

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

Coming to the end of June, everyone is looking forward to a lighter schedule. So many of the members of our parish community are talking about where they're going this summer, what they'll be doing and who they'll be seeing. It's a wonderful time for everyone to relax, to rejuvenate so that we will all be ready to roll up our sleeves and be ready to be involved in so many activities.

With the coming of summer, everyone is looking forward to a more relaxed schedule. Yet, as aware as everyone is concerning their family obligations, making sure bills are being paid, yards are being groomed just to name a few things, I can only encourage everyone to not forget this your parish family, the faith community of Our Lady of Grace Church. We miss you when you are not present with us for the Celebration of the Eucharist. Your presence is important.

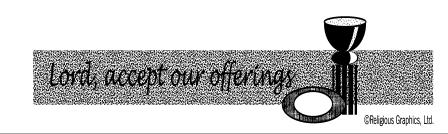
As a parish family, we too have obligations and it's your generosity that covers expenses. The words THANK YOU are so important for us to hear. In the name of the Church Community here at Our Lady of Grace, my THANK YOU truly comes from the heart.

The Church asks all of us to be Stewards. We are asked to participate in the life of the Church sharing our time, our talent, and our treasure. Intermittently, you are asked to consider being involved in one or another aspect of our Church's life whether it be participating in one of our Liturgical Ministries or Faith Formation Programs or in one of our Church's organizations and their activities. Of course, don't forget to set time aside each Sunday to join together with the community at Mass. Maybe you can let us know if you have a hidden talent, letting us know what your area of expertise might be. We never know when a need arises. You just might be the one who can help. And finally, what we don't like to hear but we have to bring it up. It's what the Church calls treasure. The Church has obligations that happen fifty-two weeks a year. It's only with your support that our finances are in good shape.

We have programs that need our support on the local level right here at Our Lady of Grace Church, and at the diocesan level. The way we can help diocesan wide programs such as faith formation and evangelization or CYO just to name a few is by contributing to the Bishop's Ministries Appeal.

THANK YOU for being faith-filled stewards in God's Family, here at the Church of Our Lady of Grace!

-Fr. Raphael



The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (June 30th)

Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he staved close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, "My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live." He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him. There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak. She said, "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who has touched my clothes?" But his disciples said to Jesus, "You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet you ask, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction." While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?" Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

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FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2024-2025

Registration for 1st Communion, Confirmation and Whole Family 2024-2025 is open for children entering grades 1st–12th.

Online Registration and payment is available on our website at <u>www.olgcv.org</u>. On the homepage, scroll down and click on the '*Faith Formation***' or '***Confirmation***' box.**

Registration forms are also available in the Parish Office. Please bring your payment of check or cash.

Cost is \$120 per child and \$60 for each additional child in the same household. If you are in need of financial assistance, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

All Children Are Welcome!

OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School, Castro Valley's only Catholic elementary and middle school, is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year. For

more information and to register, please visit: <u>www.olgschool.org</u>. To schedule a personal tour, please email Dr. Gena McGowan, Principal at

<u>gmcgowan@csdo.org</u>. Please keep in mind that there will possibly be a delay in response due to the summer schedule, but beginning July 8th, daily appointments will be available.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION Next Weekend—June 29th & 30th

Be a sign of mercy. Next weekend we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Please be generous. Envelopes will be in the pews for your use. For more information, visit: <u>www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html</u>

OLG 2024 HARVEST FESTIVAL September 28th & 29th SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual Festival is in the works! Celebrate the Fall Season and its glorious autumn colors with family and friends! *Congratulations to OLG student Shefali Alejos, our T-shirt Design Contest Win-*



ner! Thanks to all the kids who entered their fabulous designs.

As always, our Festival will have delicious food, outdoor Sunday Mass, live music and entertainment, an exciting Raffle, carnival games, vintage cars, Octoberfest and much more!

The Festival cannot succeed without the time and talent of OLG's parishioners and School families. Stay tuned! More details to come on how you can help make this year's Festival a memorable one for all.

Mark your calendars! It's going to be a fun weekend for everyone!



COFFEE AND DONUTS Today—June 23rd

All are invited after the **9:00am** Sunday Mass to meet in the Gathering Area outside the rear entrance of the church. *We thank*

the Knights of Columbus for this ministry of hospitality. See you there!



2024 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Many thanks to those parishioners who have already generously contributed towards our Bishop's Ministries

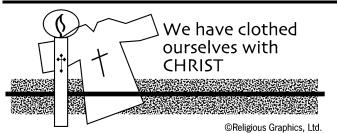
MANY MINISTRIES *Appeal.* Following is the status of this appeal through **May 31st**:

Actual Donations Received:	\$16,862.00
Overall Goal for 2024:	\$29,000.00
# of Acknowledged Donors to date:	57
Funds Raised (includes pledges):	\$21,398.00

We are currently at **58%** of our goal. *We ask those* parishioners who have not had the chance to give towards this yearly appeal, to take this opportunity to make a donation. Please use the envelopes provided in the pews or make your donation online by visiting: https://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal.

Thank you for your generosity!

