

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 18, 2019

“ There is a baptism with which I must be baptized,
and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! ”

(Luke 12: 50)

Fr. Peter Dung Duc Ngo, Pastor
Deacon Loc Nguyen

Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM (English)
7:00PM (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00 Noon
4:00PM (Vietnamese)
Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8:00AM
First Friday: 7:30PM

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00PM- 7:30PM
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:
Wednesdays after morning mass
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: Mondays &
Fridays after morning mass

Confessions

Saturday 3:30PM to 4:30PM or by appointment

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office.

* **Spanish Classes**, contact Hilda Avelar at 925-642-3058.

* **Vietnamese** baptisms, contact Fr. Peter Dung D. Ngo at the parish office.

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed.

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• Religious Education

RCIA Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church.

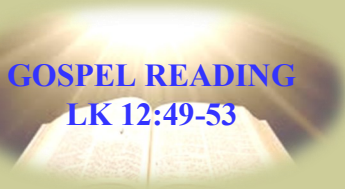
St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Mondays 9:30AM -11AM in the Parish hall

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



GOSPEL READING LK 12:49-53



Monday, August 19

7:30 am Father Peter

Tuesday, August 20

7:30 am Joseph Hoang V. Trac

Wednesday, August 21

7:30 am Teresa Dinh Thi Mai

Thursday, August 22

7:30 am Eme Fabia

Friday, August 23

7:30 am Jay Tapas

Saturday, August 24

8:00 am Agripino V. Magwili

5:00 pm Benny Catalya

7:00 pm (SP) Ana Luisa Loos

Sunday, August 25

8:00 am Eufemia Cassin

10:00 am Ely Pentecostes

12:00 pm Mediana Thanksgiving

4:00 pm



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association: Lourdes Servigon,
Coordinator (925-334-9111)

Hispanic Association Rosie Estrada,
Coordinator (925-639-7946)
Contacto en Español: Gladys Giron
(925-334-9873)

Columbiettes Patsy Welty, President
(925-458-6787)

Knights of Columbus Andrew Trias
(Andrew.trias@gmail.com)

Regina Mundi Guild Leah Abejuela,
President (labejuela@gmail.com)

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Esther Tilton,
President (SYDPOLOW@gmail.com)

Legion of Mary: Rick Belza (925-261-0283)

Vietnamese Association

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!

There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!

Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth?

No, I tell you, but rather division.

From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three;

a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father, a mother against her daughter and a daughter against her mother, a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Eden Capistrano-Rosete, Joseph Do, Monica Aviles, Abraham Nacnac, Pauline Pangila, Virginia Quesada, Beverly Cawley, Kathy Nebel, Sylvia Ho, Conception Huevo, Ray & Alice Conner, Connie Trias, Paul Collins, Bertha Baldauf, Claire Luna-Fernandez, Mario & Emma Dolor, Amy Kueck and all those in the Parish who are sick, and all those listed in the Book of Intention.

If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please call the rectory 458-4718.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

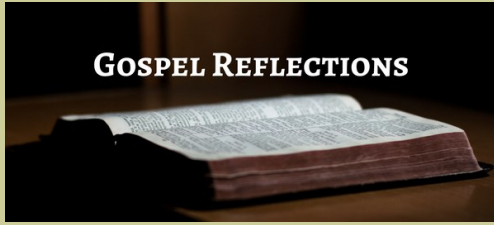
Sunday Plate August 11: \$ 5,741.00

Missionary Cooperative Plan: \$ 2,860.00

Thank you for your contribution support to sustain the ministries & ongoing needs of our parish.

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or Our Lady queen of the World. This applies to all second collections also, unless otherwise noted.

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS



Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire. Recall that in chapter 3 of Luke's Gospel, John the Baptist tells the crowd that he is baptizing with water, but someone mightier is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. The fire Jesus speaks of here is the distress caused by the coming judgment. It is also the fire of the Spirit that Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, will describe descending on the disciples on Pentecost. That fire will strengthen them to go out to the whole world to preach the good news of Jesus' Resurrection.

Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth, and Simeon, holding the baby Jesus in the Temple, said to God: "Master, now you may let your servant go in peace." Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Simeon said as much when he turned to Mary and said that the child was destined for the rise and fall of many and to be a sign that will be contradicted. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs. Fathers will be divided against sons and mothers against daughters.

