


**Festival Volunteers Needed**

From the Pastor

Please mark your Calendar for our Fall Festival! Please sign up to help in our booths. The Evangelization booth sponsored by Fr. Tom needs volunteers to assist with our Our Lady of Grace poster Contest for Children. We need people to assist Our Children produce works of Art and the winner will be announced on Sunday in the late afternoon. There will also be information and sign ups for our Whole Family Faith Formation on Sunday Morning in our Booth. Contact the office if you can volunteer to help your Pastor!

**Whole Family Faith Formation**

We began our Whole Family Faith Formation using a whole Family Catechesis model in August and last week for First Reconciliation gatherings. We continue Registration through the End of September. In October we expand our Whole Family Faith offerings by beginning our High School Youth Group on October 1 at 6 PM in Stack Center. On October 15 we expand our Whole Family Faith offerings to children for grades K-8 and Junior High in Stack Center at 10:50 AM until 12:30 PM. All of our gathering include food, prayer, interactive sharing, song, and fun.

***Please contact the Evangelization Office or the Main Office for more information.***

We are also seeking volunteers to assist with hospitality, teaching, crafting ability, cooking, serving, singing and praying. We ask the volunteers become part of a team to create an atmosphere of faith and welcome to assist our families and create life long disciples. This is more than just a program or class but our community embracing and helping families in their faith home by witnessing the "yes" of Mary to God's plan to embrace humanity through the Mercy and Love of Jesus. Contact the Office and offer your "yes" to create a place of Love and Peace where disciples can grow and thrive.

**Pilgrimage petitions**

We are taking your intentions to be prayed for at the Shrines of Our Blessed Mother at Fatima and Lourdes. Please place your petition in an envelope marked Pilgrimage and an optional offering to help victims of the hurricanes and return it to the office by October 1. Miracles have occurred through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother at both of these shrines and both of these apparitions changed our World by bringing people to faith and restoring peace. May Our Lady of Fatima lead us to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as we honor her on the 100th Anniversary of the Apparition.

**Gospel for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (September 24th)**
**Matthew 20:1-16a**

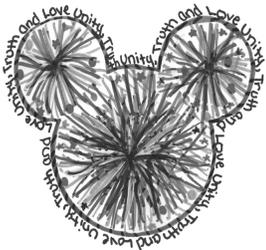
For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, "You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, "Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?" "Because no one has hired us", they answered. He said to them, "You also go and work in my vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first." The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. "These who were hired last worked only one hour," they said, "and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day." But he answered one of them, "I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.

**OLG FESTIVAL 2017  
SEPTEMBER 23rd & 24th  
ONCE UPON A TIME.....**

Make plans to join us for our annual Parish Festival **September 23rd-24th**. It will be a time for making magical memories!

Consider being a **Festival Sponsor** --many generous individuals and businesses have sponsored the Festival in the past. Your Sponsorship will be acknowledged with a sign at the Festival as well as in our social media. Call the Parish Office for details.

OUR LADY OF GRACE FESTIVAL 2017  
SEPTEMBER 23RD & 24TH



Once Upon A Time....

**Raffle Tickets:** Tickets have been mailed! You could be the lucky winner but, you have to return your tickets to the Parish office to claim your prize.

**Festival Donations** are needed: It's that time again! We are preparing for Festival 2017 and you get to clean out your closets and fill our various booths: gently used **JEWELRY** and **PURSES** for our Jewelry Booth; used **BOOKS, CD's and DVD's** are needed for the **BOOK NOOK**; and don't forget to clean the kids closets we need gently used and loved **STUFFED ANIMALS AND SMALL TOYS** for the Kid Zone prizes. We also need gently used clean **CHILDREN'S CLOTHING** for the Kids Clothing Corner: **WINE** donations are needed for Wheel of Fortune! Donations can be brought to the Parish Office.

**FALL FESTIVAL RAFFLE TICKETS, T-SHIRTS, FOOD AND GAME TICKETS & PANCAKE BREAKFAST TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

Need additional Raffle tickets? How about a Festival T-shirt or Food and Game tickets for the Festival? All are available in the Parish Office. Stop in and get ready for the Festival!

**FALL FESTIVAL PASTA DINNER!**

Join us for a delicious Pasta Dinner on Sunday, **September 24th** at 5:00 pm. The menu includes penne pasta with meat or vegetarian sauce, garlic bread, salad & biscotti for dessert. Tickets are \$9 per person & \$16 for 2 people. Tickets are available in the Parish Office & sold after each Mass for the next 2 weeks.

**FALL FESTIVAL  
2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF  
SEPTEMBER 24th**

Time to cook up your best batch of Chili and enter the **2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off!**

Top voted chili gets a prize and bragging rights! To enter, please send your contact to Michelle Sheely at 510-410-7969 or email her at [olgchili-cookoff@gmail.com](mailto:olgchili-cookoff@gmail.com). Please bring your chili in a one-gallon crock pot and an extension cord. Judging will be from Noon to 4:00 pm on Sunday, **September 24th**.

