



Happy New Year

My brothers and sisters,

As we enter the New Year, we review the world and our lives and make resolutions to better our lives and our world. May we review our faith and our world and ask the Lord to help us transform them to enter into his Kingdom of Love.

Come with the Magi to the crèche and bow down before the new born King. Offer the most precious gifts of your heart and soul to your God who was born for us so we could know the humility, mercy, and love. Protect this precious gift of the living God as you hold the baby Jesus in your heart.

From the conception of Jesus and at his birth, the vulnerability of love is made evident. Mary, an unwed pregnant woman, could have been disgraced and Jesus made illegitimate at the best or at the worst. Mary and Jesus could have been stoned to death in accordance with the religious law. St. Joseph sought to do the righteous thing and was moved in a dream of Mary as his wife and Jesus as his child. Once Jesus is born, the Magi, after they do homage, must leave on an alternate route as not to inform Herod who wants to kill the child. Finally, Joseph must arise and get Mary and Jesus out of Bethlehem as Herod orders the slaughter of the innocent.

May we hold close the precious gift of Jesus and ask for the intercession of Joseph and Mary to show us how to live in faith in a world that seeks to destroy faith and life.

Returning In January—Sunday Livestream Mass

There is much concern about the COVID virus during this winter time. Beginning on January 2nd, the Sunday 9:00am Masses will be livestreamed for all to stay connected to OLG. Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/olgcv/>.

Prayers In The New Year

As I spend time with my parents in January, you will be in my prayers. Unfortunately, I cannot be contacted during this time. Please contact Jay in the Parish Office who can direct you to Fr. Paul or Fr. John.

Blessings to all in the New Year!

Fr. Tom

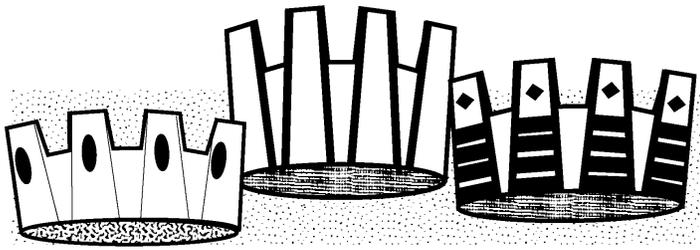
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kings by your shining radiance

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The Baptism of the Lord (January 9th)

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."



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END OF YEAR GIVING

As begin a new year, we want to take this opportunity to express our gratitude for your financial support of our parish this past year. We have 72 families enrolled in First Communion preparation and Whole Family and 35 students preparing for Confirmation. As Fr. Tom has said, we are not just maintaining buildings but building families of faith. We need your continued support to make this renewal possible. Your regular Sunday donations help us to meet our ongoing expenses and hopefully allow us to begin our new fiscal year on a positive note. We are grateful for your offering to accomplish this goal.

2022 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

Catholic Extension 2022 Family Appointment Calendars are available. We are grateful and we extend our sincere appreciation to the Catholic Funeral Cremation & Cemetery Services of the Diocese of Oakland for again sponsoring the 2022 calendars. If you have not picked up a copy in the church you may pick one up at the Parish Office. *Please only one per household.*



YEARLY CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

For your convenience in preparing your tax return, a contribution statement for 2021 will be prepared at your request. Please phone the Parish Office at 537-0806, with your name and envelope number. Your statement will be available for you to pick up once it has been signed.

**1ST FRIDAY-TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
January 7th at 7:00pm**

Join us for Mass in Latin held at 7:00pm in the Church. Please come with face masks in place, regardless of vaccination status.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Parish office will be closed on Friday, **December 31st** and Monday, **January 3rd** and will re-open on Tuesday, **January 4th** at 8:30am.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we begin a New Year, 2022, we look forward to continuing the work of Catholic education at Our Lady of Grace Catholic School. The faculty meets for prayer every morning before school and each faculty person takes a turn at leading the prayer. At the morning assembly, our Student Council leads us in the prayer of the day and the pledge to the flag. Each class has a designated Religion time for instruction. On Wednesdays, the entire school from TK-8 grade attend Mass in the church with masks on and safely distanced. Each month, we assign a particular project to support in order to have the students learn more about the Corporal Works of Mercy. All of these actions support our Catholic Identity in our school. Please pray for us as we minister to the important work of the church-education. Thank you.

-Kathy Gannon-Briggs

ANNUAL SEMINARY COLLECTION

Next weekend (**January 8th & 9th**) our diocese asks us to help with the work of education for tomorrow's priests through our contributions to the Seminary Collection. This year is a challenging year for all of us financially but the Diocese humbly appeals to all of you to give your best effort to support our seminarians in their training and formation in your own unique and creative way. Please include the seminarians in your prayers. Prayer especially during Holy Mass is the one of the most effective ways in campaigning and promoting vocations in our Church. You may make your check out to "Roman Catholic Bishop of Oakland" & label your envelope "Seminary". Please drop it off at the collection at the Masses or at the Parish Office mail slot. Your kindness, generosity, and prayers are deeply appreciated.