The coming judgment forces us to look at the implications of our commitments. As Jesus warned in last Sunday's Gospel, a commitment of faith requires us to change our attitude toward material possessions and to take even more seriously our moral responsibilities. Here he reminds the crowd that those who commit to him will find it affects the way they relate to friends and family members. The angel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah said John would go before Jesus to turn the hearts of fathers toward their children. But a commitment to Jesus forces us to change the way we live our lives, and this can put strains on relationships.

We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's reading, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.

ST. HELENA



St. Helena was the mother of Emperor Constantine the Great and an Empress of the Roman Empire. Very little is known about Helena's early life, but it is believed she is from Drepanum (later known as Helenopolis) in Asia Minor and born into a poor family and lower class in the Roman culture of the day. St. Ambrose described Helena as a "good stable-maid."

Despite her background, Helena married Constantius Chlorus. With him she birthed her only son, Constantine, around the year 274. Nearly two decades later in 292, Constantius, now co-Regent of the West, got swept up in his rising stature and divorced Helena for Theodora, the step-daughter of Emperor Maximianus Herculeus. It is believed he did this to advance his own reputation and advance his standing in the Roman society.

Constantine was forever loyal to his dear mother, whom he loved very much. As he grew and became a member of the inner circle, he never left Helena's side. Following the death of Constantius in 308, Constantine became Emperor and summoned his mother back into inner circle and the imperial court. Helena received the title of Augusta.

Constantine ordered all to honor his mother. He even had coins minted, bearing her image. Through her son's influence, Helena began to embrace Christianity. With her title of Augusta Imperatrix, Helena was given free reign over the imperial treasury. She was tasked with locating relics of Christian tradition.

Between the years 326-328, Helena took a trip to the Holy Places in the Middle East. During her journey, Helena had many churches constructed, including the one at the site of Jesus Christ's birth - the Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem and another at the site of his ascension - Church of Eleona on the Mount of Olives.

During this time Jerusalem was still being rebuilt after Titus' destruction. Around the year 130, Emperor Hadrian had a temple built over the site of Jesus' death. This temple was believed to be dedicated to Venus. Helena had this temple destroyed and chose a site in this location to be excavated. This led to the discovery of three crosses.

Tradition says Helena brought a woman near death to the crosses. There she had the woman place a hand on all three crosses. Nothing happened when she touched the first two crosses, but when she placed her hand on the third cross she suddenly recovered. Helena declared the third cross to be the True Cross. At this site, Constantine ordered the Church of the Holy Sepulchre to be built.

Theodoret of Cyrus, an influential theologian, wrote that that during her search, Helena also discovered the nails of the crucifixion. She had one of the nails placed in Constantine's helmet and one in the bridle of his horse to aid him with their miraculous powers. Churches were built at these sites, as well.

Several of the relics believed to be found by St. Helena are located in Cyprus. Among these are parts of Jesus' tunic, pieces of the holy cross, and pieces of the rope used to tie Jesus to the cross. When Helena returned to Rome from Jerusalem in 327, she brought parts of the True Cross back with her. She stored these in her palace's chapel. They can still be seen to this day, though her palace has been converted to the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem.

St. Helena died around 330 with her dearly devoted son by her side. She was then buried in the Mausoleum of Helena outside of Rome. Her sarcophagus can be seen in the Pio-Clementine Vatican Museum.

St. Helena was renowned for helping not only individuals, but entire communities through her works of charity. She often sought out to help the poor and destitute. She would visit churches and leave them with rich donations. St. Helena was a very devout servant of God, so much so that one would easily believe her to have been a follower of Jesus Christ from birth. Through her influence and work, Christianity continued to spread throughout the known world.

PARISH EVENTS

BAPTISM CLASS



Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, September 10th, 2019 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.

