

# Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

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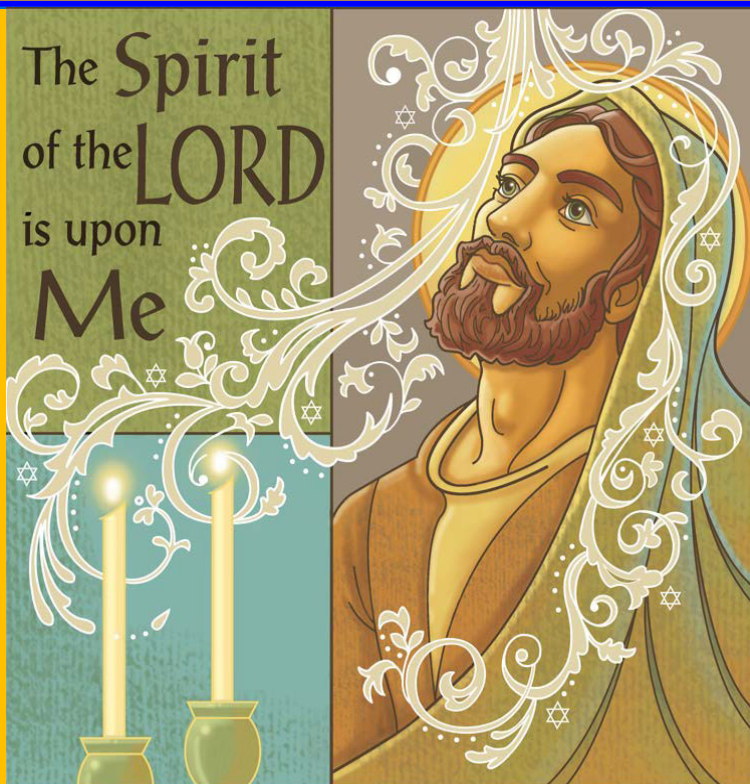
## TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.

The Spirit  
of the LORD  
is upon  
Me



## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JANUARY 27, 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

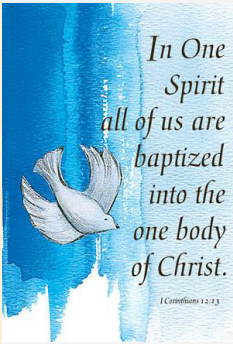
### PARISH HALL INFORMATION

Call: (510) 501-4894 - Lynne Evans

By appointment

### FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ CCD

Sunday morning – All grades after 8:30 Mass



Stewardship  
Bulletin Reflection  
**January 27, 2019 -  
Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc.

**Neh 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

One of the challenges in today's society is the belief that faith is a very personal thing, something between oneself and God. Even among those who consider themselves Catholic many think that they are good Catholics because they have an active prayer life and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Today's second reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians in particular could not make a stronger statement about faith and how it is closely tied to the concept of community. *"For in one spirit we were all baptized into one body"* (1 Cor 12:13). Paul goes on to explain that the body — the Church, our faith community — cannot function or survive without each member playing an active part.

That, of course, is the essence of stewardship. Each member, each part of the body, has been granted certain gifts and a specific purpose. If we fail to acknowledge those gifts, or if we fail to seek and find and carry out our purpose, our vocation, in relation to the body, the whole community may suffer. *"As it is God has placed the parts, each member, of the body into the place he wanted it to be."* (1 Cor 12:18)

Pope Francis shares a story of a time he baptized the seven children of single mother. After the baptisms, she said to the Pope (to be) "Father, you make me feel so important," to which the Pope replied, "Where do I come in? It is Jesus who makes you feel important." We are one, and each of us is important, united through the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.



