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• 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.

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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Oct 25	**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
5:30 pm (Vigil)	For the People of the Parish
8:00 am	† Laura Heidecke
11:00 am	*Sp Int* Angel Martinez
5:30 pm	† Chris Torres
Mon, Oct 26	**Weekday**
8:00 am	† Praxedes Minimo
Tue, Oct 27	**Weekday**
8:00 am	† Alex Pretti
Wed, Oct 28	**STS. SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES**
8:00 am	† Renee Nicole Good
Thu, Oct 29	**Weekday**
8:00 am	† Sr. Gabriella "Nita" Lohan & † Marie Lohan
Fri, Oct 30	**Weekday**
8:00 am	†Marieanne Boyd
Sat, Oct 31	**Weekday**
8:00 am	† Lucille McCarthy



FOOD & FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Oct 25 Bread Sunday
Sponsored by the CWC

Bread Sunday is today! Come to the Parish Center to try a variety of breads made by the CWC.

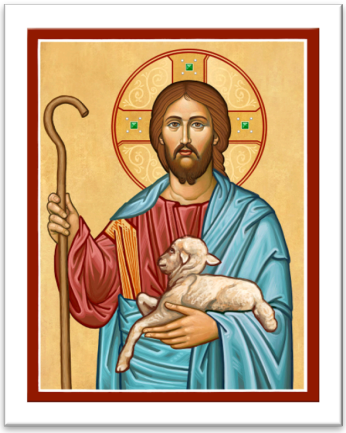
Nov 1 Dia de los Muertos Breakfast
Sponsored by the International Catholic Families

This is a "Dia de los Muertos" themed breakfast with tamales, eggs and fruit. There will also be donuts and pan dulce (sweet bread) along with coffee, juice and horchata (rice milk). Stop by for food, fellowship and see the traditional ofrenda (altar) honoring and welcoming the souls of our deceased loved ones.

Nov 8 School Sunday
Sponsored by the 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

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.

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 OCTOBER 25 - NOVEMBER 1

Sun: Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

Mon: Eph 4:32-5:8; Lk 13:10-17

Tue: Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21

Wed: Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

Thu: Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

Fri: Phil 1:1-11; Lk 14:1-6

Sat: Phil 1:18b-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sun: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

GROW

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Sounds simple, right? Not so much. Jesus' words in today's Gospel can't help but take us back to that age-old question: "And just who is my neighbor?" According to the Lord's words in the reading from Exodus, our neighbors are the alien, the widow, and the orphan. Documents from the USCCB such as "Welcoming the Stranger Among Us: Unity in Diversity" and its writings on the Life and Dignity of the Human Person clearly reflect the position of the U.S. Bishops that it is essential for public policy to respect the dignity of all. While challenging at times, our faith doesn't offer guidance only for interior, spiritual realities. Indeed, our Church proclaims that we must let the demands of the Gospel shape the whole of our society. We are – to use St. John Paul II's phrase – to work to build a "culture of life," a "civilization of love." In the end, Catholic Social Teaching is nothing but the Church's effort to live Christ's call to love our neighbor as ourselves in the wider human community.

GO

In response to the scholar of the law's question about which commandment is the greatest, Jesus responds by saying that it is to "love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." Heart, soul, and mind are words that describe the innermost self. The Lord – it is clear – wants to be loved fully, by all that we have and are. He wants to be loved as the only Lord in our lives; there can be no other. St. Paul praises the Thessalonians for turning "to God from idols to serve the living and true God." In other words, they underwent a change of heart, where they turned away from loving things that were not God to loving and serving the only true God. This change of heart has enabled them to become witnesses to others of Christ's love. In our own lives, we must also undergo conversion if we wish to bear authentic witness to the Lord and to our faith. What are the idols we need to let go of to surrender our hearts, souls, and minds more fully to the Lord?

