

# 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

Jn 6:32-33



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#### MASS SCHEDULE

MON, WED, FRI

7:00AM

TUES & THUR

5:30PM

SATURDAY

5:30PM

*\*1st Saturdays - 8:00am*

SUNDAY

8:30AM

10:30AM

12:00PM

#### CONFESSION/ RECONCILIATION

TUES, THURS, SAT  
4:45PM - 5:15PM

SUNDAY

*\*Please see weekly schedule*

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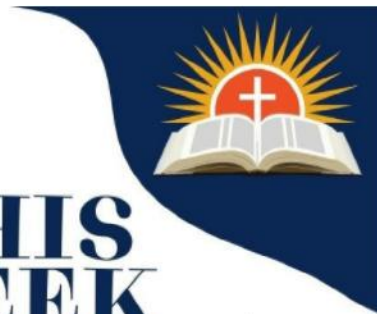
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months in advance to reserve  
date and complete marriage  
preparation.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

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# THIS WEEK @OLG

## MONDAY, AUGUST 5

- St. Anthony Teacher's Retreat 9am
- Encounter Ministry Summer Intensive 6:30pm

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

- Walking with Moms Meeting - 9am

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

- Choir Practice-7pm

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

- Associates of the Blessed Sacrament Meeting - 6:30 pm

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

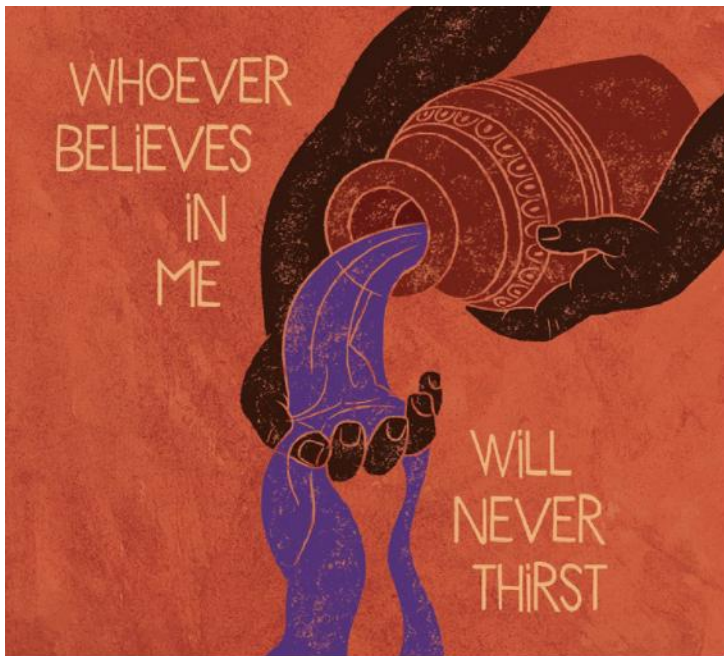
- Young Adult Retreat -Camp Tecaboca

Online Offertory and  
Parishioner Registration



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**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 4, 2024**

Do not work for food that perishes  
but for the food that endures for eternal life.  
— *John 6:27a*

**GOD'S WORK**

We are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?

We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being "God's work." But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God's work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is "God's work?" "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (John 6:29).



**Holy Hour For Priests**  
Every Second Tuesday  
7 PM- 8 PM  
Rosary, Prayers and Benediction

**MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE**

- Monday, August 5  
7:00 AM Fr. Abe  
Steven Davila (d) - Parents
- Tuesday, August 6  
4:45 PM Confessions - Fr. Jorge  
5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Jorge  
Efren Gonzalez (d) & Armida Escobar (d)  
- Comadritas del Rosario
- Wednesday, August 7  
7:00AM Fr. Abe  
Bishop John W. Yanta (d)  
- Happy & Patrick Von Dohlen
- Thursday, August 8  
4:45 PM Confessions - Fr. Jorge  
5:30 PM Fr. Jorge  
Edward Dehan (d) - Family
- Friday, August 9  
7:00 AM Fr. Abe  
Jose de la Garza (d) - Parish
- Saturday, August 10  
4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Jorge  
5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Jorge  
John LeVreir (d) - Pat LeVreir
- Sunday, August 11  
8:30 AM Fr. Abe  
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners
- 10:30 AM Fr. Jorge  
In Thanksgiving - Dora Urrutia
- 12:00PM Fr. Jorge  
Sarah Elizabeth Smith (d) - Pedraza Family



Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
†Kathleen Kuper  
who died July 20, 2024  
May she rest in peace.



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

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group  
**Every Third Tuesday**

Please join us from **6:00-8:00 pm** in the Madonna Room. For more information, contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



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

# Catechetical Sunday

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Our theme reflects our call to missionary discipleship. As St John Paul II reminded us: The universal call to holiness is closely linked to the universal call to mission. Every member of the faithful is called to holiness and to mission.

Our catechists and teachers will be commissioned at the 10:30 AM Mass this weekend. Every week our catechists and teachers are committed to the Religious Education of our children, youth, as well as the adults preparing for the Sacraments in the RCIA program.

Masses as Gifts: Having a Mass offered on a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion, is a most prayerful way to commemorate the special event.

Mass cards are available to acknowledge your loved one's special remembrance. Call or come by the Office to schedule.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary, please call the office at 734-7285. Each weekend in the bulletin we thank all those who sponsor the altar flowers.



If you have moved, recently married, or had any change in your contact information, please call the office at 210-734-7285 so that we can update our records. Thank you.

