



50 Years

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Celebrating Our 50 Years

Journey of Faith



of Faith Journey

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 27, 2016

Our Lady Of Good Counsel Church

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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



ADVENT IS FOR WAITING AND HEALING

Whenever I go to Marina Park I love to watch the planes descending and taking off. I am impressed by the power of their roaring engines. I am amazed how these huge vehicles manage to get off the ground.

When I go to the airport, I love to watch the people. At the airport, emotions are so close to the surface. People are saying goodbye and give each other a big hug. You can see parents in tears hugging their small children, lovers giving each other a goodbye kiss or friends saying “see you soon”.

Also, people are being reunited. It is a beautiful thing to witness the smiles break across people’s faces when they recognize the loved ones they’ve been anticipating seeing. Again, the long hugs, the conversation, — “How was your flight?”

Advent reminds me a little of the airport. There is a sense of goodbye. There is the goodbye to the season of autumn as the last of the leaves fall. We say goodbye to another Liturgical Year and the Year of Mercy. As parishioners of Our Lady of Good Counsel we will conclude the Year of our Golden Jubilee celebrations.

But there is also a sense of being reunited: with the old stories of the coming of the baby Jesus; with the old favorite hymns - *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* and - *On Jordan’s Banks*. There is that clue of hope, peace, joy, and love. There is a sense of a fresh start, a new year that feels like a long hug and the start of a new conversation.

There is a feeling of strength. The runways are flat and straight, just like the prophets ask us to make them for Christ to come. It is amazing that Almighty God wants to touch down and visit our divided nation, our families and our hearts bringing a new hope and peace. It seems incredible that so much power could be in our midst. Yes, Advent is a good time for waiting and healing.

I invite you to take any opportunity to enjoy the anticipation of this season. Yes, it is a busy time but, more importantly, it is a time of joyful waiting and preparation.

A Blessed Advent to You and Yours!

THIS WEEKS MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	Nov 26	Joseph Pereira + Bonifacio Raz + Lawrence Cruz (BD)
Sun	Nov 27	8:30 AM Daniel Baraan + Nuestra Senora del Carmen Virgilio & Bella Labilles)(Thanksgiving & healing) 11:00 AM Rolina Humarang (BD) Rose Da Silva
Mon	Nov 28	All Souls in Purgatory
Tue	Nov 29	All Souls in Purgatory
Wed	Nov 30	All Souls in Purgatory
Thu	Dec 1	Christopher Medina + All Souls in Purgatory
Fri	Dec 2	Raynold Moral + All Souls in Purgatory
Sat	Dec 3	Nerri & Edward Valladares (Thanksgiving)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	First Sunday of Advent
Wednesday:	St. Andrew
Thursday:	World AIDS Awareness Day
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	St. Francis Xavier; First Saturday

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday:	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

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



Visit our Gift Shoppe. New marked down items for religious and holiday gifts. Check items on Boutique sale for Christmas.

In observance of holiday THIS BULLETIN ISSUE WAS PRINTED IN ADVANCE. LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS will be published in the next week's issue

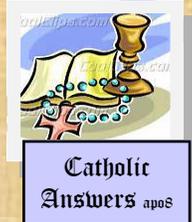
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before the Second Vatican Council in the mid-1960s, Advent had a strong penitential tone, reminiscent of Lent. From as long ago as the fourth century, some Christians began a solemn fast on St. Martin's Day, November 11. This "Saint Martin's Lent" extended all the way to Christmas, and was widely followed in the dioceses of France and Germany, and in the Middle Ages in England. Fasting was required, and dancing and similar activities were banned for the duration. The fast had a social function, too, assuring that the winter food supplies would stretch into spring.

At the Second Vatican Council, some bishops argued that a revival of the long winter's fast would give the Church a chance to establish the message and themes of the Incarnation long before the holiday hubbub took hold. This proposal didn't pass, and Advent emerged as a four-week period of reflection, expectant waiting, and joyful preparation for the coming of the Lord. The season has two principal phases, with the first beginning this Sunday. The second phase commences on December 17, when the liturgy begins to unfold the story of the Savior's coming. Interestingly, the Eastern Church maintains a strongly penitential note in Advent, which is called "Winter Lent," "The Nativity Fast," or "Christmas Lent," and has laws forbidding people to absent themselves from liturgy from December 17 onward.

Q. Should rosaries be worn as jewelry?

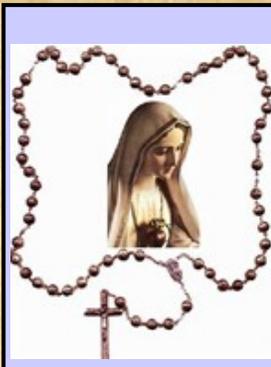
A: "Sacred objects, set aside for divine worship by dedication or blessing, are to be treated with reverence. They are not to be made over to secular or inappropriate use, even though they may belong to private persons" (CIC 1171).



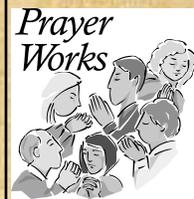
Essentially, sacramentals such as rosaries must be treated with respect, particularly if they have been blessed. Reverence is the attitude of awe or respect that is most often given to sacred things. By its very definition, it is an interior disposition that usually cannot be determined by onlookers by appearances alone. A person may be wearing a rosary as a statement of faith, to keep it handy for praying throughout the day, or to avoid losing it. Those reasons would be indicative of reverence and would not interfere with the canon's directive that sacramentals must be treated reverently.

Ordinarily speaking, then, if someone is spotted wearing a rosary, he should be charitably presumed to be wearing it for just reasons. Only if the rosary is being put to an objectively sordid use (e.g., a rock star is using it as a prop in a music video, obscenely contrasting the symbolic purity of the rosary with the immodest or immoral actions of the performers) can we be sure that the rosary is being treated irreverently

FULFILL TODAY If what you did yesterday still looks big to you, surely you have not done much today.
—Anonymous



Join our OLGC Weekday Devotions After 9AM Masses
St. Anthony - Tuesdays
Mother of Perpetual Help
Wednesdays
St. Jude - Thursdays
La Pieta—Every Friday
Divine Mercy Chaplet In Song
 every second Saturday of the month at 3:00 PM at the Church.



Requesting Your Prayers

Gary Anderson, Erlinda Arrieta, Leonor Yracheta, Andy Dangca, 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, Betty Miralles, 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.

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



As we pray for peace and end of violence let us pray for members of our community serving as missionaries and those in the military.



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

OLGC THROUGH THE YEARS

