

OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Most Holy Trinity
June 15th, 2025

MASSES:

Saturday: Vigil Mass 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00am

Spanish Mass: 1:00pm

Weekdays: Monday-Friday 7:00am

Holy Family Friary, 19697 Redwood Rd., C.V.

Monday-Saturday 8:15am in the Church

PARISH:

Email: parish@olgcv.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

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Please contact Parish Office for information.

CONFESSIONS:

During Eucharistic Adoration or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: CHURCH

Saturday: Following the 8:15 Mass

Thursday: 6:00-7:00pm

WHOLE FAMILY FAITH PROGRAM:

510-582-9266

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Mission Statement

We, the Catholic community of Our Lady of Grace, endeavor to live our faith grounded in Jesus Christ, celebrating His presence in Word, Sacrament and shared experiences.



My Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

This weekend we celebrate Father's Day. It 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 and those who have assumed the role of father for us in our lives. So, please consider what your father or that special role model has 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 sights. In each of these relationships, let us never forget that each of us have been created in the image and likeness 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, challenges and opportunities 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 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (June 22nd)

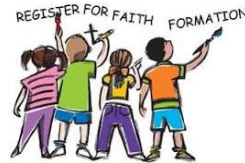
Luke 9:11-17

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.



FATHER'S DAY MASSES

As a means of honoring our fathers, living and deceased, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **June 16th, 17th and 18th**. 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 2025-2026

Registration for 1st Communion and Whole Family is open for children entering grades 1st–8th.

Online Registration and payment is available on our website at www.olgcv.org. On the homepage, scroll down and click on the 'Faith Formation' box.

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

Cost is \$120 per child and \$60 for each additional child in the same household. **If you register by June 30th, you will receive an early bird discount of \$20 for the 1st child.** If you are in need of financial assistance, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.



CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION 2025-2026

Registration for Confirmation is open for youth entering grades 9th–12th.

Online Registration and payment is available on our website at www.olgcv.org. On the homepage, scroll down and click on the 'Confirmation' box.

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

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2025 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

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HOPE**
2025 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 31st.

Overall Goal for 2025:	\$29,000.00
# of Gifts Received:	56
Funds Raised (includes pledges):	\$19,433.00

We are currently at 68% of our goal! We are looking for 100% participation from Our Lady of Grace parishioners! Please make your contribution today!

Envelopes are in the pews for your use. You may also scan the QR Code or visit: www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal to make a gift online and for more information regarding parish goals.



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION Next Weekend—June 21st & 22nd

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 Leo XIV 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, please visit: www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

'THANK YOU' TO OUR CONFIRMATION MINISTRY!

Thank you to our dedicated Confirmation Team who have worked tirelessly this past year preparing our youth for last weekend's Confirmation Mass. We're especially grateful to the parents for their support, the teens for their joy and reverence, and our dedicated Catechists for their guidance. It was a true reflection of faith and community. A special thank you to our amazing Catechists who have participated at each session and at the Discipleship Conferences. Your generosity, patience, and devotion have helped nurture the faith of our young people. May God bless you all abundantly. We look forward to seeing you again next year!



Praise GOD who
 CREATES us
 REDEEMS us
 and SANCTIFIES us

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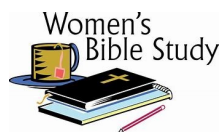
OUR LADY OF GRACE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Our Lady of Grace School, Castro Valley's ONLY Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year. For more information and a personal tour, feel free to contact Dr. Gena McGowan at gmcgowan@csdo.org or leave a message during business hours at 602-882-2816. We currently have openings in all grades but are near capacity in TK and Grade Six.

OLG offers dual language (Spanish) immersion for grades TK-1, Spanish language arts for grade 2 and conversational Spanish in grades 3-8. In addition to a solid Catholic catechetical curriculum in all grades including Latin in Junior High, we offer an emphasis on science and math in all grades (with a renovated science lab in the Augustine Center) and a robust after school program and Kid Kare from 6:00am-8:00am and again from 3:30pm until 6:00pm. For more information, please visit: www.olgschool.org

WOMEN'S FAITH SHARE GROUP

Psalms: The School of Prayer



At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us learn to pray. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. These sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Their words captivate the imagination and draw us into a deeply personal encounter with God.

Our Lady of Grace Women's Faith Share will meet for an 11-week Bible study *Psalms: The School of Prayer* starting on **Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:00pm in Stack Center and continuing through November 11th.**

Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of group discussion and fellowship. Cost is \$30. For more information or to register, contact Jay at 510-537-0806. **Last day to register and pay will be on Thursday, August 14th.**

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 for the Month of MAY:

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 39,121.00
Month Budgeted Goal:	\$ 39,847.00
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [726.00]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [780.00]

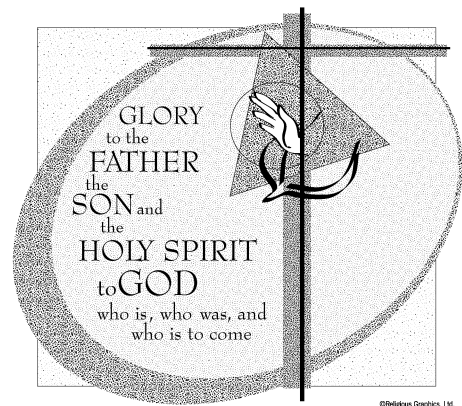
May God bless your continuing generosity.



