

OUR LADY of GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## EASTER SUNDAY

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:6-8

**PRIEST S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES**

Sun, Apr 5	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD For the People of the Parish
8:00 pm (Vigil)	
7:00 am	1/2 Augustin Azua, Sr.
9:00 am	1/2 Judy Lothian
11:00 am	1/2 Dave Ross 1/2 Jack Cloward
Mon, Apr 6	MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
8:00 am	1/2 5 \ O D Q 2 · 1 H D O 1/2 Mark Habina
Tue, Apr 7	TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
8:00 am	1/2 Teresita Montano
Wed, Apr 8	WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
8:00 am	1/2 Salvatore Russo
Thu, Apr 9	THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
8:00 am	1/2 James Pitt
Fri, Apr 10	FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
8:00 am	1/2 Kathy Lanners
Sat, Apr 11	SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
8:00 am	Sp Int Roman Aguilera

**Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!**

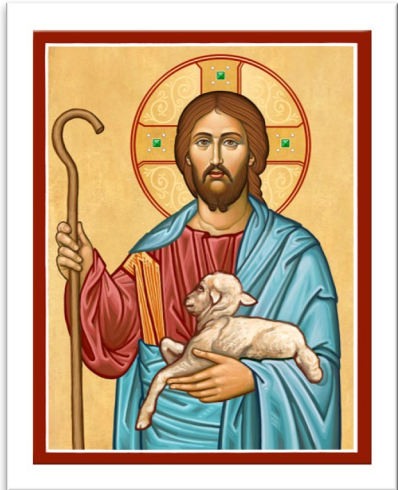
**W**elcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist X

If you have been away from the Church for a little while or for quite some time, but now feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church, welcome home!

If you feel drawn to the Catholic Church yet come from another faith tradition - or have no faith experience at all - we are glad you are here!

The Catholic Church has been teaching truth since she was founded by Christ over 2,000 years ago. We offer ministries and service groups that help you to build friendships and serve our parish along with the greater community. We also offer life-long learning through our many faith formation opportunities for children and adults.

For baptized Catholics needing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation please contact Deacon John Sawaya at: [jsawaya@olg-church.org](mailto:jsawaya@olg-church.org). For those interested in joining the Catholic Church, please also contact Deacon John Sawaya. You can also contact [www.olg-church.org](http://www.olg-church.org).



**FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER**

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Apr 5	Easter Sunday No event in the Parish Center  Happy Easter to you all! We will not have Food & Fellowship. Enjoy time with your family and the Resurrection of our Lord!
Apr 12	School Sunday Sponsored by OLG School Families  Complimentary coffee & refreshments. Contributions not necessary but gratefully DFFHSWHG 3URFHGGV EHQHILW Tuition Assistance Fund, the Gerard Family Endowment for Catholic Education.
Apr 19	Pancake Breakfast Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Frances Cabrini Council 8879  Please join us for a delicious pancake breakfast to support local charities. More information on pg. 5.

**Allergies**  
The first morning Mass of a holy day will always be incense -free.

**Mindfulness of Others**  
Please silence all devices and refrain from using them during the liturgy to avoid distracting those around you.

**READINGS FOR APRIL 6 - APRIL 12**

Sun:	Acts 10:34a, 37 -43; Col 3:1 -4; Jn 20:1 -9
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Mon:	Acts 2:14, 22 -33; Mt 28:8 -15
Tue:	Acts 2:36 -41; Jn 20:11 -18
Wed:	Acts 3:1 -10; Lk 24:13 -35
Thu:	Acts 3:11 -26; Lk 24:35 -48
Fri:	Acts 4:1 -12; Jn 21:1 -14
Sat:	Acts 4:13 -21; Mk 16:9 -15
Sun:	Acts 2:42 -47; 1 Pt 1:3 -9; Jn 20:19 -31

# Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

## GROW:

Today we celebrate the /RUG·V UHVXU UHF WLRQ WKH SLQQDFOH RI WKH & KXUFK·V entire liturgical year. As disciples, we know that & KULVW·V UHVXU UHF WLRQ WKH & KXUFK·V not something that happened to him alone; his resurrection offers us the promise that all who believe in him will one day rise with him. But the new life Christ promises is not something we have to wait for the next life to experience! Everything we have been doing throughout Lent to SUHSDUH IRU WR RLD (in our Gospel, celebration also gives us a foretaste of the fullness of life we will share with him at our own resurrection. By \*RG·V JUDFH ZH KDYH been inwardly renewed by Lenten prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Our minds and hearts have been lifted from the things of earth to the things of heaven. As disciples of the risen Christ, let us continue

WR 'VHHN ZKDW deepening our own participation here and now in the life he won for us through his cross and glorious resurrection. GO: 7KH VFHQH LQ WKH Gospel offers us a helpful insight for evangelization. Peter and John run to the empty tomb. While John gets there faster, he waits outside and allows Peter to enter first. We can think of Peter as symbolic of faith (he is the one, after all, who confesses Jesus as the Christ (Mt.16:16)), and John, as symbolic of love (in our Gospel, John is referred to not E\ QDPH EXW DV D V\ QDPH EXW DV D V\ other disciple whom -HVXV ORYHG μ Peter and John see the empty tomb and believe, our Gospel reading ends with this interesting GHWDLO 'RU W KDYH yet understand the Scripture that he had to ULVH IURP WKH GHGD μ , think what the text is showing us is that love and faith often precede

Understanding. In our efforts of evangelization, apologetics and theology have their place. But we must not forget that sometimes inviting someone to love and trust in the Lord <sup>2</sup> before they have all the answers worked out <sup>2</sup> is more effective than trying to help a person reason their way to faith by perfect explanations. Love and faith draw us to encounter the risen Lord, and understanding comes later.

## CELEBRATE:

'7KLV LV WKH GD\ has made, let us rejoice DQG EH JODG μ RX tells us. Today is the Solemnity of solemnities, the Feast of all feasts! Take some time to rejoice and give thanks for all that God has done for us through his death and glorious resurrection. Today nothing else should be RQ RXU 'WR GR μ ( than to celebrate well!

Written by:  
The Faithful Disciple

## OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH

Founded 1954  
CLERGY

PASTOR  
Rev. Lauro Minimo

DEACON  
John Sawaya

## SCHEDULE of MASSES

SUNDAY VIGIL  
(Saturday ) 5:30 pm  
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SUNDAY  
8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm  
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MONDAY SATURDAY  
8:00 am

Holy days and holidays listed separately in bulletin.

## SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM  
Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 pm. Preparation packet is available in the parish office.

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ORDER of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS  
Contact Dcn. John Sawaya (858) 869 -5079.

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HOLY MATRIMONY  
Marriage preparation begins nine months in advance. Please contact Fr. Lauro Minimo or Dcn. John Sawaya.

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PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION  
Monday 6:00 pm  
Wednesday 8:45 am  
Saturday 4:00 pm  
or by appointment.

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ANointing of the SICK  
Call the parish office (619) 469 -0133.



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**55 Plus  
Club Lunch**  
TUESDAY, APRIL 14

The 55 Plus Club Lunch will be Tuesday, April 14, 2026. It will be Easter themed, and our lunch will have ham with all the fixings. Yum! The lunch fee is \$16 for guests. The deadline is April 10 before 3:00pm. There will be a late fee or walk in fee of \$20.

There are two more lunches after April: May 5 and June 9. In September, we will start our 18th year hosting the 55 Plus Club. Wow!

For questions, please call Mary at 619-463-1129.

Easter Blessing



Dear Lord,

Where there has been death, bring new life! Renew and redeem the sorrow in our stories with Your goodness and grace. Bless our hearts and homes this Easter and always. Amen.

**SYNERGY SAN DIEGO  
YOUTH DAY 2026**

**Saturday, April 11  
Cathedral Catholic High School**

Synergy San Diego Youth Day 2026 is coming up! They will have keynote speaker Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR.



**Registration due date is March 25th.  
Fees are non-refundable.**

\*Permission forms are required so please scan the QR code.

