

OUR LADY of GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



*Happy
Mother's
Day*

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, May 10 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:30 pm † Mark Habina
† Virginia Habina

(Vigil)

8:00 am † Antonia Azua

11:00 am † Keith Gaudette

5:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Mon, May 11 Easter Weekday

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

Tue, May 12 Easter Weekday; Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

Wed, May 13 Easter Weekday; Our Lady of Fatima

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

Thu, May 14 SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

Fri, May 15 Easter Weekday; St. Isidore

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

Sat, May 16 Easter Weekday

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

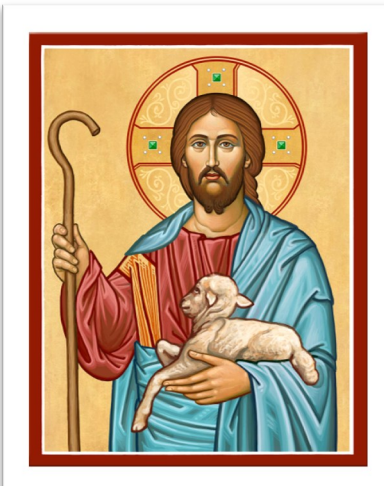
Welcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

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.



FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

May 10 Happy Mother's Day!

No Event in the Parish Center

Today, we celebrate all mothers! The Knights of Columbus will be passing out a special gift. Please look for the Mother's Day sign.

May 17 Pancake Breakfast

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Frances Cabrini Council 8879

Join us for a pancake breakfast including pancakes, bacon, fruit, coffee and a lot more! We are excited to see you all!

May 24 Donut Sunday

Sponsored by Cub Scouts Pack 951

Our young scouts will be serving a variety of donuts, milk, juices and coffee. We hope to see you there!

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 MAY 10 - MAY 17

Sun: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Mon: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tue: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wed: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thu: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Fri: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Sat: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Sun: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Sixth Sunday of Easter



GROW:

Several years ago, while praying in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, I heard the words, "I just couldn't bear to leave you." It was one of the clearest responses to prayer that I have experienced, and it occurred at a time when I was feeling incredibly lonely. I have spent years reflecting on those words, which resurface often as I receive Christ in the Eucharist. In the Gospel today, I hear echoes of those words again as Christ explains to the Apostles the many ways in which they – and we – will not be abandoned after his ascension into heaven. As the rest of the Gospel unfolds, the events of his passion and resurrection reveal the Lord's faithfulness to them. After the resurrection, the Apostles know they can trust his word because

they remember Jesus' promise that the Father will send an Advocate to be with them. We, also, can trust him believing that out of complete and utter love for humanity, Jesus remains with us.

GO:

The Apostles accompanied one another in their community of faith, and they walked with those who had recently responded to God's call to know the truth, as we see with the newly baptized in Samaria. In our lives today, the value of accompaniment cannot be underestimated. In our busy world when it is easy to feel disconnected and alone, being with one another is a powerful way to be a vessel through which Christ proclaims his promise to never leave us. By sitting with another in a time of grief, listening to the questions of a friend who is struggling, or

rejoicing with a friend in response to good news, we accompany each other through life's ups and downs. Sometimes accompaniment consists of proclaiming the Good News of Christ's love and thereby helping others to have the courage to do the same. In whatever ways we are called to accompany another in their journey of faith, we do so with the promise that Christ is doing the same for us.

ACCOMPANY:

In this joyful season of Easter, we continue to celebrate those who entered or were fully welcomed into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. This week, consider reaching out to someone who is new to the Church to celebrate with them, offer your continued prayers for them, or invite them to a parish event.

Written by:
The Faithful Disciple

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH
Founded 1954
CLERGY

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.

A Prayer for All Mothers

Good and gracious God,

We thank you for all mothers – the women you have called to bring forth new life and women who provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of those entrusted to their care. Give them the courage to raise godly children through happy and difficult times and wisdom to guide their children on the path to eternal life. Fortify them through your word and sacraments to endure the challenges and trials of motherhood. Instill in them joy and delight as they accompany their children through the years. Shower them with care and support from their family and friends. Comfort those mothers who have lost their children and those children who have lost their mothers. In your charity, entrust all mothers to the tenderness of your own mother, Mary.

We love our mothers, Lord.

We ask for your blessing upon them this day and always.

Amen.



IT'S BUNCO TIME

Saturday, May 16

OLG Parish Center

Doors open at 10:00am and games will begin at 10:30am immediately following instructions.

Tickets (cash or check): \$25

Come and join in the fun! If you've never played, here's your chance to learn. It's fun and easy! There will be a delicious lunch, dessert, snacks, drinks and prizes to win like a \$25 gift card!

To RSVP, contact Alice Free at (610)248-0130

Class of 2026 Graduate Talks

Each year, our 8th grade students share personal reflections on their OLG experience, highlighting how they have lived out the three hallmarks of their education: *Faith Above All* | *Others Before Self* | *Excellence in Learning*.

We invite you to serve as part of an informal panel and witness firsthand our soon-to-be graduates and the difference Catholic education has made in their lives.

Please join us on **May 11, 12, 14 or 15** for any sessions you are able to attend. Schedules are available by calling the school office at 619-466-0055. Each presentation is approximately 20 minutes and will take place in the Parish Center. We kindly ask that you arrive **five minutes early**, as doors will close promptly at the start of each session

For the comfort of our student speakers, parents and family members of the Class of 2026 are asked not to attend.

Our students, faculty, and staff are sincerely grateful for your time and support.




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Donut Sunday

SUNDAY, MAY 24TH

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!



