

Fellow Parishioners,

My name is Mark Vaz and Fr. Tom has asked me to prepare a volume celebrating OLG's 75th Anniversary, which falls on September of this year. As some of you might know, I'm a professional, published author. I'll spare you the resume, but my "vision" for this proposed work begins with the working title *"People of Faith: 75 Years of Building Community at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church"*. While there will be a classic narrative forming the framework of this work, I envision the body of the story built upon the memories and stories of the parishioners themselves. I'll edit it all together, but I'm asking everyone to submit a statement, a story, a memory, or an anecdote. Your contribution might be a page or two, a paragraph, even a few sentences.

The topics are virtually endless—you might be part of a parish ministry, a teacher at the parish school—perhaps, you're a graduate of the parish school, or a parent with children enrolled at the school. Perhaps you're a member of long-range planning committees—a member of the parish planning council, the school board, or larger Catholic charitable organizations dealing with immigration, or the homeless. Perhaps you've experienced a miracle and want to share your experience of God's grace or have a compelling memory of one of our past pastors, or a story about the Parish Fall Festival, or any of our various fundraisers. And, of course, the effects of the Pandemic on your life and reflections on how OLG coped with it all.

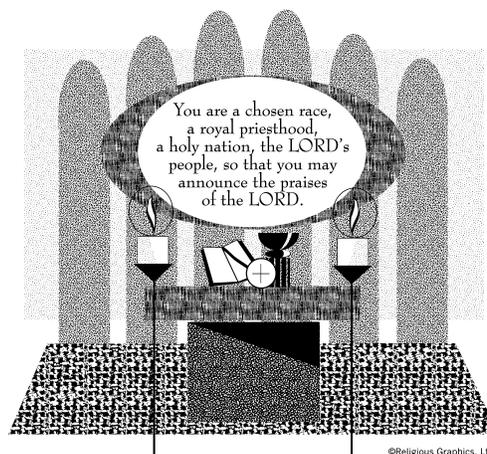
Please prepare your 'copy', as we say in the trade, as soon as possible. Printed statements should be double-spaced. If you don't have a computer or printer, you may print it out by hand, just make sure it's clear and legible. Include your full name and contact phone number in case I have any questions. Then submit it to Jay at the Parish Office or put it in an envelope and slip it in the office mail slot. Please label your submissions to *"Mark Cotta Vaz/75th Anniversary History"*.

If you have any questions or need some encouragement/assistance on writing your story, call me at 510-582-4832.

God Bless and thank you,  
Mark Cotta Vaz

### 75th Anniversary Moment Question of the Week

What was the name of the priest that gave you a Sacrament? or What was the name of the first Priest you met when you came to Our Lady of Grace?



### Gospel For The Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 22nd)

**John 14:23-29**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."



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**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION  
SATURDAY, MAY 14th 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**

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| Connor Belizario   | Lucas Resurreccion |
| Mattea Branco      | Michael Ross       |
| George Callaway    | Santiago Salinas   |
| Jacqueline Callier | Charles Silveira   |
| Madalynn Cirimele  | Andrea Soulard     |
| Damian Del Mundo   | Alexandra Skaf     |
| Leonardo DiLuca    | Pearl Venzon       |
| Nayla Theresa Hair | Gerald Verdier     |
| Evelyn Hannon      | Adrian Vilchez     |
| Emilio Huizar      | Vanessa Vilchez    |
| Penelope Lopez     | Ryden Yamamoto     |
| Ahlivea Raatib     |                    |



**UPCOMING FESCO EVENTS**

**Yard Sale**

Come find great deals for your home or as gifts! All proceeds support FESCO in its efforts to end family homelessness in Alameda County.

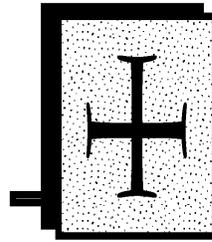
2918 Hidden Lane in Hayward

May 20th from Noon-5:00pm

May 21st & 22nd from 9:00am-5:00pm

**25th Annual FESCO Shuffle  
June 11th 8:00am-Noon**

Support FESCO’s mission to help families with children move from homelessness to sustainable housing. This year’s Shuffle will be held at the Moreau High School Track at 27170 Mission Blvd. in Hayward There will donuts and coffee at 8:00am, a barbecue lunch at 11:00am and a closing ceremony at 12:00pm. There will also be games for the children, a raffle and prize giveaway. Everyone who participates will be given a free ticket for the raffle! It’s a wonderful community event where people can exercise, listen to music and enjoy a picnic on the beautiful Moreau High School grounds. It’s free to attend! Sign up to walk or donate at [www.FESCOSHuffle.org](http://www.FESCOSHuffle.org). For more information, go to [www.fescofamilyshester.org](http://www.fescofamilyshester.org) or call Stephanie Miller at 510-886-5473.



