



Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

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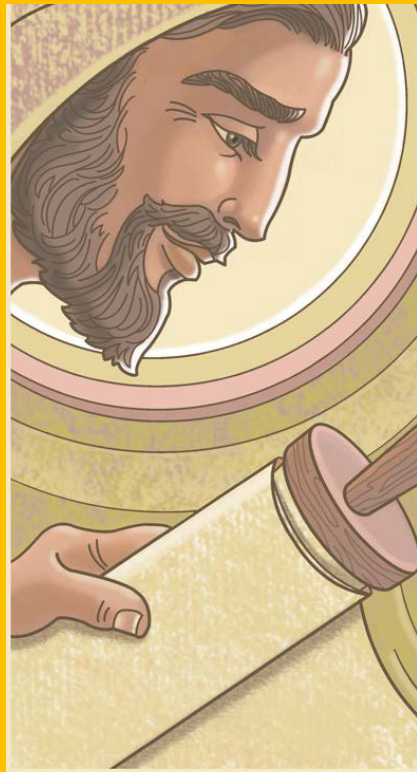
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BLESSED

When we think of the word “Beatitude” we think of today’s discourse from Luke’s Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins “Blessed are the poor in spirit . . .”). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, “Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord” (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John’s Gospel, Christ proclaims, “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29). The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the *Beati*, the “Blessed,” for they are the ones who lived the “blessed” life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!



Isn't this
the son
of Joseph?



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — FEBRUARY 17, 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

BAPTISMS AND WEDDING

By appointment : (510) 614-2765

ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL

Monday—Saturday—9:30am—7 pm

First Friday— 9:30 AM—12 Midnight

PARISH HALL INFORMATION

By Appointment

Call: Lynne Evans (510) 501-4894

FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ CCD

Sunday morning – All grades after 8:30 Mass



EMMA DE GUZMAN COMING THIS WEEK

This Thursday, February 21st, we are privileged to welcome Emma de Guzman to our church for the third time. As always she comes to us with the message of love, peace, and joy.

Who is Emma?



Emma was born into a very poor family in Cabanatuan City, Philippines, on December 8th, 1949. By age 26, then widowed with three children, she had lost her husband when her oldest child was just 5 years old. Emma found

employment in Singapore as a domestic helper making money to raise her three children. She moved to Canada as a live-in nanny in 1986. Presently, she lives in New Jersey, with a daughter and two grand-children. She is the co-founder of the Catholic lay group association, *La Pieta*, which is dedicated to a Marian devotion under the title of, *Mother of Love, Peace and Joy*.

Emma's visit is quite extraordinary, not so much from of her personal background, but because of what she has experienced in her life. She has become a well known mystic because her presence has been associated with Eucharistic miracles, stigmata bleeding, as well as other mystical manifestations. She is also a visionary, and delivers messages about the Catholic faith.

Emma is known for her extreme humility, and is quick to point out that her mystical gifts are not hers, taking no personal glory in them. Although her public ministry of healing and prayer is rapidly growing, Emma remains deeply spiritual, humble, and obedient. She believes God has chosen to work through her by relieving human suffering of the soul and the body. People who meet Emma describe her as a simple and kind person and her services to be among the most peaceful and moving experiences.

May Emma's visit be a true blessing to all of us by bringing us closer to the loving heart of Jesus through the intercession of Mary, our Blessed Mother.

FEBRUARY 21st SCHEDULE

- 4:00 PM - Mass followed by
Healing Service with Emma
(Confessions)
- 7:00 PM - Healing Service with Emma
(Confessions)

THIS WEEKS INTENTIONS

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| Sat | Feb 16 | |
| Sun | Feb 17 | 8:30 AM Norberto De Castro, Jr. + Virginia Mansor + 11:00 AM Jesus Gonzales + Josefina Dunglao + Claudio Santiago, Sr + Namasivayam Amuthasakaran + All lost spirits |
| Mon | Feb 18 | Mario da Rosa + |
| Tue | Feb 19 | Julia Kelly + Valerie Go-Oco + Santiago Villanueva |
| Wed | Feb 20 | Rudy Ocasion Jr. (BD) Raquel Ramos + |
| Thu | Feb 21 | Theresa Arnecrich (BD) Arsenio Pabalan All Souls in Purgatory |
| Fri | Feb 22 | Isaias & Pacita Tamondong (34th Wedding Aniversary) William Dixon + |
| Sat. | Feb 23 | Williamj Dixon + Liza Bufete (BD) Bella Adora (BD) Socorro Bufete + |
| Sun | Feb 24 | 8:00 AM Marcus de Carvalho + Rudy Ocasion + William Dixon + Francisco Dalog III Maria Toste + Freddie Ballesteros + Paulina Firme + Marietta Gutierrez + 11:00 AM Nene Baliwas + William Dixon + Reyland & Rina Suarez (25th (Wedding) Joseph Pereira + Naamasivayam Amuthasakaran + |

