

"The Lord upholds my life.
I will offer You a willing sacrifice..."

- Entrance Antiphon
Psalm 54: 6, 8



16th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of July 18 - 24, 2020

* Public Mass held outdoors on Sunday & Wednesday at Our Lady of Grace School, 1990 Linden Road *
Live stream Sunday Mass online [westsacolg.org/live](https://www.westsacolg.org/live) or attend in-person
Weekday Virtual Mass join GoToMeeting: (same link used every time)
Log on from computer/electronic device: <https://www.gotomeet.me/FrMathewRappu>

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| SATURDAY | July 18 | 5:30 PM | Livestream | For Shannon Gianatasio (Special Intentions) |
| SUNDAY | July 19 | 9 AM | Outdoor Mass | For All Members of our Parish |
| | | 11 AM | Outdoor Mass | For Teresita Haag + |
| MONDAY | July 20 | 8:30 AM | Virtual Mass | For Raymond Lehman + |
| TUESDAY | July 21 | 8:30 AM | Virtual Mass | For Josiane Barnett (Special Intentions) |
| WEDNESDAY | July 22 | 8:30 AM | Outdoor Mass | For Victoria Williams + |
| THURSDAY | July 23 | | | No Mass |
| FRIDAY | July 24 | 8:30 AM | Virtual Mass | For Leon Girard + |

Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Following the announcement of the governor, Bishop Soto canceled all indoor Masses but outdoor Masses are permitted.

Accordingly starting this Sunday July 19, we will have the Mass out in the open air by the Convent in the Our Lady of Grace School compound, 1990 Linden Road. The open air masses will be on Sundays 9 am & 11 am only. Please bring along a picnic chair, towel, or mat to sit and a pillow if you want to kneel. (Chairs will be provided for those who do not have one).

The Virtual Mass will be broadcast on Saturday at 5:30 pm. Please join via livestream by visiting the parish website [westsacolg.org](https://www.westsacolg.org) on weekends and GoToMeeting video conference at 8:30 am on weekdays. There is no Mass on Thursday.

For those who do not want to attend crowded Masses, there will be an 8.30 am open air Mass on Wednesdays at the same venue.

Please contact the Parish Office (916) 371-4814 if you have any questions or concerns.

Blessings,
Fr. Mathew
Rappu Pastor

Welcome to OUR LADY OF GRACE Catholic Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

July 14, 2020 Message from Bishop Jaime Soto to the Faithful

Dear Friends in Christ:

The rising number of infections and deaths due to COVID-19 is alarming. Even as we exercise all the necessary precautions in our churches, the risk of infection is greater. **Governor Gavin Newsom announced on Monday, July 13, 2020, the suspension of most indoor activities, including church services in thirty counties in the State of California.** I urge the faithful to cooperate with State and local public health officials. The counties affected in our diocese are: Colusa, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Solano, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba, effective immediately.

I have asked the pastors and parochial administrators of the parishes in these counties to consider offering the sacrifice of the Mass outdoors. These celebrations, following the diocesan directives, will continue to provide for the safety of the faithful. In particular, pastors should take into account weather conditions and high temperatures in scheduling the times for Mass. I have asked the pastors to continue transmitting the Mass by livestreaming or other means.

The celebration of indoor Mass will continue for parishes in counties not included in the list: Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, Butte, Sierra, Nevada, El Dorado, and Amador.

We must remain vigilant, especially for the sake of the most vulnerable among us. All the faithful in the Diocese of Sacramento are asked to review the guidelines noted in the Coming Back to the Table document: <https://www.scd.org/comingbacktothetable>. The required use of face-coverings, contact tracing protocols, and physical-distancing continue to be prudent safeguards during this dreadful plague.

The dangerous surge of infections and deaths due to the COVID-19 pandemic is disheartening and threatening, especially for the most vulnerable of our community. May the Lord Jesus grant us the patience, diligence, and charity necessary to care for one another. Pray for the Lord's mercy to end this pandemic. May the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary bring healing to all the afflicted, protection to their caregivers, eternal rest to all those who have died, and consoling comfort to their families and friends.

Respectfully,
+ Jaime Soto Bishop
of Sacramento

CHRISTIAN GIVING



Please help us reach our Weekly Budget Goal of \$4,271.00
Collection for July 5: \$2,231.00

Sunday Offerings Bring your offerings with you and drop in the collection basket before or after Mass. There will be no offertory collection during Mass. You can also drop off or mail your contributions to OLG Church, 911 Park Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Donate by Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Discover and debit cards securely online at [westsacolg.org](https://www.westsacolg.org) - Thank you to the 28 families that contributed to the weekly offerings which supports our Church. May God bless your families according to His will.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Prayer to Saint James, the Apostle

O glorious Apostle, St. James, who by reason of thy fervent and generous heart was chosen by Jesus to be a witness of His glory on Mount Tabor, and of His agony in Gethsemane; Thou, whose very name is a symbol of warfare and victory: obtain for us strength and consolation in the unending warfare of this life, that, having constantly and generously followed Jesus, we may be victors in the strife and deserve to receive the victor's crown in heaven. Amen. St. James, pray for us. (Catholic Prayers)



Remembering the Sick: Pat Belding—Sue Belding—Ranee Gunasekara
Nastaka Gunasekara—Stefanie Smith—Charles Shunk—Leonila Arucan
Kathy Vilhauer—Janet Montemayor—Fidel Martinez—Harry Valencia
Fr. Cesar Ageas

Departed Souls: Billy Lewis+ Joe Virga+ Rudy Demartelaere+ Joe Cruz+
Lucille Pope+ Teresita Haag+ Jim Thompson+ Frances Jennings+

Thanksgiving: Happy 100th Birthday to Madeline Marvin on July 21, 2020

Safe Travels & Protection: Ken Bobinski & Katharine Van Ness

Names will remain for one month. Call the Parish Office to add, remove or extend.

