



Responding To The Crisis' In Our World

There are many crisis in our world today: Afghanistan, immigrants in squalor at the border, unrest and protests around the world, distrust in our leaders and institutions, violence in our streets, persecutions of Christians in our world and burning of churches here, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, drought and fires. The list of tragedy does not seem to end.

My heart is burdened by the world we have created to pass on to our children. The most defenseless baby in the womb has no protection from a violent death. Children are being trafficked as pawns for cartels to abuse and hold hostage. Women and children are abandoned to a hostile government with no way out. Lawlessness is allowed in parts of our nation where children are caught in the crossfire. Where will we find hope and help?

Last week we celebrated Our Lady of Sorrow so we joined with our blessed mother in sorrow and asked her to intercede for us. We ask our mother to help us to keep faith and have hope in the promises of Christ. We ask for courage to speak up for the voiceless that all may be treated with dignity. May we have courage to live virtuous lives and not give in to the culture of hatred and division.

We begin with prayer asking that God's Kingdom will come and God's will be done. We trust in Jesus Christ to save us from our sins.

We ask Mary and the Saints to intercede for us, to give us courage to challenge injustice and offer mercy and compassion with love for the lost and forgotten.

We sacrifice for the transformation of our world. We fast so we may be selfless in our love for humanity. I invite you to pray and fast placing our faith and trust in God to save us.

Pray the rosary before Mass on Sunday which will prepare us to enter into the mystery of Christ. Join in the prayer of Saint Michael asking for angelic protection in the battle for the soul of humanity. Fast once a week as a sacrifice for love of others. Join us to offer prayer at Planned Parenthood, offering love and life in contrast to death and indifference. Come pray the Divine Mercy at 3:00pm on Saturday and Sunday at Planned Parenthood.

Come to the Marian Conference on October 16th (details on page 3) to learn how veneration of Mary has kept Christians focused on personal sanctification, leading to the mission of evangelizing the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Focused on the love of God in Jesus Christ, we have eternal hope.

October Liturgical Feasts To Help Us!

October 1st: Therese of the Little Flower—read *The Story of a Soul*.

October 2nd: Feast of the Guardian Angels—pray the Guardian Angel prayer with faith.

October 4th: Feast of St. Francis—let us repair our Church spiritually by knowing the Gospel and living it.

Prayer of St. Francis

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.*

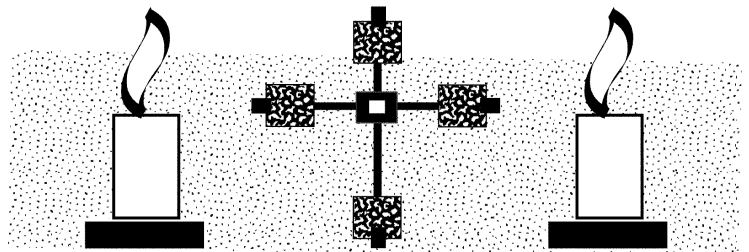
*O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.*

*For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

Peace & Love,
Fr. Tom

Part-Time Cook Wanted

The Friary is looking for a part-time cook. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.



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**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
In The Church**

Saturdays at 5:00PM (Vigil)

Sundays at 7:30AM 9:00AM, 11:00AM and
1:00PM (Spanish)

1ST FRIDAY-TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Join us in the Church on Friday, October 1st at 7:00pm for 1st Friday Mass in Latin.

**FAITH FORMATION
2021-2022**

Please pray for the young members of our Church.

First Communion

Next Class: September 26th
10:15am—Stack Center

Whole Family

Next Class: October 10th
10:15am—Stack Center

Confirmation

1st Day of Class: September 26th
12:15pm—Stack Center

Registration has been extended to October 1st.

After October 1st there will be a late fee of \$20. Please register online by visiting: www.olgcv.org. Scroll down the homepage and click on the Faith Formation box. Cost is \$120 for the 1st child and \$60 for each additional child in the same household.

**ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE FRIARY
Militia Immaculata Purgatory Society**

Ruth Picha



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Taking Donations This Month**

Many thanks to all who have given donations so far. St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting men's new work boots and athletic type shoes and socks during the month of September. (Please no dress shoes). Many of the folks we help are living in rugged conditions and are very grateful for some new shoes and socks. There will be a large barrel at the entrance of the Church on the Somerset Ave. side. As always, we are grateful to you for your help as we minister to those who are less fortunate.



OCTOBER CALENDAR RAFFLE

Last year's Calendar Raffle was so much fun--we're doing it again! Daily drawings beginning Sunday, October 3rd. Calendar Raffle flyer and tickets have been mailed to registered Parishioners. If you have not received one or need additional tickets, please visit: <https://olgcv.org/announcements/>. We will have 29 days of prize drawings - you can win multiple times. Return your donation and tickets to the Parish Office or drop in an envelope marked "Calendar Raffle" in the Sunday offering. Many thanks to the businesses and individuals who donated so generously to this fun raffle!



40 Days For Live is underway! Stand and peacefully pray with other Christians and Catholics during the 40 Days For Life vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 1032 A Street in Hayward. This vigil runs until October 31st. Sign up to be a voice for the defenseless by visiting: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/hayward>

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Recently, we welcomed

Lance Owen Ocampo Resurrección

into Our Lady of Grace Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. God Bless you!

**FAITH FORMATION
NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We are grateful to those who have signed up for this ministry but are still in need of more volunteers to assist at the 9:00am Masses. Children's Liturgy of the Word is a unique opportunity to present the Sunday Gospel in a dynamic way that connects with our young children. If you can commit to one Sunday a month, either as a catechist or as an assistant, please email Jackie at jcruz@olgcv.org. Training and materials will be provided.

Confirmation

The Confirmation Team is looking for passionate mentors who love living their Catholic faith and want to share their experiences with our teens! No previous experience required. *Training will be provided.* If you can commit to 2 Sundays a month after the 11:00am Mass, please contact Leanne Thomas at leanne.thomas@olgcv.org



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.

**MILITIA OF THE IMMACULATA
MARIAN CONFERENCE**

Join us on Saturday, **October 16th** as we gather to honor the 80th Anniversary of St. Maximilian Kolbe Martyrdom in the Church. We will begin with Mass at 8:15am, followed by Adoration and Confession. Our speakers will begin at 10:00am. Cost is \$25 per person and includes lunch. Please register by contacting Susana at susana.d@olgcv.org or calling the Parish Office at 510-537-0806. Last day to register is **October 10th**.

**MAXIMILIAN KOLBE
QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"She will make you like herself, will make you more and more immaculate. will feed you with the milk of her grace. Let yourself be guided only by her, let yourself be molded ever more freely by her."



**CATHOLIC VOICE
ANNUAL APPEAL
October 2nd & 3rd**

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. *The parish pays \$746.00 each month for our parishioners' subscriptions.* We ask for a \$25 per household donation. We thank you for your support. Checks may be made payable to Our Lady of Grace. Envelopes will be in the pews for your use.

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 for the Month of AUGUST:

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 42,037.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$ 39,183.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 2,854.00
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 27,722.00

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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| Pam Ahland | Grace Letteer |
| Glen Alcorn | Arcadio Morfin |
| Peggy Burton | Diana Riley |
| Cristina Castellanos | Angela Schaaphok |
| Joyce & James Czeck | Howard Songey |
| Nancy French | Concepcion Velasco |
| Barbara Hammer | Mary Lou Vincent |
| Mark Jerome | Arthur Williams |
| Sandra Ketchel | Peggy Winkenbach |



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To sign up, visit our website at www.olgcv.org and click on "Online Giving" at the top of the homepage. If you need help with signing up, please contact Colleen at clindberg@olgcv.org.

