

Catholic School Week

Having attended Catholic School, I can attest to their essential mission to educate, inspire faith, and challenge for excellence. I am so impressed with Our Lady of Grace School and our commitment to create a loving environment that inspires faith and excellence in our children. Our children last year achieved the highest scores for entrance for Catholic High Schools. Most importantly, for myself, is that we allow Christ to be known and for His message to allow us to understand our identity and value as human beings and nurture our God-given potential. Our secular schools often promote values that indoctrinate a culture of death and sterility that devalues the dignity of human beings. Parents are the primary educators of their children. Catholic Schools were created to assist parents in this God-given mission. May God bless our principal, teachers, and families in this mission of **Love** that **Unites** us, allowing us to know **Truth**.

40 Days for Life

I would like to begin a 40 Days For Life campaign at Our Lady of Grace. I am looking for people to help organize a campaign here at Our Lady of Grace. Please pray to God if you are to help and contact the office or talk to Fr. Tom after Mass. I would like to begin February 25th.

40 Days for Life is a community-based social justice campaign that takes a determined, peaceful approach to showing our local communities the consequences of abortion in our own neighborhoods, for our own friends and families. It puts into action a desire to cooperate with God in the carrying out of His plan for the end of abortion. It draws attention to the tragedy and evil of abortion through the use of a three-point program:

- Prayer and fasting
- Constant vigil
- Community outreach

First Friday Devotion on February 7th

“I promise you, in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the first Friday for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance; they shall not die in my disgrace nor without receiving the sacraments; my divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in that last moment.” — *Our Lord to St. Margaret Mary*

How To Complete The First Friday’s Devotion:

- Receive Holy Communion on each First Friday;
- The nine Fridays must be consecutive;
- They must be made in honor and in reparation to His Sacred Heart.

Act Of Reparation To The Sacred Heart Of Jesus

Sacred Heart of Jesus, animated with a desire to repair the outrages unceasingly offered to Thee, we prostrate before Thy throne of mercy, and in the name of all mankind, pledge our love and fidelity to Thee!

The more Thy mysteries are blasphemed, the more firmly we shall believe them, O Sacred Heart of Jesus!

The more impiety endeavors to extinguish our hopes of immortality, the more we shall trust in Thy Heart, sole hope of mankind!

The more hearts resist Thy Divine attractions, the more we shall love Thee, O infinitely amiable Heart of Jesus!

The more unbelief attacks Thy Divinity, the more humbly and profoundly we shall adore It, O Divine Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy holy laws are transgressed and ignored, the more we shall delight to observe them, O most holy Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy Sacraments are despised and abandoned, the more frequently we shall receive them with love and reverence, O most liberal Heart of Jesus!

The more the imitation of Thy virtues is neglected and forgotten, the more we shall endeavor to practice them, O Heart of Jesus, model of every virtue!

The more the devil labors to destroy souls, the more we shall be inflamed with desire to save them, O Heart of Jesus, zealous Lover of souls!

The more sin and impurity destroy the image of God in man, the more we shall try by purity of life to be a living temple of the Holy Spirit, O Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy Holy Church is despised, the more we shall endeavor to be her faithful children, O Sweet Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy Vicar on earth is persecuted, the more we will honor him as the infallible head of Thy Holy Church, show our fidelity and pray for him, O kingly Heart of Jesus!

O Sacred Heart, through Thy powerful grace, may we become Thy apostles in the midst of a corrupted world, and be Thy crown in the kingdom of heaven. *Amen.*

The “12 Promises Of The Sacred Heart To St. Margaret Mary” continues on the next page.

12 PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART TO ST. MARGARET MARY

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places wherein the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.
12. In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

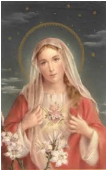
School reopened January 6th and since then many educational opportunities were experienced. We work with Castro Valley Sanitary District to follow the guidelines to be a Green Ribbon School and to that end our Student Council did a lunch audit of all our disposal bins. Our students know how to properly place items in either garbage, organic, or recycle bins reducing our carbon footprint. Eighth grade students applying to Catholic high schools took their HSPT test on January 11th. They wait now until March for the admittance letters. Catholic Schools Week began after 9:30 Mass on January 26th with a lovely brunch provided by Miraglia Catering. Many people travelled throughout the school looking at all the current work students have produced under the tutelage of their teachers. As always, the most well attended day of that week was January 29th, when Special Friends/Grandparents came for Mass, brunch, and entertainment by the school children. All was done with love and leads us into this month of February noted for St. Valentine and loving hearts.

-Susan Anderson



1ST FRIDAY DEVOTION & EVENING LATIN MASS

Come join us **1st Friday, February 7th**, for Mass at 8:15am with the recitation of the Litany of the Sacred



Heart. Join us in the evening at 7:00pm at the Casa Kolbe Chapel (19950 Anita Ave.) for Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form.



ICF POLENTA FEED

Come join the ICF Branch #343 for our Polenta Feed on Saturday, **February 15th**, in Stack Center. Doors open at 6:00pm. Menu includes: Salad, Polenta, Sausage, Bread, Dessert, Wine, Soda and Coffee. There will be entertainment and raffles. Price is \$35 per person or \$250 for a table of 8! Reservations and payment required in advance. **Deadline is February 8th**. Please send one check with the names of those at your table for 8 to: Lisa Crudo, 3718 September Ct. Castro Valley, CA 94546, the same for individual reservations. Any questions, please call Lisa at 510-861-9835.