STUDY

As Catholics, we all have a responsibility to form our consciences and deepen our knowledge of the Church's teaching surrounding critical issues facing our world today. Spend some time this week familiarizing yourself with the Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching, which are "a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amid the challenges of modern society." (USCCB)

Written by:
The Faithful Diciple



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John Sawaya

SCHEDULE *of* MASSES

SUNDAY VIGIL
(Saturday) 5:30 pm

SUNDAY
8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30pm

MONDAY - SATURDAY
8:00 am
Holy days and holidays listed separately in the 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
jsawaya@olg-church.org

HOLY MATRIMONY
Marriage preparation begins nine months in advance. Please contact Dcn. John Sawaya.

PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION
Monday, 6:00 pm
Wednesday, 8:45 am
Saturday, 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm

ANOINTING *of* THE SICK
Call the Parish Office
(619) 469-0133





The holidays are quickly approaching, and with them comes the annual OLG Holiday Angel Program, a cherished tradition started over 35 years ago by Tony and Helena Vidgeon. Although the Vidgeons are no longer with us, the program continues to support families and seniors in crisis.

Since the pandemic you have very generously made monetary donations to provide meals and pantry items at Thanksgiving and Christmas, as well as gifts for the children at Christmas. We recently took a step toward our pre-pandemic tradition by asking parishioners to adopt children and fill stockings with small gifts, in addition to the gift cards provided through your monetary donations.

The Holiday Angel program is now accepting monetary donations for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Any donation is helpful: we will help as many families as possible with the donations we receive. Please use the QR code below, the online portal or place an envelope on the donation basket (be sure to designate your gift as **Holiday Angel Program**).

Most importantly, please keep the Angel Program in your prayers. With faith and community support, we can make this holiday season special for many families, children and seniors in crisis. If you have any questions about donations, please contact Pam Gross at 619-540-7292 or Lesley Bradley at 619-878-0278.

HALLOWEEN CANDY & DENTAL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

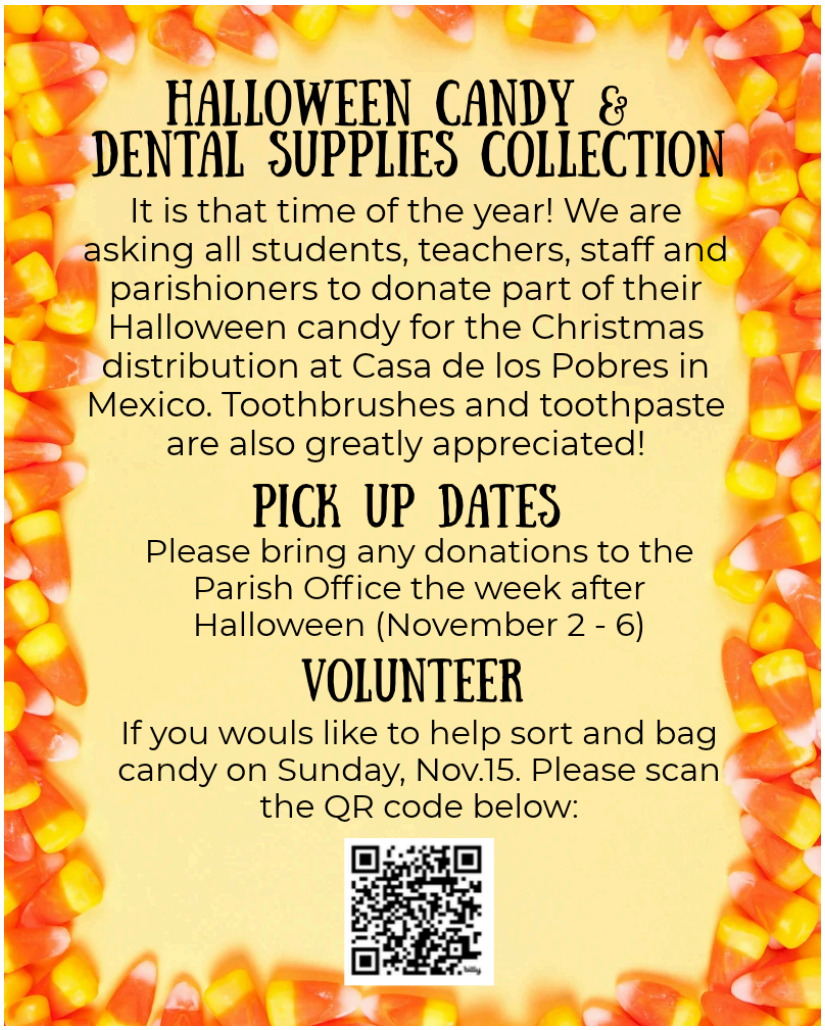
It is that time of the year! We are asking all students, teachers, staff and parishioners to donate part of their Halloween candy for the Christmas distribution at Casa de los Pobres in Mexico. Toothbrushes and toothpaste are also greatly appreciated!

