

News From The Diocese of Oakland—Office of Worship**Attendance At Mass**

Please be aware that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from contagious disease. Long before this pandemic, the Church has always recognized that there are “serious” or “grave” reasons that prevent Catholics from attending Mass. For example, if a person is sick or homebound, or living/visiting areas of the world where access to the Mass is limited, or a situation arises that prevents travel (snowstorm or flat tire), such persons would not be bound by the obligation. In the case of this pandemic, serious or grave reasons would include:

- Anyone who is sick, symptomatic, or has been recently exposed to the coronavirus. Protecting the health of others is an act of Christian charity and our moral duty to one another.
- Anyone with significant health risk factors that requires them to avoid public spaces, or if you care for someone with significant risk factors.
- Anyone who cannot attend Mass through no fault of their own, for example, a parent caring for a sick child, or if the priest is sick. As always, you are reminded to use common good sense in the reception of Holy Communion during the annual cold and flu season as well.

Reception Of Communion

It is strongly encouraged that the faithful receive Communion in the hand. Anyone who wishes to receive on the tongue may do so from a priest. The distribution of the Precious Blood is still not authorized.

General Precautions

Wearing masks and social distancing remain two of the most effective means of preventing and spreading disease. At this time, there is no government restriction on capacity for indoor service, but social distancing and adequate ventilation are still required. The Sign of Peace should still be exchanged without physical contact.

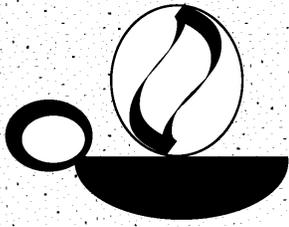


The 9:00am Mass in the Church continues to be livestreamed at Our Lady of Grace’s Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/olgcv/>

Our most current weekly Flocknotes may now be accessed on Our Lady of Grace’s website: <https://olgcv.org/flocknote/>

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (January 30th)**Luke 4:21-30**

Jesus began speaking in the synagogue, saying: “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.” And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, “Isn’t this the son of Joseph?” He said to them, “Surely you will quote me this proverb, ‘Physician, cure yourself,’ and say, ‘Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.’” And he said, “Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away.



Guide me
O Lord
in your truth

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CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Recently, we welcomed

Christopher Tercero

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

CELEBRATE CHILDREN!

Dear Parents,

Our parish enthusiastically welcomes your growing family to fully celebrate with us. May we suggest:

- ***Relax.** God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
- ***Sit** towards the front or aisle where it is easier for little ones to see & hear.
- ***Quietly** explain the parts of the Mass.
- ***Sing** the hymns and **pray** the prayers together.
Children learn from your actions.
- *If necessary, the Family Room located at the right side of the Church is available for your use.

To all Parishioners:

The presence of children is a gift to your Church. Like all of us, they are members of the Body of Christ and a reminder of the growth and future of our Church. Please welcome our children and their parents, and give them a big smile of encouragement!

**FAITH FORMATION
2021-2022**

Please pray for the young members of our Church.

First Communion

Next Class: January 23rd
10:15am—Stack Center

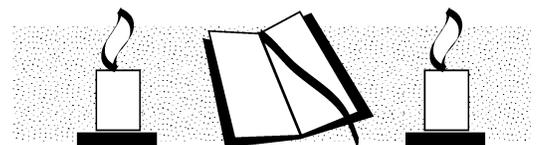
Whole Family (Pre-Communion)

Next Class: January 30th
10:15am—Stack Center

Confirmation

Retreat: January 23rd
12:00pm—Stack Center & Tent

*Please pray for our teen parishioners, Net Ministry leaders and catechists as they attend the Retreat!



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**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.

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!

**OAKLAND DIOCESE CATHOLIC YOUTH
ORGANIZATION (CYO)**

Thank you to the many who have reached out and expressed interest and enthusiasm about the CYO sports program for the 2022 season at Our Lady of Grace. CYO is a church-sponsored athletic program for elementary and junior high age youth from the parishes of the Catholic Diocese of Oakland. CYO Sports are offered by the Church as a ministry to young people. If you are interested in being part of the CYO Volunteer Community or learning more about the program please email Assistant Girls Athletic Director: Nicole Lek kocolek22@hotmail.com, Gym and Equipment Coordinator: Ivania Edens iarvizu@yahoo.com or Boys Registrar: Liz Huizar cyo.olg.lions@gmail.com.



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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.

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 DECEMBER:

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 36,611.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$ 48,500.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [11,889.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 2,753.00

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 February 2nd.** Call Jay at 510-537-0806 for more information.



