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BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED

WEDNESDAY

OUR LADY of GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Feb 15 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME5:30 pm † Maggie Timmer
(Vigil)

8:00 am † Giulia Desario

11:00 am † Peter Schobert

5:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Mon, Feb 16 Weekday

9:00 am † Pauline Schanda

Tue, Feb 17 Weekday; The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:00 am † Joseph Schanda

Wed, Feb 18 ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00 am † Walt Butcher

10:00 am † Mary Kasik & † Tony Kasik

5:00 pm † Ferdie Geniza

7:00pm For the People of the Parish

Thu, Feb 19 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 am † Ed Cassidy

Fri, Feb 20 Friday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 am † Gloria Aldaz

5:00 pm † Alice Torres

Sat, Feb 21 Saturday after Ash Wednesday; St. Peter Damian, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8:00 am † Ben Smith

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

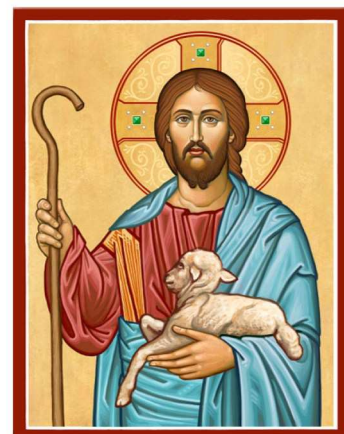
W elcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

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.



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FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Feb 15 Knights Donut Sunday

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

The Knights will be serving donuts and coffee after all morning Masses. We hope to see you there!

Feb 22 Bread Sunday

Sponsored by CWC

Bread Sunday is coming up at the end of the month! Order forms will be available on the information table in front of the church.

Mar 1 Donut Sunday

Sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 951

Say hello to the Cub Scout Pack as they serve donuts, juice and more. See details on pg. 4.

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 FEBRUARY 15 - FEBRUARY 22

Sun: Sir 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

Mon: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

Tue: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

Wed: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thu: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Fri: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

Sat: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

Sun: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GROW: In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that "unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." In Matthew 23:3-5, Jesus says, "Do and observe all things whatsoever [the scribes and Pharisees] tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice ... All their works are performed to be seen." What Jesus is inviting us to see is that to authentically live the commandments requires more than mere external compliance with the letter of the law. It's also not about putting on a show so that others think we're "holy." Rather, it's about the quiet, inner transformation of our hearts. The Gospel tells us it's not enough that we avoid murder; God wants to free us from anger and wrath. It's not

enough to avoid unfaithfulness in marriage; God wants to give us hearts that are pure and free from lust. Our task is to open our hearts to the transforming power of his commandments which, if we live them, lead us to fullness of life.



GO: In our second reading, St. Paul speaks about some challenges we face when sharing the faith with others. There are those who are unable to grasp God's wisdom, which is different from the wisdom of this age. God's wisdom is mysterious, hidden, and can only be understood and grasped through a revelation of the Spirit. This is an important concept for us as evangelizers. Sometimes no matter how hard we try, no matter how eloquent we are at explaining something, those who are not ready to receive what we have to share will not be able

to receive it. In order for others to understand the Gospel, the Spirit must open their hearts to receive it. While we are responsible to share the Gospel as well as we're able, it is up to the person before us to respond to God's invitation.

PRAY: Accepting the Lord's teaching in the commandments requires humility, and understanding their true meaning and depth is the result of the Spirit's work in our lives. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you true insight to live the commandments with your whole heart. Consider using these lines from today's psalm in your prayer: "Open my eyes, that I may consider the wonders of your law. Instruct me, O Lord, in the way of your statutes, that I may exactly observe them. Give me discernment, that I may observe your law and keep it with all my heart."

Written by:
The Faithful Disciple

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH

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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.

What to know about Ash Wednesday

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

(Canon 1252, Code of Canon Law)

"Abstinence from meat, or from some other food as determined by the Episcopal Conference, is to be observed on all Fridays, unless a solemnity should fall on a Friday. Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday." (Canon 1251, Code of Canon Law)



Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.
- Eccl. 3:20

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Donut Sunday

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

They will be serving a variety of donuts, milk, juices and coffee after the 8:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. Come join us at the Parish Center!



L.A. Youth Day

Thursday, February 19, 2026 at the Anaheim Convention Center

All High School Teens are invited to join us for the annual L.A. Youth Day in Anaheim. We will be gathering with several thousands of Catholic Youth to be inspired by national speakers and musicians. We will also be celebrating Mass with Archbishop Gomez. Please note that we will be travelling by charter bus.

*Registration form & Permission DocuSign link are available at New Life, or you can scan the QR code! You can also find it on the OLG website under the Ministries Tab.



Hosted by the Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary

The Mysteries of Lent: A Journey with Mary

The Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary is offering a free Lent morning of reflection. Please join them on:

**Saturday March 7th, 2026 at St.
Charles Borromeo Catholic Church**

Our program will be from 9:00am - 11:00am with refreshments and social starting at 8:30am. Our guest speakers will be Cathy Sperrazzo and Mattie Scull.

For more information please call or text Laurie Mikolaycik 619-820-5028



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

**Prayer Begins
February 18 - March 29**

Come join hundreds of thousands of Christians around the world in peaceful sidewalk prayer for the end of abortion. Our constant 40 days of public witness, in front of Planned Parenthood in El Cajon, will change hearts and minds, and bring awareness to the tragic reality of abortion. We are highly supported by our San Diego Diocese.

**SPRING CAMPAIGN OPENING CEREMONY
PLEASE JOIN US!**

Inspirational Speakers and the Rosary

Monday, February 16th at 6:00 p.m.

