



First Holy Communion

This **Saturday, August 8th**, we continue to celebrate First Holy Communion at our 11:00am Vigil Mass in the School Courtyard. We continue to gather like the disciples for the Proclamation of the Word and the Breaking of the Bread. We continue to enter the Sacrifice of Love as we offer the Sacrifice of praise for Jesus who forgives us, feeds us with himself, and loves us into eternity. Pray for our children receiving the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus. First Communion is not a graduation, but a beginning of a lifelong transforming relationship of love with the Triune God. Welcome to the feast!

Faith Formation 2020-2021

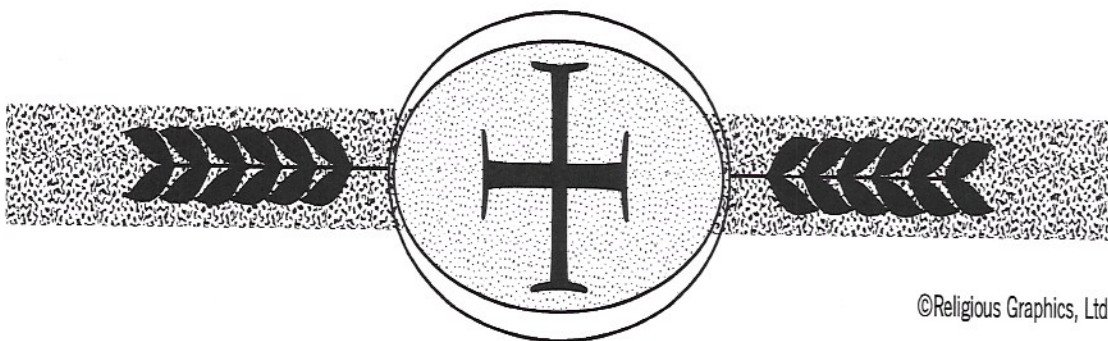
Parents and Grandparents, it's not too late to sign up the young members of your family for OLG's Faith Formation classes. We offer classes in Whole Family (K-5th), 1st Communion, Middle School, High School and Confirmation. Online registration is available at www.olgcv.org. Classes will be held virtually. Payment plans are available. **Passing on your faith is one of the most precious gifts we can give our children.** See page 2 for details.

FESCO Shuffle Is Virtual This Year!

Help end family homelessness in Alameda County by supporting FESCO (Family Emergency Shelter Coalition). This year's Shuffle will be held virtually from **August 1st—September 10th**. Your donations make it possible for FESCO families to gain stability and find permanent housing. See page 2 for details.

The Scammers Are Back!

Recently, there have been fraudulent emails circulating through Our Lady of Grace once again, seeking gift cards from staff and parishioners. **Our priests at OLG would never solicit funds through any electronic means! These criminals are very clever and may use an email similar to Fr. Tom's or even use his picture and phrases he might use. For your safety, do not answer or engage with these criminals.** Please know that the Parish will not take responsibility for anyone who is scammed. Please report these to the police and to Jay in the Parish Office at 537-0806. God

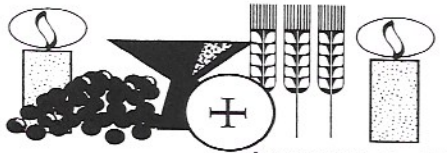


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Gospel for The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 16th)

Matthew 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.



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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION SATURDAY, AUGUST 8th at 11:00am

Please join us in welcoming these young members of our community to the table for the first time.

First Holy Communion Recipients

Julius Callier	Anabel Nguyen
Joel Francis	Edlynn Rider
Serena Philipos	Isabella Vantley
Johann Philipos	Angela Wong

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Mondays to Fridays from 9:00am-Noon: Private Prayer in the Church. No more than 10 people at a time. Please observe all safety precaution signs.

Thursdays from 5:00-7:00pm: Adoration and Confession in the School Courtyard.

Mondays to Thursdays at 8:15am: Livestream Mass.

Fridays and Saturdays at 8:15am: Mass in the School Courtyard with Livestream. Please enter from Anita Avenue. *Reservations are not required.* After the Saturday Mass, Adoration and Confession will immediately follow in the School Courtyard, concluding at 10:00am.

Saturdays at 11:00am: Vigil Mass in the School Courtyard. *Reservations are required.* Flocknote members will receive a weekly invitation on Mondays. To become a Flocknote member, see page 4. You may also reserve online at www.olgcv.org. On the Homepage, scroll down and click on "Our Lady of Grace 11:00am Mass Reservation" box. You may also call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806. Please arrive early for check-in and have your facemask and a personal hand sanitizer. This Mass will not be Livestreamed.

