

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Jul 4 First Saturday BVM Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17 USA Independence Day Jul 5 14th Sunday Ordinary Time Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9,11-13; Mt 11:25-30 Jul 6 Weekday St Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr Hos 2:16,17b-18,21-22; Mt 9:18-26 Jul 7 Weekday Hos 8:4-7,11-13; Mt 9:32-38
- Jul 8 Weekday Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12; Mt 10:1-7
- Jul 9 Weekday St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs Hos 11:1-4,8e-9; Mt 10:7-15 Jul 10 Weekday Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
- Pastor's Corner

A YOKE FOR THE CHILDLIKE:

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus is portrayed in today's Gospel as a new and greater Moses. Moses. the meekest man on earth (Num 12:3), was God's friend (Ex 34:12, 17). Only he knew God "face to face" (Deut 34:10). And Moses gave Israel the yoke of the Law, through which God first revealed Himself and how we are to live (Jer 2:20; 5:5).

Jesus too is meek and humble. But He is more than God's friend. He is the Son who alone knows the Father. He is more also than a law-giver, presenting Himself today as the yoke of a new Law, and as the revealed Wisdom of God. As Wisdom, Jesus was present before creation as the firstborn of God, the Father and Lord of heaven and earth (Pro 8:22; Wis 9:9). And He gives knowledge of the holy things of the kingdom of God (Wis 10:10). In the gracious will of the Father, Jesus reveals these things only to the "childlike" those who humble themselves before Him as little children (Sir 2:17).

These alone can recognize and receive Jesus as the just savior and meek king promised to daughter Zion, Israel, in today's First Reading. We too are called to childlike faith in the Father's goodness, as sons and daughters of the new kingdom, the Church. We are to live by the Spirit we received in Baptism (Gal 5:16), putting to death our old ways of thinking and acting, as Paul exhorts in today's Epistle. Our "yoke" is to be His new law of love (Jn 13:34), by which we enter into the "rest" of His kingdom. As we sing in today's Psalm, we joyously await the day when we will praise His name forever in the kingdom that lasts for all ages. This is the sabbath rest promised by Jesus first anticipated by Moses (Ex 20:8–11), but which still awaits the people of God (Heb 4:9). (StPaulCenter.com)

Welcome to OUR LADY OF GRACE Catholic Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS





Thank you OLG Families for supporting the Knights of Columbus fireworks booth this year! Proceeds from the booth support important causes in our parish and school. We appreciate the intensive effort it takes to make our fireworks booth the success it has been for years. Special thanks to Brother Knights, their families, parishioners and numerous volunteers that have put in many hours at the booth, and do so gladly. May God bless all of you according to His will.



Where Are You Going? 2020 Quo Vadis Boys retreat on July 30 - August 2, 2020 virtually via Zoom! Boys ages 13-17 will learn about the Priesthood, Diaconate and Married Life through daily on-line sessions. Using this virtual tool, there will be time for fellowship, games and prayer about their vocation. Parents, encourage your sons

Quo Vadis 2020 to attend. Registration details at www.scd.org/guovadis



Deacon's Desk

Message from Deacon David Campbell, June 30, 2020

To the Our Lady of Grace Parish Family,

June 30th marked the second anniversary of my ordination to the Permanent Diaconate. My wife Carol kept a collection of notes, cards, letters, programs, bulletins, and prayers from that day for me to look at on the anniversary.

At the conclusion of the ordination Mass, Bishop Soto told the new deacons, "Each of you, my brother deacons, has responded to a personal call of the Lord Jesus. He has called you with a brother's affection. With a shepherd's care, Jesus has brought you to this altar of charity so that your diaconal charity will only have one source: the water and blood that flow from his Sacred Heart."

I remain humbled by the continued encouragement and support given by our Parish Family - Father Mathew and all of you - throughout my formation and over the past two years. These two exciting years were filled with opportunities to serve at the altar, preach the gospel, and offer service to others. What a privilege it has been to conduct baptisms, witness marriages, offer blessings and serve in such varied ways!

I look forward to returning to full and active ministry as soon as the Bishop lifts the Covid-19 restrictions. Meanwhile, Carol and I thank you for all you have done for us, and we pray that God will bless each of you and strengthen you in your faith.

> Sharing in the love of Christ, Deacon Dave



Mass Intentions If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, contact the Parish Office with the dates and times that are available. Mass Intentions are published weekly in the Sunday bulletin. Mass Intentions are a personal donation, but the suggested amount is \$10. We reserve the right to reschedule any intention request for a Mass that was already booked.

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. St Benedict, pray for us. (Catholic Pravers)





spiritual formation, music, and community building! The cost is only \$20/participant if registered by July 5 and includes a face mask. After July 5, participants will not be guaranteed a face mask. Register at www.scd.org/mercy-motion-mission. If a teen wants to attend, but doesn't have a youth ministry leader at their parish, contact Alex Barraza: abarraza@scd.org or 916-733-0134.

CHRISTIAN GIVING

Please help us reach our Weekly Budget Goal of \$4,271.00 Collection for June 21: \$1,852.00



Sunday Offerings Bring your envelopes with you to Mass and drop in the collection basket in the gym lobby. There will be no offertory collection during Mass. You can drop off or mail your contributions to OLG Church, 911 Park Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691 or pay by Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Discover and debit cards securely online at westsacolg.org - Donate today!

