

✦ OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH ✦

◆ Daly City, CA 94015-3424

Rectory: 1 Elmwood Dr. — Church / Church Hall: 5 Elmwood Dr. — School: 7 Elmwood Dr.
Parish Center / Religious Education Office / Convent: 15 Elmwood Dr.

Established in 1954 — A Member of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:
4:00 & 5:30 p.m.

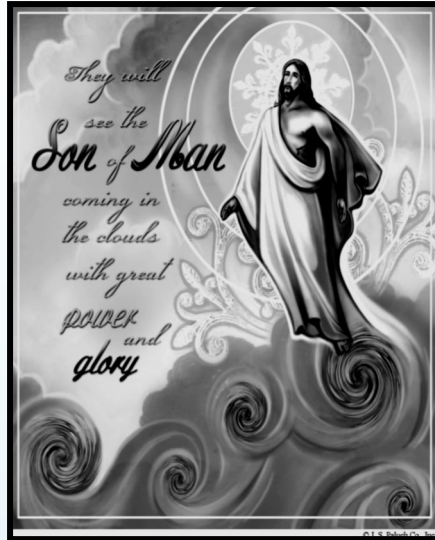
Sunday:
7:30, 9:00, & 10:30 a.m.,
and 12:00 p.m.

Monday to Friday:
7:00 & 9:00 a.m.,
plus First Fridays
at 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays :
at 9:00 a.m. only.

**Holy Days of
Obligation:**
Vigil Mass @ 6:00p.m.
Masses during the day :
7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
& 6:00 p.m.

November 18, 2018
33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time



BAPTISM:

1st and 3rd Saturdays at 12 noon. Sunday at 1:15pm
Please call the
Rectory to inquire for the parents' and godparents preparation class.

**For grades 2-8, sign up for the
Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC).**
For grades 9 and above, call to learn more about the
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

MARRIAGE:

2nd and 4th Saturdays at 12:00 p.m.
Be sure to contact the Rectory at least six months before
your anticipated wedding date.

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION:
Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. — or you may call the
Rectory to make an appointment with any priest.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:
Please call the Rectory for one of our priests to come.
Our Eucharistic Ministers visit the homebound daily.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Fridays: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., concluding with
Evening Prayer & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.
First Fridays: Benediction & Mass at 6:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS:

Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Church,
Novena and Mass.

COMMUNAL RECITATION OF THE ROSARY:
Weekdays immediately after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN:
Sundays during the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RECTORY STAFF — 1 Elmwood Drive:

Rev. Domingo Orimaco	Pastor
Rev. Bonifacio Espeleta, Jr.	Parochial Vicar
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Deacon Marcos Cobillas	Permanent Deacon
Grace Mangini, CPA	Parish Bookkeeper
Sr. Virginia Barcelona, RVM	Pastoral Associate
Susana Breneman	Parish Secretary

SCHOOL STAFF — 7 Elmwood Drive:

Mr. Jeffrey Burgos	Principal
Ms. Beth Gorman	Assistant Principal
Sr. Eileen Pazmino, RSM	School Secretary
Mrs. Zarah Llemos	School Secretary

PARISH CENTER STAFF — 15 Elmwood Drive:

Sr. Ma. Rosabel Sare, RVM	Director of Religious Education
Ms. Laura Reyes	Director of Music

IN RESIDENCE:

Rev. Rey Culaba, CSsR	Rectory
Sr. Ruth Linaac, RVM	Parish Center/Convent

WEEKEND ASSISTANCE:

Sr. Catherine Nguyen, LHC	Church Sacristan
Bro. Douglas Draper, SJ	St. Ignatius College Preparatory

PARISH WEBSITE: www.olmcath.org

SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.olmbulldogs.org

☎ Parish Telephone Numbers:

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Religious Education Office	(650) 992-5769
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OLM School Extended Care	(650) 756-1181
Music Director & Organist	(415) 282-2241
Our Lady of Mercy Convent	(650) 992-5769

*The Rectory office is staffed Monday
to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

*On weekends and holidays,
Our Lady of Mercy Rectory office is closed.*

ENCOURAGEMENT



This Sunday's Gospel is our final selection from Mark for this liturgical year. It is taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem immediately preceding the account of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus gives his disciples hope to sustain them through his passion and death and any persecution or suffering that they would encounter after his resurrection.