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KNIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

MAY 17



Pancake breakfast will be served after the 8 AM and 11 AM Masses in the parish center. Serving 2 pancakes, 2 pieces of bacon, sausage, eggs and fruit for a suggested donation of \$12. Biscuits and gravy are also available for \$6. Coffee, donuts, and orange juice will be provided.

Catholic Night at Petco Park



THEME GAMES

CATHOLIC NIGHT

FRIDAY, JULY 10 vs BLUE JAYS | 6:40 PM

\$15

Please scan the QR code to buy your tickets. Details are on the graphic above.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

April 21, 2026 - April 27, 2026 **\$19,998.05**

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| Plate | \$3,270.72 |
| Envelopes | \$12,049.70 |
| Online Giving | \$4,677.63 |

Breakdown of Gifts Received

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| \$0.01 - \$5.00 | 48 |
| \$5.01 - \$10.00 | 51 |
| \$10.01 - \$25.00 | 122 |
| \$25.01 - \$50.00 | 85 |
| \$50.01 - \$100.00 | 34 |
| \$100.01 - \$150.00 | 7 |
| \$150.01 - \$500.00 | 15 |
| \$500.01 - Over | 2 |

Total Contributing Households **364**

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| Building Fund | \$6,838.10 |
| Food Pantry | \$488.00 |



2 MILLION MEALS EVENT

FOR I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME FOOD
MATTHEW 25:35

This event is unlike any other project. Volunteers of all ages come together joyously for one purpose: to pack 2 million meals for families living in poverty. 1 million meals will be distributed by the Diocese of San Diego locally.

JUNE 13TH & 14TH, 2026 *


Cathedral Catholic High School

* The shift for Our Lady of Grace will be on Saturday June 13th at 8:00 am


VOLUNTEER OR DONATE

www.MillionMealEvent.org

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!

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PITCH IN
for Local Patients

Give at our upcoming blood drive and get a 2026 Padres Summer Blood Drive UPF 50 Sun Shirt*.

Join our blood drive, hosted by:
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church
Sunday, May 31, 2026
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Parish Center
2766 Navajo Rd
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SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT Today!



Visit sandiegobloodbank.org/donate
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Vacation Bible School



June 22 - 26
 9:00am - 12:00pm
 Registration deadline is
 June 1st

Children entering grades Kinder - 6th for the
 2026-2027 school year.

For any questions, please contact Deacon John Sawaya at
 (858) 869-5079 or jsawaya@olg-church.org

Scan the QR code for the needed form:

PARTICIPANT
Registration Form



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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| William Abellar | Rosa Hilgeman |
| Netti Aguinaldo | Philip Hessling |
| Ron Aguinaldo | Soveida Knowles |
| Heriberto Albanez | Joanna Kwak |
| Griselda Albanez | Nelson Kwak |
| Glen Elmo Arnold | Jason Laccone |
| Kali'a Arrayan | Ofelia Lopez |
| Michael Barletta | Jose A Lopez |
| Angela Biner | Cynthia Mancilla |
| Bob Blake | Annika Mawn |
| Joan & Robert Blake | Betty Oliwa |
| Catalina Branch | Ann O'Neill |
| Sky Cariola | Arcenia Padilla |
| Cheryl Casey | Frank Principato |
| Phyllis Ciesielski | James Principato |
| Luzanne Coyne | Richard Ruttenberg |
| Msgr. John Cusack | Jeffery Sanders |
| Irene Dahlheimer | James Kenneth San Jose |
| Daniel Dunn | Joel San Jose |
| Helen Dunn | David Smith |
| Nathan Allan Dunn | Tillie Sousa |
| Dung Ngoc Duong | Suzanne Stanley |
| Nick Duhancik | Karen Tabadisto |
| Irma Eichinger | Mary Titone |
| Suzana Felix | Christopher Trujillo |
| David Foster | Cindy Katan Wallace |
| Joseph Fromm | Marilyn Winger |
| Colette Gerard | |
| Joe Hilgeman | |

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.

May Crowning

Tuesday, May 19
 12:45pm in the Church

Happy month of May, our Blessed Mary's special month! From the early days of the Church, images of Mary have been crowned during the month of May as a sign of our love and devotion to the Mother of God. Join our OLG students as they offer prayers, songs, and a crown of flowers to Our Lady. Take this time to gather as a community under the loving mantle of our patroness, Our Lady of Grace. Join us in offering our love to the most perfect of all Mothers.



Adorers are needed for our next 24-hour Adoration on **Friday, June 5.**

To sign-up, please e-mail Michael Gross at: pnmgross1@gmail.com.

OUR LADY of GRACE PARISH AND SCHOOL DIRECTORY

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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**

Director of Catechetical Ministries **DEACON JOHN SAWAYA**
 Youth Ministry Coordinator **DORIS HERTZIG**
 Junior & Senior HS (619) 466-5451



PARISH SCHOOL
 PHONE: **(619) 466-0055**
 FAX: (619) 466-8994
 WEB: OLG.ORG
 HOURS: WEEKDAYS 7:15 AM-3:30 PM
 (DURING SCHOOL YEAR)

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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

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS — Frances Cabrini Council 8879

Juan Bernal, Grand Knight

MEN FOR CHRIST — Steve Faucher

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND — Ken Discenza

OPERATION GRATITUDE CLUB — Deborah Renick

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Maretta Clauson & Sharon Stevens

PRO-LIFE — Vicki Whitmire (40 Days for Life)

CULTURE OF LIFE — Elena & Emily Ruta

WALKING WITH PURPOSE — Vicky Szymanski

(WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY)



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