



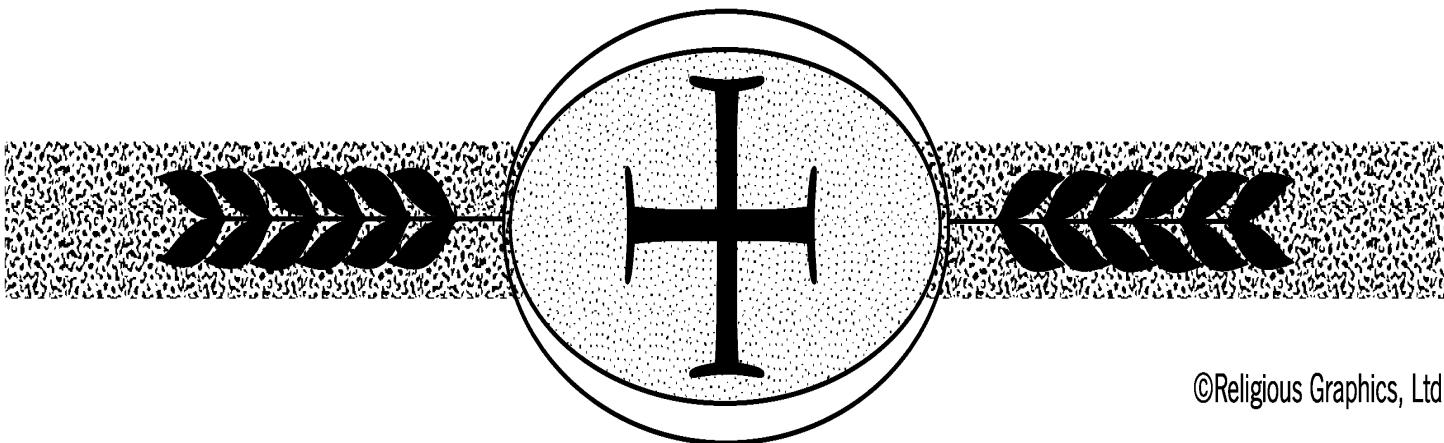
### Recap Of Our Evangelization Programs

As we enter into the new year, our Evangelization Program at Our Lady of Grace has been going strong since September with the help of our dedicated catechists. Our 1st Communion Class, led by Shyra and Thelma Dawson, consists of 39 students from OLG School and our community. Curriculum is not only taught by our catechists, but also by each student's parents. This enhances the learning experience for all the students as they continue their journey of faith. Early in December, our students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and will now continue with their Eucharistic Preparation.

Our Whole Family Classes, led by Jackie Cruz, Dennise Burgess, Chris Richards and Sabina Hill, consists of 25 students. Instruction is provided for students who have not received 1st Communion (Year 1) and for those students who have already received the Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion. Again, curriculum is taught by both catechists and parents. These gatherings are helpful to parents who receive guidance by our catechists to reinforce the teachings at home.

Our Confirmation Class consists of 29 students and is led by Leeanne Thomas, Confirmation Coordinator and Dr. Matthew Thomas. This year, our high school students study each book of the Bible in depth in group settings, guided by our catechists. Our upcoming Confirmation Retreat, led by Net Ministries, is scheduled for January 23rd. This year's theme "*Fully Alive*" will help our teens know what it means to search for true happiness, who is God himself.

*Please pray for all our students who will be receiving  
Sacraments of 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation this Spring!*



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### The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (January 16th)

John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.



## CHRISTMAS OFFERING RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Christmas Collection. Our Christmas Offering for 2021 totaled \$28,908 with a budget of \$28,000. We are most grateful for this response given all that was going on with the ongoing concern of COVID-19. As always we thank you for the generosity of your gift and ask God to bless your continuing generosity.

