



# Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

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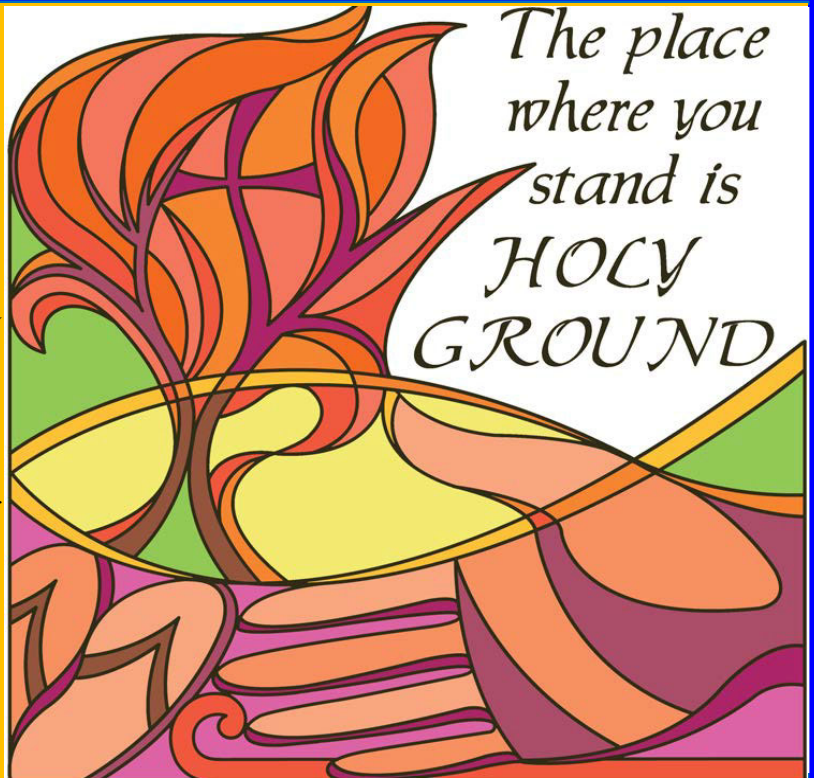
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## MID-LENT CHECK-IN

God says to Moses, “This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you . . . The LORD, the God of your [ancestors], the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob” (Exodus 3:14, 15). As Jesus would later say, God is not a God of the dead, but of the living, and so we believe that the dead will one day rise. At this midpoint of Lent, we pause to consider how our repentance is leading us to the Resurrection, to our reunion with the great “I AM.” Part of our repentance involves working to secure justice for all and helping our neighbor to live in God’s ways. We encourage each other and nurture each other, like the compassionate gardener of today’s Gospel, who tells the owner of the orchard that he will nurture the tree, fertilize it, and perhaps it will bear fruit.



## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 24, 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



## THE 2019 BISHOP'S APPEAL (II)

By sharing our time, talent and treasure with our sisters and brothers and our Church of the East Bay, we are making a sacrifice and returning to God a small portion of the many gifts he has given to us. By responding to *Rebuild My Church* Bishop's Appeal, we are contributing greatly to building up the Kingdom of God here in the Church of the East Bay.

For most of us, our experience of Church is at our parish. The Church is, however, much more than that. We are all called in mission to serve the Church and its people through our parish, our diocese and universally.

The Annual Bishop's Appeal in the Diocese of Oakland is but one way to serve our fellow parishioners and the broader community as we demonstrate our unity as Catholics of the Diocese of Oakland. We are asked to pray for our fellow parishioners, our clergy and leadership, for those who are served by the many ministries and programs offered by the Church, and for the success of the 2019 Bishop's Appeal.

Every member of the faith community of our local Church is also asked to participate in whatever way possible by making a gift. All gifts to the 2019 Bishop's Appeal are equally important. As responsible stewards of our faith and the many gifts that God has generously bestowed on each of us, we are asked to make a sacrificial, proportionate and thoughtful gift. Those who are blessed with more are challenged to give more, but everyone is asked to respond. Imagine what can be done in the name of our local faith community if every parishioner were inspired and participated in our annual Bishop's Appeal.

While parishes rely on the financial support of parishioners through weekly offertory collections, the Diocese also relies on these same parishioners to make possible the many services it provides to thousands of individuals each year. The Bishop's Appeal supplies annual funding to many ministries which provide services throughout the Diocese of Oakland.

