MAY 17, 2015
The Ascension of the Lord

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Tue. - Fri., 11:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Closed Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays

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.
Donald Marquez Writes . . .
Reflections from My Jamaica Immersion Trip

Thanks to Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, I had the opportunity to embark on an immersion trip to Jamaica from April 29 to May 5. In the coming weeks, beginning today, I would like to share some of my experiences with my fellow parishioners.

To be clear, this was not a mission trip, but a week of prayer, worship, and reflection and a chance to immerse ourselves into the Jamaican culture, while also visiting the physically and mentally challenged.

The question for the trip was “Where will we find Christ?” He wasn’t difficult to locate. Yes, we found Jesus at the homes for the disabled and at Hope Hospice, but we also saw him appear in the caretakers, the clergy (especially Deacon Baldwin, our most gracious host), our server Julian, our bus driver Henry, and in the breathtaking sights of the Jamaican country.

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JAVAUGN and a member of the Maryknoll group at worship service.

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 Dobree 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 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@olrchurch.org

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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One of the first places we found Christ was in the face and the heart of nine-year-old Javaun, a resident of Blessed Assurance, a home for disabled boys and girls. Javaun, who has Downs Syndrome, greeted our group with hugs as we exited the bus. During worship service, his “drumming” on the church pew played in perfect harmony with every hymn.

In a place of despair, Javaun and many of the residents and caretakers at Blessed Assurance brought Christ to us as much, if not more, than we brought Christ to them.

A Word of “Thanks” to Our Volunteer Church Cleaners

This week we would like to acknowledge cleaning Team #2, which will be cleaning our Church this Tuesday and Friday at 4:00 p.m. The members of this team are: Beatriz Enos and Family; Maria Gallo and Family; and Rosa Gonzalez and Family. We thank them for their hard work and dedication.

If anyone else would like to join them to help, please meet them at the Church at 4:00 on Tuesday or Friday.

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 this 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.

Important Information Concerning Second Collections For the Remainder of this Month

Due to the Diocesan-Wide Capital Campaign, and the earthquake in Nepal, there are some important developments related to second collections.

PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY as it discusses the Catholic Charities collection which has been moved to another day, and the addition of a Second Collection for the earthquake in Nepal.

In addition, you will recall that we have eliminated our second collections. But in May we are going to have three, if you include the one for the Capital Campaign this week. “What is going on?” you might ask. We are able to eliminate all those that are related to the parish, but not those for the Diocese, approved by the Diocese, or US Bishops. The three for this month fall under this category.

Catholic Charities

The Diocese set the date of the Catholic Charities annual collection for this weekend, May 16 and 17. However, there are some parishes like ours that are currently in the commitment phase of the Capital Campaign. Since we are in the commitment phase, our collection for Catholic Charities is being moved to the weekend of May 30 and 31. Hold on to your Catholic Charities collection envelope and turn it in that weekend instead.

NEXT WEEKEND:
Special Collection for Earthquake Relief

Two weekends ago Fr. Jesus announced that the Diocese has authorized parishes to take up a second collection to help the earthquake relief effort in Nepal.

We will take up the earthquake relief collection NEXT WEEKEND, May 23 and 24.
If you use offertory envelopes or EFT, place your donation in an envelope marked “Earthquake Relief.” Include your account number so that your donation will be credited to your account. Funds collected through this collection will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services, the international relief organization that is present and “on the ground” in any part of the world where disaster strikes.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give (Mt 10:8).

What did the Apostles give to the world that was so priceless? The same as they had received: Jesus Christ – God, true love and friendship, forgiveness of sins, and eternal life.

Every father and mother on earth has a model to look up to; every son and daughter has the perfect image to kneel to. Today, the Lord calls us to be faithful and generous in our vocation as a Christian and as a family member because in both cases we have received much, freely, from heaven.

Since the cost is priceless and the reward is everlasting, then our commitment must be unconditional.

