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Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once From the Pastor called Corpus Christi, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." In the revised Lectionary the name for this day is expanded to reflect more completely our Eucharistic theology.

Today's Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. The discourse comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as "signs" through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue, or discourse that interprets and explains the miracle. In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves is said to have occurred near Passover, thus linking it to the Exodus story and God's saving action toward the Israelites.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world.

As we prepare for our year of Eucharistic Renewal, listen closely to the meaning of this day. Eucharist is our food for the journey of life. God so freely shares His life and Love with us. As we journey in life, may we grow in appreciation of the Eucharist.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish and for your support of the Bishop's Appeal. I am truly convinced that "God will provide ALL that we need." I hope you have found the meaning of the words of the prayer of St. Francis: "It is in giving that we receive". Money is just one example of the meaning of these words. I hope that you have found meaning in them throughout your life – faith, hope, love, forgiveness, and acceptance to mention a few areas of life.

-Fr. Ray



The Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time (June 18th)

Matthew 9:36-10:8

At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon from Cana, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him. Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give."



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2023 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Many thanks to those parishioners who have already generously contributed towards our Bishop's Ministries Appeal. Following is the status of this appeal through May 15th:

Actual Donations Received: \$18,377.00
Overall Goal for 2023: \$29,000.00
of Acknowledged Donors to date: 82

Funds Raised (includes pledges): \$24,707.00

We are currently at **85%** of our goal! 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.



WE WELCOME OUR REVIVAL OUTREACH SPEAKER, FR. GEOFFREY BARAAN

Fr. Geoffrey from the Diocese of Oakland will be celebrating Mass at OLG on **June 10th** at 5:00pm. He will share with us details and ways to support the upcoming *Eucharistic Revival Congress*. For more information, please visit: https://oakdiocese.org/eucharisticrevival2023



FALL FESTIVAL 2023 September 23rd-24th

We are still in need of volunteers! Sign up and offer your

time and talents for one of these positions: Carnival Manager, Volunteer Coordinator, Food Manager, Entertainment Coordinator, Marketing Coordinator and Ticket Sales. Help the Parish and School bring our long-standing and successful Fall Festival back in full swing again!

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 clind-berg@olgcv.org or Vince_Belizario@jackmorton.com and dawn.leo@ropesgray.com

FATHER'S DAY MASSES

As a means of honoring our fathers, living and deceased, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **June 19th**, **20th and 21st**. Cards are available in the Parish



Office for those wishing to give or send a remembrance card. Request forms are available at the church entrances and in the Parish Office. If you choose to use Online Giving, please list the names of your loved ones there. The names of those to be remembered will be placed at the altar for the Triduum of Masses.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOSPITALITY BREAKFAST

All are invited to the Knights of Columbus Hospitality Breakfast on **June 25th** after the 9:00am Mass. Join us in the Gath-

ering Area for breakfast, tea and coffee. We thank the Knights of Columbus for organizing this FREE event! Donations will be greatly appreciated.



SIGNUPS FOR NOTIFICATION OF FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2023-2024

Registration for 1st Communion, Confirmation and Whole Family 2023-2024 will be available soon. If you would like to receive an email notification informing you when registration will begin, please visit: https://olgcv.org, scroll down the homepage, click on "Signups for Notification of 2023-2024 Faith Formation Registration" and complete the online form.

All Children Are Welcome

AN INVITATION FROM FR. TOM June 25th Ordination Anniversary

I invite you to join me for my 25th Anniversary at St. Paul's in Pismo Beach on Sunday, **June 25th** at 2:00pm for Mass, followed by a reception at 3:00pm and a dinner at 4:00pm. Please RSVP via email to: RSVP@stpaulspismobeach.com Or call 805-773-2219 ext. 103. Please indicate: name, # in your party, and your dinner choice of Chicken or Tri Tip. Accommodations in the area include Motel 6 in Pismo Beach and Pismo View Inn and Best Western Casa Grande in Arroyo Grande. Also, there are several hotels in San Luis Obispo (10 miles away).

If you would like to send a card, please send it to this address: St. Paul the Apostle, 800 Bello Street, Pismo Beach, CA, 93449, Attn. Fr. Tom Czeck

Lord, it is good to give you thanks

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of Our Lady of Grace,

It seems amazing that we are finishing off a school year! It has been one filled with ups

and downs, but I am pleased to report that we sent off our 22 8th Grade Graduates to several area high schools including Bishop O'Dowd, Moreau and St. Joseph in Alameda along with Castro Valley High among others.

We also promoted 23 Kindergartners, the majority of whom will be joining Miss Castaing for their first year in the "big building". Our "Star scores" were outstanding and the fact that we differentiate our instruction to include a variety of learning styles is a source of personal pride.

Due to staffing issues which forced me into the 5th grade classroom for a great part of this past year, we are not as far as I had hoped in our transition to a dual-language immersion model. However, with God's help, we shall continue to press forward. We have been told by families that all of the currently enrolled transitional Kinder students (age four) have come to OLG precisely because we offer instruction in both English and Spanish. I know that we are competing with Castro Valley public schools who are also adopting this model, but it is my hope that our smaller classes along with our additional focus on religion as well as math in two languages will prove to be an incentive.

