

Jesus said: "The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it."



OUR LADY of the PILLAR CHURCH

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Masses at Our Lady of the Pillar

Monday — Saturday: 8:00 am (English)

Monday — Saturday Recitation of the Holy Rosary
after 8 am masses (English)

Friday: 12 p.m. Noon Latin Mass ("Novus Ordo")

Saturday: 5 p.m. (English) & 7 p.m. (Español)

Sunday: 8 a.m. (English) & 10 a.m. (English)
12 p.m. (Español) & 6 p.m. (English)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturdays: 4 - 5 p.m. (or by appointment)

24/7 Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel

English info: Juliette Kulda (650)283-6175

Info. en Español: Lupe Zavala (650)438-6068

Emma Moctezuma (650)455-8509

Masses at St. Anthony's, Pescadero

696 North Street, Pescadero

Sunday: 9 a.m. (English) 6 p.m. (Español)

Masses at Our Lady of Refuge, La Honda

146 Sears Ranch Road, La Honda

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

English Baptisms: 2nd Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Bautismos en Español: 1^{er} y 3^{er} Sabado a las 11:00 a.m.

Platicas Pre-bautismales: 3^{er} Jueves del Mes a las 7:00pm.

Ask God for an Understanding Heart

King Solomon asked for "an understanding heart" and God gave it to him. Solomon is praised for his wisdom, which we might define as "seeing things as God sees them". Wisdom is not just intelligence. We tend to judge things by outward appearances, but God does not judge so. We notice another person's appearance, and make our judgments based on what our eyes see. But we cannot see the person's soul. We cannot see the saint in heaven which God intends that person to be. So we, too, should desire an understanding heart, to be able to see the tremendous value of each and every human being. Judging by the world's standards, we wrongly judge that a handicapped person is not worth the expense of specialized care. However, if we judge like that, then we should try to imagine how we would feel if some misguided angel judged that we human beings should not even be born—since we have to die someday. We cannot even imagine some angel deciding to "put us out of our misery" in order to spare us any suffering. No! Thank God that His angels are not misguided by "worldly" wisdom. Worldly wisdom is *foolishness* in God's sight. We should ask God for the wisdom to appreciate the greatness of His entire creation! And especially of each and every human being, since God, himself, took on our humanity, so much does He love us! In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of Heaven as being like a great treasure—so great that we should sell all that we have to obtain it. God is the Creator of all that is seen *and unseen*. We would do well to ask for an understanding heart so that we will see everything with the eyes of faith.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

JULY 25 - AUGUST 1, 2026 ***Our Lady of the Pillar, Half Moon Bay***

Saturday Night, JULY 25

5:00 pm † Joe Sousa & Family
† Souls in Purgatory
8:00 pm † Santiago Badajos Sanchez

Sunday JULY 26

8:00am † Joe Lopes & Cindy Silva
† Lionel Lopes & Serfin Lopes
10:00am † Rick Barrick
† Maria Rocha Peres & Family
12:00pm † Ruben Daza & Rodrigo Daza
Int. of Carlos Gonzalo Ortega Espinozo
6:00pm † Jorge Villarreal

Monday JULY 27

8:00am † Ivo Oliveira & Parents

Tuesday JULY 28

8:00am † Arnaldo & Michael Rodrigues & Family

Wednesday JULY 29

8:00am † Beverly Santiago

Thursday JULY 30

8:00am † Arnaldo & Michael Rodrigues
† Maria Rocha Pires & Family

Friday JULY 31

8:00am † Ignacio Valencia Magdaleno

Saturday AUGUST 1

8:00am Int. Priests & All Souls of Our Lady of the Pillar
† Souls in Purgatory

Your Offerings Supporting our Parish

Collections for July 18 – 19

	<i>1st Collection</i>	<i>2nd Collection</i>
Our Lady of the Pillar	\$ 6,373.	\$ 1,760.
Saint Anthony	\$ 428.	\$ 252.
Our Lady of Refuge	\$ 387.	\$ 183.

Upcoming Second Collections

Jul 26	Building Fund
Aug 2	Annual Appeal
Aug 9	Building Fund
Aug 16	Annual Appeal

Mass Schedule and Intentions at our Missions

St. Anthony's, Pescadero

Sunday AUGUST 2

9 a.m. (Eng)
6 p.m. (Esp)

Our Lady of Refuge, La Honda

Sunday AUGUST 2

10:30am

2026 ANNUAL APPEAL

The Church depends on the support and generosity of its members to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, educate its youth, and care for the elderly.

