



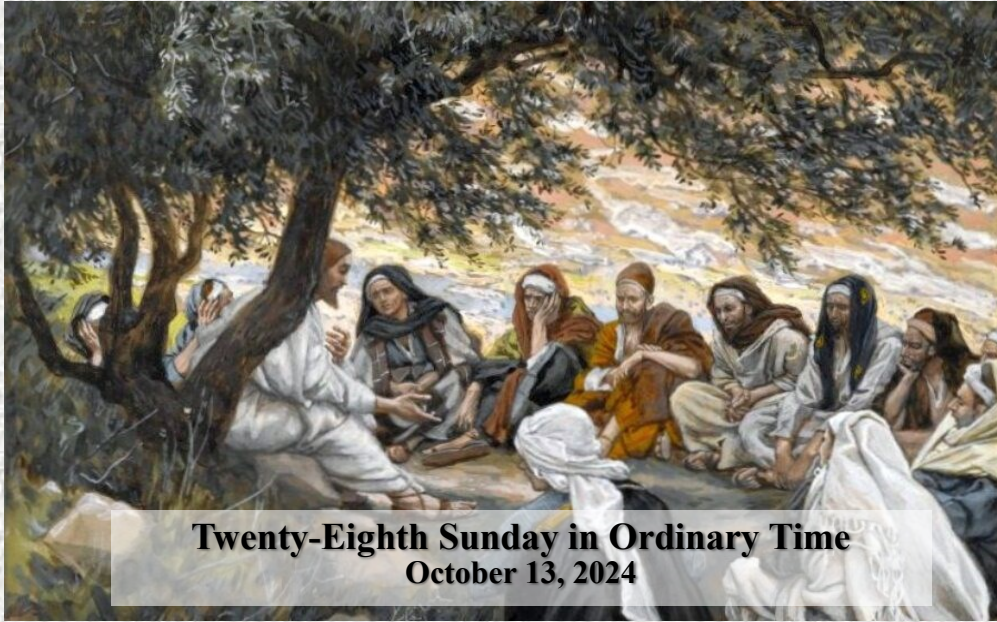
✦ OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH ✦

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

"Good teacher,
what must I do
to inherit
eternal life?...
Go, sell what
you have, and
give to the poor
and you will
have treasure
in heaven;
then come,
follow me."



"How hard it is
to enter the
kingdom of
God!
It is easier for
a camel to pass
through the eye
of a needle
than for one
who is rich to
enter the
kingdom of
God."

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 13, 2024

RECTORY STAFF — 1 Elmwood Drive:

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Sr. Ma. Elizabeth Siguenza, RVM	Parish Bookkeeper
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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 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 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.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: *"Letting Go of What We Hold Most Dear"*



Today's Gospel presents a powerful lesson on the things that hold us back from fully embracing the life God offers us. We see this through the encounter between Jesus and the rich young man. On the surface, the young man is a model of piety and righteousness. He has kept the commandments. He seems to be seeking more, longing for deeper fulfillment, a path to eternal life. But when Jesus invites him to take the next step—selling everything he owns and following Him—the young man walks away sad.

What is the cost of following Jesus? Jesus' response to the young man was radical. He didn't ask for just obedience to the commandments or participation in religious life. He asked for a complete surrender—a letting go of worldly attachments, possessions, and securities in favor of a life of radical trust in God. The wealth that the young man held so tightly prevented him from fully experiencing the freedom that comes with following Christ.

Jesus' message to the young man wasn't about condemning wealth, but about identifying what was holding him back. For this young man, his attachment to wealth was the stumbling block, the thing preventing him from trusting in God alone.

We are invited to reflect on what we hold onto that prevents us from fully following Christ. It may not be wealth. It could be our time, status, relationships, or even our own self-image. We must ask ourselves: What are we unwilling to let go of to follow Jesus more closely?

The call to trust in God's providence Jesus tells His disciples, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" This surprises them because, in their cultural context, wealth was often seen as a sign of God's blessing. Yet, Jesus turns their understanding upside down. He emphasizes that it's not wealth itself that is the issue but the dependence on it, the false sense of security it provides.

In contrast, Jesus calls us to trust in God's providence. He invites us into a life of radical trust, knowing that whatever we surrender for His sake will be replaced with blessings far greater—both in this life and the next. As Jesus assures Peter, those who leave behind family, possessions, and security for His sake will receive a hundredfold, along with eternal life.

"With God, all things are possible" The message of today's Gospel reminds us of the paradox of the Christian life. We find true freedom not in accumulation but in surrender. We find true riches not in material wealth but in God's grace and the relationships He blesses us with. We find eternal life not through our own efforts but through trusting in God's goodness and mercy.

It's easy to think that this call is too difficult, but Jesus reassures us: "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Our salvation, our ability to let go of what holds us back, and our entry into the kingdom of God—all of these are gifts of grace. When we rely on our own strength, we may falter, but with God's help, the impossible becomes possible.

As we meditate on this Gospel, let us ask ourselves what we need to let go of to follow Christ more fully. Let us trust that, in giving up what we hold dear, God will provide for us far more than we could imagine. And may we remember that the road to eternal life is not one of self-reliance, but of surrender to God's loving and providential care. Amen.

