

# Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

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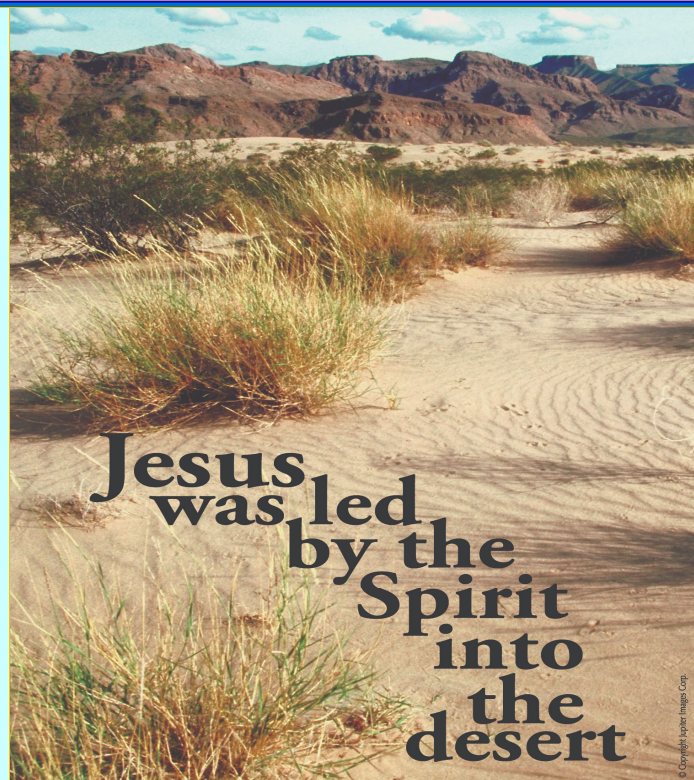
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## STRENGTH AGAINST TEMPTATION

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert.

As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT — MARCH 1, 2020

### 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 Penafrañcia

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:00 —4:45 pm

First Friday— 8 pm

### BAPTISMS AND WEDDING

Call Rectory : (510) 969-7013

### 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: Lynne Evans - (510) 501-4894

### FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CCD

Sunday morning – All grades after 8:30 Mass



## “OUR JOURNEY WITH JESUS”

Every year, as Lent approaches, our Parish Liturgy Committee chooses a new theme. For this Lent we decided that the best theme will be “OUR JOURNEY WITH JESUS”. Why

this theme?

Lent is a journey, a forty day journey that begins on Ash Wednesday and leads to Easter. It reminds us Jesus who spent forty days in wilderness praying and fasting as to prepare Himself for His ministry, which culminated in His death and resurrection. It is an invitation for us to come closer to Him and imitate Him through our prayer and fasting so we can be ready for the celebration of Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Our Lord longs to be close to us. He loves us so very much. Yes, we can carefully plan out our meatless Friday dinners. But what Jesus is really asking us to do is walk with Him, listen to Him, and try to grow in love for Him.

Your Lent may mean embracing sacrifice, prayer and almsgiving. It may also mean participating in Parish Mission, praying the Stations of the Cross, going to confession or finding time for a daily Mass or an extra prayer at home or at our Adoration chapel.

Whatever Lent ends up looking like for you, I hope it won't be a burden or a point of stress. Let's make this Lent a special time of anticipation and joy, a time of opening ourselves up to God. Let's have “our journey with Jesus”. Let's walk closer with Him so He can show us how great His love is and prepare our hearts for the magnificent joy of His resurrection.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** – Fridays (9:30AM and 7:00PM; Soup and bread at 6:00PM)  
**PARISH MISSION** – March 2-5 (Monday through Thursday) at 9:30AM or 7:00PM  
**PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE** – Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM



### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	Feb 29	<b>5:00 PM</b> Bruno Sibal Jr. + Felix Marimla + Honorata Sibal (BD)
Sun	Mar 1	<b>8:30 AM</b> Catubac & Rios Family (Thanksgiving) Antonio & Corazon Catubac ++ Dean Hannaford (Thanksgiving) Donato Ortiz + Paraluman Almonte + <b>11:00 AM</b> Oscar & Rose Orpiano Nena & Felipe Teng + Estrelita & Romeo Apostol + Antonia & Venancio Mendoza + Primitivo Hidalgo + Victorio Humarang + Lilia Ramos + Marilou Durano + Lilia Boter + <b>12:30</b> <i>Mass for Parishioners</i>
Mon	Mar 2	Soledad Matinez +
Tue	Mar 3	Zenaida Supelario (BD) Emeterio Ramos + Lilia Ramos + Linda Nuneza (Thanksgiving)
Wed	Mar 4	
Thu	Mar 5	
Fri	Mar 6	
Sat	Mar 7	<b>5:00 PM</b> Catherine Cruz (BD)
Sun	Mar 9	<b>8:30 AM</b> Paraluman Almonte + <b>11:00</b> <b>12:30</b> <i>Mass for Parishioners</i>

