SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 | TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

I ICID.	of o initentions for minsses
Sun, Sep 10	TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
5:30 pm	Sp Int Matthew Hilgeman
(Vigil)	-
8:00 am	† Amparo Villavicencio
11:00 am	
5:30 pm	For the People of the Parish
Mon, Sep 11	WEEKDAY
	Mass for Collective Intentions
Tue, Sep 12	The Most Holy Name of Mary
8:00 am	Sp Int Ricky Malvar
Wed, Sep 13	Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop,
· · · · -	Doctor of the Church
8:00 am	† Donald Kolesar
Thu, Sep 14	THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS
8:00 am	† Ed & † Marie Hiebing
Fri, Sep 15	Our Lady of Sorrows
8:00 am	† Pam Carlson
Sat, Sep 16	Saint Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,
	Bishop, Martyrs
8:00 am	Sp Int Joseph &
	Sp Int Elizabeth Fromm



66 The Sign of the Cross is the most terrible weapon against the devil. Thus the Church wishes not only, that we have it continually in front of our minds, to recall to us just what our souls are worth and what they cost Jesus Christ but also what we should make it at every juncture ourselves..." -St. John Vianney

-St. Sonn Vlanneg

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass.

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.

Sep 24 Bread Sunday

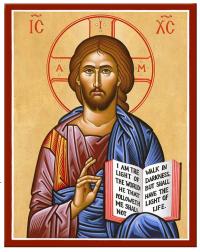
Sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club The types of bread available are: Yeast, Cranberry Walnut, Irish Soda, Guinness, Rustic Oat, Sprouted Quinoa and the ever so famous lox, bagels and cinnamon rolls. Preorder forms can be found on the information table at the entrance of the Church. More info can be found on pg.5

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 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 10 - SEP 17
Zz 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
Col 1:24—2:3; Lk 6:6-11
Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26
Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
l Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Jn 19:25-27
l Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49
Sir 27:30—28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

It is good to think about the seven sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who freely accepted her calling to be the Mother of God and our mother, Pope Francis said during his daily Mass on Friday.

Offering Mass in the chapel of the Casa Santa Marta April 3, he said: "Today it will do us good to stop a little and think about the pain and sorrows of Our Lady. She is our mother."

The Friday before Palm Sunday is sometimes called the Friday of Sorrows in remembrance of the seven sorrows of the Virgin Mary.

"And how she bore [the sorrows], how she bore them well, with strength, with tears: it was not a false distress, it was just the heart destroyed by grief," Francis explained. He spoke about the veneration of Our Lady of Sorrows, listing her "seven sorrows."

> "The first, just 40 days after the birth of Jesus, is the prophecy of Simeon, who speaks of a sword that will pierce her heart," he explained.

> > The second sorrow of Mary is the flight into Egypt; the third is the three days of anguish when the child Jesus was in the temple, lost to her and St. Joseph. Meeting Jesus on his way to Calvary is the fourth

sorrow. "The fifth sorrow of Our Lady is the death of Jesus, to see her Son

there, crucified, naked, who dies," the pope said.

The sixth sorrow is the removal of Jesus' dead body from the cross, "and she takes him in her hands as she had taken him in her hands more than 30 years earlier in Bethlehem," Francis reflected.

The seventh sorrow is Jesus' burial. "And so, Christian piety follows this path of the Madonna who accompanies Jesus," he said.

"It will do us good to stop a little and say to Our Lady: 'Thank you for accepting to be Mother when the angel told you and thank you for accepting to be Mother when Jesus told you.""

He encouraged Catholics to honor the Virgin Mary as their mother, noting that Jesus himself gave her that role.

Jesus was in the temple, lost to her and St. Joseph. Unly 'Mother.' According to Meeting Jesus on his way to Calvary is the fourth Jesus ''did not make her prime minister or give her titles of 'function,''' he said. ''Only 'Mother.' According to Francis, Mary accepted the title and duties of being our mother but did not take any titles for herself.

> "She did not ask herself to be a quasi-redeemer or a coredeemer: no. The Redeemer is one and this title does not double," he said.

The pope added that "in the motherhood of Our Lady we see the motherhood of the Church which receives everyone, good and bad: everyone." Written by:

Catholic News Agency

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.

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.

PRAYER BEFORE **THE CRUCIFIX** Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus while before Your face I humbly kneel and, with burning soul

before Your face I humbly kneel and, with burning soul, pray and beseech You, to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity; true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment.

