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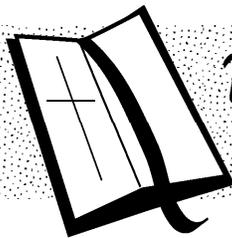
It was a wonderful festival. Good people, good weather, good entertainment, and good fun. For over 35 years we have gathered as a community and brought to Castro Valley a weekend of family fun. I want to thank Especially our co chairs Colleen Lindberg and Elena Millard Zavala for a great festival. Thank you to all our volunteers, Without you we would not be able to have a festival.

Prayer requests for the Holy Land Pilgrimage by October 12

Please stop by the office to drop off your prayer petitions for the pilgrimage. If there is any donations they will be given to the churches to help support the Christians who are struggling to survive in the Holy Land.

**HOW TO CONNECT TO FORMED
A CATHOLIC STREAMING SERVICE**

We have registered the Parish with FORMED. Our site is www.olgcv.formed.org. Following are the instructions for you to register with our site and get started. Here's how easy it is to get FORMED: Either on your computer, tablet or Smartphone go to our site www.olgcv.formed.org You should see the register now box. Set up a username- whatever username you'll remember - and a password and you are all set to explore all FORMED has to offer. To get the Formed app for your phone or tablet, visit app.formed.org



*Be doers of the Word
and not hearers only*

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 14th)

Mark 10:17-30

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answered him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: *You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother.*" He replied and said to him, "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions. Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" The disciples were amazed at his words. So Jesus again said to them in reply, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." Peter began to say to him, "We have given up everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age: houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come."

COLUMBUS DAY

In honor of Columbus Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, **October 8th**. The offices will re-open on Tuesday, **October 9th** at 8:30am.

**OUR LADY OF GRACE FESTIVAL 2018
ANOTHER TERRIFIC FESTIVAL EFFORT!**

Once again a big thank you to Elena Millard-Zavala and her Team for their extraordinary effort and commitment to all things Festival these past few months!!

We also need to send out a big word of thanks and appreciation to the “Operations Crew” headed up by Dave Swanson and Chris Mead for not only the set-up but the dirty and hard work of taking down the Festival. Many of the volunteers here taking down and cleaning up were here the entire weekend as well.

Elena did another amazing job as Chairperson for the 3rd year in a row and hopefully not her last. We are grateful to all those she solicited to help her achieve her vision of BeAHero! This included our Third Annual Chili Cook-Off, our Second Poker Tournament, Pasta Dinner hosted by the Italian Catholic Federation and the Pancake Breakfast hosted by our own Knights of Columbus.

It is difficult to not continue to mention by name all those who contribute so overwhelmingly to the many areas—the entertainment was great, the accounting booth spends the entire weekend behind the scenes counting and supporting the booths, security keeps us all safe—know that all those who worked hard to make our Festival a wonderful event your efforts were much appreciated by the entire community of Our Lady of Grace. There are a number of you who gave untiringly of your time and effort and we are well aware of who you are.

And so to all of you who did so much, to those who came and participated in the weekend activities, to those who generously spent money, to the entertainers, to the behind-the-scenes folk and to our sponsors and donors and to our gracious God *we give thanks*. You are truly magnificent in your commitment to our parish and we are so very grateful to all of you!

2018 RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS

The Festival Raffle is another great tradition and we will be happy to announce the winners once they have all been notified.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

There will be a Blessing of the Animals in honor of the Feast of St. Francis on Today, **October 7th** in the gathering area at 1:00pm. Please make sure your pet is restrained so we may have a peaceful blessing.



**CATHOLIC VOICE
ANNUAL APPEAL**

This month is our 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 of our Parish! Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of Grace. Envelopes are in the pews.*

EVANGELIZATION CORNER

Youth Ministry

1st Meeting: October 7th *Parent Orientation*

1st Holy Communion

Next Meetings: October 7th *Knowing Jesus*
October 21st *Knowing God's Rules of Love*

Whole Family & Middle School Catechesis

Next Meetings: October 14th *St. Francis*
October 28th *What Makes Our Parish Special*

For more information, contact the Evangelization Office at 510-582-9266.



ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult Catholics who are baptized, but who have not yet been confirmed, may begin preparation for the sacrament by contacting Fr. Francisco Nahoe OFM Conv at tupa-hotu@gmail.com or by leaving a message for him with the Parish Office.



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR
WHOLE FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY**

We are looking for adult volunteers to assist with our Whole Family Evangelization program 1 to 2 Sundays a month from 10:50am-12:30pm in Stack Center. We are also in need of volunteers to assist with our Youth Ministry program on Sunday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm. If you are interested, please call the Evangelization office at 510-582-9266. Your help would be greatly appreciated!



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. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

ALTAR CANDLE MEMORIAL DONORS

We deeply thank the following 8 donors who have given generously towards sponsoring our Altar Candle Memorial:

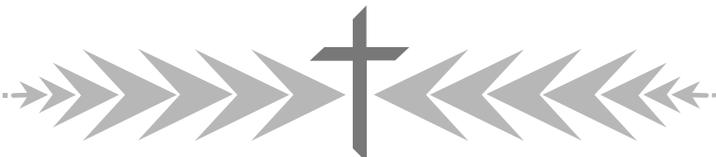
- THE ERWIN FAMILY
- VIRGINIA CABARDO
- KAYE McCANN
- JOHN & MARY SULLIVAN
- IWAN TUNGGAL
- ANONYMOUS FRIENDS

ATTENTION OLG VOLUNTEERS

All those who VOLUNTEER in the Diocese of Oakland (Our Lady of Grace) are to be educated about the nature of child sexual abuse, how it is perpetrated, how to report it & strategies for prevention. Training is **MANDATORY** & must be done before starting volunteering. Every volunteer who participates in **ANY** ministry here at OLG, must complete the VIRTUS Safe Environment Training & renew every 3 years. If you have NOT registered for the online training, you must do so **before November 1st**. Visit: <https://www.oakdiocese.org/offices/safe-environment> & register online, then email your certificate of completion to jcruz@olgcv.org. Please include your name & the name of the ministry you volunteer with. Thank you!

ICF NEWS

Hear ye! Hear ye! The ICF Polenta dinner, including, sausage, chicken and salad, will held on Thursday, **October 11th**, doors open at 6:00pm, dinner will be served at 6:30pm. Reservations are a must and the deadline is Sunday, **October 7th**. For reservations, please call Juanita @ 510-582-7242. Buon Appetito!



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 30th:

Sunday Plate:	\$ 7,727.00
Last Year this week	\$ 9,264.00
Weekly Budgeted Goal:	\$ 8,920.00
Year-to-date this year:	\$ 344,852.00
Year-to-date last year:	\$ 340,245.00

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 | Maxine Kruzel |
| Glen Alcorn | Laura Martell |
| Kathleen Andrews | Rose Montalban |
| Antonio O. Chocha | Florence Sharp |
| Claudia Dobbs | Rosemary Slater |
| Lynn Franks | Howard Songey |
| Anna Friedeberg | Lurdes Sousa |
| Byron Griffith | Mercedes Tellez |
| Don Jordan | Baby Jackson Tyler |
| | Bishop |

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

VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Teach Seniors Technology is looking for passionate teens in our Parish to assist in teaching our seniors the basics of operating smartphones, computers, iPads, etc. Classes will be held at OLG on Saturdays & Sundays for 30-60 min. *Teach Seniors Technology* is a Bay Area non-profit organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life for seniors by integrating them into the world of technology and bridging the generation gap. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to earn volunteer hours and to be drawn closer to your church community! Training will be provided. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC TEACHING ON THE EUCHARIST**Stack Center — October Mondays****7:00 PM to 8:15 PM****OCT 8** What Do We Mean by Transubstantiation?**OCT 15** The Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass**OCT 22** Eucharist and Communion**OCT 29** The Eucharistic Piety of the Church

Christ our Lord declares Himself to be the Bread come down from heaven. "Unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink of His Blood," He tells His disciples, "you shall not have life within you" (John 6:53). Catholic teaching on the Eucharist, therefore, is a matter of central concern for all those who long to be made holy by God's grace poured out upon the faithful in the sacraments of the Church.