Sundays at 9:00am: Drive-In Mass in the Rear Parking Lot with Livestream. *Reservations are not required.* Please enter from Somerset Avenue.

FAITH FORMATION 2020-2021

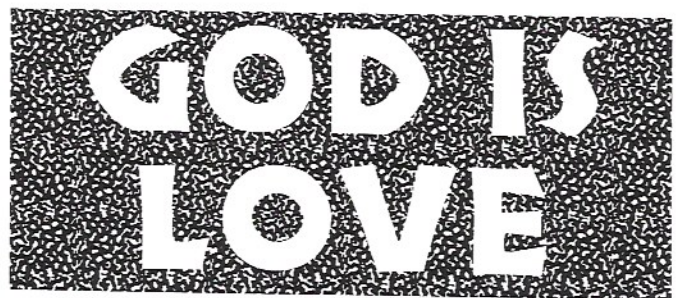
Fr. Tom is encouraging all families with children in grades K-12 to register for the 2020-2021 classes starting in September 2020. **Classes are offered for Whole Family, 1st Communion, Middle School, Youth Ministry & Confirmation.** Online registration is available at www.olgcv.org. On the homepage, scroll down & click on the "Faith Formation" or the "Youth Ministry" box. Installment payments are available for these classes. Please know that dates may change due to the state directives for health issue.



HELP HOMELESS FAMILIES BY SUPPORTING THE 2020 FESCO SHUFFLE

Support FESCO (Family Emergency Shelter Coalition) in its efforts to end family homelessness in Alameda County by participating in our annual FESCO Shuffle. *This year's Shuffle is a virtual event from August 1st to September 10th.* During this time, you can pledge as an individual or gather sponsors from your family and friends. You can also take a short "FESCO" walk in your neighborhood on your own or with family. *There will be an online celebration ceremony on Saturday, September 12th, from 11am to 12 noon.* Your donations make it possible for FESCO to help homeless families gain stability and find permanent housing!

Donate to Team "OLG" at FescoShuffle.org.
Questions – Call Chris Ippolito at 510-343-4876



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CATHOLIC BISHOPS CALL FOR PRAYERS FOR PEACE

August 6th and 9th mark the 75th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the first, and one hopes the last, time that atomic weapons are employed in war," said the bishops in a statement issued recently by the USCCB's Committee for International Justice and Peace. The bishops call for all the faithful to offer prayers for Japan as well as for a world free from nuclear weapons.



ALTAR CANDLE MEMORIALS

We are looking to have 6 monthly sponsors for our Altar Candles and ask for a donation of \$20 to cover the cost of the candles for the month. Our donors will be recognized in the 1st 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.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or someone you know is interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or is seeking membership into the Church, please join us for an Orientation Meeting on **Thursday, September 17th at 7:00pm**. We will meet via Zoom. Classes will begin in October. All are welcome! Please contact the Parish Office at 510-537-0806 for the Zoom Meeting information.



Let your prayers
rise like incense
to the LORD

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PARISH OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED

The Parish Office remains closed to the public for the health and safety of our staff and parishioners. The office staff can be reached by phone, Monday to Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm.

If you have a request or need from the office, please call or email us. If there is paperwork needed to be dropped off, please use the mail slot at the Parish Office. If you are dropping something off that cannot fit in the mail slot, please ring the bell and we will assist you while maintaining social distancing.

As much as we would love to visit, the health and safety of everyone is our highest concern. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE SCHOOL COURTYARD

Come on Thursdays from 5:00-7:00pm for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession and on Saturdays immediately following the 8:15am Mass, concluding at 10:00am



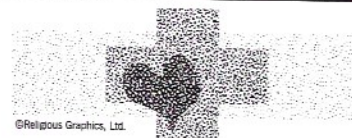
SUNDAY COLLECTION

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 for the Month of JUNE:

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 33,772.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$ 40,082.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [6,310.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [6,784.00]

May God bless your continuing generosity.



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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:

Cindy Abraham
Pam Ahland
Glen Alcorn
Elvira Arechiga
Maureen Boeh
Peggy Burton
Virginia Cabardo
Heidi Carne
Fr. Thomas Czeck
Natalina De Freitas
Theresa Ferrari
Nancy French
Wally Lim

Sheila McAlinden
Rose Montalban
Larry Perino
Diana Riley
Lisa Rosenbusch
Florence Sharp
Beth Snow
Howard Songey
Lurdes Sousa
Concepcion Velasco
Mary Lou Vincent
Arthur Williams
Peggy Winkenbach

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

In Memoriam

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VICTIMS OF COVID-19

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EMAIL & TEXT SCAMS ARE BACK!

