



OUR LADY of GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



• THE HOLY FAMILY •

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Dec 29	THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
5:30 pm	† Mary Steckbauer
(Vigil)	
8:00 am	For the People of the Parish
11:00 am	† Shirley Peterson
5:30 pm	† Mary Steckbauer
Mon, Dec 30	SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
8:00 am	† Robert and † Glenda Stiles
Tue, Dec 31	SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD; <i>Saint Sylvester I, Pope</i>
8:00 am	Mass for Collective Intentions
Wed, Jan 1	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD; THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
9:00 am	<i>Sp Int</i> Pauline Ritter
Thu, Jan 2	Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops, Doctors of the Church
8:00 am	<i>Sp Int</i> Marissa Ibrahim
Fri, Jan 3	Christmas Weekday; <i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>
8:00 am	† Pedro Cervantes
Sat, Jan 4	Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
8:00 am	<i>Sp Int</i> Todd Jones



FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Dec 29	Donut Sunday <i>Sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club</i> The CWC will not be having Bread Sunday. We will have food and fellowship with coffee and donuts and assorted muffins.
Jan 5	Food and Fellowship <i>Sponsored by the International Catholic Families</i> Continuing our tradition of kicking off the new year with international food and fellowship, the ICF will be serving a snappy Mexican breakfast!
Jan 12	School Sunday <i>Sponsored by the OLG School Families</i> Complimentary coffee and refreshments. Contributions not necessary but gratefully accepted. Proceeds benefit OLG's Tuition Assistance Fund, the Gerard Family Endowment for Education

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.



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 DEC 29 – JAN 5

Sun:	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52
Mon:	1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40
Tue:	1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18
Wed:	Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Thu:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
Fri:	1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Jn 1:29-34
Sat:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42
Sun:	Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

GROW: Compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. These are the attributes Paul instructs the Colossians in today's reading to "put on" or to "clothe" themselves with. It's quite a list, isn't it? Paul goes on to talk about the virtues of the Christian family, which is fitting for today's Feast of the Holy Family. It is reasonable to expect, then, that the Gospel passage would follow through by expounding on the virtues of the perfect family: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Instead, in Luke's Gospel, we have the only story in all of Scripture of Jesus' childhood. The only one that shows the specific interactions of them as a family – it tells the story of Jesus at age 12 who stays in Jerusalem

without Mary and Joseph knowing and who are unable to find him for days. Prayerfully reflecting on this unique glimpse of the Holy Family working through misunderstandings, fear, and hurt helps us relate even more to the true humanness of Jesus and the Holy Family.

GO: In the Holy Family, we see a model of relationship in human form. We are part of a holy family as well: we are children of God. And like Mary and Joseph, our family is enriched and strengthened when we are attentive to the presence of Jesus in our lives. Luke writes: "[Mary] kept all these things in her heart." Like Mary, let us strive to hold Jesus' words and commandments in

our hearts so we can focus on God's divine plan for our lives. In the next line of Paul's letter offering us the "tools" for loving relationships (compassion ... patience) he adds, "bearing with one another and forgiving one another." In other words: love.

We must put Jesus, who is love, at the center of our



relationships and do everything in his name. Then our family, and our lives, will be holy indeed.

SING: *Mary, mother of faithful love; Joseph, gentle and humble man of God; Jesus, Son of Mary, Bless, guide, and protect the families you created.*

Prayer to the Holy Family

Lord Jesus Christ,
who, being made subject to
Mary and Joseph,
did consecrate domestic life
by Your unspeakable virtues;
grant that we,
with the assistance of both,
may be taught by the example
of Your Holy Family
and may attain to
its everlasting fellowship.
Who lives and reigns,
world without end.
Amen.

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH

Founded 1954

CLERGY

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Rev. Lauro Minimo

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Marc Gandolfo

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

*Rev. Celsius Offor,
CH, LT, USN*

DEACON

Dcn. 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,
Fr. Marc Gandolfo 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.

IMPORTANT

End of Year Reminders!

Donations received or postmarked by **December 31, 2024 will be included in your 2024 Contribution Statement. Contribution statements for 2024 will be mailed no later than January 31, 2025.**

Also, please remember to complete all payments for your 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal pledge before December 31. If you have yet to participate in this year's appeal, it's not too late! Simply visit:

