



THE STONE THAT  
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BECOME THE  
CORNERSTONE.

## Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2023



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Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Mass Schedule:**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 am  
 Tuesday & Thursday: 5:30 pm  
 Saturday\*: 5:30 pm  
 Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 pm  
 \*1st Saturday of the month 8:00am

**Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation:**

Tuesday & Thursday: 4:45 pm - 5:15 pm  
 Saturday 4:45 pm - 5:15 pm  
 Sunday: Please see weekly schedule.

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Call the parish office at least six weeks in advance.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Call the parish office at least six months in advance.



*The Altar flowers this weekend are  
 In celebration of  
 Orlando & Chriselda Castanon's  
 10th Wedding Anniversary*



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
 †Octavio Ballesteros  
 who died September 26, 2023  
 May he rest in peace.*



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
 †Leticia Diaz  
 who died September 27, 2023  
 May she rest in peace.*



**Rosary in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima**

On Saturday, October 14th, we will be gathering at 11:45a.m. near the statue of Our Lady in front of the church. Let us come together to pray through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother that God's grace may convert the minds and hearts of many people. For information, call Angela Notzon at 732-7147.



**The vineyard of the Lord  
 is the house of Israel**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH**  
 Eugenio B., Neomi Balderas, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Maria Chavez de Hernandez, Maverick Condon, Esther Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein Mary Jane Diaz, Angela Fitzner, Deacon Frank Gallardo, Vangie Gallardo, Sadie Garcia, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Erlinda Hamilton, Eric Hawbecker, Marialice Hayes, Pat Hedemann, Josephine Janczar, Steve Janosek, Markus Klink, Joe Mangione, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Jerry SESCO, Carolyn Smith, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick, The Zetter Family.  
 Prayer list requests can be made by calling the Office at 210-734-7285.



# The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone

The most amazing thing that has ever happened in this world is the death of the Son of God. It is amazing for many reasons. It's amazing that God the Father allowed His Son to be brutally murdered by evil men. It's amazing that the Son did not call upon the myriad of angels to stop His persecution. It's amazing that Jesus spoke words of forgiveness from the Cross as His own mother looked on. But perhaps the most amazing aspect about this event is that from it, the gift of eternal salvation was made possible. Only God, in His inconceivable wisdom and power, could bring forth the greatest good from the greatest evil. Nothing could be more evil than the brutal murder of the Son of God. And nothing could be more glorious than the transformation of that heinous act into the definitive act of salvation for the human race. Jesus was "the stone rejected by the builders." But that rejected Stone was used by the Father to "become the cornerstone" of the new life of grace to which we are called. The passage quoted above concludes the Parable of the Tenants, which outlines salvation history. The Father is the owner of the vineyard, which represents the people of Israel. The tenants were the religious leaders of the time who abused the prophets who were sent to gather the fruit of God's Kingdom. The son is the Son of God whom the leaders of Israel killed under the misconception that killing Jesus would guarantee the continuation of their power. However, the true result was that they suffered their own destruction, and the murdered Son became the cornerstone of the Church and the source of new life. Today, you are among the people to whom God has given charge of His new Vineyard, the Church. Of you, God demands an abundance of good fruit. Though the Church is entrusted to the pope, bishops and priests in a special way, it is also entrusted to the laity, each in their own way. Everyone must bear fruit for the Kingdom of God, and everyone will be held accountable for their stewardship. Sometimes we can fall into the trap of thinking that we have little to offer. If we were the pope, a bishop or even a priest, we could do great things for God. And though that is true, it is no less true that everyone is capable of bearing an abundance of good fruit for the Kingdom. And God expects that of us all. If you doubt that fact in any way, recall again the undeniable fact that the Father used the greatest evil ever committed to bring forth the greatest good ever known. If God can bring forth new life from death, then He can certainly use you in powerful ways. In fact, the weaker you are and the more insignificant you feel, the more God can use you to produce good fruit. Reflect, today, upon the glorious fact that if God can use his own suffering and death to bring salvation to the world, He can also use you in ways that are beyond your imagination. You might not become a famous evangelist. You might not succeed in some well-recognized ministry. In fact, you might even encounter much suffering, persecution, and hardship throughout life. Regardless of your own life situation, God desires to use you for great things and to bear an abundance of good fruit for His Kingdom. Commit to that mission, and allow God to use you as a cornerstone of His grace in this world.

