

# OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

3433 Somerset Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546

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**Pentecost Sunday**  
**May 24th, 2026**

## **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:**

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

### **Staffed by the Conventual Franciscans:**

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Fr. Angel Garcia, OFM Conv., Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw, OFM Conv., Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Paul Fazio, OFM Conv., In Residence

### **Parish Registration, Baptism, Marriage, and Sacramental Preparation for Adults:**

Please contact Parish Office for information.

**Secretary:** Jay Aquitania

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**St. Vincent de Paul Helpline:** 510-707-8988

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: CHURCH**

Saturday: Following the 8:15 Mass

Thursday: 6:00-7:00pm

## **CONFESSIONS:**

During Eucharistic Adoration or by appointment

## **WHOLE FAMILY FAITH PROGRAM:**

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## **SCHOOL:**

**Phone:** 510-581-3155

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**Principal:** Dr. Eugenia "Gena" McGowan

## ***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.*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On this Day of Pentecost, we celebrate the birth of the Church—when a powerful rushing wind and tongues of fire brought diverse believers together into one unified body. It's amazing to lookback at how the Holy Spirit completely changed the disciples. They started out as a broken, terrified group hiding in a room, but they became a bold, unified force that nothing could stop. The Spirit swept through that day, dissolving the walls of language and culture to breathe new life into the early Church, uniting them to march forward on mission together.

This year, the story of Pentecost is unfolding as a living reality right before our eyes. For the past few months, our leadership teams from both Our Lady of Grace and Transfiguration have been coming together, praying, seeking wise advice, and really trying to listen to where the Holy Spirit is leading us. What we realized is that even though we are two different communities, we share the exact same heart and mission: to show the world the love of Jesus. It makes me think of what the Apostle Paul wrote in Ephesians—that we are all one body and one Spirit. By letting go of our own separate ways of doing things and bringing our resources, gifts, and passions together, we are building a much stronger, more vibrant church family to serve everyone around us.

This decision is not only a response to a crisis, but a faithful step into an exciting future. As we have prayed and sought God's direction, it became overwhelmingly clear that we can accomplish far more together than we ever could apart. By combining our resources, our gifts, and our hearts, we are choosing to lay down our individual preferences for the sake of the Gospel. We are not just surviving; we are stepping into a vibrant new season of expanded ministry, deeper community impact, and renewed spiritual vitality here in Castro Valley.

Over the coming weeks, we will continue to hold joint meetings to walk through this transition together. You will be actively involved in shaping our new shared identity, including our combined Mass schedules, liturgy committees, parish councils, and community ministries. Change is messy, and it will require patience and charity from all of us. But the Holy Spirit is the author of new beginnings. I ask you to open your hearts to this new chapter and pray for the grace to see that God is preparing something beautiful for us.

If you have any quick questions or want to help out with the transition teams, just reach out to me or the parish office. You can also get in touch with the diocese directly about the Mission Alignment Process (MAP) using the contact info below:

Mission Alignment Process  
510-628-2167  
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***“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.”***

Fr. Luke

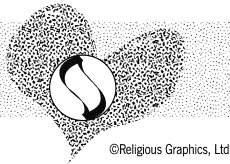


**The Most Holy Trinity (May 31st)**

**John 3:16-18**

To access next week's Gospel in full text, please visit the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' Daily Readings at <https://bible.usccb.org/>.

**LORD, enkindle the fire  
of your love in our hearts**



**2026 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL  
Our Lady of Grace Goal is \$29,000**

Following is the status of this appeal through **April 30th**.

Overall Goal for 2026:	<b>\$29,000.00</b>
# of Donors:	<b>41</b>
Funds Raised (includes pledges):	<b>\$12,210.00</b>

*We care currently at 42% of our goal! We are looking for 100% participation from our 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](http://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal) to make a gift online and for more information regarding parish goals.



**Can a Parishioner Restrict a Gift to One or More Program or Ministry?**

*No. Appeal funds are spread across the various ministries based on the needs at the time. Gifts can be made to a specific ministry via a separate check or online gift noting how the gift should be designated.*

*Thank you for your time and response as faithful stewards of God's Church. God bless you!*

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES  
SPECIAL COLLECTION**

*There's still time to give!* For over 90 years, Catholic Charities has been helping our neighbors right here in the East Bay. They assist with rent and utility payments, support our youth, and help neighbors legally on the path to citizenship. Join us in making a difference and being a Modern Good Samaritan! Please make your checks out to "Catholic Charities" and place your check in the Parish Office mail slot or scan the QR code to make your donation. Information post cards are also available at the tables at the church entrances. Thank you for your generosity!



**MEMORIAL DAY**

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, **May 25th**. We will reopen on Tuesday, **May 26th** at 8:30am. We wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday!



