

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Jan 14	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
5:30 pm	† Martha Nguyen
(Vigil)	
8:00 am	† Philip Eramo
11:00 am	† Jack Cloward
5:30 pm	For the People of the Parish
Mon, Jan 15	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	† Beth Warren
Tue, Jan 16	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	† The Forgotten Souls in
	Purgatory
Wed, Jan 17	Saint Anthony, Abbot
8:00 am	† Raymond Kozakiewicz
Thu, Jan 18	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	† Mark McCabe
Fri, Jan 19	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	† Joseph Arroyo
Sat, Jan 20	Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 am	† Cerila Llagas

A Prayer for the New Year

Lord, You make all things new. You bring hope alive in our hearts and cause our Spirits to be born again. Thank you for this new year for all the potential it holds. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame so that in our time, many will see the wonders of God and live forever to praise Your glorious name.

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass.

Jan 14 School Sunday

Sponsored by 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.

Jan 21 Knights Sunday

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Frances Cabrini Council 8879 Enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast along with coffee, donuts, and other delicious foods. The proceeds will support local charities. We will see you there!

Jan 28 Bread Sunday

Sponsored by the CWC The types of bread available are: Cranberry Walnut, Guinness Bread, Irish Soda, Yeast bread, Sprouted Quinoa Bread, Donuts, Muffins, Coffee and Juice and our ever so popular Lox and bagels.

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

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 invite you to enrich your life through joining our parish family. In addition to our liturgies there are many 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 <u>olg-church.org</u>.

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 Jan 14 – Jan 21
Sun:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42
Mon:	1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
Tue:	1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
Wed:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
Thu:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
Fri:	1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19
Sat:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
Sun:	Jon 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 Jn 1:35-42

GROW: When Samuel hears the Lord speak in today's first reading, he mistakes it as Eli calling out to him in the temple. The third time Samuel asks if he called, Eli is wise enough to realize what is going on and guides Samuel: "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." Samuel required guidance because he "was not familiar with the Lord, because the Lord had not revealed anything to him as yet." In a similar way does the Apostle Andrew come to the Lord. In today's Gospel, Andrew didn't know who Jesus was until John the Baptist told him: "Behold, the Lamb of God," Andrew then began to follow Jesus, and to bring others to him. There may be times when we, like both of these men, need someone else to help us hear the call of the Lord clearly, or see his presence among us. Those who serve the Lord in this way are a great gift to us, and enable us to be that gift for others. Pray for the grace to hear what we

need to hear, to see what we need to see, and to say to others, "come, we have found the Messiah."

GO: Despite our best efforts, the time and attention we give to our lives of faith can ebb and flow. Sometimes we can feel so connected with God that we sense his presence everywhere. But there may also be times when God feels distant and we struggle to hear his voice. Notice in today's readings how Samuel "was not familiar with the

Lord" but was sleeping in the temple, close to the

hanging around John the Baptist and immediately followed Christ when told who he was. We can see that, already before "knowing," is a "desire to know." The Lord created us, formed us into being, and calls us to a relationship with him. We are drawn to him even before we can see or know what he has revealed to us. He is our source, and our ultimate end. We seek eternal life with Christ and a path of holiness to help us on our way. The stories of Samuel and the disciple Andrew impress upon us that God is always near and calling to us - we simply must give him the opportunity to speak, sometimes when we least expect it.

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INVITATION: We are all called to a life of holiness. But it's not always easy to grow in holiness and strengthen one's relationship with God on our own. Consider reaching out to your parish and asking about spiritual direction – a spiritual director will help you fine tune your ears to be more attentive to the Lord's voice.

Written by: Faith Catholic

P R A Y E R F O R CHRISTIAN UNITY Week of Christian Unity: January 18-25

"WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD"

We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ. As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your Word that all human beings are our neighbors and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against your will. Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirt are one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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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

Seminarian in Residence Jesse Lopez

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 Deacon Sawaya (858) 869-5079.

HOLY MATRIMONY

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

> PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

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

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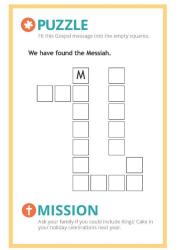
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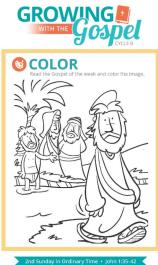
IIII DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

The Parish office will be closed on **Monday**, January 15, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. We hope you have restful and peaceful holiday with your family and friends.



66 We entrust the new year to the Mother of God. May we consecrate our lives to her. In her tenderness, she knows how to reveal its fullness, because she will lead us to Jesus, the fullness of time, of all ages. May this year be filled with the Lord's consolation." –**Pope Francis**







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.