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ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEWS

Thank You For Your Contributions



Here are more examples of how your generous contributions are helping those in our community:

After experiencing homelessness for a number of years, Esther was able to get into HUD housing in 2022. Over the years we have helped her with furniture, food and clothing. Recently, she had to move out of her current home 2 days before her new place was ready. Now wanting her to love all her possessions, we rented a moving van, parked it at Our Lady of Grace for 2 days until we could get her moved into her new place. As we were walking back and forth from the parking lot to the 3rd story apartment with all her belongings; the SVdP motto came to mind "no act of charity is foreign to the Society."

Carl was in the foster care system and is now in a special program that transitions him into society. Over the past months, we have helped him with furniture, household items and occasionally with food. He has started working a couple of part-time jobs and will hopefully gain some work experience as he learns to become self-sufficient.

If you are interested in knowing more about this ministry or ways that you might help, please contact Heidi Denzler-Halsey at 510-581-2164.

ICF DISTRICT COMMUNION MASS **Church of the Transfiguration** Sunday, July 14th



The East Bay District of the Italian Catholic Federation invites all to their quarterly District Communion Mass to be held at

Church of the Transfiguration at 11:00am. Light luncheon to follow in Transfiguration's Parish Hall. RSVP Karen at 510-581-3246 by June 24th. Come celebrate with them in Faith and Fellowship!



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.

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 MAY:

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$	38,458.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$	36,383.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$	2,075.00
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$	[511.00]
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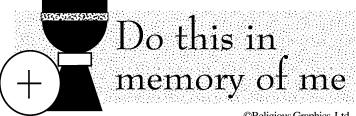


Your Prayers Are Requested

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

Esperanza Ortega Alarcón Susan Anderson Lois Belmessieri Jot Brown Raul Cepeda Nancy French Joan Gabrielli Maria C. Gallegos Adie Gonzales Marisa Gonzalez Brian Linney

Jennifer Mabini Sheryl Michaud Diana Riley Jenny Roberts Al Rojas Helen Star Jill Stavosky Lisa Tortora James Van Wert 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 MANUEL AVILA LOPEZ LEOPOLDO MUÑOZ

ISABEL HOLMES

LEOPOLDO TORRES LUGUE

VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

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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!

1ST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH JULY 5th



Exposition & Benediction

All are invited to join us after the 8:15am Mass for Exposition and Benediction of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Traditional Latin Mass

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



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. <u>The cost per candle is \$5.00</u>. You may put your payment in the pouch, located at the candle stand.



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, Room 7. Our next meeting will be on **July 6th**.

MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I plead that you not worry when troubles come, but give everything without limits to the Immaculata, do what you can peacefully, be confident, and I know there will be no shortage of setbacks, much less of crosses, possibly even very heavy ones, but she can do everything."



Sunday, June 23rd:

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Tuesday, June 25th:

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

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

Thursday, June 27th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm—Church

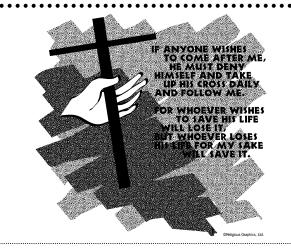
Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

AA Serenity Group 7:30pm—Stack Center, Room 9

Saturday, June 29th:

Adoration & Reconciliation 8:45am—Church

Sunday, June 30th: The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



EXECUTION ALERTS

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

June 26th	Ramiro Gonzales	Texas
June 27th	Richard Rogem	Oklahoma

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



SUNDAY, June 23rd

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30am Modesta Lachica – D 9:00am Cec Penland – L 11:00am Maria Jardim–D **OLG** Community 1:00pm

MONDAY, June 24th

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST Bob Stephano – D 8:15am

TUESDAY, June 25th 8:15am Samantha Conde – D

WEDNESDAY, June 26th St. Romuald, Abbot Franco Diamond – D 8:15am

THURSDAY, June 27th

St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 8:15am Manuel & Maria Costa & Family – L

FRIDAY, June 28th St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, & Doctor of the Church Iulie Richardson – D 8:15am

SATURDAY, June 29th

STS. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES 8:15am Lucille Calderon – D Colleen Lindberg – L 5:00pm

SUNDAY, June 30th

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30am OLG Community 9:00am Claudia Dobbs – L 11:00am Manuel Jardim – D 1:00pm Maria del Dolores Arevalo Avila – D

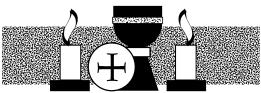
WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE **ENCOUNTER**



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Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness in your life and marriage. Attend a Worldwide Mar-

riage Encounter Experience on July 12th-14th at San Damiano Retreat Center Danville. in Visit www.wwme.org to apply.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK: June 24th through June 30th

Monday:	Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26;
2	Luke 1:57-66, 80
Tuesday:	2 Kings 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-36;
-	Matthew 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday:	2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3;
-	Matthew 7:15-20
Thursday:	2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29
Friday:	2 Kings 25:1-12; Matthew 8:1-4
Saturday:	Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;
	Matthew 16:13-19
Sunday:	Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24;
	2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15;
	Mark 5:21-43

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. The instructor will be away on vacation in July. Our next class will be held on August 7th in Stack Center, OLG Room at 7:00pm. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.

PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I believe we live in a time in which one cannot help make decisions for or against man, for or against life, for or against justice, for or against truth. And according to my way of thinking, all these decisions rolled into one (for they are inseparable) amount to a decision for or against God."

-Thomas Merton, 1971

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