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• 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Aug 16 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:30 pm † Giuseppina Corso &
† Vincenzo Corso

(Vigil)

8:00 am For the People of the Parish

11:00 am † Teresita Montano

5:30 pm † Pauline Schanda

Mon, Aug 17 Weekday

8:00 am † Dylinda Alyizo

Tue, Aug 18 Weekday

8:00 am † Janice Donovan

Wed, Aug 19 Weekday; St. John Eudes, Priest

8:00 am † Arsenia Hernandez

Thu, Aug 20 St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church

8:00 am *Sp Int* Ken & Mary Disenza

Fri, Aug 21 St. Pius X, Pope

8:00 am *Sp Int* Anna Marie & Chet Snyder

Sat, Aug 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am † Chris Torres

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

Welcome 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.



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FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Aug 16 Knights Pancake Breakfast

*Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
Frances Cabrini Council 8879*

Please join us for a delicious pancake breakfast to support local charities. More information on pg. 4.

Aug 23 OLG Open House

Sponsored by the Events Committee

Learn more about our parish school, clubs, activities and ministries while enjoying complimentary refreshments!

Aug 30 Donut Sunday

Sponsored by the Events Committee

The Events Committee will be hosting Food & Fellowship with donuts and more!

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 AUGUST 16 - AUGUST 23

Sun: Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Mon: Ez 24:15-23; Mt 19:16-22

Tue: Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

Wed: Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

Thu: Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

Fri: Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

Sat: Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12

Sun: Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GROW

I have often wondered why Jesus' words to the Gentile woman in today's Gospel sound so harsh. The woman was simply asking Jesus to heal her daughter, as so many others before her had done. Jesus' reply that he had been sent only to the "lost sheep of the house of Israel" may have been true under the old covenant. But with his coming, Jesus initiated the new covenant where all are invited, all are welcome. Through the woman's gift of faith (whose prayer says simply, "Lord, help me"), she brings herself and her daughter into the joy and goodness of the kingdom. Jesus commends her faith (and her persistence) and heals her daughter. This passage demonstrates the healing God wishes to

provide for all of his people.

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Thus says the Lord in Isaiah: "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." Responsorial psalm: "O God, let all the nations praise you!" Jesus to the Canaanite (Gentile) woman: "O woman, great is your faith!"

Our readings today spell out loud and clear that our God's love and forgiveness is meant for all. Not just the few. This is good news, indeed. What does God ask of us in return? He asks that we strive to do what is right ... what is just. In short, we must join [our] selves to the Lord, as Isaiah says, and God will welcome us into his holy kingdom. How do we do that? We can start by trying to imitate the generosity of God's grace and welcome those who

seek God's mercy and healing. In other words, we reach out in love to each other and seek to build up the unity of his Church, the Body of Christ.

WELCOME

On some level, all the readings today speak of disparate people coming to the faith: foreigners, all the nations, the Gentiles, a Canaanite woman. Does your parish have some form of welcoming ministry – a welcome desk, ushers, greeters? The power of a friendly smile, a warm handshake, a disposition of "we're happy you're here" cannot be underestimated for visitors to our churches. Consider becoming a part of the team that welcomes the stranger to your parish.

Written by:
The Faithful Disciple

Saint Pius X, Pope

Prayer: Glorious Pope of the Eucharist, Saint Pius X, you sought "to restore all things in Christ." Obtain for me a true love of Jesus so that I may live only for Him. Help me to acquire a lively fervor and a sincere will to strive for sanctity of life, and that I may avail myself of the riches of the Holy Eucharist in sacrifice and sacrament. By your love for Mary, mother and queen of all, inflame my heart with tender devotion to her.

Blessed model of the priesthood, obtain for us holy, dedicated priests, and increase vocations to the religious life. Dispel confusion and hatred and anxiety, and incline our hearts to peace and concord, so that all nations will place themselves under the sweet reign of Christ. Amen.

Saint Pius X, pray for us!



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Rev. Lauro Minimo

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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 - 5:15 pm

ANOIDING of THE SICK

Call the parish office
(619) 469-0133.



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COATS FOR KIDS PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

All parishioners are invited for a pancake breakfast on Sunday, August 16, after all morning Masses in the Parish Center! Proceeds will provide winter coats for children who are in the care of Father Joe's Villages. Donations can be made at any time by check made out to "Knights of Columbus Council 8879." Please write "Coats for Kids" on the memo line.

