Our Lady of Guadalupe

A parish with open arms and caring hearts

December 22, 2019



Dear Jesus,

May the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus.

Amen.

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil - 5:30 PM

Sunday Mornings - 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Mass - Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday - 9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses - Listed inside bulletin and on parish website

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturdays - 4:15 PM to 5:00 PM (or by appointment through the Parish Office)

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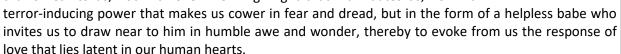
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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners, Visitors, Guests and Friends,

Our yearly Christmas celebration of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ brings before us the mystery of the Incarnation, God's-Word-Made-Flesh. The Masses of Christmas invite us to reflect upon the redeeming love of God that draws near to us, not with overwhelming might that intimidates us, nor with



I hope and pray that our Christmas celebrations—the music and song, the art and environment, the signs and symbols, the prayers and the preaching, the hospitality and welcome, indeed everything and everyone that is a part of them—will help you to experience the presence and the love of the Holy One who humbled himself to share in our humanity, that we might come to share in the glory of his divinity.

Whether you are an active Catholic who comes to Mass on a regular weekly basis, or whether you come only occasionally, or perhaps rarely more often than on Christmas and Easter, whether you identify as a Catholic, a Protestant, an adherent of some other religion, an agnostic, or even an atheist, we hope you will experience in this place and in the people who gather here some sense of the welcome, the love and the light of God's radiant goodness.

On behalf of the entire parish staff here at Our Lady of Guadalupe please accept my warmest wishes for a truly blessed Christmas, and for a peace-filled and prosperous 2020. We are all so very grateful for your support for this parish community, and for the collaboration we share with you in ministry and mission in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. May the grace of the Christmas season be yours in surpassing measure, and may it endure in full supply throughout the coming year to bring you joy, to bless you with peace, and to lift you up in hope. To each and to all....

Merry Christmas and happy New Year!

Fr. Kevin

Prayer & Liturgy



Let Us Pray For...

We will hold our brothers and sisters, listed below, in prayer for a month. If you would like to have us pray beyond this month for anyone, please notify our parish office and we will keep their name on the list for the time that you have requested.

Geri Mazzoni Barnett	Mary Gould	Dr. Kenneth McKim
Rose Betzina	Ava Groth	Sr. Maria Nguyen
Austin Brooks	Jordon Groth	Mary Olson
Carlos & Claudia Caballero	Adrianne Hoesley	Judy Puckett
James Cabiao	Sharon Lyons-Huber	Dan Reandeau
Jean Campbell	Estevan Israel	Fred Robinson
Mel Dennis	Mayola Jackson	Rita Sexton
Francis Xavier Duggan	Vernon Jackson	Donna Simonson
Oscar Emmanuel	Tessa Gray LaBellarte	John Sullivan
Albert Encarnacion-Gonzales	Hudson Langhams	Gene Underwood
Kim Fulton	Mason Langhams	Carol Young

...and for those who have recently passed - Susan Swett

Christmas Flower Donations

It is that time of year to begin planning for our Christmas celebrations. The Arts and Environment Committee is hard at work creating another wonderful place for worship and prayer and your donations can help with this effort. Envelopes are in the pews. You can also donate at our parish website. Donations in honor or in memory of a loved one are also possible (which we will publish in our bulletin). Thank you for your generosity!

Word and Communion

December 27th

Christmas Cards For Fr. Jack

Christmas cards for Fr. Jack can be brought or mailed to the Parish Office. We will make sure he gets them.

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Scripture Readings

December 22nd - Fourth Sunday Of Advent

Reading 1: Isaiah 7:10-14
Reading 2: Romans 1:1-7
Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

December 25th The Nativity Of The Lord

Reading 1: Isaiah 9:1-6 Reading 2: Titus 2:11-14 Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

December 29th - The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

Reading 1: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Reading 2: Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed to help decorate our church for Christmas on Sunday, December 22nd after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Many hands make light work (and help people get home to watch the Seahawks game!) Lunch will be provided.