PRAYER INTENTIONS



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

Departed Souls: Billy Lewis+ Joe Virga+ Rudy Demartelaere+ Joe Cruz+ Lucille Pope+ (Names will remain for one month. Call the Parish Office to add, remove or extend.)

> Middle School & High School youth and their families are invited and encouraged to participate in Mercy in Motion from July 14 - 16, 2020. This is a 3-day event of formation, service, and community with our first ever Mission experience. We will provide a virtual & interactive event for groups in the greater Sacramento communities, complete with speakers,

MINISTRY MEETINGS - No Live Meetings

Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays, Rosary and Novena at 6:00 pm, followed by Mass (Church).

- Bereavement Ministry: Call the Parish Office (916) 371-4814.
- Bible Study: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm except 1st Tuesday of the month (Parish Center). Catholic Faith Formation: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:45 pm (September to May) for K-8th grade, includes first Communion and Confirmation sacrament preparation (School). Graced Youth Ministry: Every other Sunday, 6:00 pm (School Gym).
- Mom's Ministry: 3rd Sunday, 6:30 pm (Parish Center).
- Mom's Bible Study: Fridays, 8:45 am (Parish Center).
- OLG Prayer Meeting: 2nd thru 5th Fridays of the month, 7:00 pm (School Chapel). RCIA Adapted for Teens: Sundays, 10:00 am (Rectory).
- RCIA: Thursdays, 7:00 pm and Inquiry on Mondays, 7:00 pm (Parish Center).
- Respect Life Ministry: 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Rectory).
- St. Vincent de Paul: 1st and 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Rectory).
- Women's Council: 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm (Parish Center).



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

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u> - 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.

<u>St Vincent de Paul (SVDP)</u> - 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

<u>Baptism</u> - 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),

<u>K-8th</u> - 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.

<u>Matrimony</u> - 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.

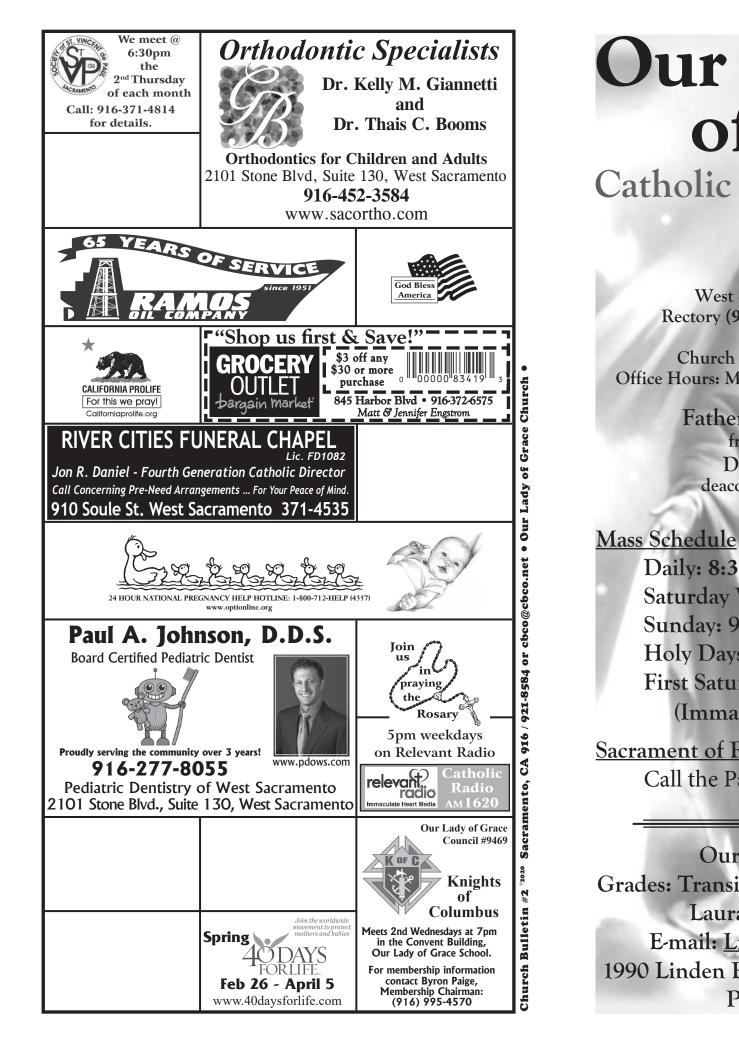
<u>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)</u> - Sessions for anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith, especially the unbaptized, baptized Christians who want to join the Catholic Church, and baptized Catholics who wish to complete initiation with Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes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

<u>Youth Ministry</u> - 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:



Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

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s Schedule Daily: 8:30am Church Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm School Gym Sunday: 9am & 11am School Gym Holy Days: 7am & 7pm First Saturday: 8:30am

(Immaculate Heart of Mary)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Call the Parish Office for an appointment

Our Lady of Grace School, Grades: Transitional Kindergarten – 8th Grade Laura MacDonald, Principal E-mail: <u>Lmacdonald@olgwestsac.com</u> 1990 Linden Rd, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Phone (916) 371-9416