



### Triumph to Tragedy

We gather on Palm Sunday or Passion Sunday filled with excitement to receive our Palms and process into the church. Our Joy is replaced by sadness as we read the Passion of the Lord. In the Passion of St. Luke we here from the two criminals on either side of Jesus. Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying,

*“Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us.”*

*The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply,*

*“Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation?*

*And indeed, we have been condemned justly,*

*for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes,  
but this man has done nothing criminal.”*

*Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”*

*He replied to him, “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”*

Enter into the Passion of Jesus with a humble contrite heart and He will lead you to Paradise.

**Would you pray to get a Soul to Heaven? A plenary indulgence can free a Soul.**

**Exercise of the Way of the Cross**

**(Via Crucis exercitium)**

A plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful, who make the pious exercise of the Way of the Cross. In the pious exercise of the Way of the Cross we recall anew the sufferings, which the Divine Redeemer endured, while going from the praetorium of Pilate, where He was condemned to death, to the mount of Calvary, where He died on the Cross for our salvation.

The gaining of the plenary indulgence is regulated by the following norms:

- 1) The pious exercise must be made before stations of the Way of the Cross legitimately erected.
- 2) For the erection of the Way of the Cross fourteen crosses are required, to which it is customary to add fourteen pictures or images, which represent the stations of Jerusalem.
- 3) According to the more common practice, the pious exercise consists of fourteen pious readings, to which some vocal prayers are added. However, nothing more is required than a pious meditation on the Passion and Death of the Lord, which need not be a particular consideration of the individual mysteries of the stations.
- 4) A movement from one station to the next is required. But if the pious exercise is made publicly and if it is not possible for all taking part to go in an orderly way from station to station, it suffices if at least the one conducting the exercise goes from station to station, the others remaining in their place.

Those who are "impeded" can gain the same indulgence, if they spend at least one half an hour in pious reading and meditation on the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I invite you this Holy Week to come and pray the Stations of the Cross to purify your soul or release a soul to heaven. Who is counting on you to pray for them?

**Last chance Confession**

Tuesday at 7AM & Friday at 3:30pm

**Join us for Holy Week**

See page 2 of this bulletin for the schedule

**Good Friday**

abstinence and Fasting

**Triduum Fast** extra credit: Expand your Fast beginning before the Mass of the Lords supper and concludes with the Easter Vigil. Offer this Sacrifice for those coming into the Church.

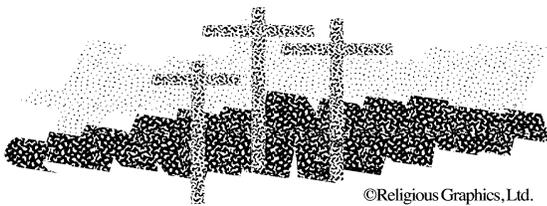
**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE :**

***Mass Schedule for Holy Week***

Monday, April 15th 8:15am  
 Tuesday, April 16th 8:15am  
 Wednesday, April 17th 8:15am & 6:00pm  
***No morning Masses Thursday-Saturday***

***The Sacred Triduum***

The Sacred Triduum, spanning three days, is one commemoration celebrating the great event of glorious triumph of Jesus over sin and death. We invite you to share in all the liturgies as we ascend to the joy of Easter resurrection and new life won for us.



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**SCHEDULE FOR THE SACRED TRIDUUM:**

**Holy Thursday, April 18th, 8:00pm  
 MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Transfer of the Eucharist to the repository in Stack Center follows the liturgy.

**Good Friday, April 19th**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
 12:00pm (English) & 6:00pm (Spanish)  
**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**  
 1:30pm, 6:30pm (Spanish) and 8:00pm

**Holy Saturday, April 20th, 8:00pm  
 THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL**

Service of Light, Liturgy of the Word, Rites of Initiation for the Elect and Liturgy of the Eucharist

**Easter Sunday Masses, April 21st  
 THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**  
 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 1:30pm (Spanish)



***CELEBRATE NEW LIFE IN CHRIST  
 YOU ARE INVITED TO:***

Celebrate the Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation of Our Elect for 2019.

