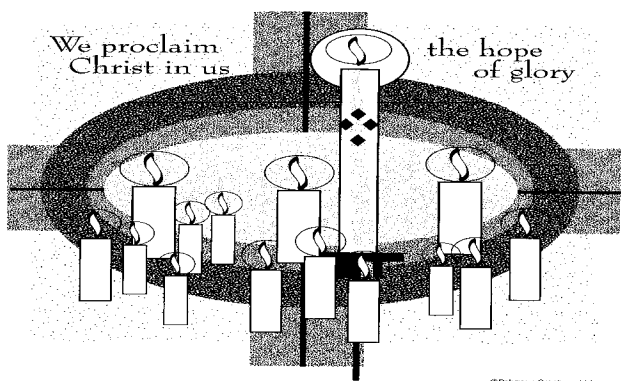

 I arrived as the new pastor of Our Lady of Grace on July 1st. Celebrating the Thursday morning Mass and leading morning prayers in the chapel was a most appropriate way to enter my new ministry with you. I have been warmly welcomed, and several of you have offered your support as I endeavor to continue the fine work of those who have gone before me. Fr. Kevin and Fr. Paul, and the entire staff, have been most helpful as I begin to find my way around.

Mr. Ryan Brusco also arrived on July 1st. He is a talented young Principal who took up the leadership of Our Lady of Grace School. I look forward to working closely with him as we newcomers support each other to assure a smooth transition and continuing development of the parish/school family. Certainly it is important to me to ensure that Augustinian values permeate both the school and the parish. We are united in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. And, we are united in passing on our Faith and Catholic values to our young people.

My name (Verber) is Holland-Dutch. My great grandpa was a ship builder who came to the USA from Venlo, Holland. I was raised in Racine, Wisconsin with Dominican sisters in the classroom from grade 1 through my B.A. from Dominican College. (My older sister has been a Dominican all her life). I felt a need to get secular education on my resume so I got an MA in Education from Western Michigan University. I taught for several years in Michigan, as a Peace Corp volunteer in Tanzania, East Africa and with adults in Saudi Arabia. I went to the Theologate in Washington D.C. where I received a Master of Divinity degree. In addition to being a pastor and an associate pastor, I was Chaplain at St. Augustine High School. Luckily I was also a hospital Chaplain for a summer in San Diego. I am looking forward to chaplaincy work as part of this assignment.

I am pleased to be here to serve you. Ask your questions and I will give you honest answers. Call me at the office where I keep my calendar, and I will be happy to meet with you and assist with your needs. Your spiritual life, and that of your family, is important to me, that is why I am here.

*May the good Lord continue to bless you,
Fr. Tom O.S.A.*



Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 18, 2010

Keep us alive in Christ Jesus!

Gospel for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 18th): **Gospel of Luke**

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

VBS IS ON IT'S WAY !

Grab your cape and join us at Hero Headquarters, where kids join forces with God ! Our adventure begins **July 26th** and runs thru **July 30th**, from 9:00am-12:00 Noon each day.

Registration is now open ! Don't' delay. This year we will be doing all registration online at www.vacationbibleschool.com/olgvbs Sign up today!

Adult volunteers needed to coordinate the following areas: *Kitchen, Games, Music, Pre-school, Mission/Bible and Assemblies.* Helpers needed for all areas. Set-up week is **July 19th -25th**. Chaperones will be needed this week as well. Contact Robyn Lang at 582-9266 or email olgrec@sbcglobal.net

BE A STAR FOR VBS !

Choose a sticky note from one of the star boards in the church or lobby of Stack Center to help us gather the supplies needed for our program. Purchase the item listed and return it to the blue buckets by the star board or the parish office. Include your name and we will put it on our Thank You board. We appreciate your support!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Have you been putting it off for years, or just started thinking about it? Whatever the circumstances, come and talk to the RCIA team on Sunday, **July 18th** so we can meet. A follow-up meeting will be on Sunday **August 22nd**. Come to the parish office at 10:30 and we will be there to greet you and explain the process to you.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

As of **July 1st, 2010** all volunteers at Our Lady of Grace must **renew** their Safe Environment training, *regardless of the date you initially trained (online or in person)*. There will be three opportunities for **FREE** training at the parish, **July 13th** at 7:00pm in Stack Center, **July 18th**, at 10:30am in the Gym, and **August 25th** at 7:00pm in Stack Center.