See you there!

SPONSORED BY THE EVENTS COMMITTEE

FOOD & FELLOWSHIP DONUT SUNDAY

August 30, 2026

The Events Committee will be serving delicious donuts in the Parish Center after the 8:00am and the 11:00am Masses. Please stop by!



55 PLUS CLUB IS BACK!

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

The 55 Plus Club starts again this September! This is a catered event. Due to an increase in food and other products, Cupid's Catering has increased the cost of lunch to \$17 per person. Membership will remain the same at \$8 per person. Reservation and membership forms will be available at the back of the church.



Please turn in both forms **before** Thursday, September 3, by 3:00pm. The late fee is \$20. Call Mary for information or questions at 619-463-1129.

WALKING *With Purpose*

EVERY THURSDAY BEGINNING ON AUGUST 27
6:30pm - Parish Center

We invite all women to join this Bible Study that will meet weekly to read and study the book, *Grounded in Hope*, which is based on the Letter to the Hebrews. The book can be purchased at: www.walkingwithpurpose.com

For more information, please contact Vicky Szymanski at: vickysz03@hotmail.com



Our OLG Food Pantry is open to the public **Monday - Friday from 9:30am - 11:00am** (except major holidays). We are located in the Ministry Center behind Lauerman Hall. If you would like more information, please call (619) 469-0061 during open hours.

Eucharistic ADORATION

EVERY WEDNESDAY 6-8PM
FIRST FRIDAY (24-HOUR ADORATION)
8:45AM-SATURDAY 7:45AM

*To sign-up for a time slot at our 24 hour Adoration, e-mail Michael Gross at pnmgross1@gmail.com.



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!

OLG COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

August 22 & 23

Come and learn more about our Parish ministries and groups. There will be complimentary refreshments after the Sunday morning Masses, along with wine & snacks after both evening Masses. Don't miss an opportunity drawing for a \$50 giftcard at each Mass! We hope to see you there!



WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY!

Camila Isabel Quintero

BAPTIZED AT OLG ON AUGUST 15, 2026



Annual Diocesan Young Adult Retreat

Whispering Winds Retreat Center
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Music: Nico Cabrera



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F A I T H

For more information, please contact Dcn. John Sawaya at JSawaya@olg-church.org, or call the Parish Office at 619-469-0133.

Marriage Help!

September 25 - 27

Not willing to let go of your marriage?
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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.




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Online registration and information:
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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.

Osberto Agarma	Joe Hilgeman
Netti Aguinaldo	Rosa Hilgeman
Ron Aguinaldo	Philip Hessling
Heriberto Albanez	James Patrick Kiley
Griselda Albanez	Patricia Ann Kiley Kueber
Kali'a Arrayan	Joanna Kwak
Michael Barletta	Nelson Kwak
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Joan & Robert Blake	Lillian Lavarado
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Barry Brockway	Betty Oliwa
Cam Bui	Frank Principato
Michael Carteron	Danny Rubio
Vanessa Chen	Richard Ruttenberg
Luzanne Coyne	Amanda Seaman
Msgr. John Cusack	David Smith
Tom Dean	Marie Staffiero
Irene Dahlheimer	Christine Stanley
Nick Duhancik	Suzanne Stanley
Lang Duong	Karen Tabadisto
Irma Eichinger	Mary Titone
Suzana Felix	Rick Traxler
David Foster	Christopher Trujillo
Mary Claire Kiley Freeman	Cindy Katan Wallace
Joseph Fromm	Srisuda Walsh
Mary Jane Garcia	Marilyn Winger
Colette Gerard	Mike Zaspal
Dave Harlan	

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.



Adorers will be needed for our next 24-hour Adoration on **Friday, Sept. 4.** To sign-up e-mail Michael Gross at: pnmgross1@gmail.com.

OUR LADY of GRACE PARISH AND SCHOOL DIRECTORY

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

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BLOOD DRIVE — Peggy Breslin

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB (CWC) —

Linda LeNeve & Marie Kane

Bread Sunday — Linda LeNeve

Book Club — Julie Hazelton

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