

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

SATURDAY	July 18	5:30 PM Vigil	Shannon Gianatasio (Birthday) Rachelle Fields (Birthday) Leonila Arucan + Deomita Aniceto +
SUNDAY	July 19	9 AM	Jaden De Jesus-Eves+ Marty Concepcion+ Sam Alaba + Gary Fields + Kim Clark (Birthday) Patty Gianatasio (Birthday)
		11 AM	All Parishioners
MONDAY	July 20	8:30 AM	Lillian Ma +
TUESDAY	July 21	8:30 AM	Carol Campbell (Healing)
WEDNESDAY	July 22	8:30 AM	Dede Ingel +
THURSDAY	July 23		No Mass
FRIDAY	July 24	8:30 AM	Parish Mass

Open to God with Gratitude

In the First Reading, God is speaking to Solomon in a dream. Solomon is offered whatever he wants. God is greatly pleased by Solomon's request for *wisdom* (not power or worldly riches) to better govern his people. God grants his noble desire, and Solomon became known throughout Jewish history as the wisest of kings. u In the Responsorial we find the Jewish *attitude of gratitude* toward God's law, His commands i.e., His Wisdom; and His gift of Mercy. By giving them His commandments, God showed them how to live the good life. May we have that same attitude toward God's commands and see the life-giving power of His laws. u In the Second Reading, St Paul explains predestination. With love God called us into existence, and predestined (*invited*) us to share in His life. Predestination is an *invitation*, a process: He calls us, then following our response, He justifies us; and finally, He glorifies us in the next life. This great love God has for us fills us with awe and tremendous gratitude. u Today's Gospel gives us three allegories to show the kind of response we can have to encountering God's kingdom. The desire to abandon former priorities to acquire much more precious ones (*like selling all to purchase an extremely valuable pearl or field of buried treasure*) or saying no to lesser goods to obtain a greater good. The last allegory revisits the final separation of the good from the bad at the end of time, for in the meantime we must choose between light (goodness) and darkness (evil). At the end is the story of the good scribe, which serves as an important reminder to be willing to go beyond our usual preferences, to find the good and the true wherever it is, lest we miss out on something God wants us to know. (*Synopsis ex Handbook for Lectors & Proclaimers of the Word*)

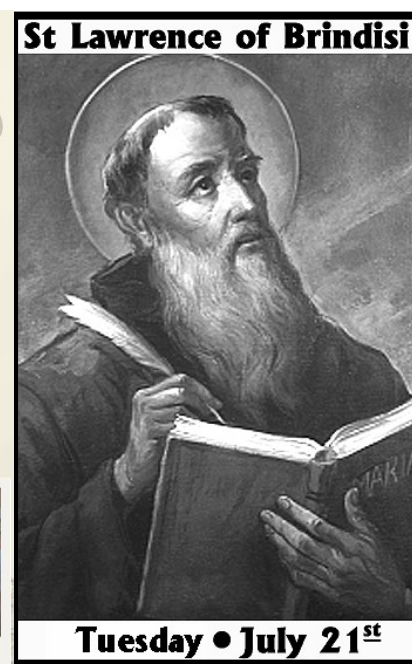
Welcome to **OUR LADY OF GRACE** *Catholic*

Evening of Prayer for Vocations, for Young Adults ages 18-35

The Office of Vocations, in collaboration with St. Maria Goretti Parish Vocation Ministry, 8700 Bradshaw Rd, Elk Grove, CA 95624 invites young adults to unite in prayer with other young adults of our diocese, to pray for vocations, whether it be marriage, diaconate, priesthood or religious life. Date: Tuesday, July 28th at 6:30pm. The evening begins with Mass, followed by the prayer of the Rosary and Adoration. We hope to see you there!

Quo Vadis Retreat ("Where Are You Going?")

The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites young men ages 13 to 17 to the Quo Vadis Retreat. Dates: July 31-August 1, 2026 at the Marelllo Youth Retreat Center, Loomis, CA (this is an overnight stay retreat). Cost: \$100 (if cost is an issue, please let us know). Young men will learn about the different vocations (Marriage, Diaconate, Religious Life or Priesthood). They will gain tools to begin pondering what vocation they are being called to. To register your son, please visit www.scd.org/quovadis or if you have further questions, contact us at (916) 733-0258 or by email at msmith@scd.org.



SERVICE

Please help us reach our
Weekly Budget Goal of \$4,271.00
Collection on June 28:\$2,569.00
July 5:\$3,783.00
July 12:\$2,625.00

Prayerfully consider what you can give.

PRAYER

Pray for the sick, especially in our parish: Sandra Garcia, Ron Moore, Emiliana Stoltz, Sonja Craighton, Michael Vilhauer, Ana Ramirez-Palmer, Shirley Ching, Pacing McFeely, Millie Centers, Linda Bianchi, Carol Campbell, Grace Mosley and Micheal Talani.

Hospitality

- Don't rush home after Mass! OLG Ministries will be hosting Coffee and Donuts immediately after Sunday Mass for the parish family to enjoy social time together. This an opportunity to get to know your parish family. Let us build our community of faith!