PICK UP DATES

Please bring any donations to the Parish Office the week after Halloween (November 2 - 6)

VOLUNTEER

If you wouls like to help sort and bag candy on Sunday, Nov.15. Please scan the QR code below:



WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

October 6, 2026 - October 12, 2026	***$21,026.71***
Plate	$3,193.91
Envelopes	$11,278.50
Online Giving	$6,554.30

Breakdown of Gifts Received

$0.01 - $5.00	31
$5.01 - $10.00	43
$10.01 - $25.00	95
$25.01 - $50.00	86
$50.01 - $100.00	37
$100.01 - $150.00	7
$150.01 - $500.00	16
$500.01 - Over	4
Total Contributing Households	319
Building Fund	$802.00
Faith Formation & Youth	$215.00
Food Pantry	$244.00
Holiday Angels	$1,171.25
Prayer Quilt	$645.00





Presentation on The Mass: Heaven Touching Earth



Bring your family. Invite a friend. Join Fr. Lauro in the Church to discover the heart of the Catholic Mass.

Part 1: Liturgy of the Word
November 3, 2026 - 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Part 2: Liturgy of the Eucharist
November 10, 2026 - 6:30pm - 8:00pm

MARY'S GROTTO

We are very excited for you all to experience our newly renovated Mary's Grotto! Please feel free to come visit and pray. We ask to keep this a reverent space and refrain from adding items around Mother Mary. Thank you!

Before



After



Please pray for the eternal repose of:



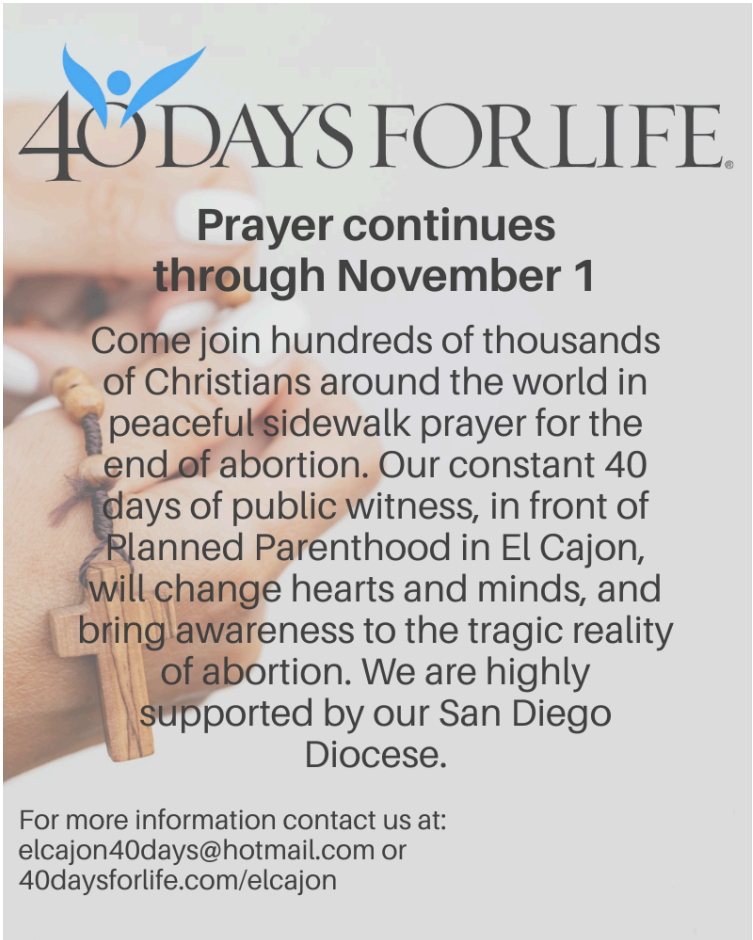
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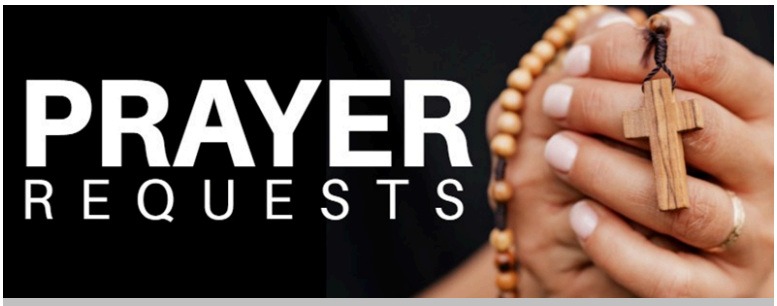
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Monday, October 26, 2026
Funeral Mass starting at
10:30am at OLG

