



While I will be completing a brief trip to Racine, Wisconsin this weekend, we have some good news to share with our entire parish community:

From the Pastor

To the Parish Community of Our Lady of Grace Church:

It is with great pleasure that I announce our selection of a candidate to be the next principal of Our Lady of Grace School. Of the many applications received, the Search Committee selected and interviewed three (03) candidates - and brought two of the three back for a follow-up interview.

It was our unanimous decision to offer the position of Principal to Mr. Ryan Brusco. Ryan is currently a teacher and Vice-Principal at St. Catherine of Siena School in Martinez. Ryan brings a great spirit of commitment to Catholic education, an obvious love for the children entrusted to his care, and a willingness to not only take on this new position - but to do so with a spirit of collaboration and shared dedication. It is our sincere belief that Ryan will be an excellent "fit" for us at Our Lady of Grace and we very enthusiastically look forward to welcoming him to OLG!

At this time I also wish to say a very special word of thanks to the members of the Search Committee: Mr. Armond Seishas (Principal, St. Joachim's, Hayward), Ms. Bonnie Courtney (OLG School), Ms. Janiece Evans-Page (Pres., School Board), Ms. Wendy Posadas (Parent and Pastoral Planning Council member), Ms. Kathleen Cande (PPC, School Board, parent of an OLG graduate), and Dr. Doreen Jones (I.C.E.L., USF, former OLG teacher). They truly gave of themselves on behalf of the school community and I am deeply grateful to each of them for their hard work, diligence, expertise, and commitment to our school and parish.

As we look ahead to the new school year, I know you will extend your trademark hospitality to Ryan - and join in our collective efforts to do the very best we can to provide a quality, Catholic education to your children and grandchildren. May God's blessings be upon all of us in our efforts!

Rev. Kevin C. Mullins, O.S.A., Pastor

This month of May will be quite full and we look forward to all the joys it is sure to bring us. We hope you will be able to share in as many of the upcoming activities as possible in support of your parish and our ministries.

Wishing you God's richest blessings, Fr. Kevin, O.S.A.

Gospel for The Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 8th):

Gospel of John

Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name--he will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe.



**OLG SPRING AUCTION
SATURDAY, MAY 22nd
Silent and Live Auction
Dinner, & Dancing**

Wine, Dine and Bid with Our Lady of Grace Parish at our annual Spring Auction fundraiser. Tickets include Silent and Live Auctions, along with Dinner by Miraglia Catering, Gourmet Desserts & After Auction Dancing. Proceeds to benefit Our Lady of Grace Parish School. You don't want to miss out on Fr. Kevin's last appearance at the Spring Auction! Tickets for this fun filled adult only event are only \$25.00 each!! Please call or stop by the Parish office (537-0806) to make your reservations now (table groups are still available). Don't miss out on this wonderful event !

**Mother's
Day**



MOTHERS' DAY

As a means of honoring our mothers, living and deceased, a Triduum of Masses will be celebrated on **May 10th, 11th, and 12th**. Cards are available in the Parish office for those wishing to give or send a remembrance card. The names of those to be remembered will be placed at the altar for the three days of remembrance. Please complete the requested information on the half sheet of paper and place it in the envelope provided and return it to the Parish office. Any proceeds from donations made will be given to the "Get on The Bus" program that brings children and their guardians from throughout the state of California to visit their mothers in prison.

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

The meeting schedule for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the month of May will be this Tuesday, **May 4th** at 3:30pm and Saturday, **May 22nd** at 10:00am. Meetings take place in the Parish office and usual 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.

GOT AN AUCTION ITEM ?

100% of our auction items are donated. Do you have a vacation cabin? Connections with a local sports team? Frequent Flyer miles? In the past we have received donations for vacation rentals, automobiles, hosted dinners, fine wines, and spirits, spa days and sports and concert tickets. Please be creative and consider what you can donate.

Please contact Joan or Roger Sisneros at 538-7775 or email roger@laub.com.

AUCTION VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

Your help is still needed in the area's of Promotions, Donations, Decorations/Set-up, Registration & Check-Out. If you have been involved in the auction in the past, or better yet, if you haven't but you would like to help in any way please call Joan or Roger Sisneros at 538-7775 or email roger@laub.com Your support is very much needed and appreciated!