Michael Andreoli Ron Aguinaldo Heriberto Albanez Griselda Albanez Angie Arrayan Kali'a Arrayan Cheryl Asaro Mary Barnes Cheryl Becker Lori Berry Valentina Bertolizio Angie Biner Juan Carlos Erazo Blum Walter Butcher Lesley Bradley Margaret Emily Bresee Carter Brenner Patricia Carr Cheryl Casey Mary Beth Caston Mark Castro Wes Ciesielski Betsy Cooper Anamarie Cunanan Patricia Crean Gerry Cruz Mary Downs Steve Duggins Mike Egan Lolita Elegado Michael Elsword Herm Freeh Dawn Garofalo Arthur Garnica Anthony Gazzola Jenny Geb Patricia Gonzales Thomas Harrison Susan Hori Ed Howell Donald & Lydia Jellison Angelina Jones

Kahan Family Alice Lynn Ibarra Aida Inoncencio Behnam Kazemi Janet Kozakiewicz Jason Laccone Josh Lee Rebecca Leyden Jose A Lopez Yolanda Lopez James Lothian Donald Marsh Chris MacLaird Christina Martins Dawn MacNabb Kevin Maucere Joshua Moala Rosalie Muns Don Newcom Rosemarie O'Connell Gladys Oleson Tom Pastore Phil Panuco Madeline Pospichal Anthony Porto Alice Redhead Charisse Rola Michael Rodgers Danny Rubio Karen Scott Anna Smith Mark Smith Liz Swiec Robert Spieldenner Mary Steckbauer **Clifford Tabadisto** Greg Trott Marlene Tuyay-Scott Christian Valdez Marilyn Winger Jeff Wood Lillian P. Woods

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 Mike Sibal at: **msibal@olg-church.org**

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

December 19, 2023 - December 25, 2023	\$18,654.27
Plate	\$1,572.35
Envelopes	\$11,342.42
Online Giving	\$5,739.50

Breakdown of Gifts Received

Total Contributing Households	
\$500.01 - Over	5
\$150.01 - \$500.00	17
\$100.01 - \$150.00	3
\$50.01 - \$100.00	23
\$25.01 - \$50.00	56
\$10.01 - \$25.00	81
\$5.01 - \$10.00	25
\$0.01 - \$5.00	24

Building Fund	\$4,496.00
Bulluling Fullu	\$4,490.00
Christmas Offering	\$33,810.29
Food Pantry	\$741.00
Holiday Angels	\$830.00
Immaculate Conception	\$2,727.00
Retirement for Religious	\$1,300.00
School - General	\$295.00
School - Tuition Assistance	\$605.00



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.



Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats are a beautiful opportunity for any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. During the weekend, we gather as the suffering Body of Christ and minister to each other in His name. We share spiritual exercises, which help work through repressed grief and anger and many rituals to help you grieve the loss of your unborn child and accept God's forgiveness. This retreat is presented in the Catholic tradition. The retreat and registration are strictly private. All inquiries will be answered confidentially.

For registration, cost, location and more information: Please call Dolores at (951) 325-7702 or email RVTemecula@verizon.net. (Early registration suggested. Enrollment is limited.) These are private lines. You may leave a confidential message and know that return phone calls are made with discretion. Scholarship contributions and donations are greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to Rachel's Vineyard and mail to Rachel's Vineyard, P.O. Box 891896, Temecula, CA 92589-1896.





GENTLY USED ADULT CLOTHING DRIVE For Our Neighbors in East County

"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it for me." Matthew 25:40

Bring gently used, freshly laundered clothing and shoes to OLG before and after all the Masses on the **weekend of Jan. 27-28**. You Did It For Me (**youdidit4me.org**), a privately funded, religious nonprofit, will collect your donations and distribute them to unsheltered adults who seek assistance to emerge from homelessness in El Cajon and Santee.

YDI4M connects vulnerable people in the East County with services and resources to secure and maintain housing, food, healthcare, education and work. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Together we can make a big difference.

Where: Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

When: January 27–28, 2024 Before and After Weekend Masses

What: Clothes, Shoes, Coats, & More

More details can be found on the back of the flyers that will be available in the Church.

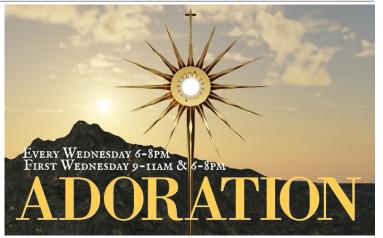
We appreciate your generosity to East County neighbors in need!

Office Phone | 619.343.4100 Website | youdidit4me.org Mailing Address | PO Box 191076, San Diego, CA 92159



A delicious pancake breakfast will be served after 8 and 11 masses on January 21 given by Knights of Columbus in the parish center. They will be serving 2 pancakes, 2 bacon, sausage, eggs and fruit for \$10. Biscuits and gravy are also available for \$5. Coffee, donuts, and orange juice will be provided.





