THANK YOU TO MICHELLE VOLLERT AND ALL THE STUDENTS OF MARIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL WHO CAME TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT FOR FATHER BRIAN AT MASS LAST WEEKEND. YOUR PRESENCE WAS A BLESSING FOR EVERYONE

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March 8, 2020
Second Sunday of Lent
**Mass Intentions**  
**March 7 through March 15**

BC: Fr. Brian Costello  
TV: Fr. Tony Vallecillo

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May all our deceased Parishioners rest in the loving arms of Christ, especially;  
Derrell Ireton  
Raul Ruiz

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Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and suffering that they may know the embrace of Christ’s healing love.


**Please call the Rectory to place someone on the Prayer List.**
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Mass Times
Monday—Friday  9:00 am
Saturday 9:00am
5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm Spanish Mass

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday—Friday
9:30am-5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday 6:00pm—8:00pm
Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm

Rosary
Monday—Thursday after
9am Mass and 5 pm
Friday after 9am Mass and at 5pm
Sunday at 3:00pm

Baptisms
Please contact the Rectory-
Catechesis Required
Pre–Baptismal Classes in English are held
the second Saturday of each month at 10am.

Pre–Baptismal classes in Spanish are held
on the third Thursday of each month at 7pm.
Please call the rectory office to schedule
your class.

Marriages
Please contact the Rectory at least
6 months in advance

Our Lady of Loretto
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Stations of the Cross
We will pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday
during Lent. The stations are commonly used as a
mini pilgrimage as we move from station to station.
At each station, we recall and meditate on a specific
event from Christ's last day.

We hope you will join us:
6:00 pm in English and  7:30 pm in Spanish

THE HEAVIEST LOAD
A chip on the shoulder is the heaviest load anyone
can carry.
—Anonymous

SAVE THE DATE
Indian Valley Golf Club
Thursday June 18, 2020
Our Lady of Loretto
16th Annual
Youth Ministry Golf Tournament
For More information call
Mike Morris—415-897-6862
As we prepare for Holy Week and Easter, the OLL choir invites all of you to consider joining for the annual Good Friday Cantata scheduled for 1PM on Friday, April 10 here in the church.

This year we present *The Body of Christ*, a contemporary musical centering on the final days of Jesus as well as expanding the theme to include the literal, physical Christ, the body and blood first revealed in the upper room, and finally, the manifestation of Christ as the church. Involvement is voluntary so you will not be subjected to scorn if you have a conflict or two for rehearsals. We meet every Thursday at 6:30 and 7:30 in the choir room. Please contact Rich Elliott here at mass or give him a call. 9259975041. Music fills the soul and you will be lifted up by joining us for *The Body of Christ*.

### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Abram:
> All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you

*(Genesis 12:1-4a)*

**Psalm** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace

*(2 Timothy 1:8b-10)*

**Gospel** — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John

*(Matthew 17:1-9)*

### CHOIR NEWS

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**Father Brian’s AAA Challenge**

Can you give 1% of our Goal of 134,000? $1,340 over 10 months—$134 a month

So far we have 4 families and counting who have met Father’s challenge.

Thank you to EVERYONE who has made a contribution toward our goal.

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**CHANGE**

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God’s call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God’s promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

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**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

The next meeting of the OLL Book Club will take place **THURSDAY, April 2nd**, when we will meet to discuss “Broken and Blessed” by Father Josh Johnson. Please join us at 10am in the Convent Chapel. All are welcome. If you'd like discussion questions emailed to you ahead of time, please contact amy@ollnovato.org

**“Whenever you face a decision, you can ask yourself a very dangerous question: ‘If I choose this, am I seeking to please the Lord, or am I seeking to satisfy myself?’”**

—Fr. Mike Schmitz

How to Make Great Decisions

**DECIDE TO MAKE A CURSILLO.**

You and The Lord will be glad you did.

Some spaces still available:

- **Women’s Weekend**
  - Thurs. Evening, April 16 to Sun. Afternoon, April 19

- **Men’s Weekend**
  - Thurs. Evening, April 23 to Sun. Afternoon, April 26

Go to [www.marincursillo.com](http://www.marincursillo.com)

or

Contact Jean & Tom Nelson

(415) 892-2348

**PROJECT DRESSER** is looking for a few good men and women to help with this new and ongoing ministry.

While it's always fun to shop off of the list, we know that many of you have gifts, talents and interests that will be a great help to the behind-the-scenes of this effort. If you are interested in helping to set-up and maintain our new "Baby Store" closet, search the garage sales for gently used dressers, serve as drivers to transport dressers and deliver baby gifts to the Marin Pregnancy Center, restore and paint dressers to prepare them for their new homes, assemble our baby gifts for delivery, or shop for uncollected items, we want YOU!

Please call Annie or Erin (415) 897-2171 to let us know how you'd like to help and we'll put you on our list! Thank you so much for your ongoing support of this new ministry at Our Lady of

**“The Light Is on for You”**

Again this Lent, the Archdiocese is encouraging greater participation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, especially among those who have not received this sacrament recently. The goal is to make the sacrament accessible by making opportunities for Confession more frequent. Here at Our Lady of Loretto we have the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday from 3pm to 4 pm and on Monday evenings form 6 pm to 8 pm.

**THIS WEEK IN CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Monday, 3/9:** Middle School Classes 7-8:30 in the convent.

**Thursday, 3/12:** Convent CLOSED. There will be no confirmation classes or youth ministry events on this night. Classes resume on March 19.

**RCIA NEWS**

Our Lady of Loretto’s RCIA program for 2019 – 2020 continues. The group meets upstairs in the convent building at 7:45 pm. The topic on Wednesday, March 11, is “The Public Ministry of Christ: His Message”. Adults of the parish are welcome to participate.

