Dear Sisters and Brothers in God's Family, the Church,

We've just had the Castro Valley Fall Festival last weekend. With a number of festivals taking place in the area, it would be great for everyone to put Our Lady Of Grace Festival at the top of your list of things to do. It's only a week away and it's just one of the ways that we can get to know one another and enjoy each other's company and have fun doing it.

Enjoy the food and the entertainment.

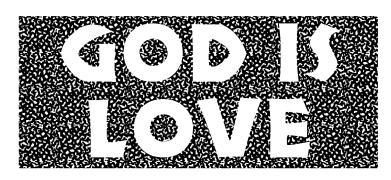
If you need some dessert, why not check out the Cake Booth at the Festival. After attending Mass, remember we have a 9:00 AM Outdoor Mass at the Festival, come and enjoy a delicious breakfast.

Here at the Parish, a lot of parishioners and friends have volunteered to help behind the scenes and in the booths and activities planned for the weekend. If you have some time and can join the other volunteers, just call the Parish Office and you will be most welcome. If you have any questions, it's not too late to ask. Just contact Vince Belizario@jackmorton.com or dawn.leo@ropesgray.com or Colleen at the Parish Office at clindberg@olgcv.org.

There's a lot of excitement happening as game booths, food booths and the entertainment is set. It so important to get the word out about events/activities happening here at Our Lady of Grace Church and in our area especially when we are talking about Transfiguration, the church in our cluster. And any events happening here that needs to be publicized can be published at Transfiguration.

Welcome in the Season of Fall, September 23rd,

Fr. Raphael



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#### The Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time (September 17th)

**Matthew 20:1-16** 

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."



#### **OLG FESTIVAL 2023**

Aloha!

Our Parish Festival is Back! September 23rd & 24th

### Family fun for all!

Free Admission, Live Entertainment, Carnival Games,

Prizes, Sunday Morning Mass, Pancake Breakfast and More...

Come to the Parish Office to purchase your Festival tickets. Check or cash please or scan the QR code.



#### **Raffle Tickets**

Be sure to return your Raffle Tickets to the Parish Office by **September 22nd**. Donation is \$2 per ticket or \$20 for 12 tickets. You could win the Grand Prize of \$1000 or 2nd Prize of \$500!

#### **Cake Booth Donations Needed**

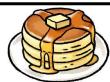
If you love to bake, please consider donating your delicious creations to our Festival Cake Booth! Items we are seeking: cookies, cupcakes, brownies, whole cakes and pies. Bring your baked goodies wrapped securely or in a box. Please indicate if there are nuts and/or gluten free and drop them off at the Parish Office by September 22nd at 4:00pm.

#### **Volunteers Needed**

If you would like to help, please visit our homepage at www.olgcv.org to sign up.

# Let Us Entertain You! Saturday, September 23rd

11:00-11:15am	Opening Ceremonies
11:15-12:15pm	OLG Students/Kids Talent Show
12:15-12:45pm	Conservatory of Classical Ballet
1:00-1:30pm	DO Martial Arts
1:30-2:00pm	Break
2:00-3:00pm	The Fun Dudes Band
3:00-3:30pm	Break
3:30-5:00pm	Same Street Band
5:00-6:00pm	Break
6:00-7:30pm	Sons of Nimitz Band
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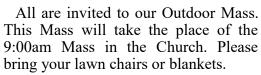


# BREAKFAST IN PARADISE September 24th at 8:30am

Join us for a delicious breakfast prepared by the Knights of Columbus. Cost is \$10 per adult and \$7 per child

(10 and under). Scan the QR code to the left to purchase your tickets online or stop by the Parish Office.

# OUTDOOR MASS St. Francis Garden Chapel September 24th at 9:00am







# JESSE MANIBUSAN PERFORMANCE September 24th at 10:30am

After the 9:00am Outdoor Mass, join us at the Festival Main Stage for an exciting performance by this renowned musician and composer.

# FESTIVAL CHILI COOK-OFF September 24th at 12:00pm

Don't miss the 5th Annual Chili Cook -Off! Tasting begins at Noon and voting closes at 4:30pm. Winner to be announced at 6:00pm. Top voted chili wins a trophy, gift card and bragging rights! Questions? Email: olgfestival@olgschool.org.



# FAREWELL AND THANK YOU TO RON STAINBROOK

The Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners to say "Farewell and Thank You" to Ron Stainbrook. We are sad that he will be moving out of the area. Join us on **September 17th** after the 9:00am Mass in the Gathering Area for donuts, coffee, tea and juice. Thank you Ron for all you have done as a Knight, Immaculata Organizer, RCIA Instructor and Livestream Master!

Our final 9:00am Livestream Mass was last Sunday. We thank all who participated!



