

AUGUST 31 & SEPTEMBER 1, 2024
XXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



By: The Word Among Us

Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders?
(Mark 7: 5)

If a little is good, wouldn't more be better? That seems to be the underlying logic of the Pharisees and scribes in today's Gospel reading. They saw the purity rules from the Law of Moses as a good thing—and they were. These rules set God's people apart among the nations and were meant to form his own character in them (see Deuteronomy 4: 1, 6-7).

But the thirst for "more" of a good thing led to the addition of extra rituals for washing and purification over the centuries. And by the time these Pharisees confronted Jesus about his disciples' behavior, they were trying to uphold countless detailed but unwritten customs that were considered by some to be just as binding as the Mosaic law.

In the end, these attempts to revere God turned into what Jesus called "cling(ing) to human tradition" (Mark 7: 8). The extra practices though well-intentioned, focused attention in the wrong direction.

Jesus' response gets to the heart of the matter—our hearts! What we eat or how we wash our hands doesn't make us unclean. We defile ourselves by our thoughts, words, and actions that spring from within us (Mark 7: 23). Growing in purity and godliness starts in our hearts and moves into our words and actions from there.

That means that the answer to your thirst for holiness isn't about adding more "rules" to help you become even more pure. It's asking yourselves questions like "What's going on in my heart? What's motivating me?" If you see sinful attitudes, repent. Let the Lord uproot them and replace them with his own thoughts and desires. Then receive God's power to change as you set your heart on loving him and loving the people he's put into your life. That's how you can get more of a good thing as you seek to follow God's laws.

"Lord, help me to follow you with all of my heart!"

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

One of the first things I learned about our parish after I arrived three years ago was the importance of the annual Chicken Barbeque as a crucial fundraiser that financially sustains the parish. The revenue generated from this fundraiser does not accumulate in a savings account, nor does it fund parish maintenance projects. Rather, it is the income from the barbeque, together with the Sunday plate collection, that covers the annual operating expenses of our parish. Therefore, the yearly success of this fundraiser is of the utmost importance to our parish community.

I am pleased to announce that this year's chicken barbeque was another great success, bringing in a net total of **\$38,773.49**. To make this event a success requires dedication, sacrifice, and support. Thank you to those who assisted with this year's barbeque in various ways, from those present at the initial planning meeting to the final cleaning after the long and tiring day of the event itself! I want to offer my special thanks to Angelene Leist and Dave Swensen, who graciously co-chaired the event again this year, and to the cooks, who worked so hard throughout the day. I also want to acknowledge this year's donors and sponsors for their great generosity. It would be impossible to list in this bulletin column the many ways people helped on the day of the barbeque. In light of this, to all those who were present and assisted in any capacity this year: thank you, and may God bless you for your service!

Gratefully,

Fr. Pacheco



THIS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH IS FIRST FRIDAY AND WE HAVE EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 11AM, FOLLOWED BY ENGLISH MASS AT 12:05PM. WE ALSO HAVE EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 5:30PM, FOLLOWED BY SPANISH MASS AT 6PM.



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2024.**



HUGE FUNDRAISER YARD SALE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH
8:00AM – 4:00PM

At the Catholic Church School Grounds
255 S. Harold Street
Fort Bragg, CA

Adult & Kids clothing
Shoes – Accessories
Housewares, Furniture, and More!!!

**FUNDS WILL BE FOR
SAN JOSE SANCHEZ DEL RIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



PORTUGUESE HOLY GHOST SOCIETY

The Fort Bragg Holy Ghost Committee cordially invites the community to our annual Festa de Espírito Santo.

Rosary will be read at the Pentecost Hall starting at 7pm on Sunday, September 8th through Wednesday, September 11th. There will be a Mass on Thursday, September 12th at 7pm, followed by the blessing of the bread and meat.

Fish Dinner and Dance will be held on Friday, September 13th, dinner will be served from 5pm – 7pm. Tickets for the dinner are \$35 for adults; \$10 for children 6-12; kids under 5 and younger are no charge. Dinner includes: dover sole, potatoes, salad, beans, bread, wine and juice. Other drinks can be purchased in the bar.

Dinner & Dance with Manuel Silva & Queen Presentation, Saturday, September 14th, dinner will be served starting at 5pm.

Parade, Mass, Sopas, Auction & Dance: Sunday, September 15th, the parade will start forming at 10am at the Pentecost Hall and will leave for church at 10:30am. Following Mass, the parade will return to the hall for Sopas and Dancing. A live auction will take place outside of the Pentecost Hall starting at 2pm.

For more information, please contact Jose Ornelas: 707-964-0485.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SEMI ANNUAL TRI-TIP ROAST SALE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024

PICK UP TIME: 12PM – 4PM
OLGC'S PARKING LOT

ROASTS ARE MARINATED, BBQ'D, AND READY TO EAT

ORDER BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2024
PRE-SALE ONLY

EACH ROAST \$35

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PLACE ORDERS, PLEASE CALL OR TEXT
DAVE SWENSEN: 707-489-3028,

STEVE BEEMAN: 707-480-4614, OR THE PARISH OFFICE:
707-964-0229 EXT 1, OR BY EMAIL: olgcinfb@gmail.com

SUPPORTS ON GOING EDUCATIONAL GRANT PROGRAM.

DON BOSCO YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group at OLGC is starting back up!
Come join us Monday nights at 6:30-8:00pm
in Classroom #1.

Our first exciting opportunity is On Fire NorCal Jam at Six Flags on
September 14!

Donations welcome.

For more information contact Noemi Hernández 707.972.6880

MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 31 – SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

Saturday (31)	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba †
	6:30pm	Guadalupe Becerra † Efrén Mendoza † Conrado Sánchez Rentería † Juanita & Manuel Cordero † Victor Martín & Raquel Dzul † Hipolito Rentería Jr. (b-day) Agustín Rentería (b-day)
Sunday (01)	8:00am	Severo Cuevas †
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (02)	12:05pm	No Mass
Tuesday (03)	5:30pm	Jorge Cruz (b-day)
Wednesday (04)	12:05pm	Ronnie Sousa †
Thursday (05)	12:05pm	Ronnie Sousa †
Friday (06)	12:05pm	Oscar Tamayo †
	6:00pm	Teodoro & Pascual Gómez † Natalia Pérez † Próculo Soria †

WEEKLY COLLECTION

AUGUST 24 & 25, 2024...\$3,072.00

ANNUAL MINISTRY APPEAL...\$947.00

**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

Gerardo Escobedo, Cuca Soto, Yolanda Soto, Rosalío Martínez,
Felix Santillán, Esperanza Barba, Bertha Valenzuela, Gina Pivrotto,
Angie Gómez, Rose Cortez, Fidela Jara, Martha Sánchez, Gerardo
Escobedo, Angie Freitas, Russel Bryant, Derrick Heater, Ann
Gallagher, Brianna Lopez, Margaret Milliken, Nick Quin,
Mary Servis, Matty Walker & Ofelia Ybarra.

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

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



**JOIN US IN PRAYING THE ROSARY
SUNDAY – FRIDAY AT 5PM IN THE CHURCH.**

**“Every family, every faithful, every religion community, all united
spiritually...I will accompany you from here.”**

Pope Francis



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.



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!

For questions, please contact the office at 964-0229 ext 1.

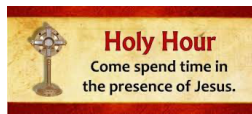


RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS RCIA

We would like to remind you that RCIA classes in Spanish will begin on Monday, September 9th from 6:30pm – 8pm in Classroom #2.

For more information, please contact

Rosa Hernández: 707-962-3774.



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



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.