

# Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

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## SEEING IS BELIEVING

Seeing is believing! Since cellphone screens connect us instantly to social media, live TV, and loved ones' faces near and far, "Doubting Thomas" could be our patron saint: "Unless I see, I will not believe!" But how comforting for any of us who share Thomas's doubt, or love "doubters" who do, to see how kindly Jesus responds. By offering the very evidence that Thomas demanded, Jesus doesn't scold Thomas, but seems to understand such skepticism. Could Jesus have been thinking of us, who long to believe that "Jesus is risen!" but see so much suffering, and perhaps even cause some, that we wonder, how could something so wonderful be true? In today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, the risen Jesus' healing love comforts through disciples who love others. In Revelation, "our brother John" doesn't just claim he saw Jesus alive, but passes on Jesus' life-giving words, "Do not be afraid." Seeing Jesus in others is believing!



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—APRIL 28, 2019

### MASSES:

Saturday Vigil : 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am & 12:30 pm (in Polish)

Weekdays: (Monday - Friday ) 9:00 am

First Saturday—8:00 am

Holy Days: 9:00 am & 7:30 pm

Second Sunday: 3:00 pm - El Shaddai

Third Sunday: 2:00 pm - Virgin of Penafrancia

### 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



**DIVINE MERCY**  
**SUNDAY**  
(Indulgences)

The Feast of Divine Mercy celebrated this weekend was revealed by Christ to Saint Faustina last century. This feast had been extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope St. John Paul II.

Speaking to this humble nun, Jesus revealed to her a great desire to show mercy to all humanity, a mercy especially tied to the traditional hour of His death, the three o'clock hour. The blue and red rays of light emanating from the side of Christ represent His mercy shown in the blood and water of Eucharist and baptism. The focus is always on the merciful love of God shown to repentant sinners.

Those who observe Divine Mercy Sunday may obtain a plenary indulgence, a "full" remission of the punishment and suffering due to forgiven sin in the afterlife. The Greek word "plene" means full. Venial and mortal sins can be forgiven on this side of heaven and the person can be saved, but there is an experience of justice for these sins on the other side of life that can be quite painful for the soul when entering eternal life. We call this "purgatory." It is not so much a place as a process.

Pope Benedict XVI once said: *"Purgatory is like a purifying fire burning inside a person, a painful experience of regret for one's sins. A soul stained by sin cannot present itself to God. The soul that is aware of the immense love and perfect justice of God consequently suffers for not having responded correctly and perfectly to that love."* The experience of purgatory comes to an end as the soul enters full communion with God.

The indulgence is granted under the usual conditions:

1. Sacramental confession done near the Divine Mercy Sunday if needed be
2. Holy Communion - preferably on the day, or the days before or after
3. Prayer for the Pope ("Creed", "Our Father", "Hail Mary", "Glory be...", and a devout prayer to the merciful Lord – e.g. "Jesus, I trust in you!")

**THIS WEEKS INTENTIONS**

Sat	Apr 27	
Sun	Apr 28	<b>8:30 AM</b> Cecilia Rosario ( Thanksgiving) Julie Gonzales Nevis + <b>11:00 AM</b> Eduardo Aspiras + <b>12:30</b> Mass for Parishioners
Mon	Apr 29	Pacita Macasieb (BD)
Tue	Apr 30	Eugenia Lesperance + Roberto Sibal Sr. +
Wed	May 1	Pat Bader (BD) Victorio Humarang + Socorro Go-Oco + Elizabeth Moreno + Mimie Limbo +
Thu	May 2	Romy Diza & Sofia Diza ( BD)
Fri	May 3	Oscar & Rose Orpiano ++ Leonel Madeiros + Jose & Laura Falcao & deceased children) Telesfora Horstman +
Sat	May 4	
Sun	May 5	<b>8:30 AM</b> Brandon Ocasion + (BD) <b>11:00 AM</b> Henry & Yolanda Shirek ++ Trinidad Cruz + Jules & Mary Jane Wilson ++ Francisco & Emiliana Hidalgo ++ Telesora Horstmann + <b>12:30</b> Mass for Parishioners

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy); Julian Calendar Easter
Monday:	St. Catherine of Siena
Tuesday:	St. Pius V
Wednesday:	St. Joseph the Worker
Thursday:	St. Athanasius; National Day of Prayer; Yom Ha-Shoa (Holocaust Remembrance Day)
Friday:	Ss. Philip and James; First Friday