***Madhu Peralta, Ronald Stainbrook and  
 Sean Vanderbilt. Rejoice!***

***The Solemn Easter Vigil***

***Saturday, April 20th, 2019 at 8:00 pm  
 Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church***



**EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS  
 OUR LADY OF GRACE TRADITION**

Once again, this year we are inviting you to remember family members and friends through a Flower Offering which will help us to purchase the 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 Easter Flower Offering envelopes available in the pews. A list of names of all who are remembered will be available after Easter.

**the king of glory  
 comes**

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**HELP US DECORATE FOR EASTER**

We will be readying the church for our Easter Services beginning at 9:00am on Saturday, **April 20th.** If you are available to help place flowers, dust and spruce up the church, we would be most appreciative. No need to RSVP, just looking forward to seeing you then!



**THE 2019 BISHOP'S  
 APPEAL**

By sharing your time, talent and treasure with our sisters and brothers and our Church of the East Bay, you are making a sacrifice and returning to God a small portion of the many gifts he has given to you. By embracing Rebuild My Church through the 2019 Bishops Appeal, you are contributing greatly to building up the Kingdom of God here in the Church of the East Bay.

Your Generosity in Action: The Bishop's Appeal provide funds to offset some of the following expenses: Parishes and Schools in Need; Pastoral Ministries and Service; Clergy Formation and Retirement; Religious Education and Formation.

During the 2018 Bishop's Appeal, Our Lady of Grace surpassed it's goal of \$29,000 and contributed \$39,578! This means the \$10,578 comes back to us and will help meet our parish needs!

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

The Parish Office will close at 12 Noon on Good Friday, **April 19th**. We will re-open on Tuesday, **April 23rd** at 8:30am. The entire Parish staff wishes you & your family a very Blessed Easter!



**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.

**LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDIES WITH FR. FRANCISCO**

Join Fr. Francisco for his final Lenten Scripture Studies Meeting on Tuesday, **April 16th** at 7:00pm in Stack Center.

**REGISTER FOR FESCO'S 22nd ANNUAL SHUFFLE WALKATHON Saturday, May 4th - San Leandro Marina**

Members of Team OLG will be outside Mass on Saturday & Sunday, **April 27th & 28th**, if you would like to stop by and offer your support! Sign up to walk or to donate at [www.FESCOShuffle.org](http://www.FESCOShuffle.org). For more information or a pledge sheet, go to [www.fescofamilyshelter.org](http://www.fescofamilyshelter.org) or call Stephanie Miller at the FESCO office at 510-886-5473, ext. 101. Help end family homelessness in Alameda County!



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 24th-June 28th 9:00am-noon Registration Now Open!**

Cost is \$65 for 1 child, \$105 for 2 children and \$130 for 3 or more children. **Space is limited! Register early!** A late fee of \$20 will be added after **June 1st**. To register online, visit our website at [www.olgcv.org](http://www.olgcv.org), then click on "VBS" at the top of the homepage & follow the instructions to register online. Hard copy registration forms are also available at the church exits and in the Parish Office. For more information, please contact John Lee at 510-582-9266. We are also in need of Adult & Teen Volunteers to help our program run smoothly. More details to come!

**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 April 7th:**

Sunday Plate:	\$ 9,455.00
<b>Weekly Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 9,038.00</b>
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 417.00
Year-to-date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [3,863.00]

*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       | Rose Montalban            |
| Maria Bettencourt | Mona Mulvaney             |
| Maureen Boeh      | Angela Schaaphok          |
| Peggy Burton      | Florence Sharp            |
| Ana Cochran       | Rosemary Slater           |
| Fred Dorado       | Howard Songey             |
| Lynn Franks       | Lurdes Sousa              |
| Anna Friedeberg   | Mercedes Tellez           |
| Byron Griffith    | Baby Jackson Tyler Bishop |
| Linda Guzman      | Denyse Verhaegen          |
| Maxine Kruzel     | Marylou Vincent           |
| Laura Martell     | Arthur Williams           |
| Sheila McAlinden  |                           |

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

**JOHN CRONE  
VERY REV. JAMES MATTHEWS  
BEATRICE REID**

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**OLG SPRING AUCTION SAVE THE DATE--MAY 18TH!**

