



Catholic Charities
of the East Bay

Catholic Charities of the East Bay is a social services arm of the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Oakland. It provides a range of services that move youth and families from crisis to stability to prosperity. The vision of the Catholic Charities is to be "Christ's church in the street".

1. Welcoming the Stranger

From political refugees to undocumented children, this organization provides services to those in need regardless of their national origin or legal status. Its attorneys and accredited representatives guide immigrants along the complex pathway to citizenship. The Catholic Charities also help resettle refugees, reunite families and relatives, and provide refugees and immigrants assistance with finding work and attending school. Its workforce training center, case managers and vocational classes provide support to increase household income to a livable wage.

2. Healing Trauma

Families and children living in poverty in urban areas often suffer multiple traumas over many years. The Catholic Charities counsel those who are afflicted by trauma and loss. Through Crisis Response Support Network (CRSN) it supports families of victims of homicide in the City of Oakland, accompanying them in their grief, and assisting them with urgent needs so that they may recover. The Catholic Charities also supports victims who survive violent injury on their path to emotional and physical recovery.

3. Fostering Self-Sufficiency

In the East Bay, many families struggle to find jobs that provide a *living wage*. For them, one illness or accident can send their family spiraling into crisis. The Catholic Charities helps move families from crisis to stability to prosperity. Through rental assistance and connection to services it helps hundreds of families throughout Alameda and Contra Costa counties stay in their homes. Learn more about The Catholic Charities of East Bay by visiting their website: www.cceb.org

Next weekend, through the second collection, we are invited to join Catholic Charities by donating to assist children and families who need our help. In this Year of Mercy our support will give true meaning to mercy and will help our Church to make difference in the lives of many. Please use special envelopes inserted in this bulletin and thank you for being generous.

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Sat	May 7	Eufrocino Ramos Rosabelle Ocampo
Sun	May 8	8:30 Angelita Camarillo (BD) 11:00 Novena for Mother's Day Hoai AnTran (BD) Ed & Nelia Fausto (Wedding Anniv) Linda Solis (Intentions) Calixto Pantaleon + Joseph Pereira + Calixta Pantaleon +
Mon	May 9	Mercy & Jimmy Cruz (Wedding Anniv) Mothers Day Novena
Tue	May 10	Romeo Supelario + Mothers Day Novena
Wed	May 11	Joel Cruz (Surgery) Juventino & Adriana Antonio (Wedd Anniversary) Nina Ricci Valdez + Mothers Day Novena
Thu	May 12	Restituto Alegado + Alfonso Alegado +
Fri	May 13	Rosario Galicia (BD) Cielo de la Paz (Intentions) Mothers Day Novena
Sat	May 14	Alexander Cruz + Mothers Day Novena
Sun	May 15	8:30 Virginia Nabor (Intentions) Mothers Day Novena 11:00 Novena for Mother's Day Leolito Garcia (BD) Alice Salvado Mothers Day Novena Joseph Pereira + Calixta Pantaleon

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord; Mother's Day; World Communications Day
Tuesday:	St. Damien de Veuster
Thursday:	Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras
Friday:	Our Lady of Fatima

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Sunday:	<u>Vigil:</u> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day:</u> Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday collection (for general operating expenses)
Collected **\$2,910.00**

Restricted donations for: (Diocesan Assessment)
\$793.00

Parish Gift Shop	162.00
Votive candles	110.00
Adoration Chapel	179.00
St. Anne (donation box)	40.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!
Next week's second collection: **Catholic Charities**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Second Vatican Council decreed that the devotional life of the Church should be examined and reformed with an eye towards expressing Easter faith. This encouragement for creativity has deep roots in our tradition, and some attempts at reform show great promise. One of the great treasures in our devotional repertoire is a familiar feature of Lent: the Way of the Cross. The faithful walk a path recalling the events of Christ's passion, a contemplative experience increasingly enriched these days by scripture and song. There are fourteen stations in the usual configuration, although in recent years, a fifteenth station of the Empty Tomb has been added. Why stop there? Why not develop a similar journey structured on the theme of the appearances of the Risen Lord?

Over the last decade, a *Via Lucis*, or "Way of Light," has developed as a companion to the *Via Crucis*. It has been celebrated at the Vatican and is catching on elsewhere. There are fourteen stations, beginning with the Women Carrying Spices to the Tomb, continuing with the familiar appearances of the Lord at Emmaus, the Upper Room, the shore of Tiberias. The journey ends with stations recalling the apostles' wait with Mary for the advent of the Spirit, and with Pentecost. This is fertile ground indeed for the genius of artists, musicians, preachers, and liturgists. This is a living example of how many of our traditions are born to fill a great spiritual need, and spread to every corner of the Church. It may even come soon to a church near you. Maybe next Eastertime!

MOTHER LOVE There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it.—Chinese proverb

There are pairs of eyeglasses and some rosaries found inside the church. Check and claim your lost items from the Parish Office

Q. I was baptized in a Lutheran but now I have not been living a Christian life until recently, Can I be rebaptized at Catholic Church ?

A. Baptism is a once-for-all sacrament . An attempt to "redo" a valid baptism would be useless: The second baptism would not "take" because the first was valid. Furthermore, it would be an objective sacrilege because it would cast aspersions on the validity of the first baptism.

Even if you have not lived a Christian life until recently, if you were validly baptized then you *are* a Christian. Your status as a Christian does not depend upon how well you have lived. The proper sacrament to wash away personal sins you have committed since your baptism is confession.



Catholic Answers apo2

Pilgrimage to the "Canonization of Mother Teresa" plus Shrines of Spain, France & Italy

The Jubilee Year of Mercy August 23 – September 5, 2016

14 Days Pilgrimage with Daily Masses. Places to visit: **Spain, Madrid, Avila, Santiago De Compostela, Garibandal, Bilbao, Loyola, Zaragoza, Montserrat, Barcelona; France, Lourdes; Italy, Naples, Capri, Sorrento, Amalfi Coast, Montecassino, Rome (Canonization of Mother Teresa).** The Pilgrimage cost is \$4,450 plus tax \$650 from San Francisco. Flyers are available at Our Lady of Good Counsel Office. Fr. Ron Schmit is the spiritual Director. For more information and reservation, contact the Group Leader, **Lina Belisario @ (510) 599-4210.**



Join our Fatima celebration night on Friday, May 13, 2016 here at OLGC. Mass at 7:30 PM followed by Rosary - candlelight procession around the church. Blessing with the Blessed Sacrament after procession.



Requesting Your Prayers

Gary Anderson, Erlinda Arrieta, Leonor Yracheta, Andy Dangca, Priscilla Da Rosa, , Carlo Dupaya, Belen Escondo, Annie Estrella, Mitchell Estrellas, Eddie Exevea, Mercy Gallardo, Arlene Goldsborough, Avelino Gapsin, Bill Haggerty, Erlinda Howard, Lina Jose, Billy Lelina, Willie Orpiano, Pacita Macasieb, Bibiana Magat, Soledad Martinez, Betty Miralles, Susan Nacu, Rodney Nelson, Gail Ocasion, Lourdes Oster, Frances Pangelinan, Aida Pineda, Romeo Camantigue, Loreta Ramin, Danilo Rubio, Maritess Sanchez, Minda Santos, Raul Valecruz, Jon Sullivan, , 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.

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