DEVOTION TO OUR LADY

September 13: Our Lady of Guadalupe
October 14: Our Lady Queen of the World



**DEVOTION TO OUR LADY START AT 7:00 PM .
PROCESSION WITH HOLY ROSARY FROM PALIS
HALL TO CHURCH THEN THE MASS.**

HISPANIC COMMUNITY AVISO

Se les avisa, que los bautismos en español, solo se hacen durante la misa de las 7 pm los días sábados, y también que, para tener una celebración de 15añera, necesitan hacer los arreglos con la oficina con un año de anticipación. No habrá excepciones

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CATECHETICAL CONGRESS 2019



August 10, 2019 Bishop O'Dowd High School

CCD

Registration for CCD classes for the School Year 2019-2020 is now open. Registration forms can be picked up at the Religious Education office or the Parish Office. For more information, please contact Rene Asuncion, DRE at 925-458-4574.

Youth Members and Confirmation Students must register by August 24 to attend ON FIRE CAL-JAM on Sept. 14, 2019.

BIBLE CLASS



Father Peter will be offering a Bible class for all adults interested in refreshing your knowledge of Scripture. Classes will be on Third Tuesday night from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The next Class will be on August 20.

TEACHERS NEEDED

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME TO HELP TEACH OUR YOUNG PARISHIONERS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT RENE ASUNCION ,

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

FOOD DRIVE



We will maintain a donation barrel for non-perishable foods in the church foyer; please be generous. Our groups of volunteers are here every Monday, and they always need groceries to help the needy in our community. The demand has been much greater!

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, August 19

Tuesday, August 20
7:00 pm Bible Class

Wednesday, August 21
9:15 am CH: Legion of Mary
1:00 pm Filipino Assoc. Meeting

Thursday, August 22
7:00 pm P #2: Divine Mercy

Friday, August 23
6:00 pm Adoration
7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, August 24
11:00 am Baptism
3:30 pm Confession
5:00 pm Plaza: Legion of Mary
Membership Drive
6:00 pm VN Choir Anniversary

Sunday, August 25
8:00 am Plaza: Legion of Mary
Membership Drive
2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir

If you need to have anything posted in the bulletin or have a general question please email it to:
Faye Dolor at mfmdolor@olqw.org.



SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERTS



St. Mary's Cathedral, San Francisco will be having Sunday afternoon concerts. All concerts begin at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral, 1111 Gough St. (at Geary) in San Francisco, and are open to the public.

A free will offering will be requested at the door. There is ample free parking at the Cathedral.

Aug. 18: Diana Stork and Portia Diwa, harps, music from the Labyrinth

Aug. 25: Norman Paskowsky, organ

Sept. 1: Widor Festival: celebrating the 175 birthyear of Charles Marie Widor. Christoph Tietze, Organ. Symphony No. 3

2019 MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Marriage Preparation is an intense time for engaged couples. Our programs include periods of deep couple conversations, reflection and prayer. Presenters share their faith and marriages, addressing important real-life topics from a Catholic perspective.

Register online for Marriage Preparation Programs at www.EastBayCatholic.com. or call Laura Windham at 510-267-8395.

Summer Organ Recitals
2019 AT THE CATHEDRAL



Wednesday, August 7, 1pm
HENTUS VAN ROOYEN

Wednesday, August 14, 1pm
JOHN RENKE

Sunday, August 25, 5pm
BENJAMIN LAPRAIRIE

Wednesday, August 28, 1pm
RUDY DE VOS

THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIGHT

HOLY CHAOS! A MINI-RETREAT FOR PARENTS OF KIDS OF ALL AGES

Come be affirmed, encouraged and inspired in the most important job we have – as parents! Featuring Mark Hart, the “Catholic Bible Geek,” nationally acclaimed speaker and author, and 5 other fabulous local speakers. The retreat will be on Sunday, September 29 from 1:30-6pm at St. Joan of Arc Parish, 2601 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon.

Cost is \$25 for one parent, \$40 for both. Child care will be available for \$10, advance registration required. For more info and to register, go to <https://www.oakdiocese.org/ministries-formation/youth-ministry/holy-chaos>

SAN DAMIANO RETREAT CENTER

Please contact retreat center directly for registration information. 710 Highland Dr., Danville 925-837-9141, ext. 315 katerik@sandamiano.org, or visit www.sandamiano.org.

Aug 22 – Aug. 29: (Thursdays at 7:30 pm) Tai Chi Chih® with Sr. Celeste Crine. Free! No meeting August 15.