Prayer of Surrender and Trust in God's Providence



Loving and gracious God,

We come before You today with hearts open, desiring to follow Your will. Like the rich young man in the Gospel, we long for eternal life,

But we often find ourselves clinging to the things of this world. Help us, Lord, to recognize what holds us back from fully embracing Your call.

Grant us the courage to surrender our attachments,

Whether they be wealth, status, or the security we find in earthly things. Give us the strength to let go, And the trust to place our lives entirely in Your hands.

Remind us, Father, that true freedom lies in surrendering to You. Teach us to trust in Your providence,

Knowing that with You, all things are possible, And that You will provide far more than we could ever imagine.

May we find our true treasure in Your love and grace, And may our hearts be focused on the kingdom You promise,

Where we will dwell with You forever. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,

Who calls us to follow Him in faith and trust.

Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 113: 1-7; Lk 11: 29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5: 1-6; Ps 119: 41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11: 37-41 or Rom 8:22-27; Jn 15:1-8

Wednesday: Gal 5: 18-25; Ps 1: 1-4, 6; Lk 11: 42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98: 1-6; Lk 11: 47-54

Friday: 2Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145: 10-13b, 17-18; Lk 10: 1-9

Saturday: Eph 1: 15-23; Ps 8: 2-7; Lk 12: 8-12

Sunday: Is 53: 10-11; Ps 33: 4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4: 14-16; Mk 10: 35-45 or 10:42-45

Upcoming Events of Note:

- October is Month of Mary. We encourage you to pray the Rosary everyday, for the **"Family that stays together, stays together."**

-October 19-20, Saturday & Sunday, let us unite with the global Church in celebrating World Mission Sunday. We encourage you to be generous to our mission Churches.

-All envelopes for the All Souls are available in the pews. Our Masses for the whole month of November will be in remembrance of our beloved dead. Let us remember them in our prayers.

-November 1, Friday– Feast of All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as follows: 6:00pm-Vigil Mass (Oct. 31); 7:00am, 9:00am and 6:00pm (Nov. 1).

-There will be a Marriage Encounter Program sponsored by Couples for Christ on October 19, Saturday from 8:00am to 5:00pm. We hope couples who wish to be enriched in their relationship to please come. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. It will be held in our Church Hall.

Reminders:

- We are inviting businesses to advertise in our Parish Bulletin. If you are interested, kindly contact Sr. Ma. Stella Suico, RVM at the Rectory Office or at olmcatolicchurch@gmail.com

- Please drop off or mail your Offertory Envelopes to the Rectory Office if you unable to go to Church. Thank you for your continued support to Our Lady of Mercy Church.

- **October 14, Monday** is **Columbus Day**. The Rectory is closed. Have a safe Holiday.

Day	Time	Mass Intentions for the Coming Week: October 14—20, 2024	
Mon Oct 14	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Roy Dennis Reyes—Thanksgiving Arnold Bautista & Family-Thanksgiving Poor Souls in Purgatory	DO AN RC
Tue Oct 15	7:00am 9:00am	Pedro Mulato + Teresa Saulog & Edward Fabula +	RC AN
Wed Oct 16	7:00am 9:00am	Neil Mulato—Thanksgiving Lillian Cuejilo +	AN DO
Thur Oct 17	7:00am 9:00am	Macadaeg & Nazareth Families-Thanksgiving Poor Souls in Purgatory	RC DO
Fri Oct 18	7:00am 9:00am	Lolita Pamintuan Sibal-Healing Michael Hembing +	DO AN
Sat Oct 19	9:00am 4:00pm	Perfecta & Dalmacio Sabit, Sr. + Stephen Sibal Berengel +	AN DO
Sun Oct 20	8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	Arnulfo & Ma. Rosario Borgonia + Greta Floresca + Francis & Augusto Remedios +	DO AN DO

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Optional Memorial of St. Callistus, Pope, Martyr

Tuesday: Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: Optional Memorial of St. Hedwig, Religious & St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Thursday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr

Friday: FEAST of ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST

Saturday: Sts. John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs

Updates & Support

AAA Update: OLM parishioners have contributed in cash and pledges **\$ 71,054.00** as of Oct. 8 out of our goal of **\$93, 547.00**.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Oct. 5 and 6, 2024

FIRST COLLECTION	-	\$ 5,267.00
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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.

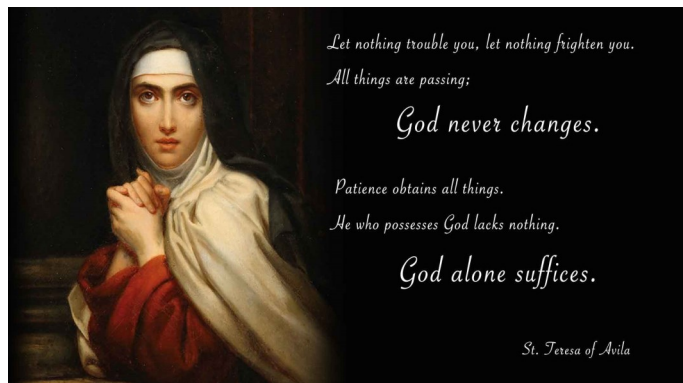
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