PARISH BULLETIN
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MASS SCHEDULE
Weekend (Sunday) Masses
Saturday
5:00 p.m.—English
6:15 p.m.—Cantonese
Sunday
6:45 a.m.—Spanish
8:15 a.m.—English
9:45 a.m.—Spanish
11:30 a.m.—English

Weekday Masses
Tue.-Fri., 8:15 a.m., Sat., 9:00 a.m.
Mondays — Communion Service, 8:15 a.m.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)
In Private
Saturdays, 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.
Communal (In Group)
During Advent and Lent, as announced

JANUARY 4, 2015
The Epiphany of the Lord

What's Inside...

- Fewer Collections — It starts NOW
- Donuts Are Back Next Week
- What's Up With Our 2015 Calendars?
- We're Making a Statement — For Everyone

WELCOME: If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or contact the Parish Office. We want to know you and serve you. We hope you will join us and make our parish your spiritual home.
Let's embark on a new stewardship journey together. Let's have faith that our first collection will take care of all of our parish needs.

Whatever you used to place in two collections, add it up and place it all in the first. Then if you can, add a little more.

Our new journey starts January 4.

Our Lady's Pantry: Food for Those In Need

Have you hit a rough spot? Do you know someone that is going hungry and cannot afford to put food on the table? Then remember Our Lady's Pantry. It is a resource here at OLK (located in the trailer next to the gate on "B" street) that can help by providing food for those in need. It is open during the following days and times:

- Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- Thursdays, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Before coming to the trailer, it is best to make an appointment. Call the Parish Office at 510.471.2609 between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the day that you wish to stop by.

Every Friday: A Hot Meal With Warm Friends

Remember that we have dinners for the needy, elderly and lonely every Friday night at 6:00 p.m. in the Dobrec Room. All are welcome.

Sacraments

Baptism and Marriage: Please contact the Parish Office six months in advance — 510.471.2609.

First Communion: Enroll through our CCD program in June, July or August — 510.471-7419.

Confirmation: Enrollment in this program takes place annually in September. Please look for special announcements in this Bulletin in August and September.

Adult Sacraments — RCI: Contact the Parish Office, 510.471.2609.

Bulletin Submissions

To place an article in the Parish Bulletin, please submit it by Tuesday at noon so that it can appear in the Bulletin the following Sunday. To submit an article, please do one of the following:
- Mail it to the Parish Office: 703 "C" Street, Union City, CA 94587
- E-mail it to bulletin@olrchurch.org

 Inserts and Flyers. Non-profit organizations can have approved flyers included in the Bulletin. Inserts should be printed on two sides — English on one side and Spanish on the other. Flyers are to be delivered to the Parish Office by Thursday morning for inclusion in the Bulletin of the following Sunday. The parish can also print a flyer as a full page in the Bulletin if costs are reimbursed by the organization. Contact the Parish Office by calling 510.471.2609 or e-mail bulletin@olrchurch.org
First weekend returns of FESCO’s “Homes for the Homeless” Project
Please Keep Returning Those “Little Houses” And Help Us Reach Our Goal

During the first week in collecting the Little Houses, we got back and counted the contents of 73 Little Houses and donation envelopes, and have and raised $1,752.00 to help the homeless. Thanks to all of our parishioners for their generosity and support! Several additional Little Houses have been turned in but they were not able to be included in the totals before this announcement was due (the Bulletin is being printed early this week due to the holiday). Once these additional houses are counted we should be half-way to our goal of raising $4,000.00 for FESCO (Family Emergency Shelter Coalition) to help homeless families.

If you have not turned in your Little House, it may be returned to the specially-marked containers inside the two main entrances of the church, at the Parish Office, at the meetings of the English and Spanish-speaking youth groups or at classes of OLR School or the Religious Education Program. Please do not put any little horses in the collection baskets at Mass. Any checks are to be made payable to “Our Lady of the Rosary Church,” which will write a single check to FESCO.

If you have questions or need more information call our parish FESCO Representative, Ron, at (510) 400-9045.

Your 2014 Tax Statement
Don’t Ask and You Shall Receive

Now that the New Year is here, you will soon be thinking about preparing your 2014 income taxes.