**FORMER STUDENTS & COLLEGUES
OF MRS. THAU**

After more than twenty years of dedication to the children of Our Lady of Grace, Mrs. Florence Thau has decided to retire. Please join us on Tuesday, **June 1st** from 3:15pm–5:00pm in Stack Center as we do our best to show her the love and appreciation we all feel for the many years of devoted service she has given to our children. RSVP via telephone to the school office at 581-3155 or email the school principal at cwahl@olgschool.org

**JOIN US FOR THE
ROWELL RANCH RODEO PARADE**

On Saturday, **May 8th**, OLG School will be participating in the Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade. Our FLOAT ENTRY “theme” is *Be Fishers of Men Not of Fish*, John 21:1-17. OLG School participants will walk with the float.

In an effort to bring forward all that is offered at our school Every Student/Patent/Family is invited to create/decorate individual signs to be carried during the parade and participate creatively in the “fisherman” theme. Please email OLG2016@comcast.net for specific info for sign requirements. FYI there is a PRIZE for the best school entry! So let’s not be outdone!! **SHOW YOUR OLG SPIRIT!**

For those with little ones, we encourage them to decorate their strollers/wagons along the lines of our “fisherman” theme. Parents are invited to wear their OLG GEAR, Students and OLG Families are invited to get into the “Fisherman” theme via accessories and props. Please feel free to contact me by phone at 510.677.4433 or via email at olg2016@comcast.net if you’d like to help out with the float, or if you have any questions at all. Thanks. And we look forward to seeing everyone on May 8th!!

Catalina Garcia-Quick
OLG Parent Volunteer

**OUR LADY OF GRACE SCHOOL
ALUMNI EVENT
50 YEARS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

Please reserve your place for the
Reunion Celebrations !

Saturday, May 15th

Evening Social, in Stack Center, 6:00pm
\$25.00 per person or \$45.00 per couple
Includes: Hors d’oeuvres – Desserts –

No Host Wine & Beer

Sunday, Mary 16th

Alumni Mass at 11:00am & Family Event
Stack Center, \$6.00 per adult
& \$4.00 kids 10 and under

Picnic includes: Sandwich, Chips, Cookies,
Drink – Games & Prizes for the kids

Just print out the Reunion Form that’s on the Alumni page of the school web site (olgschool.org) or on the PDF that is in the resources , attach your check and drop by or mail to the school office, 3427 Somerset Ave. Castro Valley. Space is limited.

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 April 25th:**

Envelopes/Loose Checks (200)	\$ 5,945.00
Loose cash:	1,055.00
Total Offering:	\$ 7,000.00
Year-to-date (17weeks)	\$139,153.00

(Weekly average: \$8,185.00)

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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| Viki Ardito | D’Riece Gundred |
| Lloyd Bauerly | Cindy Kathain |
| Shirley Blake | Pat Lopez |
| Lucy Bruni | Maria Ortega |
| Carol De Cruz | Sylvia Pettit |
| Feliza Camacho Eguia | Anna Richards |
| Dianne Fisher | Ashley Rollins |
| Doug Foxworthy | Mary Schooner |
| Paul Freres | Justus Spillner |
| Rita Freres | Tula Rough |

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.

Alice McGrath
Joyce Snow

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The Salvation Army has joined with Feed The Children for a Food Give Away on Tuesday, **May 4th** at the Oakland Coliseum. Volunteers are needed for this very worthwhile event. Eight truckloads of product which consists of food boxes, personal care boxes and Avon boxes will be received for distribution. Volunteers are needed to fill the following positions: Unloaders, Line Volunteers, and Runners. Please call 581-6444 ASAP—to volunteer or for additional information.

WINGS

Women in God's Spirit

WINGS is a faith enhancement group that encourages Spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community.