**THIS WEEKS INTENTIONS**

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| Sat | Jan 26 | Efren & Cora Tabernero (45th Wed anniv)  |
| Sun | Jan 27 | <b>8:30 AM</b> Mila Reyes ( BD)<br>All Souls in Purgatory<br>Rene & Milagros Reyes ( Wed anniv )<br>Alfredo Cruz Carpio Sr. +<br>Grandpa Felix & Grandma Violet<br><b>11:00 AM</b><br><b>12:30</b> Mass for Parishioners |
| Mon | Jan 28 | All Souls in Purgatory   |
| Tue | Jan 29 | All Souls in Purgatory   |
| Wed | Jan 30 | Dorotea Bernatia (BD)<br>Christine Belenson (BD)<br>Candelaria Tanquintic +<br>Maria Annabella Moniz (BD)<br>All Souls in Purgatory  |
| Thu | Jan 31 | All Souls in Purgatory<br>Kenneth Farias +   |
| Fri | Feb 1  | Oscar & Rose Orpiano ++<br>Victorio Humarang +   |
| Sat | Feb 2  | Lourdes Dijamco +  |
| Sun | Feb 3  | <b>8:30 AM</b><br><b>11:00 AM</b> Henry & Yolanda Shirek +<br>Oscar & Rose Orpiano ++<br>Trinidad Cruz +<br>Jules & Mary Jane Wilson<br>Francisco & Emiliana Hidalgo<br><b>12:30</b> Mass for Parishioners               |

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catholic Schools Week
- Monday: St. Thomas Aquinas
- Thursday: St. John Bosco
- Friday: First Friday
- Saturday: The Presentation of the Lord;  
Blessing of Candles; First Saturday;  
World Day for Consecrated Life;  
Groundhog Day

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;  
Mk 2:23-28, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
- Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;  
Mk 16:15-18
- Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 or  
Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**"LET US GATHER WHERE HEALING CAN BEGIN "**

**" MARIA " ( Mary And Rosary In Action )**

GROUP IS HAVING HEALING ROSARY EVERY FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH HERE IN OLGC AT 3:00 PM. JOIN OUR SCRIPTURAL HEALING ROSARY ON MONDAY JANUARY 28 @ 3:00 PM. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN.





# LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

**Sunday collection** (for general operating expenses)  
Collected **\$2,084.00**

**Restricted donations for:** (Seminary)  
**\$1,415.00**

Gift Shop	996.00
Votive candles	123.50
Adoration Chapel	85.00
St. Anne (donation box)	25.00

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

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Saturday's feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love.

### 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.** What was God doing before He created everything?



**Catholic Answer** 0052qa

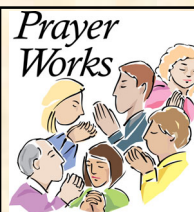
**A.** Nothing. He could have been just thinking and loving. (God is three Persons who love each other.) We really don't know what went on before the creation of the world except that God was perfectly happy and was so good that He wanted to share the life and happiness of His three Persons. So He made the world with us in it.

Before creation, God could have been planning what it would be like. When you think just of our bodies (so complicated that there are things with independent lives inside the tiny cells of which we are made) or the distances to the farthest-away stars that we can find by radio (billions upon billions of miles), it seems likely that God was planning creation from all eternity.

He had a lot of things to decide. Should He make us like Himself so that we could do what we wanted (even though what we wanted to do might be wrong)? Or should He make us like the animals which have to do exactly what God dictates? Should He become a man Himself so that in case human beings did sin, He could suffer the punishment instead of them?

You asked what God was doing before He made the world. I had to say "nothing" because I couldn't possibly imagine what God is or does apart from this world. But I knew it was "nothing" that anybody could understand. The real answer to your question is that in God there is no "before" or "after" only "now." We can't imagine that. It's like a square circle or a stick with only one end. Don't be disappointed if you can't understand time and eternity. Just say to yourself that God knows all about it and that you will know more about it when you get to heaven.

**BROKEN BRIDGES** When we cannot forgive, we break the bridge over which we must pass if we would ever reach heaven; for everyone has need to be forgiven.—George Herbert



### Requesting Your Prayers

Virgilio Abar, Gary Anderson, Corazon Ariosa, Carmen Bryant, Corazon Belisario, Dulce Bufete, Jack Burns, Romeo Camantigue Ed & Eliz Coyne, Sevin Co, Erlinda Dizon, Priscilla Da Rosa, Elisa Ducusin, Belen Escondo, Cora Estanislao, Eddie Exevea, Nilda Falero, Amel Flores, Avelino Gapsin, 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, Mercedes Querubin, Maritess Sanchez, 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 _____	Phone _____	_____ New Parishioner
Address _____	City _____ ZIP Code _____	_____ New Address
_____ Updating Parish Information	_____ Send Sunday Envelopes	_____ Put on mailing list



# OLGC THROUGH THE YEARS