In the past, if you used offertry envelopes or EFT to make your donations to OLR, we would send you a statement of your donations only if you requested that we do so. However, starting this year, you will not have to make this request: we will be sending out statements to all of our parishioners that use envelopes or EFT.

As this will be “quite an undertaking,” this process will take us a bit more time. As a result, you can expect to receive your statement in the mail somewhere around the end of the third week of January.

This new way of distributing the statements is one of the ways that we are working to provide our parishioners with more financial information on the parish.

Baby, It’s Cold Outside
Our Brothers and Sisters Can Use Some Warmth

Many of the patrons of our Friday Night Dinners and Food Pantry are in need of items such as blankets, sleeping bags, coats, gloves, hats, and other items to keep them warm in this cold weather. Donations would be very much appreciated. The items donated do not need to be new. If you can donate items, you can bring them to the Parish Office.

Thanks.

Coffee and DONUT Fellowship Next Weekend

Our monthly Coffee and DONUT Fellowship will be held next weekend, January 10 and 11 after all Masses. It is sponsored by our Spanish Youth Groups. Be sure to stick around and socialize with your fellow parishioners and parishionettes.

Notice that the word DONUT is capitalized. That is because the donuts are back! Roberto Trujillo, our master donut chef, had a problem with his arm which prevented him from making his mouth-watering masterpieces for us. Now he has recovered and he is back! He thanks our parishioners for their prayers and wishes for his recovery.

His donut shop, Roberto’s Donuts, is located at 404 W. Harder Road in Hayward, where Harder and Santa Clara meet. Be sure to thank him for his generosity with your patronage.

2015 Calendars
Time Has Run Out But Hopefully You Can Still Use Them

Our parish 2015 calendars have just arrived — a little later than usual, and only some of them. For some reason they are being mailed out to us by the publisher in several small shipments over time. So if you did not get one this weekend or if we ran out, check back in a week or two and we might have more.

This Weekend’s Sponsorships

HOSTS: Sponsored by Martha Estrella, in loving memory of Esperanza Estrella.
WINE: Sponsored by Martha Estrella, in loving memory of Esperanza Estrella.
CANDLES: Sponsored by Our Lady’s Guild

To set up a sponsorship, use the form below. Thank you for your support.

Our Lady of the Rosary: SPONSORSHIP OF HOSTS, WINE, CANDLES AND FLOWERS

I want to sponsor the following □ on the first available weekend – or □ on this weekend:

□ Hosts ($25.00/week); □ Wine ($5.00/week); □ Candles ($35.00/week); □ Flowers ($125.00/week)

Today’s Date ___________________________ Envelope/Acct. # ___________________________
Name ___________________________ Phone ___________________________
Address __________________________________________

I would like my gift recognized as follows:
(Examples: “The Hosts are sponsored by the Guerrero Family.”
“The wine is sponsored by Mary Smith in memory of her mother, Gladys Jones.”)

* No date guarantees can be made. If a desired week is already taken, the closest weekend will be given.

Please place this in the collection (include this form and donation in an envelope) or bring it to the Parish Office.
This Thursday
Meeting of Volunteers
To Help With
Buildings and Grounds

In order to improve both the appearance and longevity of our parish buildings and grounds, and improve the parish’s financial condition, we are asking all of our parishioners who are in one of a number of trades to attend a special meeting on Thurs., January 8.

As this meeting we will identify which trades our parishioners are employed in or have experience in, and how their sharing of their time and talent can benefit the parish.

If you are in one of the following trades, or have experience in any of the following areas, please come to this meeting:

- Carpentry
- Cleanup (grounds, storage areas)
- Concrete Work
- Electrical
- Fenestration (Windows)
- Flooring
- Gardening
- Landscape Irrigation
- Painting
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Window Screening

Some of the tasks involved in each of the above areas is assessing the current condition of parish buildings and grounds and prioritizing needs, securing supplies and equipment to do the work, and the performance of the actual work.

Having volunteers come forward to help with the gardening work is key at this time, as in order to balance our budget for 2015, we eliminated the gardening service that was contracted out. Our hope is that enough people will come forward that we can build teams of people to do the gardening on different weeks.

So if you can lend a hand (or a tool), be sure to come to the meeting on January 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your consideration.

