

JULY 15 & 16, 2023
15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.



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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear parishioners,

A few weeks ago I announced that work would begin on repairing and replacing the fences around the church and rectory, starting with the north side bordering the parking lot. I want to reiterate my gratitude to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this portion of the project. In light of the many maintenance needs throughout the property as well our limited parish budget, this is both a great contribution and a significant savings.

I imagine you have noticed that the four large trees have also been removed bordering the old fence. This was done without cost to the parish, thanks once again to a generous group of parishioners. For the time being without the trees, this portion of the yard admittedly looks very bleak! While their removal might at first seem reckless and senseless, please allow me to explain the reasons behind this decision. First of all, the heartwood of the two trees closest to the rectory proved to be rotten all the way to the roots. In a very short time, that easily could have meant a fallen tree on the rectory, and the other either in the garden or the parking lot. Our safety, as well as the protection and maintenance of the parish buildings are of the utmost importance. Additionally, for many years the soil in the garden had been built up against the fence, contributing towards its rot and eventual collapse in several areas. It is sensible to avoid repeating the same errors of the past. More space around the fence will allow for a much longer lasting structure as well as easier maintenance. While we lose some greenery and shade for the time being, this was a necessary step that will serve us well in the coming years. Once the new redwood fence is constructed, we can set about selecting and planting more suitable and better positioned trees that will add beauty and character to the garden in the years to come. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

Blessings,

Fr. Pacheco

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Gina Pivrotto, Ma. de Jesús Mendoza, 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.



68TH ANNUAL PARISH BBQ

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
Corner of Harold & Maple Sts. Fort Bragg, CA
Sunday, Aug. 6th!

11AM – 6PM

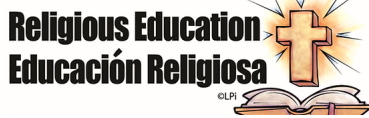
**Delicious BBQ Chicken (1/2 chicken!), Green Salad, Mexican Beans, Rice,
 Garlic Bread, Dessert, Punch & Coffee!**

Full Order - \$35

1/2 Order \$30

Wine Wheel, Beer, Wine & Margaritas
Games for All Ages - Silent Auction

GREAT FAMILY FUN!!!



REGISTRATION FOR CATECHISM CLASSES 2023-2024 OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CHURCH

ENROLLMENT DATES:

FRIDAY, JULY 28TH @ 5:30pm - 7:00pm
 SUNDAY, JULY 30TH 11:30am - 1:00pm
 FRIDAY, AUGUST 18TH @ 5:30pm - 7:00pm

IF IT'S THE FIRST TIME REGISTERING YOUR CHILD FOR FIRST COMMUNION,
 YOU WILL NEED TO BRING A COPY OF THE BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE.

CONFIRMATION:
 YOU WILL NEED TO BRING
 COPIES OF BAPTISMAL AND FIRST COMMUNION CERTIFICATES.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ONLY
 THE DAY OF REGISTRATION.
 (COMPLETED AND WITH PAYMENT)

\$75/CHILD AND \$65 /SECOND CHILD

**FIRST DAY OF INSTRUCTION:
 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH FROM 5:30PM – 6:30PM.**

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT VERONICA RENTERIA:
 707-357-2890 OR THE PARISH OFFICE: 707-964-0229.



Free Summer Sewing Classes for OLGC Youth

Space is still available.

Sign up now for free summer sewing classes! All ages of youth and
 children welcome.

Two dates are available for you to choose from.

July 25-28 or August 1-4

Time: 9:00am - 11:00am

Place: OLGC School, Classroom #4

Please contact Kathleen Kaspersen at 707-513-5672
 as soon as possible to reserve a spot for your child.

MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 15 - 21, 2023

Saturday (15)	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba † Soledad Sowers † Antonio Furtado † Nina Pivrotto † Gina Pivrotto (healing)
	6:30pm	Mauricio Escobedo † Victor Martin & Raquel Dzul † Cuco, Gabriel & Isidro Yáñez † Tarcisio, Carmen & Emigdio García † María Garfía Vazquez † María Hernández † Guadalupe, Juan & Altagracia Guzmán † Gerardo Escobedo (healing) Alicia Rentería (healing)
Sunday (16)	8:00am	Carmen Cuevas † Hector & Tiffany Toscano (Wedding Anniversary)
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (17)	—	NO MASS
Tuesday (18)	12:05pm	Nina Pivrotto † Gina Pivrotto (healing)
Wednesday (19)	12:05pm	Nina Pivrotto † Gina Pivrotto (healing)
Thursday (20)	12:05pm	Nina Pivrotto † Gina Pivrotto (healing)
Friday (21)	12:05pm	Nina Pivrotto † Gina Pivrotto (healing)

WEEKLY COLLECTION

JULY 8 & 9, 2023...\$2,992.00
 MAINTENANCE FUND....\$914.00

THIS WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR PETER'S PENCE

Today is Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

NEXT WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR ANNUAL MINISTRY APPEAL (AMA)

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT & CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!



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.



Fundraiser

OUR 68TH ANNUAL PARISH CHICKEN BBQ

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6TH, 2023
FROM 11AM – 5PM OR ULTIUL SOLD OUT

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!
YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR CHURCH BY:**

- SIGN-UP FOR 2 HOURS VOLUNTEER HELP. (SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH OR LET THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW AT 707-964-0229).
- TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS: BUY TICKETS TO DONATE TO LARGER FAMILIES; BUY KID'S GAME TICKETS AND/OR CASH/CHECK DONATIONS TO OFF-SET COSTS OF FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT.
- FOR SET-UP CREW ON SATURDAY, 8/5 (9AM - 1PM) ~ WE'LL FEED YOU!
- CLEAN-UP CREWS: SUNDAY, 8/6 (6PM – 9PM) AND MONDAY, 8/7 (5PM).
THE MORE HANDS, THE EASIER THE WORK.
- NICE ITEMS FOR THE SILENT AUCTION: PATIO FURNITURE;
- FRAMED ARTWORK; NEW SMALL APPLIANCES; GIFT BASKETS; GIFT CERTIFICATES; "WHAT YOU CAN THINK OF THAT FOLKS WILL BID MONEY ON?" PLEASE CONTACT ANGELENE LEIST TO DONATE 707-513-5579 OR 707-964-3775.
- CANS OF SODA & 2 LITER SODAS AND/OR CASES OR BOTTLES OF WINE FOR WINE WHEEL.
- HOMEMADE DESSERTS FOR DESSERT TABLE. PLEASE BRING TO THE HALL BEFORE 11AM ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 6TH.

PLEASE MAKE DONATION CHECKS TO: OLGC BBQ 2023.

~ALL DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT THE RECTORY~

THANK YOU



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.



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.