

"Come after me,
and I will make you
fishers of men."

January 21, 2024

3rd Sunday
in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Live-stream All Masses on the West Sac OLG YouTube Channel

Daily Mass join Zoom Meeting ID 828 7609 4045 Passcode OLG

SATURDAY	Jan 20	5:30 PM	Nanelle Wickrensingh	+
			Nastaka Gunasekara	+
			Olive Gunasekara	+
			Amila Fernando	+
SUNDAY	Jan 21	9 AM	All Parishioners	
			Nicky Frisch	(Birthday)
			Fr. Mathew	(Birthday)
		11 AM	Marjorie Batson	(Healing)
			Shiela Brickel	(Healing)
			Annette Tamburo	(Healing)
			Matthew Tamburo	(Healing)
MONDAY	Jan 22	8:30 AM	Gina Gianatasio	+
TUESDAY	Jan 23	8:30 AM	Nick Gianatasio	(Special Intention)
WEDNESDAY	Jan 24	8:30 AM	All Parishioners	
		6 PM	Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena	
THURSDAY	Jan 25	No Mass		
FRIDAY	Jan 26	8:30 AM	OLG School Mass	(Cluster)

TO ANSWER THE CALL

Something very profound is going on in this brief passage about the call of the first apostles. Jesus calls, they follow. It's a pretty simple cause and effect scenario. Yet, you and I both know that following Jesus is anything but simple these days...right? Or could it be that this passage is the perfect model for just how radical it is to follow Jesus? Jesus offered the first apostles no explanations, He didn't try to sway them. He boldly called out an invitation and issued a promise. He continues to stand by the shore near our boats and offer the same to us.

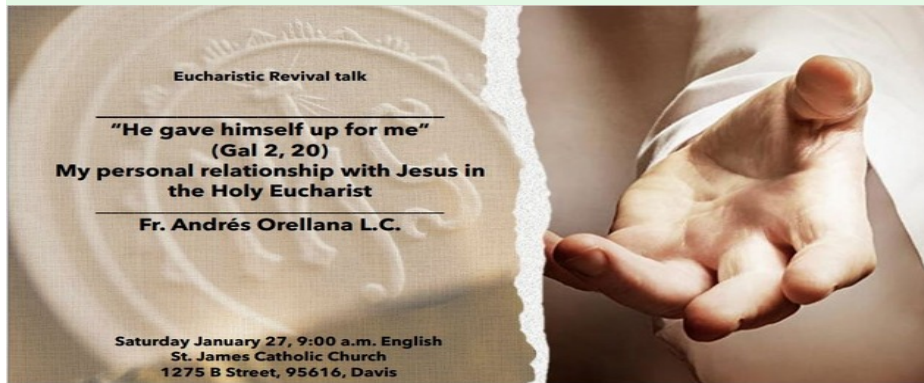
First, He invites us. It's a call, a challenge, a summons to adventure. "Come on, let me show you where you could go." However, Jesus always respects our free will. We freely choose to follow, or to remain behind. The choice is ours. Then, he makes a promise, "I will make you fishers of men." What does that mean exactly? Each baptized individual is called to be a witness of the faith. This mission looks different for each person. I am called to witness to the faith in this written format. I am also called to share the faith with my children. Others are called to be a witness in the workplace. Some of you might witness before large groups of people. Others will share the faith one person at a time, helping to share the light of Christ candle by candle. We are invited, each in our own unique way, to participate in Jesus' mission to build the Kingdom of Heaven. No matter who we are, Jesus invites us to get up and go on an adventure with Him.

I think the word "abandoned" is important here. Abandoned is a very active word, it paints a vivid picture of someone throwing an object aside, forgetting it's very existence. The first apostles abandoned their nets when they answered Jesus' summons. They didn't hold onto their tools, just in case. They didn't ask to stow their boats first so they wouldn't get stolen. The apostles show us how to let go of everything to follow Jesus. This isn't an easy task, and fortunately we have a God who is not outdone in generosity. There isn't a time limit on Jesus' call to discipleship. He calls us every day, every moment. Over and over again, we have the opportunity to more freely say "Yes!" and abandon our own nets to follow Jesus. By Kate Taliaferro

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL TALK - Father Andrés Orellana, LC will give talks about his personal relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist, at Saint James Catholic Church, 1275 B Street, in Davis planned for January on the following days:

Friday, January 26, 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Saturday January 27, 9:00 AM (English)



All are invited to celebrate the Feast of Santo Niño or Feast of the Infant Jesus, on Sunday, January 28, 2024, beginning with Rosary 2 PM, and holy Mass 3 PM. The image of the infant Jesus is famous and is one of the most beloved and recognizable cultural icons, especially for the Filipinos. Feast of Santo Niño includes the Sinulog, a parade of music and dance celebrating the conversion to Christianity. Bring your Santo Niño statue or icon, and let's celebrate the Infant Jesus!