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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 NOVEMBER:

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 36,841.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$ 45,705.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [8,864.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 14,642.00

May God bless your continuing generosity

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 January 5th.** Call Jay at 510-537-0806 for more information.



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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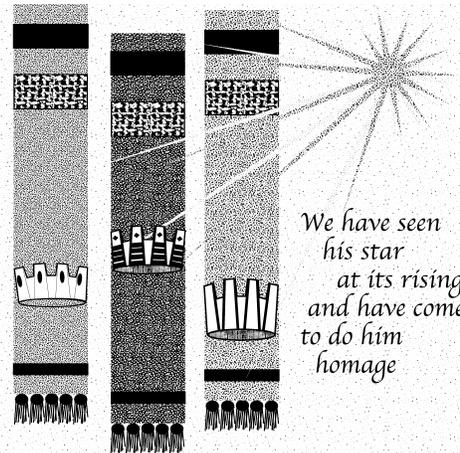
WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST 2022
Saturday, January 22nd



Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 18th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on **January 22nd**. There will be Mass at 9:30am celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, followed by the Walk, down Market Street. *This event is truly changing the hearts and minds and has helped to revivify the pro-life movement on the West Coast!* For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, *9 Days for Life*, **January 19th-27th**. Get daily intentions, brief reflections and more. Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com.



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

In Memoriam

VICTIMS OF COVID-19

VICTIMS OF KENTUCKY TORNADOES

And you Bethlehem of Judah,
are by no means least
among the princes
since from you shall come forth
a ruler to shepherd Israel

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DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve the OLG Community on your schedule? Consider joining the Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick. We deliver the Blessed Sacrament to the sick and homebound who are unable to join us at Mass on a regular basis. Qualifications required? A faith-filled and compassionate heart! Minimal training required. If this could be your calling or you have questions, please contact Theresa at 510-581-7694 or leave your name and number at the Parish Office. Blessings!



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ADORATION & CONFESSION IN THE CHURCH

Come on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00pm for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession and on Saturdays immediately following the 8:15am Mass, concluding at 10:00am.



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!



MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

" In Mary's womb our soul must be reborn after the form of Jesus Christ. She is bound to feed the soul with the milk of her grace, raise it as lovingly as she nourished, looked after, and raised Jesus."

THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 2nd:

The Epiphany of the Lord

Masses

7:30am, 9:00am (Livestream), 11:00am--Church

Spanish Mass

1:00pm--Church

Monday, January 3rd:

Bible Study w/ Fr. Francisco—English

7:00pm—Zoom

Tuesday, January 4th:

Men's Faith Share

7:00pm—Stack Center, Room 7

Wednesday, January 5th:

Pre-Baptism Class

7:00pm—Zoom

Thursday, January 6th:

AA Serenity Group

7:30pm—Augustine Center

Adoration & Confession

6:00-7:00pm—Church

Friday, January 7th:

1st Friday Latin Mass

7:00pm—Church

Saturday, January 8th

Adoration & Confession

8:45-10:00pm—Church

Vigil Mass

5:00pm--Church

Sunday, January 9th:

The Baptism of the Lord

Masses

7:30am, 9:00am (Livestream), 11:00am--Church

1st Communion Class &

Whole Family (Post Communion) Class

10:15am—Stack Center

Confirmation Class

12:15am—Stack Center

Spanish Mass

1:00pm--Church

Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

SUNDAY, January 2nd

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30am Marcelino Perdido – D

9:00am Agnes Zoleta Vergara – D
Veronica Ismael – L

11:00am OLG Community

1:00pm Franciscan Friars

MONDAY, January 3rd

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:15am Ruth Picha – D

TUESDAY, January 4th

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8:15am James Whittaker – D

WEDNESDAY, January 5th

St. John Neumann, Bishop

8:15am Ruth Picha – D

THURSDAY, January 6th

St. André Bessette, Religious

8:15am Angel Balle – D

FRIDAY, January 7th

St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

8:15am Maria De Jesus Rocha Sanchez – D

SATURDAY, January 8th

8:15am Ester Baclig – D

5:00pm Evangelina Barrera – D

SUNDAY, January 9th

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:30am Franciscan Friars

9:00am OLG Community

11:00am Raymond Henry Tolosko – D

1:00pm Jesus Ochoa – D



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

January 3rd through January 9th

- Monday: 1 John 3:22-4:6;
Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday: 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44
- Wednesday: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52
- Thursday: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22
- Friday: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16
- Saturday: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30
- Sunday: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38;
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

SAN DAMIANO RETREAT
Your Graced Legacy

Explore your Personal Legacy and Prepare Your End of Life Celebration. On this retreat weekend, **January 7th-9th**, we will creatively use music, poetry, Scripture, quiet time, journaling, and small group sharing to explore your personal legacy. We will use this exploration to influence the deeper hope of what your celebration of life would look like. Our presenters will be Bidi Millet and Margaret Riley. In-person at San Damiano or Zoom participation are available. For more information and registration please go to the San Damiano website at <https://sandamiano.org/events/legacy/>

RELEVANT RADIO - 1260 AM



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PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"When we all see God in each other, we will love one another as He loves us all. That is the fulfillment of the law, to love one another."

-St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, 1997

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