"Give me discernment,
that I may observe Your law
& keep it with all my heart."

– Responsorial Psalm 119: 34

February 12, 2023

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS SCHEDULE

February 12 — 17, 2023

Livetream Sundays & Holy Days on WestSac OLG YouTube Channel
Daily Mass & Rosary on Zoom Meeting ID 828 7609 4045 Passcode OLG

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| SATURDAY | Feb 11 | 11 AM | Baptism of Jesse Hanson | |
| | | 5:30 PM | Ranee Gunasekara | (Healing) |
| SUNDAY | Feb 12 | 9 AM | All Parishioners | |
| | | 11 AM | Angie Montemayor | + |
| MONDAY | Feb 13 | 8:30 AM | Lourdes Estrada | (Birthday) |
| | | | Patrick Marta | (Birthday) |
| | | | Luz Manrique | (Special Intentions) |
| TUESDAY | Feb 14 | 8:30 AM | Dolores Abarca-Bevel | (Healing) |
| | | | Olivia Declarador | (Healing) |
| | | | Judy Fernandes | (Healing) |
| | | | Bill Murphy | (Healing) |
| | | | Michael Vilhauer | (Healing) |
| WEDNESDAY | Feb 15 | 8:30 AM | Evangeline Canlas | + |
| | | | Alicia Gaelon | + |
| | | | Dave Huerta | + |
| | | 6 PM | Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena | |
| THURSDAY | Feb 16 | No Mass | | |
| FRIDAY | Feb 17 | 8:30 AM | OLG School Mass | (Grade 7) |

## PASTOR'S CORNER

HOW GOD'S LAW ENRICHES OUR LIFE — Today's First Reading, from Sirach, reminds us that in life we all have a choice: between good and evil, i.e., life and death. When we turn away from God and sin, we choose death, that of our soul or some other kind of death. When we sin, we say "no" to life with God, the only Real existence. The Responsorial, from Psalm 119, underscores the importance of internalizing God's law in our hearts. The Jewish people had received God's law by Divine intervention; other nations did not know how to please God. The Israelites viewed God's law as a gift, in which they found life and hope. The Psalmist asks for the grace to internalize God's law, because he recognizes that we can't go beyond mere observation of the law without God's grace. May we have the grace to see God's law as a gift and interiorize it. In the Second Reading, St Paul instructs us to embrace not worldly wisdom, but God's wisdom, i.e., the wisdom of the cross. For we are called to observe Gospel values and in so doing, serve others with the gifts God has given us. In today's Gospel, Jesus enlightens us as to the spiritual intent behind the commandments and explains the real meaning of God's law. He challenges and exhorts us to look inside ourselves, to interiorize the law; not only are we asked to not commit murder, but further, to not even think unkind or mean thoughts of others. Our Lord also places great importance on reconciliation with others, beginning with those closest to us, in order to genuinely worship Him. Similarly, Jesus extends the prescriptions of adultery, to go beyond asking how far we can go before it's a sin; to asking how we can protect the sanctity of marriage and have a chaste disposition. To emphasize the importance of self mastery, Jesus uses exaggeration: cutting off limbs, a Semitic way of speaking. Moses received the Law indirectly, from an angel. We have received the New Law directly from God, in the Person of Jesus. May our efforts to live His law more deeply, in sincerity and truth, bring us closer to Him and enrich our lives. (CBCo)

# Welcome to Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Parishioners,

On the weekend of February 18/19, we join all parishes to assist others in need through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your support in 2023 is very important to our parish and to the local Catholic Charities that carry out the important work in our communities. In 2022 your gifts helped charities to quickly extend a hand to thousands of people and families in dire need. And our parish was able to help the needy through the 25% parish share. As we reflect on our blessings and consider our sacrificial acts during this Lenten Season, I ask all of us to do two things: **1. Watch the story in this year's video.** It is truly inspiring and reminds us that we truly can help restore dignity and a better future to others. **2. Give what you can.** 25% comes back to our parish for our outreach to those in need. Let us pray for all those who depend on our generosity through the Annual Catholic Appeal and all those who work tirelessly in the charitable organizations and parish outreach ministries that serve them.

Thank you and blessings to you and your loved ones,
Fr. Mathew Rappu
Your Pastor

WATCH APPEAL VIDEO

WATCH OSVALDO'S STORY

FEBRUARY 22, 2022 is ASH WEDNESDAY
Mass Times: 7 AM; 8:30 AM (School Mass); and 7 PM
Mass and distribution of ashes. Confessions: 6:15 - 6:45 PM

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DID YOU KNOW THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE IS CHANGING THIS LENT? (ucatholic.com)

The sacrament of penance in the Roman rite will be receiving some changes in its English translation starting Ash Wednesday on February 22, 2023. The changes to the prayer of absolution were approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops during their Spring 2021 meeting and later approved by the Vatican's Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments in April 2022. As of April 16, 2023, the revised formula for absolution is mandatory. The updates are part of a larger effort by the Vatican to ensure accuracy in the translation of liturgical texts, following the instruction from the Holy See to bishops around the world at the beginning of the 21st century to make translations more accurate. The revised version will read as follows:

"God, the Father of mercies,
through the death and resurrection of his Son
has reconciled the world to himself
and poured out *[formerly "sent"]* the Holy Spirit for
*[previously "Holy Spirit among us for"]*
the forgiveness of sins;
through the ministry of the Church
may God grant *[instead of "give"]* you pardon and peace.
And I absolve you from your sins
in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

*A Steward makes God's love visible by imitating Jesus.*

## SERVICE

Please help us reach our Weekly Budget Goal of $4,271.00
Collection on January 29: $3,895.00
Thank you for your loving support!

