



PLEASE SUPPORT THE BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL AS GENEROUSLY AS YOU CAN

If we act together as members of one family united in Christ's love, we can realize and accomplish great things

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Bishop's Ministries Appeal?

The Bishop's Ministries Appeal is an annual campaign to generate funds to cover the costs of the Diocese of Oakland's ministries, programs, and services. It is a direct appeal to the people of the diocese, urging their support in the form of a pledge or a gift to supplement the ministry budget. The total budget for the diocesan-wide ministries and services is roughly \$6.28 million. While income is generated to support the budget through parish assessments, rent collection on property, and service fees and interest on the diocesan investments, this income does not fully meet the budgetary needs of all diocesan ministries, programs, and services. The Bishop's Ministries Appeal was established to raise funds to meet the shortfall.

What does the Bishop's Ministries Appeal Fund?

The Bishop's Ministries Appeal supports the following vital ministries:

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & SERVICES

Diocesan pastoral ministries and services focus on strengthening our faith, our families, and building up our parish communities by engaging our people in the daily life of the Church as they strive to live as faithful disciples of Christ.

- Liturgy
- Youth Retreat Center
- Respect Life & Justice Programs
- Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)
- Vietnamese, Filipino & Latino Ministries
- Catholic Scouting
- Ethnic Pastoral Centers
- Young Adult Ministries
- Marriage & Family Life
- Children & Youth Ministries
- Marriage Preparation Programs
- Safe Environment Programs

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & FORMATION

Gifts to the appeal help support religious education and formation programs for thousands of youths and adults annually.

- Faith Formation Programs
- Evangelization and Outreach Efforts
- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
- Religious Education Teachers' Training
- Serra Catechetical Institute
- St. Francis de Sales School for Pastoral Ministry

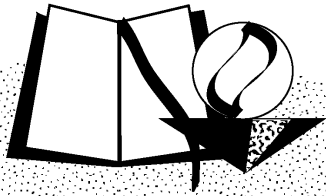
*Diocese of Oakland applies donations towards the service, ministry, or campaign specified by the donor.
Funds are never redirected to any other purpose.*



The Fifth Sunday of Easter (April 28th)

John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."



The Word of the Lord lights our way

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**FUNERAL MASS
FOR MIKE MIRAGLIA**

Mike Miraglia's funeral Mass is scheduled for **Saturday, May 4th at 1:00pm** at Our Lady of Grace Church. A reception in Stack Center will immediately follow. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for donations to be given to the San Leandro Boys and Girls Club Foundation at 250 Juana Avenue, #201, San Leandro, CA 94577.



**2024 BISHOP'S
MINISTRIES APPEAL
Many Ministries, One Church**

**MANY MINISTRIES
ONE CHURCH**
BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

What if my parish exceeds its goal? **Where does the excess go? 100% of all funds collected over a parish's goal will be returned to the parish for its own special needs in the form of rebate checks paid at the conclusion of the Appeal (i.e. first quarter of 2025).**

Bishop Barber has selected the theme for the Appeal —*Many Ministries, One Church*—as a reminder that each of us is an essential member of the Body of Christ that is our Church. Our charitable works are strengthened when we work together and when we work toward heaven. Our parish achieved **127.75%** of our goal last year with a small member participation—imagine what we can do with greater participation. While OLG is your spiritual home, we are also part of a much larger, universal family and we have responsibilities to them as well. Let us act together to accomplish great things!

To make your donation, please use the envelopes provided in the pews or make your donation online by visiting: <https://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal>

**OLG SCHOOL'S FUN RUN
April 26th**

OLG School's Annual Healthy Kids Fun Run is scheduled for April 26th! The Fun Run is one of the most important fundraising activities OLG brings to our community all year.

Consider being a Sponsor to show your support and make an impact. With the funds raised, OLG will invest in OLG students with the school's needs-based scholarships and financial aid. *Logo Sponsorship is \$600. Family, Business Name and Class Sponsorship is \$300.*



Click the QR code to become a Sponsor and help OLG School achieve their \$56,500 goal!



I will send the SPIRIT to you



CONFIRMATION 2024

Please pray for the Confirmation Candidates of our Parish Community who will be Confirmed in Faith.

Church of the Transfiguration
Very Rev. Lawrence C. D'Anjou, Vicar General
April 27th at 11:00am

Benjamin Calderon Miranda de la Torre

Cathedral of Christ the Light
Bishop Michael C. Barber
May 4th at 11:00am

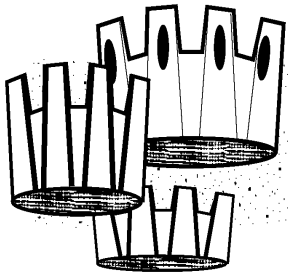
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| Roy Cardenas | Jorge Ochoa |
| Felicita Castillo | Rohan Punnoose |
| Theresa Aline Doan | Andrea Quintanilla Barrios |
| Carlos Fernandez | Gabriel Tonel |
| Cody Fulgencio | Isaac Venegas-Sanchez |
| Angie Hernandez | Noah Wallkvist |
| Kevin Hoang | Jena Wong |
| Ricardo Leyva | |

FESCO SPRING BENEFIT SALE



Come and find wonderful deals on collectibles, housewares, succulents, sports memorabilia, costume jewelry, electronics, vintage items, eclectic décor, toys and much more! All proceeds will support FESCO, the Family Shelter in its efforts to end family homelessness in Alameda County and beyond!