Our parish goals for this year's Annual Appeal are:

	Assessment	Collected	Balance
OLP	\$ 79,311	\$ 44,000	\$ 35,311
St. Anthony's	\$ 5,802	\$ 4,400	\$ 1,402
OLR	\$ 4,718	\$ 4,718	\$ 0

This year's theme is from 1 Corinthians 10:31

Pidamos a Dios un Corazón Comprensivo

El rey Salomón pidió "un corazón comprensivo", y Dios se lo concedió. Salomón es elogiado por su sabiduría, la cual podríamos definir como "ver las cosas tal como Dios las ve". La sabiduría no es simplemente inteligencia. Solemos juzgar las cosas por las apariencias externas, pero Dios no juzga así. Nos fijamos en la apariencia de otra persona y emitimos juicios basados en lo que ven nuestros ojos; sin embargo, no podemos ver el alma de esa persona. No podemos ver al santo en el cielo que Dios tiene previsto que esa persona llegue a ser. Por eso, nosotros también deberíamos desear un corazón comprensivo, para ser capaces de ver el inmenso valor de todo ser humano. Juzgando según los criterios del mundo, erróneamente consideramos que una persona con discapacidad no merece el gasto que conlleva una atención especializada. No obstante, si juzgamos de esa manera, deberíamos intentar imaginar cómo nos sentiríamos si algún ángel equivocado decidiera que los seres humanos ni siquiera deberíamos nacer, dado que algún día hemos de morir. No podemos ni siquiera imaginar a un ángel decidiendo "librarnos de nuestra miseria" para evitarnos cualquier sufrimiento. ¡No! ¡Gracias a Dios que sus ángeles no se dejan extraviar por la sabiduría "mundana"! La sabiduría mundana es insensatez a los ojos de Dios. ¡Pidamos a Dios la sabiduría para valorar la grandeza de toda su creación! Y, especialmente, la de cada ser humano, ya que Dios mismo asumió nuestra humanidad; ¡tanto nos ama! En el Evangelio, Jesús habla del Cielo como de un gran tesoro, tan grande que deberíamos vender todo lo que tenemos para conseguirlo. Dios es el Creador de todo lo visible y lo invisible. Haríamos bien en pedir un corazón comprensivo para ver todas las cosas con los ojos de la fe.



SIGN UP FOR A HOLY HOUR TODAY

English: Juliette Kulda (650) 283-6175
Español: Lupe Zavala (650) 438-6068
 o Emma Moctezuma (650) 455-8509
<https://OLPA.WeAdoreHim.com>

Register Now! First Communion Class English— Two-Yr Program

Come to the Office Monday through Friday
 From 8:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm- 4:30pm
 Please take an application from the Church and its
 mandatory requirements and return it to the Office.
 (Incomplete forms will not be accepted)

Ya estamos registrando! Primera Comunión

Programa de dos años en Español
 Venga a la oficina de Lunes a Viernes
 de las 8:00 a.m. a 12:00 p.m. y de 1:00 a 4:30 p.m.
 Por favor tome una aplicación y los requisitos
 del vestíbulo de la iglesia y regrésela a la oficina.
 (Aplicaciones incompletas no serán aceptadas)

Registration is open for the Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is now a two-year program. 1st year is available to any student, 7th or 8th grade & older. It is focused on growing the student's knowledge of the faith.
 (THIS group will then continue its 2nd yr in Sept. 2027 and be confirmed in May 2028.)

Please take an application from the Church,
 Read our mandatory requirements, and return it to the Office.
 (Incomplete forms will not be accepted)

Questions? Call Yesenia: 650-726-4674
 Office Hours: Monday through Friday
 8 a.m. – 12:00 & 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS [Baptism, Confirmation, & Holy Communion] English and Spanish Programs

If you are seeking God's love through Jesus Christ,
 and wish to inquire about receiving the Sacraments of Initiation;

Call the Parish Office: 650-726-4674
 Email: Office@ourladyofthepillar.org

Women's Sacred Scripture Group



*Is on a break...
 will continue in September,
 Thursday mornings



Church Votive Candles

If you want to purchase votive
 candles
 for use at home,
 you may do so at the Parish Office
 or at the Gift Shop for \$5 per
 candle.
 Please do not take candles
 from the church candle racks.