**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
OUR LADY OF GRACE  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



**Friday, May 29th  
2:00pm**

**CLASS OF 2026**

Julius Callier	Lance Peters
Claire Cowley-Crawford	Johann Philipos
Cooper Dimic	Edlynn Rider
David Charles Edgerson	Stevan Salinas
Reagan-Malia Joe	Adrianna Trummell
JoAnn Kimbrell	Isabella Vantley
Ella Messina	Vanessa Vilchez
Caroline Montoya	Nicholaus Williams

We congratulate our 8th Grade Graduates and their families as they complete their education pursuits at OLG and now prepare to move on to their various new high schools. We can be rightly proud of the many accomplishments of this year's graduation class—it is a clear indication of the talents of our students and of the commitment and support they received from family and teachers along the way. We wish them well and we offer profound thanks to our school's wonderful principal, faculty and staff who have done so much to prepare them for this new adventure!



**SIP, SAVOR AND SWING!  
May 30th at Transfiguration**

Join St. Vincent de Paul and TwiningVine Estate Winery for an unforgettable evening curated for the senses! On **Saturday, May 30th** at 4:00pm, join us for a lovely evening to benefit St. Vincent de Paul.

**Sip & Savor:** Enjoy a curated wine tasting featuring TwiningVine's estate-grown selections, each perfectly complemented by gourmet small plate pairings.

**Swing:** Once the tasting is done, find your rhythm as an 18-piece swing band takes the stage, filling the air with the timeless sounds of the Big Band era. Bring your dancing shoes!

Tickets are \$35 each. Purchase them online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sip-savor-swing-tickets-1989348916160?aff=oddtcreator>

*Come for the wine, stay for the music and support a great cause. We can't wait to see you!*



**'THANK YOU' TO OUR FAITH FORMATION & CONFIRMATION MINISTRIES!**

As we wrap up the school year and head into summer, we want to express heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in our Faith Formation and Confirmation Ministries!

Thank you for the beautiful First Holy Communion celebrations last weekend. We're especially grateful to the families for their support, the children for their joy and reverence, and our dedicated Catechists for their guidance. It was a true reflection of faith and community. To all our Faith Formation families—thank you for your presence and commitment throughout the year. Your participation is a vital part of our parish life. A special thank you to our amazing Catechists and volunteers. 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!

Also, thank you to all those who helped with the Confirmation ministry this past year! Your efforts were a vital part of having 31 candidates from our parish receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral of Christ the Light this past Sunday. May God bless you for the time you have invested in our young people!

**THANK YOU FROM ST. VINCENT de PAUL**



The Our Lady of Grace St. Vincent de Paul ministry is grateful for your ongoing support. Your contributions allow us to minister to those in need in our community and sometimes even beyond our borders. Many that we serve are under extreme stress due to loss of income often caused by serious illness, car problems and loss of work or job cutbacks. Though we often are not able to help with all their needs; we can offer our love and the promise that we will walk with them during this time in their lives. Here is a story we'd like to share:

*Issac was laid off from his job at a local grocery store. He lives in low income housing with his wife and 4 children. We met with him and his apartment manager who said that he has always been on time in the past. She is helping him sign up for unemployment. We were able to help him with his rent and gave him a referral to an employment agency.*

If you would like to be a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Ministry at OLG, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

**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 APRIL:**

Sunday Plate for the month:	\$ 34,875.00
<b>Month Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 46,044.90</b>
Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [11,169.90]
Year-To-Date Over/[Shortfall]	\$ [8,112.68]

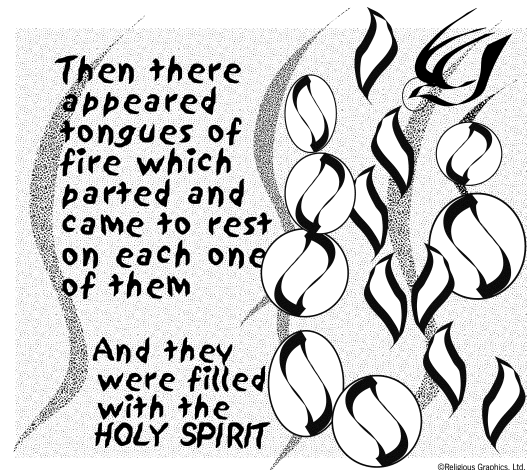
*May God bless your continuing generosity.*



**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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| Glen Alcorn      | Joan Lewis            |
| Wayne Blackard   | Brian Linney          |
| Jeff Brown       | Catherine Lucas       |
| Jot Brown        | Maria Flores Martinez |
| Norma Dockter    | Sheryl Michaud        |
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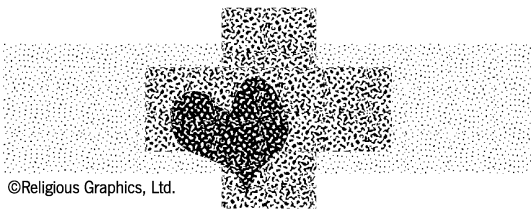


*Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased in our parish families and all who mourn the loss of a loved one.*

**In Memorial**

- ANDY BELLA VICTOR**  
**STEVEN ZAWADZSKI**  
**CRISTINA CASTELLANOS**

- VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE**  
**VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE**



**FLOWER REMEMBRANCE FUND**

We are grateful for the generous donation from Ann and Rich Ensel in honor of Lisa Ann Ensel. 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.