## 2021 PLATE COLLECTION RESULTS

Total Sunday Plate Offering 2021: \$487,734

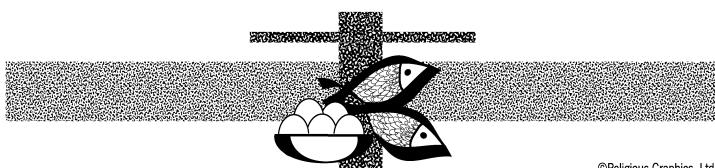
Total Sunday Plate Budget 2021: \$486,000

Total Over 2021: \$1,734

We are most grateful to those who have consistently supported our Parish and have maintained their level of giving. We recognized those who responded so generously and personally committed to make a difference in our outcome for the year. For those in the Parish not using the offering envelopes or the online giving, we ask you to prayerfully consider committing your support to our ministries, liturgies, outreach and all that a Parish is expected to provide its members and the members of the larger community in which we reside. May we continue to be good stewards of so great a gift and remember that God will not be outdone in generosity.

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY BULLETIN

Beginning this weekend, (**January 8th & 9th**), Children's Sunday Bulletins will be available for our young parishioners on days we do not meet for Children's Liturgy of the Word. Copies (1 per student) may be picked up at the front and back entrances of the church. Bulletins may be read during Mass but please wait to do the puzzles when you return home. Thank you.



## ANNUAL SEMINARY COLLECTION

This 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 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". Envelopes are in the pews for your use. Your kindness, generosity, and prayers are deeply appreciated.

## 2021 MAINTENANCE FUND RESULTS

Total Collection 2021:	\$25,027
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Total Budget 2021:	\$25,000
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Total Property Repairs/ Improvements 2021:	\$28,241
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We are grateful to all those who faithfully contribute to the monthly Grounds and Maintenance Offering. Your contributions allow us to make needed repairs and improvements to the property. The \$28,241 roof repairs, enhancements to our security gate, tree trimming and removal as well as some other smaller needed maintenance jobs. We also wish to acknowledge those who responded so generously to the Church Refurbishment fund for the major church refresh completed in 2021. Please consider a monthly contribution to the Grounds and Maintenance envelope as part of your monthly offering.

## CHRISTMAS DECORATORS 2021

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You for 6 days of arranging, displaying, fluffing, and cleaning in the church—it was beautiful! This group of volunteers led by Claudia and Margaret and wonderfully assisted by James Ricketts, Mark Vaz among others, did an outstanding job and really raised the bar for next year. This group enjoyed fellowship and a few good laughs while beautifying our refurbished church with plans on doing the same next year!



## 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.

## 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](http://www.9daysforlife.com).

## 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](http://www.walkforlifewc.com) or call 415-658-1793.



## 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](http://www.olgcv.org) and click on "SCRIP" at the top of the homepage. Forms are also available at 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
<b>Month Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 48,500.00</b>
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [11,889.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 2,753.00

*May God bless your continuing generosity*

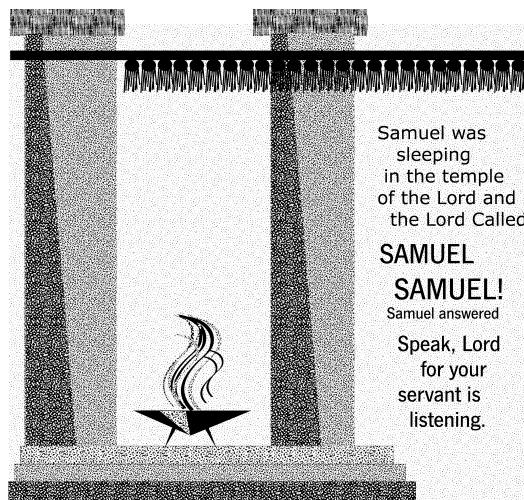


## Your Prayers Are Requested

Please lift up in your prayer those many among us who are ill and those who have asked for our prayerful remembrance:

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

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Peggy Winkenbach



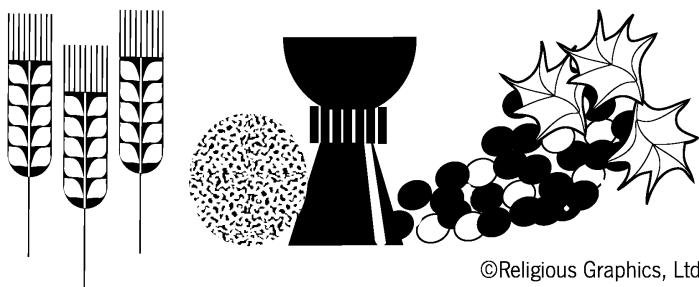
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*Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased in our parish families and all who mourn the loss of a loved one.*

### In Memoriam

## VICTIMS OF COVID-19

## VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE



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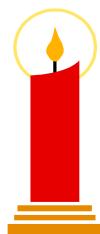
### ADORATION & CONFESSION IN THE CHURCH

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!



