



# ✦ OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH ✦

Daly City, CA 94015-3424

Rectory: 1 Elmwood Dr. — Church / Church Hall: 5 Elmwood Dr. — School: 7 Elmwood Dr.  
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Established in 1954 — A Member of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco

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“Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my chosen Son; listen to him.”

**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**March 16, 2025**

## **RECTORY STAFF — 1 Elmwood Drive:**

Rev. Domingo Orimaco	Pastor
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## **SCHOOL STAFF — 7 Elmwood Drive:**

Mr. Jeffrey Burgos	Principal
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*The Rectory office is staffed Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

*Our Lady of Mercy Rectory office is closed on weekends and holidays.*

## **CURRENT SCHEDULES:**

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday to Friday:** 7:00am & 9:00am

**Saturday Mass:** 9:00AM & 4:00pm Vigil Mass

**Sunday Masses:** 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 noon

**Holy Days of Obligation:** Vigil Mass 6:00pm, 7:00am, 9:00am & 6:00pm

### **BAPTISM:**

1st and 3rd Saturdays at 12pm. Sundays at 1:15pm

**Baptismal Preparation Class** for the parents' and godparents' Every First Wednesday of the Month the Parish Center at 7:00PM—c/o Deacon Mike Ghiorso

For grades 3-8, sign up for the **Rite of Christian Initiation for 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 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:** 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., concluding with

**Evening Prayer & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.**

**First Fridays:** Mass at 6:00 p.m.

### **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS:**

Mondays at 6:00 p.m. (Novena & Mass)

### **COMMUNAL RECITATION OF THE ROSARY:**

Weekdays immediately after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

**Second Sunday of Lent:**  
*"Beholding the Glory of Christ"*



The Transfiguration of Jesus, as recounted in Luke 9:28b-36, is a moment of divine revelation where Christ's glory is unveiled before Peter, James, and John. Jesus takes these three disciples up a mountain to pray, and in that sacred moment, His appearance is transformed—His face shines, and His clothing becomes dazzling white. Suddenly, Moses and Elijah appear, speaking with Jesus about His coming exodus in Jerusalem, pointing to His suffering, death, and resurrection. This encounter is not just a display of divine glory but a foreshadowing of the fulfillment of God's plan for salvation.

Peter, overwhelmed by the vision, wants to hold onto this extraordinary experience, suggesting that they build three tents to remain in that moment.

But before he can act, a cloud overshadows them, and the voice of the Father declares, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" This command is central to our faith: we are called to listen to Jesus, to trust in His teachings, and to follow Him even when the path is difficult. The presence of Moses and Elijah signifies that Jesus is the fulfillment of both the Law and the Prophets—He is the ultimate revelation of God.

The Transfiguration reminds us that moments of spiritual clarity and divine encounter are not meant for us to remain in comfort but to prepare us for the challenges ahead. Just as Jesus and the disciples descended from the mountain back into the realities of suffering and ministry, we too are called to take what we experience in prayer and worship into our daily lives. Life will bring hardships, trials, and even suffering, but the glory revealed in Christ assures us that beyond the cross, there is resurrection.

In our own journey of faith, we may have moments when we feel close to God—times of peace, clarity, and joy. But we cannot remain on the mountain forever. The voice from the cloud directs us to the most important response: "Listen to Him." In times of doubt, listen to Him. In suffering, listen to Him. In moments of joy, listen to Him. His words will guide us, transform us, and lead us to the fullness of life in God's presence. May we always have hearts open to His voice, trusting that He will lead us from suffering to glory, from darkness to light, from death to eternal life.

*Prayer for Transformation*

*Heavenly Father,*

*In the glory of the Transfiguration, You revealed Your Son as the fulfillment of Your divine plan. You spoke from the cloud, commanding us to listen to Him. Open our hearts, Lord, that we may truly hear His voice and follow His ways. Like Peter, we often long to remain in moments of comfort and clarity, yet You call us back into the world to carry the light of Christ. Strengthen us for the journey ahead, that we may embrace both the joys and the trials of discipleship with unwavering faith.*

*Lord Jesus, transform us as You were transfigured before Your disciples. Let Your light shine within us, dispelling our doubts, our fears, and our weaknesses. In times of suffering, help us to trust in Your promise of resurrection. When we struggle to understand Your will, give us the grace to listen and obey.*

*Holy Spirit, guide us each day to be faithful witnesses of Christ's love. May we reflect His glory in our words and actions, bringing hope to a world in need. As we descend from the mountain of prayer into the reality of daily life, may we never lose sight of Jesus, who leads us to the fullness of life in You.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Dn 9: 4b-10; Ps 79: 8-9, 11, 13; Lk 6: 36-38

**Tuesday:** Is 1: 10, 16-20; Ps 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23: 1-12

**Wednesday:** 2Sm 7: 4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89: 2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4: 13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1: 16, 21, 24 or Lk 2: 41-51a