### Parish Bulletin Deadline

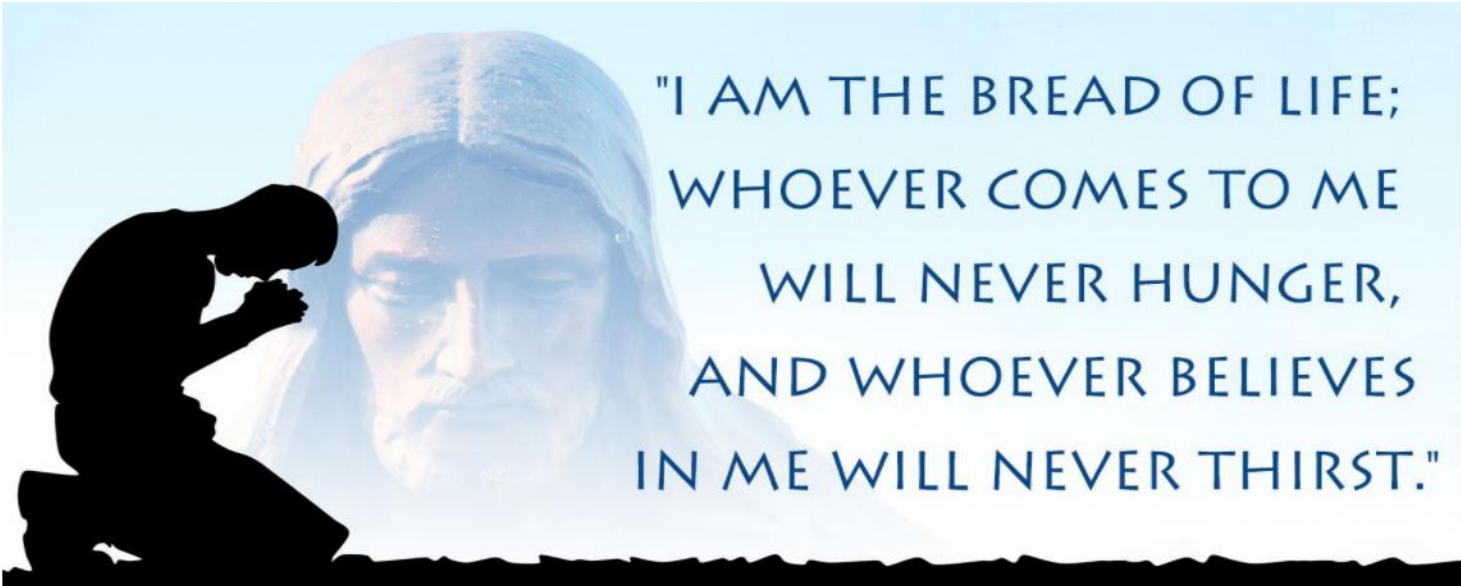
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## OLG 2024-2025 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



- REGISTRATION BEGINS SUNDAY, JULY 21
- MEET THE CATECHIST SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH
- CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPT. 8TH
- CLASSES END SUNDAY, MAY 11TH



"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE;  
WHOEVER COMES TO ME  
WILL NEVER HUNGER,  
AND WHOEVER BELIEVES  
IN ME WILL NEVER THIRST."

### A Hard Reset

It is so important to take breaks from the daily grind. While routines are important and foster stability, a fresh perspective and a change of atmosphere often stimulate growth. Let's consider the example of a child in a learning environment. At some point, they are bound to become disinterested, apathetic or bored. They may claim they don't care, that they don't like school or begin to pout and complain. But then they are asked to go take a break, get a drink and wash their face. In the meantime, a geography lesson is set up with a large map on the floor and they begin to play a game where they jump to each state as its name is called. The next thing you know, they are even volunteering to name the state's capital and they end up telling their parents they had a great day.

What made such a big difference? It's what some like to call a "hard reset". Just like you would turn a computer off and reboot it when it begins to have issues, sometimes we need to reset our current situation and start over. St. Paul speaks to this in today's second reading: "you should put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth." He is imploring the Ephesians to no longer live in futility but in the way of Christ, just as they were taught. He asks them to live in the truth of Jesus.

It appears as if the Ephesians needed a hard reset. They were having trouble living out their new way of life and needed a reminder of how to do so. Perhaps they needed to go take a walk, wash their face and take in St. Paul's words in silence. They were not promised this new life would be easy, and we aren't either. Yet they were assured that their minds and hearts could be renewed by the Holy Spirit. Jesus had shown them how to live in righteousness, truth and holiness, but this truly did imply putting on a "new self".

In the Gospel, Jesus gives his followers yet another tool for this radical change: "my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world...I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." He gives us His very self in order that we might put on a new self in Him.

So whether you are dealing with a child struggling in school, experiencing boredom at work, or lost in the monotony of your daily routine, maybe it's time for a hard reset. Plan a family outing, go on a retreat, or get some exercise in the fresh air and let God continue the good work in you that He has already begun.

By Tami Urcia

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**OLG 2024-2025 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**


**CATECHISTS NEEDED**  
 SIGN UP THROUGH AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>  
 CATECHIST TRAINING AUGUST 18<sup>th</sup>  
 IN THE GUADALUPE ROOM, 2 PM - 4 PM

As we enter into a new school year, we are in need of new catechists. Many of the amazing catechists that have participated in this ministry over the years are ready to pass along this important work of the Faith Formation of our children & youth.

We ask that you pray and discern if you are being called to this ministry.

QUESTIONS? Contact Ashley at [Ashley.Salvador@olgsa.org](mailto:Ashley.Salvador@olgsa.org)

**TEACHING IS A WORK OF HEART**



**OUR LADY OF GRACE 2024 MENS ACTS RETREAT**  
 SEPTEMBER 12 - 15

**WE ARE CALLED TO BE SPIRITUAL LEADERS IN OUR FAMILY AND LEAD THEM TO CHRIST.**

**ARE YOU PREPARED TO ANSWER THE CALL?**

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**WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?**  
 MARK 8:27-35

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