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
Youth Mass
6:00 p.m. — Bi-lingual, on the second Sunday of each month

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, 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

MARCH 29, 2015
Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday)

What's Inside...

- Schedule of Services for Holy Week and Easter
- Things to Know for Good Friday:
  - It's a Day of Fast and Abstinence
  - The Parish Office will Close at Noon

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 Easter Vigil
A Celebration of Light and Joy

We want to congratulate and welcome all of those who will receive sacraments at our Easter Vigil Mass this coming Saturday. We congratulate RCIA candidate Dale Bier, who will be receiving the sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation, and RCIA candidates Melissa Gutierrez, Corina Segura, Percelita Padilla, Ilyce Tejada, and Noemi Vasquez, who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation.

RCIA CANDIDATES at their retreat on March 22, 2015.

We also congratulate and welcome Angel Certuche (a 2nd Grade student in OLR School), Joshua Ramos (a 7th Grade OLR Student), Sophia Ramos (a 2nd Grade OLR student), Victoria Ramos (an 8th Grade OLR Student), and Xavier Ramos, a 3rd Grade OLR student, who will receive the sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation. Other young people from our

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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@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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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**Easter Vigil**  
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CCD program who will receive the sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation are **Eddie Cervantes** (Grade 3), **Ingrid Cruz** (Grade 6), **Maxxemus Machuca** (Grade 3) and **Dalilah Petersen** (Grade 4). Please pray for all of these people that they will be prepared to receive the sacraments and that they may always feel the love of God within our church. We congratulate their family members, friends, teachers, sponsors, RCIA Team leaders, and all of those who supported our candidates and shared their faith with them.

After the Easter Vigil Mass we will continue our celebration with a reception in the Parish Hall – everyone is invited to come.

In next week’s Bulletin we will include a short introduction to each of the participants in our RCIA program who received sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass.

**Two Infants to Receive the Sacrament of Baptism On Easter Sunday**

At the 9:45 a.m. Mass next Sunday, **Leonardo Cervantes**, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism, while **Izabel Ramos** will be Baptized at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Congratulations to them, their families and sponsors!

**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.

**Parish Office to Be Closed A Day in the Future**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Oakland that the Chancery and all parishes close their offices on March 31 each year in observance of the birthday of Cesar Chavez. However, if his birthday falls on Holy Week, the parish may choose to close on another day of its choice in the near future. As we will be busy, we will be open March 31, and have selected Friday, April 10 as our day of observance. We will remind you when the day draws closer.

**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, Jeanette Santos at 510.378.8590 or Teresa Cummings (for calls in Spanish) at 510.471.6684.

**Knights of Columbus Now Signing Up Golfers For its Annual Tournament**

The Knights of Columbus will have its annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, July 25, at Monarch Bay Golf Course in San Leandro. It will have a 4-person scramble format and an 8:00 a.m. shotgun start. It works well when groups of 3 or 4 people sign up together. The $100.00 entry fee will provide an 18-hole round of golf, use of a golf cart, tee prizes, a reception with prizes and awards, and admission to the dinner after the tournament in the Parish Hall. People not participating in the tournament may also attend the dinner at the cost of $15.00 per person. For registration or more information call Mario Castellanos at 510.468.2461.

**A Word of “Thanks” to Our Volunteer Church Cleaners**

This week we would like to acknowledge cleaning **Team 5**, which will be cleaning our Church this Tuesday and Friday at 6:00 p.m. This team is comprised of the members of the **Spanish Youth Group**, led by Susana Peinado. We thank them for their hard work and dedication.

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**Stewardship Corner**

Lord, teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, save that of knowing that I do your will. Amen.

- St. Ignatius

**Sacrificial Giving Report**

For Sunday, March 22, 2015

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<td>Children's Envelopes</td>
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Thank you for your support!!!
LENTEN MEDITATIONS

Of all the brilliant things I heard at last weekend’s RCIA retreat, there was one phrase that stood out:

“The unexamined life is not worth living.” (Socrates)

It sounds dramatic, even harsh, but aren’t we called to an examined life during Lent? And as we near the end of our Lenten journey (in the Liturgical sense because Lent, as we know, is infinite), maybe now is a good time to ask the really tough, examining questions to see how we measure up.

Are we following in the footsteps of John the Baptist to “decrease” while allowing Jesus to “increase?” (John 3:30)

Are we putting too much emphasis on what we have given up or are we offering “a heart contrite and humble?” (Psalm 51:17)

Are we bringing empty prayers before our Lord or have we “reconciled with those who have something against us?” (Matthew 5:23-24)

Are we caught up in the Lenten rituals or have we gone out into the world to “do for the least of His brethren?” (Matthew 25:40)

Are we stuck in a life of shame and unworthiness or have we “come to our senses” to allow our Father to greet us with open arms and throw us a magnificent feast? (Luke 15:17)

Have we remained unexamined, and therefore unchanged, or have we allowed Lent to transform us?

Lent is difficult. Lent challenges us to take a long, hard look in the mirror, and hope we like the person that is staring back.

But Lent’s darkness is what makes Easter’s light shine brighter.

