September 6, 2020 | Twentiy-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 🛟

Students and teachers receive a blessing after Mass for the 2020-21 school year!

PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Sep 6	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY <i>in</i> ORDINARY TIME	
5:30 pm	For the People of the Parish	
	† Mark Steckbauer	
	† Leeroy Dahlheimer	
	† Angelo Ruta	
	Weekday [USA: Labor Day]	
	† Donald Kolesar	
	THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED	
	VIRGIN MARY	
8:00 am	† Dodie Schulz	
Wed, Sep 9	Saint Peter Claver, Priest (USA)	
8:00 am	† Teresa Capacete	
Thurs, Sep 10	Weekday	
8:00 am	† Amparo Villavicencio	
Fri, Sep 11	Weekday	
	No Mass	
Sat, Sep 12	Weekday	
8:00 am	Sp Int Lillian Valencia	
	Sp Int Marissa Love	
Sun, Sep 13	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY	
	Тіме	
5:30 pm	Sp Int Paul Hilgeman	
8:00 am	† Virginia Ciota	
11:00 am	† Jesus & † Dolores Loza	
5:30 pm	For the People of the Parish	

We love having you as part of our flock! Get updates about Masses and parish life via email or text!



Sign up! Visit <u>olg-church.org</u> and look for the blue and white sheep.

Public Mass Update

Masses are celebrated outside in front of the church. Bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on. Face coverings are required, as is physical distancing. Bottled water, hats, hand sanitizer, and sunscreen are recommended. Our Ambassadors will be present to assist you. For more info, visit <u>olg-church.org</u> and read the red NOTICE under the Weekly Liturgy Schedule headline.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays continues to be dispensed by Bishop McElroy.

Masses are being Streamed Online

On the parish website we have listed multiple links to options to participate in Sunday and daily Mass online in the Diocese of San Diego and beyond. Visit <u>olg-church.org</u> homepage and click on the gold "Online Mass Info and Other Sustaining Faith Resources in the Time of Pandemic" button. Scroll to listed Mass links.



All OLG Campus offices will be closed on Mon, Sep 7, for Labor Day and the 6:00 pm confessions are canceled.

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

We elcome to all who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist. There are many ways and parish organizations to participate in our life in Christ. See the directory on page 7.

We invite all who attend OLG to become registered members of our parish. Registration forms are available on the table in the main entry of the church or the parish office. Registration allows us to communicate and effectively provide for your needs. It is necessary for baptism, marriage, and godparent or sponsor certification.

Mindfulness of Others—Please silence all devices and refrain from using them during the liturgy. The parish has a Children's Chapel located in the northwest corner of the church. Parents with restless children are welcome to make use of this chapel at any time during Mass should it be necessary. We ask that this chapel, like the church itself, remain free of food and drink.

Allergies—The first morning Mass of the Sunday or holy day will always be incense-free. The Sunday 11:00 am Mass will often include the use of incense.

Invitation to the R.C.I.A.

Ur Lady of Grace Parish welcomes all who seek to enrich their faith life and explore the possibility of



becoming a Catholic Christian. Our community shares and celebrates this journey with them through a process called "The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." If you are curious about what Catholics believe and may be interested in learning more about joining the Catholic faith-or perhaps you are an adult Catholic looking to be fully initiated—you are cordially invited to enter the *R.C.I.A.* process and experience a new and enriched meaning to your life

through renewed faith and love. Please contact Deacon John Sawaya at (858) 869-5079 or use the "Contact us" link on the parish webpage.

	Readings for Sep 6 - 13
Sun:	Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
Mon:	Gn 2:4b-9, 15; Lk 6:6-11
Tue:	Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:18-23
Wed:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
Thu:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38
Fri:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42
Sat:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
Sun:	Sir 27:30–28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings:

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ROW: Pop quiz: What's the Seventh Commandment? Can you recite the other nine? At first glance, Paul's Letter to the Romans seems like an easy out. The commandments, he writes, "are summed up in this saying, namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Easy-peasy, right? Well, in this case the devil is not in the details, but in the totality. Most days, loving one's neighbor as yourself is harder than following the letter of the law. It means putting others first in a culture where rugged individualism is rewarded. In an everyday way, it means letting the person with four items and 23 coupons go in front of us at the grocery store, listening with an open mind to those with whom we disagree, or driving our parent to the doctor's office on a day we had hoped to attend our daughter's basketball game. When those situations come up, we know we don't have to go it alone. After all. God loved us first. As we move into the week

ahead, we can ask God in prayer to open our hearts and minds to the needs of others, and help us love better by serving them, even when it's hard.