FEBRUARY 18/19 IS ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL WEEKEND.
Come together in the charity of Christ to restore dignity and hope to others
25% comes back to our parish for our own outreach to those in need.
On the weekend of February18/19 we will have the opportunity to accompany those who are suffering through the ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a difference in someone's life. Catholic Charities can respond to the greatest needs in our communities. Seminarians receive support as they prepare to serve our local parishes. Catholic schools in economically-challenged neighborhoods can provide tuition assistance. And St. Vincent de Paul and other parish ministry receives support for another year. Prayerfully consider what you can give this year.

## PRAYER

Pray for the Sick: Leonila Arucan - Fe DeAsis - Larry Sadler
John Gabri - Jan Valencia - Bud Hayes - Jay Ward
Stan Holland - Pauline Frugoli - Barbara Foreman
Marlene Perini - Michael Vilhauer
Pray for Departed Souls: Rosario Bongo + Emma Quinn +
Rick Mayoral + Joe Villanueva + Ben Nugent + Naty Senga +
Angie Montemayor + Fil Romo + Peter Harrington +
Paul McIntyre + Bud Hayes + Armando Gallegos +
Pray for Men & Women in our Military and for their Families

## HOSPITALITY

Happy Wedding Anniversary to February Couples!
This Sunday, we honor couples celebrating their wedding anniversary in February. They will receive a special blessing at the end of Mass.

Congratulations on your baptism Jesse Hanson on February 11th!

## FORMATION

**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION (CFF) on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 5:30 PM at OLG School.**

**BAPTISM CLASS on Wednesday, March 1, at 7 PM in the Rectory. Call the Parish Office to sign up.**

GRACED YOUTH MINISTRY meet on Sunday, February 19, at 4 PM in the school gym. All high school aged youth are welcome to join the youth meetings on alternating Sundays. Contact Jeremy & Sunshine Arcinas or Steve Ramirez-Palmer for more information.

FORMED — Our parish now has a subscription to FORMED, a premier online platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children. FORMED has content from over 60 apostolates, including Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, and the Knights of Columbus, with material that is professionally produced, engaging, and solid in its catechism. Best of all, this material is free to you. Our parish will be using the material on FORMED to support our ministries and provide continuing education for staff members and parishioners, as well as outreach for our sick and homebound members. Much of FORMED's content is available in both English and Spanish.
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PASTORAL & FORMATION SUPPORT - Call the Parish Office: (916) 371-4814 for spiritual formation assistance.

Communion for the Homebound or Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick - Call the Parish Office to schedule a visit. One need not be in immediate danger of death to request support.

**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 call: (916) 371-5264.

## 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. Please call the Parish Office to register for the class.**

**Adult Bible Study** - Tuesdays at 7pm in the Parish Center.

**Children's Religious Education & Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) TK4 - 8th** - Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 pm. Includes preparation in the 2nd grade to receive First Eucharist; and preparation in the 7th grade for Confirmation. Both sacraments require 2-year attendance in CFF. Classes for high school students available. Adult and Youth Catechists and Office Help needed. Call the Director of Religious Education at (916) 371-4814 for enrollment questions or to volunteer in our CFF program.

**Marriage Preparation** - Engaged couples should begin preparation one (1) year prior to the intended wedding date. Engaged or civilly married couples may contact the Parish Office for assistance.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** - Thursdays 7pm-8:30pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome, baptized and un-baptized Christians seeking to complete their initiation into the Faith.

**Graced Youth Ministry** - Alternating Sundays at 4pm in the Parish Center.

**Parish Council:** Chair: Michael Babowal; Members: Sonja Craighton, Keith Doyle, Mike Fritz, Cara Giordano, Helen Kanowsky, Joe Matella, Courtney Schrag & Casey Valine (ex-officio member) Email parishcouncil@westsacolg.org

**Finance Council:** Chair: Kenneth Barrow; Members: Maggie Carson, Anthony Tassone, & Harry Valencia Call the Parish Office (916) 371-4814 for questions.

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## Mass Schedule

Weekdays (except Thursday): 8:30am
Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sunday: 9am and 11am
First Saturday (Immaculate Heart of Mary): 8:30am
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration: 7 pm

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

**Mission Statement** - We are a welcoming Eucharistic Community nourished by the Word of God, committed to extend Christ's unconditional love to ALL.

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