The Registration and Code of Behavior Form will be accessible through our website under "Ministries".



WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

March 17, 2026 - March 23, 2026 \$18,921.51

Plate \$3,037.21

Envelopes \$9,912.00

Online Giving \$5,972.30

Breakdown of Gifts Received

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\$5.01 - \$10.00 62

\$10.01 - \$25.00 135

\$25.01 - \$50.00 82

\$50.01 - \$100.00 32

\$100.01 - \$150.00 8

\$150.01 - \$500.00 17

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Total Contributing Households 379

Annual Lenten Collection \$416.00

Building Fund \$777.50

Flowers \$410.00

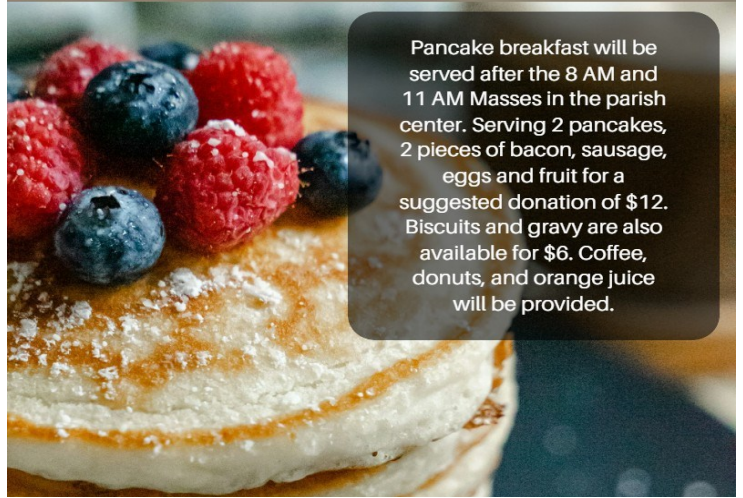
Food Pantry \$1,322.00



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KNIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

APRIL 19



Pancake breakfast will be served after the 8 AM and 11 AM Masses in the parish center. Serving 2 pancakes, 2 pieces of bacon, sausage, eggs and fruit for a suggested donation of \$12. Biscuits and gravy are also available for \$6. Coffee, donuts, and orange juice will be provided.

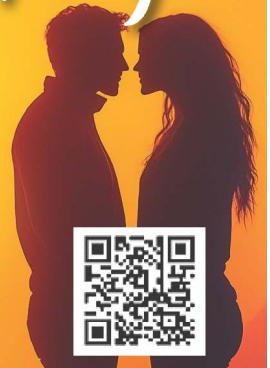
Marriage Help!

April 17-19

Not willing to let go of your marriage? THERE IS HOPE.

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together.

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, call 951-259-9474 or visit [helpourmarriage-sandiego.org](http://helpourmarriage-sandiego.org)



ONLINE GIVING



If you would like to contribute to our Parish through Online Giving, you can scan the QR code.



We are grateful for your contribution and support of OLG!

SAVE THE DATE

Cinco de Mayo Celebration

SATURDAY, MAY 2  
PARISH CENTER

Special Mariachi entertainment after 5:30 Mass!  
Limited ticket sales begin April 12 after all Masses!  
More details to follow!



# OFFICE CLOSURE

Our Parish Office will be closed on Friday, April 3rd in observance of Good Friday and on Monday, April 6th in celebration of Easter Monday.

We will re-open on Tuesday, April 7th at 8:30am. May you all have a safe and blessed weekend!



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
LITURGY AT OLG ☩  
**APRIL 12, 2026 - 2:15pm**

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
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# HEALING WEEKEND



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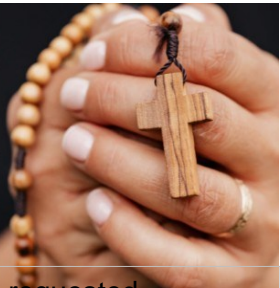
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- ✉ BeginningExperienceSD@gmail.com
- 💰 \$325 all-inclusive

Pre-registration Required

# PRAYER REQUESTS



Please pray for those who have requested prayer and for the special intentions written in the Book of Intentions in the Baptistry of our Church.