OF WHEAT AND WEEDS:

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God is always teaching His people, we hear in today's First Reading. And what does He want us to know? That He has care for all of us, that though He is a God of justice, even those who defy and disbelieve Him may hope for His mercy if they turn to Him in repentance. This divine teaching continues in the three parables that Jesus tells in the Gospel today. Each describes the emergence of the seeds sown by His works and preaching. The kingdom's growth is hidden like working of yeast in bread; it's improbable, unexpected as in the way the tall mustard tree grows from the smallest of seeds.

Again this week's readings sound a note of questioning: **Why does God permit the evil to grow alongside the good? Why does He permit some to reject the Word of His kingdom?** Because, as we sing in today's Psalm, God is slow to anger and abounding in kindness. He is just, Jesus assures us evildoers and those who cause others to sin will be thrown into the fiery furnace at the end of the age. But by His patience, God is teaching us that above all He desires repentance, and the gathering of all nations to worship Him and to glorify His name. Even though we don't know how to pray as we ought, the Spirit will intercede for us, Paul promises in today's Epistle. But first **we must turn and call upon Him, we must commit ourselves to letting the good seed of His Word bear fruit in our lives.** So we should not be deceived or lose heart when we see weeds among the wheat, truth and holiness mixed with error, injustice and sin. For now, He makes His sun rise on the good and the bad (Mt 5:45). But the harvest draws near.

Let's work that we might be numbered among the righteous children who will shine like the sun in the kingdom of the Father. (StPaulCenter.com)



Communion for the Homebound - Please call the Parish office if you wish a Eucharistic Minister to visit.

Anointing of the Sick - Persons who are sick or who are going to have surgery may request the Sacrament of the Sick by calling the Parish office. One need not be in immediate danger of death.

St Vincent de Paul (SVDP) - If anyone in our Parish or greater community needs assistance, or if anyone would like to volunteer their time to work with our Parish SVDP program please call 916-371-5264.

Mission Statement – We are a welcoming Eucharistic community nourished by the Word of God, committed to extend Christ’s unconditional love to ALL.

Life Long Catholic Faith Formation

Baptism - Mandatory class for parents and godparents is scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the rectory. Baptisms will be scheduled for the First Saturday at 11:30 am after completion of the class and all required paperwork. Please call the Parish Office to register for the class or to schedule the Baptism.

Children’s Religious Education/Catholic Faith Formation (CFF), K-8th - Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 pm at the school. Includes preparation in the 2nd grade to receive the First Eucharist; and preparation in the 7th grade for Confirmation. Both sacraments require 2-year attendance in CFF. Classes for high school students that need the sacraments are held on an as-needed basis. Call the Parish Office at (916) 371-4814.

Matrimony - Engaged couples should contact the Pastor to begin preparation a minimum of six months prior to the time you would like to be married. Please do not make any other arrangements before meeting with the Pastor.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) - Sessions for anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith, especially the unbaptized, baptized Christians who want to join the Catholic Church, and baptized Catholics who wish to complete initiation with Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes in the Parish Center on Thursday nights 7-8:30 pm.

Youth Ministry - Graced Youth Ministry, the youth ministry program for our high school students meets alternating Sundays at 6:00 pm in the OLG School gym.

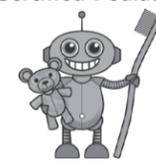
Welcome to Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church!

New to the parish? Like to register?

Please fill in & tear this off & drop in the offertory basket.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

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|  <p>We meet @ 6:30pm the 2nd Thursday of each month Call: 916-371-4814 for details.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Orthodontic Specialists</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Kelly M. Giannetti and Dr. Thais C. Booms</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Orthodontics for Children and Adults 2101 Stone Blvd, Suite 130, West Sacramento 916-452-3584 www.sacortho.com</p> </div> </div> |
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| <div style="text-align: center;">   <p style="font-size: x-small;">24 HOUR NATIONAL PREGNANCY HELP HOTLINE: 1-800-712-HELP (4357) www.optionline.org</p> </div> | |
| <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Paul A. Johnson, D.D.S. Board Certified Pediatric Dentist</p>   <p style="font-size: x-small;">Proudly serving the community over 3 years! 916-277-8055 www.pdows.com</p> <p>Pediatric Dentistry of West Sacramento 2101 Stone Blvd., Suite 130, West Sacramento</p> </div> | <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Join us in praying the Rosary</p>  <p>5pm weekdays on Relevant Radio</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; font-size: x-small;">  <div style="margin-left: 5px;"> <p>Catholic Radio AM 1620</p> </div> </div> </div> |
| <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> | <div style="text-align: center;"> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Our Lady of Grace Council #9469</p>  <p>Knights of Columbus</p> <p>Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 7pm in the Convent Building, Our Lady of Grace School.</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">For membership information contact Byron Paige, Membership Chairman: (916) 995-4570</p> </div> |
| <div style="text-align: center;"> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Join the worldwide movement to protect mothers and babies</p>  <p>40 DAYS FOR LIFE</p> <p>www.40daysforlife.co</p> </div> | |

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Mass Schedule

Daily: 8:30am
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm Livestream
Sunday: 9am & 11am School
Holy Days: 7am and 7pm
First Saturday: 8:30am
(Immaculate Heart of Mary)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:45 to 5:15 or by appointment

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