### 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

*At [the Immaculata's] knees, the soul must learn to know and love Jesus. From her heart, it must draw love toward Him, or even love Him with her heart and become like Him through love."*

## THIS WEEK

### 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 CenterConfirmation Class  
12:15am—Stack CenterSpanish Mass  
1:00pm--Church

### Monday, January 10th:

Bible Study w/ Fr. Francisco—Spanish  
7:00pm—Zoom

### Tuesday, January 11th:

Men's Faith Share  
7:00pm—Stack Center, Room 7

### Thursday, January 13th:

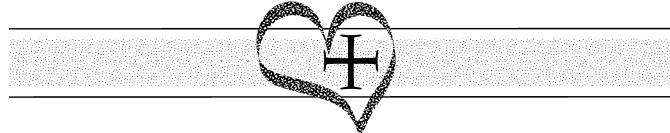
AA Serenity Group  
7:30pm—Augustine Center  
Adoration & Confession  
6:00-7:00pm—Church

### Saturday, January 15th

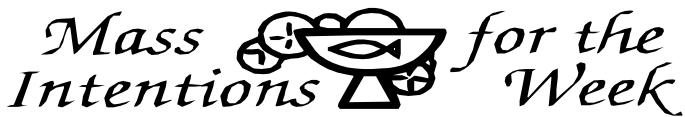
Adoration & Confession  
8:45-10:00pm—Church  
Vigil Mass  
5:00pm--Church

### Sunday, January 16th:

#### *The Second Sunday In Ordinary Time*

Masses  
7:30am, 9:00am (Livestream), 11:00am--Church  
Spanish Mass  
1:00pm--Church

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**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

**MONDAY, January 10th**

8:15am Randy Jordan—D

**TUESDAY, January 11th**

8:15am Lilia Sousa—D

**WEDNESDAY, January 12th**

8:15am Ruth Picha—D

**THURSDAY, January 13th**

St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
 8:15am Bette Bennett—D

**FRIDAY, January 14th**

8:15am Gertrude Davis—D

**SATURDAY, January 15th**

8:15am Jeanette Shriver—D  
 5:00pm Antonio O. Chocha—D

**SUNDAY, January 16th****THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30am Louis Rodrigues—D  
 9:00am Gonzalez & Ochoa Families—L  
 11:00am OLG Community  
 1:00pm Franciscan Friars



*Grow in faith!*

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**STAY IN TOUCH!**

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:****January 10th through January 16th**

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| Monday:    | 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Mark 1:14-20                         |
| Tuesday:   | 1 Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28                        |
| Wednesday: | 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Mark 1:29-39                 |
| Thursday:  | 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Mark 1:40-45                        |
| Friday:    | 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2:1-12                  |
| Saturday:  | 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1;<br>Mark 2:13-17         |
| Sunday:    | Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11;<br>John 2:1-11 |

**DISCERNMENT TO PRIESTHOOD  
ZOOM MEETING**

To the young adults of our parish: have you ever wondered about a vocation in the church? This meeting is open to young men ages 18-30 years old. It is held the **2nd Tuesday** of each month from 7:00-8:00pm and facilitated by Fr. Carl Arcosa and invited priests.

For more info and to receive access to the Zoom meeting, please email: [CArcosa@oakdiocese.org](mailto:CArcosa@oakdiocese.org). You may also contact one of our friars and who will assist you in your discernment.

**PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*"Then, it was as if I suddenly saw the secret beauty of their hearts, the depths of their hearts where neither sin nor desire nor self-knowledge can reach, the core of their reality, the person that each one is in God's eyes. If only they could see themselves as they really are. If only we could see each other that way all the time."*

-Thomas Merton, 1966

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