The words from the book of Daniel also provided hope and encouragement to the people of Daniel's time. The encouragement in these scriptures is meant for us as well, for none of us will escape tribulation in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be able to endure suffering with joyful hope, knowing that Christ's love will lead us along the way of discipleship and give us eternal life with God.

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What is Advent?



If you read today's first reading and the Gospel, you might think they came from The Book of Revelation. The first is from the book of Daniel. The Gospel is from Mark. Next week we have Daniel again and a reading that actually does come from Revelation. Why are we suddenly being inundated with readings about the end of time?

The last Sunday in November is the beginning of Advent, the start of a new liturgical year. This past year we have been using the Gospel of Mark. (Next year we do the Gospel of Luke.) If you go back to the first Gospel of Advent last November, you will find Mark's Gospel that comes just after today's reading. Our present liturgical year has thus come full circle.

Advent to most of us means the time just before Christmas, the time of looking forward to the birth of the Lord. The Latin word, *adventus*, means "coming". This, in turn, is a translation of the Greek word, *parousia*, which means "presence". From the earliest times of Christianity it has meant awaiting the presence of Christ.

The Advent period is symbolic of three things. First, it is recognition of the Jewish expectation of the coming of the Messiah. Secondly, it is the fulfillment of that expectation with the birth of Jesus. Finally, it is the Christian expectation of the second coming of Christ.

For this reason, our attention each year is called to the "end time", the arrival of Christ to judge mankind. No matter which Gospel is being read, Advent always begins with a warning that Jesus will come back to judge us and we do not know when that time may be.

In the Catholic Church, the color of Advent is purple, the same color that we find in the Lenten period. Originally, Advent was considered the equivalent to Lent, a time of fasting and prayer for forgiveness. One period before His birth, another before His death.

As you can see from today's first reading, the concept of the final judgment goes back to the Old Testament book of Daniel. (Interestingly, Daniel means "Judgment of God".) This is the beginning of what is called *apocalyptic literature*, revelations about the future. Part of the Book of Daniel is apocryphal (deuterocanonical in Catholic terminology), which means that it is in the Catholic Canon, but not in the Jewish Canon, the Tanakh. This is because the Catholics used the Greek version (Septuagint) of the Hebrew scriptures which has books not in the original.

Another difference between Christian and Jewish viewpoint is that Daniel is considered a prophet among Christians, but not among Jews. To Jews, a prophet had to speak directly to God, and Daniel only spoke to God's messengers, the angels. If you read the Book of Daniel, you will be amazed at the similarities to the Book of Revelation. It is obvious that the writer of Revelation borrowed heavily for his symbolism. Nevertheless, Daniel, Revelation, and today's Gospel all call our attention to one thought. *Be Prepared!* ~DN

Rest in Peace

Souls In Purgatory



Day	Time	Mass Intentions for the coming week: <i>November 19, 2018 - November 25, 2018</i>	
Mon 19	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Ann Coughlan John McNulty + Patricia Richardson +	DO RC BE
Tue 20	7:00am 9:00am	Teresa Navarro de Mendez + Letecia Felix +	RC BE
Wed 21	7:00am 9:00am	Celso L. Caballero + Susana Macadaeg +	BE DO
Thu 22	10:00am	OLM -In Thanksgiving	DO/ BE/RC
Fri 23	7:00am 9:00am	Harry Cowgill + John McNulty +	DO BE
Sat 24	9:00am 4:00pm 5:30pm	Cherie Borgonia -In Thanksgiving Tecy Evangelista -In Thanksgiving Archie D'Souza +	BE BE DO
Sun 25	7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm	Dennis Newhoff + Borgonia Family -In Thanksgiving Tony Newhoff + Ed Cooper -In Thanksgiving	DO BE DO BE

DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
Sun., Nov. 18	10:30 a.m. 1:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word for Children Baptism of __	Church Church
Mon., Nov. 19	6:00 p.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions	Church
Tue., Nov. 20	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Cantor Practice Choir Practice	Parish Center Music Room Parish Center Music Room
Wed., Nov. 21	7:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	Parish Center SVdP Room
Thu., Nov. 22	6:30 p.m. 7:00	Legion of Mary RCIA	Parish Center Music Room Parish Center Library
Fri., Nov. 23	1:00 p.m. 9:30am - 6:00pm 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Charismatic Prayer Group meeting Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration Evening Prayer + Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament Youth Ministry	Parish Center Library Church Church Parish Center Library
Sat., Nov. 24	2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
Sun., Nov. 25	10:30 a.m. 1:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word for Children Baptism of Karis Capri Valdez	Church Church

Join **CATHOLIC CHARITIES** in providing holiday cheer to those in need. To volunteer for any of the opportunities below, contact Carol Laughlin, Volunteer Services Manager, at 415.972.1236; or Nina Taggart, Volunteer Coordinator, at 415.972.1246.