**FALL FESTIVAL  
TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT  
SEPTEMBER 23rd**

Join our 1st ever No Limit Texas Hold 'Em Tournament! Play poker while your family enjoys the Fall Festival. 1st Place Winner receives a official tournament bracelet & a free seat at the next tournament. Tableside drink service will be offered. All proceeds benefit OLG Church & School! Tickets are \$50 & Re-buys are \$25. Contact Elena Millard-Zavala at [emillardzavala@gmail.com](mailto:emillardzavala@gmail.com) or 510-240-2495 for more tickets, table sponsorship or information.

**TABLE SPONSORS WANTED!**

\$200 Sponsorship includes:

Tournament Ticket

Seat Selection

Your Name on the Table

Half-Price Re-Buys and Add-Ons

**REGISTRATION FOR  
WHOLE FAMILY FAITH & YOUTH MINISTRY  
(FORMERLY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)  
IS NOW OPEN ONLINE**

It's time to register for Whole Family Faith (formally religious education) and Youth Ministry. We are very excited to be using a new online registration process, powered by ActiveNetwork.

<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/>

**OurLadyofGraceChurchFaithFormationCenter**

Registration Fee is \$100 per child with a \$45 discount for each sibling.

To register in person, please come to the Parish Office or after Mass on Sunday, **September 17th**. Last day to register is **September 24th**.

Whole Family Catechesis (K-8 not in First Communion) begins **October 15th**.

Youth Group and Confirmation begins **October 1st**.

**Remember, all children are welcome!**

**FORMING DISCIPLES  
PRESENTED BY FR. FRANCISCO NAHOE**

Fr. Francisco Nahoe will continue his presentations on *Christian Discipleship in Religious Education and Evangelization* in September. The presentations will be Tuesday, **September 19th & 26th**. All presentations will be in Stack Center at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

**OLG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Join us for Men's Bible Study facilitated by Fr. Paul. We meet in Room 7 in Stack Center. The Study takes place every Tuesday for an hour each session and is open to all men of the parish 18 years and older. You may join in the study at anytime.

**ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Join us every Saturday for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:30am Mass, and every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Church.



**CYO FALL SPORTS  
REGISTRATION**



Registration is available on line for *CYO Boys Basketball and Girls Volleyball* at [www.olgcv.org](http://www.olgcv.org) follow the link for CYO. All players will need to create a new account prior to completing their first registration within the system. Boys Basketball is open for grades 2-8 and Girl's Volleyball for grades 4-8. Fees for the 2017-2018 program year will be \$190.00 with a \$50.00 uniform fee. For more information email [olgcyouregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:olgcyouregistrar@gmail.com)

**ALPHA MEETING & RCIA INQUIRY**

We welcome you to attend our 1st kick-off meeting on **September 26th** at 6:00pm in Stack Center. For more information, please contact Marie at [comeandseeal-pha@gmail.com](mailto:comeandseeal-pha@gmail.com).



**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.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Stewardship of treasure involves trust in God. You have to really believe in God's Providence and trust that if you give ten percent of your income to the Church and charity, for example, God will help you live on the rest.

**Offerings of September 10th:**

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,215.00
Last Year this week	\$ 10,010.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 8,920.00</b>
Year-to-date this year:	\$307,088.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$301,912.00

*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      | Don Jordan         |
| Kathleen Andrews | Elaine Jordan      |
| Susanna Ax       | Alice McLaughlin   |
| James Barthman   | Rosy Pereira       |
| Leonardo Cabardo | Stephanie Rosevear |
| Claudia Dobbs    | David Rountree     |
| Lynn Franks      | Florence Sharp     |
| Byron Griffith   | Mercedes Tellez    |
| Dieter Hahn      | Iwan Tunggul       |

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

**VICTIMS OF HURRICANE HARVEY & IRMA  
EARTHQUAKE IN MEXICO  
& FIRES IN CALIFORNIA**

**DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT APPEAL**

There are envelopes in the pews for the Diocesan Priests Retirement Benefits Trust. This is our way of giving back to those priests who enable us to live our Catholic faith by helping with their increasing retirement costs. Thank you for your generous response to this annual appeal.



## ROSARY MEDITATIONS FROM ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

Militia Immaculata Celebrating 100 years!