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	First Sunday of Lent
Monday:	Julian Calendar Lent begins
Tuesday:	St. Katharine Drexel
Wednesday:	St. Casimir
Friday:	World Day of Prayer; Abstinence; First Friday
Saturday:	Ss. Perpetua and Felicity; First Saturday

For Wedding and Baptism appointment schedules and funeral information please call Evelyn @ (510) 969 -7013 (Please note: There will be no Baptism during Lent Season)



## LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

**Sunday collection** (for general operating expenses)  
Collected **\$2,345.00**

**Restricted donations for:** (Grounds Maintenance)  
**\$860.00**

Funeral	300.00
Votive candles	124.00
Adoration Chapel	116.00
St. Anne (donation box)	48.00

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

### SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL (1858-1955)

March 3

Born into Philadelphia society, Katharine was an infant when she lost her mother. Her father remarried and the couple taught their daughters that their wealth was a "gift on loan" to be shared with the poor, whom they fed and cared for in their home. Invited by priest friends to witness firsthand the destitution on Native American reservations, Katharine resolved to devote her inheritance to this apostolate and enter a contemplative order. When, however, in private audience, she begged Leo XIII to send missionaries to staff the schools she was building, the pope replied, "My child, why not become a missionary yourself?" Katharine renounced a twenty-million-dollar fortune and founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, adoring Christ present in the Eucharist and ministering to Christ suffering in victims of racial discrimination. Her Sisters established over sixty schools nationwide, including Xavier University, New Orleans, the first dedicated to professional education for African Americans. In 2000, John Paul II canonized "Mother Drexel," praising her "excellent example of practical charity and generous solidarity with the less fortunate, long the distinguishing mark of American Catholics."



PLEASE BEAR WITH US FOR THE INCONVENIENCE DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUR **CRY ROOM** IN THE OLD KITCHEN.

#### Be a **KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS**

We are Catholic men building bridge back to faith. There is much more good and necessary work to be done in this world and that's what Knights do everyday. Be proud to be a Catholic.

Be proud to be a Knight. Join us !

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**Q.** Protestant say that a cross is not the same as a crucifix. I was told also that a cross represents that Jesus has risen and is proper to wear.



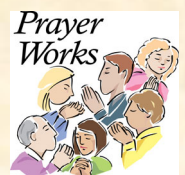
Catholic Answers  
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**A.** Some Protestants suggest that because Catholics often depict Jesus on the cross it means that they believe he has not risen. This is, of course, nonsense. Catholics are adamant about the Resurrection of Christ. That's why it is written into the creed that we say every Sunday. Depicting the cross bare is not an especially good symbol of the resurrection since the cross probably never stood bare. When Jesus was taken down from it, the crossbeam that his arms were nailed to was probably removed. It is doubtful that after he rose from the dead anyone bothered putting the crossbeam back up.

**Q.** Why do we use our right hand instead of our left hand to make the sign of the cross?

**A.** The right hand, probably in part due to the fact that most people are right-handed, is traditionally the hand of blessing and greeting in many cultural settings, a convention found in Scripture and Tradition. For example, Jesus places the sheep on his right hand but the goats on his left; he himself is "seated at the right hand of the Father"; at God's "right hand are blessings forevermore"; and so on. In sacred images, Jesus is depicted raising his right hand in blessing. Even today, we use our right hand for handshakes or salutes, we are familiar with the phrase "the right hand of fellowship" and so forth. By contrast, the left hand has in many cultures a very different set of traditional associations (for example, it is often designated for personal hygiene; the word *sinister* is derived from the Latin for *left-handed*; etc.). For all these reasons, it is natural that the sign of the cross has traditionally been made with the right hand.

Virgilio Abar, Gary Anderson, Cesar & Ester Eugenio, Mercedes Go-Oco, Carmen Bryant, Corazon Belisario, Dulce Bufete, Jack Burns, Romeo Camantigue, Ed & Eliz Coyne, Priscilla Da Rosa, Elisa Ducusin, Belen Escondo, Cora Estanislao, Avelino Gapsin, Mark Litvinchuck, Willie Orpiano, Mary Moniz, Geri Murchison, Ruben Mislant, Edward Mejia, Gail Ocasion, Frances Pangelinan, Pratima Prasad, Josephine Redard, Dan Sanchez, Maritess Sanchez, Ursula Santos, Jane Spivey, Marie Ann Tassone, 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