CYO GIRLS BASKETBALL REGISTRATION



Registration is available online for **CYO Girls Basketball** at www.olgcvcyo.siplay.com then click "Login". Girl's Basketball is open for grades 2nd-8th. Fee for the 2020 program year is \$215. Space is limited. Registrants will be placed on a "Waiting List" if slots are full. For more information or questions, please email: olgcyocv@gmail.com. Go Lions!

The LORD loves the just and protects the stranger

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YOUNG CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Bring your toddler to kindergarten age kids on **February 9th**, after the 9:30am Mass. The theme will be *God Is Love*. We will meet in the TK Room in Augustine Center. See you there!





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

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ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEWS Who Are We Helping?

Cindy is a single Mom of 2. She works part-time and we have been helping her off and on for the past 5 years, mainly with food. Recently she got a full-time contract job and needed help with gas until she gets paid. We were able to give her a gas card.

Lily was referred to us by the downtown office. She moved to this area and needed help with rent. She is on SSI and works part-time at UPS and as a health care worker. She was having trouble paying off the rest of her deposit along with paying rent. We helped her with part of her rent which allowed her to use her paycheck to pay off the balance of the deposit. We also gave her some food to help keep expenses down.

We appreciate your support of St. Vincent de Paul as we help those in our community. Please keep us and those we serve in your prayers. If you would like to get involved in this ministry or just have some questions, please call Heidi at 510-881-7850 or email svdp@olgcv.org



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 **February 5th** 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 January 26th:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 8,026.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 8,472.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [446.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 3,381.00

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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| Cindy Abraham | Rose Montalban |
| Glen Alcorn | Leticia Nelson |
| Maureen Boeh | Diana Riley |
| Peggy Burton | Florence Sharp |
| Heidi Carne | Howard Songey |
| Theresa Ferrari | Lurdes Sousa |
| Linda Guzman | Mercedes Tellez |
| Wally Lim | Mary Lou Vincent |
| Laura Martell | Arthur Williams |
| Sheila McAlinden | Peggy Winkenbach |

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

ROSALIND CRUDO



REJOICE AND BE GLAD FOR YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN IS GREAT

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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!

USE SCRIP WHILE YOU SHOP

Do you get coffee at Starbucks? Buy groceries at Safeway? Use SCRIP 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. 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? Contact the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

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.

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.



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.

GRIEF SUPPORT

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Please join us on your healing journey on Thursday, **February 13th and 27th** at St. Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, at 7:30pm. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation. Please call Eleanor at 925-46-8708 for more information.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 2nd:

The Presentation of the Lord

Children's Liturgy of the Word
9:30am Mass--Augustine Center
1st Communion Class
10:50am--Stack Center

Tuesday, February 4th:

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
9:30am--Parish Office, McGarvey Room
Men's Faith Share
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Wednesday, February 5th:

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

Thursday, February 6th:

RCIA
7:00pm--Stack Center, OLG Room
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7:00pm--Parish Office, Upper Room
Adoration
7:00pm--Church
AA Serenity Group
7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

Friday, February 7th:

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

Sunday, February 9th:

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church

SUNDAY, February 2nd

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

7:30am Franciscan Friars' Intentions

9:30am Maria Chan--D

Aaron Alcorn--D

Maria Nhuan Nguyen--D

1:30pm Duarte & Ortega Families

MONDAY, February 3rd

St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

St. Ansgar, Bishop

8:15am Dorothy & Manuel Callier--D

TUESDAY, February 4th

8:15am Adelaide Martin--D

WEDNESDAY, February 5th

St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

8:15am Marlene George--D

THURSDAY, February 6th

St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

8:15am Kimberly Hinkson--L

FRIDAY, February 7th

8:15am Dr. Perlita Vargas--D

SATURDAY, February 8th

St. Jerome Emiliani

St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

8:15am Geraldo Ferro Fernandez--D

5:00pm Antonio Chocha--D

SUNDAY, February 9th

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Laura Perino--L

9:30am Roger Lowe--D

1:30pm Franciscan Friars' Intentions



EXECUTION ALERTS

The following execution is scheduled to take place in February:

February 6th	Abel Ochoa	Texas
February 20th	Nicholas Sutton	Tennessee

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

February 3rd through February 9th

Monday: 2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30;16:5-13;
Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19:3;
Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Samuel 24:2,9-17; Mark 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kings 2:1-4,10-12; Mark 6:7-13
Friday: Sirach 47:2-11; Mark 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kings 3:4-13; Mark 6:30-34
Sunday: Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5;
Matthew 5:13-16

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: **February 6th**

9:00am to 11:15am

Speaker: Karen Miller

Topic: "Into The Desert"

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners & guests. Please stop by Stack Center on **February 9th**, 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.

HEAL AND RENEW YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouvaille... A lifeline for marriages. Do you feel lost, frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse? Retrouvaille helps married couples heal and renew their marriages. The next Weekend Program begins **February 21st-23rd**. For more information or to register visit our website at HelpOurMarriage.com or contact Gus & Edda Rivera at 510-709-6063. Our Week-ends transform marriages!

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