



My Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

This weekend we celebrate Father's Day. This weekend provides an excellent opportunity to not only celebrate our fathers but also to celebrate Our Father who is in heaven. Calling upon God who is Our Heavenly Father is a very powerful experience – especially as we celebrate Father's Day. Father's Day invites us to consider what it means to think of God as “father” as well as offering us the opportunity to focus on how well we fulfill half of the fifth of the Ten Commandments – *honor thy father and thy mother*.

In our celebration of Father's Day this weekend, it would be good for us to consider the role of our father, or those who have assumed the role of father for us in our lives. So, please consider what your father or that special role model played in our lives while they were with us and those who are with you and us still. Say a prayer for your father and for all our fathers. As a father or one who assumes the role of father each of them are precious in God's sight and pray that each and every father are precious in our lives. In each of these relationships, let us never forget that each of us have been created in the image and like of God. Our fathers are made in the image and likeness of God our Heavenly Father. So, to think of God as “father” is actually a tribute both to God and to our fathers.

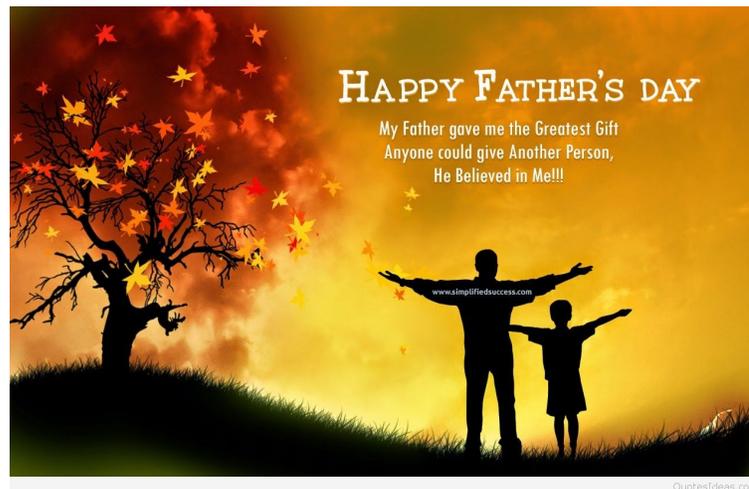
Each time a father holds a newborn, God the Father can and should be praised. Calling upon God as Father, the words we voice are meaningful. We pray in thanksgiving that fathers and those who have embraced the role of father can truly embrace the unique privilege, challenge and opportunity of fatherhood. In faith, fathers can feel closer to God in a whole new way because they have lived out and continue to live out, along with God, what it means to be a father.

Fathers, nurture your family in the ways of the faith. Walk with your family to adulthood. Give thanks to live life united together in love. It is an awesome responsibility but so very rewarding. We celebrate Fatherhood this weekend. What a Blessing! May all fathers and those who have embraced the role of fatherhood open themselves to God, our Heavenly Father. These blessings allow us to highlight Father's Day. Take some time this weekend to thank God for the gift of fatherhood lived out in homes within our faith community and beyond. Simply offer the “Our Father” for your father and all our fathers.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Happy Father's Day!

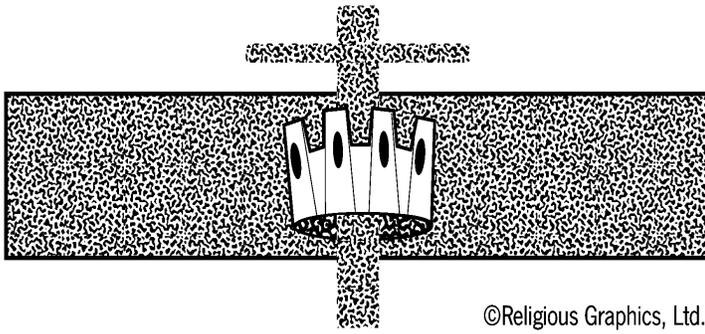
-Fr. Raphael



The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (June 23rd)

Mark 4:35-41

On that day, as evening drew on, Jesus said to his disciples: “Let us cross to the other side.” Leaving the crowd, they took Jesus with them in the boat just as he was. And other boats were with him. A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Quiet! Be still!” The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them, “Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?” They were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?”