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Netti Aguinardo            | Maria Bernadette Jaba |
| Ron Aguinardo              | Jason Laccone         |
| Heriberto Albanez          | Lillian Lavarado      |
| Griselda Albanez           | Ofelia Lopez          |
| Juanito Amor, Jr.          | Jose A Lopez          |
| . D O L · D \$ U U D \ D Q | Dora Lowenberg        |
| Dionicio Baca              | Lorene MacLaird       |
| Michael Barletta           | Vern MacLaird         |
| Stephen Bernasconi         | Dawn MacNabb          |
| Angela Biner               | Christina Martins     |
| Charles Black              | Annika Mawn           |
| Eileen Black               | Steven Mull           |
| Bob Blake                  | \$ Q Q 2 · 1 H L O O  |
| Catalina Branch            | Nancy Osborne         |
| Sky Cariola                | Phil Panuco           |
| Cheryl Casey               | Frank Principato      |
| Phyllis Ciesielski         | James Principato      |
| Luzanne Coyne              | Danny Rubio           |
| Msgr. John Cusack          | Richard Ruttenberg    |
| Amelia Dixon               | Faith San Jose        |
| Dee Draper                 | Jeffery Sanders       |
| Nick Duhancik              | Karen Scott           |
| Thien Ngoc Duong           | David Smith           |
| Suzana Felix               | Sharon Smith          |
| David Foster               | Tillie Sousa          |
| Joseph Fromm               | Karen Tabadisto       |
| Stephen Gage               | Mary Titone           |
| Sammy Ganaden              | Steve Thudium         |
| Colette Gerard             | Carlos Villar         |
| Joe Hilgeman               | Cindy Katan Wallace   |
| Rosa Hilgeman              | Marilyn Winger        |
| Philip Hessling            |                       |
| Evelyn Jaba                |                       |

Names will remain listed in the bulletin for 4 weeks. If you would like to add a name to the list, or have names removed/renewed, please contact Alexa Alcantara at: aalcantara@olg -church.org.

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Adorers are needed for our next 24 -hour Adoration on Friday, May 1. To sign -up, please e -mail Michael Gross at: pnmgross1@gmail.com.

OUR LADY of GRACE PARISH AND SCHOOL DIRECTORY

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 Director ROBERT FILLEY  
 Laudate Ensemble (5 :30 pm Sun)

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Coordinator of Catechetical Ministry HENRIETA VYZINKAR  
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**Parish Ministries and Organizations**

To e-mail members of the parish staff or the ministry leaders listed below please visit our website at: [olg-church.org](http://olg-church.org) - F O L F N R Q W K H ' & R Q W D F W 8 in the upper right corner of the browser window.

For a ministry leader phone number please call the Parish Office at (619) 469 -0133.

- 55 PLUS CLUB <sup>3</sup> Mary Cloward
- BLOOD DRIVE <sup>3</sup> Peggy Breslin
- CATHOLIC WOMEN S CLUB (CWC) <sup>3</sup> Linda LeNeve  
 Bread Sunday <sup>3</sup> Linda LeNeve  
 Book Club <sup>3</sup> Julie Hazelton  
 Craft Fair <sup>3</sup> Kathy Porterfield  
 Bunco <sup>3</sup> Alice Freeh
- CENTERING PRAYER <sup>3</sup>  
 Irma Eichinger & Mary Asher -Fitzpatrick
- CURSILLO <sup>3</sup> Lanny Kimsey
- EVENTS COMMITTEE <sup>3</sup> Deborah Renick
- FOOD PANTRY <sup>3</sup> Since 1981 (619) 469 -0061  
 Doug Perl M ㉚, 9:30 ㉚11:00 am
- HOLIDAY ANGELS <sup>3</sup> Since 1988 <sup>3</sup> Pam & Michael Gross
- INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC FAMILIES (ICF)  
 Carla Pedroncelli
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS <sup>3</sup> Frances Cabrini Council 8879  
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- CULTURE OF LIFE <sup>3</sup> Elena & Emily Ruta
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