The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

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**BISHOP'S  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**

**2022 BISHOP'S  
MINISTRIES APPEAL**

Many thanks to those parishioners who have already generously contributed towards our Bishop’s Ministries Appeal. We are looking for greater participation! Following is the status of this appeal through April 30th:

\$7,669.00—Actual Donations Received

Our Goal for 2022:	<b>\$29,000.00</b>
# of Acknowledged Donors to date:	31
Funds Raised (includes pledges)	\$11,659.00

We are currently at **40%** of our goal! If you have not yet made your donation or pledge, please consider doing so today. To make your donation, please use the envelopes provided in the pews or make your donation online by visiting: <https://oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page>.

**DIOCESAN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

**Catholic Charities**

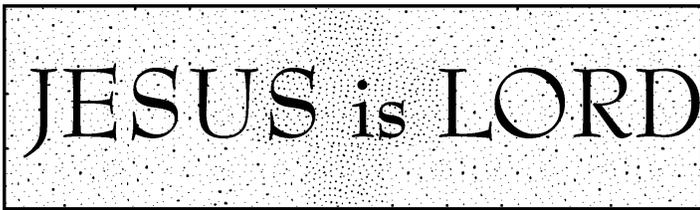
**This Weekend—May 14th & 15th**

When you give towards Catholic Charities this weekend, it will make a considerable difference for East Bay families, children, and seniors with the fewest resources. In partnership with Catholics across the Diocese of Oakland, your donations will bring trusted valued help and hope to people in our community. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. To find out more about Catholic Charities East Bay, please visit: <https://www.cceb.org/>

**Catholic Communications**

**May 28th & 29th**

Your contribution helps spread the Good News of God’s mercy and love around the country and around the world. Your gift also benefits the local community as half of your donation stays in the Diocese of Oakland to support their communication project.



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**OPEN POSITION: COORDINATOR FOR WHOLE FAMILY PROGRAMS (K-5)**

The Coordinator of K-5 works with the Pastor to provide religious education leadership that supports the mission of our parish. The Coordinator will also manage the curriculum, volunteers, and the implementation of the programs that support the teaching of the Church and encourage opportunities for involvement in parish life. This is a part-time, 12-15 hours per week, non-exempt position and must be available for the Sunday programs 2-3 Sundays a month from September-May. For a complete job description, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

**OLG's 75th ANNIVERSARY  
A Memory of Our History**

Archbishop John J. Mitty of the San Francisco Diocese established Our Lady of Grace Parish in Castro Valley on September 19, 1947 with Rev. Joseph Donworth as pastor. It was the first of many parishes to stem from All Saints Church in Hayward. A small hall on Baker Road, belonging to a San Francisco Italian group, was used for Mass during the first six months. In 1947 three acres bordering on Anita Avenue were purchased for \$11,000.00. The first church and rectory were built on that site. The first Mass was celebrated on Easter Sunday in 1948.

**APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED AT OUR LADY OF GRACE SCHOOL 2022-2023**



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School is currently accepting applications for new students for the 2022-2023 school year. OLG is accredited by the Western Catholic Educational Associations and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. We offer rigorous academics as well as art, Spanish, physical education, motor development, small advanced classes in math for grades 6-8 and small group reading for grades 1-4. Please visit our website [www.olgschool.org](http://www.olgschool.org) or call the school office at 510-581-3255 for more information. Come see what OLG is all about!

**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 APRIL:**

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 34,376.00
<b>Month Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 35,560.00</b>
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [1,184.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [6,187.00]

*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:

Peter Bodas  
Peggy Burton  
James Czeck  
Peggy Deadder  
Mary Elizabeth Goncalves  
Jim Gonzales  
Elena Harder  
Grace Letteer  
Brian Linney  
Arcadio Morfin

Diana Riley  
Angela Schaaphok  
Peggy Silva  
Howard Songey  
Jim Taylor  
Alyssia Tortora  
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**

**VICTIMS OF THE UKRANIAN INVASION**

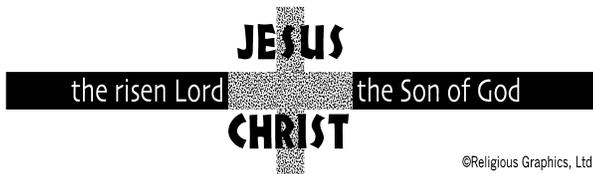
**VICTIMS OF COVID-19**

**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2022-2023**



Registration for 1st Communion, Confirmation and Whole Family Catechesis for Fall 2022 is now available. **Classes begin in September. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office and on our website at [www.olgcv.org](http://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. *There is an early bird discount if you register by June 1st.*

**All children are welcome!**



**MISSING ITEMS FROM CHURCH**

On Sunday, May 8th, after the 5:00pm Mass, a bag containing Knights of Columbus shirts was missing from the vestibule. If you have any information on it's whereabouts, please call the Parish Office, no questions asked! Thank you.

**COLUMBIETTE'S FIRST MEETING**

ATTENTION LADIES! We are very excited to announce the first meeting of the Columbiettes at our parish. We will meet on Wednesday, **May 18th** at 7:00pm in the Stack Center, Room 7. All women over 18 are encouraged to attend. We will have games and prizes and a fun time. Bring your rosary. We will pray for peace in the Ukraine. For more information, contact Patricia Miller 408-429-3774.

**MISSING YOUR GLASSES?**

If you believe you have left your eyeglasses or reading glasses in the church, please stop by the Parish Office to claim them. Office hours are M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm, closed for lunch from 1:00-1:30pm.

**CONVENTUAL FRANCISCAN RETREAT**

Our priests will be away on retreat during the week of **May 30th-June 3rd**. During that time, there will be no daily Masses or Adoration. All Mass Intentions will be honored at the Conventual Franciscan Masses. Thank you for your understanding.

**FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND**

We are grateful for the generous donations from Alicia Nazareno in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary and from Lucy Burns in memory/ remembrance of Lucila Mojica. Flower donation envelopes can be found at the entrances of the church to make a donation in memory of or in honor of a loved one or other occasion. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jay at 510-537-0806. Your donation in honor of your loved one will be mentioned in the bulletin.



**MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*"[O Immaculata,]...the Holy Spirit had given an incomparably greater amount of light to you than to all souls taken together.... How many mysteries regarding Jesus must that Divine Spirit who lived and operated in you have revealed only and exclusively to your immaculate soul. "*

**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, May 15th:**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word  
9:00am—Church & Augustine Center

Confirmation Class  
12:15pm—Stack Center

Spanish Mass  
1:00pm--Church

**Monday, May 16th:**

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

**Tuesday, May 17th:**

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

**Wednesday, May 18th:**

RCIA  
7:00pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Columbiette's  
7:00pm—Stack Center, Room 7

**Thursday, May 19th:**

AA Serenity Group  
7:30pm—Augustine Center

**Saturday, May 21st:**

1st Holy Communion Mass  
11:00am—Church

Vigil Mass  
5:00pm—Church

**Sunday, May 22nd:**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

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

Confirmation Class & 2nd Year Rehearsal  
12:15pm—Stack Center

Spanish Mass  
1:00pm--Church



**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!

# Mass Intentions for the Week

**SUNDAY, May 15th**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30am Mary Lou Vincent – L

9:00am Sue Klas – L

Margaret Speranza – L

11:00am Franciscan Friars

1:00pm OLG Community

**MONDAY, May 16th**

8:15am Jaime & Martha Gonzalez – L

**TUESDAY, May 17th**

8:15am Matthias Lee – D

**WEDNESDAY, May 18th**

**St. John I, Pope & Martyr**

8:15am Nina Kano – L

**THURSDAY, May 19th**

8:15am Martha Sanchez – L

**FRIDAY, May 20th**

**St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest**

8:15am Debi Telles – D

**SATURDAY, May 21st**

**St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs**

8:15am Arthur Santiago – D

5:00pm Antonio O. Chocha – D

**SUNDAY, May 22nd**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30am Franciscan Friars

9:00am OLG Community

11:00am Christina & Chris Nunes – L

1:00pm Ariel Mendez-Flores

**1ST HOLY EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION**

Please pray for our Sacrament students as they prepare to receive 1st Holy Eucharist on **May 21st** and **June 4th at 11:00am** and **June 5th at 1:00pm**.

Also, pray for our Confirmation candidates as they prepare for the Rite of Confirmation on **June 5th** at 11:00am at Our Lady of Grace.

**BEWARE OF EMAIL SCAMS!**

There have been fraudulent emails circulating through our parish, using Fr. Tom's name and a fake email address. For your safety, please do not open these emails and report these to Jay in the Parish Office at 537-0806. God Bless and be safe.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**May 16th through May 22nd**

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; John 14:26  
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a  
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8  
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11  
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17  
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21  
 Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29;  
 Revelations 21:10-14, 22-23;  
 John 14:23-29



**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 at 510-537-0806

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

May 11th	Clarence Dixon	Arizona
May 17th	Virgil Presnell, Jr.	Georgia

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

**PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*“Christians must become active in every possible way, mobilizing all their resources for the fight against war...Peace is to be preached, non-violence is to be explained as a practical method and not left to be mocked...”*

–Thomas Merton, 1961

To join our work with Pax Christi, please contact the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

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