One-Day Marriage Preparation Workshop For The Civilly Married

March 20, 2020 at the Chancery in Seattle. Bishop Elizondo will be speaking and celebrating Mass at this special one-day workshop offered in Spanish and English. This will focus on sacramental marriage preparation for couples who are civilly married. For more information go to https://marriagefamilylife.seattlearchdiocese.org/.

For more information about "Prayer and Liturgy" go to www.olgseattle.org and click on the "Grow In Faith" tab.

Mystery Match Challenge!!!

A mystery donor is challenging parishioners who have not yet made a parish stewardship pledge for 2020! New pledges for 2020 made between now and December 31st will be matched dollar for dollar for the next \$5,000 pledged. Act now and double the impact of your giving. Fill out your pledge form online at *olgseattle.org* or mail or drop off your pledge form. Thanks to YOU and to our mystery donor.

Pastoral Council Members

- Matt Prociv: Chair - Princess Ayers, Anne-Marie Herron, Tim Hunt, David Meza, Jason Pankow, Liz Santos

Finance Council Members

- Maryann Crissey: Chair - Marc Christiansen, Brenda Croft, Colleen Hardy, Dan Merlino, Rachelle Snyder, Benjamin Reilly

Pastoral Care

Home Ministries

Have you ever wanted to serve the Homebound in our community? If you feel called by the Holy Spirit, we have a place for you as a Eucharistic Minister! For more information, please call Marion Kari at 206-935-0358, Ext. 113 or email marionk@olgseattle.org.



How To Remember A Loved One During The Holidays

As family and friends gather to celebrate the holidays and music

of the season surrounds us, our longing for a loved one who has died or for the shared times that have passed can intensify. Our culture encourages us to hurry through the season, as well as to hurry through our sense of loss, and this can minimize the gift of their life and the depth of our loss. This holiday season, gift yourself with time to set aside to remember and celebrate your loved one. Here are some ways that you can remember your loved one, which can be done alone or with others. By Nancy Copeland-Payton *The Losses of Our Lives: The Sacred Gifts of Renewal in Everyday Loss*.

Ritual Ceremony - A ritual or ceremony combines tangible objects with actions as a powerful way to remember a person and their life. Place a new candle in a special place in your home - perhaps on the dining table, in the living room or in the bedroom. Light the candle each day or evening, signifying time consecrated for remembering the one you loved. In the light and warmth of the candle, sit • with your memories, giving thanks for the person's presence • in the past and the memories that accompany you now.

Finish Your Conversation: After a loved one dies, there may be unfinished conversations of things we long to say that were not shared before they died, or things we wish to say again. In a quiet, comfortable place, sit near a picture of the one you love. Have a conversation with them, telling them about your days and saying everything you need or desire to say. Remembering the sound of their voice, how they spoke, their favorite words, imagine what they might say back to you.

Explore the Loss: As we remember the one we love, we uncover hidden layers of loss. We've lost the identity of being their spouse or child or parent, we miss sharing favorite meals or a movie together, we yearn to show them the latest picture of our child or grandchild or to take walk together. Set aside uninterrupted time to think or write about the following:

- What did you love about this special person?
- What do you now miss?



Family Faith Formation





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"They shall name him Emmanuel, which means God is with us."

Sheepish Question:

Where have I recognized Christ coming into my life this week?

This Week's Readings at Mass Following a Dream

- Isaiah 7:10-14 Birth of Emmanuel
- Romans 1:1-7 Greeting from Paul
- Matthew 1:18-24 The birth of Jesus

Questions of the Week

- Share a story of a parent you know having the courage to do something that seemed crazy, counter-cultural, or just plain different, but proved to be for the best of his/her child.
- 2. Have you even had any experiences of receiving directions or guidance from God that made you change course and do something different than what you had planned? How did you know to trust it?