100 years ago St. Maximilian Kolbe along with 6 other Franciscans began a prayer movement of Consecration to the Blessed Mother to evangelize the world and lead people through Mary and her mission of bearing Christ to the world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In honor of this anniversary and the witness of the life and heroic death of St. Maximilian Kolbe we will use his reflections to help us enter into the mysteries of the Rosary. Our Reflection this week is the Luminous Mystery of the the Wedding at Cana:

**“The Luminous Mysteries**

***The Wedding at Cana -- John 2:1-12***

Prayer is a means that people do not know about, and yet it is the most effective way to restore peace in the soul, to give them happiness, because it serves to bring them closer to God’s love. Prayer revives the world. Prayer is the indispensable condition for the regeneration and the life of every soul. (KW903)”

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HELP US HELP OTHERS

Do you know of anyone within our parish boundaries that could use help? Many around us are on fixed incomes and find it difficult to make it through the end of the month. For a number of our clients, we bring them food once a month to help supplement their food budget. At times when unexpected expenses have arisen (car, medical, etc.) we are also able to help with a portion of the rent or utilities. Names are always kept confidential. The St. Vincent de Paul message machine number is 510-581-2164 and messages are checked daily.

## EDEN AREA INTERFAITH COUNCIL

Dear Parish Community:

The Eden Area Interfaith Council (EAIC), of which Our Lady of Grace is a member, is dedicated to furthering education, dialogue, and advocacy to achieve mutual respect and understanding between all religious faiths. As part of this mission, the group is inviting participating congregations to attend each other’s worship services. OLG will host such an interfaith worship visit at our Fall Festival Outdoor Mass at 9:00am, Sunday, **September 24**. This will not be an interfaith service, but others of different faiths will be with us in spiritual communion. Please make our brothers and sisters in faith welcome.

-Mark Cotta Vaz, OLG representative

# THIS WEEK

***Sunday, September 17th:***

***The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Coffee and Donuts in Stack Center after the  
9:30am Mass

Liturgy of the Word  
9:30am--Augustine Center

***Monday, September 18th:***

Women’s Evening Bible Study  
7:00pm--Stack Center

***Tuesday, September 19th:***

Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
9:30am--Stack Center, Room 7

Liturgy Meeting  
7:00pm--McGarvey Room

Men’s Bible Study  
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Evangelization Presentation  
7:00pm--Stack Center

***Wednesday, September 20th:***

Strobridge Dinner  
5:30pm--Strobridge Apartments

***Thursday, September 21th:***

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

***Saturday, September 23th:***

Adoration  
8:45am--Church  
OLG Once Upon a Time Festival  
Noon-10:00pm

***Sunday, September 24th:***

***The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

OLG Once Upon a Time Festival  
10:00am-7:00pm

***Pancake Breakfast***  
8:30am--Stack Center

***Chili Cook-Off***  
Noon--In front of Stack Center

***Pasta Dinner***  
5:00pm--Stack Center

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

All Masses are celebrated in the Church.

**MONDAY, September 18th**  
*St. Joseph of Cupertino, Priest, Franciscan*  
 7:00am Maria & Rosa Velasquez (D)

**TUESDAY, September 19th**  
*St. Januarius, Bishop, Martyr*  
 7:00am Jerome Gann (D)

**WEDNESDAY, September 20th**  
*Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon & Paul Chong Ha-Sang & Companions, Martyrs*  
 8:15am Helen Maes (D)

**THURSDAY, September 21th**  
**ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST**  
 7:00am Jerome Gann (D)

**FRIDAY, September 22th**  
 7:00am Jose Duarte (D)

**SATURDAY, September 23th**  
*St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*  
 8:30am Bob & Lisa Rosenbusch & Family

**SUNDAY, September 24th**  
*The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 9:30am Steven Antonio (L)  
 1:15pm Jose Duarte (D)

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

The following executions are scheduled to take place in **September**:

September 7th	Juan Castillo	TX
September 13th	Gary Otte	OH

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

**COME JOIN US**

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



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**September 18th through September 24th**

Monday: 1 Timothy 2:1-8;  
 Luke 7:1-10  
 Tuesday: 1 Timothy 3:1-13;  
 Luke 7:11-17  
 Wednesday: 1 Timothy 3:14-16;  
 Luke 7:31-35  
 Thursday: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13;  
 Matthew 9:9-13  
 Friday: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12;  
 Luke 9:1-3  
 Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:13-16;  
 Luke 8:4-15  
 Sunday: Isaiah 55:6-9;  
 Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a;  
 Matthew 20:1-16a

**LITURGY OF THE WORD VOLUNTEERS**

The Evangelization Office is seeking volunteers to assist in teaching the Liturgy of the Word for children 3-11 years old on Sundays during the 9:30 a.m. Masses. Please contact the Evangelization Office at 510-582-9266. Your help is deeply appreciated!

**DIOCESE OF OAKLAND  
 THANKSGIVING MASS FOR  
 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS**

Thank and honor those in physical, mental, and spiritual healthcare professions. Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ will be celebrating Mass on Saturday, **September 30th** at 10:00am at the Cathedral of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison Street. Oakland, CA 94612. We encourage all who provide healthcare services, direct and administrative, to attend this multicultural Mass, as we celebrate your energy, dedication, and generosity. Details, updates, and invitations at [oakdiocese.org/BlessingHealers](http://oakdiocese.org/BlessingHealers)

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