From the

Paster

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today is Mother's Day!

"My friends, God himself needed a Mother: how much more so do we! Jesus himself gave her to us, from the cross: 'Behold Mother's Dayour mother!'" -John 19:27

"Let us hold our mothers ever close to ourselves." -Pope Francis

We honor the Mother of the Lord today. Her maternal care for Jesus embraces everyone who is joined to Him and that same maternal care is expressed in the lives of our mothers and those who have embraced the role of motherhood in their lives and ours. Let's honor our mothers and all mothers for their maternal care.

For those whose mothers and grandmothers are with us - cherish them. Hug and kiss them. Honor them. Thank them. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember them.

On Mother's Day, we remember our mothers with gratitude and affection, not only through material gestures, but also, and more importantly, by our prayers for them. We thank God for the gift of our mothers who conceived and gave birth to us, who cared for us, protected us, taught us, and loved us. We remember all our mothers, living and deceased, and thank them for their generosity and selfless love.

Today, we celebrate the wonder, the miracle and the gift of mothers and those who embrace the role of mother-hood. Today, we give thanks, that in our birth, we are welcomed into the world and are bound together as members of a family. These women, our birth mothers and those who have embraced the role of motherhood for us, have nurtured our lives by example and practical experience. Today, we celebrate the unconditional love of mothers. There is no equal to the love a mother's care gives. No matter how old we may be, we are always our mother's child. We are their children. Motherhood is ongoing.

Today, we give thanks to the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is the Mother of the Lord and Our Mother. We give thanks to God for Mother Church. We give thanks to God for our mothers, living and deceased.

During this month of May and especially today, Mother's Day, we need to express our love for Mary, Our Mother. We also need to ask the Lord to open our eyes, and our hearts, that we can more fully understand the great mystery and gift of the Church who is our Mother. And finally, let our hearts and minds turn to the women who gave life to us and for those who freely embraced the role of motherhood for us and nurtured us showing us the beauty of steadfast love throughout our entire lives to this very day.

To All Mothers! Happy Mother's Day!

-Fr. Raphael

Pentecost Sunday (May 19th)

John 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."



MOTHER'S DAY

As a means of honoring our mothers, deceased and living, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **May 13th, 14th and 15th**. Cards and Spiritual Bouquet Forms are available in the Parish Office. Forms are also available in the Church. Please pick one up if you would like to honor your loved one and return it to the Parish Office with you donation. If you choose to use Online Giving, please list the names of your loved ones there. The names of those remembered will be placed at the altar for 3 days.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA & MARIAN CONSECRATION May 13th

For those of you who joined us for Saturday's presentation given by Fr. Tom Czeck, we invite you back on **Monday**,

May 13th at 7:00pm in the church on the feast day of Our Lady of Fatima for a Mass of Consecration.

THANK YOU TO THE CALLES FAMILY

Many thanks to the Calles Family for refurbishing the kneeler used during Adoration and distribution of the Holy Eucharist during our Masses. We are most grateful for this kind gesture!



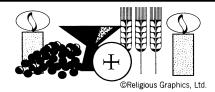
27th ANNUAL FESCO SHUFFLE June 8th– 10:00am to 2:00pm Moreau Catholic High School

Fight Family Homelessness! The Shuffle is a free-fun, and family-oriented community event where the proceeds ben-

efit the FESCO program. The community is invited to sponsor the event, and walk or run that day. Team Captains lead the fundraiser by rallying supporters to join their teams, pledge donations, and walk for their team. Businesses can also get involved in the event by sponsoring The FESCO Shuffle. Participants will enjoy a fun-filled day for all ages with music provided by a popular Bay Area band, a Kids-Zone with fun games and prizes, food, and much more!

All are invited to join Team OLG or donate at www.fescoshuffle.org or by scanning the QR code. For more information please visit: www.fescofamilyshelter.org





FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION May 18th at 11:00am & May 19th at 9:00am, 11:00am & 1:00pm

Please join us in welcoming these young members of our community to the table for the first time.

First Holy Communion Recipients

Charla Aloba Noelle Avila Hernandez Chelsea Avila Navarro Evan Avitia Scarlett Barfield Issac Barragan Alina Becerra Anthony Becerra Elena Bonilla Ethan Chong Elijan Chong Dominic Del Mundo Mateo Ecalne Dessus Juliana Elias Alessandra Elias Zaiven Esquierdo Sofia Perez Estrada Romero Guzman Arya Heggli Leilani Hirata Eliana Acosta Jimenez Kate Kanbar Sadie Le

Valentina Leyva Abigail Lopez Khloe Lopez Dylan Madej Julian Martinelli **Brandon Martinez** Michael Martinez Camila Melero Isabel Mendoza Zoe Muniz Benjamin Nguyen William Nguyen Mateo Herta Perez Sophia Philipos Erik Ramirez Julian Ramos Takamoto Vincenzo Ruggiero Lucas Ruggiero Alexa Topete Mai Vinh Aivy Vinh Anthony Zarich



CATHOLIC CHARITIES SPECIAL COLLECTION This Weekend-May 11th & 12th

Catholic Charities of the East Bay helps vulnerable communities in Alameda and Contra Costa counties such as people facing difficult circumstanc-

es including children facing homelessness and people fleeing violence from their homelands.

