

50 Years
1966 - 2016
Celebrating Our 50 Years
Journey of Faith



of Faith Journey

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, JANUARY 1, 2017



Our Lady Of Good Counsel Church

2500 Bermuda Ave., San Leandro, CA

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Administrator: FR. JAN RUDZEWICZ Deacon Thomas Martin

Parish Office hour : 9:30 AM—2:30 PM Monday to Friday

Secretary: LINO POBLETE

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil : 5:00 pm
 Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am & 12:30 pm (in Polish)
 Second Sunday: 3:00 pm - El Shaddai
 Third Sunday: 2:00 pm - Virgin of Penafrancia
 Holy Days: 9:00 am & 7:30 pm
 Weekdays: (Monday - Friday) 9:00 am
 First Saturday—8:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:00 –4:45 pm First Friday— 8 pm

BAPTISMS AND WEDDING

By appointment : (510) 614-2765

ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL

Monday—Saturday—9:30am—7 pm
 First Friday— 8pm-9pm—at the Church
 9pm-12mn—at the Chapel

PARISH HALL INFORMATION

Call: (510) 501-4894 -Tuesday & Thursday

FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ CCD

Sunday morning – All grades after 8:30 Mass



THANK YOU and A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2016 was a very special Year for the Church at large and for our parish community in particular. It was a Year of Mercy where Catholics around the world were encouraged to focus on forgiveness, reconciliation and doing good. At the same time it was the Year of our Parish Golden Jubilee, a time to reflect and celebrate.

On July 10th, together with Bishop Michael Barber we thanked God for all the blessings and mercy our parish received over its fifty golden years under the motherly love and care of Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel. We remembered all those living and past who contributed to the life of this parish in so many ways. The Jubilee Mass, with outstanding music followed by a beautiful reception at the parish hall, made us feel good about our community and helped us to look into the future with a new hope.

A month later on August 20th, we gathered for our Jubilee Dinner Dance. It was a very joyful event. The good food, lively music and the excitement of all attendees brought warmth to our hearts.

Finally, our Golden Jubilee Concert, held on October the 29th, was truly a spectacular event that concluded our year-long Parish Anniversary celebrations.

We know that events like these do not just happen. They require a lot of planning, preparation, and the involvement of those who work together for the benefit of all.

We want to thank our Parish Golden Jubilee Committee members for their dedication and sincere service. Our hearts are truly filled with gratitude for all they have done to make our Parish Anniversary so special and unforgettable. The upcoming Jubilee Book will engender all the past and present memories for years to come.

Even though the Parish Golden Jubilee took a priority in 2016, it doesn't mean that other parts of parish life were less important.

Once again we were blessed with different members of the clergy and dedicated lay ministers who helped our community with spiritual guidance and liturgies. We are so appreciative of their service.

We also thank all who are involved in our Children Faith Formation: our catechists, their helpers and those who run our Confirmation Program and pre-Baptismal classes.

Throughout the year of 2016 16 children were baptized; one weddings and 2 funerals were celebrated in our church. Additionally, six (6) young parishioners received the Sacrament of Confirmation and seven (7) children made their First Confession and received the Holy Eucharistic for the very first time.

Our sincere thanks go to our parish staff and those who take care of our parish buildings and grounds.

Through the generosity of our parishioners and friends we were not only able to meet our day-to-day expenses but also to support the Diocesan ministries through our donations to Bishop's Appeal and to Diocesan Capital Campaign. We sincerely appreciate all your financial sacrifices.

We are very grateful to those who helped us with our Religious Gift Shop, with renting out our parish hall and those who cleaned our facilities.

While many of these functions are quite noticeable, there are behind the scenes duties that are not so openly visible. Parishioners work and prepare backstage for each Mass, others count the collections, and still others arrange flowers, help with decorations, change the candles, or simply place parish books, flyers, and bulletins in their proper places. We appreciate their quiet help very much.

As we welcome in a New Year, we look to the future with new enthusiasm hoping that with God's help we will develop our existing parish ministries, add some new ones and implement necessary capital improvements to our church building.

May the Patroness of this church, Our Lady of Good Counsel intercede for us now, and throughout the New Year!

