



# Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

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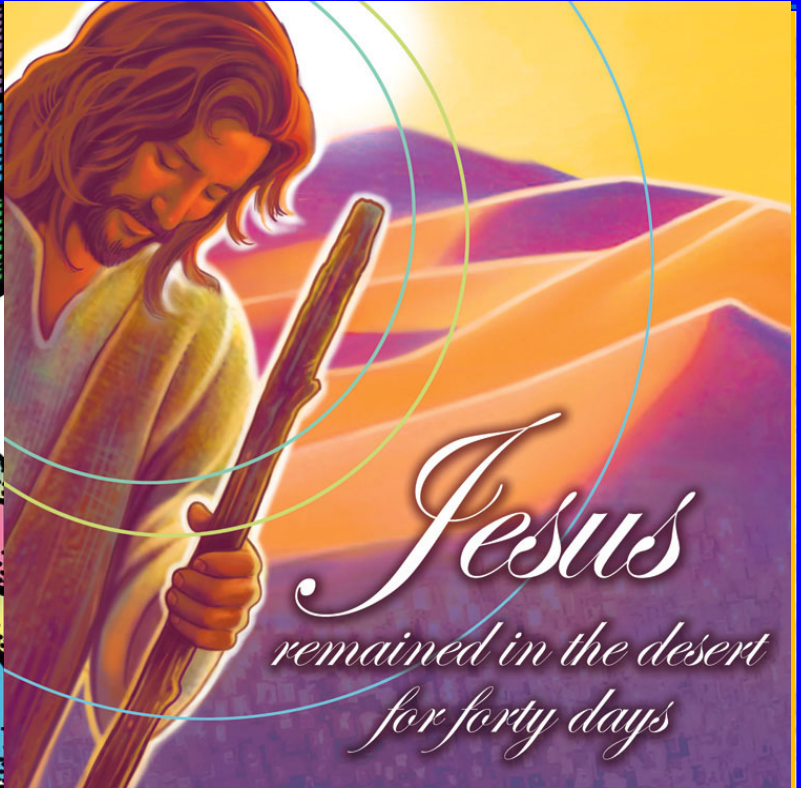
Parish Office hour : 9:30 AM—2:30 PM Monday to Friday

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT — FEBRUARY 18, 2018

### 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

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



Lent is a season in which we prepare for Easter. Over the centuries, it has become a time for fasting, abstinence, communal and private prayer, self-discipline, serving others, reflection and penance. The whole Church re-examines its priorities, to leave sin and self-love

behind and intensify our love and service of God and others.

Lent is a call to penance, and Lord knows we need it. We can so easily be persuaded to satisfy our desires to get what we want. With voluntary penance we give up certain things, not because they are necessarily bad. We instead do it, hoping to gain more strength to avoid those things that keep us further away from the Lord.

As Catholics we are obliged to abstain and fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (*only one full meatless meal*), as well as encouraged to abstain from eating meat on the other Fridays of Lent. There is always the invitation for us to consider doing more. Some may try fasting more than the minimum requirements, and eating nothing between meals. Others may try to attend daily Mass, reduce watching TV, and the use of computers and phones. There are those who may abstain from alcoholic beverages or eating out. Giving to the poor might be done in place of what is spent on these other things one has chosen to give up.

Yes, Lent is a challenging time, a penitential time, but it is also a time filled with hope and the promise of good things. It's like darkness before the light, death before the new life, quiet before the glorious Alleluia.

### DIFFERENT WAY OF FASTING

**Fast from anger.** Feast on patience.

**Fast from worry.** Feast on Divine Providence.

**Fast from anxiety.** Feast on hope.

**Fast from bitterness.** Feast on forgiveness.

**Fast from complaining.** Feast on appreciation.

**Fast from words that pollute.** Feast on phrases that purify.

**Fast from judging others.** Feast on Christ dwelling in them.

**Fast from thoughts of illness.** Feast on the healing power of God.

### **This week's Intentions**

Sat	Feb 17	<b>5:00 PM Mass</b> Jesus Gonzalez (healing) Josefina Mendez + Erlinda Arrieta +
Sun`	Feb 18	<b>8:30</b> Mario da Rosa + <b>11:00 AM</b> Joseph Pereira+ Rinia Ponteres +
Mon	Feb 19	Thanksgiving to Jesus & Mary Santiago Villanueva + Albert Hazard + Consuelo Malabanan + All Souls in Purgatory
Tue	Feb 20	Don Praesto + Rudy Occasion + All Souls in Purgatory
Wed	Feb 21	William Dixon + All Souls in Purgatory
Thu	Feb 22	Maria Badua (Surgery ) Ida Exevea ( Recovery) William Dixon + Pura de la Vega + Romeo de la Vega Sr. Paulino Tolentino +
Fri	Feb 23	Eduardo Chan (healing) William Dixon + All Souls in Purgatory
Sat	Feb 24	<b>5:00 PM Mass</b> Rudy Ocasion + William Dixon + Pura & Romeo de la Vega ++ Felix Marimla + Jojo Silo + Nelia Silo +
Sun`	Feb 25	<b>8:30</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Felimon & Victoria Cruz ++ Yvette Shirek + William Dixon + Alejandro & Martina Estonilo ++ Narciso & Rita Bufete ++ Carmelita Cinco +

### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending
Monday:	Presidents' Day; Julian Calendar Lent
Wednesday:	St. Peter Damian
Thursday:	Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday
Friday:	St. Polycarp; Abstinence

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



## LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

**Sunday collection** (for general operating expenses)  
Collected **\$2,305.00**

**Restricted donations for:** (Liability Insurance)  
**\$862.00**

Gift Shop	196.00
El Shaddai (Mass)	194.00
Votive candles	110.00
Adoration Chapel	112.00
St. Anne (donation box)	28.00
El Shaddai (monthly donation)	700.00

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

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Holy Father usually marks the solemn opening of the Lenten fast with a procession and Mass on Ash Wednesday evening. He walks from the Benedictine monastery, San Anselmo, down the Aventine hill to the Dominican monastery of Santa Sabina. This very old tradition was revived by Pope John XXIII in the late 1950s. Have you ever wondered who gives the pope his ashes? It's the cardinal who has been given the "title" of the church of Santa Sabina. The pope's homily at this Mass states his theme for Lent.

Santa Sabina dates from the fifth century, and is one of the most beautiful churches in Rome. One of the panels on its main doors features the Crucifixion, a scene not normally depicted in art until much later. In the year 1219 the pope gave the church to Saint Dominic for his new religious order, the "Order of Preachers," commonly called the Dominicans, and it remains their world headquarters to this day. That pope, Honorius III, was a member of the Savelli family, and this church was their personal family chapel. Sabina was a wealthy Roman lady who became a Christian and was martyred, and whose home became a place of prayer. Later, the church built on that spot was dedicated to her memory.

**TRAINING** Those who wish to hold the fortress of contemplation must first of all train in the camp of action.  
—Pope St. Gregory the Great

**Your statement of contribution for the year 2017 is available upon request.**  
**Please call the Parish Office first ( 510) 614-2765 before picking it up**

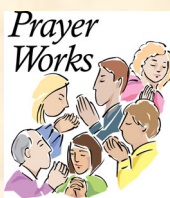
**Q.** Who was the first married Pope? How many were married in all and why was the practice stopped?

**A.** Peter, the first of all Popes, was married. His mother-in-law is referred to, though not named, in the Bible. Mark and Luke both tell of the visit to the home of Peter by our Lord, and of His curing the fever of Peter's wife's mother.

It is hardly possible to answer how many Popes were married since historical information on many of the early Popes is scanty. The majority of the clergy lived as celibates through the first three centuries. In 386 a council in Rome made celibacy the law. The example of Christ and the teaching of St. Paul gave the initial impulse toward celibacy to the clergy. But it was their general resolve to live a more religiously rigorous life than that of most laymen which kept their practice going. Even the laity in those early times idealized celibacy in the practice of spiritual marriage—where a couple would live together but as a brother and sister. As we know from St. Paul (1 Corinthians, chapter 7, verse 36), the ideal was not always attainable. So, also, in the case of the clergy, Church authority was in a perennial struggle to keep the institution of celibacy. In fact, when churches have broken away from Rome, the first practical consideration always has been to abolish celibacy for the clergy. To address your question about why the practice of having married Popes was stopped, the only answer is that it never started. There have been married Popes, but they were exceptions to the rule. In the discipline of the Eastern Orthodox Churches, priests may not marry, but married men may be ordained priests. Adrian II, the last married Pope, was married before he was ordained (just like St. Peter )



**KNIGHT'S CORNER** 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 .OLGC's K of C is sponsoring E-Waste program. Bring in your old computer, laptop, cell phone, and other electronics. Call parish office during office hours.



**Requesting Your Prayers**

Gary Anderson, Ed & Eliz Coyne, Leonor Yracheta, Erlinda Dizon, Priscilla Da Rosa, Belen Escondo, Eddie Exevea, Nilda Falero, Arnel Flores, Mercy Gallardo, Frank Goldsborough, Avelino Gapsin, Maria Perpetua Querubin, Erlinda Howard, Willie Orpiano, Pacita Macasieb, Geri Murchison, Tina Shaeffer, Edward Mejia, Gail Ocasion, Frances Pangelinan, Rosy Pereira, Aida Pineda, Romeo Camantigue, Maritess Sanchez, Rosa Maria Santos, Minda Santos, Ursula Santos, 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.



### 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

