<u>MARCH 23 & 24, 2024</u> <u>PALM SUNDAY</u> <u>OF THE PASSION OF CHRIST</u>



Will you law down your life for me? (John 13:38)

What an odd question! We can imagine Jesus asking Simon Peter sadly, or even sarcastically? "Will you lay down your life?" (John 13:38). Of course, Jesus would lay down his life for Peter, not the other way around. Jesus knew that all his disciples would fall away, that Judas would betray him, and that Peter would deny him. He knew Peter's heart, even better than Peter knew himself.

Jesus also knew that Peter and Judas had a lot in common. Both were committed followers of Jesus and had been chosen as apostles. And both failed Jesus when put to the test. But Peter seems to have had more of a glimpse of who Jesus was. At the Last Supper, rather than calling Jesus "Lord" as the others do, Judas refers to him as "Rabbi" (Matthew 26: 22, 25). While respectful, "rabbi" is a term commonly given to men, not reserved for the messiah. After his betrayal, Judas realizes his sin and falls into despair (27: 3). Without a clear view of his redeemer, he loses all hope.

Though Peter denied Jesus when it mattered most, he better understood Jesus' nature and what he had come to do. He saw Jesus not just as a friend and teacher but as the Messiah, the Son of God (Matthew 16: 16). And so, confronted by his own weakness. Peter still managed to hold onto hope. Even when Jesus later probed his heart with his threefold question, "Do you love me?" Peter did not turn away in despair. He answered Jesus humbly, "Lord, you know that I love you," and went on to build the Church (John 21: 17).

Jesus knew all along who Peter could become. And that's a message of hope for all of us. Like Peter, we, too, face situations when we deny and fail Jesus. But Jesus offers hope and possibility to each of us, just as he did for Peter. He asks, "Will you lay down your life for me?" Because of Peter's example, we can answer yes with great hope. No matter our struggle and sins, Jesus is always ready to restore us and make us whole.

"Jesus, I offer you all that I am, even my weaknesses. Lord, I trust in your unfailing love!"

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Confessions Good Friday, March 29th from 4pm – 5pm

Holy Thursday, March 28th

6:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight

Good Friday, March 29th

12:00pm Stations of the Cross (English) 3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English) 5:30pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish 6:30pm Adoration of the Cross (Spanish)

> Holy Saturday, March 30th 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, March 31st

8:00am Mass (English) 10:00am Mass (English) 12:00pm Mass (Spanish)

Easter Egg Hunt after Spanish Mass (Church grounds)



IN YEARS PAST, WE HAVE ASKED FOR DONATIONS OF EASTER LILIES TO DECORATE OUR CHURCH FOR EASTER SUNDAY. THIS YEAR, WE WANT TO ASK THAT YOU DONATE AN EASTER LILY IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES, WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY. PLEASE DELIVER THEM TO THE CHURCH OR THE PARISH OFFICE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL!



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

WE WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH, 2024 - MONDAY, APRIL 1ST, 2024.



The Knights of Columbus of OLGC are hosting a dine-in or to-go meal

Deliciously prepared by Eva Rentería & Fundraiser Committee

Chicken Mole, Zacatecas style with handmade corn tortillas

The order comes with chicken, a side of Mexican rice and an order of handmade corn tortillas (3).

\$30.00 per order

Dine-in or To-go

Please pick up your order on Sunday, April 7, 2024. from 11am - 2pm at the Parish Hall 605 Maple Street, Fort Bragg, Ca.

> To order, please contact: Patty Echeverría at 357-0179, the Parish Office at 707-964-0229 or e-mail: olgcinfb@gmail.com

Make checks payable to: Knights of Columbus

The proceeds will be for replacement of heaters.



EASTER IS COMING UP AND WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR DONATIONS OF PLASTIC EGGS AND CANDY FOR OLGC'S YEARLY EASTER EGG HUNT. YOU CAN BRING THEM TO THE PARISH OFFICE MONDAY-FRIDAY FROM 10AM – 2PM.



KNIGHTS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS' EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE. APPLICANTS MUST COME TO PICK UP. ALSO, THEY MUST BE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH. SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO THE KNIGHTS' POST OFFICE BOX BY APRIL 30TH. FOR MORE INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT STEVE BEEMAN 707-480-4614.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CONFIRMATION MASS: FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024 AT 6PM.

FIRST COMMUNION MASS: SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 AT 10AM.

MASS INTENTIONS MARCH 23 - 29, 2024

<u>MARCH 23 - 27, 2024</u>		
Saturday (23)	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba † Esperanza Barba (healing)
	6:30pm	Mauricio Escobedo † José Manuel Salazar † Gerardo Escobedo (healing) Consuelo Sánchez (b-day) Iris Salazar (15 th birthday)
Sunday (24)	8:00am	Antonio M. Sousa †
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (25)	12:05pm	NO MASS
Tuesday (26)	5:30pm	Sebastian & Vevinda Cavaco †
Wednesday (27)	12:05pm	Open Intention
Thursday (28) Holy Thursday	6pm	Lord's Supper (Bilingual)
Friday (29) Good Friday	12pm	Stations of the Cross (English)
	3pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)
	5:30pm	Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
	6:30pm	Adoration of the Cross (Spanish)

WEEKLY COLLECTION

MARCH 16 & 17, 2024...\$2,332.00 CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES & CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT...\$931.00

THIS WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR PARISH HEATING SYSTEM NEXT WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT & CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Esperanza Barba, Mauricia Campuzano, Bertha Valenzuela, Carole Shoptaw, Gina Pivirotto, Angie Gómez, Judy Halren, Rose Cortez, Fidela Jara, Felix Santillán, Martha Sánchez, Gerardo Escobedo, Angie Freitas, Russel Bryant, Derrick Heater, Ann Gallagher, Brianna Lopez, Margaret Milliken, Nick Quin, Mary Servis, Matty Walker, Ofelia Ybarra.

~UPDATE YOUR RECORDS ~

Have you changed your address? Phone number? Email address? If so, please contact the parish office and let us know your changes so that we can update your parishioner record. Email changes to olgcinfb@gmail.com or call at 707-964-0229 ext. 1.

LET'S PRAY FOR ALL OUR FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Jovany Baez, Justin Mertle, María de la Luz Ramírez, Rebeca Sánchez, José Araiza, Jr., Marina González, Alondra Jara, Sonia Jara, Matt Mills & Jared Schroeder.

TEMPORARY TUESDAY MASS TIME

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, MASS WILL BE AT 5:30PM



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

When a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized and would like Father Pacheco to pay them a visit to receive Holy Communion and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office at 707-964-0229 ext. 1 and after office hours, please call 707-813-4188.



IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH, ON THE SOUTHERN WALL IS A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL TREE. ITS BRIGHT LEAVES REPRESENT PERMANENT MEMORIALS TO THE DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH. FOR THE SUM OF \$200.00, YOU CAN GIVE TO THE PARISH SECRETARY, THE CORRECT SPELLING AND DATES OF THE DEPARTED AND IN DUE TIME THE LEAF IS PRINTED AND ATTACHED TO THE TR AS A PERMANENT REMINDER OF A LOVED ONE WHO IS GONE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 707-964-0229.



WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT: Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish now provides "ParishSOFT Giving," an online giving software! To get started, you can go to olgcinfb.org.

From this link you will be allowed to manage your own account online, set up gifts on a schedule that you choose or a one-time donation, and can be set up with a credit card, debit card, checking or savings account! If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 964-0229.



EVERY **THURSDAY @ 11:00AM**, WE HAVE THE EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, FOLLOWED BY MASS AT **12:05PM**.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

If you are new to Our Lady of Good Counsel's Church, Welcome! We hope you find a spiritual home here. Please formally register in the parish and be a part of our family. Come to the Parish Office Mon - Fri, 10am – 2pm to register. Registration forms are also available in the church vestibule.

SJSDR Catholic School News

Upcoming events: Open enrollment grades K-5 – Save a seat today! Bingo Extravaganza! - April 20 Yard Sale - June 1

Check our website for more information: <u>sjdrcs.com</u> Or contact our directress: Kathleen Kasperson 707-513-5672.