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FATHER’S DAY MASSES

As a means of honoring our fathers, living and deceased, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **June 17th, 18th and 19th**. 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.



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2024-2025

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

Online Registration and payment is available on our website at www.olgcv.org. 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!

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED AT OLG SCHOOL

Our Lady of Grace Catholic School is accepting applications for new students for the 2024-2025 school year. Please visit www.olgschool.org for more information and to apply online.



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:



Kathy and her 3 children have escaped an abusive situation. She currently lives part-time with a friend and also in her car. She does deliveries for a pharmacy so that she can keep her children with her. One of our SVdP members is working with FESCO to get her and her children into housing.

Sandra was formerly homeless but is now living in a small apartment. She was doing ok until her daughter suffered a traumatic experience, lost her housing and had nowhere to go with her 3 children. The daughter who is suffering with PTSD is living in her van but the children are staying with Sandra. Her daughter is unable to follow through on her commitments and Sandra is left to feed and take care of her grandchildren. We have been helping her with utilities, food and clothing for these past couple of years and we struggle to come up with a long-term solution.

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.

OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



The twenty-six members of the 2024 graduating class have gone on to bigger and greater things. Fourteen (the highest number ever) were accepted at Bishop O’Dowd (10 have decided to attend), eight were accepted and will be attending Moreau Catholic, two of our students will be attending Holy Names in Oakland, two will be attending CVHS, with four still discerning. We are all extremely proud of our competent scholars and know that the upcoming 7th grade class will also do great things. Please visit our website at www.olgschool.org for more information and to register your own scholar!

ICF DISTRICT COMMUNION MASS 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!





Renew our strength
in this Eucharist

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**2024 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:

MANY MINISTRIES
ONE CHURCH
BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

Actual Donations Received:	\$13,342.44
Overall Goal for 2024:	\$29,000.00
# of Acknowledged Donors to date:	38
Funds Raised (includes pledges):	\$15,823.00

We are currently at **46%** of our goal. This time last year, our parish had already raised \$18,000. *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!

**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. *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.



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!



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]

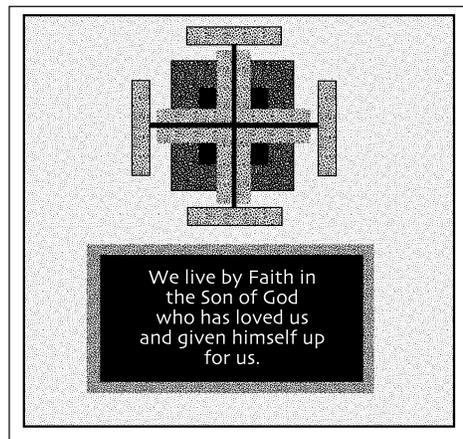
May God bless your continuing generosity.



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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| Esperanza Ortega Alarcón | Sheryl Michaud |
| Susan Anderson | Diana Riley |
| Lois Belmessieri | Jenny Roberts |
| Jot Brown | Al Rojas |
| Raul Cepeda | Helen Star |
| Nancy French | Jill Stavosky |
| Joan Gabrielli | Lisa Tortora |
| Maria C. Gallegos | James Van Wert |
| Adie Gonzales | Arthur Williams |
| Brian Linney | Peggy Winkenbach |
| Jennifer Mabini | |



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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

LEOPOLDO TORRES LUGUE

**VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE IN
THE MIDDLE EAST**

VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE



**COFFEE AND DONUTS
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!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Prayer shawls are universal and embracing, they comfort and enfold, wrap and warm, shelter and embrace. Our prayer shawls are knit with love and are blessed. If you have a loved one who is in need and would like to give them this gift of prayer, you are welcome to pick one up at the Parish Office.



CELEBRATE CHILDREN!