Our next meeting:

May 6th, 9:15 – 11:15am

"Faith In Action" –

Transfiguration Church

Presenter: Susanna Ax

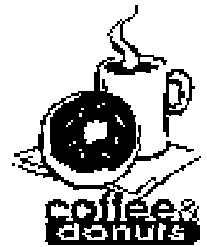
CURSILLO

This is your invitation to make a Cursillo weekend, which is a three day learning, sharing experience of living in a Christian Community. The word "Cursillo" in Spanish, means a little course. During the three days of the weekend, a person not only hears what it really means to be a Christian but actually gets to experience the joy of building and being part of a genuine Christina community.

The next Women's Weekend will start the evening of Thursday, **May 13th through Sunday, May 16th** at Holy Redeemer Center in Oakland. The next Men's Weekend will be Thursday evening, **May 20th through Sunday, May 23rd**, also at Holy Redeemer Center. For more information or to sign up contact Ruth Picha 538-9063 or Colleen Lindberg 537-0806.

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!

SAVE THE DATE A TIME TO SAY GOODBYE! SUNDAY, JUNE 27TH

The entire Parish community is invited to a Goodbye Picnic for Fr. Kevin Mullins on Sunday, **June 27th** at the Castro Valley Community Center picnic area on Quail Road and Seven Hills beginning at 12:00 Noon for a Barbeque Picnic complete with games for the kids and much more. Mark your calendar now!

FESCO'S ANNUAL SHELTER SHUFFLE WALK-A-THON SATURDAY, MAY 15th JOIN FR. KEVIN ON THE WALK! HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR FESCO

FESCO, the Family Emergency Shelter, located in Hayward, will be holding its 13th Annual Shelter Shuffle Walk-a-Thon. The one—three mile walk will take place on the morning of Saturday, **May 15th** at the San Leandro Marina alongside the San Francisco Bay. Participants and their pets are encouraged to join our team and help by raising pledges. Our Lady of Grace is part of the Coalition that makes up FESCO and this community event is a great way for us to have a large presence and show our support for one of the highest impacting non-profits in the East Bay.

You can register for free online at www.fescofamilyshelter.org or call 886-5473 for more information. When registering please make sure you sign up as part of Our Lady of Grace Team so fellow parishioners can see who is on our team and how much money we are raising.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Please note: During the school year, our 8:30am Monday mass will be celebrated in the church. Unless otherwise noted all other weekday masses will be held in the Chapel.

MONDAY, MAY 3rd (Church)
PHILIP and JAMES, Apostles

8:30am Debi Telles (D)

TUESDAY, MAY 4th

7:00am Edward F. Cavey (D)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5th

7:00am Mary Maravella (D)

THURSDAY, MAY 6th

7:00am Joe & Isabel Furtado (D)

FRIDAY, MAY 7th

7:00am Joe & Marie Silveria (D)

SATURDAY, MAY 8th

OUR LADY OF GRACE

8:30am Adelaide Martin (D)

LETTER CARRIER ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

How easy is it to participate in the biggest single-day food drive in the nation? Drop your non-perishable food in a bag and your postal carrier will take it away when s/he drops off the mail on Saturday, **May 8th**. This food drive benefits the work of the Alameda County Community Food Bank. Please be generous.

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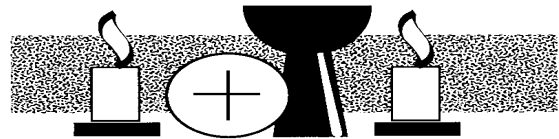
This week we extend our gratitude to:

CASTRO VALLEY FLORIST

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

May 3rd through May 9th

- Monday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14
- Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31
- Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8
- Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11
- Friday: Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17
- Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21
- Sunday: Acts 15:1-2,22-29;
 Revelations 21:10-14,22-23;
 John 14:23-29



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THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 2nd:

- REC Classes
 10:30—Stack Center
- Confirmation Candidate Gathering
 9:00—Mass

Tuesday, May 4th:

- Bible Study
 9:30am—Parish Office
- St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
 3:30—Parish Office
- Baptism Class
 7:00pm—Parish Office

Wednesday, May 5th:

- Nursing Home Mass
 11:00am—Eden Villa

Thursday, May 6th:

- Serenity Group
 8:15pm—Stack Center

Saturday, May 8th:

- Rodeo Parade

Sunday, May 9th:

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY