

First Friday Mass at 8:15AM

Followed by the Litany of the Sacred Heart

From the Pastor 9AM coffee, bagels, and fellowship at the Parish Office

“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.

First Saturday Mass, Adoration and Queen of Heaven Series

Mass at 8:15am followed by Adoration

10AM Mary, Mother of the Church

An Evening of Prayer and Adoration on Friday December 1 at 7PM

Join us for Prayer and Adoration celebrating the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

Advent Renewal Series December 3-11 beginning in Church

Sunday December 3 at 3PM St. Francis and Our Lady

Monday December 4 at 9AM St. John Duns Scotus and the Immaculate Conception

Tuesday December 5 at 7 PM The Immaculate Our Hope

Wednesday December 6 at 7PM St. Maximilian Kolbe and Consecration

Thursday December 7 at 7PM during Adoration with prayers to Our Lady

Friday December 8 at 7PM Mass of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday December 9 at 9AM Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Immaculate Conception

7PM Spanish Prayers to Our Lady

Sunday December 10 at 3PM Spanish Prayers to Our Lady

Monday December 11 at 7PM Spanish Prayers to Our Lady

Immaculate Conception Novena**We Begin the Novena on Wednesday November 29**

The Immaculate Conception Novena will be prayed 30 Minutes before Mass. Novena Prayer sheets are in front of the Church by Our Lady of Grace.

Advent Confession Times

Saturday Mornings during Adoration 8:50AM

Saturday Afternoons from 3:30PM until 4:30PM

Thursday Evenings During Adoration at 7PM

Gospel for the First Sunday of Advent (December 3rd)**Mark 13:33-37**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: "Watch!"

**HELPING THOSE IN NEED
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

The following are the many ways to help those most in need this holiday season.

**FESCO AND CASTRO VALLEY OUTREACH
Christmas Giving Trees**

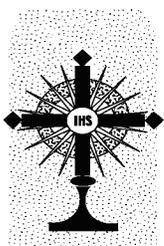
Beginning the weekend of **November 19th**, Our Lady of Grace is helping Castro Valley families with our Giving Trees. As members of CV Outreach, we are sponsoring several families. Each family member has ornaments on our Giving Trees which you will find in Church, in Stack Center after Church, & in the school and Parish offices. Please take an ornament to help a child have a blessed holiday.

All gifts need to be returned with the ornament, box and receipt, unwrapped to the Parish office by **Sunday, December 10th** in order for our REC students & Parent Group members to catalog and wrap.

In addition to helping CV Outreach, we are helping FESCO keep their programs running. They are asking for monetary donations. Donation envelopes are on the Giving Trees. Please return donations to the Parish office. Thank You!

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL
"For I was naked and you clothed me"
(Matthew 26:36)**

This year the Our Lady of Grace St. Vincent de Paul Conference 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 coat to this drive. These coats will be distributed through the drop-in centers and clothing closet at St. Vincent de Paul's main campus in Oakland . **Please bring your donation 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 – December 31st. Also, if you can donate toys, we will be taking toy donations from November 6th through Sunday December 3rd.**



**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
DECEMBER 1ST**

Come join us for Friday Night with Jesus every First Friday at 7:00pm in the Church. Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship. See you **December 1st**.



**CHRISTMAS STORY
PERFORMANCE &
TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY**

On Saturday, **December 2nd**, all parishioners are welcome to stay after the 5:00pm Mass to see the school children perform the Christmas Story. All are welcome afterwards to come to Stack Center for the lighting of our huge Christmas tree, followed by refreshments.

**EVANGELIZATION
Be Set Ablaze**

*Forming Disciples and
building community for every generation.*

**FIRST FRIDAY
December 1st**

Join us **December 1st** with Confession at 7:30AM, Mass at 8:15AM followed by coffee, bagels and cream cheese in the Parish office.

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS
December 2nd**

Mass at 8:30AM, Adoration, Rosary, Confession, & Benediction from 9AM to 10AM. Followed by Brunch with Queen of Heaven Series from 10AM to 11:30AM in Stack Center.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Again, this year, we are inviting you to remember family members and friends through a Flower Offering which will help us to purchase plants and other decorations we need to beautify our sanctuary. You may list the names of loved ones you wish to remember or memorialize by using the special flower envelopes --or by submitting the name to the Parish Office. A list of names of all who are remembered will be available after Christmas. Thank you for considering this thoughtful and helpful way to remember those you love.



COME JOIN US

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

SUNDAY COLLECTION UPDATE

Please note due to the holiday schedule of our bulletin publisher we are not able to report the weekly offerings for **November 19th**. The Sunday offering will be updated with the **December 3rd** bulletin.

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
PARISH APPEAL**

Thank you for your generous support last week to the appeal for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Envelopes are still in the pews or you can visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" on the left.



**RCIA CORNER
Knowing Your Faith Series**

We offer a warm, accepting setting in small group discussions to find ways to deepen our faith and to nurture those seeking membership into the Catholic Church. Our next meeting will be on **November 28th** at 7:00pm where Fr. Francisco will present "Biblical Reflections". Please join us! For more information, please contact Marie at rcia@olgcv.org

**The Lord IS CALLING You!??
MEN'S FAITH SHARE**

All men of the parish are invited to join Our Men's Faith Share and Bible Study every Tuesday evening from 7 – 8:15pm in Stack Center-Room 7. Each week Fr. Paul leads a discussion on the meaning and application to our lives for the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. **COME & YOU WILL SEE!** (Jn 1:39). Next meeting is **November 28th**

**CATHOLIC VOICE ANNUAL APPEAL
STILL TIME TO DONATE FOR THIS YEAR !**

Please consider a donation to the Annual Appeal for The Catholic Voice. 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. *Please be generous in your support our Parish pays \$707.00 each month for this subscription. Your donation of \$25.00 would help offset the parish expense.*

Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of Grace. Envelopes are in the pews.