G⁰: Who doesn't love a romantic comedy? (Well, I can name four men of varying ages in my household.) Paul might have been one of them. His Letter to the Romans is



more head than heart. grounded in rock-solid logic: "Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law." The line reminds me of one of the most famous tenets of the Hippocratic Oath: "First, do no harm." Surely, on some days, "doing no evil" or "doing no harm" may feel like enough. But as Christians, we can do so much more. I'm reminded of a generous couple who would pray together each morning asking God to show them how they could best help others. They understood the message of today's Gospel, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Knowing that Jesus was at their side, they prepared to face whatever the day brought them. Is there someone this week you can accompany on their faith journey, or invite to join vou in Christian service?

PRAY: By starting the day with a simple prayer like this: "God, show me how I can serve others today," or "God, open my heart to the needs around me," we may be pleasantly surprised at the opportunities to grow in love that we encounter.

Written by The Faithful Disciple

online events and speakers offering ways that you can engage in discussion and activities. Get more info:

SeasonsOfCreation.org

"Praise be to you, My Lord, through our sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us."

~ Laudato Si #1

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH Founded 1954

CLERGY

PASTOR Very Rev. Peter McGuine

AUXILIARY PRIEST *Rev. Maxime Villeneuve, OSA*

PRIESTS IN RESIDENCE Rev. Curtiss Dwyer, LT, CHC, USN Rev. Jerome Molokie, O Praem.

> **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 the second and fourth Sundays of each month 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. Peter McGuine or Deacon Sawaya.

PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION Monday 6:00 pm Thursday 8:30 am Saturday 4:00 pm

ANOINTING of THE SICK Call the parish office (619) 469-0133.

The Season of Creation

is an annual celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home.
It is celebrated each year from Sep 1 to Oct 4 - the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi - by Christians around the world.

Pope Francis encourages the faithful to participate in the season. There are numerous



Take action for Creation!



Your Choice!

Dight sessions on eight topics, all on the theme of The Profession of Faith! Join one session,

some or all! This adult study group will meet by Zoom on the first Wednesday of the month from 7:00 to 8:30 pm until church facilities are open for group gatherings. The **Oct 7** session title is *What is Faith? Who is God?* To see all session titles and sign-up for the sessions of your choice visit <u>olg-church.org</u> and click on "Upcoming Events."



elp protect mothers and children by joining 1,000,000+ volunteers through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and outreach **Sep 23—Nov 1**.

Please pray and fast to support this initiative as your schedule allows, but for those who are able, our parish is committed to cover prayer shifts from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on **Sep 27; Oct 4, 11, 18, 25; and Nov 1**. Please sign-up for at least one hour of peaceful prayer to end abortion on one of these dates. Volunteers pray in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 1685 E Main St, El Cajon. Please contact Vicki at (619) 647-5793 to schedule your prayer time. You can also contact email at elcajon40days@hotmail.com and learn more by visiting 40daysforlife.com/elcajon.

Save the Date for the Annual Craft Fair

LG's Catholic Women's Club is holding their Annual Craft Fair on Sat, **Nov 7**, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the upper parking lot. Due to COVID-19 the Craft Fair will be held one day only. Distancing, face masks, guest number limits and one way



foot traffic will be observed. For more info visit the Contact Us page at <u>olg-church.org</u> and select "CWC— Annual Craft Fair" or call the Parish Office for a contact phone number.



Congratulations to Gregory and Linda Verdon who celebrated their 50th Wedding anniversary on Sep 5. *May the Lord continue to bless you both with his life and love!*

Are Catholics Allowed to Donate Their Organs?

Yes, Catholics are allowed to donate their organs. In fact, the Catechism of the Catholic Church praises this practice when it notes that, "Organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression generous solidarity" (no. 2296).