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	Theresa Hull-Nye
Linda Barroso	Joan Gabrielli
Wayne Blackard	Brian Linney
Jeff Brown	Maria Mella
Jot Brown	Sheryl Michaud
Maria Corazon Ocampo	Hector Paez
Sean Deorsey	Lisa Tortora
Norma Dockter	Peggy Winkenbach
Maria C. Gallegos	



Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased in our parish families and all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

In Memorial

ESPERANZA ALARCÓN

ILONA WALSH

JUAN TORRES

JOSE MARENCO

**VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE IN
 THE MIDDLE EAST
 VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE**

GOD THREE IN ONE

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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 **August 6th** in Stack Center, OLG Room at 7:00pm. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & COLUMBIETTES

We need your help! The Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes are looking for men and women over 18 years of age to join these hard-working ministries.

What will you do? You can help build our parish community, making stronger ties with each other by assisting at our parish events! By being a Knight or Columbiette, you can also assist worldwide doing charitable works for places like Ukraine and the Middle East. *Do your part! Perform acts of charity and build our OLG and Transfiguration communities!*

If you are interested in sharing your time and talent, please contact Terence Dugan, Grand Knight at tdugan@rocketmail.com

Upcoming meetings in Stack Center, OLG Room:

Columbiettes: Wednesday, **June 18th** at 6:30pm

Knights of Columbus: Thursday, **July 24th** at 6:30pm

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!



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 5th**.

MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We too, then should be able to do all things, but in Him who strengthens us through the Immaculata."

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 15th:

The Most Holy Trinity

Happy Father's Day

Tuesday, June 17th:

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

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

Wednesday, June 18th:

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

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7:15pm—Parish Office

Thursday, June 19th:

Adoration & Reconciliation
6:00pm—Church

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

Saturday, June 21st

Adoration & Reconciliation
8:45am—Church

Sunday, June 22nd:

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



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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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ." Learn the tools to live as God commands us on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience, **July 11th-13th** at San Damiano in Danville or visit www.wwme.org/apply/ to find the date and location that works for you!



Mass for the Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, June 15th

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:30am Manuel & Gose Silva – D

9:00am Frank Lang – D

11:00am OLG Community

1:00pm Keith Crane – L

MONDAY, June 16th

8:15am Father's Day Remembrance

TUESDAY, June 17th

8:15am Father's Day Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, June 18th

8:15am Father's Day Remembrance

THURSDAY, June 19th

St. Romuald, Abbot

8:15am Lawrence & Jennifer Guerrero – L

FRIDAY, June 20th

8:15am Louis Rodrigues – D

SATURDAY, June 21st

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

8:15am Fred Dorado – D

5:00pm Macario Zaldivar – D

SUNDAY, June 22nd

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

7:30am Manuel & Gose Silva – D

9:00am Cec Penland – L

11:00am Zennie & Charles Bohn & Family

1:00pm OLG Community

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.

**EXECUTION ALERTS**

The following executions are scheduled to take place in **June**:

June 24th	Thomas Lee Gudinas	Florida
June 25th	Richard Gerald Jordan	Mississippi

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

June 16th through June 22nd

Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10;
Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11;
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30;
Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10;
Matthew 6:24-34

Sunday: Genesis 14:18-20;
1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11-17



*if today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts*

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REFUGEE FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

Refugee Foster Care supports unaccompanied refugee minors fleeing persecution and violence. Catholic Charities of Santa Clara is seeking nurturing families to welcome a refugee youth into their home. Join us virtually to learn more on **June 26th at 6:30pm**.

Scan the QR code to RSVP

**PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"Peace involves work, it is not about staying calm and doing nothing. No! True peace means working so that everyone has a solution to the problems, to the needs that they have in their land, in their homeland, in their family, in their society."

-Pope Francis, 2015

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

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OUR LADY OF GRACE - LIST OF MINISTRIES

Community Outreach Ministries

Helping Hands: Assist with hospitality after OLG's funerals for family members and friends of the deceased.

Pastoral Care to the Sick: Visit the sick while praying & distributing the Eucharist.

Pax Christi: Upholding the Gospel values of peace & social justice in our community & the world at large.

St. Vincent de Paul: Assist the poor & those in temporary need with food & financial assistance.

Faith Formation Ministries

Baptism Preparation: Assist with instruction to parents & godparents preparing to have their infants baptized. 1st Wednesday of the month

Family Faith Formation: Assist with religious education of students of grades 1st-8th on Sundays.

Men's Faith Share: Gather with other men of our Parish to discuss the upcoming Sunday readings.

Women's Bible Study: Gather with other women of our Parish during Advent & Lent in preparation for Christmas & Easter.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults): Assist with guidance of adults seeking membership into the Church on Wednesday evenings.

Sacrament Preparation: Assist with Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion (ages 7 & up) and Confirmation (High School) on Sundays.

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers: Assist priests at liturgical services, especially the Masses, for grades 5th-12th.

Extraordinary Ministers: Distribute the Holy Eucharist at Mass & to the homebound.

Lectors: Proclaim the 1st & 2nd Readings at Mass.

Music: *Choir* sings at the 11:00am Mass, *Folk Group* sings contemporary Catholic music at the 9:00am Mass & 5:00pm Mass. *Ensemble* sings at the 5:00pm Mass. *Coro en la misa de español* a la 1:00 p.m.

Ushers: Assist with greeting parishioners, taking up the collections, seating people as needed.

Parish Life Ministries

Columbiette's: Women's auxiliary assisting the Knights of Columbus with Parish activities & fundraising.

CYO (Catholic Youth Organization): Sports program for grades 2nd-8th.

Fall Festival: OLG's biggest fundraiser event held on the last weekend of September.

Italian Catholic Federation (ICF): Non-profit fraternal organization promoting activities that build faith & family.

Knights of Columbus: Catholic Men's fraternal organization organizing year-round fundraising events to benefit OLG.

If you are interested in knowing more about our Ministries, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

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