Dear Parents,
Our parish enthusiastically welcomes your growing family to fully celebrate with us. May we suggest:

- ***Relax.** God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
- ***Sit** towards the front or aisle where it is easier for little ones to see & hear.
- ***Quietly** explain the parts of the Mass.
- ***Sing** the hymns and **pray** the prayers together. *Children learn from your actions.*
- *If necessary, the Family Room located at the right side of the Church is available for your use.

To all Parishioners:
The presence of children is a gift to your Church. Like all of us, they are members of the Body of Christ and a reminder of the growth and future of our Church. Please welcome our children and their parents, and give them a big smile of encouragement!

MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The crosses are only a school, they add merits. They oppress us, but at the same time elevate our spirit and teach us not to rely on our own deceptive strength, but only in the Immaculata. God, therefore, sends them to us our of mercy."

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 16th:
The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Happy Father's Day!

Monday, June 17th:
Women's Cursillo Meeting
6:00pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Tuesday, June 18th:
Men's Cursillo Meeting
6:00pm—Stack Center, OLG Room
Men's Faith Share
7:00pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Wednesday, June 19th:
Columbiette's Meeting
6:30pm—Stack Center, OLG Room

Thursday, June 20th:
Adoration & Reconciliation
6:00pm—Church
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7:00pm—Parish Office
AA Serenity Group
7:30pm—Stack Center, Room 9

Saturday, June 22nd:
Adoration & Reconciliation
8:45am—Church

Sunday, June 23rd:
The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Coffee & Donuts
After the 9:00am Mass—Gathering Area

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.



**1ST FRIDAY
TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS**

Join us for Traditional Latin Mass on **July 5th** at 7:00pm, dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, June 16th
 THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30am Mike Miraglia – D
 9:00am Frank Lang – D
 11:00am OLG Community
 1:00pm Ramiro Navarro Ramirez – D

MONDAY, June 17th
 8:15am Father’s Day Remembrance

TUESDAY, June 18th
 8:15am Father’s Day Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, June 19th
 St. Romuald, Abbot
 8:15am Father’s Day Remembrance

THURSDAY, June 20th
 8:15am Louis Rodrigues – D

FRIDAY, June 21st
 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
 8:15am Macario Zaldivar – D

SATURDAY, June 22nd
 St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop
 Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, & Thomas More, Martyrs
 8:15am Manuel Silva & Family – L
 5:00pm Maria Teresa Torres – D

SUNDAY, June 23rd
 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30am Modesta Lachica – D
 9:00am Cec Penland – L
 11:00am Maria Jardim – D
 1:00pm OLG Community

CATHOLIC NIGHT AT THE FAIR June 22nd—6:30 to 10:00pm

Love and Responsibility Bay Area, which seeks to promote healthy authentic relationships according to St. John Paul II, invites all young adults for a night at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton on **Saturday, June 22nd from 6:30 to 10:00pm**. Meet at the Farmhouse Bar/Lounge next to the Grandstand. It will be a night of fellowship, exploring the grounds, and finishes up with an exciting Drone Show! Register by visiting: <https://forms.gle/yH5wfUPZTAujuPum6> Admission and parking is separate. See you there!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

June 17th through June 23rd

Monday: 1 Kings 21:1-16; Matthew 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 1 Kings 21:17-29; Matthew 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Kings 2:1,6-14; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
 Thursday: Sirach 48:1-14; Matthew 6:7-15
 Friday: 2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18,20;
 Matthew 6:19-23
 Saturday: 2 Chronicles 24:17-25;
 Matthew 6:24-34
 Sunday: Job 38:1, 8-11; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17;
 Mark 4:35-41



SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING DURING THE SUMMER

Our parish offers Online Giving via Our Sunday Visitor as an additional option to support our ongoing mission and ministries, allowing you to make donations via your mobile phone, smart device or computer while you are away on summer trips.

Visit our parish website at www.olgcv.org and select “Online Giving” at the top of the homepage to register and get instructions on how to make offerings online. If you need help, contact Colleen at 510-537-0806 or email clindberg@olgcv.org

PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The gospel’s advice to turn the other cheek to an unjust aggressor, far from being passivity and cowardice, is evidence of great moral strength that can leave an aggressor morally defeated and humiliated.”

-St. Oscar Romero, 1985

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