



7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**BE MERCIFUL,
JUST AS YOUR FATHER
IS MERCIFUL.**

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Feb 23 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 5:30 pm † Hossein Ali Kazemi (Vigil)
 8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 11:00 am † Pat Miller
 5:30 pm † Palma Contangelo
Mon, Feb 24 Weekday
 8:00 am † Benedict Aguire; † Erlinda Reyes; † Alejandro Reyes
Tue, Feb 25 Weekday
 8:00 am † Sasha Lu
Wed, Feb 26 Weekday
 8:00 am † Pauline Mceleney
Thu, Feb 27 Weekday; Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot, Doctor of the Church
 8:00 am † Maria Jose Skrinjar
Fri, Feb 28 Weekday
 8:00 am † Maria Jose Balelo Faria
Sat, Mar 1 Weekday
 8:00 am † Robert Spieldenner

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

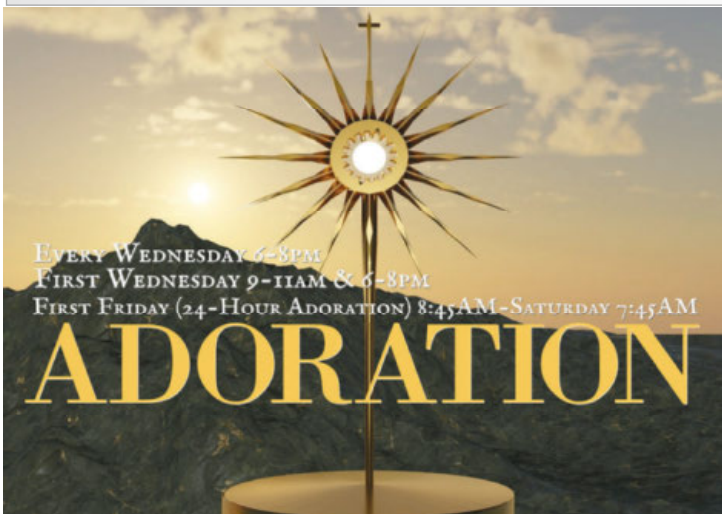
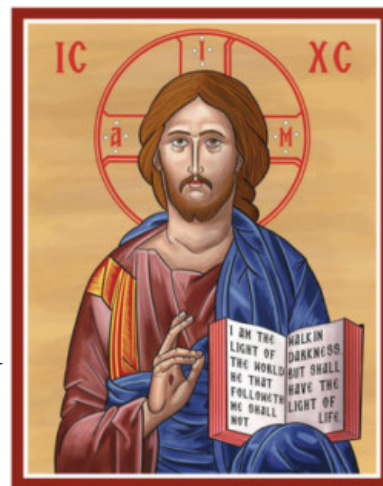
Welcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

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.



Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Feb 23 Knights Sunday
Sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club
 More info on the types of bread available and how to order can be found on pg. 4.

Mar 2 Food and Fellowship TBA

Mar 9 School Sunday
Sponsored by the OLG School Families
 Complimentary coffee and refreshments. Contributions not necessary but gratefully accepted. Proceeds benefit OLG's Tuition Assistance Fund, the Gerard Family Endowment for Education.

READINGS FOR FEB 23 – MAR 2

Sun: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Mon: Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29

Tue: Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37

Wed: Sir 4:11-19; Mk 9:38-40

Thu: Sir 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50

Fri: Sir 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12

Sat: Sir 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16

Sun: Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

GROW: “Love your enemies” may be one of the most oft-quoted verses of Scripture. We tend to think of it as a moral principle to guide us in our dealings with people who rub us the wrong way. But do we ever consider what it tells us about God? After all, Jesus, who is God himself, speaks it. God tells us to love our enemies because God loves his “enemies” – that is, those who freely choose to oppose his plan of life and love. On the cross, Jesus forgave and prayed for the people who sought to kill him while they were crucifying him. But his mercy was not confined to that time and place alone; he died for each of us who, whenever we sin, refuse to love him. If we get this into our heads and our hearts – “God loves and forgives me” – we can begin to rest in his embrace like children confident in the