Recently, there have been fraudulent emails and texts circulating through our parish once again, seeking gift cards. Our priests at OLG would never solicit funds through any electronic means! These emails & texts are fake and have nothing to do with Our Lady of Grace Church. Please report these to the police and to Jay in the Parish Office at 537-0806. God Bless and be safe.

**STAY IN TOUCH WITH FLOCKNOTE**

Flocknote is the most important way for OLG to communicate to you, our parishioners. We understand that for some of you, our updates have not been arriving in your Inbox. **Please add "mail@flocknote.com" to your contact list to prevent updates from ending up in your Spam folder.** If you would like to be a member of Flocknote, visit our website at www.olgcv.org and click on "Flocknote" at the top of the homepage.

**THE 2020 BISHOP'S APPEAL**

Although we call it "The Bishop's Appeal", it is really Christ's appeal. Thank you in advance for your love and generosity. No gift is too small.

-Bishop Michael C. Barber

Our goal this year is to gain 100% participation from ALL members of Our Lady of Grace Parish!

Please use the envelope that was sent to you in February. If you do not have one, you may mail your donation to: Diocese of Oakland, 2121 Harrison St., Suite 100, Oakland, CA 94612. You may make your check out to: "Bishop's Appeal" and please write "Our Lady of Grace" in the memo line.

Be assured that none of the funds are ever redirected to any other causes.

For more information on the Appeal, visit: www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal

THIS WEEK**Sunday, August 9th****Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Drive-In Mass - Reservations not required
With Livestream on Facebook
9:00am--Rear Parking Lot

Spanish Mass - Reservations required
12 Noon--School Courtyard

Monday, August 10th:

Livestream Mass on Facebook
8:15am

Private Prayer
9:00am-Noon--Church

Tuesday, August 11th:

Livestream Mass on Facebook
8:15am

Private Prayer
9:00am-Noon--Church

Wednesday, August 12th:

Livestream Mass on Facebook
8:15am

Private Prayer
9:00am-Noon--Church

Thursday, August 13th:

Livestream Mass on Facebook
8:15am

Private Prayer
9:00am-Noon--Church

Adoration & Confession
5:00-7:00pm--School Courtyard

Friday, August 14th:

Mass - Reservations not required
Livestream Mass on Facebook
8:15am--School Courtyard

Private Prayer
9:00am-Noon--Church

Saturday, August 15th:

Mass - Reservations not required
Livestream Mass on Facebook
8:15am--School Courtyard, followed by Adoration & Confession until 10:00am

Vigil Mass - Reservations required
11:00am--School Courtyard

Mass for the Intentions *for the Week*

SUNDAY, August 9th

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am James Whittacker – D

12 Noon Martin Flores Martinez

MONDAY, August 10th

St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

8:15am Debi Telles--D

TUESDAY, August 11th

St. Clare, Virgin

8:15am Lilia Sousa – D

WEDNESDAY, August 12th

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:15am Antonio Chocha – D

THURSDAY, August 13th

Sts. Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:15am Richard Benson--D

FRIDAY, August 14th

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr

8:15am Phillip Thiessen – D

SATURDAY, August 15th

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:15am Victims of Covid-19

11:00am Franciscan Friars' Intentions

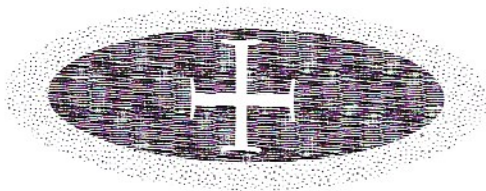
SUNDAY, August 16th

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Ted, Joni & Katie Linney – D

Rudy & Augie Enriquez – D

12 Noon Romina Lozano – L



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THIS WEEK--Continued

Sunday, August 16th

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Drive-In Mass - Reservations not required

With Livestream on Facebook

9:00am--Rear Parking Lot

Spanish Mass - Reservations required

12 Noon--School Courtyard

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

August 10th through August 16th

Monday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4;
Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ezekiel 9:1-7, 10:18-22;
Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday: Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday: Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63;
Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2;
1 Corinthians 15:54b-57;
Luke 11:27-28

Sunday: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7;
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32;
Matthew 15:21-28



*Be doers of the Word
and not hearers only*

EXECUTION ALERTS

The following execution is scheduled to take place in August:

August 28th Keith Nelson Federal

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

PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"A serious threat to peace is posed by intolerance, which manifests itself in the denial of freedom of conscience to others. The excesses to which intolerance can lead has been one of history's most painful lessons." –Pope John Paul II, January 1971

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