Christmas Prayer

Child of Bethlehem-house of bread; Man of Jerusalem-city of peace; you have loved us without limit or condition; in our greatness and in our misery, in our folly and in our virtue; may your hand be always upon us and may your heart be within us, so that we too may become bread and peace for one another.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish

CHRISTMAS SEASON SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

Family Mass with Christmas Pageant 3:00 PM

Family Mass 5:30 PM

Traditional Mass 10:00 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY

Traditional Mass 10:00 AM

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

January I 10:00 AM

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

January 4-5

Regular Mass Schedule

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 11-12

Regular Mass Schedule





UPCOMING EVENTS AT OLG

You can find out more information about these and other events by going to our parish website: www.olgseattle.org

THREE KINGS DAY PARTY, POTLUCK AND FOOD DRIVE Sunday, January 5, 12:30-2:30 pm in the School Hall

In much of Latin America, Epiphany, or Three Kings Day/El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos, is the day families celebrate the visit of the three kings from distant lands to welcome and share their gifts with the baby Jesus and His family. OLG Immigrant Ministry and the Saldaña-McGraw family invite parish families to join us for crown-making, story-telling, games, and hopefully a visit from the Tres Reyes themselves! The asylum-seeking families connected to our Immigrant Ministry will also be there to continue getting to know our community. RSVP to Rebecca, rebeccajsaldana@qmail.com or 206-380-4684, with how many children and their ages, so the Three Kings pack enough gifts for the children. Please consider bringing an appetizer, salads or drinks, and a food item/canned food for St. Vincent de Paul.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Sunday, January 26, 9:00am-1:00pm

Our parish school fosters Gospel values, inspires academic excellence, and develops service and leadership. Ask us about enrolling in K thru 8th grade, or the new Full Day and Half Day Preschool & Pre-K options. www.quadalupe-school.org 206-935-0651



CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION Saturday, February 22

Join us at the 5:30 pm Mass as we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our youth and adult candidates. Reception follows in the Walmesley Center.

OLG DAY OF SERVICE Saturday, March 28

Now in its sixth year, the OLG Day of Service has become a fun annual tradition with 175+ OLG volunteers serving in a variety of locations. There will be many options for all ages, schedules and abilities. Look for registration information in February. *Information*, Jennifer at iibach@olgseattle.org or 206-935-0358 x.120.



VACATION BIBLE CAMP ROCKY RAILWAY: JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH! June 22-26

At camp, kids (Preschool through 5th grade) will deepen their friendship with a mighty, loving and good, good God who empowers them to boldly face life's challenges. In addition, teenagers are invited to be Crew Leaders, guiding our campers throughout the week while also developing their leadership skills. Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway VBC!

SIGN UP FOR "FAMILY TIMES AT OLG" MONTHLY NEWSLETTER. giving busy families ideas on how to bring faith more into their homes . marionk@olqseattle.org, 206-935-0358



GIVE SERVE

Giving Tree Thanks!

Thank you to all who were able to take a tag off our Giving Tree this year. As of the 16th, we received \$1,825 worth of Target cards for Santa Teresita families, 18 gifts for students at Sanislo Elementary, 7 gifts for two local asylum-seeking families supported by our Immigrant Ministry, and \$375 worth of grocery cards for families in need at St. Edwards in the Rainier Valley. Thank you for your generosity and for making the holidays a little brighter for those in need in our community.

Christmas Gifts for Those in Need

Do you know someone who is struggling this Christmas and in need of gifts for their children? Stop by the Duwamish Longhouse (4705 W. Marginal Way SW) for the Children's Toy Giveaway **Sunday, December 22** from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. This is a free event for any family in need and is supported by Toys for Tots. Supplies are limited.

Help Stock our Care Kits

OLG makes kits to hand out to those in need you encounter on the streets and we're collecting donations. Please drop off donations in the green box in the narthex. You can also find a list of needed items on the box. Please no old or partially-used products!! Feel free to take kits from the church or parish office to hand out as well!

GATHER

Simbang Gabi

The Filipino Community of Holy Family, Holy Rosary and Our Lady of Guadalupe invite you to their final Simbang Gabi celebration of the season. This Filipino tradition celebrates a novena of Masses meant to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join the final Mass of the novena at Holy Family on **Sunday, December 22**nd at 3:00 p.m. All are invited to a reception hosted by OLG in Tice Hall following the Mass.

