

# ✚ 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.

**March 11, 2018**  
**Fourth Sunday Of Lent**



## 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
Deacon Mike Ghorso	Permanent Deacon
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
Sr. Ma. Rosabel Sare, RVM	School DRE

### PARISH CENTER STAFF — 15 Elmwood Drive:

Sr. Ovelyn Obliosca, 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](http://www.olmcath.org)**

**SCHOOL WEBSITE: [www.olmbulldogs.org](http://www.olmbulldogs.org)**

### ☎ Parish Telephone Numbers:

Rectory Office	(650) 755-2727
Religious Education Office	(650) 992-5769
Our Lady of Mercy School	(650) 756-3395
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.*



## COMMUNAL RESPONSIBILITY

The people of God forgot the covenant and flouted God's laws. They did not listen to the prophets among them, who spoke for God in warning them. Prophets are sent from God to remind us why we are here, but they are often, even in our own time, mocked, disregarded, and mistreated rather than thanked and listened to.

The book of Chronicles tells the results of these sins: the destruction of the temple and all of Jerusalem, murder, mayhem, and finally exile to a foreign land. Why are these stories in the Bible? Just to inform us of what happened to our ancient forebears? What good would that be unless there were a message and a warning for us as well? Are we people who follow the teachings of God, who obey the words of Christ in the second covenant in his blood? Or do we continue to wreak works of darkness and violence? We are reminded by these readings that we will be judged as a people, not just as individuals.

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## Rest in Peace

Jack Dickey  
John Parangan



Day	Time	Mass Intentions for the coming week: <i>March 12, 2018 - March 18, 2018</i>	
Mon 12	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Anita Coronel Amando de Jesus + Jonathan Jimenez Pat Kulavitaya	DO BE RC
Tue 13	7:00am 9:00am	Anita Coronel Amando de Jesus + Our Lady of Fatima –In Thanks	RC BE
Wed 14	7:00am 9:00am	Anita Coronel Amando de Jesus + Mamerto Bautista Jr. +	BE DO
Thu 15	7:00 am 9:00am	Anita Coronel Amando de Jesus + Pat Kulavitaya	RC DO
Fri 16	7:00am 9:00am	Anita Coronel Amando de Jesus + Carmelita Rome –In Thanksgiving	BE DO
Sat 17	9:00am 4:00pm 5:30pm	Fr. Robert Suchan, SJ + Marietta Insigne + Amando Nicdao +	BE RC DO
Sun 18	7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm	Cesar Rosario + Primo & Elvira Diguangco + Cesar Rosario + Cesar Rosario +	RC BE DO BE

# Jesus's Brothers



We think of St. Peter as being the chief apostle and the "head" of the church from the day that Jesus said, "upon this rock I shall build my church". As Bible scholars have pointed out, this is not what the *Acts of the Apostles* seems to say. James was the head of the church in Jerusalem, and Peter bowed to his decisions and was fearful of alienating him. Who was this James? According to *Acts*, he was the brother of the Lord.

This begins an unending argument about what the New Testament meant by a series of phrases which indicate that Jesus had brothers and sisters. First we have Mark, where a crowd asks of Jesus, "*Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are his sisters here with us?*" (Mark 6:3).

Then Luke states that when Jesus is told by a crowd gathered to hear him speak, "*Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you,*" Jesus famously rejects them: "*My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it*" (Luke 8:19-21). Then John writes that after Jesus performed his first miracles in Cana, "*he went down to Capernaum with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples; and they remained there a few days*" (John 2:12).

Finally, we have St. Paul indicating the same thing. "*Do we not have a right to take along a believing wife, even as the rest of the apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas (Peter)?*" (1 Cor 9:5)

The immediate reaction to these statements is to believe that Jesus did actually have brothers and sisters. The evidence may seem clear, but scripture scholars and theologians have been debating these and other passages for nearly two millennia, arguing whether those brothers and sisters were in fact biological siblings, step-siblings, "half" siblings, or not even siblings at all but cousins.