**29th ANNUAL FESCO SHUFFLE**  
**Sunday, June 14th**  
**Hayward City Hall Plaza**



Save the date! Join us for the 29th annual FESCO Shuffle, our primary fund-raising event of the year on Sunday, June 14th (1:00-5:00pm). The Shuffle is a fun, family-oriented walk-a-thon that directly benefits FESCO families. You can participate by walking/running, donating, raising funds, or becoming a sponsor. There will be Food, Music, Vendors and a Car Show!

All are invited to join Team OLG or donate at <https://pro.gofundme.com/campaign/fesco-shuffle-2026/c783469>. Thank you for your support in making the FESCO Shuffle a success and helping us continue our vital work in the community!

**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 **June 3rd** in Stack Center, OLG Room at 7:00pm. Please call Jay at 510-537-0806 to register.



**MAXIMILIAN KOLBE QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*“I warmly wish you one thing that you may carry out as perfectly as possible, always and in everything, the will of God, through the mediation of the Immaculata, and that I wish you both in life and in death and eternity. Nothing could possibly be more sublime, nothing more perfect.”*

**THIS WEEK**

*Sunday, May 24th:*

*Pentecost Sunday*

*Monday, May 25th:*

**Memorial Day**  
**Parish Office Closed**

*Tuesday, May 26th:*

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

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

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

*Thursday, May 28th:*

Adoration & Reconciliation  
 6:00pm—Church

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

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

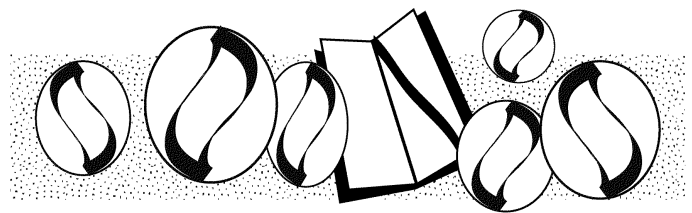
*Friday, May 29th:*

8th Grade Baccalaureate Mass  
 9:30am—Church

8th Grade Graduation Ceremony  
 2:00pm—Church

*Sunday, May 31st:*

*The Most Holy Trinity*



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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!

# Mass Intentions for the Week

**SUNDAY, May 24th**

PENTECOST SUNDAY

- 7:30am Frankie Fagalde – L
- 9:00am Bill & Delia Lawrence – D
- 11:00am Maria & Manuel Jardim – D
- 1:00pm OLG Community

**MONDAY, May 25th**

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

- 8:15am Corazon Quitos – D

**TUESDAY, May 26th**

St. Philip Neri, Priest

- 8:15am Bob & Clara Perino – D

**WEDNESDAY, May 27th**

St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

- 8:15am Mike Miraglia – D

**THURSDAY, May 28th**

- 8:15am Lyn White – D

**FRIDAY, May 29th**

St. Paul VI, Pope

- 8:15am Cindy Maria Jardim – D

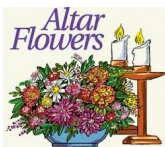
**SATURDAY, May 30th**

- 8:15am Celia Dorado – L
- 5:00pm Vincent Perino – D

**SUNDAY, May 31st**

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

- 7:30am OLG Community
- 9:00am Eleuterio Jardim – D
- 11:00am Pho Vu – D
- 1:00pm Nydia Diaz Fonseca – D



**ALTAR FLOWER MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

*Do you have an eye for beauty? Do you enjoy arranging flowers?* We are looking

for volunteers to assist with arranging the flowers for the Altar on a weekly basis. If you are interested in offering your time and talent, please call the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.



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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**May 25th through May 31st**

- Monday: Genesis 3:9-15, 20; John 19:25-34
- Tuesday: 1 Peter 1:10-16; Mark:10:28-31
- Wednesday: 1 Peter 1:18-25; Mark 10:32-45
- Thursday: 1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12; Mark 10:46-52
- Friday: 1 Peter 4:7-13; Mark 11:11-26
- Saturday: Jude 17, 20-25; Mark 11:27-33
- Sunday: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18



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**ROSARY BEFORE MASS**

Come join in prayer of the Rosary 20 minutes before each of the weekend liturgies. Pray for our Parish. All are welcome!



**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.

**PAX CHRISTI QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*"If you want peace, respect the conscience of every person."*

*-St. John Paul II, 1971*

To join our work with Pax Christi, our Peace & Social Justice ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 510-537-0806.

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## WAYS to GIVE

**MAIL** Send check or money order to: **Bishop's Ministries Appeal**  
Diocese of Oakland, 2121 Harrison Street, Suite 100, Oakland, CA 94612

**ONLINE** Scan the QR code or visit [oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal](https://oakdiocese.org/bishops-ministries-appeal) to make a gift by credit card or direct debit.

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