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

**KNIGHT'S CORNER**



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**A BETTER USE OF YOUR TIME**

Learn to give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you'll have no time for criticism of others.—Anonymous

# LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

**Easter Collection** (for general operating expenses)  
Collected **\$3,857.00**

Holy Thursday (For the poor)	693.00
Good Friday (For Christian Sites in the Holy Land)	755.00
El-Shaddai Mass	328.00
Sacramental-Baptism	150.00
Sacramental-Funeral	300.00
Votive candles	161.00
Adoration Chapel	67.00
St. Anne (donation box)	28.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!**  
**Next Week's 2nd Collection: DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT**

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

An ancient title for this Sunday is *Dominica in Albis*, or "Sunday in White." During the Easter Vigil, the newly baptized are invested with a white garment, a sign that they have put on Christ. At one time, the garments were worn for a full week of celebration and reflection, and on this Sunday the newly baptized would appear in their robes again in their new place among the faithful for Eucharist.

In later centuries, the energy of new life at Easter was largely forgotten, and this Sunday was renamed "Quasimodo Sunday," or "Low Sunday." In recent years, with the recovery of the insight that Easter is the privileged time for celebrating and renewing baptism, there is nothing "Low" about this Sunday. At a week's distance, the beauty and grace of our Easter celebration is sustained by joyful alleluias, the blessing and sprinkling of holy water, and the comfort of the Lord's presence to us. He is risen, and he summons us together, opening up the scriptures for us, breaking the bread, filling us with new life.



### PRE-BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS & GODPARENTS

If you are planning to have your child baptized, parents and godparents need to attend a Pre-baptism Class. Parents must be registered members of the parish for at least three months. Call the Parish office for more information. For Baptism Classes call Paul Groff at (510) 915-1372



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## 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

**Q.** What is the biblical reason Catholics pray to dead saints for intercession?

**A.** No one prays to *dead* saints, because those in heaven are more alive than we are. The Lord is God of the living, not of the dead. The fervent prayer of a righteous man is very powerful (Jas 5:16). Those in heaven are surely righteous, since nothing unclean can enter heaven (Rv 21:27). Those in heaven are part of the Mystical Body of Christ and have not been separated from us by death, but surround us as a great cloud of witnesses (Heb 12:1). They stand before the throne of God and offer our prayers to him (Rv 5:8) and cheer us on as we run the good race. Intercession among members of the body of Christ is pleasing to God (1 Tm 2:1-4) and even commanded by him (Jn 15:17). Those in heaven have a perfected love, so how could they *not* intercede for us? Christ is the vine, and we are the branches; if we are connected to him, we are inseparably bound together as well. Can the eye say to the hand, "I need you not"? Neither are we to say we don't need the prayers of our brothers and sisters (alive here or in heaven), because salvation is a family affair.



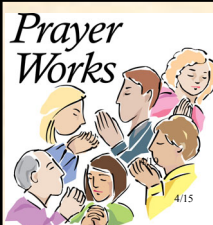
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### Join our OLGC Weekday Devotions after 9AM Masses

Tuesdays: **St. Anthony** / Wednesdays **Mother of Perpetual Help** / Thursdays **St. Jude** / Fridays: **La Pieta** every First Friday of the month **Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
**Divine Mercy Chaplet** In Song every First Friday of the month at 3:00 PM at the Church.  
**Healing Prayer in Scriptural Rosary**—Every Fourth Monday of the month at 3:00 PM at the Church. Everyone is Welcome

### PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS WHO MAKE OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN POSSIBLE

This week we extend our gratitude to **MDMedAlert**



#### Requesting Your Prayers

Virgilio Abar, Gary Anderson, Corazon Ariosa, Carmen Bryant, Corazon Belisario, Dulce Bufete, Jack Burns, Romeo Camantigue, Ed & Eliz Coyne, Priscilla Da Rosa, Elisa Ducusin, Belen Escondo, Cora Estanislao, Arnel Flores, Avelino Gapasin, Carmelita Joseph, Irma Lobitana, Ellie Lezama, Willie Orpiano, Pacita Macasieb, Mary Moniz, Geri Murchison, Ruben Mislano, Edward Mejia, Gail Ocasion, Frances Pangelinan, Rosy Pereira, Mercedes Querubin, Dan Sanchez, Maritess Sanchez, Ursula Santos, Pat Sparks, Augusto Uy, George Ybanez. Let us thank God for what doesn't need healing.

# OLGC THROUGH THE YEARS