**HAVE A HAPPY
AND BLESSED 2017!**



LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK

THIS WEEKS MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	Dec 31	Maria Loida Cruz (BD) Dave Perry +
Sun	Jan 1	8:30 11:00 Thanksgiving to the Holy Family Alice Salvado +
Mon	Jan 2	Sinfroso Nuneza
Tue	Jan 3	
Wed	Jan 4	Narita Olbinado +
Thu	Jan 5	
Fri	Jan 6	
Sat	Jan 7	
Sun	Jan 8	8:30 11:00

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

An old joke asks, "What time is Midnight Mass?" The answer is not really obvious, since Christmas is unique in having several distinct celebrations. The readings and prayers vary greatly from hour to hour. The Vigil Mass hinges on the family heritage of Jesus and his origins. The concept of "midnight" predates clock time, and really has to do with a celebration in the hours of darkness. Years ago, it was not possible to receive Communion without fasting for a full day, so the late hour of this Mass made it possible for the people to receive. The first Mass after sunrise, the Mass at Dawn, was once known as "The Shepherds' Mass," and later Masses set aside stories of Jesus' birth to focus on the key to the day's celebration: John the Evangelist's majestic theology of Christ's identity as the Word made flesh, dwelling among us. One feast, four separate Masses. Only monasteries manage the whole round. Parishioners typically take just one entry point into the mystery. Yet there is much to savor and celebrate in the coming of Christ into the world. Christmas is not a day, but a season. You still have two weeks to send those Christmas cards before you're officially late!

Can You Spend An Hour With Me?"
Visit our Adoration Chapel
 Open from 9:30 AM to 7:00 PM Monday thru Saturday. Prayer Meeting at the Chapel on First & Last Mondays of the Month from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
 Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

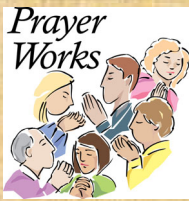
SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
 The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord;
 World Day of Prayer for Peace;
 New Year's Day
 Monday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
 Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
 Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Thursday: St. John Neumann
 Friday: St. André Bessette; First Friday
 Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort; First Saturday;
 Julian Calendar Christmas

Join our OLG Weekday Devotions
After 9AM Masses
St. Anthony - Tuesdays
Mother of Perpetual Help Wednesdays
St. Jude - Thursdays
La Pieta—Every Friday
Divine Mercy Chaplet In Song every
second Saturday of the month at 3:00 PM
at the Church.

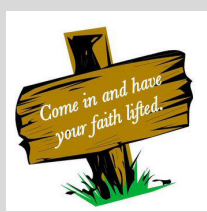


PASSIONS We should employ our passions in the service of life, not spend life in the service of our passions.
 —Richard Steele



**Requesting
Your Prayers**

Gary Anderson, Erlinda Arrieta, Leonor Yracheta, Andy Dangca, Priscilla Da Rosa, Belen Escondo, Annie Estrella, Mitchell Estrellas, Eddie Exevea, Nilda Falero, Mercy Gallardo, Arlene Goldsborough, Avelino Gapsin, Bill Haggerty, Erlinda Howard, Willie Orpiano, Pacita Macasieb, Bibiana Magat, Edward Mejia, Betty Miralles, Susan Nacu, Gail Ocasion, Frances Pangelinan, Aida Pineda, Patrick Posadas, Romeo Camantigue, Loreta Ramin, Peter Rosario, Maritess Sanchez, Rosa Maria Santos, Minda Santos, Linda Silverio, Augusto Uy, George Ybanez. Let us thank God for what doesn't need healing. Let us know if somebody wishes to receive Holy Communion at home or call Beth Mayor 510-483-1078.



Welcome New Parishioners !

If you are not currently registered, please take a moment to fill this out and return it to the parish office, or you may drop it in the collection basket.

Name _____	Phone _____	_____ New Parishioner
Address _____	City _____ ZIP Code _____	_____ New Address
_____ Updating Parish Information	_____ Send Sunday Envelopes	_____ Put on mailing list

OLGC THROUGH THE YEARS