Three Kings Day Party, Potluck and Food Drive

Your family is invited to a Three Kings Party on Sunday, January 5 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the School Hall. In much of Latin America, Epiphany, or Three Kings Day/El Día de los Tres Reyes Magos, is the day families celebrate the visit of the three kings from distant lands to welcome and share their gifts with the baby Jesus and His family. OLG Immigrant Ministry and the Saldaña-McGraw family invite parish families to join us for crown-making, story-telling, games, and hopefully a visit from the Tres Reyes themselves! The asylum-seeking families connected to our Immigrant Ministry will also be there to continue getting to know our community. Please RSVP to Rebecca at rebeccajsaldana@gmail.com or 206-380-4684, with how many children and their ages, so the Three Kings pack enough gifts for the children. We will provide rice, beans, hot chocolate, and la Rosca, the special bread we eat on this day. Please consider bringing an appetizer, salads or drinks, and a food item/canned food for St. Vincent de Paul.

Volunteer for the January Community Meal

The Community Meal happens each month at OLG, providing a free meal for anyone in the greater community who wishes to attend. We need your help to make it happen! Can you help on **Sunday, January 26** to set up (around 9:45 a.m.), serve the meal (around 12:30 p.m.) or cleanup (around 1:30 p.m.)? You do not need to stay the entire day; just for your shift. We are also in need of homemade or store-bought desserts to share with our guests (drop off any time after 9:45 a.m.). Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4bafae2faafb6-january1 or with Colleen at collduff@gmail.com.

Day of Service

Every year, over 175 OLG parishioners and friends gather to serve at a variety of sites in our region on the same day. The 2020 Day of Service is Saturday, March 28 and many of your favorite sites are back. We also have some new places for you to try. Save the date and check back in February to sign up online or in person. We are excited to work as many parts to bring God's love to our greater community. https://olgseattle.org/day-of-service

Volunteer at the Women's Shelter

OLG is partnering with Holy Rosary to host a women's weekend shelter. With homelessness on the rise and bad weather here, this is a great opportunity to provide a safe space for women in our community. Volunteers are currently needed on **January 4, 5, and 25.** Training and van provided. To learn more or to sign up, visit the website at https://holyrosaryseattle.org/womens-shelter.

ACT

Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate

With another election cycle in full swing, we are invited to consider what it means to love our neighbors in the midst of a divisive climate. We are called to bring the best of ourselves and our faith to the public square. The U.S. Catholic Bishops invite Catholics to pledge to civility, clarity, and compassion in the public square and to call on others to do the same. Take the pledge and learn more at: www.wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it.

SIMPLE ONLINE GIVING

Scan this QR code with your Smartphone and start your Online Giving.







Caring For God's Creation

Many of us will be wrapping presents to give to our loved ones in the coming week. Consider using paper and other accessories that are environmentally friendly. For example, use festive dish towels, napkins, or the comics section of newspapers as wrapping paper. Or, if you have children, have them decorate paper that can be used to wrap gifts. And instead of using bows and ribbons, consider using cotton string or other biodegradable material to accessorize.

Loop The 'Lupe Needs You!

We're less than six months away from Loop the 'Lupe, the obstacle course 5K fundraiser OLG holds each summer. The date of the upcoming event is **Saturday, June 6th**. "The Loop" raised more than \$12,000 in 2019 to go towards maintenance costs for the Walmesley Center, but to continue our success, we need a lot of volunteers! Contact Brian

Callanan for more information at <u>callanan.seattle@gmail.com</u> or 206-459-4292 to learn more.

Planning On Getting Married?

Congratulations! Our Lady of Guadalupe wants to support you in the best way possible as you embark on this very important commitment in your lives, including assistance in planning your wedding ceremony, providing quality marriage preparation, and a wonderful wedding coordinator. We even have great venues for receptions. We can also help you plan for your wedding at another parish. You can find more information on our parish website, including frequently asked questions, which is intended to answer a few of the questions which are most likely on your mind at this time. It may also help you to raise some questions which haven't yet occurred to you but which will be important for you to consider as you make plans for your wedding. For more information, contact Helen at 206-935-0358, heleno@olgseattle.org.

