

# Our Lady of Guadalupe Gym - Parish Center



**"The Dream is Becoming a Reality"**



Working together to better serve our children and families, we can turn our vision into more than just hopes and dreams for future generations.



## Messages from Parish and School Leaders

We all know that almost all projects in the Church depend on the generosity of the members. Our Lady of Guadalupe is known for its generosity and outreach.

I invite all parishioners, School Community, Alumni, CYO, Faith Formation Families and Friends of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and School Community to join me, the parish and school leaders, to work towards “**The Dream is becoming a reality, Gym-Parish Center project**” Campaign.

It is through our prayer and our sacrifices that we can reach our goal. I invite you to consider making a special sacrifice as a steward of God’s work for our School and Parish combined project for the benefit of our Children.

Thank you! Together we can make this dream a reality.

**Fr. Joy Kumarthusseril, mf (Pastor)**



This sacred space has seen the realization of many, many dreams over 50 years.

I dream of watching our children play CYO volleyball and basketball in our own gym, instead of traveling all over the East Bay Area. I dream of hosting the annual crab feed in our very own Parish Center, and preparing food in our very own kitchen for an evening of fun here on campus. I dream of our children performing on a real stage for the Christmas programs, spring musicals and concerts! This holy place—St. Leonard, St. Leonard-Santa Paula and Our Lady of Guadalupe—is truly the place where dreams come true!

God Bless our parish and school!

**S. Janice Therese Wellington, O.P. (Principal)**



I am excited beyond words for what the Gym-Parish Center will do for our CYO program.

OLG CYO is not only about sports and having fun, but also about community. Our children will have a place of their own to practice and compete under our mission of “spirituality, service and sportsmanship.” I want our children to feel proud as they grow to become better players, confident teammates and stronger Christians. Having a gym of our own will strengthen our identity and our purpose, for we are the Saints!

**Chris Silveira, CYO Athletic Director**



## Make The Dream A Reality

# The Community of Our Lady of Guadalupe

We, as the Body of Christ and through the parish of Our Lady of Guadalupe, believe and state our missions:

We are one church and one family, following Jesus Christ. We pledge to educate our children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest potential and actively serve and enrich our community. Our Lady of Guadalupe School, serving pre-kindergarten through eighth grade, is an educational ministry of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish.

Founded in 1964 on the principles of the Roman Catholic Church, we welcome families of all faiths who respect the values and teachings of Jesus Christ. We offer a challenging, faith-centered curriculum, which guides and prepares our students for academic excellence, spiritual growth and dedication to service.

My family and I are very happy to know that the Parish Center construction will start soon. It is always good to know that together we can make better things happen, that together we can ensure a more attractive place to play for our children.

It is a good thing that the community will have a renovated Parish Center with doors open to all. I can't wait to see the finished center! I invite everybody to help contribute whatever they can from their treasure, talents and prayers, to help make this dream a reality. I give testimony that when we give with the heart without expectation of return, God will surprise us and surprise us in a big way! Please do not think twice before helping.

I want to thank God for all those who will contribute to making this a reality. I also want to thank the Parish Center Team who is working hard to get this done!

Juan Madera, Hispanic Ministries Coordinator



Today the community of Our Lady of Guadalupe School and Church continues to thrive. We maintain a friendly atmosphere, and are home to approximately 4000 families. Hundreds of parishioners are involved in some aspect of parish ministry such as our school, Faith Formation, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Knights of Columbus, Filipino, Guadalupano and Vietnamese Groups, Anawin, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers...

Our active, vibrant worship family has a wonderfully diverse mix of people - persons of different backgrounds and ages living as a community engaged in outreach to others. The strongest evidence of this active commitment to service is in the numerous committees, ministries, groups and social organizations in which members of our community participate, sharing their faith and talents.

All of Our Lady of Guadalupe's parish ministries worked to renovate our place of worship as phase one of a master building plan, creating a new church for all to praise God and, all are anxiously awaiting this latest project to renovate our former church into a Gymnasium and Parish Center.

It will take ALL Parishioners to make this dream into a reality!

## Campaign and Project Phases

As part of our parish building plan from 2004, parishioners and school families alike have been awaiting the second phase, renovation of our former church, which was originally built to be a gym. Now our prayers are being answered.

Blueprints of the original plans of St. Leonard parish show a church building on the north-west corner of the field, a convent south of the school building and a gym. The gym on the original plans was used as our church for over 50 years, a sacred place where daily mass and all the sacraments were celebrated for thousands of God's faithful. Throughout the decades, the desire to build a gym surfaced periodically. Then, in December 2014, when our beautiful new church on Blacow was dedicated, the dream of transforming the original church to a gym became a possibility.

Our campaign goal for this renovation is \$1,500,000 and current plans for the Gymnasium/Parish Center will be done in 3 phases described below:

### Phase 1

Gymnasium, Upgraded Bathrooms, Sports Equipment and New Lighting

### Phase 2

Remodeled Parish Small Hall, Kitchen and Trash Enclosures

### Phase 3

Stage with Storage and Offstage Access



# Ways to Give

There are many ways to make a gift to the “**Gym-Parish Center**” Campaign. Many donors may feel they can give a larger gift by extending their payments through a pledge or giving non-cash items. Some giving methods follow:

## Pledges

Pledges are the financial foundation of any campaign. They provide the donor the opportunity to make a greater commitment to the project than a one-time cash gift by making payments over the four-year campaign period.

A down payment on a pledge is very beneficial, since it provides cash to help current project expenses. To make a pledge gift, please use the E-giving or Online Giving on our website. More detailed information on how to pledge online is on the website under Capital Campaign.

