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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Sep 3	TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
5:30 pm	<i>For the People of the Parish</i>
(Vigil)	
8:00 am	Living & † deceased members of the Perreli family; † Carmeline Josephine Scudero
11:00 am	† Joseph A. Birney, Jr.
5:30 pm	<i>Sp Int Fr. Lauro Minimo</i>
Mon, Sep 4	WEEKDAY
9:00 am	† Rylan O'Neal; †Mark Habina
Tue, Sep 5	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	† Donald E. Kolesar
Wed, Sep 6	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	<i>Sp Int Amando Malvar</i>
Thu, Sep 7	WEEKDAY
8:00 am	† Marie Joy Mance
Fri, Sep 8	THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
8:00 am	† Kevin Goodwin
Sat, Sep 9	Saint Peter Claver, Priest (USA)
8:00 am	<i>Sp Int Steve Baum</i>

“**T**he day of the Nativity of the Mother of God is a day of universal joy because through the Mother of God, the entire human race was renewed, and the sorrow of the first mother, Eve, was transformed into joy.”



-*St. John Damascene*

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass.

- Sept 3 Food and Fellowship Sunday**
Sponsored by the International Catholic Families
The ICF will be serving a Red, White and Blue themed breakfast!...more info can be found on pg. 6
- Sep 10 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.
- Sep 17 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.

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

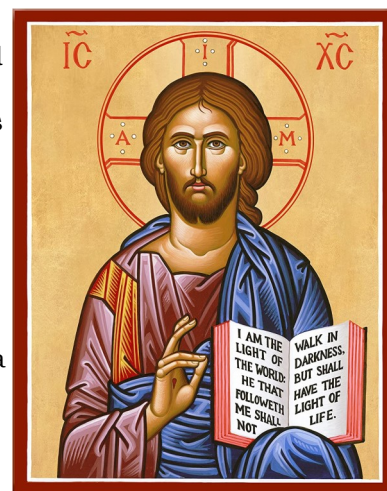
Welcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

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 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 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 SEP 3 - SEP 10

Sun:	Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Mon:	1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
Tue:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
Wed:	Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
Thu:	Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
Fri:	Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
Sat:	Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
Sun:	Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

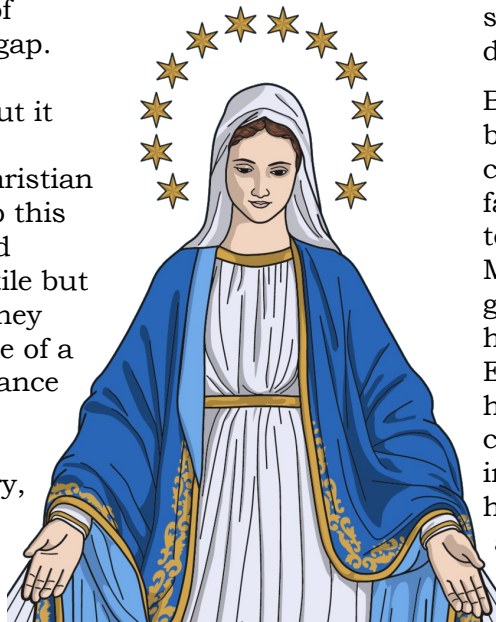
Happy Birthday, Mother Mary!

The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth, however the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James fills in the gap. This work has no historical value, but it does reflect the development of Christian piety. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child who will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story, like many biblical counterparts, stresses the

special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.

Saint Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's Son as the dawn of our salvation, and asks for an increase of peace.



Reflection: We can see every human birth as a call for new hope in the world. The love of two human beings has joined with God in his creative work. The loving parents have shown hope in a world filled with travail. The new child has the potential to be a channel of God's love and peace to the world.

This is all true in a magnificent way in Mary. If Jesus is the perfect expression of God's love, Mary is the foreshadowing of that love. If Jesus has brought the fullness of salvation, Mary is its dawning.

Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth, we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large.

*Written by:
Franciscan Media*

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.
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.

RITE 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
Thursday 8:45 am
Saturday 4:00 pm
or by appointment.

ANOINTING of THE SICK

Call the parish office
(619) 469-0133.

EVERY WEDNESDAY
6-8PM IN THE CHURCH
ADORATION

OFFICE CLOSURE

The OLG Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day. We will re-open at 8:30am on Tuesday, September 5. We hope you have a safe and restful holiday!

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

August 15, 2023 - August 21, 2023	\$14,437.51
Plate	\$1,347.10
Envelopes	\$9,670.41
Online Giving	\$3,420.00

Breakdown of Gifts Received

\$0.01 - \$5.00	29
\$5.01 - \$10.00	29
\$10.01 - \$25.00	86
\$25.01 - \$50.00	57
\$50.01 - \$100.00	21
\$100.01 - \$150.00	4
\$150.01 - \$500.00	14
\$500.01 - Over	3
Total Contributing Households	243

Assumption of Mary	\$4,470.03
Building Fund	\$3,548.13
Faith Formation & Youth	\$340.00
Food Pantry	\$1,252.00
Holiday Angels	\$1,000.00
Peter's Pence	\$300.00
School - Tuition Assistance	\$285.00

2023 Catholic Answers National Conference
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Join some of the nation's most brilliant, eloquent, and engaging Catholic speakers as they share how to engage with charity atheists, agnostics, and most troubling, the growing number of people who just do not care.

SEPTEMBER 21-24
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Keynote Address
Sr. Regina Marie Gorman

Francis Beckwith
Professor of Philosophy at Baylor University

Fr. Paul Check
Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Executive Director

Logan Gage
Associate Prof of Philosophy

Dale Ahlquist
President of the Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton

Answering atheists, agnostics, and the just plain indifferent in an age of unbelief.
In the last decade, the percentage of Americans calling themselves Christians fell from 77% to 65%, while the unaffiliated rose from 17% to 26%. This rapid growth of unbelief shows no sign of stopping and is, without question, the most serious threat to the Catholic faith, to say nothing of the salvation of souls. It is this threat to which we turn our attention at the 2023 conference.

Register at CatholicAnswersConference.com

Priests and seminarians receive free admission
Call 619-387-7200 or email conference@catiholic.com for more information

“Man’s salvation and perfection consists of doing the will of God which he must have in view in all things, and at every moment of his life...Seek God in all things and we shall find God by our side.” **-St. Peter Claver**

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RED, WHITE & BLUE

Breakfast

SPONSORED BY THE ICF
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

The ICF will be serving a collection of breakfast casseroles with all your favorites! Whether you're a sweet person who prefers a baked fruit casserole or a savory person who likes a hearty homemade Italian sausage and cheese casserole - we've got a breakfast you'll love! And save room for the famous Strawberry Blueberry Whipped Cream Delight (Red White and Blue) dessert! These recipes are the ticket to celebrating Labor Day on the right foot. Join us on September 3 after the 8am and 11am Masses in the Parish Center!



St. Mother Teresa's Humility List

Feast Day: September 5

1. Speak as little as possible about yourself.
2. Keep busy with your own affairs and not those of others.
3. Avoid curiosity.
4. Do not interfere in the affairs of others.
5. Accept small irritations with good humor.
6. Do not dwell on the faults of others.
7. Accept censures even if unmerited.
8. Give in to the will of others.
9. Accept insults and injuries.
10. Accept contempt, being forgotten and disregarded.
11. Be courteous and delicate even when provoked by someone.
12. Do not seek to be admired and loved.
13. Do not protect yourself behind your own dignity.
14. Give in, in discussions, even when you are right.
15. Choose always the more difficult