BAPTISM



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:

Glen Alcorn
 Larry Bronzini
 Peggy Burton
 James Czeck
 Nancy French
 Elena Harder
 Grace Letteer
 Brian Linney
 Arcadio Morfin

Arcadio Morfin
 Diana Riley
 Angela Schaaphok
 Howard Songey
 Ronald Staszko
 Concepcion Velasco
 Mary Lou Vincent
 Arthur Williams
 Peggy Winkenbach



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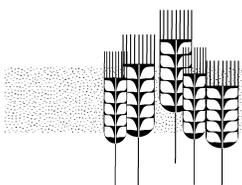
Our church has wonderful, hardworking volunteers who clean & set up our pews with missalettes, song books & envelopes each week for our Masses. We are grateful for their years of service in doing this!

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.



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Grow in faith!

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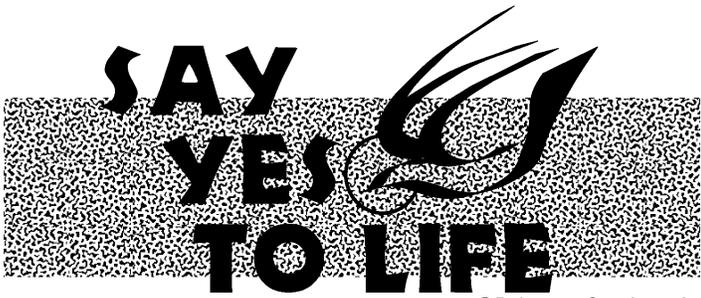
Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased in our parish families and all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

In Memoriam

TOM MIRAGLIA

MELISSA FUTAGAKI

VICTIMS OF COVID-19



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SCRIP FUNDRAISER

SCRIP cards (at face value) help Our Lady of Grace’s Evangelization Program earn 2%-17% per card. 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. Download a copy of the order form by visiting our website: www.olgcv.org and click on “SCRIP” at the top of the homepage. Forms are also available at the Parish Office.

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.



**MAXIMILIAN KOLBE
QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

" The Immaculata is the Mother of our supernatural life, for she is the mediatrix of all graces, in the supernatural sphere. Also, she is a most loving mother, for there is no such loving, such affectionate, such God-filled mother as the Immaculata, who is all divine."

RELEVANT RADIO - 1260 AM



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THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 23rd:

The Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Masses

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

1st Communion Class

10:15am—Stack Center

Confirmation Retreat

Noon-6:00pm—Stack Center & Tent

Spanish Mass

1:00pm--Church

Monday, January 24th:

Bible Study w/ Fr. Francisco—Spanish

7:00pm—Zoom

Tuesday, January 25th:

Men’s Faith Share

7:00pm—Stack Center, Room 7

Thursday, January 27th:

AA Serenity Group

7:30pm—Augustine Center

Adoration & Confession

6:00-7:00pm—Church

Saturday, January 29th

Adoration & Confession

8:45-10:00pm—Church

Vigil Mass

5:00pm--Church

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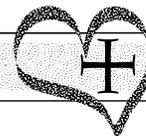
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Confirmation Class

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Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

SUNDAY, January 23rd
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30am Franciscan Friars
 9:00am OLG Community
 11:00am Hilda Serpa – D
 1:00pm Rosa & Ana Loza – D

MONDAY, January 24th
St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 8:15am Mary Guzman – L

TUESDAY, January 25th
The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
 8:15am Visitacion Perdido – D

WEDNESDAY, January 26th
Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops
 8:15am Taylor & Felicity Hill – L

THURSDAY, January 27th
St. Angela Merici, Virgin
 8:15am Reyes Ochoa Rocha – D

FRIDAY, January 28th
St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church
 8:15am Dennis Boegel – D

SATURDAY, January 29th
 8:15am Julie & Matthias Lee
 5:00pm Andy & Mai Truong & Family

SUNDAY, January 30th
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30am Marie Correia – D
 9:00am Raymond Henry Tolosko – D
 11:00am OLG Community
 1:00pm Franciscan Friars



EXECUTION ALERTS

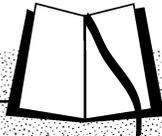
The following executions are scheduled to take place in **January**:

- January 27th Donald Grant Oklahoma
- January 27th Matthew Reeves Alabama

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
January 24th through January 30th

Monday: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30
 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16; Mark 16:15-18
 Wednesday: 2 Timothy 1:1-8; Mark 4:1-20
 Thursday: 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25
 Friday: 2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4:26-34
 Saturday: 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41
 Sunday: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30



IF YOU LOVE ME, KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS

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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!

PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“We all have the great duty to realize the deep need for purity of soul, that is, the deep need to possess in us the Holy Spirit, to be possessed by Him. This has to take precedence over everything else. If He lives and works in us, then our activity will be true, and our witness will generate love of truth, even though we may be persecuted and beaten down in apparent incomprehension.”

-Thomas Merton

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