# **HAPPY EASTER!!!** "The Lord is truly Risen!! Alleluia!! Alleluia!!

This Sunday we end the Octave of Easter. The Easter Season lasts for 50 days, the longest from the Paster Liturgical Season of the liturgical year, ending with Pentecost. Our Easter Candle is lit and reminds us of this Holy Season. Easter is the most important day in the Church calendar. Where would our Faith be, if Christ never arose? In fact, every Sunday is called "A Little Easter". As we celebrate each Eucharist, we remember this mystery.

As I look at the next few weeks, our Havana Nights Spring Auction is getting very close. <u>We are just 3</u> <u>weeks away!</u> If you have not purchased your tickets, you can get them online. Please see Page 2 of this Bulletin for details. The Auction is a major fundraiser for both the Parish and the School and allows us to maintain and take care of property improvements. There will be both a Silent and a Live Auction, cocktails, music, dancing, and a raffle. I hope many of you can attend. Both Fr. James and I will be there. I am still accepting gift card donations for the gift card tree that will be one of the items to be auctioned off. Cards of any amount from wherever are welcome. You may bring your contributions to the Parish Office.

There are still spots available for the Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Guadalupe with Gena McGowen and I from October 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>. Please see Page 4 for more information.

Our Lady of Grace School is going very well. I know from teaching; the rest of the year will go quickly. After Christmas, days and months get long for everyone – students, parents, and teachers. Thank God for the Easter break! We have some important events yet to celebrate, such as First Holy Communion. I find our School to be very lifegiving to me and to our parish. I thank once again, Dr. McGowen for her leadership. I thank the parents for their continued support of all involved in our school. May we continue to prayerfully support one another both in word and action.

-Fr. Ray

# Third Sunday of Easter (April 23rd)

#### Luke 24:13-35

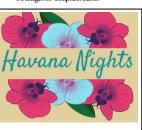
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That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.



#### HAVANA NIGHTS SPRING AUCTION Three Weeks To Go!



Join us on May 6th at 5:30pm in Stack Center for an exciting evening of Delicious Bites, Cocktails, Raffle, Live Music, Dancing & the Auction!

#### Tickets costs \$65 per person Sponsor an 8-person table for \$520 or a 10-person table for \$650

Child Care will be offered on-site. <u>Must be purchased</u> by April 24th.

Get your tickets today!

\_Purchase your dinner and raffle tickets and childcare online by visiting: <u>zeffy.com/en-US/</u> <u>ticketing/9dbbc6d7-4cda-400e-a700-7a5b471ec49d</u>



# UPCOMING FESCO EVENTS Yard Sale

Come and find wonderful deals on collectibles, housewares, costume jewelry, vintage items, glassware, eclectic decor

and so much more! All proceeds will support FESCO in its efforts to end family homelessness in Alameda County.

<u>2918 Hidden Lane in Hayward</u> Friday, April 21st from Noon-5:00pm Saturday & Sunday, April 22nd & 23rd from 9:00am-5:00pm

# **FESCO Shuffle**

The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Shuffle is scheduled for **Saturday**, **May 6<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00am to 12:00pm at Moreau Catholic High School at 27170 Mission Blvd. in Hayward. *New this year – a 5K timed run at the Moreau Track 7:00 to 8:00am*. **Registration is \$50 for adults and \$25 for youth (16+ with school ID).** Please join this event which raises funds to support FESCO's programs that support homeless families with children. Go to <u>https://</u> <u>lafamilia.securesweet.com/</u> to join a team or donate. For more information, call volunteer, Chris Ippolito at 510-343-4876 or Stephanie Miller at the FESCO office at 510-886-5473.



# 2023 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Our goal this year is to gain 100% participation from all members of Our Lady of Grace Parish!

I AM WITH YUU ALWAYS Bishop's ministries appeal 2023 To make your donation, please

bishur 5 MINISTREES APPEAL 2023 use the envelopes provided in the pews or make your donation online by visiting:<u>https://oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page</u>.



#### FESTIVAL 2023 PLANNING HAS BEGUN! September 23rd-24th

September will be here

before we know it—we are committed to getting our Annual Fall Festival back but we need your help. We have a couple of school parents who have stepped up to Co-Chair the Festival and are counting on others from the parish and school communities to fill some other volunteer opportunities. The areas we are looking for leads are the following:

*Volunteer Coordinator:* Sign-Up Genus admin & POC for volunteers

<u>Carnival Manager</u>: POC for vendor, liaison for individual family volunteers for carnival area

*Internal Food Manager:* Operational oversight of internal food booths, manage supply inventory & POC for any external vendors participating

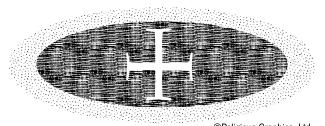
<u>Entertainment</u> <u>Coordinator</u>: Stage entertainment POC, manages internal & external partners, day of event area manager

<u>Marketing Coordinator</u>: Internal and external event promotion lead

<u>*Ticket Sales - Parish:*</u> Lead for all pre-event ticket sales - pancake breakfast, pasta dinner, etc.

<u>Ticket Sales - School:</u> Lead for all pre-event ticket sales

It takes a village or in this case, a Parish Community to make the Festival happen, so please consider how you can be of service for our fun Parish tradition. Contact Colleen in the Parish Office at <u>clindberg@olgcv.org</u> or <u>Vince\_Belizario@jackmorton.com</u> and <u>dawn.leo@ropesgray.com</u>



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Degree or equivalent, current Basic Catechist and at least two years of experience as a catechist in the area of responsibility. Please contact Colleen Lindberg in the Parish Office at clindberg@olgcv.org.