Aug. 24: Soul Tending, Soil Tending Poetry Workshop with Jennifer Shaw

ESPERANZA Y SANACIÓN DESPUÉS DE ABORTO:

Acompañenos en nuestro último retiro del año del **viñedo de Raquel**, Sept. 20-22. El retiro es un lugar especial para renovar y redimir corazones rotos por la pérdida de un niño por aborto. El viñedo de Raquel es para mujeres y hombres que tienen dolor por la pérdida y quienes buscan la sanación. Llámenos para obtener más información. Póngase en contacto con Gloria por teléfono al 510.485.2574 o por correo electrónico en AftertheChoice@OakDioAdmin.org. Todas las llamadas y los contactos son estrictamente confidenciales.

MEN'S RETREAT AT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO LIVERMORE SEPT. 14

Leave your daily routines behind and find new ways to grow in our love for God. This full-day retreat starts at 8:30am, includes breakfast and lunch, and ends with the regular 5pm Mass at St. Charles. Leading the retreat will be Father John Kasper, pastor of St. Perpetua Church in Lafayette.

Registration is \$40 including meals; scholarships are available. Questions? Contact Markus Huber at 925-367-5210, email mailhuber99@gmail.com.

MAGNIFICAT PRESENTS:
Jess Echeverry



Jess Echeverry is a women and family advocate and speaker. She is a convert to Catholicism after having "spent time" in agnosticism, self-realization and New Age Spirituality. Her conversion/life story is a jaw dropper you won't want to miss!

From enduring sexual abuse, rape, and homelessness to finding forgiveness and even love for her attackers! She has had the opportunity to share her testimony at various events throughout the country and does so in the hope that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is represented in it and it can touch the hearts of many and turn them to Him.

Inspired by the good things God has wrought in her life, she has just completed penning her first book titled, "Dazzled" detailing her life experiences in a way that lifts and enlightens others who are searching for ways to heal. She is a strong and effective speaker who has been able to, with the help of God's grace, turn past experiences, and healing, into real loving help for others. Visit her website at mommaletics.com.

"In my deepest wound, I saw Your glory and it dazzled me." -
 St. Augustine



Visitation Scene
 Luke 1:39

A Ministry to Catholic Women

Servants of the Immaculata
 Walnut Creek Chapter of the Oakland Diocese

Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, September 7, 2019

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Crowne Plaza Hotel

45 John Glenn Drive, Concord

Servants of the Immaculata Chapter

Fr. Erick Villa, Spiritual Advisor

SERVICE TEAM

Maribel Serrano, Coordinator..... (925) 788-7762

Linda Atkinson,

Asst. Coordinator/Treasurer (925) 858-8801

Jennifer Rogers, Secretary (503) 709-8449

Register Early by Mail or On-line

www.magnificat-ministry.net/ca-walnut-creek

Pricing:

ONLINE: \$33.00 + plus small processing fee

MAIL: \$33.00 *postmarked by 8/31/19

\$40.00 *after 8/31/19 deadline (phone in only)

Make checks payable to Magnificat SOTI

Mail to: Magnificat SOTI

P.O. Box 4626

Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Reserved Tables of ten (10) available

OPEN Seating – please plan to arrive by 9:00 am

Please print clearly Please mail Reservations by Aug 31st, 2019 – make checks payable to Magnificat SOTI

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Tel _____

Email _____

Additional Guests: _____

For all questions please contact:

Kim Sullivan (925) 683-8220

Email: Magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com

- † Int'l Ministry based on "The Visitation" Lk.1:39
- † Diocesan Approval by Bishop Michael Barber
- † Breakfast, Praise, Music, Testimony and Prayer
- † All Clergy Complimentary – please **pre-register**

Your cancelled check/online email confirmation is your receipt.
 Please check in at the Registration Table for your nametag.

Enclosed is \$_____ for _____ reservation(s)

Donation to help someone attend \$_____

Total Enclosed \$_____

If you can help out as a Greeter, a Hostess or with Reservations on the day of the Breakfast, please note below.

____ GREETER ____ HOSTESS (RESERVED TABLE) ____ HOSTESS (OPEN TABLE) ____ RESERVATIONS.

Happy Birthday

Father Peter

**Wishing you a birthday filled with God's blessings,
Thanking God for the gift of your faith-filled life, and
Praying that the Holy Spirit will strengthen you as you serve the
Church.**

Have a Blessed Birthday.

