

MAY 6 & 7, 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



THE SPIRITUAL HOUSE

Chosen, royal, priestly, and holy. These are the attributes of the stones that comprise the church. We aren't part of this story by accident. Each one of us in the assembly has been *chosen* to be here, invited to the house of faith in some way. Many of us were invited first by our parents, who saw to our Baptism and religious education. Later, other mentors in the faith arose who shepherded us to the point of religious understanding and moral formation we now enjoy. Perhaps now we ourselves are issuing the invitation to family, friends, and community by our own example of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

Our membership in the church makes us part of a *royal* family. The royal house of David entered into a sacred covenant with God once and for all to lead the people of God forever. This promise was fulfilled in the birth of Jesus and is the heritage of the church.

We are a *priestly* people. Obviously not all of us are ordained to sacramental ministry, but all are sacramentally anointed for the service of God from our present position in the household of faith. Together we are windows and doorways to the sacred for others. We are load-bearing walls meant to share burdens and shoulder responsibilities. We are arches and cathedral ceilings that reach heavenward. We are paving stones others can pass over as they make their way toward religious understanding. We are bridges over troubled waters in the lives of those who suffer. Each one of us is as anointed for our particular role as the priest who stands at the table of the Lord.

Finally, our lives are intrinsically *holy*. If the church teaches that life is a gift from God profoundly sacred, that sanctity of being includes you and me. It necessarily cannot exclude you and me! This holiness is both a gift and a responsibility: the unmerited condition of participating in divinely inspired life, as well as the mandate to live as if that were true. These four characteristics are the essence of the structure that contains us and the contents of the space we likewise enclose and create.



In addition to the myriad feast day honoring Our Lady under her many titles and virtues, the entire month of May is especially given to her praise. In the words of Pope Paul VI, May is "*a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God... For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne.*"

Rejoice and be glad!

Doesn't everyone seek a bit of joy? Jesus tells his disciples, "*Remain in my love ... so that ... your joy may be complete.*" Our tradition uplifts those who are joyful even amid setbacks. The concept of the Paschal Mystery points to resurrection—joy—hidden in even the darkest times. Pope Francis often encourages church leaders to show some joy, and he reminds the faithful that God "*created us because he wants us to be happy.*" Jesus' first miracle enabled wedding guests to drink wine and celebrate. Does your faith in God bring you joy? Let others see it.



ON SUNDAY, MAY 14TH, 2023

MASS WILL BEGIN WITH A SPECIAL PROCESSION AT 10AM FROM THE PARISH HALL IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**CONFESSIONS FOR STUDENTS
RECEIVING FIRST COMMUNION
(ONLY)**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH AT 6PM IN THE CHURCH.

**FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE
FRIDAY, MAY 26TH 6PM IN THE CHURCH.**

**FIRST COMMUNION
MASS FOR CATECHISM GROUP:
SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023 AT 11AM.**



**THE ORIGINAL CAP'N FLINT'S RECIPE
WONTON & SHRIMP CREOLE'**
Fundraiser Curbside Lunch

Original recipe order:
6 wontons, 16 oz shrimp creole and french bread
\$30.

Place your orders before May 17th!!!

For more information or to place orders,
please call or text (707) 357-6742
or call Parish Office at (707)964-0229 or by email
olgcinfb@gmail.com.

**PICK UP IN THE CHURCH HALL
605 Maple Street
SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023
11:00 am – 2:00 pm**

All proceeds to benefit OLGC Catholic Church.



**THE CHICKEN MOLE (ZACATECAS STYLE) WITH MEXICAN
RICE AND HANDMADE CORN TORTILLAS PREPARED BY OUR
FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE WAS A SUCCESS!
THEIR HARD WORK PAID OFF, EARNING
A NET PROFIT OF \$4,779.00.**



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 TREE, AS A
PERMANENT REMINDER OF A LOVED ONE WHO IS GONE.
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE
AT 707-964-0229.



**We need your generous financial help so Our Lady of Good
Counsel Parish now provides "ParishSOFT Giving," an online
giving software! This is a convenient and secure way to make your
one-time or recurring donations.**

Thanking and blessing you for your kindness.

To get started, you can visit our Parish's new giving page at
olgcinfb.org.

*From this link you will be allowed to manage your own account
online, set up gifts on a schedule that you choose, 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.*

**MASS INTENTIONS
MAY 6 - 12, 2023**

Saturday (06)	9:00am	José Jesús Estrada Miranda †
	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba † Alice Ivec † Peter Paulson † Maria Jesús Cruz †
	6:30pm	Mauricio Escobedo † Yolanda Cazares † Arturo Martínez † Victor Martín & Raquel Dzul † Dionicio, Carlos & Virginia Barrera † Maria Yáñez † Brianda Venegas † Luisa Martínez † Josefina Castañeda † Gerardo Escobedo (healing) Lala Cuevas (b-day)
Sunday (07)	8:00am	Bud & Judy Hopper †
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (08)	—	NO MASS
Tuesday (09)	12:05pm	Mauricio Escobedo †
Wednesday (10)	12:05pm	Carmen Cuevas † Toñita García † Angelina Alcalá †
Thursday (11)	12:05pm	Stephanie Brown †
Friday (12)	12:05pm	Josephine Haag †

WEEKLY COLLECTION

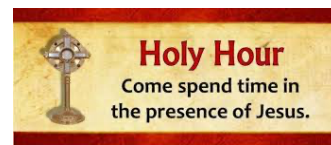
APRIL 29 & 30, 2023...\$1,975.00
MAINTENANCE FUND...\$736.00

**THIS WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR
LIABILITY INSURANCE
NEXT WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR
MAINTENANCE FUND**

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT & CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Antonia Rentería, 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, Gina Pivrotto, Nick Quin, Mary Servis,
Matty Walker, Ofelia Ybarra.



EVERY THURSDAY @ 11:30AM WE HAVE THE EXPOSITION AND
BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOLLOWED BY
MASS AT 12:05PM.



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 and after office hours, please call 707-813-4188.