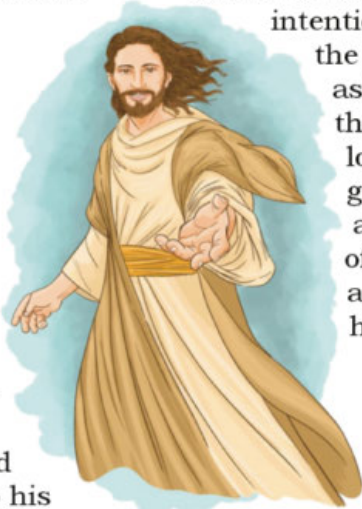
unconditional love of their father’s heart.

GO: If, as a child, you learned a musical instrument for which regular recitals were the norm, you know how many hours of practice are required for a few short minutes of performance. You know, too, that if you are well prepared, a musical composition which appeared impossible months before comes easily and naturally on the day of the recital. For most of us, loving our enemies as Jesus commands us to do appears far beyond our reach – impossible, in fact. But this kind of heroic love is nevertheless God’s call for us, and he will never deny us the grace we need to respond to his call. What’s required on our part is a

willingness to practice. If we practice loving in small things even when it’s difficult – listening patiently to someone whose conversation bores us, for example, or taking on an extra chore without seeking recognition or thanks – we will be prepared for the day when God asks us to make an even greater act of love for his sake.

PRACTICE: This week, go out of your way to find opportunities to love even when it’s difficult. Do your best to be conscious of your

intentions, even in the moment, by asking God for the grace to love generously and by offering your act of love to him.





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ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, March 5

Mass Times: 8am, 10am, 5pm, and 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration & Confession: 12pm-4pm

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH Founded 1954 CLERGY

PASTOR

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.

Sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club

FEBRUARY 23

Bread Sunday

After the 8:00 am and 11:00 am Masses in the Parish Center. We'll see you there!

The types of bread available are: Cranberry Walnut, Guinness Bread, Irish Soda, Yeast bread, Sprouted Quinoa Bread, Italian Herb, and Jalapeño Cheddar. Donuts, muffins, coffee, juice, lox and bagels will also be available. Order forms are available on the information table in the front of the Church.

School Sunday

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

Join us for Coffee and Donuts after the 8:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. We'll see you at the Parish Center!

ENCOUNTER EMMAUS LUKE 24:13-35

San Diego Youth Day

Saturday, April 26th, 2025
Mater Dei Catholic High School
10am to 5:30pm

Bishop
Ramon Bejarano

Wildland Worship

Dr. Alex Gotay

BUNCO IS BACK!

Saturday, March 1

Game begins at 10:30am (doors open at 10am)

OLG Parish Center

RSVP Tickets: \$25

Come and join in the fun! If you've never played, here's your chance to learn. It's fun, easy and does not require any special skills! We will be serving Baked Potato Bar with all the trimmings including delicious chili and fresh Caesar Salad! Snacks, desserts and drinks are included. Several great door prizes (Gift Cards!) to win!

To RSVP, contact Alice @ (610) 248-0130 or hermalice.freeh@gmail.com

NEW ALTAR SERVERS WANTED!

** NEW Altar Server Training will be held on Tuesday, March 11th from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm in the Church! **

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.

OUR LADY FULL OF GRACE

Pray for us!

YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18 TO 39

February Young Adults Talk

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY
26TH
6:30pm



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Pizza and drinks! RSVP!

RSVP HERE:
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IMPORTANT

Contribution Statements for 2024 have been mailed. If you did not receive a statement and would like one mailed or emailed to you, please call the OLG Parish Office at (619) 469-0133 or send an email to OLGParishOffice@olg-church.org.