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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| Griselda Albanez | Margaret Ruth Jellison |
| Heriberto Albanez | Angelina Jones |
| Michael Andreoli | Graham J. Jones |
| Gabriela Alvarenga | Kahan Family |
| Marvin Alvarenga | Behnam Kazemi |
| Carol Anderson | Lanny Kimsey |
| Angie Arrayan | Lynda Kimsey |
| Cheryl Becker | Jason Laccione |
| Lori Berry | Josh Lee |
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| Walter Butcher | Tim Leyden |
| Donna Butler | Jose A Lopez |
| Lesley Bradley | James Lothian |
| Richard Braley | Judy Lothian |
| Ryan Bratlien | Donald Marsh |
| Margaret Emily Bresee | Michael McCormick |
| Carter Brenner | Dawn MacNabb |
| Patricia Carr | Christine Martins |
| Mary Beth Caston | Joshua Moala |
| Wes Ciesielski | Rosalie Muns |
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| Loretta Ceres | Gladys Oleson |
| Anamarie Cunanan | Phil Panuco |
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| Gerry Cruz | James Principato |
| Mary Downs | Charisse Rola |
| Steve Duggins | Danny Rubio |
| Dee Draper | Ralph Sandoval |
| Dick Egan | Karen Scott |
| Mike Egan | Anna Smith |
| Michael Elsword | Robert Spieldenner |
| Herm Freeh | Dale Swan |
| Dawn Garofalo | Cecelia Thornton |
| Anthony Gazzola | Christian Valdez |
| Dianne Gonzales | Matthew Joseph Vargo |
| Patricia Gonzales | Richard Williams |
| Jenny Geb | Isabel Williams |
| Susan Hori | Marilyn Winger |
| Ed Howel | Kyle Wollett |
| Betty Jensen | |

Names will remain listed in the bulletin for 4weeks. 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

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Pray for us!



OLG School of Religion REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

FOR THE 2023-24 CATECHETICAL YEAR

To access the enrollment form and payment form, please visit:

<https://olg-church.org/our-lady-grace-religious-education>

To register, you will need to print the enrollment form off our website and submit the completed form to the Parish Office. To make the payment of \$150, you will need to pay online via the link provided on our website.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at: (619) 469-0133
or email at: OLGSR@olg-church.org



RED, WHITE & BLUE

55 Plus Lunch

SPONSORED BY THE 55 PLUS CLUB
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful and restful summer break. Our theme this month is patriotic, so please wear your red, white and blue attire! Lunch will be a delicious meal prepared by Cupid's Catering. The early bird lunch fee of \$13.00 is good until Thursday, September 7 at 3pm. After that, reservations brought to the Parish Office or put in the weekend's collection are \$15.00. Reservations can be found on the information table inside the church or on the parish website under groups.

It's time to gather again for fun, food, Bingo and lots of prizes!



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SAVE THE DATE

CWC Annual Craft Fair November 4, 9am-3pm

This year we will have over 80 vendors offering a variety of wonderful handcrafted items. The CWC ladies will also be offering baked items and their famous peanut brittle. Mark your calendars now! See you at the Parish Center on November 4. God bless!



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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.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB (CWC)

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Craft Fair — Kathy Porterfield

CURSILLO — Dcn. John Sawaya

EVENTS COMMITTEE — Nettie Aguinaldo

FOOD PANTRY — *Since 1981* (619) 469-0061
 Doug Perl M-F, 9:30-11:00 am

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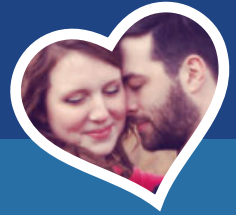
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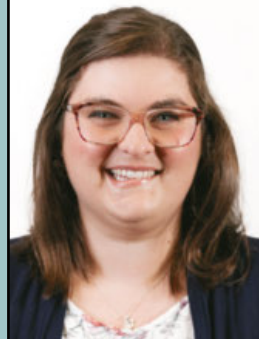


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