Love one another as I have loved you

# Should one refuse mercy to another and yet seek pardon for his sin?

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### DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT BENEFIT TRUST

There's still time to give! This collection allows us to express gratitude and support for our retired and soon-to-be retired priests. They now face retirement with minimal government assistance. Please prayerfully consider how you can match their generosity to the Church by contributing to the Retirement Fund. Please make your check out to "Roman Catholic Bishop of Oakland". Envelopes will be in the pews for your use. You may also drop your donation off at the Parish Office mail slot. Thank you and God bless.

# BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS October 7th

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, join us at the Gathering Area with your pets at 11:00am. Please keep dogs on leashes, cats in carriers and smaller animals in cages. Thank you!





# 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!

#### **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 **October 7th**.





Don't miss out. Flocknote is the most important way for OLG to inform you of our latest announcements. It's easy and free! Text keyword **OLGCV** to 84576 or visit: <a href="https://OLGCV.flocknote.com">https://OLGCV.flocknote.com</a> to sign up.

#### **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 AUGUST:

Sunday Plate for the month: \$ 36,316.00

Month Budgeted Goal: \$ 37,000.00

Over/[Shortfall] \$ [684.00]

Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall] \$ 3,108.00

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:

Jaime Arce
Chuck Bohn
Jot Brown
Raul Cepeda
Peggy Deadder
Nancy French
Joan Gabrielli
Grace Letteer
Brian Linney

Sheila McAlinden
Maria del Consuelo Ortega
Diana Riley
Jenny Roberts
Al Rojas
Alyssia Tortora
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

ANGELA SCHAAPHOK VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE



# BY YOUR CROSS AND RESURRECTION, YOU HAVE SET US FREE, O LORD

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# FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ARE BEGINNING

Please pray for the young members of our Church.

#### **Confirmation**

Next Class: September 17th 12:15pm—Stack Center

#### First Communion-Year 2

Next Class: October 1st 10:15am—Stack Center

#### **Whole Family Program**

Next Class: October 8th 10:15am—Augustine Center

#### Whole Family-Year 1

First Day of Class: October 8th 10:15am—Stack Center

# 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 October 4th. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.

#### **EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

September 21st Anthony Sanchez Oklahoma

We ask for your prayers for this person for the victims of his crimes, and for their family.

### **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.



### **MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"As long as we serve her faithfully, all the tribulations can only increase our merits and contribute to an ever-greater development of the cause of the Immaculata in the world."

# THIS WEEK

#### Sunday, September 17th:

### Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses

7:30am, 9:00am & 11:00am—Church

Confirmation Class 12:15pm—Stack Center

Spanish Mass 1:00pm—Church

#### Tuesday, September 19th:

Cursillo Meeting 6:00pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Women's Faith Sharing 7:00pm—Stack Center

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

#### Wednesday, September 20th:

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

#### Thursday, September 21st:

Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm—Church

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:00pm—Parish Office

AA Serenity Group 7:30pm—Augustine Center

### Saturday, September 23rd:

Adoration & Reconciliation 8:45am—Church

Parish Festival 11:00am—Rear Parking Lot

Vigil Mass 5:00pm—Church

#### Sunday, September 24th:

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Outdoor Mass 9:00am—St. Francis Garden Chapel

Parish Festival 10:30am—Rear Parking Lot

Masses

7:30am & 11:00am—Church

Spanish Mass 1:00pm—Church

# Mass Ex-Intentions for the Week

# SUNDAY, September 17th

#### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Amor Guerrero – D 9:00am Matteo Kim – D

11:00am Antonio O. Chocha – D 1:00pm Esperanzo Ortega – D

Raul Mario Ortega – D

# MONDAY, September 18th

Tony Figueiredo – D 8:15am

# TUESDAY, September 19th

St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr

8:15am Matteo Kim – D

#### WEDNESDAY, September 20th

Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs

8:15am Louis Rodrigues – D

#### THURSDAY, September 21st

St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Bryan Gerbo – D 8:15am

# FRIDAY, September 22nd

Robert Perino – D 8:15am

#### SATURDAY, September 23rd

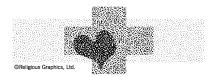
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

8:15am Adriana Perino – L 5:00pm Rick Barretta – D

#### SUNDAY, September 24th

# TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Antonio O. Chocha – D 9:00am Colleen Durkin – D 11:00am OLG Community 1:00pm Socorro Castillo – D





#### 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 https:// www.kofc.org or join them at their next meeting on September 28th.

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

# September 18th through September 24th

Monday: 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10 Tuesday: 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 7:11-17 Wednesday: 1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35

Thursday: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13;

Matthew 9:9-13

1 Timothy 6:2-12; Luke 8:1-3 Friday: Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15 Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians1:20-24, 27; Sunday:

Matthew 20:1-16



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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!

#### **RELEVANT RADIO - 1260 AM**

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#### PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"None of us offers resistance when he is seized, or avenges himself for your unjust violence, although our people are numerous and plentiful...it is not lawful for us to hate, and so we please God more when we render no requital for injury...we repay your hatred with kindness.

-St. Cyprian, 3rd century AD

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