Excerpt from Daily Meditations with Fr. Alfonse (http://fralfonse.blogspot.com)

SACRIFICAL GIVING REPORT

For Sunday, May 10, 2015 — Sixth Sunday of Easter

Plate Collection (Including EFT) ................................................................. $11,082.50
Our budgeted goal for the Plate Collection ........................................... 10,700.00
Children’s Envelopes ........................................................................... 45.00

Thank you for your support!!!
CYO to Have
Signups for its Upcoming
Cross Country Program

Our Lady of the Rosary CYO is having signups for its Cross Country Program. It is open to all students in grades 3 through 8 who reside within our parish boundaries. There will be two signup sessions:
   Saturday, May 30, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00
   In the Eddie Dobrec Room
   Wednesday, June 3, 6:30 – 8:30 pm.
   In the Eddie Dobrec Room.

The participation fee for the first member of a family is $50.00, and $25.00 for each additional family member. When coming to the sign-ups, be sure to bring a copy of each participant’s birth or baptismal certificate to verify age, and a recent copy of a utility bill (e.g. PG&E, ACWD, AT&T, Comcast, etc.) to verify residency.

For more information call Rudy at 510.909.5453, e-mail info@olrcyo.org or visit www.olrcyo.org

Consider Becoming a Minister to the Sick

We would like to welcome parishioners to join this important and rewarding ministry, which allows those who are ill or cannot come to church to receive the Body of Christ. If you are interested or want more information, please call the Parish Office at 510.471.2609. You would be provided training before serving in this ministry.

Final Announcement for
The 2015 FESCO Shuffle Walkathon

Thank you one and all who walked in or supported the Our Lady of the Rosary Team in this year’s FESCO Shuffle walkathon. Through your support and generosity we raised over $6,650.00 for FESCO to be able to help many homeless people. Numerous donations were made in memory of Deacon Luis Trucios. In this final announcement about the FESCO Shuffle we would like to end with the prayer the OLR team members read together before beginning the walk.

Prayer for Homeless People

Hear our prayer today for all women and men, boys and girls who are homeless this day.
For those sleeping under bridges, on park benches, in doorways or bus stations.
For those who can only find shelter for the night but must wander in the daytime.
For families broken because they could not afford to pay the rent.
For those who have no relatives or friends who can take them in.
For those who have no place to keep possessions that remind them who they are.
For those who are afraid and hopeless.
For those who have been betrayed by our social safety net.
For all these people, we pray that you will provide shelter, security and hope,
We pray for those of us with warm houses and comfortable beds that we may not be lulled into complacency and forgetfulness.
Jesus, help us to see your face in the eyes of every homeless person we meet so that we may be empowered through word and deed, and through the political means we have,
To bring justice and peace to those who are homeless. Amen

Engage Your Heart
Through Service To Others

Companions in Ignatian Service and Spirituality (www.ignatiancompanions.org) is a unique program that engages women and men, retired and semi-retired, who have a desire to serve those most marginalized in our communities while deepening their spiritual foundations. They are currently accepting applications for the 2015-2016 program year and will be welcoming new participants until the program is filled to capacity.

If you are interested and want more information, we invite you to attend our upcoming “Come and See” session this Saturday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m. at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley. For more information and to RSVP, please contact us at ignatiancompanions@gmail.com by calling 415.375.0622 or call Ron and Lorrie Wenzler, OLR parishioners, at 510.400.9045.

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.

Take an Active Part
In the Celebration –
Dress Yourself
In Red
For Pentecost
Next Weekend

Next Sunday is the Feast of Pentecost — the birthday of our Church. To take a more active role in our celebration next weekend, we invite our parishioners to come to Mass dressed in Red. Red is the color of this feast.
Making Your Gift or Pledge to the Diocesan Capital Campaign

Now is the time! It’s time to turn in your gift or pledge to the Diocesan Capital Campaign.

Be sure to look at the flyer included in this Bulletin for more information on the campaign.

We hope that you have had the opportunity to pray and reflect on your gift, and are ready to make a commitment to support the campaign.