The first recorded argument was between St. Jerome and another fourth-century theologian, Helvidius, who had written that after the virgin birth of Jesus, Mary had other children with her husband, Joseph. St. Jerome disagreed, indicating that by the fourth century some of the church community believed that Mary had stayed a virgin for the rest of her life. Protestant scholars agree with Helvidius. They say, correctly, that the important thing is that God conceived the child without a man being involved.

Catholic scholars, on the other hand, agree with St. Jerome. For centuries, the Catholic Church has said that we must use tradition as well as the Biblical writings to get a complete picture. An example of that idea is a book considered for inclusion in the New Testament but eventually rejected, *The Protoevangelium of James*.

This book (written about 150 AD) says that Mary was raised by the priests in the Temple after her parents gave her to serve God. At puberty, the priests sought a husband for her and chose Joseph, a widower with children of his own. In this book, Mary is attended by two of Joseph's sons while he seeks a midwife. It was these children of Joseph to whom the Gospels refer when mentioning brothers and sisters. Needless to say, this argument will go on for a long time, for there is no way to prove either viewpoint. ~DN

DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
Sun., March 11	10:30 a.m. 1:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word for Children No Baptism	Church Church
Mon., March 12	6:00 p.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions	Church
Tue., March 13	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Cantor Practice Choir Practice	Parish Center Music Room Parish Center Music Room
Wed., March 14	7:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Parish Center SVdP Room
Thu., March 15	6:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary	Parish Center Music Room
Fri., March 16	1:00 p.m. 9:30am - 6:00pm 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Charismatic Prayer Group meeting Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration Evening Prayer + Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> Youth Ministry <b>CONFESSIONS</b>	Parish Center Library Church Church Church Parish Center Library Church
Sat., March 17	2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
Sun., March 18	10:30 a.m. 1:15 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word for Children NO Baptism	Church Church



## Re-Ed Fund Raising 2018 And the Winners Are....

**Grand Prize : 3 Night Stay Lake Tahoe  
Vacation Resort**

**\*Mrs. Edwina Tengco**

**2nd Prize : \$250.00**

**\* Mendoza**

**3rd Prize : \$ 100.00**

**\* Ms. Mercie del Rosario**

**Consolation Prize: Mr. Andy Garcia**



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## School applications

The Our Lady of Mercy/Sr. Claire pre-school is now accepting applications for Pre-school, transitional Kindergarten (children born between Sept. 2nd, 2013 and Dec. 1st, 2013) and also for Kindergarten to Eighth grade for school year 2018-2019. Please stop by or call at the school office to book a tour and pick up an application form. Financial assistance is provided to those who qualify.

Thank you,  
Jeffrey T. Burgos  
Principal

**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 11, 2018**

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.  
— *John 3:17*

*John 3:16*  
*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.*

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The wrath and the mercy of the LORD are revealed in the exile and liberation of the Chosen People (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or *1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a*.

**Psalm** — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or *Psalm 23*.

**Second Reading** — God, who is rich in mercy, brought us to life with Christ (Ephesians 2:4-10) or *Ephesians 5:8-14*.

**Gospel** — The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life (John 3:14-21) or *John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]*.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday:** Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;

Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny; Daylight Saving Time begins; Girl Scouting Sunday

**Friday:** Abstinence

**Saturday:** Saint Patrick

**NOT ENOUGH**

It is not enough for me to love God, if my neighbor does not love God.

—*St. Vincent de Paul*





# The People of O.L.M.

## Committees

Parish Pastoral Council  
Parish Finance Committee  
Parish Social Committee  
Principal's Advisory Council  
Liturgy Committee

## Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers,  
Ushers, Cantors, Parish Choir, Children's  
Choir, Youth Ministry

## Spiritual Development

Bible Study Group  
Charismatic Prayer Group  
Third Order Carmelites  
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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