MARCH 15, 2015
Fourth Sunday of Lent

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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.
The Knights are Looking For a Few Good Men

They are the ones directing traffic on Ash Wednesday and during Holy Week. They quench your thirst at the parish festival. And they take over the front pews at the 8:15 Mass on the fifth Sunday of the month, looking spiffy in their blue blazers.

But "they," the Knights of Columbus, do much more than that.

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization of Catholic men, dedicated to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

First formed in 1882, the Knights have grown from one council to more than 14,000 councils and 1.8 million members worldwide.

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MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH’S COUNCIL became Fourth-Degree members of the Knights of Columbus in a special ceremony called an "Exemplification," which took place in February 2014 in Rohnert Park, CA.

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 OLR (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

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 — RCIA: 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@olorchurch.org

Inserts and Flyers. Non-profit organizations can have approved flyers included in the Bulletin. Inserts should be printed on both 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@olorchurch.org

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Monday, March 16
First reading: Isaiah 65:17-19
Psalm: 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
Gospel: John 4:43-54

Tuesday, March 17
First reading: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12
Psalm: 46:2-3, 5, 6, 8-9
Gospel: John 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 18
First reading: Isaiah 49:8-15
Psalm: 145:8-9, 13-14, 17-18
Gospel: John 5:17-30

Thursday, March 19
First reading: 2 Samuel 7:4-12, 16-14, 16
Psalm: 89:2-5, 7-9, 29
Second reading: Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22
Gospel: Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24

Friday, March 20
First reading: Wisdom 2:1, 12-22
Psalm: 44:17-21, 23
Gospel: John 7:1-12, 10, 25-30

Saturday, March 21
First reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20
Psalm: 7:2-3, 9-12
Gospel: John 7:40-53

Sunday, March 22
5th Sunday of Lent
First reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm: 51:3-4, 12-15
Second reading: Hebrews 5:7-9
Gospel: John 12:30-33
A Few Good Men  
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The council at Our Lady of the Rosary (#6288) is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The council’s commitment is first and foremost to the parish. In addition to performing various tasks around the parish such as cleaning the church and landscaping, the Knights hold annual fundraisers such as casino trips and the ever-popular golf tournament.
Our Lady of the Rosary’s council is 47 members strong. But we are still looking for a few good men. After every Mass this weekend, a few Knights will be out in front of the church to answer questions and hand out applications to those interested in joining the council.
If you did not get a chance to speak to one of the Knights after Mass this weekend and are considering becoming a member, or want more information about the Knights in general and our council in particular, please contact Greg Stewart at 510.796.3126 or at 510.796.3126, or e-mail him at Gregory.Stewart1@att.net.

Our Lady’s Guild
To Hold a Casino Bus Trip
Our Lady’s Guild will be having a trip to the Black Oak Indian Casino as a fundraiser on Saturday, April 18. The bus will start boarding in the church parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and will depart at 8:00 a.m. sharp. The bus should be back at the church around 5:30 p.m. There will be five hours of casino time. The cost of tickets is $35.00 per person (non-refundable). $20.00 will be returned to the players: $10.00 for table play, $5.00 for slot play and $5.00 in the form of a food coupon. Donuts and coffee will be served when boarding the bus. Tickets will be limited to the first 50 passengers. For tickets or more information please contact Joan Linson at 510.471.0191, Jeannette Santos at 510.378.8590 or Teresa Cummings (for calls in Spanish) at 510.471.6684.

Fridays During Lent Are Days of Abstinence
This means that all those 14 years of age and older are to refrain from eating meat or meat products that day (no meat or chicken – fish is OK).

A Thank You From Our Lady’s Guild
Our Lady’s Guild had a very beautiful and successful Retreat day last Saturday at the Dominican Sisters’ Convent in Mission San Jose. Fifty-two parish women, some who were guild members and some who were not, attended the retreat.
The Guild will like to thank the ladies who attended and shared their input, the members of the planning team, and Fr. Jesús, who was the retreat master. Their participation and input made this retreat one that was very special.
— Virginia Trucios  
Guild Spiritual Director

Stewardship Corner
“To turn the tide of materialism in the Christian community, we desperately need bold models of kingdom-centered living. We must hear each other’s stories about giving (in a way that doesn’t glorify people). Unless we learn how to humbly tell each other our giving stories, our people will not learn to give.”
— Randy Alcorn.