2918 Hidden Lane in Hayward
Friday, May 3rd: 10:00am-5:00pm
Saturday & Sunday, May 4th & 5th: 9:00am-5:00pm



They have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb

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FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Confirmation

Next Class: April 28th
12:15pm—Stack Center

Whole Family-Year 1

Next Class: May 5th
10:15am—Stack Center

Whole Family Program

Next Class: May 19th
10:15am—Augustine Center



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 joining or would like more information, visit <https://www.kofc.org> or join them at their next meeting on **April 25th**.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS & GODPARENTS

If you are wishing to have your child baptized, ages infant to six years, parents 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 on **May 1st** in Stack Center, OLG Room at 7:00pm. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.



MEN'S FAITH SHARE

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

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:	\$ 57,136.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$ 36,283.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 20,853.00
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ 3,878.00

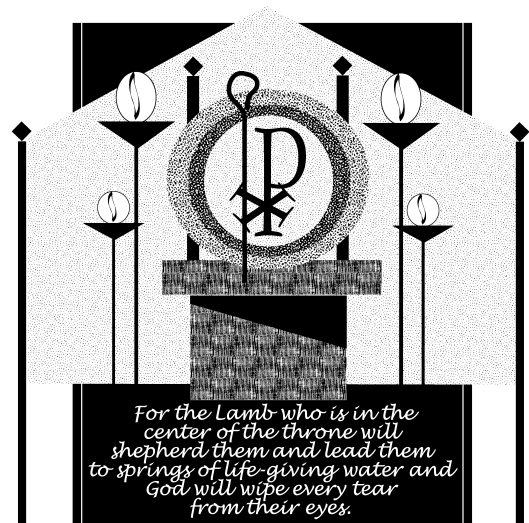
May God bless your continuing generosity.



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:

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| Jaime Arce | Diana Riley |
| Lois Belmessieri | Jenny Roberts |
| Al Bronzini | Al Rojas |
| Jot Brown | Helen Star |
| Raul Cepeda | Alyssia Tortora |
| Nancy French | James Van Wert |
| Joan Gabrielli | Arthur Williams |
| Brian Linney | Peggy Winkenbach |
| Sheryl Michaud | |



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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

JULIE RICHARDSON

VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE



PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. RAY MALLET
December 5th-14th, 2024

Join Fr. Ray Mallett, OFM Conv. on a 10-day pilgrimage of Hope to Assisi and Rome on the eve of the Jubilee Holy Year. Departure is from LAX. Cost is \$4999 (cash payment) and \$5298 (credit or debit card). The deadline to register is **June 1st**.

For a copy of the color brochure, including pricing details and registration, please visit: www.GoCatholicTravel.com/24060 or email Fr. Ray at rmallett@hotmail.com.



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.

FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND

Flower donation envelopes may 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.



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

“Dearest children, how would I like to tell you, to repeat to you how good the Immaculata is, in order to stave off sadness, inner dejection, or discouragement from little hearts. What great echo does the mere invocation of 'Mary' - perhaps with a soul steeped in darkness, dryness, and even in the misfortune of sin - produce in her Heart who loves us so much.”

THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 21st:

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Coffee & Donuts
 After the 9:00am Mass—Gathering Area

1st Communion Class—Year 1
 10:15am—Stack Center

Confirmation Class
 12:15pm—Stack Center

Tuesday, April 23rd:

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

Women’s Faith Share
 7:00pm—Stack Center

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

Wednesday, April 24th:

RCIA
 6:00pm—Parish Office

Thursday, April 25th:

Adoration & Reconciliation
 6:00pm—Church

Knights of Columbus Meeting
 6:30pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

AA Serenity Group
 7:30pm—Augustine Center

Saturday, April 27th:

Adoration & Reconciliation
 8:45am—Church

Sunday, April 28th:

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Confirmation Class
 12:15pm—Stack Center



**1ST FRIDAY
 TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS**

Join us for Traditional Latin Mass on **May 3rd** at 7:00pm, dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, April 21st

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 7:30am Fred Dillon – L
- 9:00am Cindy Maria Jardim – D
- 11:00am OLG Community
- 1:00pm Saul & Esdeyve Chavez

MONDAY, April 22nd

- 8:15am Geraldine Irrizary – D

TUESDAY, April 23rd

- St. George, Martyr
- St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr
- 8:15am Luis Rocha – L

WEDNESDAY, April 24th

- St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr
- 8:15am Manuel & Maria Costa & Family – L

THURSDAY, April 25th

- St. Mark, Evangelist
- 8:15am Mary Burgess – D

FRIDAY, April 26th

- 8:15am Bonifacio A. Siasat – D

SATURDAY, April 27th

- 8:15am Eleanor D. Moran – D
- 5:00pm Carlos Tible – D

SUNDAY, April 28th

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 7:30am OLG Community
- 9:00am Cindy Jardim – D
- 11:00am Gary Rodriguez – D
- 1:00pm Alfredo de la Torre – D



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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. All are welcome!

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!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

April 22nd through April 28th

- Monday: Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10
- Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30
- Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5; John 12:44-50
- Thursday: 1 Peter 5:5-14; Mark 16:15-20
- Friday: Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6
- Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14
- Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

RELEVANT RADIO - 1260 AM

Relevant Radio brings you the best in Catholic Radio 24/7! Playing on 1260AM and dedicated to sharing the heart of the Catholic Faith and changing lives.



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.



HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

As many of you know, OLG has a wonderful ministry called “Helping Hands”, started by Dianne Fisher many years ago. We help families who have lost a loved one and whom we assist with making and serving food to their family and friends after the Funeral Mass. If you would like to periodically assist us by making food for these gatherings (each entrée, salad or dessert is enough for 10 people), please contact Carmel Ledyard (510-274-5627) or Margaret McKean (510-340-1871) or you may leave your name and number in the Parish Office. Thank you and God Bless!

PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The most deadly poison of our time is indifference.
-St. Maximilian Kolbe

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

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