HOW CAN I GIVE?
There are many options:

- Automatic deductions from a checking account or credit card.
- Filling a pledge over a four-year period with monthly or quarterly payments.
- Making a one-time gift.
- Donating stock or other investments (to do this, contact the diocesan Office of Institutional Advancement at 510.893.4711).

THE SIZE OF MY GIFT — It’s not as hard as you think:

- There is NO minimum gift. If you see the suggested gift chart, remember that any gift is a great step in helping us meet our goals — even a gift that is lower than those shown on the chart.
- It is more important for a large number of our parishioners to give a smaller gift than for only a few to give a larger one — WE CAN MEET OUR GOAL! For example, if all of our 1,000 regular envelope users would give $500.00 over the next four years, we would meet our goal. On a monthly basis the pledge would be $10.50 — equal to two trips to the coffee house each month for a coffee and a cookie.

HOWN DO I TURN IT IN?
Here is where and how you can turn in your pledge or gift:

You can...
- Deliver it to the Parish Office
- Place it in any collection at Mass
- Place it in the donation boxes at the doors to the Church
- Mail it to the Parish Office
  Address: Our Lady of the Rosary Church
  703 C Street, Union City, CA 94587
- Mail it to the Diocese Office of Institutional Advancement
  Diocese of Oakland
  2121 Harrison St., Suite 100
  Oakland, CA 94612

When sending in your pledge or gift directly to the Diocese, be sure to write “Our Lady of the Rosary — Union City” in the parish blank on the commitment card or envelope so that our parish will receive credit for your gift — and the parish’s 25% share as well!

Thank you very much for your consideration and support.

We’re Looking For a Professional Painter

If anyone is a painting professional (or possesses the skills of one) that can volunteer his or her services, we can use your help. We would like to paint the cargo containers that are on our property. However, this would best be accomplished by spray painting them with “oil based” (e.g. alkyd) paint. A couple of containers would also have to be primed with a rust-inhibitive primer.

If you could help us with this project, please contact the Parish Office at 510.471.2609.

SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE WEEK

HOSTS: Sponsored by Francisco and Yolanda Garcia, in loving memory of Jesus and Carmen Mendez, Jose and Rosa Garcia, Cherna and Olivia Sevilla and Richard Martinez

WINE: Sponsored by Francisco and Yolanda Garcia, in loving memory of Jesus and Carmen Mendez, Jose and Rosa Garcia, Cherna and Olivia Sevilla and Richard Martinez

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 ___________________________ 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.
We need your Participation!

Our parish continues to make progress as we work toward reaching our goal in our Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together Campaign. Many families have demonstrated their support to the campaign by filling out a pledge card. To those families who have contributed, thank you for your continued support!

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish has pledged over $30,000 toward our goal of $553,508. This represents just over 6% of our goal from only 10 of our parish families.

Please help us build on this success and reach our goal of 100% participation by making your pledge today! It is through prayer and sacrifice that we can make this campaign a success. Please make your gift soon to reduce the amount of follow-up contacts our volunteers will be making over the next few days.

**SUGGESTED GIFT PLANS**

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- Gift plans are based on a 10% down payment, however, a down payment is not necessary to make a pledge.
- Payment reminders will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan (monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annually).
- The Diocese also accepts gifts of stocks, direct debit and credit card payments.
- Gifts can also be made online by visiting www.reclaimtogether.org

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510-496-7200 • www.reclaimtogether.org
Tuesday, May 19
  Bible Study, English, home of Olive Riley-Stewart, 10:00 a.m.
  Rosary, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
  Rosary, English 7:00 p.m.
  7th and 8th Grade Youth Group, Upper Room, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20
  Rosary, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
  Rosary, English 7:00 p.m.
  Our Lady's Guild Meeting, Eddie Dobrec Room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 21
  Rosary, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
  Rosary, English 7:00 p.m.

Friday, May 22
  Rosary, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
  Dinner for those in need, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 23
  Rosary, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.
  Couples for Christ Meeting, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 24
  Second collection for Nepal earthquake relief
  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.