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 November 12th:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,232.00
Last Year this week	\$ 8,447.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 8,920.00
Year-to-date this year:	\$384,667.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$376,945.00

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 | Dieter Hahn |
| Kathleen Andrews | Don Jordan |
| Susanna Ax | Elaine Jordan |
| James Barthman | Laura Martell |
| Jackson Tyler Bishop | Alice McLaughlin |
| Leonardo Cabardo | Rosy Pereira |
| Antonio O. Chocha | Stephanie Rosevear |
| Jose Cisneros | David Rountree |
| Claudia Dobbs | Florence Sharp |
| Lynn Franks | Mercedes Tellez |
| Bill Fuller | Iwan Tunggal |
| Byron Griffith | |

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

- LILIA BONARDI
FR. ANTHONY HERRERA
ESPERANZA ORTEGA
VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE**



ROSARY BEFORE MASS

Come join in prayer of the Rosary 30 minutes before each of the weekend liturgies. Pray for our Parish and our youth as they journey with the Alpha Youth program. All are welcome!



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 Glorious Mystery of The Ascension:

“The Glorious Mysteries

The Ascension--Mark 16:19-20

This life shall pass and then our true reward will begin. Nothing, not even the smallest effort, even the smallest suffering embraced for the glory of God will escape a lavish reward, and that for all eternity...As we can see from history, God will reward not only what we have done, but also what *we should have desired to do*, even though we did not have enough strength to put it into effect. We should desire, then, but desire without limits! (KW 1248)”

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS: GOT QUESTIONS? ALPHA - December 3rd

Join us from 6-8pm in Stack Center to share a **Meal**, watch an exciting **Video** & discuss in small groups the video and **our Faith in God** as we have **Fun** & make new **Friends!** Our hope for those teens who attend ALPHA is to have a deep experience with God as we explore our faith and answer questions in a comfortable setting. Invite your friends, all are welcome!

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

On December 2nd & 3rd, volunteers will be giving out baby bottles after all the Masses. The money you donate inside the bottles will go to keep Birthright open to Moms troubled about their pregnancies who seek our help. We exist as an alternative to abortion and believe that “every woman has the right to give birth and every baby has the right be born”. We will be grateful for any amount you can spare. The bottles can be returned to the church office or to the Birthright office in San Lorenzo. Our address and phone number will be on the bottle’s label. For further information (especially if you wish to become a volunteer), please call Theresa Fuller at 582-6358 or the Birthright office at 481-9677. Thank you.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 26th:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Coffee & Donuts
After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center
Liturgy of the Word
9:30am--Augustine Center
New Parishioner Registration
10:00am--Stack Center
Dinner with the Franciscans
5:00pm--Stack Center

Tuesday, November 28th:

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
9:30am--Parish Office
RCIA-Fr. Francisco Presentation
7:00pm--Stack Center
Men’s Faith Share
7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Thursday, November 30th:

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

Friday, December 1st:

First Friday Breakfast & Presentation
9:00am--Parish Office
Adoration
7:00pm--Church

Saturday, December 2nd:

First Saturday Mass & Adoration
8:15am--Church
First Reconciliation
10:15am--Church

Sunday, December 3rd:

The First Sunday of Advent

Coffee & Donuts
After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center
Liturgy of the Word
9:30am--Augustine Center
Whole Family Catechesis
10:50am--Stack Center
Advent Renewal
3:00pm--Church
ALPHA/Youth Ministry
6:00pm--Stack Center

Mass Intentions for the Week

All Masses are celebrated in the Church.

MONDAY, November 27th

*St. Francis Anthony Fasani,
OFM, Conv., Priest*

8:15am Peggy Harrington (D)

TUESDAY, November 28th

*St. James of the Marches,
OFM, Conv., Priest*

8:15am Ernie Selmeczki (D)

WEDNESDAY, November 29th

**ALL THE SAINTS OF THE SERAPHIC
ORDER**

8:15am Goncalves Family (L)

THURSDAY, November 30th

ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE

8:15am Gerald Cloutier (D)

FRIDAY, December 1st

8:15am Anna Friedeberg (L)

SATURDAY, December 2nd

*Blessed Raphael Chylinski,
OFM, Conv., Priest*

8:15am Vicki Currier (L)

5:00pm Jane Lippincott (D)

SUNDAY, December 3rd

The First Sunday of Advent

9:30am Marylou Maravella (D)

1:30pm Alfonso De la Torre (L)

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.

EXECUTION ALERTS

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

November 13th Scott Dozier NV

November 15th Alva Campbell Jr. OH

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

November 27th through December 3rd

Monday: Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday: Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11

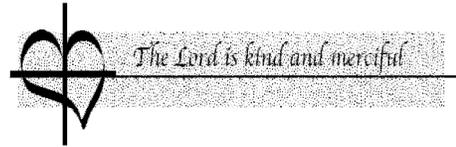
Wednesday: Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28;
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

Friday: Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33

Saturday: Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36

Sunday: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2b-7;
1 Corinethian 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37



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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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus monthly meetings are held the last Thursday of every month, 7:00pm in Stack Center. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, visit <https://oaklandkofc.org/> or join us at our next meeting **November 30th**.



**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. Also, there will be Adoration every 1st Friday of the month at 7:00pm.

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