- **Create handmade Holiday Cards for Families Served by Catholic Charities**— Great for youth groups! A holiday card means so much for the single moms, seniors, formerly homeless families, and chronically ill adults served by Catholic Charities, who often do not have family or friends reaching out to them during the holidays. Consider warming the hearts of many this year with a handmade holiday card.

- **Let's Party!**
Help Catholic Charities families and vulnerable adult residents celebrate the holiday season
Lend a hand at one of our Thanksgiving, Christmas or New Year's Eve parties at several locations throughout San Francisco. Most opportunities are for three hour shifts between the hours of 11 am to 8 pm. May include decorating, craft making, room set up, food preparation, clean up and socializing. For details, dates and locations contact us.

- **Keep developing minds busy**
Help with Thanksgiving and Christmas break activities at our after-school sites in East Palo Alto and San Rafael. For details dates and locations, contact us.

- **Provide Thanksgiving Dinner ingredients (and sweets and desserts)** for families and individuals served by one of Catholic Charities programs. We'll match you to a program.

- **Pass the Produce** – help build healthy eating habits, distribute groceries to families and seniors. Sort and set up food, and hand out to clients. Thursdays 11:30-2:30 at 10th and Mission Housing. Sign up required to participate.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM CORNER



OLM Religious Education Program helps our children nurture their faith through the guidance of our volunteer catechists. This school year, our Parish is blessed with 21 catechists serving 146 children enrolled in our Religious Education Program from 1st – 8th Grade. We have 71 First Communicants this year (41 from RE.ED & 37 from OLM School) and 51 Confirmation Candidates (28 from RE.ED & 28 from OLM School). Please pray for these children to grow in their faith that our Church may continue to be alive and vibrant.



THANKS

One act of thanksgiving when things go wrong with us is worth one thousand thank-yous when things are agreeable to our inclination.

—St. John of Ávila

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

November 18, 2018

Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

-Mark 13:31



TODAY'S READINGS

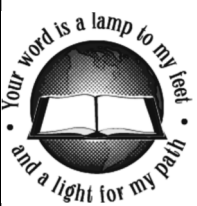
First Reading — Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever (Daniel 12:1-3).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Where there is forgiveness, there is no longer offering for sin (Hebrews 10:11-14, 18).

Gospel — Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away (Mark 13:24-32).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Thanksgiving Day—Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday: St. Cecilia; Thanksgiving Day
Friday: St. Clement I; St. Columban;
Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
Saturday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions

The Our Lady of Mercy School is now accepting applications for school year 2019 - 2020. Please stop by, call (650-756-3395), or email (office@olmbulldogs.com) the office to book your tour and obtain an application form. Financial assistance is available to those who qualify. Thank you.

Our Lady of Mercy School admits students of any race, color, gender, nationality, or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at school. Our Lady of Mercy School does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, nationality, or ethnic origin in the administration of its policies, admissions, and programs.



The People of O.L.M.

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Parish Finance Committee
Parish Social Committee
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Ushers, Cantors, Parish Choir, Children's
Choir, Youth Ministry

Spiritual Development

Charismatic Prayer Group
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Legion of Mary
Singles for Christ

Service and Social Organizations

Saint Vincent de Paul Society
Young at Heart Club
Knights of Columbus

Parish Bulletin Staff

Susan Breneman, Mr. Denis Nolan

Welcome to Our Lady of Mercy!

If you worship with us each week, please fill out this form and become an **official** member of the parish. By registering, you get on our mailing list and let us know you are willing to support your parish through your time, talents and treasure—the privilege of every Catholic.

Registered members of OLM Parish are encouraged to request a box of Sunday offering envelopes from the Rectory and help us financially through the collection, so that we can continue to provide the services you need.

In addition, all **registered** members of the parish are eligible to celebrate important sacramental events at OLM:

- Baptism and Confirmation of their children,
- Weddings and Marriage Anniversaries,
- Funeral Services for loved ones, etc.

If you are just visiting from another parish, we do hope you enjoy your OLM experience today!



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