Aloha! Our Lady of Grace's Spring Auction is scheduled for **Saturday, May 18th, 5:30-10:30pm**. This year's theme is **Tiki Tiki Luau**. We need donations! Do you have a nice bottle of wine? Extra tickets to a Sporting Event? Musical? Symphony? Is there a favorite kids' class/camp, fitness club/class, restaurant or spa that you might solicit a gift certificate or gift basket from? Do you have a cabin or vacation home? Do you like to bake or cook? Offer to make dinners, jams, desserts or soups. Are you crafty? Create jewelry, knitwear, blankets or quilts. *Homemade is priceless!* If you like to bake, we'd love a donation of cake, cupcakes, etc. for the Dessert Dash! If you own a business or provide a service, place an AD in our program. **Donations accepted through April 15th.** Have questions? Please send questions to: [our.lady.of.grace.auction@gmail.com](mailto:our.lady.of.grace.auction@gmail.com). Stay tuned for ticket & website information!



**MOVIE NIGHTS AT OLG**

See thought-provoking movies and share fellowship and discussion at OLG movie nights sponsored by our Pax Christi/Social Justice group. On **April 24th** we will be showing "The Resettled", a 30 min. film that puts a human face on the refugee crisis. On **May 1st** the movie will be "The True Cost", a 90 min. documentary on the human and environmental costs of the fashion industry. Films will all be shown these Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in Stack Center. For more info, pick up a flyer at the entrances of the church or call Dennise at 510-538-6071.

**THIS WEEK**

*Sunday, April 14th:*

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

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

*Tuesday, April 16th:*

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

*Wednesday, April 17th:*

- Ichthus  
7:00pm--Stack Center, Resource Room

*Thursday, April 18th:*

- Altar of Repose  
Following the 8:00pm Mass  
Stack Center--Closes at midnight
- AA Serenity Group  
7:30pm--Augustine Center, Room A2

*Friday, April 19th:*

- Parish Offices Close at Noon

*Saturday, April 20th:*

- Decorate the Church for Easter  
9:00am--Church

*Sunday, April 21st:*

*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

**NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION**

We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners & guests. Please stop by Stack Center **today, April 14th**, 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.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*



All Masses are celebrated in the Church

**SUNDAY, April 14th**

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

9:30am Ruth Picha--L

1:30pm Antonio Chocha--D

**MONDAY, April 15th**

8:15am Gloria Maravella--D

**TUESDAY, April 16th**

8:15am Louis Rodrigues--D

**WEDNESDAY, April 17th**

8:15am Jerome Gann--D

**THURSDAY, April 18th**

HOLY THURSDAY

8:00pm *Evening Mass of the Lord's Passion*

**FRIDAY, April 19th**

GOOD FRIDAY

12:00pm Stations of the Cross

1:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
Veneration of the Cross &  
Communion

6:00pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

6:30pm Veneration of the Cross &  
Communion (Spanish)

8:00pm Veneration of the Cross &  
Communion

**SATURDAY, April 20th**

HOLY SATURDAY

8:00pm THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL

**SUNDAY, April 21st**

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

7:30am--9:30am--11:30am--1:30pm (Spanish)

**2020 PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND,  
CZECH REPUBLIC & GERMANY**

**The Passion Play of Oberammergau**

Hosted by Fr. Tom Czeck, this 11-day pilgrimage begins **August 11th, 2020**. We will visit Warsaw, Czestochowa, Krakow, Auschwitz, Wadowice, Prague & Munich. The price is \$4649 per person and includes RT air from SF, 1st class/select hotels, 1st class admission tickets for the play, most meals, sightseeing & more. Book early! Please contact Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-881-7850 or heidimdh106@gmail.com for more details.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

April 15th through April 21st

- Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11
- Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9; Matthew 26:14-25
- Thursday: Isaiah 61:1-3, 6, 8-9; Revelations 1:5-8; Luke 4:16-21
- Friday: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42
- Saturday: Genesis 1:1-2:2; Genesis 22:1-18; Exodus 14:15-15:1; Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32c4:4; Ezekiel 36:16-17a; 18-28; Luke 24:1-12
- Sunday: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

**PARENT CAFÉ UPDATE - DATE CHANGE!**

The **April 28th** Parents Cafe has been cancelled and rescheduled for **May 5th**, please note this change on your calendar. More details to come.

**COME GET YOUR SCRIP ORDER FORMS!**

You can purchase SCRIP gift cards and spend it at local stores where you already shop. 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.

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

April 24th John King Texas

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

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