Cambio de Horario de Misa

**El horario de nuestra misa en español
 de los sábados por la noche
 cambiará el 1 de Agosto:**

**A partir de ahora, la misa comenzará
 a las 7 pm en lugar de a las 8 pm.**

PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete and return form to the Parish
 Office, or simply drop it in the collection basket.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sunday Envelopes: Yes _____ No _____

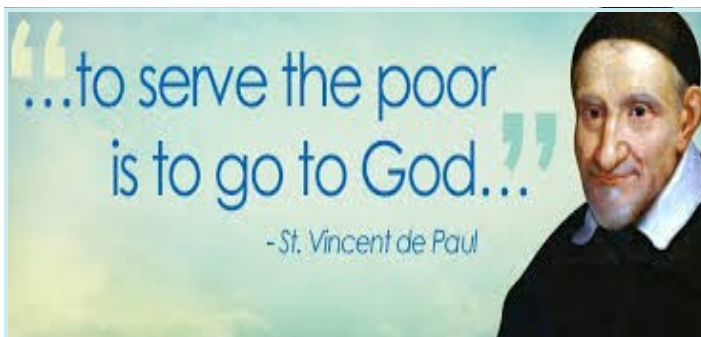
_____ Updating Current Parish Registration

_____ Moving / Please remove from mailing list.

Pray for Our Parishioners Who are Sick Parientes y Amigos Enfermos

*May God's healing power
 fill them with strength and hope.*

Marina & Mickey Williamson, Raquel Corona, Rich Perez, Helen Victa Castillo, Maria P. Nuñez Merlo, Consuelo Villa, Alberto Villaseñor, Adriana Rivas, Michael White, Shana Reallypond, Sylvia Allen, Marge Healy, Carlos Sánchez, Virgilio Viloria, Leslie Henry, Mariland Damron, Thanna Warren, Henry Schoop, John Denny, Pauline Bilafer, Rey Caloca, Jim Bradley, Glenn Gonzales, Lynn Gijon, Bob Mazzetti, Michael Schnabel-Kuehn, Sally Ann Thomas, Tiesha Kelly, Charles Decoteau, Nicole Barros, Patricia Bolfig, Louise Luteran, Adelaida Villarreal, Michael Abeyta, Mary Elliot, Lucy Lopez and Minerva Contreras.



The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** is looking for a volunteer with a truck, who can help us pick up food donations. We need help twice-a-month on Monday mornings and occasionally on Friday mornings when our regular volunteers are not available.

Call Nancy Clarkin at **650-726-8177**

Many thanks.

QUALITY TIME | DYNAMIC SPEAKERS | CHILDCARE | MASS + ADORATION + CONFESSION

OCTOBER 24, 2026 | 11:00 AM - 6:15 PM
ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY
MENLO PARK, CA

CELEBRANT:

MOST REV. SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE

Couple \$64
 Register by September 14 to grab an Early Bird discount!

Childcare \$5/child

REGISTER HERE

PRESENTED BY

"Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you"

Do not quench the spirit... but test everything: hold fast to what is good. (1 Thes. 5: 18-22)

Our Lady of the Pillar Adult Faith Formation (ongoing)...

Come to deepen your Faith, "stir into Flame" the Spirit of the Risen Lord by sharing your Faith with others as we reflect, pray, learn:

**THE WORD OF GOD, LITURGY,
 DIVINE WORSHIP, SACRAMENTAL GRACE & PARTICIPATION
 DOCTRINES OF THE CHURCH, CATHOLIC PRAYER, AND DEVOTIONS**

We meet Mondays at 5:00 pm in the Church Hall.
 The group is ongoing, throughout the year.
 Bring a Bible; no need to register, just drop-in.

We will use various sources for our content:
 - Ascension Press Bible - Catechism of the Catholic Church
 - Hallow, Ascension Press, Fr. Mike.
**Contact the Parish Office,
 or Terry Ruppel, Catechist, at 650-703-9495**



Excellent CATHOLIC resources online...including bible studies, movies of SAINTS and presentations on matters of Faith ♦

***Log onto **formed.org** - access on you phone, tablet or TV ♦ Enter **Parish zip code: **94019** (paid for by the parish)



➤➤ THIS week **MOVIE: Ignatius of Loyola**

This modern and very human take on the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, often called The Saint of Second Chances is an incisive and thrilling look at the life of the real man behind the legend.

➤➤ ALSO Children's media! **Blessed James of Ulm** - Blessed James of Ulm was a 15th-century Dominican cooperater brother renowned for his exquisite stained-glass work, which he learned from his father and perfected in religious life.

