



*From the Pastor*

One would think that with the school children on vacation it would be quit deserted around the parish school during the summer. That's not true at all. There was summer school to start with, then the search committee under the direction of our new Our Lady of Grace principal, Ryan Brusco, hired a life- long OLG parishioner who attended school here. Elena Harder has three years of first grade teaching experience with a specialized Master Degree in teaching intervention strategies to students who struggled in reading. She will teach specialized subjects in the first grade and thereby allow more support for the upper grades.

I saw Mr. Brusco painting the outside walls around the lunch area. He was assisting Mrs. Fisher who has painted delightful scenery, spending considerable time this year and last to finish this project in time for the start of school. Additional electronic whiteboards have been installed. Now all of our classes have the interactive whiteboards. These are impressive advancements in teaching technology. Also, rooms in Augustine are being prepared to accommodate two kindergarten classes this year. The number of applicants requires double classes at this level.

Mr. Brusco is creatively working with parents needing financial aid. Parents who truly desire the quality Catholic education we provide should not be inhibited by a shortfall of funds. Our principal will work with you to see how we might enroll your child.

And, another big piece of Our Lady of Grace summer program for children is HERO HEAD-QUARTERS. That was the theme for Vacation Bible School planned, staged and directed by our own Robyn Lang and a great crew of teenagers. The spent a week painting and drawing and cutting in preparation for all of the fun activities. This venture demonstrates that there is no reason why learning the Faith, and putting it into action, can't be fun! There were lots of children participating. Make sure you plan on being part of this adventure next year!

**REMEMBER:** Wednesday, **August 4th**, at 7:00 pm is the *Diocese-wide Holy Hour for Vocations*, closing the Year of the Priest. This is a special time of grace. Be sure to be there. Also, next Sunday a Passionist Missionary will speak at all Masses about the important work the Church is doing in foreign lands. Please refer to page 2 of the bulletin for further information on these two events.

*May the good Lord continue to bless you and your family, Fr. Tom*

### Gospel for the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 8th):

### Gospel of Luke 12:35-40

Jesus said to his disciples:

Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. "Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

**YEAR FOR THE PRIESTS ENDS WITH  
DIOCEASAN HOLY HOUR  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4TH**

At the request of the Presbyteral Council, Bishop Cordileone cordially invites every parish to conduct a holy hour to pray for the priests of the diocese. Please join with the entire community of Our Lady of Grace on Wednesday, **August 4th**, the feast day of St. John Vianney, from 7:00-8:00pm in the church as we pray for the priests who serve the diocese of Oakland: for those who are now serving, for those who are retired, sick or have passed away, and for current and future seminarians.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN MISSION APPEAL**

On **August 7th and 8th** we welcome Stephen Deep, a representative of Passionist Overseas Missions to our parish. Stephen's visit to our parish is in conjunction with our participation in the Annual Mission Cooperative Appeal for the Diocese of Oakland. Passionist Missionaries have served in mission territories throughout the world for many years. Today Passionist priests and brothers are ministering to people in Haiti, the Caribbean, Africa, Jamaica, West Indies, Honduras and the Philippines.

Most missions offer a four-fold program of education, health, economic development and community organization to the people they serve. They work to break the cycle of poverty, illness and education deprivation and substitute a willingness to learn and progress. Please be as generous as your circumstances allow.

**VEGETABLE GARDENING  
FOR OLG FESTIVAL**

That's right—consider planting a row in your garden for OLG this summer. The Fall Festival committee is planning a Farmer's Market booth for the fall festival and is looking forward to donations from our parishioners gardens. More details to follow —happy summer gardening!

