From charity benefit to cheers and beers

*The Orinda Knights working hard for our community*

If you ran into one of the Santa Maria Knights of Columbus at any point over the last month, he probably had two big events on his mind – the 2nd annual Charity Golf Tournament benefiting the Bay Area Crisis Nursery, and the Parish Oktoberfest, hosted annually by the Knights.

There were about 40 participants in the golf tournament September 24 at the Moraga Country Club. Laughter and camaraderie abounded at the awards dinner, pictured above. Not only were awards and raffle prizes given to many participants, but the golfers were also reminded of the good work the Bay Area Crisis Nursery does in preventing child abuse and neglect and supporting families with small children.

Not even two weeks later, the Knights were the driving force at our parish Oktoberfest. The mood was set in the Hall with flags, posters, and oompah music, and the beer and brats (not to mention the grilled chicken, sauerkraut, salad, and pasta!) flowed freely.

If you see one of the Knights (you can’t miss their yellow name badges!), make sure to thank them for their good work in our community!
Can you help us upgrade our technology?

We’re working on updating our parish spaces, and having a TV and Blu-Ray player in our small meeting room and Youth Room would make it so much easier for our groups to use new screen-based resources.

To that end, we’re currently seeking the donation of two 40”-50” TVs and two Blu-Ray players (they’re more future-proof than DVD players!)

Are you able to donate a TV or Blu-Ray? Email Megan at megan@smparish.org! And remember – Santa Maria is a 501(c)3 nonprofit and your donations are tax-deductible.

A beautiful evening praying together

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our rosary by candlelight on October 10, honoring Mary in the month of the Rosary. It was a beautiful evening, made even more so by the glow of candles and the comforting repetition of the prayers by many voices.

We especially thank Middle School Youth Group members Maggie Conklin, Andrew Davenport, Sophia Knight, Ashley Williams, and John “J-Dub” Williams for leading the prayers for the decades. It’s always great having our young Catholics leading prayers!

Honoring the dead in November

Honoring, remembering and praying for those who have died is a tradition in our faith. As we enter the month of November, celebrating this is clear as we celebrate All Saints Day (November 1) and All Souls Day (November 2). During November we also display pictures of our loved ones who have gone before us, along with our Parish Book of the Dead in which names of deceased members of our families are inscribed. Again this year we invite parishioners to bring pictures of deceased family members, along with symbols of their lives and faith or other

PARISH LIFE

Parishioners of all ages gathered on the plaza October 10 to pray the rosary by candlelight

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 22
8am: (I) Lorie Williams
9:30am: Joseph Nguyen (D) OSV

Tuesday, October 23
8am: Ann D’Lima

Wednesday, October 24
8am: Special Intention

Thursday, October 25
8am: Jack Bevis (D)

Friday, October 26
8am: (I) Debbie Barnes

Saturday, October 27
5pm: John Cullen (D)

Sunday, October 28
8:30: Parishioners of Santa Maria
10:30: Joan Laufenberg (D)
5:00: Jeanie Beatson (D)

L = Living; D = Deceased
To request a Mass Intention, please contact Mirna in the Parish Office or email mirnawong@smparish.org
One less thing to remember each Sunday

With the arrival of autumn, we’d like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish’s electronic giving program.

Our to-do lists can get lengthy this season, but our eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week—no more envelopes to find or checks to write before you go to Mass!

Visit www.faithdirect.net and securely enroll using our parish code CA891—or find a paper enrollment form in the Parish Office if you’d prefer.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

If you have any questions, please contact Megan in the Parish Office by phone at 925-254-2426 x308 or by email at megan@smparish.org.

We encourage you to register in the parish so that you can receive regular communication via both email and regular mail. Registration information is essential for responding to request to be sponsors/godparents and other ministries.

Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket, and we will mail you a Parish Registration Form!

Or register online at www.santamariaorinda.com/registration!

Name

Address

Phone   Email

Welcome, New Members!

Prayer at Orinda Senior Village

Join us this Monday, October 22 at 9:30am for a Communion Service and praying of the Rosary at Orinda Senior Village. All are welcome!

Anointing of the Sick

All those seriously ill or anticipating surgery and all who suffer from physical or emotional illness are invited to come to celebrate Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on: Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 11:00am in the Church.

You are also invited to join us for a reception after the Liturgy in the Parish Hall.

For more information or to get involved in Pastoral Care Ministry, contact Sister Mary Magdalene at 925-254-2426.

Weekly Food Collection

1st/2nd Weekends: St. Cornelius School (fruit cups, crackers, granola bars, juice, water, chips, Cup-O-Noodles, macaroni and cheese, sugar, rice, beans, cereal, and cooking oil) 
3rd/4th Weekends: St. Peter Martyr Church Pantry (canned meats like Vienna sausage, chicken, and tuna, cereal, canned vegetables, and canned fruit)

All items can be put in the barrel in the Narthex.

Outreach

Mementos, to be displayed on an "altarcito" which will be arranged in the side niche in the body of the church.

On All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation, there will be two Masses, at 8am and 7:30pm; both will be in the Church.

On All Souls Day there will only be one Mass at 7:30pm in the Church. All are invited to attend this Mass and reception as we remember and pray for all of our beloved dead – family members, friends and parishioners.

Please note that there will be NO 8:00am Mass on Friday, November 2.
TREASURE

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick
Mary Beth Alban, Joan Artmann, Shoaib Aryan, Kristy Blackey-Taylor, Cara Bradbury, Maria Carmen, Rosemary Catton, Delores Codde, Lorna Elliott, Michael Elliott, Nora Enriquez, Emidio Fonseca, Liam Foley, Patricia Fox, Bridget Gallagher, Noreen Gillham, Doris Hale, Brian Kelly, Mason Kelly, Aileen Kelly, Jerry Kirk, Lawrence Knapp, Carol Koupus, Rose Mary McPhee, Arsi Orihuella, Deacon Jim Pearce, Kathleen Pelz, Ann Powell, Mark Ricci, Bob Singer

For the Deceased
Harlon Berg and Nancy Thummess

Would you like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list? Please contact Mirna in the Parish Office at 925-254-2426 or mirnawong@smparish.org.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, October 22
Mass - Orinda Seniors - 9:30 am
Staff Meeting - 10:30 am
Faith Formation - 2:30 & 4:00
Children’s Choir - 3:30pm– 4:00pm

Tuesday, October 23
Eucharistic Adoration
Chapel - 12:00 - 3:00 pm
R.C.I.A. - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, October 24
MSYG - 7:00 pm

Thursday, October 25
Ladies Guild Luncheon: 11:00 am
Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 pm

Friday, October 26

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Sunday, October 28
Confirmation 2 - 3:00 pm
Youth Mass Rehearsal - 4:00 pm
Youth Mass - 5:00 pm
Confirmation 1 - 6:15 pm

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First Reading:
Isaiah 53:10-11

Psalm
33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22

Second Reading:
Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel:
Mark 10:35-45

TREASURE

October 14, 2018
Plate: $ 6,399.00
Faith Direct: $ 3,886.85
Total: $ 10,285.85
Goal: $ 10,350.00
Deficit: - $ 64.15

Peter Pence: $100.00
Faith Formation: $120.00

Donuts and Coffee this weekend are hosted by:

Dave & Joan after the 8:30am Mass;
Pancake Breakfast after the 10:30am Mass

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After polling MSYG families, we can safely inform you that MSYG on Halloween has been cancelled.

Go trick or treat safely, and we'll see you Thursday night for the 7:30pm mass for All Saint's Day instead.

It's a holy day of obligation.