

50 Years

1966 - 2016

Celebrating Our 50 Years Journey of Faith



of Faith Journey

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, JANUARY 8, 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

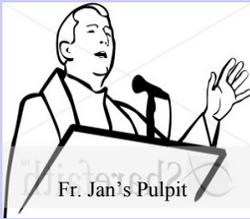
PARISH HALL INFORMATION

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

FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ CCD

Sunday morning – All grades after 8:30 Mass





CALLED BY GOD

Through the grace of the sacrament of baptism, each person receives a particular *vocation* (or calling) from God. Most are called to live out their vocations as married persons and others are called to respond to God

in their capacity as single persons. Some are called to consecrate their lives to God as religious brothers and sisters. Others are called to consecrate their lives as virgins or as 3rd order Religious. Still others are called to dedicate their lives to God and the church as ordained priests and deacons.

Whatever one's calling may be, discerning it prayerfully and responding to it fully is the key to experiencing God's light and purpose in our lives.

Jesus called the apostles by name to learn from him and to carry on his ministry. He gave them extraordinary powers to baptize, to preach his gospel, to forgive sins and to feed His people with His own body and blood in the Eucharist.

Every Catholic man ought to prayerfully consider if Jesus may be calling him to the priesthood. Often those who are called say that the thought of the priesthood entered their mind and wouldn't go away. They find that time at Mass brings deep peace and joy. Gradually they sense that Jesus may be inviting them in a very personal way to investigate the possibility of the priesthood.

A priesthood candidate needs to have a personal relationship with Jesus. He is a person of prayer and fidelity to the Catholic Church. He is energized by the Church's ministry and seeks to make his particular gifts and talents available for service to the Church. He should be disciplined and responsible, of at least average intelligence and maturity.

Jesus himself was celibate and gave himself completely to his Father's will. Priests in the Roman Rite do not marry. They give their time, energy, love and commitment to those that they serve. Celibacy is not for everyone, but for those who are called to the priesthood it is a way to live and love in the world after the example of Jesus himself, and is not a burden.

Next weekend, January 14th and 15th, is our annual diocesan-wide Seminary collection. In today's bulletin you will find a brochure which introduces you to our 16 seminarians and the different seminaries they are attending. Also you will find special envelope for the Seminary collection.

Please be generous in financially supporting those called to serve in the Oakland Diocese as future priests. Kindly make your checks payable to Our Lady of Good Counsel and notate "Seminary Collection" on the memo line. Thank you for your help.

THIS WEEKS MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	Jan 7	
Sun	Jan 8	8:30 AM 11:00 AM Alberto Jugarap +
Mon	Jan 9	
Tue	Jan 10	Nina Ricci +
Wed	Jan 11	Nina Ricci +
Thu	Jan 12	
Fri	Jan 13	Lana & Robert Strom (Intentions)
Sat	Jan 14	
Sun	Jan 15	8:30 AM 11:00 AM Alice Salvado +

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday:	The Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday:	First Week in Ordinary Time begins
Friday:	St. Hilary
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17
Tuesday:	Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday:	Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34



Join our OLGC Weekday Devotions After

9AM Masses
St. Anthony - Tuesdays
Mother of Perpetual Help Wednesdays
St. Jude - Thursdays
La Pietà—Every Friday

Divine Mercy Chaplet In Song every second Saturday of the month at 3:00 PM at the Church.



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

Your contribution statement for 2016 will be prepared upon request. Please call the Parish Office first to prepare them.

CHRISTMAS CONTRIBUTIONS

Christmas collections (for general operating expenses) **\$4,541.00**

Simbang Gabi Masses	2,990.00
Giving Tree	2,649.00
Votive candles	203.00
Adoration Chapel	171.00
St. Anne (donation box)	32.00

LAST WEEKS' CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday (Mother of God) (for general operating expenses) **Collected \$2,930.00**

Restricted donations for: (Diocesan Assessment) **\$789.00**

Black Nazarene	311.00
Parish Gift Shop	576.50
Votive candles	171.00
Adoration Chapel	325.00
St. Anne (donation box)	39.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This year, in the United States the celebration of the Epiphany falls on January 8, but the traditional date for the Epiphany is January 6. The date we know as January 6 was established as the solstice in Egypt in 1996 BC, but the Egyptian calendar lost a full day every 128 years. Twenty centuries later the actual solstice had migrated to December 25. People still kept January 6 for the solstice celebration, but December 25, matching nicely with the Roman pagan feast of the Unconquered Sun, launched an extended solstice holiday. By the time of the early church, the whole period of twelve days was celebrated just about everywhere.

Christians began to celebrate Christ as the true light of the world in four themes: the Nativity, the manifestation to the Gentiles, the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana. That was entirely too much for one day to handle. A twelve-day season was ready to be adapted, so Christians borrowed from the pagan calendar for their own season of light. Thus early Christian celebrations of the Christmas season extended from one date for the solstice, December 25, to the older date, January 6. The darkest time in the Northern Hemisphere could now be filled with the Christian observance of the arrival of the Light of the World.

Please help keep our little church clean and orderly inside and outside



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

Q. Can condoms be used for family planning?

The only means of "birth control" that the Church allows to be used in family planning is self-control. If a husband and wife has just cause to avoid having children, the husband and wife may use natural family planning (NFP). NFP allows the couple to gauge the woman's fertile times and avoid relations during those times. What is not, and cannot, be permitted is for a husband and wife to engage in relations while blocking the natural result of children. Any means that accomplishes this end is not morally permissible.



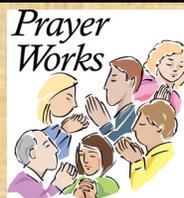
Q. Are jeans acceptable attire for Mass?

they are neat and clean with no holes or tears. Even St. Peter's in the Vatican, which has a very strict dress code, permits women to wear jeans. However, your decision to wear jeans should not be based on what "everyone else is doing"; rather, it should be based on what God is calling you to do.

Consider the thoughts of Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua:

"When you go to Mass, remember to dress appropriately and respectfully, whether you are at home or at the seashore or in the mountains. Many people are less concerned today about "dressing up" for work and school, but we should avoid dressing too casually for God's house. Yes, God accepts us as we are, but the church is a sacred space where God Himself is sacramentally present. "

TRUE HAPPINESS Abandon yourself utterly for the love of God, and in this way you will become truly happy.
—Blessed Henry Suso



Requesting Your Prayers

Gary Anderson, Erlinda Arrieta, Leonor Yracheta, Priscilla Da Rosa, Belen Escondo, Annie Estrella, Mitchell Estrellas, Eddie Exevea, Nilda Falero, Mercy Gallardo, Arlene Goldsborough, Avelino Gapasin, Bill Haggerty, Erlinda Howard, Willie Orpiano, Pacita Macasieb, Bibiana Magat, Edward Mejia, 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.

OLGC THROUGH THE YEARS