**Thursday:** Jer 17: 5-10; Ps 1: 1-4, 6; Lk 16: 19-31

**Friday:** Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105: 16-21; Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46

**Saturday:** Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20; Ps 103: 1-4, 9-12; Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32

**Sunday:** Ex 3: 1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-4, 6-8, 11; Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12; Lk 13: 1-9

## Upcoming Events of Note / Reminders / Announcements:

-We are inviting you to join the 2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrimage of Hope featuring the Holy Doors and Blessed Carlo Acutis, on October 20-30, 2025 with Fr. Domingo Orimaco as Tour Chaplain. If you are interested please contact Mariche Yu-Fernandez, Tour Coordinator at 650-892-2066 or [chemariyu41@gmail.com](mailto:chemariyu41@gmail.com)

-Lenten Regulations regarding Fast and Abstinence: Everyone, 18 years of age & older, is bound to abstain from meat on ASH WEDNESDAY & GOOD FRIDAY. FASTING: Everyone 18 years of age & older but under the age of 60 is also bound to FAST on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. On these two days, the law of Fast allows only 1 full meal a day. Drinking liquids during the day is permitted. If you are sick, the law does not oblige. In the spirit of Lenten Penance, please do not lightly excuse yourselves from this obligation.

- We invite you to the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6:30 PM followed by Confession. Every Friday of Lent is a Day of Abstinence.

- March 17, Monday, is the Feast of St. Patrick, co-patron on San Francisco Archdiocese.

**-March 29, Saturday** - Lenten Day of Recollection with Fr. Jerome Magat, SThD, with a Theme: *The Gospel of St. Luke: Where Mercy Meets Hope in the Person of Jesus Christ*. Please arrange your schedule so you can attend.

-The **2025 Donation Envelopes** are now available for pick-up located at the side of the Church. Please find time to get your assigned envelopes.

-Please drop off or mail your Offertory Envelopes to the Parish Office if you are unable to come to the Church. Thank you so much for your generosity and continued support to Our Lady of Mercy Parish.

Day	Time	Mass Intentions for the Coming Week: March 17—March 23, 2025	
Mon Mar 17	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Fr. Robert Suchan, SJ + Poor Souls in Purgatory Marcelito Romos +	AN DO DO
Tue Mar 18	7:00am 9:00am	Pedro Arriola + Dana & Gina Rogers– Thanksgiving	AN AN
Wed Mar 19	7:00am 9:00am	Jose “Jojo” Ignacio + Patrocinio Martelino Balon +	DO AN
Thur Mar 20	7:00am 9:00am	Roger Pimentel + Robert Drucker +	DO DO
Fri Mar 21	7:00am 9:00am 6:30pm	Deceased Members of our Parish Candido & Eugenia Bernardo + (Way of the Cross)	AN DO
Sat Mar 22	9:00am 4:00pm	Daniel Cesar Madera– Thanksgiving Jacinta & Andy Hewitt– Thanksgiving	DO AN
Sun Mar 23	8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	Robert Drucker + Greta Floresca + Robert Drucker +	DO AN DO

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Monday:** Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop

**Tuesday:** Memorial of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Wednesday:** Feast of St. Joseph, the Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Saturday:** Saturday of the Second Week of Lent

### Updates & Support

**AAA Update:** OLM parishioners have contributed in cash and pledges **\$ 1,290.00** as of March 11 out of our goal of **\$ 101,749.00**. May our good Lord richly bless you.

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

#### March 8 and March 9, 2025

*FIRST COLLECTION* - \$ 6,227.00

*SECOND COLLECTION /  
Religious Education Fund*

- \$ 1,867.00

*MAINTENANCE* - \$ 2,064.10

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*join us!*

### 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. *Upon completion, you may drop this form at the Rectory or with your donation during offertory collection.*

By registering, you get on our mailing list and let us know if you are interested in supporting your parish through your time, talents and treasure—the privilege of every Catholic.

Baptism & Confirmation of children, weddings & marriage anniversaries, Funeral Services for loved ones, etc.

In addition, all **registered** members of the parish are eligible to celebrate important sacramental events at OLM.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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*If you are just visiting from another parish, we do hope you enjoy your OLM experience today!*

### OUR FACINATING FAITH: LENT

One of the liturgical reforms mandated at the 2nd Vatican Council was that the focus of the season of Lent should be restored as a time of preparation for—or renewal of—baptism. The bishops at the Council were aware of the fact that the origins of Lent as distinctive liturgical season lay in the early centuries when the Church celebrated the sacraments of Christian initiation only once a year, at the Easter Vigil. In order to prepare those who were to receive those sacraments, a special period of preparation gradually developed. By the time of Second Vatican Council, the initiatory character of Lent had long been forgotten, and it had become simply a time of penance focused on individual spiritual renewal. The introduction of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the revision of the Lectionary after the Council have changed all of that. Now the Sunday scripture readings during the Lent are very carefully selected with an eye to the journey of those preparing to be initiated at the Easter Vigil.

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