

Well we have certainly had a couple of full weekends in this latter part of May ! On Saturday night, May 15<sup>th</sup>, the first-ever Alumni gathering took place and proved to be a wonderful event. With over 140 in attendance, there was a great spirit of reunion and reminiscing about the “good old days” at Our Lady of Grace School. As one might expect, all the ‘horror stories’ were shared, some greatly embellished methinks, and lots of laughter ensued. But what was very clear at the end of the night was that all those “children” not only survived their elementary education – they survived quite well ! It was interesting to see all the ‘news’ being shared about post-OLG schooling, careers, families, businesses, etc.

I extend, of course, a very special word of thanks to everyone who had a part to play in the formulation of the plan (it was in the works for almost two years) and for the execution of the events on Saturday and Sunday. More importantly, perhaps, we have now begun the compilation of an Alumni Data Base and hope to be able to keep this great Our Lady of Grace School spirit alive going forward ! Congratulations go to all the members of the Alumni Committee who worked so diligently on our behalf.

Only a week later, we had an extremely busy weekend with the official visitation by Bishop Cordileone, our annual OLG Auction, and the conferral of the sacrament of Confirmation on the great Solemnity of Pentecost. Though somewhat limited by the bishop’s availability ( he had a 4-parish Confirmation at the Cathedral on Saturday), we were able to have some meetings with the bishop and our Pastoral Planning Council (PPC) members, and with some representatives from the Finance Council and the School Board. Bishop spoke to the purpose of his visit as well as to the Pastoral Plan of the Diocese of Oakland – and how Our Lady of Grace is a partner in that plan. Many of the issues that we have to deal with at the parish level are similarly dealt with at the diocesan level.

The Confirmation liturgy was a wonderful example of the grace of this sacrament ! The Holy Spirit was fully alive in the assembled gathering of our Confirmandi, their sponsors, parents, family members and friends, the concelebrants, and our Bishop. Many, many people complimented us ‘as parish’ for the beautiful liturgy and for the Confirmandi who represented us so well. I again express my gratitude to our D.R.E., Robyn Lang, and to all who assisted her and us in the preparation of the candidates. The Confirmation process is a reminder to us that every one of us has something to offer in support of the candidates (our collective prayer for example), and many have much to give to the process itself. The catechists, retreat team members, sponsors, volunteers, etc. did so much to make this such a meaningful and faith-filled experience. We thank each and every one of you !

And of course there was an auction... We were again blessed with the efforts of Roger and Joan Sisneros, and their team, who organized and brought this event to its very successful completion. With a sold-out crowd in attendance, the music and singing of Triple Play, a delicious dinner catered by Miraglia Catering, outstanding desserts, and some late-night dancing, it proved to be a most enjoyable evening. When the results are tallied I’ll be happy to inform you of the outcome – and we again thank everyone who made this such a fun and positive gathering !

Hard as it is to believe, we now look forward to the final week of activities for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who will graduate this coming Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. As we prepare to send them forth, we congratulate them on all their achievements and look forward to celebrating all their accomplishments as OLG graduates in the years to come.

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

**Gospel for MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (June 6th): Gospel of Luke 9:11-17**

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people. Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of (about) fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.



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

Mark your calendar now! The entire Parish community is invited to a Goodbye Picnic for Fr. Kevin on Sunday, **June 27th** at the Castro Valley Community Center picnic area ( Quail Road and Seven Hills). Join us at 12:00Noon for a Barbeque Picnic complete with games for the kids and much more. We will provide Hot Dogs and Burgers with condiments, and drinks. Please bring salads and desserts to share.

In order to prepare for the celebration we need to have a sense of the number of people attending. Please call or email the parish office and let Jay or Colleen know how many in your family will be attending no later than **June 22nd**.



**MEMORIAL DAY**

Monday, **May 31st** is a federal holiday. There will be one mass only at 8:30am in the Church. The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday and will re-open on Tuesday, **June 1st** at 9:00am. The entire parish staff wishes all a safe and relaxing holiday.

**FALL FESTIVAL THEME CHOSEN  
OUR LADY OF GRACE  
ROCKIN' FESTIVAL**

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

We asked our 7th graders to come up with a theme as this will be their last festival as OLG students. Adam Sisneros, representing the 7th grade class, submitted the theme of Music along with many ideas. All students were then given an opportunity to submit artwork for the T-shirt design contest. It was a challenging decision for the Festival Planning Committee to select the one piece that would represent our 2010 Fall Festival! Congratulations goes out to Brittney Marshall, 7th grade, for designing the winning Fall Festival T-shirt. She not only provided an exemplary design, but the slogan as well.

**EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT THANK YOU**

To my fellow Parishioners,

I would like to take this opportunity to give my warmest thanks to all of you who so kindly showed an interest in my Eagle Scout Project.

I promise all of you that I will give my very best effort to accomplish the work at Our Lady of Grace School this summer in a way that will benefit the students for many years to come.

I can't express in words how appreciative I am for your overwhelming generosity in your contributions and the level of encouragement I received from you.

*Thank you again and God Bless you,  
Matthew Lindberg  
BSA Troop 876*

**FALL FESTIVAL PLANNING UNDERWAY !**

This year's Fall Festival take 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. We would also like to add BINGO, and new food booths this year and need chairpersons for those areas as well. Please contact Tracie Romo at [tracieromo@yahoo.com](mailto:tracieromo@yahoo.com) to lend a helping hand!