# **1ST HOLY EUCHARIST &** CONFIRMATION



Please pray for our Sacrament students as they prepare to receive 1st Holy Eucharist on May 20th

at 11:00am and May 21st at 9:00am, 11:00am and 1:00pm at Our Lady of Grace Church.

Also, pray for our Confirmation candidates as they prepare for the Rite of Confirmation on May 13th at 2:00pm at the Cathedral of Christ the Light.

# **MEN'S FAITH SHARE**

The OLG's Men Faith Share Group meets on Tuesdays at 7:00pm in Stack Center, Room 7. All men of 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!

## **MILITIA IMMACULATA MEETINGS**

Come join us as members of the Militia Immaculata (MI) on the 1st Saturday of each month at 10:00am in Stack Center, OLG Room. Our next meeting will be on



# May 6th.



## **ROSARY BEFORE MASS**

Come join in prayer of the Rosary 30 minutes before each of the weekend liturgies. Pray for our Parish!

## 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 MARCH:**

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$	36,016.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$	37,000.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$	[984.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$	[2,952.00]
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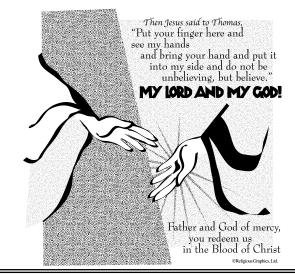


#### Your Prayers Are Requested

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

Raul Cepeda Peggy Deadder Anna Rose Esteban Nancy French Cindy Jardin Grace Letteer **Brian Linney** Sheila McAlinden

**Diana** Riley Jenny Roberts Angela Schaaphok Alyssia Tortora James Van Wert 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 Memorial

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#### SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. RAY October 16th-20th

Price: \$2,249 plus tips

Price includes:

- Air travel from San Francisco Airport to Mexico • and back with United Airlines
- Deluxe rooms at the Sheraton Maria Hotel --5 star hotel, very safe
- Private motor coach, local guide and bus driver •
- Food most breakfasts and dinners provided at the hotel, lunch on your own
- Entrance fees
- **Daily Mass**

The Pilgrimage will be in English. Seats are limited. If you are interested in the Pilgrimage, please contact Fr. Ray at rmallett1@hotmail.com or call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806. Please provide your name, address, phone number and email address. Your name will be placed on the list of interested people and Fr. Ray will contact you shortly with a brochure and registration form for the Pilgrimage.



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

If you are wishing to have your child, ages infant to six years baptized, parents BAPTISM and Godparents need to attend a Pre-

Baptism Class. You also need to be registered members of the parish for at least three months. Our next class will be held in Stack Center, OLG Room at 7:00pm on May 3rd. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.

# **COLUMBIETTES**



Attention Ladies! Are you interested in becoming active in our parish? Come see what the Columbiette's are all about. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month

from 6:30-7:30pm in Stack Center, OLG Room. Come to our next meeting on April 18th. For additional information, please visit:

https://www.californiacolumbiettes.com

# MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Trusting the Immaculata, the soul fears nothing, does not retreat in the face of any duty, even if it were arduous. most arduous."



#### Sunday, April 16th:

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

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

Whole Family Class 10:15am—Stack Center

**Confirmation Class** 12:15pm—Stack Center

Spanish Mass 1:00pm—Church

#### Tuesday, April 18th:

Columbiette's Meeting 6:30pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Men's Faith Share 7:00pm—Stack Center

#### Thursday, April 20th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm—Church

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00pm—Parish Office

AA Serenity Group 7:30pm—Augustine Center

## Saturday, April 22nd:

Adoration & Reconciliation 8:45am—Church

Vigil Mass 5:00pm—Church

#### Sunday, April 23rd:

Third Sunday of Easter

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

1st Communion Class (Year 1) 10:15am-Stack Center

**Confirmation Class** 12:15pm—Stack Center

Spanish Mass 1:00pm—Church

# **DID YOU KNOW???**

Our church has wonderful, hardworking volunteers who clean and set up our pews each week with missalettes, song books and envelopes each week for our Masses.



We are grateful for their years of service in doing this!



#### SUNDAY, April 16th

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY) 7:30am Mario & Rita Venturini – D 9:00am Maria Que Nguyen – D 11:00am OLG Community 1:00pm Cristovao Chocha – L

# MONDAY, April 17th

8:15am Manuel & Dorothy Callier – D

# TUESDAY, April 18th

8:15am Augusto & Edwina Silva & Family

WEDNESDAY, April 19th 8:15am Ruth Picha – D

**THURSDAY, April 20th** 8:15am Louis Rodrigues – D

**FRIDAY, April 21st** St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 8:15am All Souls in Purgatory

## SATURDAY, April 22nd

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## SUNDAY, April 23rd

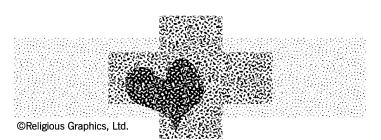
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# **EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

April 26th Ivan Cantu Texas

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



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK: April 17th through April 23rd

Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday:

Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8 Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7-15 Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21 Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36 Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15 Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21 Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus monthly meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:30pm in Stack Center, OLG Room. If you are interested in join-

ing or would like more information, visit <u>https://</u> <u>www.kofc.org</u> or join them at their next meeting on **April 27th**.

# WINGS - WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT

WINGS is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study, Catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings are held at the Transfiguration Church Hall.

Next Meeting: April 20th, 9:00am to 11:30am Speaker: Dr. Doreen Jones

Topic: "Be Not Afraid: Strengthening Our Souls, Minds & Spines as Women of Faith!"

For further information or if you would like to attend, please contact: Carolyn Willkie at willkiecarolyn@gmail.com or 510-410-7223.

# PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Those who remain silent are responsible." -St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

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

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