



PARISH BULLETIN

Our Lady of the Rosary Church

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NOVEMBER 8, 2009 – 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

She Gave All That She Had

Mark 12: 41-44

The great Temple of Jerusalem was perched on the highest land in the city. From the Temple one could look out across the Kidron Valley to the Mount of Olives. In the other direction were the banners of Herod's Palace. To the north the parapets of Antonia Fortress were manned by Roman Centurions. Looking south over the royal portico was the Hinnom Valley, Golgotha and in the far distance the high hills which contained the village of Bethlehem.

The entrance to the Temple was flanked by two great columns made of bronze. The columns soared 40 feet into the air and were named Jachin and Boaz. Passing between them, Jesus walked into the sanctuary and looked toward the steps that continued higher to an inner room, the holy of holies, where the Ark of the Covenant had been kept.

Jesus took a seat opposite the treasury and looked at the thick walls and counted 13 bronze chests for the deposit of offerings. The tops of the chests were flared like hungry trumpets ready to swallow as much as people would give.

The Temple was extravagantly decorated. Herod's wealth and a prosperous Jerusalem supported this royal center of religion. Wealthy men in fine clothes made generous contributions, some even lifting up their bright gold and silver offering so that everyone could see their generosity. Lavishly robed rabbis and temple priests pompously paraded in the busy temple taking little note of the small woman who was shuffling into the Court of the Women. Jesus watched her with interest. She was hunched over with the weight of many years. Her shabby clothes were a stark contrast to the elegant garments of the merchants and temple officials gliding by. She approached one of the bronze offering chests and began to search through in her cloth bag. She brought out a dull coin, a mite, the least denomination. With her blotchy hand shaking, she reached up and dropped the coin over the edge of the trumpet-mouth. There was no sound as it disappeared. She then dug into the bag again and found her last coin.



Her face was stoic and full of faith as she let that coin slip from her fingers into the gaping chest. She turned away and began to shuffle slowly out of the temple. Jesus was greatly moved by this. He sat motionless, watching her small figure move into the brighter light outside the Temple.



The teachings of Jesus show us again and again that we can't buy our way or power our way into paradise. We must truly believe and have the simple faith of the widow who gave her last coins. We must follow the great commandments to love one another. We must follow the servant example of Jesus who washed the feet of his disciples.

-- Deacon Dick Folger

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. English; 6:15 p.m. Cantonese

Sunday: 6:45 a.m. Spanish; 8:15 a.m. English; 9:45 a.m. Spanish; 11:30 a.m. English

Daily Mass (Bilingual):

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:15 a.m.;

Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service on Mondays)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage

Call the Parish Office six months in advance, (510) 471-2609.

PARISH OFFICE

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Open Tue.- Sat., 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. & Tue.- Fri., 6:00-9:00 p.m.

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OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL

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INFORMATION FOR THE COMING WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

For November 9, 2009 to November 15, 2009

Mon. 8:15 a.m. – Communion Service

Tue. 8:15 a.m. – Francisco Javier Gonzalez (Deceased)

Wed. 8:15 a.m. – Ernestine Pineda (Birthday); Francisco Aceves Padilla (Deceased)

Thur. 8:15 a.m. – Herm Henderson (Health)

Fri. 8:15 a.m. – Nancy Joyce (Deceased)

Sat. 9:00 a.m. – For our parish's faithful departed

5:00 p.m. – Melvin Jansen (Deceased)

Sun. 6:45 a.m. – Arturo Luna (Deceased)

8:15 a.m. – Betty Heffernan (Deceased)

9:45 a.m. – Raquel Herrera (Deceased)

11:30 a.m. - For us The Parishioners

WEEKDAY READINGS

For November 9, 2009 to November 14, 2009

Mon Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 / 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11,16-17 / John 2:13-22
Tues. Wisdom 2:23-3:9 / Luke 17:8-10
Wed. Wisdom 6:1-11 / Luke 17:11-19
Thu. Wisdom 7:22b-8:1 / Luke 17:20-25
Fri. Wisdom 13:1-9 / Luke 17:26-37
Sat. Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9 / Luke 18:1-8

SUNDAY READINGS

November 15, 2009 – 33th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-3 / 2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14,18 / Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

COLLECTIONS

November 1, 2009

First Collection	\$7,259.00
Our budgeted goal for the First Collection	9,566.00
Second Collection: Church Interior Renovation.....	2,244.00
Children's Envelopes	96.00

November 2, 2009

All Souls Day	\$466.00
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Thank you very much! We appreciate your support.

THIS WEEKEND'S SPONSORSHIPS

HOSTS: By the Lopez Family, for Joe Lopez

WINE: By Leonard Ancona, in memory of his father Antonio Ancona

CANDLES: By Peiling Ye, in memory of Paul Ye and the Ye Family

FLOWERS: By Our Lady's Guild

To set up a sponsorship, see the form at the bottom of the next page of this Bulletin. Thank you for your support.

NEW ARTICLES

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED THIS WEDNESDAY. This coming Wednesday, November 11, is Veterans Day. Veterans Day is one of the few holidays that are not moved to Monday – it is always observed on November 11. Should you have an emergency, you may phone us at 510.471.2609, and press option #2 when the menu indicates – you will then be connected to the answering service.

THANKSGIVING MASS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26. Our Traditional Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, November 26 at 10:00 a.m.

You may bring the bread or rolls, and the wine you will be serving at Thanksgiving dinner with you to this Mass, so that they can be blessed. **Keep the bread and wine with you in your pew.**

Non-Perishable or canned food for use in our Christmas Baskets for the needy in our parish will be collected. **You and your family should bring this food up to the Altar at the offertory**, once the usher has taken the collection up from your pew.