The Diocese of Oakland has mandated that every employee, minister (ordained and lay), and/or volunteer in the diocese in any church or school ministry setting must attend this training session. In other words: if you are an adult lector, Eucharistic minister, musician, choir member, cantor, sacristan, catechist, usher, school parent, or if you volunteer in any other way you must be certified in order to continue serving the parish and or diocese. While we are aware this may be viewed as an inconvenience to some, the fact is that we can never do too much to protect our children and to educate ourselves as to the dangers that exist in their lives.

As a parish we are required to renew our commitment to Safe Environment on a parish wide basis, meaning full compliance every three years. Please do all you can to attend and be re-certified or certified for the first time at one of these meetings.

PORTUGUESE PARK OUTREACH *BECAUSE WE CARE*

Our next Sunday for serving our needy brothers and sisters at Portuguese Park in Hayward will be **July 18th**. If you, your group, Small Christian Community or family would be interested in making donations of prepared food or paper products, or to volunteer your time in service on Sunday, **July 18th**, please call Colleen Lindberg at the parish office 537-0806. We prepare the meal in Stack Center after the 9:00am mass and leave for the Park at 11:30am.

**BECAUSE WE CARE
OUTREACH SUNDAY:**

Next Sunday, **July 18th** is the third Sunday of the month, and therefore *Outreach Sunday at Our Lady of Grace*. Please consider making donations of non-perishable food items to St. Vincent de Paul, signing up to serve at Portuguese Park, Strobridge Senior Apartments, or exploring one of the many ways you can better serve those in need in our greater community. For additional information contact Colleen Lindberg at the Parish office, 537-0806.

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
JULY MEETING SCHEDULE**

This month's Saturday meeting for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is Saturday, **July 24th** at 10:00am. Meetings take place in the Parish office and usually run a little over an hour. As we have announced previously once a month Saturday meetings have been added to accommodate those members of the Parish community who cannot attend the Tuesday afternoon meetings. For further information please contact Walt Moresi, President, at 247-8886. Please join in our efforts to help the poor and homeless in our community.

**OUR LADY OF GRACE
ROCKIN' FESTIVAL**

Music...Makes the People Come Together...

This year's Fall Festival takes place **September 25th – 26th** and planning has begun. Please take a moment to sign up to volunteer in your favorite booth or better yet consider taking on a bigger role this year. We are still looking for several booth chairs as well as additional help in the areas of marketing, entertainment, games coordinator and food coordinator. Please contact Tracie Romo at traci-eromo@yahoo.com to lend a helping hand!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewardship of treasure involves trust in God. You have to really believe in God's Providence and trust that if you give ten percent of your income to the Church and charity, for example, God will help you live on the rest.

In gratitude for God's gifts of "Treasure" to us, we gratefully returned to God's church in the **Offerings of July 4th:**

Envelopes/Loose Checks (228)	\$ 6,960.00
Loose cash:	596.00
Total Offering:	\$ 7,556.00
Year-to-date (27 weeks)	\$215,567.00

(Weekly average: \$7,984.00)

May God bless your continuing generosity.



Your Prayers Are Requested

Please lift up in your prayer those many among us who are ill and those who have asked for our prayerful remembrance:

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| Lloyd Bauerly | Chet Lievre |
| Lucy Bruni | Pat Lopez |
| Carol De Cruz | Maria Ortega |
| Linda Duncan | Mary Schooner |
| Feliza Camacho Eguia | Carolynne Steen |
| Doug Foxworthy | Tula Rough |
| D'Riece Gundred | Ed Winkenbach |
| Cindy Kathain | |

As we pray for an end to war and violence in our world, let us remember in prayer those family members of our parish community serving on active duty, including:

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| DAVID BANTA | KEVIN DIAS |
| DOMINIC ROSSI | DAVID SANCHEZ |
| MICHAEL SANCHEZ | LINDA SAUNDERS |

Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased in our parish families and all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Dianne Fisher



TO OUR MOST WONDERFUL OLG COMMUNITY

A big heartfelt thanks to all that sent their love, prayers and support to us when my Dad passed away. These gifts were a tremendous source of comfort during this difficult time. We extend an extra thank you to Helping Hands!! The luncheon you provided was wonderful and your effort much appreciated ! We are truly blessed to have all of you in our lives.

*May God's Grace and Peace be with you,
Cec and Steve Penland*

A NOTE FROM HELPING HANDS

Thank you to all those in the Parish community who so generously respond to the needs of food donations to our Helping Hands ministry. We have accumulated a rather large collection of serving bowls, platters, plates etc. as a result of your donations "that are in need of getting picked up. Due to limited space to store these we are requesting you pick up your "heirlooms" by **July 23rd** from the baker rack outside the kitchen in Stack Center. Anything remaining after July 23rd will be unceremoniously donated or cast out. Thank you!