The Bishop's Appeal provides funds to offset some of the following expenses:

- Catholic Schools and Parishes in Need
- Pastoral Ministries and Services
- Clergy Formation and Retirement
- Religious Education and Formation

### THIS WEEKS INTENTIONS

Sat	Mar 23	Teresa Grande ( healing) Jun Casanas ( intentions)
Sun	Feb 24	<b>8:30 AM</b> Teresa Grande ( healing) Rudy Ocasion + Cesar & Ester Eugenio (healing) <b>11:00 AM</b> Rolando Macasieb + Musa Family ( deceased members) Zelsko Family (deceased members) Jun Casanas ( special intentions) <b>12:30</b> Mass for Parishioners
Mon	Mar 25	Teresa Grande ( healing) Jun Casanas ( special intentions) Marta Reyes (BD) Vukoja Family ( deceased members) Mikulic Family ( deceased members) All Souls in Purgatory
Tue	Mar 26	Teresa Grande ( healing) Angelo Belenson (BD) Horacio Castro Josefa Lozano + Richard Wogsland +
Wed	Mar 27	Teresa Grande ( healing) Gloria de Castro (BD) Zelsko Family ( thanksgiving) Joe Halog + Salvador Roxas +
Thu	Mar 28	Teresa Grande ( healing) Angelica Ruby Guevarra (BD)
Fri	Mar 29	Teresa Grande ( healing) Trisha Pantig (BD) Joseph Huynh +
Sat	Mar 30	Teresa Grande ( healing) Namasivayam Anandasakaran
Sun	Feb 31	<b>8:30 AM</b> Teresa Grande ( healing) Namasivayam Anandasakaran Cruz & Antonio Family <b>11:00 AM</b> Damaso Lozares+ <b>12:30</b> Mass for Parishioners

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny
Monday:	Annunciation of the Lord
Friday:	Abstinence

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

# LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

**Sunday collection** (for general operating expenses)  
Collected **\$2,736.00**

**Restricted donations for:** (Catholic Relief Services)  
**\$636.00**

Easter Flowers	105.00
Votive candles	119.50
Adoration Chapel	79.00
St. Anne (donation box)	18.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!**  
**Next Week's 2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul**

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Hollywood has given us an image of Moses slipping off his shoes before a burning bush. God has just called Moses by name, and so that Moses doesn't miss the meaning of this breakthrough in human history, God requires that all barriers to the experience be eliminated. If you've ever tried to maneuver barefoot across hot sand, or pick your way along a rocky beach, you know how sensitive feet can be.

Within the Church, there are religious orders with a custom of going barefoot, not merely to show poverty, but to be an outward sign of a desire for connection with creation, a desire to go through life alert to what God is doing. In early days, when reconciliation was a once-in-a-lifetime possibility, penitents often went barefoot for a long period of time as a sign of their conversion. Even today, people follow an ancient practice of slipping off their shoes to walk in the procession to the cross on Good Friday. It is striking that the first use of our newly-scrubbed feet from Holy Thursday night is to walk resolutely in the footsteps of Christ to the cross.

"You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the Rosary" The Blessed Mother to Blessed Alan de la Roche



"The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the Rosary shall not perish." - Mary to St. Dominic.

**JOIN OUR FIFTH SUNDAY  
PARISH COMMUNITY ROSARY  
on March 31, at 4:00 PM at the Hall**



Sponsored by  
**OLGC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

During this Lenten season we invite everyone to join our **Station of the Cross inside the Church every Friday after 9:00 AM Mass and at 7:00 PM.**



**Q.** "My sister is a fallen-away Catholic who now attends an Episcopal church. She says that her church believes in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, just as Catholics do. Is she right?"



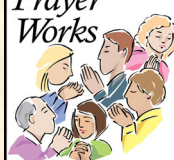
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**A.** To begin with, you should be careful using the phrase "Real Presence" when talking with non-Catholics. Many Christians accept that Jesus is "really present" in the Eucharist (or communion, as they often call it), but they mean something different than the Catholic Church's understanding of this phrase. Some Christian denominations that celebrate communion regularly- Episcopalians and Lutherans, for example-believe Jesus is "really present" along with the bread and wine. This doctrine is called *consubstantiation*. Catholics, on the other hand, believe that the bread and wine are literally and completely *changed* into the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus (CCC 1374-1377). This is known as *transubstantiation*.

The key is not so much what any particular Christian denomination may *believe* about communion, but what they actually *possess*. Only the Catholic Church (along with the Eastern Orthodox Churches) has valid orders, i.e., priests who are validly ordained by bishops who can trace a line of succession all the way back to the original apostles. It is this power that enables the Church to follow the instruction of its founder, Jesus Christ, who desired that his sacrifice for us on earth be memorialized through the ages by virtue of the words of the priest, "This is my body ... this is my blood." It is at this precise moment during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (referred to as the *consecration*) that the bread and wine cease to be bread and wine, and truly become the body and blood of Jesus (CCC 1377).

This is what is meant by the "real presence" of Jesus. Only a validly ordained priest, through the power of Christ given to him by the bishop (a successor of the apostles), can *confect* (bring about) the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Because the Episcopal Church does not have valid holy orders as recognized by the Catholic Church, it does not have the faculties necessary to enact the real presence in the Eucharist, no matter how close to ours their theological concept of the Eucharist may appear to be.

## Prayer Works



### Requesting Your Prayers

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



## 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Updating Parish Information

Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Send Sunday Envelopes

\_\_\_\_ New Parishioner  
\_\_\_\_ New Address  
\_\_\_\_ Put on mailing list

# OLGC THROUGH THE YEARS