There will not be an 8:15 a.m. Mass that day.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONTINUES TO COLLECT FOOD at all Masses for those in need. You may bring non-perishable food items with you to Mass and place them in the baskets in front of the Altar during the Offertory. In the coming weeks we will print a list of the specific items that would be most helpful for you to donate for preparing our Christmas “food baskets.”

JUST SO YOU KNOW . . . CHRISTMAS IS COMING! It is always a busy time of the year at OLR, particularly for our St. Vincent de Paul Society. The coming of Christmas is helping us realize that we could use some more volunteers to help us serve those in need. This is of particular importance again this year – with the current state of the economy, we have seen more people visit our pantry for food and more people – both individuals and families – come to eat at our Friday Night Dinners. So if you could help us either with the Friday Night Dinners or with the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry (either on a temporary basis during the Holidays or on a more long-term basis throughout the year) please call the Parish Office at 510.471.2609.

ADVANCE NOTICE: BLOOD DRIVE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6. Just so you can mark it on your calendar, it has been three months since our last blood drive, so the Blood Centers of the Pacific will return on Sunday, December 6, to hold a blood drive after all of the Masses in the Parish Hall. The blood bank was particularly pleased with the great turn out of the last blood drive, and as this drive will be in the midst of the holiday season, this would be a good time to give as the need for blood once again increases at this time of the year. More information will appear in next weekend’s Bulletin, and sign-ups will be taken starting on November 22.

NEXT SUNDAY – RITE OF ACCEPTANCE AND WELCOME. Next Sunday, November 15, we will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance and Welcome for five adults who are preparing to complete their Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. These adults are **Sharon DeCastro, Shelly DeCastro-Nhem, Jeffrey Lowery, Carmen DeAvila Martinez** and **Jose Mascorro**. Let us keep them in our prayers as they continue their journey of faith.

COFFEE AND DONUT FELLOWSHIP NEXT WEEKEND. We moved the Coffee and Donut Fellowship to the third Sunday this month as we thought we would have a special presentation during Mass next weekend. At the time of this writing it seems that the presentation donut take place, but not to confuse things further we are still having our Donut Sunday next weekend. It will be sponsored by the Spanish Youth Group. And, as always, **we are grateful to Roberto’s Donuts in Hayward**, located where Harder and Santa Clara meet, for donating umpteen dozens of donuts to us every month. If you are in the neighborhood be sure to stop by, say “thanks,” and buy some of their beauties.

ARTICLE FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS

ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS: RETREATS JUST FOR YOU IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER. English and Spanish-speaking Lectors are invited to a retreat to be held on Sunday, November 15, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Church. English and Spanish-speaking Eucharistic Ministers are invited to a retreat to be held on Sunday, November 22, from

2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Church. These retreats are open to both current ministers and to those people who are not currently ministers but want to know more about these ministries or who are considering serving in these ministries. Current ministers will be contacted by phone by their head minister, but there is no need for new ministers to RSVP – just come!

PRAYERS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS those in our parish and families who are ill or homebound: Tony Baligaya, KayMaria Baranouskas, Lindy C., Paul Cabrera, Maria Camarillo, Grace Caminada, Daniel Canales, Rose Canales, Grace Carr, Anita Castillo, Grace Continelli, Cindy Davis, Chealsy Davis, Courtney Davis, Jennie DeCosta, Irene Drouin, Joseph Dunbar, Martha Estrella, Juanita Estrellas, Mary Ferrario, Ed Fiala, James Finnigan, Frank Gallegos, Sobeida Gallegos, Ronnie Graves, Emilio Gudino, Keith Gunter, Ethel Guerrero, Jesús Gutierrez, Anne Guzman, Herm Henderson, Eduardo Hernandez, Henry Hernandez, Margaret K., Mark Kamakea, Francisco Lozano, Carmen Martinez, Lupita Martinez, Philip Molina, Frances Morales, Joe Morales, Richard Nelson, Ma. Elena Ochoa, Mario Perales, Anita Perkins, Margie (Judy) Preciado, Alexandria Ramos, Monica Raygoza, Benjamin Renteria, Al Roderigues, Jr., Marcella Roderigues, Lydia Rodriguez, Joe Romero, Angel Salindong, Macca Savage, Myron Tejada, Vivianlee Tonry, Bienvenida Villafuerte. (Ren. 11/01)

Our Lady of the Rosary: SPONSORSHIP OF HOSTS, WINE, CANDLES AND FLOWERS

I want to sponsor the following on the first available weekend – or – on this weekend *
_____:

Hosts (\$25.00/week); Wine (\$35.00/week); Candles (\$35.00/week); Flowers (\$125.00/week)

Today's Date _____

Name _____ Envelope/Acct. # _____

Address _____ Phone _____

I would like my gift recognized as follows:

(Examples: "The Hosts are sponsored by the Guerrero Family.")

"The wine is sponsored by Mary Smith in memory of her mother, Gladys Jones.")

* No date guarantees can be made. If a desired week is already taken, the closest weekend will be given.

Please place this in the collection (include this form and donation in an envelope) or bring it to the Parish Office



***This Week
At O.L.R.***

Tuesday, November 10

Bible Study, English, Eddie Dobrec Room, 10:00 a.m.

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Bible Study, English, Office Room 206, 7:00 p.m.

Liturgy Committee Meeting, Office Room 107, 7:30 p.m.

7th & 8th Grade Youth Group, Upper Room, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 11

Veterans Day

Parish and School Offices closed

Thursday, November 12

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Little Rock Scripture Study, Office Room 107, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 13

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Dinner for those in need, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.

Spanish Choir Practice, Church, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 14

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 15

Coffee and Donut Fellowship

Second Collection for Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebrations

English Choir Practice, Church, immediately after the 11:30 a.m. Mass

High School Youth Group, Upper Room, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.