66 The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices. He is also afraid when we are humble and good. He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much. He runs away when we make the Sign of the Cross." -**St. Anthony Abbot**



All High School students are invited to come and experience an amazing Youth Day at the Anaheim Convention Center. On **February 15, 2024**, we will spend the day listening to inspiring speakers and top musicians at this incredible event! We will be traveling by bus and joining with other parishes in our East County Deanery. Please note that pre-registration is required. Registration and permission forms are available at New Life and the website.

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OUR LADY of GRACE PARISH AND SCHOOL DIRECTORY 2766 NAVAJO ROAD, EL CAJON, CA 92020 PARISH SCHOOL PARISH OFFICE PHONE: (619) 469-0133 PHONE: (619) 466-0055 (619) 469-0575 (619) 466-8994 Fax: Fax: WEB: WEB: OLG-CHURCH.ORG OLG.ORG MON-THU 8:30 AM-4:30 PM Hours: WEEKDAYS 7:15 AM-3:30 PM HOURS: (DURING SCHOOL YEAR) **Rev. Lauro Minimo** | Ext. 17 Pastor Principal Associate Pastor **Rev. Marc Gandolfo** | Ext. 27 **ERIN MARES** | Ext. 11 | emares@olg.org **DCN. JOHN SAWAYA** | (858) 869-5079 Deacon Administrative Assistant to the Principal **Business Manager** PATRICIA KANE | Ext. 12 LINDA PETERS | Ext. 12 | lpeters@olg.org Special Projects Coordinator KEN DISCENZA | Ext. 24 **Development & Admissions** Bookkeeper SIONI BAUTISTA | Ext. 28 KELLI BALISTRERI | Ext. 16 | kbalistreri@olg.org Office Manager **MARIE POSPICHAL** | Ext. 10 Office Manager Publicity & Media Coordinator MIKE SIBAL | Ext. 33 **BRANDI TORRES** | Ext. 10 | btorres@olg.org Housekeeping MARIA ARIAS PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS Maintenance & Facilities VINCE OLIVER, PATRICK ROGERS To e-mail members of the parish staff or the ministry & MATTHEW HILGEMAN leaders listed below please visit our website at: LITURGICAL MINISTRIES **olg-church.org** - click on the "Contact Us" link Liturgy Coordinator ROSA HILGEMAN | Ext. 14 in the upper right corner of the browser window. Director of Liturgical Music JONATHAN GONZALES | Ext. 26 For a ministry leader phone number please call the Parish Office at (619) 469-0133. Cantate Kids and Gaudete Choir (11:00 am Sun) Director **ROBERT FILLEY 55 Plus Club** — Mary Cloward Laudate Ensemble (5:30 pm Sun) **BLOOD DRIVE** — Peggy Breslin **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB (CWC) CWC — Mary Cloward SCHOOL OF RELIGION, CONFIRMATION Book Club — Julie Hazelton & ADULT FAITH FORMATION Craft Fair - Kathy Porterfield PHONE: (619) 466-5656 CURSILLO — Dcn. John Sawaya **Director of Catechetical Ministry** [VACANT] **EVENTS COMMITTEE** — Deborah Renick Youth Ministry Coordinator **DORIS HERTZIG** Jr. High, Sr. High (619)466-5451 **FOOD PANTRY** — Since 1981 (619) 469-0061 Young Adults (18-39 yrs.) **BERNADETTE ROSE SOLTERO** Doug Perl M-F, 9:30-11:00 am HOLIDAY ANGELS — Since 1988 — Lesley Bradley To e-mail members of the parish staff, please visit our website at: **INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC FAMILIES (ICF)** olg-church.org Carla Pedroncelli *Click on the "Contact Us" in the upper right* KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS — Frances Cabrini Council 8879 corner of the browser window. Samson Leonard, Grand Knight (435) 630-3406 samsondleonard@gmail.com And please Like Us on Facebook! **MEN FOR CHRIST** — Steve Faucher MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND Reporting Sexual Abuse: The diocese of San Diego treats all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy Rosa Hilgeman or Church personnel seriously and deals with them in **PRAYER QUILT MINISTRY** — Since 2006 a prompt, confidential manner. To report sexual Nettie Aguinaldo God's Work in misconduct by clergy or Church personnel, including **Our Hands PRO-LIFE** — Vicki Whitmire (40 Days for abuse, please contact Mary Acosta at (858) 490-8353 Life) or misconduct@sdcatholic.org. Situations of recent or WALKING WITH PURPOSE—Women's Bible Study ongoing sexual abuse should be reported to local law

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