Praise to GOD who  
creates us  
redeems us and  
sanctifies us in love

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
BUNDLE SUNDAY**

The Saint Vincent de Paul Trailer will be in the rear parking lot **June 5th and 6th** to collect useable clothing, small household items and bedding. The trailer will be open before and after all masses that weekend and members of the Our Lady of Grace SVD Society will be on hand to assist you. Please note: Furniture, mattresses, appliances, TV's, electronics and other bulky items **cannot** be accepted. Please do not drop off prior to **June 5th** or after 1:00pm on **June 6th.**

Bags will be available at the entrances to the church the weekend of **May 30th.**

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE EAST BAY  
ANNUAL APPEAL**

We thank all the members of the parish community who contributed to the Catholic Charities Appeal last Sunday. Your gift allows Catholic Charities to respond to the many needs of our brothers and sisters who are struggling with poverty in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. If you have not yet sent in your envelope and wish to make a donation please mail it to Catholic Charities or drop it in the collection basket. Thank you for supporting our efforts to provide social services in the Diocese for the last 75 years. Envelopes are in the pews for your use.

**ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL:  
TO MAKE CHRIST BETTER KNOWN**

Following is the status of our Annual Bishops Appeal through **April 30th, 2010**  
**\$14,317.00 – 57% of Goal**

Our Goal for 2010:	\$25,276.
# of Registered Families	1,860
# of Active Donors	850
# of Donors to date:	120

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

**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 May 23rd:**

Envelopes/Loose Checks (241)	\$ 6,298.00
Loose cash:	1,180.00
Total Offering:	\$ 7,478.00
Year-to-date (21 weeks)	\$171,996.00

(Weekly average: \$8,190.00)

*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        | Cindy Kathain   |
| Shirley Blake        | Pat Lopez       |
| Lucy Bruni           | Maria Ortega    |
| Carol De Cruz        | Sylvia Pettit   |
| Feliza Camacho Eguia | Anna Richards   |
| Dianne Fisher        | Mary Schooner   |
| Doug Foxworthy       | Justus Spillner |
| Paul Freres          | Carolynne Steen |
| D'Riece Gundred      | Tula Rough      |
|                      | 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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| 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.*

**Deceased Military Members**

## EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

### 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) .

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

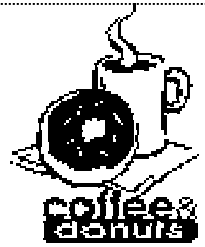
Holy Names University invites those interested in earning an M.A. in Pastoral Ministries to apply now. Holy Names is seeking interested candidates for lay ecclesial ministry who wish to grow in discipleship and service through preparation and formation. Join and answer the U.S. Bishop's request for educated 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

### WHERE WILL YOU FIND GOD TODAY ? Other6.com

Some of us find God at church on Sunday, but finding God the other six days of the week can be a puzzle. Other6.com is a community of people answering two simple yet profound questions: *Where have you found God today?* And *Where do you need to find God today?* Other6.com, brought to you by Loyola Press, a Jesuit Ministry, is based on "examination of consciousness" – a prayerful review of the day intended to help us recognize God in our daily routines. Our prayer is that you will find [www.other6.com](http://www.other6.com) helpful in your desire for a closer relationship with God.

### 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.

### SOWING SEEDS OF JUSTICE INTRODUCTION TO JUSTFAITH

On **June 3rd** from 7:00-9:00pm in Mullens Commons at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Walnut Creek, Sharon Bidwell of JustFaith will provide examples of how congregations – from many different faith traditions – are implementing JustFaith. An experienced educator, Sharon had developed both the Catholic and ecumenical versions of the curriculum.

JustFaith is sponsored by Bread for the World, Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities, Pax Christi and Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. It is an in-depth program of spiritual formation used in thousands of churches across the country – with more than 20,000 graduates. A new version of JustFaith, developed in collaboration with Bread for the World, offers Christians from all faith traditions an innovative approach to small group study. This event is free and open to the public.

### THANK THEM WITH YOUR SUPPORT

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This week we extend our gratitude to:

**EDEN VILLA ASSISTED LIVING**

*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 31st (Church)**  
**VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

8:30am Ulyseus Ratto (D)

**TUESDAY, JUNE 1st**  
*Justin, martyr*

7:00am Stanley Garcia (D)

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2nd**  
*Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs*

7:00am Leroy Limbordo (D)

**THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd**  
*Charles Lwanga, martyr, and his companions, martyrs*

7:00am Anne Roath (D)

**FRIDAY, JUNE 4th**  
*Blessed James of Viterbo, O.S.A., bishop*

7:00am Paul Nahm (D)

**SATURDAY, JUNE 5th**  
*Boniface, bishop, martyr*

8:30am William & Mericia Gonsalves (D)



**EXECUTION ALERTS**

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

June 2nd George Jones TX

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

**May 30th through June 6th**

- Monday: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Luke 1:39-56
- Tuesday: 2 Peter 3:12-15,17-18; Mark 12:13-17
- Wednesday: 2 Timothy 1:1-3,6-12; Mark 12:18-27
- Thursday: 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Mark 12:28-34
- Friday: 2 Timothy 3:10-17; Mark 12:35-37
- Saturday: 2 Timothy 4:1-8; Mark 12:38-44
- Sunday: Genesis 14:18-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11-17



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**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, May 30th:**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. KEVIN**

- Coffee & Donuts
- After all Masses—Stack Center
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 9:00am Mass

**Monday, May 31st:**

- Memorial Day
- Parish offices closed

**Tuesday, June 1st:**

- Bible Study; 9:30am—Parish Office
- Reception for Flo Thau
- 3:00pm—Stack Center
- St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
- 3:30—Parish Office

**Wednesday, June 2nd:**

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

**Thursday, June 3rd:**

- Serenity Group
- 8:15pm—Stack Center

**Saturday, June 5th:**

- Our Lady of Grace Graduation
- 10:00am—Church