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| Sunday: | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Monday: | Presidents' Day |
| Thursday: | St. Peter Damian |
| Friday: | Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday |
| Saturday: | St. Polycarp |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-26; Mk 8:11-13 |
| Tuesday: | Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21 |
| Wednesday: | Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26 |
| Thursday: | Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33 |
| Friday: | 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 |
| Saturday: | Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13 |
| Sunday: | 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38 |

LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday collection (for general operating expenses)
Collected **\$2,622.00**

Restricted donations for: (Liability Insurance)
\$944.00

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| Sacramentals (Baptisms) | \$300.00 |
| El Shaddai (Monthly donation) | \$700.00 |
| Votive candles | \$115.00 |
| Adoration Chapel (donation box) | \$86.00 |
| St. Anne (donation box) | \$33.00 |

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!
Next Week's 2nd Collection: Grounds Maintenance

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been remarkable progress in drawing persons with disabilities into full celebration. Now it is generally accepted that worship places need accommodations such as ramps or elevators, large-print materials for those who are sight-impaired, and perhaps even an assisted hearing system or signing in American Sign Language. American Sign Language is not merely English translated into movement, but a distinct language with its own grammar, syntax (word order), and vocabulary. For this reason, the American Catholic bishops have approved American Sign Language (ASL) as an official language of the liturgy.

Celebrating liturgy in our own language (the vernacular) means that liturgy must be accessible to all languages and cultures. The fact that Mass is celebrated this weekend in some places in total silence, but with the full participation of deaf people praising God in the movements of their hands, and sometimes even with a priest who is deaf, is nothing less than the Church being faithful to the image of Jesus, who made the deaf hear and the mute speak. Remember too that deafness is an invisible disability, and that there may well be people in your parish who are quietly yearning for Mass to be signed for them in ASL.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS & GODPARENTS

If you are planning to have your child baptized, parents and godparents need to attend a Pre-baptism Class. Parents must be registered members of the parish for at least three months. Call the Parish office for more information. For Baptism Classes call Paul Groff at (510) 915-1372



KNIGHT'S CORNER

Our OLGC Knights of Columbus Chapter is growing. Be a part of greater involvement in the renewal of parish and family life. Be a member of over a million Catholic fraternal brotherhood. Be a Knight of Columbus. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Q. *Noah's Ark has always been a puzzle to me. I can't understand how all the animals could have gotten on the Ark. What do you think?*



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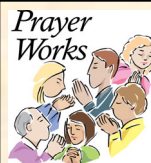
A. As a matter of fact, it very probably did not happen if you are taking the Genesis text to mean that hundreds of thousands of animals boarded the Ark. Persons who take the words that literally don't know or notice that the word *all* is used throughout the story (and in ancient writings generally) for only portions of what the *all* would be. For example, Noah is called a just man (one made of flesh) but the text says that *all* flesh had "corrupted its way." It says that *all* men perished in the waters, while the point of the whole story is that the man Noah and his family did not perish.

We use the same idiom in everyday speech when we say something like "Those mosquitos are everywhere." We don't really mean they are on the moon or the far reaches of the universe, we just mean that there are a lot of them in our yard. We use a "universal" expression to make our statement stronger.

The writer of the text in Genesis who was quoting God meant that Noah was to put on the ark all the domestic animals it could accommodate. It is impossible that the writer of the text could have known about the millions of species of wild animals and believed that God put the obligation on Noah of taking some of each along with them.

Difficulties like the one you cited stem from certain denominations arising after the establishment of the Bible as the sole rule of Protestant faith. They extended the true idea that the Bible was right to the false idea that every word, even in translations, was to be taken literally.

INSEPARABLE Faith and works are like the light and heat to a candle; they cannot be separated. —Anonymous



Requesting Your Prayers

Virgilio Abar, Gary Anderson, Corazon Ariosa, Carmen Bryant, Corazon Belisario, Dulce Bufete, Jack Burns, Ed & Eliz

Coyne, Sevin Co, Erlinda Dizon, Priscilla Da Rosa, Elisa Ducusin, Belen Escondo, Cora Estanislao,

Eddie Exevea, Nilda Falero, Arnel Flores, Avelino Gapasin, Erlinda Howard, Carmelita Joseph, Irma Lobitana, Ellie Lezama, Willie Orpiano, Pacita Macasieb, Geri Murchison, Ruben Mislang, Edward Mejia, Gail Ocasion, Frances Pangelinan, Rosy Pereira, Aida Pineda, Romeo Camantigue, Maritess Sanchez, Merceditas Querubin, Min-da 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