Please make your checks out to "Catholic Charities". Envelopes are in the pews for your use. Or you may scan the QR code to make your donation. We thank you for your generosity!





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vices noted.

Our charitable works are strengthened when we work together and when we work toward heaven. 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 https://www.oakdiocese.org/bishopsvisiting: ministries-appeal

KATHERINE VAZ BOOK TALK "Above the Salt"

Renowned author and sister of parishioner Mark Vaz. Katherine Vaz invites all to celebrate the publication of her latest novel "Above the Salt" at Books on B in Hayward from June 4th-6th and at the Castro Valley Library on June 9th (2:00-4:00pm). Please register at www.aclibrary.org.

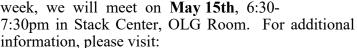
COFFEE AND DONUTS May 19th

All are invited after the **9:00am** Sunday Mass to meet in the Gathering Area outside the rear entrance of the church for coffee, donuts and community. We thank Our Lady

of Grace School for this ministry of hospitality. See you there! This will be the last Coffee and Donuts before summer break. We will resume in the fall.

COLUMBIETTES

Attention Ladies! Are you interested in becoming active in our parish? Come see what the Columbiettes are all about. This week, we will meet on May 15th, 6:30-



https://www.californiacolumbiettes.com



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 May 23rd.

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

Offerings of for the Month of APRIL:

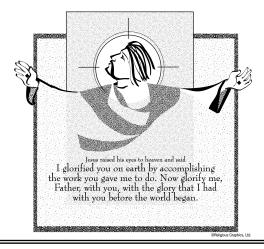
Sunday Plate for the month: \$ 37,036.00 **Month Budgeted Goal:** \$ 43,500.00 \$ [6,464.00] Over/[Shortfall] Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall] [2,586.00] May God bless your continuing generosity.



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:

Esperanza Ortega Alarcón Sheryl Michaud Susan Anderson Diana Riley Lois Belmessieri Jenny Roberts Al Bronzini Al Rojas Jot Brown Helen Star Raul Cepeda Alvssia Tortora Nancy French James Van Wert Joan Gabrielli Arthur Williams Brian Linnev Peggy Winkenbach Jennifer Mabini



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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VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

JESUS is LORD

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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.

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 Baptism Class. You also need to be registered members of the parish for at least three months. Our next class will be held on **June 5th** in Stack Center, OLG Room at 7:00pm. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.

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 **June 1st**.



MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Let yourself be guided by the Immaculata and collaborate [to win for Christ] all and each individually who exist now and shall exist in the future."

THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 12th:

The Ascension of the Lord

Happy Mother's Day!

Monday, May 13th:

Our Lady of Fatima Mass & Marian Consecration 7:00pm—Church

Tuesday, May 14th:

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, May 15th:

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

Thursday, May 16th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm—Church

AA Serenity Group 7:30pm—Stack Center

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

Saturday, May 18th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 8:45am—Church

1st Holy Communion Mass 11:00am—Church

Sunday, May 19th:

Pentecost Sunday

1st Holy Communion Masses 9:00am, 11:00am & 1:00pm—Church

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

Whole Family Faith Class 10:15am—Augustine Center

His presence among us continues forever

Mass for the Intentions Week

SUNDAY, May 12th

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

7:30am Maria Ha Vo – D 9:00am OLG Community 11:00am Grace Gonsalves – D

1:00pm Henriqueta Gomes – D

MONDAY, May 13th

Our Lady of Fatima

8:15am Mother's Day Remembrance

TUESDAY, May 14th

St. Matthias, Apostle

8:15am Mother's Day Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, May 15th

St. Isidore

8:15am Mother's Day Remembrance

THURSDAY, May 16th

8:15am Mary Lou Vincent – D

FRIDAY, May 17th

8:15am Anty Zaldivar – D

SATURDAY, May 18th

St. John I, Pope & Martyr

8:15am Rodrigo Reveles Ramos – L

5:00pm Antonio O. Chocha – D

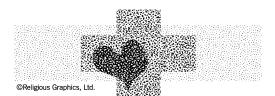
SUNDAY, May 19th

PENTECOST SUNDAY

7:30am OLG Community

9:00am Sue Klas – L

11:00am Veronica Johnson Farias – D 1:00pm Christina Maria Nunes – L



EXECUTION ALERTS

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

May 30th Jamie Mills Alabama

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

May 13th through May 19th

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26 Friday: Acts 25:13-21; John 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11;

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13;

John 20:19-23

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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!

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!

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

"There is no dichotomy between man and God's image. Whoever tortures a human being, whoever abuses a human being, whoever outrages a human begin, abuses God's image."

-St. Oscar Romero, 1980

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