<https://sdcatholic.org/annual-catholic-appeal>

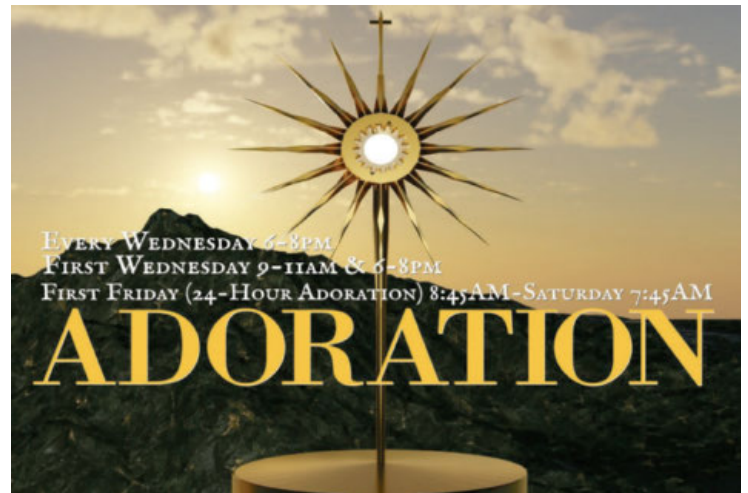
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New Year Food and Fellowship

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

The Events Committee invites you to a New Year's 2025 celebration! Join us by celebrating 2025 with homemade Cream Puffs and Hot Chocolate! Donuts and coffee also available on that day!



Adorers are needed for our next 24-hour Adoration on Friday, January 3rd. To sign-up, please email Lesley Bradley at lesleybradley.lb@gmail.com or call the parish office.

Serve OLG

AS AN EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTER OF HOLY
COMMUNION

Would you like to serve the OLG
Parish Community as an
Extraordinary Minister of Holy
Communion (E.M.)?

If so, please e-mail Rosa at:
rhlgeman@olg-church.org

Requirements: In order to be an
E.M., you will need to be confirmed
in the Catholic Church, practicing
your Catholic Faith and registered at
OLG.



OUR LADY 
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Pray for us!



55 PLUS CLUB NEW YEAR LUNCH

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

SAVE THE DATE for the first 55 Plus Club lunch of 2025. The January 14, 2025 lunch will celebrate the new year with a delicious lunch, door prizes, and of course BINGO. Reservation forms are on the information table inside the church near the baptismal font. Questions: call Mary at 619-463-1129.

Thank you from the Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all Parishioners for their generous donations to this year's Intellectual Disabilities Drive. They will be sending the Special Olympics of Southern California a check in the amount of \$1,814.77.



“Perfect families do not exist. This must not discourage us. Quite the opposite. Love is something we learn; love is something we live; love grows as it is 'forged' by the concrete situations which each particular family experiences. Love is born and constantly develops amid lights and shadows. Love can flourish in men and women who try not to make conflict the last word, but rather a new opportunity. An opportunity to seek help, an opportunity to question how we need to improve, an opportunity to discover the God Who is with us and never abandons us. This is a great legacy that we can give to our children, a very good lesson: we make mistakes, yes; we have problems, yes. But we know that that is not really what counts. We know that mistakes, problems and conflicts are an opportunity to draw closer to others, to draw closer to God.”

-Pope Francis

13TH ANNUAL SAN DIEGO **WALK4LIFE**

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January 18, 2025
8:30 AM-12:00 PM

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NEW ALTAR SERVERS WANTED!

Parishioners who have received First Communion and are age 10 and above are eligible to be trained as altar servers.

Altar Servers have the privilege of assisting the priest in the sanctuary during the Mass and other liturgical functions.

If you are interested, please contact Rosa at: rhilgeman@olg-church.org or call the parish office at: (619) 469-0133.

*Altar Serving counts for service hours.

Please be advised that Fr. Lauro, Fr. Marc, or anyone else from our parish staff will never send out e-mails, text messages or Flocknotes requesting any form of monetary assistance such as cash, Amazon, iTunes, gift cards etc. If you receive such suspicious e-mails, please delete or disregard.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT**December 10, 2024 - December 16, 2024** **\$21,241.84**

Plate	\$2,452.26
Envelopes	\$14,145.78
Online Giving	\$4,643.80

Breakdown of Gifts Received

\$0.01 - \$5.00	35
\$5.01 - \$10.00	42
\$10.01 - \$25.00	121
\$25.01 - \$50.00	63
\$50.01 - \$100.00	42
\$100.01 - \$150.00	8
\$150.01 - \$500.00	15
\$500.01 - Over	3

Total Contributing Households **329**

Building Fund	\$441.00
Christmas	\$477.00
Food Pantry	\$2,375.00
Holiday Angels	\$6,020.00
Immaculate Conception	\$281.00
Retirement for Religious	\$520.00
School - General	\$401.00
School - Tuition Assistance	\$720.00