1625 E. Main Street, El Cajon

**Meet on the sidewalk in front of Planned
Parenthood**

(DO NOT park in their lot)

Dress comfortably and for the weather Rain or Shine event! Bring flashlights or candles if you have them! Please come out and show your love and support for moms and babies.

For more information contact us at:
Vicki 619-647-5793 or elcajon40days@hotmail.com
40daysforlife.com/elcajon

Lenten

P E N A N C E S E R V I C E S

Our Lady of Perpetual Help | March 2nd | 10:00 AM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help | March 2nd | 7:00 PM

St. Martin of Tours | March 3rd | 7:00 PM

St. Pius X | March 4th | 7:00 PM

Holy Trinity | March 9th | 7:00 PM

Queen of Angels | March 11th | 7:00 PM

Santa Sophia | March 10th | 7:00 PM

St. Kateri Tekakwitha | March 10th | 7:00 PM

St. Luke | March 12th | 7:00 PM

Guardian Angels | March 16th | 7:00 PM

St. John of the Cross | March 17th | 7:00 PM

St. Therese | March 18th | 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Grace | March 23rd | 7:00 PM



Pray + Fast + Give alms

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT**January 27, 2026 - February 2, 2026** **\$23,796.33**

Plate	\$3,078.88
Envelopes	\$14,844.00
Online Giving	\$5,873.45

Breakdown of Gifts Received

\$0.01 - \$5.00	40
\$5.01 - \$10.00	50
\$10.01 - \$25.00	129
\$25.01 - \$50.00	91
\$50.01 - \$100.00	48
\$100.01 - \$150.00	9
\$150.01 - \$500.00	20
\$500.01 - Over	2

Total Contributing Households **389**

Building Fund	\$1,901.00
Food Pantry	\$844.00
School - General	\$422.50



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FRIDAY FISH FRIES

It's that time of the year! We will be having our Friday Fish Fries starting Feb 20th - March 27th.

Serving will be from 5:00pm - 7:00pm. We have a menu of various items and all meals include french fries, coleslaw, and dessert! We look forward to seeing you!




Walk with us this Lenten Season


Starting February 20th, every Friday during Lent we will have Mass at 8:00am and 5:00pm. Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00 pm. Please join us!

SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday, March 7 at
OLG Church**

Mass - 8:00am
Gathering - 9:00am

A Lenten Morning Reflection
with Fr. Boom Martinez, SJ



Come discover how God is inviting us to live the Gospel more fully this Lent, both in our hearts and in our daily lives.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH DAY

Saturday, February, 28, 2026
Our Lady of Grace Youth Room
12:00pm - 6:30pm

Come join the Middle School Youth from our Deanery for fun and fellowship. We hope to build community, grow in faith, and have fun as we get to know each other!

This event is \$25 and includes a t-shirt, pizza and a drink from the snack bar. The day will end with Mass and all parents are welcome to join.

*Permission Form is required. For any questions, please email Doris at dhertzig@olg-church.org or call 619-466-5451.



DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO

As previously announced by the Diocese in 2022, at the conclusion of a three-year visitation, the Apostolic See (*specifically the then-Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life*) by means of a Decree dated 13 May 2022 and approved in forma specifica by Pope Francis, suppressed the religious institute formerly known as the Trinitarians of Mary. With this suppression, the former members of the Trinitarians were automatically dispensed from their vows and are no longer permitted to present themselves as religious. There is no right of appeal, and the Trinitarians have ceased to exist as a religious institute recognized by the Catholic Church.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

FEBRUARY 18, 2026

8:00 am, 10:00 am

5:00 pm, 7:00 pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
11:30AM - 4:15PM

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION AT OLG



Monday-6:00pm
Wednesday-8:45am
Saturday- 4:00pm - 5:15pm

The Sacrament of Penance is held in the confessional rooms of the Church.

*For appointments, please call the Parish Office at 619-469-0133.



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.

Netti Aguinaldo
Ron Aguinaldo
Heriberto Albanez
Griselda Albanez
Kali'a Arrayan
Michael Barletta
Stephen Bernasconi
Angela Biner
Charles Black
Eileen Black
Catalina Branch
Cheryl Casey
Phyllis Ciesielski
Luzanne Coyne
Msgr. John Cusack
Dee Draper
Jonathan Neo Duong
Shiela Duong
Thien Ngoc Duong
Tristan Ian Duong
David Foster
Joseph Fromm
Stephen Gage
Colette Gerard
Joe Hilgeman
Jason Laccone
Lillian Lavarado
Ofelia Lopez

Jose A Lopez
Dora Lowenberg
Lorene MacLaird
Vern MacLaird
Dawn MacNabb
Christina Martins
Steven Mull
Nancy Osborne
Phil Panuco
Pat Pfohl
Frank Principato
James Principato
Danny Rubio
Faith San Jose
Jeffery Sanders
Karen Scott
David Smith
Tillie Sousa
Mary Titone
Steve Thudium
Carlos Villar
Cindy Katan Wallace
Marilyn Winger

*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**.*



Please pray for the eternal repose of the souls of

**DON & JUDY BITLER
LEAH BOLWERK**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace!



Adorers are needed for our next 24-hour Adoration on **Friday, Mar. 6.**

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

55 PLUS CLUB — Mary Cloward

BLOOD DRIVE — Peggy Breslin

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

INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC FAMILIES (ICF)

Carla Pedroncelli

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(WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY)



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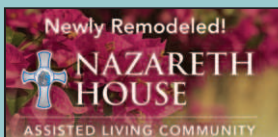
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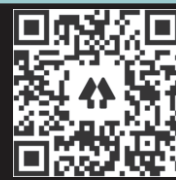
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