While I contemplate, with great love and tender pity, Your five most precious wounds, pondering over them within me and calling to mind the words which David, Your prophet, said to You, my Jesus: "They have pierced My hands and My feet, they have numbered all My bones." Amen.



OUR LADY of GRACE

ROTHERS REDHEART

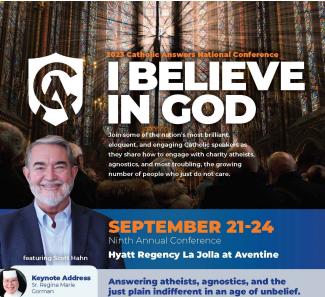
The special collection this weekend (September 9 &10) is for the missions of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. The Brothers, who staff schools and other establishments in over thirty countries, are asking for your prayers and financial assistance. Your contributions will benefit schools and needy students in Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe and the Philippines. We appreciate your prayers and generosity! For more info, please contact Br. Henry at: (504) 957-9882.



WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

August 22, 2023 - August 28, 2023	\$15,376.95
Plate	\$2,021.95
Envelopes	\$9,107.00
Online Giving	\$4,248.00
Breakdown of Gifts Received	
\$0.01 - \$5.00	39
\$5.01 - \$10.00	37
\$10.01 - \$25.00	109
\$25.01 - \$50.00	71
\$50.01 - \$100.00	34
\$100.01 - \$150.00	7
\$150.01 - \$500.00	12
\$500.01 - Over	1
Total Contributing Households	310

Assumption of Mary	\$637.00
Building Fund	\$1,449.00
Faith Formation & Youth	\$385.00
Food Pantry	\$925.00
School - Tuition Assistance	\$650.00
Special Collection - Maui	\$3,109.17



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.

Logan Gage Associate Prof of Philosophy

> Dale Ahlquist President of the Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton

Francis Beckwith

Fr. Paul Check Dur Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Executive Director

Professor of Philosophy It Baylor University

Register at CatholicAnswersConference.com

Call 619-387-7200 or email conference@catholic.com for more information

WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY Julian Christopher Sawaya BAPTIZED AT OLG ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Arra Bella Gomez Rivera Archer Andrew Thein

BAPTIZED AT OLG ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

St. John Chrysostom, pray for us!

66 Ave you sinned? Come to Church. Tell God, 'I have sinned.' I do not demand anything else of you than this. Holy Scripture states, 'Be the first one to tell of your transgressions, so you may be justified.' Admit the sin to annul it. This requires neither labor nor a circuit of words, nor monetary expenditure, nor anything else whatsoever such as these. Say one word, think carefully about the sin and say, 'I have sinned.' -**St. John Chrysostom** SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

BER

Enjoy a delicious Pancake Breakfast after the 8:00 am and 11:00 am Masses in the Parish Center. The proceeds will go to charities. We'll see you there!



Beautiful hand-made olive wood religious articles made by Catholic families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem will be on sale the weekend of **September 16-17** after all the Masses. Bethlehem Artworks is an organization that aids over 100 plus suffering families each week. Please stop by our tables and look at our beautiful handmade rosaries, statues, crosses, and nativities. They will make a wonderful gift for family and friends and will be a great inspirational addition to your homes! These religious articles are made by the suffering Christian families in the Holy Land in order to spread the word of Jesus Christ, a goal that began two thousand years ago. Unfortunately, the Christian population in the Holy Land has dropped from over 20% to under 1%. Crafting these religious articles is the primary means for supporting the livelihood of our Christian brothers and sisters living in the Holy Land. For more information, please visit:

www.bethlehemartworks.com



Bread Sunday is back! We will be selling Cranberry Walnut, Irish Soda, Guinness, Rustic Oat, Sprouted Quinoa and special Zucchini Bread, Donuts, Lox and Bagels. We will also be offering Cinnamon Rolls and Blueberry Muffins. Bread order forms can be found at the back of the church on the information table. You can also contact Linda Leneve at: (619) 460-3601.



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.