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

In Memoriam

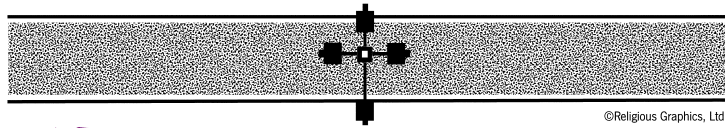
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DR. LILIA DEYRO-TATLONGHARI

VICTIMS OF COVID-19

VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

VICTIMS OF WILDFIRES



**PRE-BAPTISM CLASS
FOR PARENTS & GODPARENTS**

If you are wishing to have your child baptized, ages infant to six years, parents and Godparents need to attend a Pre-Baptism Class. You also need to be registered members of the parish for at least three months. Pre-Baptism classes are held the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm via Zoom. **Our next class will be on October 6th.** Call Jay at 510-537-0806 for more information.

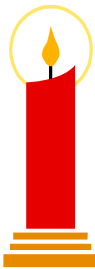
RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Classes are held on **Wednesdays at 7:00pm** in Stack Center, OLG Room. If you or someone you know is interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or is seeking membership into the Church, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806 to register. All are welcome!

MEN'S FAITH SHARE

The OLG Men's Faith Share Group meets on **Tuesdays at 7:00pm** in Stack Center, Room 7. All men in the Parish are invited to come. This group meets each week to read and discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings for the Mass. If you are looking for a small group setting to pray with and explore the Word each week, plan on joining us!



DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

Candles for our candle stand are available for purchase in the Parish Office or next to the candle stand. The candles will burn for 5 days. **The cost per candle is \$4.00.** The glass globes in the candle stand must be left in the church.

EXECUTION ALERTS

The following execution is scheduled to take place in **September:**

September 28th Rick Rhoades Texas

We ask for your prayers for this person, for the victims of their crimes and for their families.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 26th:

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses

7:30am, 9:00am & 11:00am--Church

1st Communion Class

10:15am—Stack Center

Confirmation Class

12:15pm—Stack Center

Spanish Mass

1:00pm--Church

Monday, September 27th:

Mass

8:15am—Church

Tuesday, September 28th:

Mass

8:15am—Church

Men's Faith Share

7:00pm—Stack Center, Room 7

Wednesday, September 29th:

Mass

8:15am—Church

RCIA

7:00pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Thursday, September 30th:

Mass

8:15am—Church

Adoration & Confession

8:15am—Church

Friday, October 1st:

Mass

8:15am—Church

1st Friday Latin Mass

7:00pm—Church

Saturday, October 2nd:

Mass

8:15am—Church

Adoration & Confession

8:45-10:00am—Church

Vigil Mass

5:00pm—Church

Mass for the Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, September 26th
 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30am Victims of Covid-19
 9:00am Antonio Oliveira Chocha – D
 11:00am OLG Community
 1:00pm Elias Gallegos Duarte – D

MONDAY, September 27th
 St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
 8:15am MaryLou Vincent – L

TUESDAY, September 28th
 St. Wenceslaus, Martyr
 St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
 8:15am Rochelle Ramirez – L

WEDNESDAY, September 29th
 Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels
 8:15am Miguel Gutierrez – D

THURSDAY, September 30th
 St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church
 8:15am Luz Estella – L
 Ramona Cristobal – D

FRIDAY, October 1st
 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
 8:15am Edward J. Linney, Sr. – D

SATURDAY, October 2nd
 The Holy Guardian Angels
 8:15am Miguela Viray – D
 5:00pm Franciscan Friars

SUNDAY, October 3rd
 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30am Victims of Covid-19
 9:00am Carlo P. Barroso – L
 11:00am OLG Community
 1:00pm Maria De Guadalupe Beruben – D

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

September 27th through October 3rd

Monday: Zechariah 8:1-8; Luke 9:46-50
 Tuesday: Zechariah 8:20-23; Luke 9:51-56
 Wednesday: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; John 1:47-51
 Thursday: Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12;
 Luke 10:1-12
 Friday: Baruch 1:15-22; Luke 10:13-16
 Saturday: Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29;
 Matthew 18:1-5, 10
 Sunday: Genesis 2:18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11;
 Mark 10:2-16

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PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach.”

-Pope Francis, September 2013

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THIS WEEK--Continued

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses

7:30am, 9:00am & 11:00am--Church

1st Communion Class

10:15am—Stack Center

Spanish Mass

1:00pm--Church