San Diego Jubilee 2025

At the Diocese of San Diego, St. Joseph Cathedral has been designated as the pilgrimage church for local faithful during the Jubilee Year. Catholics are encouraged to make a symbolic pilgrimage from Waterfront Park through Beech Street or another appropriate point.

Visit <https://sdcatholic.org/jubilee-year-2025/>

“All grace flows from mercy, and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person’s sins were as dark as night, God’s mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God’s merciful grace, and then God will do the rest.” - *Diary of St. Faustina (No. 1507)*

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arriage Help!

Dates: May 2-4, 2025

Not willing to let go of your marriage? Many couples continue to struggle in a marriage but are not willing to give up on each other. 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 our website:
<https://www.helpourmarriage-sandiego.org>



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Parish Finance Council Announcement

 Our current weekly reporting of financial contributions to the parish is being suspended due to Business Office staffing limitations. The Parish Finance Council will continue to review and monitor the financial performance of the parish. Thank you for your understanding.

 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.



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: rhilgeman@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.



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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| Ron Aguinaldo | Janet Kozakiewicz |
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| Griselda Albanez | Lillian Lavorato |
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| Lupita Ayala | Joshua Lucero |
| Monique Ayala | Alexis Lucero |
| Carly Brashear | Dawn MacNabb |
| Angie Biner | Steve McMeekan |
| Miriam Biros | Mark Mellingner |
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| Donna Botzer | Luz Mendez |
| Stephen Botzer | Italia Mendez |
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| Lucy Caballero | Victoria Oxe |
| Humberto Castañeda | Phil Panuco |
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| Jesse Colhour | Jonathan Radell |
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| David Conway | Angel Rodriguez |
| Luzanne Coyne | James Sandlin |
| June Clements | Amanda Seaman |
| Irene Dahlheimer | Karen Scott |
| Frederick De La Tore | Mark Smith |
| Mike Egan | Mayra Stanley |
| Lucie Forcier | Clifford Tabadisto |
| Camren Flores | Jose Lopez Tubillo |
| Marilu Flores | Aiden Turnbloom |
| Lorenzo Flores | Marlene Tuyay-Scott |
| Colette Gerard | Lilian Valencia |
| John Harshberger | Frederic Varelas |
| Joe Hilgeman | Nina Vyzinkar |
| Tina Hurley | Marilyn Winger |
| Mary Kowalski | Colleen Wynne |

Food Pantry NEEDS

- Pancake Mix Box: 14-15 oz
- Syrup: 24 oz
- Peanut Butter: 10-16.3 oz
- Rice Bags: 9 oz-1 lb
- Boxed Mac and Cheese: 7.25 oz
- Spaghetti Noodles: 20 oz
- Boxed Cereal: 12-16.5 oz
- Canned Vegetables: 14.5 oz
- Canned Fruit: 15 oz
- Canned Tuna: 5 oz
- Canned Pasta Sauce: 24 oz
- Canned Baked Beans: 15 oz
- Canned Sphagetti O's: 15.6 oz
- Canned Soup: 13.8
- Cup Noodles: 2.5
- Top Ramen: 83 grams
- Sliced Bologna: 10 oz
- Hot Dogs: 10 oz
- Margarine: 4 Sticks



For more info, please call the Food Pantry at: (619) 469-0061

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.

OUR LADY of GRACE PARISH AND SCHOOL DIRECTORY

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Liturgy 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)

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

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 Young Adults (18-39 yrs.) **BERNADETTE ROSE SOLTERO**



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Development & Admissions info@olg.org

Office Manager
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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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 CWC — Linda Leneve
 Book Club — Julie Hazelton
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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

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 Ronald Rosehart, Grand Knight

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MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND
 Rosa Hilgeman

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 Nettie Aguinaldo

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CULTURE OF LIFE — Elena & Emily Ruta
WALKING WITH PURPOSE — Vicky Szymanski
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