Online  
Giving

E-giving

Additionally, pledges can be made by returning the attached envelope with all information filled in completely. Be certain to designate the frequency with which you would like to remit payment—ie., monthly, quarterly, annually, etc...

## Securities

Gifts of real estate, stocks, bonds and other securities can make an immeasurable difference to the campaign while providing certain tax advantages to the donor.

Although the campaign’s focus is on securing the types of gifts highlighted above, the following gifts would of course, also be greatly appreciated, either in combination with those above or offered by themselves.

## Bequests/Trusts

Parishioners who want to help Our Lady of Guadalupe in a special way can provide a meaningful and lasting commitment through a bequest or trust. If appropriate, we can put you in contact with the individuals who can work with you to satisfy your wishes in this area.

## Life Insurance

Parishioners can benefit from potential tax savings by naming Our Lady of Guadalupe Church as the beneficiary.



### **A place to pray...**

This building will become a cherished resource.



### **A place to play...**

From dances to sports, the building will bring joy to our children and parish community



### **A place to grow a stronger community...**

A dream come true.

## 4 Year Gift Plans

### Advance Gift Plan

<u>Gift Amount</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Annually</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Daily</u>
\$ 25,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 22,500	\$ 5,625	\$ 468.75	\$ 15.41
\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 4,500	\$ 375	\$ 12.33
\$15,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 13,500	\$ 3,375	\$ 281.25	\$ 9.25
\$10,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 2,250	\$ 187.50	\$ 6.16

### Patron Gift Plan

<u>Gift Amount</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Annually</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Daily</u>
\$ 9,000	\$ 900	\$ 8,100	\$ 2,025	\$ 168.75	\$ 5.55
\$ 7,500	\$ 750	\$ 6,750	\$ 1,687.50	\$ 140.63	\$ 4.62
\$ 7,000	\$ 700	\$ 6,300	\$ 1,575	\$ 131.25	\$ 4.32
\$ 6,000	\$ 600	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,350	\$ 112.50	\$ 3.70

### Friend Gift Plan

<u>Gift Amount</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Annually</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Daily</u>
\$ 5,000	\$ 500	\$ 4,500	\$ 1,125	\$ 93.75	\$ 3.08
\$ 3,000	\$ 300	\$ 2,700	\$ 675	\$ 56.25	\$ 1.85
\$ 2,000	\$ 200	\$ 1,800	\$ 450	\$ 37.50	\$ 1.23
\$ 1,000	\$ 100	\$ 900	\$ 225	\$ 18.75	\$ .62

All gifts, regardless of amount, are greatly appreciated and will be acknowledged. The above gift plans are based on a 10% down payment and subsequent equal installments, payable over 4 years. Donors may pay their gift in full or choose to make a partial payment followed by installments. If unable to make the down payment, please pledge your gift amount and go to [www.olog.church](http://www.olog.church) to see payment plan details.

All gifts are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to: **Our Lady of Guadalupe - Gym-PC Campaign.**

**For additional information, please contact the Campaign office at 510 344-8705.**

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

## **Who will be asked to give? When will the members of OLOG worship site and School be approached?**

Every member of the OLOG worship site and School will be given the opportunity to participate in this campaign. Parishioners will be approached in stages from early May to September.

## **How much should I give? Will my gift be recognized?**

Each of us has different financial resources and income. As a result, each parishioner is asked to consider an investment proportionate with his or her ability to give. Remember, this effort is based on **EQUAL SACRIFICES, NOT EQUAL GIFTS**. All gifts, regardless of amount will be accepted and acknowledged.

## **What is the financial goal of the Campaign? When will work begin?**

Our campaign goal is \$1,500,000. However, because of the urgency and nature of the project, we need to split the project into three phases, Main Hall/Gymnasium, Small Hall and Kitchen, with the last phase of this campaign building a stage with Storage and Off-stage Access. The 1st phase will be worked on as soon as possible.

## **Why pledge rather than cash?**

Few people can contribute in large cash sums, the generous amounts needed. In addition, one time contributions alone cannot produce this amount. A monthly or annual pledge is the easiest way to achieve greater participation and reach our goal. A pledge also provides the advantage of budgeting an investment over time.

## **Will I be reminded to make my pledge payments? How can payments be made?**

Yes, you will receive reminders from the parish office based on the payment schedule you indicate on your Letter of Intent. If you make a pledged gift, be certain to designate the frequency with which you would like to remit the payments—i.e., monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually, etc.

## **What is the difference between our campaign contributions and weekly offerings?**

“**The Dream is Becoming a Reality**” campaign will address our Master Building Plan for OLOG. Our weekly contributions, on the other hand, support ongoing parish operations. Each is essential, and they must be handled separately - your campaign pledge must be in addition to your regular support.

## **Why are the church, school and CYO engaged in this project?**

While repair and maintenance work are always needed for our school and church facilities, this type of project requires a much larger commitment, and benefits our entire community. Unless we do it together, we may not be able to realize it in time for our needs. Because the Parish Center is used by the school and church today on a constant basis, and can be used by CYO after phase 1, it is appropriate to join forces in realizing this project

## **Is my gift tax deductible?**

Yes; consult your tax advisor for specific information. Make checks payable to “**Our Lady of Guadalupe - Gym-PC Campaign**”

## **Is the pledge legally binding?**

No, it is not legally binding; it is only a statement of intent. Should circumstances arise which preclude one’s ability to complete a pledge, let us know. Your pledge may be deferred and begun again later.

## **The Dream is Becoming a Reality!**

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***Pray for us as we realize our Dream***