The Church has a series of guidelines for health care providers called The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Services. This document helps us see organ donation as an act of charity, but it also reminds us that we have to be sure that donations of organs by living donors do not "sacrifice or seriously impair any essential bodily function and the anticipated benefit to the recipient is proportionate to the harm to the donor" (no. 30); trained medical professionals can help to make this



assessment. In the case of organ donation at the end of life, we must be sure of the intentions of the donor or of their proxy are always respected, and that the dignity of the human body is always respected.

In the end, we look to Pope Saint John Paul II and his encyclical Evangelium Vitae, where noted that organ donation is a beautiful act of expressing the culture of life, when "performed in an ethically acceptable manner, with a view to offering a chance of health or even of life itself to the sick who sometimes have no other hope" (no.86).

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Saint Teresa of Kolkata 1910-1997 ~ Feast Day: September 7

R aised in a deeply Catholic family in Albania, Agnes

Conxha Bojaxhiu joined the Sisters of Loreto in 1928 and took the name Teresa. The community sent her to Kolkata, India, where she taught children for two decades. In 1946 Teresa heard God's call to quench the thirst of Jesus by caring for the poorest of the poor. She left the Sisters of Loreto to rescue the sick and



destitute in the slums of Kolkata — one at a time. Many volunteers soon joined her and she formed them into her religious order, the Missionaries of Charity. Teresa's manifest goodness and her unique media savvy attracted global attention, drawing many people to God. Many regard her as the greatest Catholic evangelist of the 20th century. She was beatified in 2003 and canonized in 2016.

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May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Youth Ministry



Get Junior High **ESCAPE** and/or High School **New Life** event details. Visit <u>olg-church.org</u> click on the "Serve" drop down menu and select "Parish Ministries" and scroll to "Youth Ministry."

EAST COUNTY YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

To learn the status of events for San Diego East County Young Adults follow Instagram @sd.ecya or visit <u>sdcatholic.org/office-for/young-adult-ministry</u> to see a complete list of spiritual development and social opportunities for 18-39 year old Catholic Young Adults.



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Walking With Purpose Bible Study

The mission of *Walking With Purpose* is to help every Catholic woman and girl in America open her heart to Jesus Christ! With that goal in mind, two weekly group meetings are starting Wed, **Sep 30**, on Zoom at 6:30 pm until church facilities can be used for gathering.





Beginners start with *Keeping in Balance*, a journey through Scripture discovering the relevance of Old and New Testament wisdom for daily challenges. This 22lesson study explores Biblical ideas for managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. Your lifestyle of health and holiness awaits!

Advancing members will enjoy *Touching the Divine*

which focus' on the many qualities of Jesus revealed through the Gospel of John. This study draws us into a deeper, loving relationship with Jesus as we reflect on His life and personality.

To find out more, use the Contact Us link at <u>olg-church.org</u> and select "Walking with Purpose" or call Danica at



(951) 858-6568. To learn more about the national organization visit <u>walkingwithpurpose.com</u>.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who have requested prayer and for the special intentions written in the Book of Intentions in the Baptistery of our church.

Patricia Adams Tilly Allison Gabriela Alvarenga Marvin Alvarenga Mari Kay Ames Angie Arrayan Patrick Attardo Francine Balestreri Angela Bolin Anita Branch Pat Burke Stephanie Butcher Janice Butterfield Pam Carlson Brian Cashman Oliva Clark Tim Clasemen Mark Habina Brenda Hilgeman Susan Hori

Lubos Jurik Rebecca Leyden Tim Leyden José A. Lopez Natalie Mascari Dawn McNaab Ruth Modugno Ann Renzi Anthony Renzi Ralph Reveles Becky Romenesko Carter Santos Clayton Schenkelberg Patrick Sullivan Hibe Thornton Andy Tong Eve Ulshoeffer Marilyn Winger Dorothy Washington

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Marie Pospichal at mpospichal@olg-church.org.

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal supports Catholic Schools, Clergy & Seminarian Support, Faith Formation and Catholic Charities.

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FROM the PASTOR

VERY REV. PETER M. MCGUINE

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Dear Parishioners,

The end of summer and recent changes announced by the County of San Diego and Bishop McElroy afford me a good opportunity to write and keep you abreast of developments at OLG parish.

