

August 18, 2024

20th Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

MASS INTENTIONS

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

SUNDAY	Aug 17 Vigil	5:30 PM	Ben & Julia Cruz (Thanksgiving) Ching, Cheng & Stoltz Family (Thanksgiving)
	Aug 18	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	All Parishioners Sebastian Alikunnel + Fe DeAsis + Cecilia Wilson +
MONDAY	Aug 19	8:30 AM	Emmy Stoltz (Birthday)
TUESDAY	Aug 20	8:30 AM	Anthony Quenga (Special Intention) Roque Naughton (Special Intention)
WEDNESDAY	Aug 21	8:30 AM	Stephen Vattathil + Rose Rappu + Lisa Rappu +
		6:00 PM	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
THURSDAY		No Mass	
FRIDAY	Aug 22	8:30 AM	OLG School Mass

A RADICAL "UNLESS"

"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." There is no other way to look at it. Jesus says, "unless". This is not negotiable. It is not open to interpretation. If we want his life within us, if we want to spend eternity with him, we must eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood. And like many of the Jews of Jesus's time, we may also say, "What? How? This is too far!" Jesus meant what he said. When we partake in communion, we take into our body and soul, the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus. That is a pretty big deal and we need to spend the time and energy to wrestle with that. The flesh of the Son of Man is a reference to the suffering of Jesus, suffering which is the price for integrity. When we follow Jesus, when we do as he says and approach the altar to eat his flesh, to drink his blood, it shouldn't be a passive reception. We need to embrace wholeheartedly what it means to become one with Jesus. We need to ask to see with his eyes, hear with his ears, speak with his tongue and, most of all, to love with his heart. We embrace his way of suffering. As we say yes to Jesus, when we declare "Amen" to the person who offers us the Body of Christ, we are not simply saying thank you. We have to engage our will. We have to acknowledge that God is God and we are not. It is an act of humility as we give Jesus access to the core of our being - we want him to be active, to mold it, sculpt it, change it - change us from the inside out.

I heard a bishop suggest once that each and every Christian should spend time with John 6. A quick read through will take under 10 minutes. But we should not do this quickly. We need to engage with this passage of Scripture. We need to mull it over in our minds, to engage willingly and truly hear what Jesus has to say.

Lord Jesus, open my mind and heart. Help me to believe what you say, even the hard parts. When I meet you in the Eucharist, radically change me from the inside out, so that I truly have your life within me. Amen.

- By Sheryl O'Connor

Welcome to OUR LADY OF GRACE Catholic Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

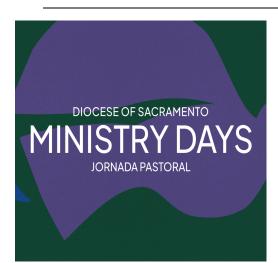


The Knights of Columbus are hosting Hospitality. Don't rush home after Mass. Join one another for coffee & donuts instead. Thank you to our ministry groups that hosted hospitality all summer!



CFF CATECHISTS NEEDED - We are looking for catechists (teachers) to share the love of Christ in grade levels TKindergarten thru 8th. Our parish CFF programs could not function without catechists and other volunteers. Prior teaching experience is helpful but not required. St. Theresa of Avila said, "Christ has no body on earth but yours; no hands, but yours; no feet but yours."

While He lived on earth, Jesus sent disciples out in pairs to help in his work of evangelization. We believe that today Jesus is calling adults and teens of our parish to be catechists, co-catechists, and classroom aides who prepare the minds and hearts of children and youth to hear and respond to the Good News throughout their lives. Do Something GREAT for God and His Church. Join our dynamic team of catechists! Help to mentor and form our future Church leaders; share your faith and love for God and His Church. Anyone with a love for their faith is qualified; we will support you and give you the materials you need to guide our children and youth in the study and understanding of our Catholic faith. We encourage all parishioners, as well as the parents of children in our program, to be a part of the faith formation process. CFF begins mid September until May. Contact Dena Serrano, DRE at (916) 371-4814 or stop by the Parish Office to discuss how you can get involved.



MINISTRY DAYS

Saturday, September 28, 2024 Christian Brothers High School Sacramento, Ca

Ministry Days is the largest gathering of ministers, catechists and Catholic school teachers in the Diocese of Sacramento. The event is an excellent opportunity to network with others who serve our parishes and schools.

Register online www.ministrydays.com/registration

Ministry Days Keynote and Special Guests



Most Reverend Bishop Rey Bersabal



Regina Bovd



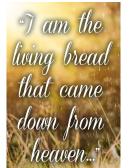
Dr. Gerardo Salazar



FUNERAL, MORTUARY, CREMATION & BURIAL SERVICES

On August 24/25, Cemetery Staff will be available in the Rectory Conference Room to answer questions and guide you and your family if there is an immediate need.

A STEWARD MAKES GOD'S LOVE VISIBLE BY IMITATING JESUS.



SERVICE

Please help reach our Weekly Budget Goal: \$4,271.00 August 4: \$

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - The Parish Office is in need of volunteers to devote 2-3 hours, or one day during the week to help with clerical duties and office organization. High school students in need of job shadowing, senior projects, or college student internship also available. Interested or have questions? Please call Dena Serrano. in the Parish Office at (916) 371-4814.

PRAYER

Pray for the Dead: David Haro+ Marjorie Batson+ Steve Coughlin+ Fr. Art Wehr, S.J.+ Cecilia Wilson+ Fe DeAsis+ Poor Souls in Purgatory+ Pray for the Sick: Leonila Arucan, Sonja Craighton, Judy King, Pacing McFeely, Piña Family, Louise Souza, Carolyn Tagupa, Michael Vilhauer & Kathy Vilhauer

FORMATION

CFF 2024-25 Registration is accepted on line: westsacolg.org/cff

CATECHIST WORKSHOP - CFF volunteers, new and those interested in becoming catechists, on Tuesday, September 3, at 5:30 PM in the Parish Center.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY -All Catechists, adult and children's faith formation, new and returning will be commissioned on Sunday, September 15, at every Mass.

CFF CLASSES begin Tuesday, September 17, at 5:30 PM at OLG School.

CFF PARENT meeting on Tuesday, September 24, at 5:30 PM in the Parish Center.



Parish App Feature-of-the-Week · List of Traditional Prayers

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HOSPITALITY

Welcome Back to School!

KID'S CORNER



Ten Commandments Remember The Sabbath Day To Keep It Holy Exodus 20:8

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Church

There is No Children's Liturgy next Sunday.



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: (916) 3714814 to schedule a visit. One need not be in immediate danger of death

to request support. Call: (530) 355-4401 for emergency or after hours.

DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENT

In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento, Case No. 24-21326 U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: October 1, 2024

YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

On April 1, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento aka Diocese of Sacramento filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United States Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by October 1, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Diocese.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Diocese that occurred Before April 1, 2024, must be filed on or before October 1, 2024, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before April 1, 2024.



For more information on how to file a claim or about the bankruptcy. please visit: https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsacramento.or contact the Debtor's claims agent Donlin, Recano, & Company, Inc. via email at rcbsacramentoinfo@drc.equiniti.com or by phone at 1-866-714-7301; or visit the Debtor's website at https://scd.org and follow the links for Chapter 11 filing.

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For membership information contact Byron Paige, Membership Chairman: (916) 995-4570



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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.

Our Lady of Grace School

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