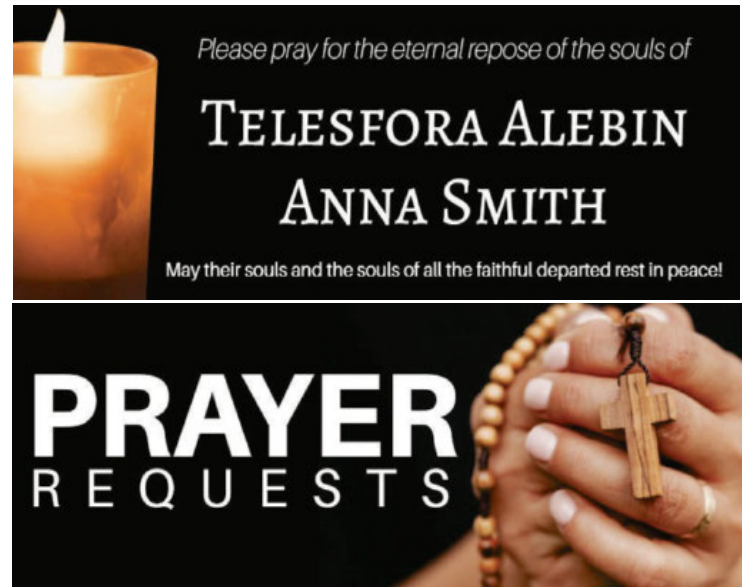
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**In re The Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego****Case No. 24-02202****Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: FEBRUARY 3, 2025****YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO**

On June 17, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego, sometimes referred to as The Diocese of San Diego ("Debtor") filed for protection under chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with Debtor, you must file a claim so as to be received by February 3, 2025, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Debtor. Even if you have already filed a lawsuit against Debtor alleging abuse you must still file a claim to maintain and/or preserve your rights.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before June 17, 2024, must be filed on or before February 3, 2025, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before June 17, 2024.

For more information on how to obtain and file a proof of claim form and associated documents, please visit <https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsd>, or contact Donlin Recano, the Debtor's claims agent, via email at rcbsdinfo@drc.equiniti.com or by phone at 1-866-521-4424, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), Monday through Friday.



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.

Ron Aguinaldo	Lillian Lavorato
Heriberto Albanez	Pat Lerner
Griselda Albanez	Rebecca Leyden
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Kali'a Arrayan	Joshua Lucero
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Lupita Ayala	Dawn MacNabb
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Carly Brashear	Steve McMeekan
Angie Biner	Mark Mellinger
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Stephen Botzer	Italia Mendez
Edward Brown	Hannah Morrill
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Walter Butcher	Phil Panuco
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Frederick De La Tore	Karen Scott
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Marilu Flores	Clifford Tabadisto
Lorenzo Flores	Jose Lopez Tubillo
Colette Gerard	Aiden Turnbloom
John Harshberger	Marlene Tuyay-Scott
Terry Hendricks	Nina Vyzinkar
Tina Hurley	Marilyn Winger
Mary Kowalski	
Janet Kozakiewicz	
Jason Laccione	

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 Jocelyn Ayala at: jayala@olg-church.org.

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Liturgical Coordinator **ROSA HILGEMAN** | Ext. 14
 Director of Liturgical Music **JONATHAN GONZALES** | Ext. 26

Cantate Kids and Gaudete Choir (11:00 am Sun)

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FAITH FORMATION & CONFIRMATION

PHONE: **(619) 466-5656**

Coordinator of Catechetical Ministry **HENRIETA VYZINKAR**
 Youth Ministry Coordinator **DORIS HERTZIG**
 Jr. High, Sr. High (619)466-5451
 Young Adults (18-39 yrs.) **BERNADETTE ROSE SOLTERO**



PARISH SCHOOL

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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)
 CWC — Linda Leneve
 Book Club — Julie Hazelton
 Craft Fair — Kathy Porterfield

CENTERING PRAYER — Irma Eichinger (619) 449-8400
CURSILLO — Dcn. John Sawaya
EVENTS COMMITTEE — Deborah Renick
FOOD PANTRY — *Since 1981* (619) 469-0061
 Doug Perl M-F, 9:30-11:00 am

HOLIDAY ANGELS — *Since 1988* — Lesley Bradley
INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC FAMILIES (ICF)
 Carla Pedroncelli

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS — *Frances Cabrini Council 8879*
 Ronald Rosehart, Grand Knight

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 Rosa Hilgeman

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CULTURE OF LIFE — Elena & Emily Ruta
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Reporting Sexual Abuse: The diocese of San Diego treats all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel seriously and deals with them in a prompt, confidential manner. To report sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel, including abuse, please contact Mary Acosta at (858) 490-8353 or misconduct@sdccatholic.org. Situations of recent or ongoing sexual abuse should be reported to local law enforcement.



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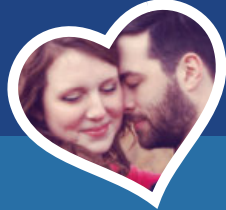
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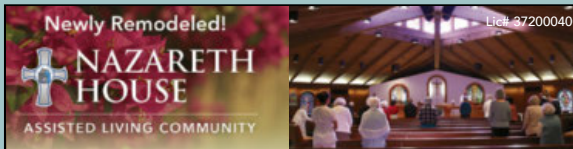
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