As many of you may already know, due to a sustained decrease in new coronavirus infections, the County is now permitting many activities and business operations to take place once again inside buildings, but with restrictions. In the case of places of worship, capacity at any worship service is limited to 25% of building occupancy or 100 persons, whichever is less. Bishop McElroy is leaving it to each parish to decide to move Masses inside or keep them outside. Because we have had good success with celebrating the Eucharist outside, there are no "capacity" limits, singing is permitted, and our average weekend Mass attendance is 148 people (Aug 29 & 30), I have decided to keep both daily and weekend Masses outside for the time being, weather permitting, of course. Funerals, weddings, baptisms, and confessions, however, will all be celebrated inside the church.

On a different note, I take this opportunity to address issues related to finances. From the middle of March until now, our parish has been able to maintain traditional levels of staffing and services. The federal government's Payroll Protection Program (PPP) was a tremendous help to both our parish (and school) in this regard. An overall decrease in parishioner support (principally, weekly collection dollars), however, dictates that we must cut expenses. With no additional outside funding assistance anticipated for small businesses and a return to pre-COVID-19 existence still a few months off, the Parish Finance Council approved a plan on Aug 27 that provides for employee furloughs (temporary reduction in hours) and closes the parish office on Fridays. In addition, to allow for a single day off each week for myself as well as all our volunteers, I have decided to suspend the Friday morning Mass as of Sept 11. My hope is that those who attend Mass on Fridays will be able to do so at a neighboring parish. Staff furlough and the Friday office closure will remain in place until our collection levels are once again able to support our usual staffing and ministry levels.

Finally, Monday is Labor Day. Traditionally, we take this day to remember the rights and dignity of the human person as well as the blessing of work itself. This year, the pandemic has certainly taken its toll on businesses, workers, families, and communities. None of these are untouched, and some have unfortunately been touched more than others. Please join me – sometime over the long weekend – in praying the rosary alone or with others for those who search for meaningful work in order that they may provide for themselves and their loved ones.

St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and patron saint of workers, pray for us!



"The current pandemic has highlighted our interdependence: we are all linked to each other, for better or for worse. Therefore, to come out of this crisis better than before, we have to do so together, all of us, in solidarity." ~ Pope Francis, @Pontifex, Sep 2, 2020

August 25 - 31, 2020	\$15,588.14	
Plate	\$	547.14
Envelopes	\$	9,972.00
Online Giving	\$	5,069.00
Breakdown of Gifts Received		
\$0.01 - \$5.00		20
\$5.01 - \$10.00		29
\$10.01 - \$25.00		61
\$25.01 - \$50.00		52
\$50.01 - \$100.00		29
\$100.01 - \$150.00		12
\$150.01 - \$500.00		13
\$500.01 - Over		3_
Total Contributing Households		219
Additional Gifts		
Building Fund		\$1,901.00
Food Pantry		\$303.00
Holiday Angel		\$200.00

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

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Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at (858) 490-8353 or writing misconduct@sdcatholic.org.



f any of your personal information has changed please be so kind as to update us in the Parish Office. It is important that we update our family records.



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To email 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—Debbie Ipsen

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB-CWC

CWC-Mary Cloward Book Club-Julie Hazelton Craft Fair-Kathy Porterfield

CENTERING PRAYER—Irma Eichinger or Beatrice Doblado

CUB SCOUTS—Pack 951—Crystal Carr

CURSILLO-Dcn. John Sawaya

EVENTS COMMITTEE—Nettie Aguinaldo

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

HOLIDAY ANGELS—Since 1988—Lesley Bradley

INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC FAMILIES-ICF Carla Pedroncelli

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—Frances Cabrini Council 8879 Lou Crow, Grand Knight

LADIES OF GRACE-Rosemarie McLain

LEGION OF MARY—Since 1987—Dee Draper

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MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND Rosa Hilgeman

PRAYER QUILT MINISTRY—Since 2006 Nettie Aguinaldo

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Vicki Whitmire (40 Days for Life)

WALKING WITH PURPOSE—Women's Bible Study Danica Hertzig

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