Next Saturday
Vascular Health
Screenings at OLR

Life Line Screening, a mobile vascular screening service which has come to OLR before, is returning on Saturday, January 10. Screenings will be performed in the Parish Hall by appointment only (call 888.653.6450). Screenings are non-invasive and painless — most use Doppler ultrasound technology. Screenings that will be offered are stroke/carotid artery screening ($70.00), heart rhythm screening ($70.00), abdominal aortic aneurysm screening ($70.00), peripheral arterial disease screening ($60.00), and osteoporosis risk assessment ($60.00). By participating in these tests, you can be made aware of a hidden potential health problem at a low cost, so that you can seek follow-up care from your physician. The four-test screening package for stroke, vascular disease and heart rhythm costs $139.00, and osteoporosis screening can be added for $10.00 more. In the past, a few OLR parishioners have been referred to their doctor with a potential problem. If you are interested, be sure to call for your appointment.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study:
All Are Welcome in This Place

Olive Riley-Steward hosts a Bible Study in English every Tuesday Morning at 10:00 a.m. This group has been meeting for many, many years, both at the parish and at her home. She wants you to know that all are welcome of they would like to join the group. For more information call Olive at 510.471.3332.

Way Fewer
Second Collections:
The Future is NOW

Although its been said, many times, many ways, we hope that you are now familiar with our plan to eliminate all that second and exit collections that we can in 2015.

The future is now, and our plan is now a reality. We are eliminating 35 second collections that benefit the parish directly. This means that we will only have a second collection when it is required by the Diocese or the US Bishops.

Since we relied heavily on the collections that we have eliminated to balance the budget, we ask you to one simple thing to help us stay in balance — that is, to simply add what you normally used to give to the second collection to the first (and only) collection.

For those of you that use EFT, it is a bit more complex, however, as people on EFT can give to second collections in a couple of different ways. Robert, our Business Manager, will be contacting all EFT users in the next couple of weeks to determine how they would like to integrate their giving into the first collection.

For your advance planning, when we are expecting to take up a “required” second collection, we will place an announcement in the Bulletin the week before.

Thank you for your support and understanding. We hope that we can work together to make this new way of doing things work well for both of us.

SACRIFICAL GIVING REPORT

For Thursday, December 25, 2014
Christmas Day ................................................................. $10,534.00

For Sunday, December 28, 2014
First Collection (Including EFT) ........................................ $7,276.25
Our budgeted goal for the First Collection ......................... 9,566.00
Second Collection: Obligaciones Diocesanas .................... 1,605.50
Children’s Envelopes .................................................. 28.00

Thank you for your support!
Our Lady of the Rosary

“All You Can Eat”

CRAB FEED

A benefit for Our Lady of the Rosary School

Saturday,

February 21, 2015

In the Parish Hall, Corner 6th and “C” Streets, Union City

Dinner includes Dungeness Crab, Salad, Pasta and Garlic Bread

ADULT TICKETS

$45.00

CHILDREN 4 THROUGH 12 YEARS

$20.00

CHILDREN 3 AND UNDER

FREE

Group seating reservations available for tickets purchased in blocks of 8 or more

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS NOW

Call 510-471-3765 or 510-471-2609 for tickets and info
Tuesday, January 6
Bible Study, English, home of Olive Riley-Stewart, 10:00 a.m.
Rosary, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.
Rosary, English 6:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus Meeting, Eddie Dobrec Room, 7:00 p.m.
7th and 8th Grade Youth Group, Upper Room, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Liturgy Committee Meeting, Office Downstairs Conference Room #107, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 7
Rosary, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.
Rosary, English 6:00 p.m.
Stewardship Committee Meeting, Office Downstairs Conference Room # 107, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 8
Rosary, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.
Rosary, English 6:00 p.m.
Meeting for Volunteers to Help with Buildings and Grounds, Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 9
Rosary, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.
Dinner for those in need, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.
Spanish Choir Practice, Church, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 10
Coffee and Donut Fellowship, after Mass
Rosary, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 11
Coffee and Donut Fellowship, after Mass
Fundraising gift cards and religious articles sold in front of the Church after Mass
High School Youth Group, Upper Room, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Confirmation Group, Church, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.