Lastly, to continue promoting kindness and harmony, our school is adopting a model of student peer mediation that has proven to be a success in the U. S. and in many other countries. The entire faculty and staff were trained in this model of "Community Based mediation" on June 5th and the plan is to train student leaders the first week of August so that the program is ready to roll a few weeks after school begins.

In closing, I give thanks to God for a successful first year. I continue to enjoin you to spread the word about Castro Valley's only Catholic School. Please pray for our students, faculty, and staff as we begin a month-long summer program and then move on to our summer break.

In Our Lady's Name and Love, Gena McGowan

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our RCIA program invites all who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or is seeking membership into the Church. To register, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806. All are welcome.



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 MAY:

 Sunday Plate for the month:
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May God bless your continuing generosity.

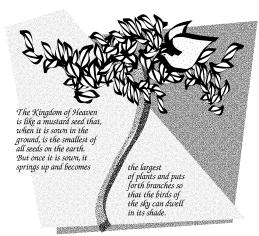


Your Prayers Are Requested

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

Virginia Cabardo Raul Cepeda Peggy Deadder Anna Rose Esteban Nancy French Don Giles Cindy Jardin Veronica Johnson-Farias Emile Lassalle Grace Letteer

Brian Linney Sheila McAlinden Diana Riley Jenny Roberts Angela Schaaphok Alyssia Tortora James Van Wert Mary Lou Vincent Arthur Williams 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 Memorial

ANNA ROSE ESTEBAN

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Pray for the Kingdom of God

FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND

We are very grateful for the generous donation from Alice Goncalves. Flower \mathcal{Y}_n donation envelopes may be found at the Memory of entrances of the church to make a dona-



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tion 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.



OLG EVANGELIZATION COORDINATOR **JOB POSTING**

Our Lady of Grace Parish is seeking a Coordinator to manage the K-5 Whole Family Programs. The Coordinator is

responsible for developing curriculum consistent with the Diocesan guidelines. The Coordinator maintains the calendar of the program, recruits and supervises catechists and other volunteers, and communicates regularly with students, families, catechists and other volunteers. This is currently a part time position (18 hours per week) for 10 months of the year, starting August thru May. Qualifications include a Bachelor's 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.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED AT OUR LADY OF GRACE SCHOOL

Our Lady of Grace Catholic School is currently accepting applications for new students for the 2023-2024 school year. OLG is accredited by the Western



Catholic Educational Association 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 or call the School Office at 510-581-3155 for more information.

MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The Immaculata ought to be the Queen of every soul! Let us engage ourselves to hasten this moment. Blessed is he who will work, will tire himself out, will endure great suffering for the Immaculata's cause, because life and death will be sweet for you."

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 11th:

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

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

Spanish Mass 1:00pm—Church

Tuesday, June 13th:

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

Thursday, June 15th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm—Church

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

AA Serenity Group 7:30pm—Augustine Center

Saturday, June 17th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 8:45am—Church

Vigil Mass 5:00pm—Church

Sunday, June 18th:

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Happy Father's Day!

Masses

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

Spanish Mass 1:00pm—Church



EXECUTION ALERTS

The following execution is scheduled to take place in June:

June 6th Micihael Tisius Missouri June 15th Duane Owen Florida

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

Mass for the Intentions Week

SUNDAY, June 11th

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

7:30am OLG Community

9:00am Evelyn & Raymond Trezza – D 11:00am Andrew & Ailda Serpa – D

1:00pm Ramiro Navarro Ramires – D

MONDAY, June 12th

8:15am Lilia Sousa – D

TUESDAY, June 13th

St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

8:15am Manuel & Maria Costa & Family – L

WEDNESDAY, June 14th

8:15am Manuel Silva & Family – L

THURSDAY, June 15th

8:15am Jackie Luis – D

FRIDAY, June 16th

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

8:15am Joni, Ted & Kathleen Linney – D

SATURDAY, June 17th

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15am Louis Rodrigues – D 5:00pm Antonio O. Chocha – D

SUNDAY, June 18th

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Leila Fajardo Lukban – D

9:00am Patrick McGowan – D

11:00am OLG Community

1:00pm Ramiro Navarro Ramires – D

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

June 12th through June 18th

Monday: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22;

Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11;

Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1, 3-6;

Matthew 5:20-26

Friday: Deuteronomy 7:6-11; 1 John 4:7-16;

Matthew 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Lk 2:41-51 Exodus 19:2-6; Romans 5:6-11;

Matthew 9:36-10:8

ADORATION & RECONCILIATION

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

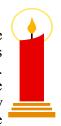


ROSARY BEFORE MASS

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

DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

Candles for our candle stand are available for purchase. The candles will burn for 5 days and *are only intended for use in the church*. Please do not remove the glass globes from the stand. *The cost per candle is \$5.00*. You may put your payment in the pouch, located at the candle stand.



PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"No more war; war never again! Peace, it is peace which must guide the destinies of people and all mankind."

-Pope Paul VI, 1965

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