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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**

8:00 pm For the People of the Parish (Vigil)

7:00 am † Augustin Azua, Sr.

9:00 am † Judy Lothian

11:00 am † Dave Ross

† Jack Cloward

Mon, Apr 6 MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:00 am † Rylan O'Neal

† Mark Habina

Tue, Apr 7 TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:00 am † Teresita Montano

Wed, Apr 8 WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:00 am † Salvatore Russo

Thu, Apr 9 THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:00 am † James Pitt

Fri, Apr 10 FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:00 am † Kathy Lanners

Sat, Apr 11 SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER8:00 am *Sp Int* Roman Aguilera**Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!**

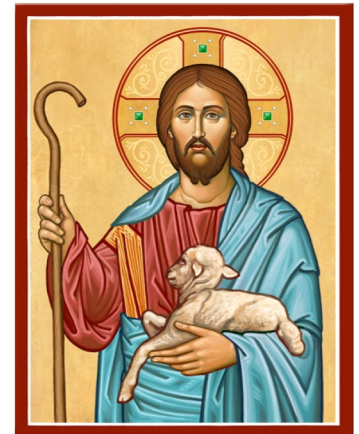
W elcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

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. For those interested in joining the Catholic Church, please also contact Deacon John Sawaya. You can also contact him by using the "Contact us" link at 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 accepted. Proceeds benefit OLG School's 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

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 Lord's resurrection, the pinnacle of the Church's entire liturgical year. As disciples, we know that Christ's resurrection is 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 prepare for today's celebration also gives us a foretaste of the fullness of life we will share with him at our own resurrection. By God's grace, we have 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

to "seek what is above," deepening our own participation here and now in the life he won for us through his cross and glorious resurrection.

GO:

The scene in today's 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 by name, but as "the other disciple whom Jesus loved.") Although Peter and John see the empty tomb and believe, our Gospel reading ends with this interesting detail: "For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." I 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 – before they have all the answers worked out – 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:

"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad" our psalm 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 on our "to do" list other 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

SUNDAY

8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

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.

ORDER of CHRISTIAN

INITIATION of ADULTS

Contact Dcn. John Sawaya (858) 869-5079.

HOLY MATRIMONY

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

PENANCE AND

RECONCILIATION

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

ANOINTING of THE SICK

Call the parish office (619) 469-0133.



GOLDEN HOUR
at the Eve
ILLUMINATING POSSIBILITY TOGETHER

**GALA
2026**

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OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION
AT OUR LADY OF GRACE SCHOOL

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

**DRAW
DOWN**
at the Eve

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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

\$0.01 - \$5.00	42
\$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
\$500.01 - Over	1

Total Contributing Households **379**

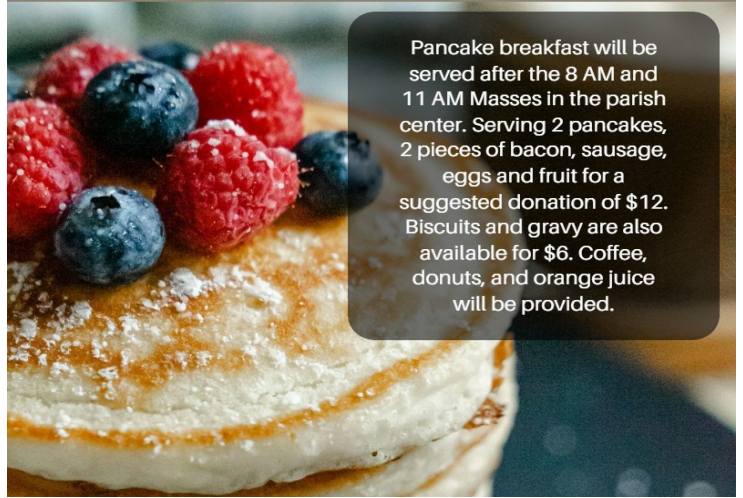
Annual Lenten Collection	\$416.00
Building Fund	\$777.50
Flowers	\$410.00
Food Pantry	\$1,322.00



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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



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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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 Aguinaldo | Maria Bernadette Jaba |
| Ron Aguinaldo | Jason Laccone |
| Heriberto Albanez | Lillian Lavarado |
| Griselda Albanez | Ofelia Lopez |
| Juanito Amor, Jr. | Jose A Lopez |
| Kali'a Arrayan | 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 | Ann O'Neill |
| Catalina Branch | Nancy Osborne |
| Sky Cariola | Phil Panuco |
| Cheryl Casey | Frank Principato |
| Phyllis Ciesielski | James Principato |
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| 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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 Youth Ministry Coordinator **DORIS HERTZIG**
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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 - click on the "Contact Us" link 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 — Mary Cloward

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB (CWC) — Linda LeNeve

Bread Sunday — Linda LeNeve

Book Club — Julie Hazelton

Craft Fair — Kathy Porterfield

Bunco — Alice Freeh

CENTERING PRAYER —

Irma Eichinger & Mary Asher-Fitzpatrick

CURSILLO — Lanny Kimsey

EVENTS COMMITTEE — Deborah Renick

FOOD PANTRY — Since 1981 (619) 469-0061

Doug Perl

M-F, 9:30-11:00 am

HOLIDAY ANGELS — Since 1988 — Pam & Michael Gross

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