Do you have a “giving story” you would like to share in our Stewardship Corner? Maybe you felt a call to give, even at a time when you were struggling financially. Perhaps it was a time where your generosity was immediately outdone by God.
We would love to hear from you. Send your giving story to bulletin@olrchurch.org

For Sunday, March 1, 2015
Plate Collection (including EFT) .................................................. $10,461.50
Our budgeted goal for the Plate Collection ................................ 10,700.00
Children’s Envelopes .................................................................... 33.00

Thank you for your support!!!
Immigration Workshop
At OLR on March 24

Congregations Organizing for Renewal (COR) in collaboration with Central Legal de La Raza will be providing an informational workshop on all the latest in regards to immigration. A lawyer from Centro Legal de la Raza will be presenting critical information for families on DAPA, DACA, AB60 and other legislation. Please join us on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. For more information please contact Susana Peinado, 510-579-9877 or speinado@olrchurch.org.

LENTEN MEDITATIONS

John 3:16 is easily one of the most recognizable passages in Sacred Scripture, not only to people of faith, but to the secular world as well. There was a time that you could not watch a sporting event on television without seeing “John 3:16” appear on the screen by someone holding up a sign with that simple phrase. Simple by itself, but when the message is unwrapped, God’s profound love for us is revealed.

Jesus said to Nicodemus “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.” He did not say, “God so loved the Israelites.” He did not say, “God so loved the righteous.” No, Jesus said that his Father in heaven loved the world, and because of his love for the world he gave us his only Son, that by believing in him we may have eternal life. God loved the world and continues to love the world, to love us, even in our brokeness and fallen nature.

God’s love for the world is to be shared in the world. During Lent, it can be difficult to love, and yet it is during Lent when we are most called to love. As Matthew Kelly tells us in his Best Lent Ever series, “Love is a choice, not a feeling.” At the Last Supper, Jesus told his apostles to “love one another as I have loved you.” This was not a plea or suggestion. He commanded them – and us.

You have heard the phrase, “Everything in moderation.” But it should not be so with love. Love should be poured out in abundance. It should defy logic. Love does not “prefer darkness to light”. By loving our neighbor, even in their brokeness and fallen nature, we become the Light that came into this world.

— Donald Marquez

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Remember to Save the Date
Next Wednesday, March 25

Join Our Bishop
For Soup Night

Next Wednesday, March 25, Bishop Barber will be visiting our parish. Our Soup and Bread Supper will start an hour later at 7:00 p.m. He will join us for the meal, and after the meal he will address those present to share his vision of the Diocese and how our parish and the first-ever Capital Campaign can make the vision a reality.

In this edition of the Bulletin you will find a flyer that has the Campaign Prayer. We ask that you pray for the success of the campaign to help ensure a brighter future for our diocese and the many people that it serves.

A Word of “Thanks”
To Our Volunteer Church Cleaners

This week we would like to acknowledge cleaning Team #3, which will be cleaning our Church this Tuesday and Friday. The members of this team are the members of our parish’s Young Adult Group. We thank them for their hard work and dedication.
Wednesday Soup Supper
And Lenten Prayer
Wednesdays During Lent

Make this Lent a more prayerful season by attending our Wednesday Soup Night followed by Candlelight Prayer. Come to the Hall for Soup Night every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Various parish groups will be sponsoring each of the Soup Nights—they are as follows:

March 18  Young Adult Group
March 25  The Knights of Columbus
April 1  The Chinese Community

Our tradition is to offer a place where our parishioners can eat a simple dinner of soup and bread, and make a sacrificial donation in the amount that they would have otherwise spent to eat dinner at home or in a restaurant. Once Lent is over, all of the proceeds collected will be donated to a group or organization in need.

After soup visit the church for a prayer service from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m., presented by our deacons and our parish’s deaconate candidates.

Stations of the Cross
Held Every Friday

Stations of the Cross take place in the Church every Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. They are being sponsored by the Spanish Youth Group, but the Stations are bi-lingual.

We Are Adopting More Tools:
Hope to Name Some “Cindy” and Others “Julius”

Our volunteer gardening sessions on Saturdays are going great! We’re sure that you can see a big difference in the appearance of our parish grounds. We would like to thank the many people who show up on Saturdays at 8:00 in the morning to offer their help. We also would like to thank the parishioners who donated gardening tools. We received donations of three lawn mowers, a large leaf blower, numerous rakes and shovels, and a couple of cutting tools.

As we continue this work we find we are in need of some specific tools. Sometimes we have special jobs that are hard to do as we don’t have the right tools. Other times we have more people available to work than tools to hand out.

Do you have any of the following tools, or can get us any of these that might be needing a new home?

- A chain saw on a pole, for cutting branches up in the trees.
- Pruners, bypass type preferred.
- Loppers (i.e. a larger version of a pruner), bypass type preferred. Any of these that we receive we will name “Cindy,” so hopefully we will soon have some “Cindy Loppers” in our tool shed.
- Pairs of hedge shears, which look like large scissors. We will give these “scissors” the name “Julius.”
- Pruning saws.
- Hedge trimmers (gas, so we can be far from an electrical outlet).
- String trimmers (gas as well).