Griselda Albanez Heriberto Albanez Michael Andreoli Gabriela Alvarenga Marvin Alvarenga Carol Anderson Angie Arrayan Cheryl Becker Lori Berry Angie Biner Walter Butcher Donna Butler Lesley Bradley **Richard Braley** Ryan Bratlien Margaret Emily Bresee Carter Brenner Patricia Carr Mary Beth Caston Wes Ciesielski Mark Castro Loretta Ceres Anamarie Cunanan Barbara Cyr Gerry Cruz Mary Downs Steve Duggins Dee Draper Dick Egan Mike Egan Michael Elsword Herm Freeh Dawn Garofalo Anthony Gazzola Dianne Gonzales Patricia Gonzales Jenny Geb Susan Hori Ed Howel Betty Jensen

Margaret Ruth Jellison Angelina Jones Graham J. Jones Kahan Family Behnam Kazemi Lanny Kimsey Lynda Kimsey Jason Laccone Josh Lee Rebecca Leyden Tim Leyden Jose A Lopez James Lothian Judy Lothian Donald Marsh Michael McCormick Dawn MacNabb **Christine Martins** Joshua Moala **Rosalie Muns** Gladys Oleson Phil Panuco Madeline Pospichal James Principato Charisse Rola Danny Rubio Ralph Sandoval Karen Scott Anna Smith Robert Spieldenner Dale Swan Cecelia Thornton Christian Valdez Matthew Joseph Vargo Richard Williams Isabel Williams Marilyn Winger Kyle Wollett

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**



OUR LADY of GRACE

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!

POST ABORTION HEALING RETREAT FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN

October 13-15, 2023

Given by Rachel's Hope at the Diocesan Pastoral Center 3888 Paducah Drive, San Diego California

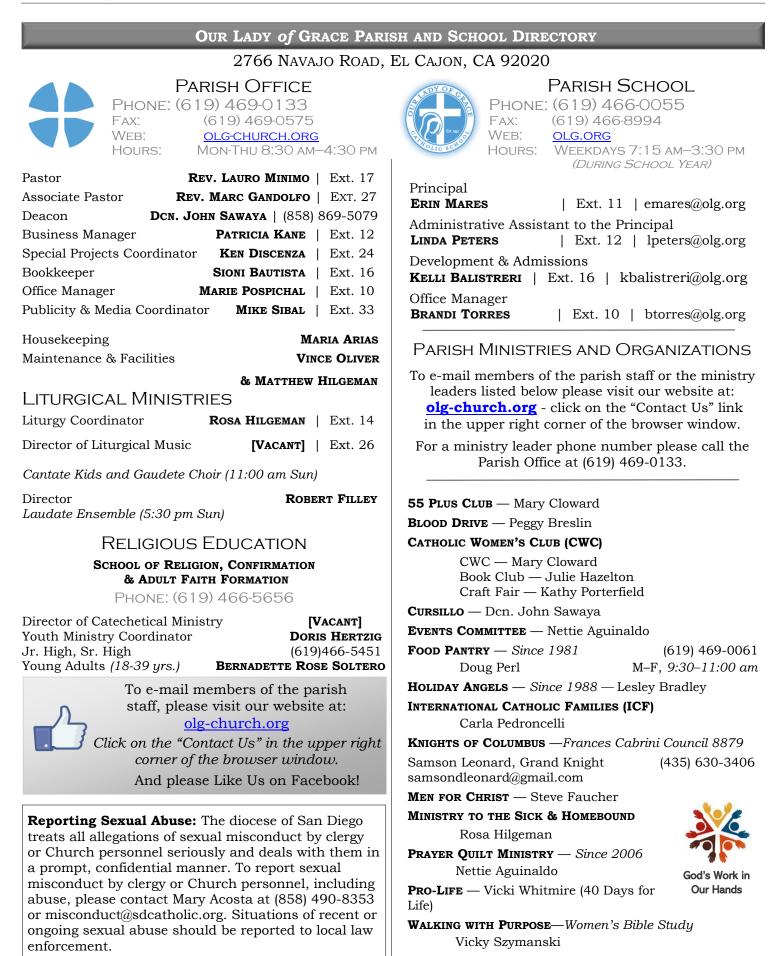
Confidentiality Maintained Closing Mass Included Group Size Limited Housing Available if Needed Cost: \$60

For more info/registration, please contact: Rosemary Benefield at (858) 581-3022; text (858) 752-9378 or e-mail at: rachels_hope@juno.com

www.RachelsHope.org

ŠAVE THE DATE NCAnnual 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!





For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com

Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon, CA

A 4C 05-1823