VENERATION OF THE SACRED RELIC OF THE HEART OF ST. JOHN OF VIANNEY

The incorruptible heart of St. John Vianney will come to Holy Spirit Parish for 12 hours of veneration on **July 17th**. This sacred relic will travel to the Oakland Diocese first to St. John Vianney Church, Walnut Creek; then to Holy Spirit Parish, Fremont; then to the Cathedral of Christ the Light, Oakland.

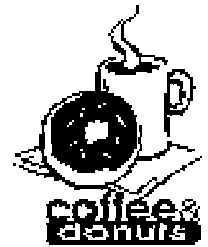
You are invited to venerate the Heart of St. John Vianney Saturday, **July 17th** 12:00Noon to 12:00Midnight at Holy Spirit Church, Fremont.



Grow in the Love of the Lord

COME JOIN US

All are invited after the 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 AM Sunday Masses to Gather in Stack Center for coffee and donuts.



This is a great opportunity to visit and to meet **new** friends! Plan to stop in - we look forward to seeing you there!

New to the Parish ?

New Parishioner Registration takes place the second and fourth Sunday of every month in Stack Center during Coffee and Donuts immediately following the 9:00am Mass.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL CONTINUES

The Appeal helps inner-city Catholic schools and other Catholic educational programs, economically struggling parishes, vocations, seminary education, priest retirement, and family ministries. Your gift to the Appeal is a way to share with our Catholic neighbors, for us to know Christ better and to help others know him.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL: TO MAKE CHRIST BETTER KNOWN

Following is the status of our Annual Bishops Appeal through **June 18th, 2010**
\$15,500.00 – 61% of Goal

Our Goal for 2010:	\$25,276.
# of Registered Families	1,860
# of Active Donors	850
# of Donors to date:	131

Please complete and return your pledge/donations as soon as possible.

THANK THEM WITH YOUR SUPPORT

Please support our advertisers who make our weekly bulletin possible and so generously support our parish. We are grateful to them !

This week we extend our gratitude to:

HOLY ANGELS FUNERAL AND CREMATION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Unless otherwise noted all weekday masses will be held in the Casa Villanova Chapel.

MONDAY, JULY 12th (Church)

8:30am Robert J. Wnukowski (L)

TUESDAY, JULY 13th

Henry

7:00am Joe & Marie Silveria (D)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14th

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin

7:00am Jocelyne Gonsalves (D)

THURSDAY, JULY 15th

Bonaventure, bishop, doctor of the Church

7:00am William & Mericia Gonsalves (D)

FRIDAY, JULY 16th

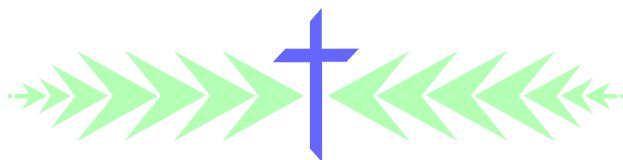
Our Lady of Mount Carmel

7:00am Tom Hayes (D)

SATURDAY, JULY 17th

Blessed Magdalene Albrici, O.S.A., virgin

8:30am Luz B. Sese (D)



EXECUTION ALERTS

The following executions are scheduled to take place in **July**:

July 20th Derrick Jackson TX
 July 20th Jeffrey Matthews OK

We ask your prayers for these persons, for the victims of their crimes, and for their families.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

July 12th through July 18th

Monday: Isaiah 1:10-17; Matthew 10:34-11:1
 Tuesday: Isaiah 7:1-9; Matthew 11:20-24
 Wednesday: Isaiah 10:5-7,13-16;
 Matthew 11:25-27
 Thursday: Isaiah 26:7-9,12,16-19;
 Matthew 11:28-30
 Friday: Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22,7-8;
 Matthew 12:1-8
 Saturday: Micha 2:1-5; Matthew 12:14-21
 Sunday: Genesis 18:1-10; Colossians 1:24-28;
 Luke 10:38-42

THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 11th:

Coffee & Donuts

Children's Liturgy of the Word

9:00am Mass

Fr. Kevin will preside at all weekend Masses

Tuesday, July 13th:

Nursing Home Mass

10:00am—Valley Pointe

Thursday, July 14th:

Serenity Group

8:15pm—Stack Center

Friday, July 16th:

Memorial Mass for Dianne Fisher

7:00pm

Saturday, July 17th:

Memorial Mass for Sylvia Petit

11:00am

Sunday, July 18th:

Outreach Sunday

Coffee & Donuts

Children's Liturgy of the Word

9:00am Mass

Portuguese Park Outreach

11:30am—Stack Center Kitchen