*My Lord and Cornerstone of the Church, You were rejected by the leaders of Israel and were killed in the most horrific way. Yet in Your glorious power, You transformed that evil into the greatest good. I give to You my weaknesses and pains, my talents and labors; I give to You my entire life. Please use me and help me to share in Your life so that, with You, I may also become a cornerstone of Your grace as You desire. Jesus, I trust in You.*

# SAVE the DATE!

OLG  
85th  
Anniversary  
Celebration

Saturday,  
October 21st  
on the  
outside lawn

Join us after the  
5:30 Mass  
until 9pm!



## THIS WEEK @OLG

MONDAY,  
9TH

Columbus Day-Office Closed

Monday Morning Mass 8:00am

TUESDAY,  
10TH

TMIY-That Man is You 6:15am

Holy Hour for Priests 7:00pm

KofC Meeting 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY,  
11TH

Psalms Bible Study 9:30am

RCIA - Everyone Welcome 6:30pm

Topic: The Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity

Choir Practice 7:00pm

SATURDAY,  
14TH

Bishop Fulton Sheen-Men's 8:30am

Bible Study 11:45am

Outdoor Rosary in honor of

Our Lady of Fatima

## NCYC 2023

NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) is a powerfully unique three-day experience of prayer, community, evangelization, catechism, service, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers (in 9th-12th grade) and their adult chaperones. This year the theme is Fully Alive, inspired by Genesis 1:23-27.

NCYC will be held on November 16-18, 2023 in Indianapolis, Indiana. This event will include inspiring speakers, interactive exhibits, music & worship, adoration, and Mass with high school youth from all over the country.

If interested in attending and would like more information please contact your youth minister Kim Morrison at [kim.morrison@olgusa.org](mailto:kim.morrison@olgusa.org) by **October 14th**.



## MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

### Monday, October 9

**8:00 AM** *Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*  
Maria de los Angeles Borquez Hernandez (d)  
- Maria de los Angeles Hernandez

### Tuesday, October 10

4:45 PM *Confessions - Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*  
5:30 PM *Mass - Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*  
Dr. Deborah Mueller (d)

### Wednesday, October 11

7:00AM *Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*  
In Thanksgiving

### Thursday, October 12

4:45 PM *Confessions - Fr. Abe*  
5:30 PM *Mass - Fr. Abe*  
Luciano Soto (d) - The Children

### Friday, October 13

**5:30 PM** *Mass - Fr. Jorge*  
Rebecca & Cecilio Rodriguez 's 60th Anniversary  
Alvin Schmid & Virginia Newton

### Saturday, October 14

4:45 PM *Confessions - Fr. Jorge*  
5:30 PM *Mass - Fr. Jorge*  
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

### Sunday, October 15

8:30 AM *Fr. TBD*  
Katherine Wilson - Georgia & John Hall  
10:30 AM *Fr. Abe*  
Dr. Alma Perez (d) - Dora Umutia  
12:00 PM *Fr. Abe*  
**12:15 PM** *Confessions - Fr. Jorge*  
Vivienne Rettinger - Rettinger Family

Next weekend's second collection  
is for the  
Hope for the Future.

## GOD BLESS THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES



### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

All are welcome to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition begins every Tuesday in the Adoration Chapel after the 5:30pm Mass and ends on Friday at 7 am. For more information please contact Becky Prieto at 210-725-2383.

All are welcome to join the  
Rosary Prayer Group  
*Every third Tuesday of the month.*  
Please join us from 6:30-8:00 pm in the  
Madonna Room. For more information,  
contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



# Liturgy of the Eucharist

## THE RITE OF HOLY COMMUNION:

The Rite of Holy Communion encompasses all the prayers and actions that immediately prepare us to receive this precious gift.