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace!

***NOTE:** There will be an additional All Souls Mass on Monday, November 2, at 6:00pm. We will **not** have Confessions that evening.
Thank you for your understanding!





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.

Netti Aguinaldo
Ron Aguinaldo
Griselda Albanez
Heriberto Albanez
Kali'a Arrayan
Chloe Gastelum - Austin
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Joan Blake
Robert Blake
Donna Botzer
Catalina Branch
Luzanne Coyne
Msgr. John Cusack
Lang Duong
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Robert William Mizera
Betty Oliwa
Frank Principato
Danny Rubio
Danilo Sanchez
Emma Scholpler
Marie Staffiero
Christine Stanley
Suzanne Stanley
Jordyn Suarez
Christopher Trujillo
Laurie Vanderslice
Cindy Katan Wallace
Marilyn Winger
Nick Wyer
Mike Zaspal

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.



Adorers will be needed for our next 24-hour Adoration on Friday, Nov. 6. To sign-up e-mail Michael Gross at: pnmgross1@gmail.com.

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Director *Laudate Ensemble (5:30 pm Sun)*	**Robert Filley**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Director of Catechetial Ministries - All Programs
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55 Plus Club - Mary Cloward

Blood Drive - Peggy Breslin

Catholic Women's Club (CWC) -
Linda LeNeve & Marie Kane
Bread Sunday - Linda LeNeve
Book Club - Julie Hazelton
Craft Fair - Kathy Porterfied
Bunco - Alice Freeh

Centering Prayer - Mary Asher-Fitzpatrick & Irma Eichinger

Cursillo -Lanny Kimsey

Events Committee - Deborah Renick

Food Pantry - Doug Perl - *Since 1981*
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Mon - Fri 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Holiday Angels - Pam & Michael Gross - *Since 1988*

International Catholic Families (ICF) - Carla Pedroncelli

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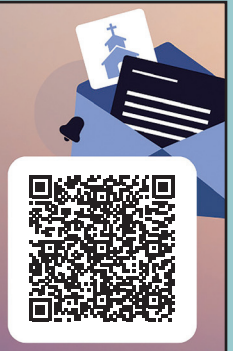
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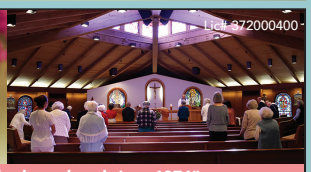
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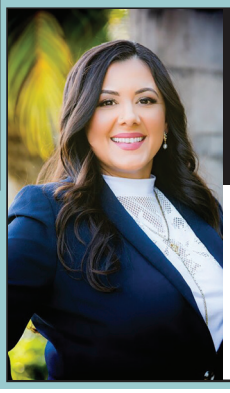
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