— Donald Marquez

The 2015 FESCO “Shelter Shuffle” Walkathon To Take Place May 12

The 2015 FESCO “Shelter Shuffle” annual walkathon will take place on Saturday, May 2, from 8:30 a.m. to Noon at the San Leandro Marina. Please support this year’s OLR team either as a participant or a sponsor.

After Easter, on the weekend of April 18 and 19, and the weekend of April 25 and 26, there will be sign-up tables outside of Church after Mass where sign-ups will be taken of participants (walkers) and sponsors.

You do not have to wait till after Easter to sign up — you can do it online. Visit http://www.firstgiving.com/21524/18th-annual-fesco-shuffle now. If you sign up online you can send emails to your friends and relatives, asking them to support you. When you register online, remember to join the OLR team.

If you have any questions please call our parish FESCO Representative, Ron Wenzler at (510) 400-9045.

SOME OF THE PARTICIPANTS in last year’s event

Help Enhance Our Worship Experience
Come Dressed in the Colors of the Day

During the Masses and services of Holy Week and Easter, we encourage you to wear the colors that correspond to our celebrations of the coming week. In this way you will become an even more integral part of our celebrations:

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The “Last Supper” to Take Place This Wednesday

This Wednesday we will have our last Soup and Bread Supper. It will take place at 6:00 p.m. and will be sponsored by the Chinese Community. After the supper you are invited to join us for a prayer service in the Church at 7:00 p.m.

Do Not Bring Electronics With You on Friday

We will have our Passion Mime on Good Friday at the 7:30 p.m. service. Due to the solemn and powerful presentation that will be made, we are asking you to do us a favor and not compromise the worship service. Please do not bring any type of camera or video equipment with you, as photography will not be allowed. In addition, keep all cellular phones and other electronic devices turned completely off or at home. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Penance Guidelines for Good Friday

This Friday, Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. Fasting means that anyone 14 years old (starting the day after one’s 14th birthday) up to 59 years of age (the obligation ceases at Midnight between the 59th birthday and the next day) should eat only one larger meal or two smaller meals, with no eating between meals. Pregnant women and people who are sick are not obliged to fast. Abstinence 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).

Schedule of Services for Holy Week and Easter

This week is Holy Week. The schedule of this week’s services is as follows:

Holy Thursday – April 2
This Mass of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m. Following the Mass, The Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Chapel until Midnight. Feel free to stop by.

Good Friday – April 3
Stations of the Cross – 12:00 Noon, outdoors (in the Church if it is raining)
Prayer, scripture, and song – After the stations are over, in the Church.
Liturgy of the Word, Passion Mime, Veneration of the Cross, and Communion, 7:30 p.m.

The Easter Vigil – April 4
Easter Vigil Service with the Service of Light – 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday – April 5
The same as the usual Sunday morning Mass schedule:
6:45 a.m. – Mass in Spanish
8:15 a.m. – Mass in English
9:45 a.m. – Mass in Spanish
11:30 p.m. – Mass in English

THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:
Thursday, April 2, 8:15 a.m.
Friday, April 3, 8:15 a.m.
Saturday, April 4, 9:00 a.m.

We are Collecting Rice Bowls

Please deposit your Rice Bowls in the baskets located at the entrances to the church. Thank you for helping those in need in developing countries throughout by participating in this program.

The Parish Office to Close At Noon on Friday

This coming Friday, Good Friday, the Parish Office will close at Noon, and will not re-open until Tuesday morning, April 7.

SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE WEEK

HOSTS: Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
WINE: Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
CANDLES: Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
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 ($35.00/week);  [ ] Candles ($35.00/week);  [ ] Flowers ($125.00/week)

Today's Date ____________________________
Name ________________________________
Address ______________________________
Envelope/Acct. # ______________________
Phone ________________________________

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
Our Lady of the Rosary School

Invites You to a FIESTA!

Saturday, May 2
10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Here on the Parish Grounds

*** FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY ***

Join us for authentic Mexican, Filipino, and American food, refreshing drinks, carnival games, music, entertainment, and plenty of fun for all!
Tuesday, March 31
   **Bible Study**, English, home of Olive Riley-Stewart, 10:00 a.m.
   **Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
   **Rosary**, English 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1
   **Rosary**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
   **Rosary**, English 7:00 p.m.
   **Soup and Bread Supper**, Sponsored by the Chinese Community, 6:00 p.m.
   **Prayer Service**, Church, 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 2
   **HOLY THURSDAY**
   No 8:15 a.m. Mass
   **Mass of the Lord’s Supper**, bi-lingual, 7:30 p.m.
   **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**, Chapel, until Midnight

Friday, April 3
   **GOOD FRIDAY**
   No 8:15 a.m. Mass
   **Stations of the Cross**, Outdoors, 12:00 Noon
   **Prayer, Scripture and Song**, Church, after the Stations
   **Dinner for those in need**, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.
   **Liturgy of the Word, Passion Mime, Veneration of the Cross and Communion**, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 4
   **HOLY SATURDAY**
   No 9:00 a.m. Mass
   **Easter Vigil Mass**, bi-lingual, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 5
   **EASTER SUNDAY**
   Same Mass schedule as is usual for Sunday morning