Thank You!

St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank you for your generous donations this past year. Without your contributions, we could not have helped as many people as we did in 2019. Over 1,800!!! In December alone, we were able to help 94 people with food, housing, and clothing. We are so grateful. We continue to keep all of you in our prayers. Looking forward to 2020, our food pantry has been well stocked but our biggest need right now is toiletries, cleaning supplies and paper goods. Please consider these items when you make your next donation. Have a Blessed Christmas and New Year!

Save The Date

Saturday, January 18, 2020 - Young Ladies Institute invite you to join them for their "Where there is life there is Hope" Tea. 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Walmesley Center. Please purchase your tickets by December 31, 2019. Contact Arabella Corcoro at 206-861-2645 or email ylgi.carmelita226@gmail.com.



Considering Separation Or Divorce?

Wait! There is an alternative. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has brought healing to tens of thousands of troubled marriages worldwide. Your situation may seem hopeless, but there is always hope, and you are not alone in your struggle. For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for our upcoming program on **February 21-23, 2020**, call 206-706-2608 or go to www.helpourmarriage.org.

Volunteers Needed To Care For Our Parish Library

Looking for a way to serve others that also fits with your schedule? Then this is the ministry for you! One or two volunteers are needed to oversee the care of our Parish Library (Located on the south side of the narthex). This ministry primarily involves organizing and reshelving books. Contact Helen, 206-935-0358, heleno@olgseattle.org.

OLG Christmas Trivia

Did you know the beautiful Nativity scene that our children gather around every year is 24 years old? In 1995, it was donated to OLG by *Peggy's Creative Gifts* (better known as long-time parishioner, Peg Olson) with the generosity of parishioners, including school families who purchased the Holy Family and the craftsmanship of the parishioner who built the stable. As a parish, we are reminded of the many blessings we have received in the past from our fellow parishioners, and we continue to be grateful for their generosity for years to come.

For more "Community Events", please visit our website at www.olgseattle.org

Pastoral Assistant For Administration

Our Lady of Guadalupe, a growing West Seattle parish with a Vatican II spirit, is recruiting for a full time parish administrator. This position assists the pastor by providing oversight and direction of parish finances and stewardship, technology, human resources, compliance and facilities. This is a challenging position with growth opportunities, and will work with a committed staff team and an engaged parish. For more information and application materials, email paasearch@olgseattle.org. Position open till filled. Successful candidate will start in January 2020. Completive salary and benefit package.

From The Pastoral Center



YEAR END GIVING TIPS

The end of December is also the end of the tax year. Here are some tips for year end giving.

- If you are over 70 1/2 and have a traditional IRA account, you can make
 a direct charitable distribution to the parish prior to December 31st to
 reduce your year end account balance and possibly count as a Required
 Minimum Distribution.
- If you have appreciated stock to donate, there may be tax savings for you. Please contact the parish office right away if you have this in mind, as the transfer takes a little time and has to go through the Archdiocese.
- To be counted as a tax deduction for 2019, your gift must be either received or postmarked by December 31st. If the parish receives it after January 1st, the IRS says it is a 2020 tax deductible gift.

Thank you for your generosity to Our Lady of Guadalupe in 2019!

Pastoral Center

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"OLG: Many Parts, One Body"

Advent Preparations - During the season of Advent, our school is preparing for Christ's birth as a community each week. As we pray, we give thanks for our fabulous OLG community and the support we receive from you. Happy 4th week of Advent and Merry Christmas!

Our students will be back in school on January 6th.

The OLG School Auction planning is underway! If you are a business owner or know a business in the community that supports OLG, we would love to speak with you about partnerships for the

upcoming auction. Please contact Rebecca Arcarese, Development Director at rarcarese@guadalupe-school.org or our web site www.guadalupe-school.org/fundraising/auction.

Early Auction ticket sales are on sale now at <u>olgevents.org</u>. Looking for gifts for family, friends or co-workers? Think about giving a ticket to our dinner and auction and help us fill the room in support of OLG!