

OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH

Daly City, CA 94015-3424

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Established in 1954 — A Member of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco

"A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good"



"An evil
person out of
a store of evil
produces
evil;
for from the
fullness of
the heart the
mouth
speaks."

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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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: "A Heart That Speaks the Truth"



In today's Gospel, Jesus presents us with parables that challenge us to examine our hearts and actions before seeking to correct others. He asks, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit?" (Luke 6:39). This question is a call to self-awareness and humility. We often find it easy to

criticize and judge others, yet we fail to recognize our own faults. Jesus warns against hypocrisy—the tendency to see the splinter in our brother's

eye while ignoring the wooden beam in our own. Before we can guide others, we must first allow ourselves to be guided by Christ. True discipleship requires

self-examination, repentance, and a sincere desire for personal transformation. Only when we acknowledge our own weaknesses and seek God's grace can we help others with clarity and love.

Jesus then shifts to the image of a tree and its fruit: "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit" (Luke 6:43). This simple yet profound truth invites us to reflect on what is at the root of our words and actions. The fruit of our lives—our speech, our behavior, our relationships—is a direct reflection of what is stored in our hearts. If our hearts are filled with love, faith, and humility, our words will bring life, encouragement, and healing to others. But if our hearts are consumed with pride, anger, or resentment, our speech will reveal negativity, judgment, and division. Jesus reminds us that "from the fullness of the heart, the mouth speaks" (Luke 6:45). What we say and how we act are not mere coincidences; they reveal the true state of our souls.

As followers of Christ, we must constantly seek to cultivate hearts that are pure, compassionate, and filled with God's grace. This requires a deep relationship with the Lord through prayer, reflection, and openness to His transforming love. It means allowing the Holy Spirit to prune us, removing anything that hinders us from bearing good fruit. The world is in great need of authentic disciples—people who not only proclaim the Gospel but live it out through their kindness, integrity, and mercy. When we strive for holiness and sincerity, our lives become a testimony to God's love.

Let us take today's Gospel as an invitation to look within. Are we bearing good fruit? Do our words uplift and encourage, or do they tear down and discourage? Do we seek to guide others while remaining blind to our own faults? May we ask the Lord to purify our hearts so that we may speak and act with the wisdom and love that come from Him. In doing so, we will not only transform our own lives but also be true lights for those around us, leading them closer to Christ.

Prayer for a Pure of Heart and Good Fruit

Heavenly Father,



You are the source of all wisdom and truth. Today, I come before You, humbled by the words of Your Son, Jesus Christ. He calls me to look within, to examine my heart, and to seek Your grace before I attempt to guide others. Lord, open my eyes to my own weaknesses and failures. Remove the blindness of pride and judgment, and grant me the humility to acknowledge my need for Your mercy.

Purify my heart, O God, so that it may be filled with Your love, kindness, and truth. Let the words I speak be life-giving, bringing encouragement, healing, and peace to those around me. May my actions reflect the goodness of a heart rooted in You, bearing the fruits of faith, hope, and charity.

Teach me to lead not through arrogance, but through the example of a life transformed by Your grace. Help me to be a true disciple, living out the Gospel not only in words but in deeds. When I am tempted to judge others, remind me to first seek my own conversion. When I feel burdened by my weaknesses, strengthen me with the assurance of Your unfailing love.

Lord, let my life be a reflection of Your truth. May I be a tree that bears good fruit, a servant who walks in humility, and a heart that speaks only what is pleasing to You. I surrender myself to Your will, trusting that through You, I will become an instrument of Your grace in the world. I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sir 17: 20-24; Ps 32: 1-2, 5-7; Mk 10: 117-27 **Tuesday:** Sir 35: 1-12; Ps 50: 5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10: 28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-6, 12-14, 17; 2Cor 5: 20-6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30: 15-20; Ps 1: 1-4, 6; Lk 9: 22-25 **Friday:** Is 58: 1-9a; Ps 51: 3-6b, 18-19; Mt 9: 14-15 **Saturday:** Is 58: 9b-14; Ps 86: 1-6; Lk 5: 27-32

Sunday: Dt 26: 4-10; Ps 91: 1-2, 10-15; Rom 10: 8-13; Lk 4: 1-13

Upcoming Events of Note / Reminders / Announcements:

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

-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

-March 9 is Daylight Saving Time. Please don't forget to adjust your clock Saturday night before you go to bed.

-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.

-March 5, is Ash Wednesday, the start of Lenten Season. It is a day for Fasting and Abstinence. Masses are at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM— School Mass, 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM. Remember, there will be no Baptism during Lenten Season, it will resume on Easter, it is the most appropriate for Baptism.

-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 3—March 9, 2025	
Mon Mar 3	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Erlinda Dacanay + Rod Embry, Jr. + Marcelito Ramos +	
Tue Mar 4	7:00am 9:00am	Noel Diaz de Rivera—Thanksgiving Mary Pat Formosa +	
Wed Mar 5	7:00am 9:00am 10:30am 4:30pm 6:00pm	Poor Souls in Purgatory Robert Drucker + School Mass Benefactors of OLM Parish Marcelito Ramos +	AN DO AN DO RC
Thur Mar 6	7:00am 9:00am	Corina Angala– Thanksgiving Mary Pat Formosa +	
Fri Mar 7	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Rebecca Bautista + Erlinda Dacanay + Marcelito Ramos +	
Sat Mar 8	9:00am 4:00pm	Filomena Arreza + Cecil Cardoza +	
Sun Mar 9	8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	Robert Drucker + Greta Floresca + Emma Marquez +	RC AN DO

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: Memorial of St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

Tuesday: Memorial of St. Casimir Wednesday: ASH WEDNESDAY

Friday: Memorial Sts. Perpetual & Felicity, Martyrs

First Friday of the Month

Updates & Support

AAA Update: With heart full of gratitude we would like to thank you all for your invaluable support in reaching our goal. May our good Lord richly bless you.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Feb. 22 and Feb. 23, 2025

FIRST COLLECTION - \$ 5,488.00

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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:_	 	
Phone/s: _	 	
Email:		

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

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.



May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Franciscus

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