Our Lady of Grace Catholic School
celebrates Catholic Schools Week
January 28 - February 3.

January 28
OPEN HOUSE & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

January 28-30
BOOK FAIR

February 3
CRAB FEED

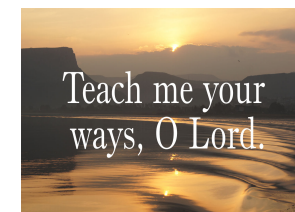
Answers: Across (2 pencils) (6 glue) (7 recess) (8 books) (10 art) (11 backpacks)
Down (1 apple) (3 chalkboard) (4 library) (5 teacher) (8 schoolbus)

Across
2. Used for writing; and has an eraser.
6. Used for sticking things together, usually in art class.
7. Playtime on the playground.
9. What you read and learn with.
10. Painting, drawing, coloring
11. The bag students use to carry belongings to and from school.

Down
1. Popular fruit given to a teacher as a gift.
3. Large green area on the wall of a classroom.
4. The school room where all the books are.
5. The adult who helps you learn throughout the year.
8. The yellow vehicle used to take children to and from school.

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SERVICE

Please help reach our
Weekly Budget Goal: \$4,271.00
Collection on January 7: \$4,917.00
Remember Our Lady of Grace Church
when shopping online at smile.amazon.com
Thank you for your loving support!

PRAYER

Please pray for those who have ask for our prayers - Leonila Arucan, Sam Alaba, Suzanne Shunk, Grace Mosley, and sick members in our parish.
For Departed Souls - Martin DeAnda+ Ken Musial+ Linda Stewart+ Sharon Ramos+

Our parishioners are invited to share the name of a loved one (or themselves) for the prayer list in our bulletin.
This prayer list is for those who are deceased, or living and are sick, hospitalized, etc.
If you are submitting the name of someone other than yourself, please obtain their permission.

FORMATION

BAPTISM CLASS — Please call Parish Office (916) 371-4814 to sign up for the Baptism Class for parents and godparents, on Wednesday, March 6, at 7 PM in the Rectory.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION — CFF Class meet on Tuesday, at 5:30 PM, at OLG School.

HOSPITALITY

NCEA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SNAPS
A quick take on issues and statistics

Sources: U.S. Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools 2022-2023: The Annual Statistical Report on Schools, Enrollment and Staffing (NCEA).



Father Mathew,
May the abundance of the
Love of Christ
fill all the days of your life.
Have a Blessed Birthday!



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 please 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. 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.

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

Children's Religious Education/Catholic Faith Formation (CFF)
T K4 - 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: (916) 371-4814 for enrollment questions or to volunteer in our CFF program.

Marriage Preparation - Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office to begin preparation nine (9) months prior to the intended wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) - Thursdays 6pm-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, and Casey Valine
Email: parishcouncil@westsacolg.org








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

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: _____

 <p>We meet @ 6:00pm starting with Hospitality 2nd Thursday of each month For details call: 916-371-5264</p>	<p>"Shop us first & Save!"</p> <p>GROCERY OUTLET bargain market</p> <p>\$3 off any \$30 or more purchase 0 00000 87590 5</p> <p>845 Harbor Blvd • 916-372-6575 Matt & Jennifer Engstrom</p>
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<p>Consider Remembering Your Parish in Your Will. Please call the Parish Office</p> 	<p>God Bless America</p> 
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	<p>MARY KAY Isabelle Cammarota Beauty Consultant 916-247-6279 Try before you buy! (virtual / in-person) www.marykay.com/isabellec</p> 
<p>Our Lady of Grace Council #9469</p> <p>Knights of Columbus Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 7pm in the Convent Building, Our Lady of Grace School. For membership information contact Byron Paige, Membership Chairman: (916) 995-4570</p> 	<p>Good Counsel Homes + Hope for Babies + Mothers</p> <p>Pregnant? Need a place to stay? Call our helpline: 800-723-8331 or 916-395-9370 to speak with one of our counselors https://help.goodcounselhomes.org</p> 

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays (except Thursday): 8:30am
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm
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 5:15 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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