we can reach our budget by the end of the year.

Peace,
Fr. Tom

Gospel for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (November 17th)

Luke 21:5-19

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

VETERANS DAY



VETERAN'S DAY

Monday, **November 11th**, is a federal holiday. The Parish Office will be closed and will re-open at 8:30am on Tuesday, **November 12th**. Have a safe Veteran's Day weekend.

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED FRIENDS AND FAMILY

The envelopes for All Saints and All Souls will be placed on the altar for the month of November for those wishing to remember their loved ones.

You may bring a picture of your loved one to be placed on a table before the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Church and it will remain there through the month of November. Please put your name and contact on the back of the photo.

Our *Book of Remembrance* also provides an opportunity to record the names of deceased loved ones to be lifted up in prayer during the month of November.



COLLECTION FOR THE DIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY

A collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services (AMS) will take place **this weekend of November 9th & 10th**. The AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or the U.S. Military, has no parishes for a weekly in-pew collection and must rely principally on private donations to fund an annual operating budget of over \$8.2 million. We appreciate your generosity!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The Annual Appeal for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the weekend of **November 23rd & 24th**. The programs funded by CCHD change lives for the 46.2 million people living in poverty here in the United States. Your donation will empower local communities and strengthen families who are on the margins. People with disabilities will find affordable and supportive housing, men and women re-entering society after incarceration will have the opportunity to learn new skills, and community agriculture projects will receive grants to become sustainable. Please help us continue this good work by supporting the collection for CCHD.



ONE WARM COAT DRIVE

This year the St. Vincent de Paul Conference at Our Lady of Grace will be participating in the One Warm Coat Drive. We invite parishioners to donate **new or gently used men's, women's or children's coats** to this drive. These coats will be distributed through our local Conference and the drop-in centers and clothing closet at St. Vincent de Paul's main campus in Oakland. We will also be collecting **sleeping bags, blankets, handwarmers & tarps**. Please bring your donations and place in the barrel at the Somerset entrance of the church or in the parish office. We will be accepting coats from **November 1st to December 31st**. We thank you for your generosity.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD POSTCARD DRIVE

Our Pax Christi/Social Justice group would like to thank all of you who participated in our Bread for the World letter writing campaign after the Masses on the weekend of Oct. 26-27. Our parishioners signed 246 postcards - 85 to Senator Feinstein, 82 to Senator Harris, and 79 to Representative Swalwell. Your postcards show our elected officials your support as a Christian for legislation that protects humanitarian foreign assistance funding for Central America.



ICF NEWS Soup's On!

Come join the ICF for Lisa's most delicious Minestrone soup, plus salad and dessert on **Thursday, November 14th**, at 6:30pm. While this is not the usual "Full Meal", we are asking that you bring nonperishable food items that will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help feed those less fortunate. The cost for dinner is \$12 and reservations are required. Please call Juanita at 510-582-7242 by **Monday, November 11th**. Enjoy and be thankful for what you have.

Biscotti Pick-Up

Biscotti orders will be available for pick up after all Masses the weekend of **November 23rd & 24th**. Please call Toni at 510-303-8664 if you have any questions.

NEW PROTOCOLS FOR LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Our last training session will be **November 12th 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 to sign-up.



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.



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Classes have begun. They are held on Thursdays at 7:00pm in Stack Center, OLG Room. If you or someone you know is interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or is seeking membership into the Church, please call the Parish Office for details. All are welcome!

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you are over eighteen years of age, out of high school, and have not yet been confirmed, you may register for adult confirmation. Fr. Francisco will prepare the candidates. Please contact the Parish Office and leave your full name, mobile number and email address for further details.



ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

Altar Serving is a privilege, and a necessary ministry, assisting priests and deacons at Masses and other liturgical services. It is open to students in 5th through 12th grades. Students must have received Baptism, 1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Eucharist in order to participate. There are four required training sessions at 3:15pm January 13th, 15th, 22nd & 27th. Registration forms are available at the Church entrances. Please fill out the bottom portion & return it to the Parish Office by **December 5th**. Thank you for your interest!