These include: 1) The Our Father; 2) The Sign of Peace; 3) The Fractioning; 4) The "Beholding;"

5) Holy Communion; 6) The Communion antiphon;  
7) The Closing Prayer; 8) The Blessing.

Let's look at each of these actions in more detail.

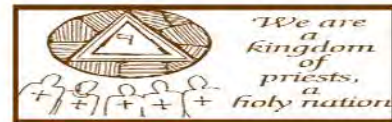
**5. Holy Communion:** Now we come to the ultimate reason Jesus offered the Sacrifice of His life and memorialized it in the Mass; namely, so that we could receive Him in Holy Communion. Holy Communion must become deeply personal and deeply intimate. In the reception of this holy Sacrament, our hearts and souls are made one with Christ if we let Him in. And that's the key. We have to let Him in.

Receiving Holy Communion is not automatic. Just because we walk up in the communion line and receive Him doesn't mean that we have truly received Him. We have to dispose ourselves, prepare ourselves and let Him come to us and draw us into the communion He desires with us. Our responsibility is to respond openly and generously to His invitation to divine union.

Next Week: Part 6: Communion Antiphon

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## Holy Hour For Priests



**Tuesday,  
October 10, 2023  
7 PM- 8 PM**

**In observance of  
Columbus Day,  
the Parish Office  
will be closed  
Monday, October 9th.  
Monday's Mass will be  
celebrated at 8:00am.**



# Called to Serve Moms in Need



Our Blessed Mother models a profound witness to love and life in the Gospel account of the Visitation. Luke's Gospel tells us that, when Mary learns that her cousin Elizabeth is pregnant, she travels to the hill country "*in haste*" (Lk 1:39). Despite being unexpectedly pregnant herself, Mary responds to this news with urgency.

She embarks on a long and perhaps difficult journey to be with her cousin during her time of need, bearing Christ to her as He lay quietly hidden in Mary's womb. And, although Jesus is veiled from view, when Mary first arrives John the Baptist leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb, recognizing the presence of Christ (Lk 1:44). Mary, with Jesus, spends the next three months at Elizabeth's side.

The witness of our Blessed Mother invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges: facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child.

Following Mary's example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children.<sup>1</sup> How can we, like the Blessed Mother, lovingly support mothers in welcoming and caring for God's gift of life?

Throughout the whole of Scripture, Mary's words are few. Yet, in her sacred encounter with Elizabeth, a powerful declaration pours from her lips. Mary proclaims to all generations that the Lord *lifts up the lowly, fills the hungry with good things, and remembers his promise of mercy from age to age* (Lk 1:46-56). In both word and deed, Mary speaks a

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My soul proclaims  
the greatness of the Lord;  
my spirit rejoices in God my savior.

Luke 1:46-47

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message of *hope*—not only to Elizabeth, but also to every mother in need and to each of us.

Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to *make haste* to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone. By doing so, we too can bear Christ within us and help others experience His presence.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother's example and guided by the Holy Spirit, may we offer Christ's presence and love to mothers in their time of need through our faithful service and support.

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<sup>1</sup> Lori, Most Reverend William E. 2022. Homily for the Opening Mass of the 2022 National Prayer Vigil for Life. Delivered at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. January 20, 2022. <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/archbishop-william-e-lori-opening-mass-2022-national-prayer-vigil-life>.



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# TRUNK-OR-TREAT

SAT. NOVEMBER 4TH @ 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM  
NORTH PARKING LOT

THIS IS A PARISH FAMILY EVENT  
KID FRIENDLY COSTUMES ONLY  
NO GORE OR JUMP SCARES

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IN THE PUMPKIN INSIDE THE CHURCH  
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DURING SAT. 5:30 PM & SUN. 8:30 & 10:30 AM MASS TIMES\*

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



# Pancake Sale

Sun., Oct. 15th

after the 8:30 & 10:30 Masses  
\*Madonna Room\*

**\$5**

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sausage, eggs and juice  
or coffee.











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