Please call the Parish Office at 510.471.2609 if you can donate any of the above items.

Thanks for your support.

Knights of Columbus to Have
A Casino Bus Trip

The Knights of Columbus will be having a trip to Red Hawk Casino as a fundraiser on Saturday, May 30, 2015. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 7:15 a.m. sharp. The bus should be back at the church around 6:30 p.m. The cost of tickets is $35.00 per person. Each person will receive either $20.00 in table play money or $15.00 for slot play. Each person will also receive a $5.00 meal credit. For more information call Solomon at 510.507.1911. He will also be selling tickets in front of the church.

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**SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE WEEK**

**THERE ARE NO SPONSORSHIPS THIS WEEK.**

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

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**Name**________________________________________________

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**Phone**________________________________________________

I would like my gift recognized as follows:

(Examples: The Hosts are sponsored by the Guerrero Family."

*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
Campaign Prayer

God the Father of mercies,
Creator and Giver of all that is good:
we thank You for the many blessings
You have bestowed upon us.
We offer You thanks and praise
for the beauty of the earth,
for those who have handed down our faith
from generation to generation,
for our work, our family and our loved ones.

Open our hearts to Your call,
teach us to serve You as you deserve,
as good stewards of Your many graces.
With hope and trust,
we ask You to send Your Holy Spirit
to guide our good work and to be with us
as we strive to reclaim our mission
to know Christ better and to make Him
better known.

We remain grateful for Your constant love,
and entrust our journey into Your hands,
through the intercession of our Blessed
Mother, Queen of the World.

Amen.

We Need Your Prayers...

Our campaign is off to a wonderful start. In the coming weeks, you will receive information about the campaign through the mail, in the bulletin and from fellow parishioners. We ask for your fullest attention, consideration and prayers for the campaign so that we all may reap the benefits within our parish and Diocese.

Over the next few weeks, we ask you to pray for the success of our campaign with our campaign prayer. This campaign is rooted in prayer and only through the prayers of our parishioners throughout the 84 parishes and missions in our Diocese, will we be successful.

Thank you for prayers. Remember, success depends on us!

Please remember to RSVP!

If you have not had the chance to RSVP to attend one of our informational receptions we ask you to do so as soon as possible to help us prepare for the proper number of guests.
Ride the Rails for Relay!

Saturday, April 25, 2015

The American Cancer Society is holding its 6th annual Ride the Rails on Saturday April 25. WINE TASTING ABOARD TRAIN INCLUDED IN PRICE OF TICKET. The ride will start at the Sunol Depot (6 Kilkare Rd), travel to the Niles Canyon Depot, and back to Sunol.

There are three time slots for the fundraising event:

The first train will leave Sunol Depot at 10:30 a.m., the second at 12:30 p.m., and the last one at 2:30 p.m. The round trip takes about 1½ hours. You can only board at Sunol. No disembarking at Niles Canyon. Handicap access available.

You are invited to BRING YOUR OWN FOOD aboard the train or, if you wish, you may purchase snacks onboard. As mentioned above, there will be wine tasting for passengers 21 and over. Be prepared to show ID. If you prefer to dine in the sun, there is a picnic area at the Sunol Depot.

Adults $25, Kids $15
Under 2 are free!

All proceeds go to our team gothope?

Tickets MUST be ordered by April 5. Tickets will be issued in advance.

To order, contact Donald Marquez @ donald_marquez@yahoo.com

Please provide your name, time slot, and # of adult/child tickets
Tuesday, March 17

**Bible Study**, English, home of Olive Riley-Stewart, 10:00 a.m.
**Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
**Rosary**, English 7:00 p.m.
**Stewardship Committee Meeting**, Office Conference Room #107, 7:30 p.m.
**7th and 8th Grade Youth Group**, Upper Room, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18

**Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
**Rosary**, English 7:00 p.m.
**Soup and Bread Supper**, Sponsored by the Young Adult Group
**Prayer Service**, Church, 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.
**Our Lady’s Guild Meeting**, Eddie Dobrec Room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 19

**Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
**Rosary**, English 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 20

**Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
**Dinner for those in need**, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.
**Stations of the Cross**, Church, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 21

**Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
**Young Adult Group**, Upper Room, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
**Couples for Christ Meeting**, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 22

**Families in Christ Jesus Community Meeting**, Eddie Dobrec Room, 12:30 p.m.
**High School Youth Group**, Upper Room, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
**Confirmation Group**, Church, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.