YOUNG CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Bring your toddler to kindergarten age kids to our next event on **November 17th** after the 9:30am Mass. The theme will be *Giving God Thanks*. Join us in Augustine Center for a fun Blessing Jar activity. See you there!



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 November 3rd:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 10,120.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 9,038.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 1,082.00
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [9,642.00]

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.

- DON JORDAN**
DOROTHY CALDWELL
CALIFORNIA FIRES

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!

COME JOIN US

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

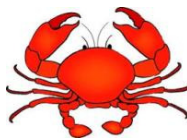


BIRTHRIGHT BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

On the weekend of **November 16th & 17th**, volunteers from Birthright of San Lorenzo will be giving out empty baby bottles after the Masses. Please take them home, fill them with your donation then return them to the Parish Office or to our Birthright office at 1048 Grant Ave. (Donations may be given at the fundraiser weekend also). Our number is 510-481-9677. Your generosity will enable our volunteers to continue helping moms, babies and families. This will also be an opportunity to learn more about Birthright, sign-up to receive our quarterly newsletters or to be a volunteer. We would love to have you on our team.

**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.

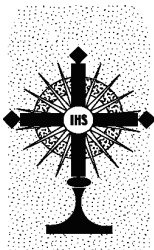


CALLING ALL WOMEN!

Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Catholic Women invite all to join them at their Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, **December 7th** at 9:30am-12:30pm at the Crowne Plaza at 45 John Glenn Dr., Concord. Our speaker will be Fr. Erick Villa, the parochial vicar at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Brentwood. Tickets are \$33 & \$40 after **November 30th**. Men are always welcome! For reservations email Magnificatsortirsvp@gmail.com or call Kim Sullivan at 925-683-8220. For more info, visit <https://Magnificat-ministry.net/ca-walnut-creek>.

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.



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.

In
Memory of

THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 10th:

The Thirty-Second 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 & Middle School Catechesis
10:50am--Stack Center

Monday, November 11th:

Parish Offices Closed
In Observance of Veteran's Day

Tuesday, November 12th:

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

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

Wednesday, November 13th:

Bingo!
6:00pm--Stack Center

Thursday, November 14th:

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

Adoration
7:00pm--Church

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

Sunday, November 17th:

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Young Children's Ministry
After 9:30am Mass--Augustine Center

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

1st Communion Class
10:50am--Stack Center

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, November 10th
 THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 9:30am Dave Smith--D

MONDAY, November 11th
 St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
 8:15am Lilia Sousa--D

TUESDAY, November 12th
 St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr
 8:15am Antonio Chocha--D

WEDNESDAY, November 13th
 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
 8:15am Antonio Chocha--D

THURSDAY, November 14th
 8:15am Joel Tejada--L

FRIDAY, November 15th
 St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 8:15am Shirley Moresi--D

SATURDAY, November 16th
 St. Margaret of Scotland & St. Gertrude, Virgin
 8:15am Ted, Joni & Kathleen Linney--D
 5:00pm Ed Bevilacqua--D

SUNDAY, November 17th
 THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 9:30am Roland Tamayo--D
 1:30pm Marie Evans--D

EXECUTION ALERTS

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

- November 13th Patrick Murphy Texas
- November 20th Rodney Reed Texas

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



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!

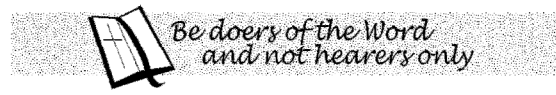
ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

November 11th through November 17th

- Monday: Wisdom 1:1-7; Luke 17:1-6
- Tuesday: Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Luke 17:7-10
- Wednesday: Wisdom 6:1-11; Luke 17:11-19
- Thursday: Wisdom 7:22-8:1; Luke 17:20-25
- Friday: Wisdom 13:1-9; Luke 17:26-37
- Saturday: Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Luke 18:1-8
- Sunday: Malachi 3:19-20;
 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19



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.



DO THIS IN BRANCE OF ME REMEM-

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

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