Each Monday of October, Fr. Francisco Nahoe OFM Conv will offer scriptural and theological reflections on the Eucharistic faith and spirituality of the Church. Each session presents and explains the traditional Catholic doctrine and assesses the challenges presented by contemporary attitudes and practices in liturgy, faith formation, evangelization and preaching.

**WINGS (WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT)**

We invite all women to join us for WINGS.

WINGS is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study, Catechesis, life sharing and community.

Transfiguration Church

Next Meeting: **October 18th**

9:15am to 11:15am

Speaker: Deacon Dave Holland

Topic: Preparing for the Next Stage of Life: A Loving Gift To Your Family

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB DINNER

Members and guests of the Catholic Alumni Club will meet on Saturday, **October 20th** to enjoy dinner at Primavera Ristorante (3124 Crow Canyon Place in San Ramon). The club was founded to help single Catholic professionals meet other similar Catholics. Please RSVP by **October 19th** at 5:00pm by calling Dorothy at 925-735-0208 or Earle at 925-300-8811.

**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!

THIS WEEK**Sunday, October 7th:****Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Coffee & Donuts

After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center

Liturgy of the Word

9:30am--Augustine Center

First Communion Class

10:50am--Stack Center

Youth Ministry/Confirmation

6:00pm--Stack Center

Monday, October 8th:**Columbus Day--Parish Offices are Closed**

Catholic Teaching--Fr. Francisco

7:00pm--Stack Center

Women's Evening Bible Study

7:00pm--Stack Center

Tuesday, October 9th:

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

9:30am--Parish Office, McGarvey Room

Men's Faith Share

7:00pm--Stack Center, Room 7

Wednesday, October 10th:

SVdP Soup & Sandwich Meal

3:30-4:30pm--Outside Parish Office

Thursday, October 11th:

ICF Meeting & Dinner

6:00pm--Stack Center

Adoration

7:00pm--Church

AA Serenity Group

7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

Sunday, October 14th:**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Coffee & Donuts

After 9:30am Mass--Stack Center

Liturgy of the Word

9:30am--Augustine 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, October 7th

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30am Helen Maes--D
- 11:30am Jim & Kristi Reetz & Family--L
- 1:30pm Jose Martinez--D

MONDAY, October 8th

- 8:15am Blaine & Bonnie Ricketts--L

TUESDAY, October 9th

- St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs*
- St. John Leonardi, Priest*
- 8:15am Mario Gutierrez--L

WEDNESDAY, October 10th

- 8:15am Jay Altman--D

THURSDAY, October 11th

- St. John XXIII, Pope*
- 8:15am Ernie Selmeczki--D

FRIDAY, October 12th

- 8:15am Joseph Escobar, Sr.--D

SATURDAY, October 13th

- 8:15am Debi Telles--D
- 5:00pm Lilia Sousa--D

SUNDAY, October 14th

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 9:30am Rick Davis--D
- 11:30am Vincente & Arcadia Mendoza--L
- 1:30pm Jose Martinez--D



EXECUTION ALERTS

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

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| October 10th | Juan Segundo | Texas |
| October 11th | Edmund Zagorski | Tennessee |
| October 24th | Kwame Rockwell | Texas |

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

October 8th through October 14th

- Monday: Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37
- Tuesday: Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Galatians 2:1-2,7-14; Luke 11:1-4
- Thursday: Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13
- Friday: Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26
- Saturday: Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28
- Sunday: Wisdom 7:7-11; Hebrews 4:12-13; Mark 10:17-30



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.

2018 CATHOLIC MOMS CONFERENCE

PASS IT ON: This free, online Catholic Conference 4 Moms will be held on **October 10th-15th**. It will include popular speakers, authors, bloggers, radio/TV hosts & other experts who will give us advice about how we can "pass" on the Faith to our children. You will not want to miss this! Register today at <https://www.catholicmosaic.com>. Tell your friends!



OAKLAND DIOCESE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Join Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ & other anniversary celebrants, families & friends on Sunday, **October 21st** at The Cathedral of Christ the Light. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am, followed by a reception in the Event Center for registered guests. Register now for \$25 per anniversary couple & \$10 for each guest. Visit www.oakdiocese.org/anniversary to register or call Laura at 510-267-8395.

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