- **Wednesday, March 11:** The Public Ministry of Christ: His Message.

**Contact Jean & Tom Nelson**

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## This Week at OLL
### March 8 — March 15
#### Adoration Monday through Friday
9:30am to 5pm

| Sun. | Second Sunday of Lent |
| Mon. |                        |
| Tue. | ICF—Hall—5:30pm Perpetual Help Prayer Group, 6 pm, Chapel Al-Anon, 7:15 pm, Convent |
| Wed. | Our Lady’s Prayer Grp.—7pm—Chapel |
| Thurs. | Choir Practice, 6:30pm, Choir Room |
| Fri. | Stations—6pm English—7:30pm Spanish |
| Sat. | Cenacle, 9:30 am, Chapel |
| Sun. | Third Sunday of Lent |

### A Novena for Fr. Brian Costello
Let’s lift our hearts in prayer for Father Brian by coming together as a parish community.
All are welcome to join in a Novena to St. Joseph for the intention of our Pastor, Fr. Brian Costello. This 9 day Novena will begin on Wednesday, March 11 (NOTE NEW START DATE) and will end on Thurs. March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph. The Novena will take place at the following times:
- Mon. – Sat: 9:00 AM Mass
- Sun: 8:00 & 10:00 am & 12 noon or you may wish to make a private Novena.
- Booklets will be available in the Church vestibules.

Congratulations to the children in our Religious Education Program in Spanish who received their First Reconciliation Last weekend:

- Jennifer Ordoñez
- Anthony Mendez
- Valeria Herrera
- Oswaldo Callejas Pacheco
- Dante Esparza
- Bradley Sebastian Contreras Castro
- Franco Gurrola
- Mario Valencia
- Camila Cruz
- Angel Almaraz

May God continue to bless you as you prepare for your First Communion.

### Esta semana en OLL
#### 8 Marzo - 15 Marzo
#### Adoración—Monday through Friday
9:30am to 5pm

| Domingo: | II Domingo de Cuaresma |
| Lunes: | Martes: |
| Miércoles: | Perpetual Help Prayer Group, 6 pm, Chapel Al-Anon, 7:15 pm, Convent |
| Jueves: | Viernes: Grupo de Oracion—Iglesia—7pm |
| Sab: | Cenacle—Church—9:30am |
| Domingo: | III Domingo de Cuaresma |

### Una novena para el p. Brian Costello
Levantemos nuestros corazones en oración para el padre Brian uniéndose como parroquia comunidad.
Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a un Novena a San José para el intención de nuestro pastor, El p. Brian Costello. Este día 9 Novena comenzará el miércoles 11 de marzo (NOTA NUEVA FECHA DE INICIO) y terminará el jueves 19 de Marzo, La fiesta de San José. los Novena tendrá lugar en el siguientes horarios:
- Lun. - Sábado: misa de las 9:00 a.m.
- Dom: 8:00 y 10:00 am y 12 del mediodía o puede desear hacer un privado Novena.
- Los folletos estarán disponibles en el Vestíbulos de la iglesia.

Felicitaciones a los niños en nuestro Programa de Educación Religiosa en español que recibieron su Primera Reconciliación el fin de semana pasado:

- Jennifer Ordoñez
- Anthony Mendez
- Valeria Herrera
- Oswaldo Callejas Pacheco
- Dante Esparza
- Bradley Sebastián Contreras Castro
- Franco Gurrola
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Que Dios continúe bendiciéndote mientras te preparas para tu Primera Comunión.
EL PROYECTO DRESSER está buscando algunos buenos hombres y mujeres para ayudar con este nuevo y continuo ministerio.

Si bien siempre es divertido comprar fuera de la lista, sabemos que muchos de ustedes tienen dones, talentos e intereses que serán de gran ayuda para el detrás de escena de este esfuerzo. Si está interesado en ayudar a configurar y mantener nuestro nuevo armario de "Baby Store", busque en las ventas de garage aparadores usados con suavidad, sirva como conductores para transportar los aparadores y entregue regalos para bebés al Centro de embarazo Marin, restaure y pinte los aparadores a prepárelos para sus nuevos hogares, reúna nuestros regalos para bebés para la entrega o compre artículos sin recolectar, ¡lo queremos a USTED!

¡Llame a Annie o Erin (415) 897-2171 para informarnos cómo le gustaría ayudar y lo pondremos en nuestra lista! Muchas gracias por su continuo apoyo a este nuevo ministerio en Nuestra Señora de Loretto.

CAMBIO
Cuaresma es cambio y cambiar no es fácil. Para poder cambiar debemos dejar algo atrás. Hoy escuchamos acerca de un hombre muy viejo que decide responder al llamado de Dios. Abram atraviesa por una tremenda cantidad de cambios cuando todo lo deja y lo arriesga por la promesa de Dios. Jesús cambia, se transfigura, justo delante de los ojos de sus discípulos. Las escrituras en Cuaresma nos llaman a cambiar, a ser transfigurados, para que también nosotros pronto participemos en la gloria de Dios. ¿Qué nos pide Dios dejar atrás? ¿Estamos dispuestos a arriesgarlo todo por la promesa que Dios hace? Estas son las preguntas centrales en el camino de conversión de la Cuaresma.

LECTURAS DE HOY
Primera lectura —Abram partió como se lo había ordenado el Señor (Génesis 12:1-4a). Salmo — Señor, muéstrate bondadoso con nosotros, puesto que en ti hemos confiado (Salmo 33 [32]).
Segunda lectura — Comparte contigo los sufrimientos por la predicación del Evangelio, sostenido por la fuerza de Dios (2 Timoteo 1:8b-10).
Evangelio — “Este es mi Hijo amado, en quien tengo puestas mis complacencias, escúchenlo” (Mateo 17:1-9).

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