**WORDS OF THANKS....**

Truthfully, I find it impossible to put into worthy words the depth of my gratitude for the OLG community. Your words of support and encouragement, your well-wishes, your generosity, your prayer that accompanies me, and the love you have expressed are gifts beyond measure! In all humility, I know with certainty that I am less than deserving of such an outpouring of kindness on your part – and that only serves to make all of it that much more significant for me. A sentiment expressed in one of the cards I received truly bespeaks my feelings as I leave OLG and enter into my new assignment at St. Rita's: *"Each small kindness, like a seed, grows tall in memory."* Our Eucharistic prayers remind us to never forget – and so the memories will indeed 'grow tall' and will remain with me always.

I consider it a blessing to have been your pastor for 11 years. I give thanks and praise to God for the gift you have been to me and will continue to be in all the facets of my life. You have nourished and enriched my life in so many significant ways, and I am forever grateful to you for that. Please know that you remain in my prayer and that you are held deep within my heart,

*With my humble and loving thanks,  
Fr. Kevin, OSA*

**OUR LADY OF GRACE  
ROCKIN' FESTIVAL**

**Music...Makes the People Come Together...  
September 25th – 26th**

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 [tracieromo@yahoo.com](mailto:tracieromo@yahoo.com) to lend a helping hand!



**ANNUAL FESCO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

Once again, the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace, as coalition members of FESCO (Family Emergency Shelter Coalition ) are asked to participate in FESCO’s annual school supply drive. To start the school year, the children from FESCO will need such items as notebooks, pencils, glue, marking pens, scissors, rulers, binder paper, and pencil boxes. “Bookmarks” listing the needs for the school students are available at the entrances of the church. Your donations can be brought to the church on Sundays or the parish office during the week. All supplies need to be returned by **August 15th**. Please be generous. The kids are counting on us !

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** We are in need of volunteers to help distribute bookmarks after masses the next two weekends as well as sort supplies and stuff backpacks for distribution at All Saints, **August 18th and 20th**. If you are interested in helping please contact Dennise Burgess at dcburgess1@juno.com

**CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION**

Interviews are taking place now for all high school students **who participated** in Youth Group last school year and are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation next spring. If you have not yet scheduled your interview, now is the time! All interviews should be finished by **August 3rd**. The first session will be our **Summer Kick-off, August 28th**. Orientation for Candidates and parents will take place on Wednesday, September 15th. Call the Faith Formation Center to schedule interviews or get more information ! (510) 582-9266.



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**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

“Thank you for your generosity in support of the parish family. Without your support there would be no parish. It’s important !”

*Fr. Tom Verber, O.S.A.*

**Offerings of July 25th:**

Envelopes/ Loose Checks (130)	\$ 5,927.00
Loose cash:	832.00
Total Offering:	\$ 6,811.00
Year-to-date (30 weeks)	\$238,377.00

(Weekly average: \$7,945.00)

*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   |

*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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| <b>DAVID BANTA</b>     | <b>KEVIN DIAS</b>     |
| <b>DOMINIC ROSSI</b>   | <b>DAVID SANCHEZ</b>  |
| <b>MICHAEL SANCHEZ</b> | <b>LINDA SAUNDERS</b> |

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

**All Victims of Violence**

## ***EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY***

### **A ONE DAY CONFERENCE EMBRACING THE CULTURE OF LIFE**

Come join in a one day pro-life conference, "The Gift of Life—Fruit of The Divine Mercy" featuring Fr. Tom Euteneuer, President, Human Life International and Dr. John Bruchalski, former abortion doctor who has been touched by God's Unfathomable Mercy. Hear his conversion story and experience the healing power of The Divine Mercy where overflowing graces await you! Register Now at [www.divinemercurywestcoast.org](http://www.divinemercurywestcoast.org) or by email at [divinemercuryjesus@comcast.net](mailto:divinemercuryjesus@comcast.net) Admission is free for this event on **August 7th** at Holy Spirit Parish gym in Fremont from 8:30am-5:00pm. Additional information is available by phone (510) 412-4715.

### **PASTORAL MINISTRIES M.A. PROGRAM FALL 2010**

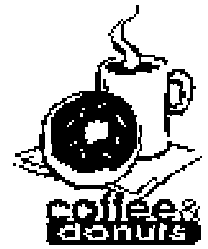
Holy Names University invites those interested in earning an M.A. in Pastoral Ministries to apply now. Holy Names is seeking interested candidates for lay ecclesial ministry who wish to grow in discipleship and service through preparation and formation. Join and answer the U.S. Bishop's request for educated and informed lay ministers. Classes are one night a week at the HNU campus. Apply now to participate in this educational opportunity. Mary Turowski  
[Turowski@hnu.edu](mailto:Turowski@hnu.edu), 510-436-1139

### **MONTHLY ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN**

Join with the Knights of Columbus and other parishioners from San Leandro, Castro Valley, Hayward and beyond, the 2nd Saturday of every month to Pray the Rosary for the Unborn. Beginning at 9:00am come to the north end of Holy Sepulcher Cemetery (at the headstone dedicated to the unborn) .

### **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 im-  
mediately following the 9:00am Mass.

### **GREETINGS FROM MARYKNOLL**

Join us as we welcome Catholic Relief Services Partner Mathilde Muhindo Mwamini and staff member Olun Kamitatu from the Democratic Republic of Congo. They will discuss the crisis in the Congo and the impact of "conflict minerals" such as coltan, a critical component for the production of cell phones, laptops, and other electronics. We can help the people of the DRC by reducing the ability of armed groups to finance violence with illicitly mined conflict minerals. Don't miss meeting the two women who are shining a light in the darkness to bring peace and prosperity to the Congolese people. Please join us Monday, **August 2nd** at 7:00pm, Maryknoll Regional Center at St. John the Baptist Parish, 16642 Ashland, Ave, San Lorenzo.

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This week we extend our gratitude to:

**JIMNIC COLLISION CENTER**

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

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

**MONDAY, AUGUST 2nd (Church)**  
*Blessed John of Rieti, O.S.A., religious;*  
*Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop;*  
*Peter Julian Eymard, priest*

8:30am LaVonne Clancey (D)

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 3rd**

7:00am Bridget "Birdie" Morris (D)

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4th**  
*John Mary Vianney, priest*

7:00am Clara Perino (D)

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 5th**  
*The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome*

7:00am Rita Quante Caterson (D)

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 6th**  
*The Transfiguration of the Lord*

7:00am Lee, Yaka & Frank Music (D)

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 7th**  
*Sixtus II, pope, martyr, and his companions, martyrs; Cajetan, priest*

8:30am James Aquitania (L)



**EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

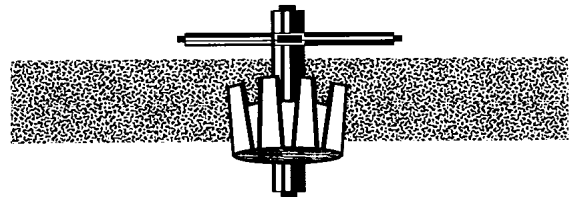
August 10th Roderick Davie OH  
 August 12th Michael Land AL

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**August 2nd through August 8th**

- Monday: Jeremiah 28:1-17; Matthew 14:13-21
- Tuesday: Jeremiah 30:1-2,12-15,18-22; Matthew 14:22-36
- Wednesday: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28
- Thursday: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23
- Friday: Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; Luke 9:28-36
- Saturday: Hebrews 1:12-2:4; Matthew 17:14-20
- Sunday: Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19; Luke 12:32-48



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**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, August 1st:**

- Coffee & Donuts
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 9:00am Mass

**Wednesday, August 4th:**

- Nursing Home Mass
- Eden Villa—11:00am

**Holy Hour**  
 7:00pm—Church

**Thursday, August 5th:**

- Serenity Group
- 8:15pm—Stack Center

**Saturday & Sunday, August 7th-8th:**

*Annual Mission Co-operative Appeal*

**Sunday, August 8th:**

- Coffee & Donuts*
- No Children's Liturgy in August*