



Our Lady of Grace Parish

**5011 White Oak Avenue
Encino, CA 91316**

We WELCOME
to our parish family all people
at every stage of life
and faith in God.

**By hearing God's Word
and celebrating
the sacraments,**

**we are FORGIVEN, HEALED
AND TRANSFORMED**
to be more like
Jesus Christ.

**As we deepen our union with Christ,
we REACH OUT**
in love through caring,
compassion and
service to all.

Rev. Austin C. Doran, Pastor
Rev. Thomas Feltz, Senior Priest

Website: www.ourladyofgrace.org

MASSES

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Saturday: 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass)
Weekdays: (Mon.—Fri.) 6:30 and 8:00 a.m.
Holy days: Eves, 5:30 p.m., 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.,
 12:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.
First Fridays: 6:30 and 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.
First Friday: 5:15 to 5:45 p.m.

BAPTISMS/BAUTISMOS

By appointment. Six weeks notice required.
 Se requiere cita con seis semanas de anticipación.

MARRIAGES/MATRIMONIOS

By appointment. Six months notice required.
 Se requiere cita con seis meses de anticipación.

PARISH STAFF

Parish Office	(818) 342-4686
Mrs. Vilma Chegade	Parish Business Manager
Ms. Daniela Navarrete	Parish Secretary
School	(818) 344-4126
Mrs. Pat Chaimowitz	School Principal
Ministry Office	(818) 342-4505
Sr. Milda Avila, CSJ	Liturgy, RCIA
Sr. Magdalena Nava, CSJ	Hispanic Ministry
Sr. Emilie Ann Palladino, SND	Adult Spirituality
Mrs. Margaret Schettler	Religious Education
Mrs. Vicky De Vivero	Quinceañeras
Mrs. Alma Shirley	Music
Mrs. Betty Vanek	Adult Confirmation
Youth Room	(818) 342-8730
Mr. Christopher Knabenshue	Youth Coordinator
(Confirmation/Teen Ministry)	www.olgteens.org

Our Lady of Grace Parish
CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Lord God, we thank you for your loving kindness, gentle compassion, and enlivening Spirit. We are grateful for those who came before us, who built a strong Catholic Christian community at Our Lady of Grace.

We ask You, Lord, to continue your work in our Faith community and our homes. Open our minds and hearts to respond generously to the exciting challenge before us. Guide our efforts as we plan the future of Our Lady of Grace Parish.

Help us strengthen our commitment to the mission of our parish and the gospel of charity and social justice.

May our actions always be for your greater honor and glory, now and forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Social Concerns group will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 14 in the Youth Room. We study, pray and put into practice the social teaching of the Catholic Church. All are welcome!



ATTENTION MUSIC LOVERS!

OLG Choir (11:00 Mass) will be guest artists in an all Mozart concert accompanied by the New Valley symphony. The program begins at 2:00 p.m. **Sunday, April 13** at the Forest Lawn Hall of Liberty. Admission is free. More information? Call Alma Shirley at **(818) 347-9373**.

OLG CLASS OF 1958 REUNION

The 50th. year reunion for members of the Our Lady of Grace class of 1958 will be held on June 7 in the Parish Hall. We are looking for classmates and teachers from that era who might be interested in being a part of this historical gathering. Please contact Jim Adams at **(818) 581-9188** or Jadams@Chaminade.org for further information.

"TOGETHER IN MISSION" 2008
 Annual Appeal as of April 7, 2008

Commitment	\$89,215
Amount Paid	\$32,412
Amount Needed	\$56,803

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS

There is still time to make a pledge to our capital campaign for Parish and School Renovations. Our campaign goal is \$3,000,000. So far, parishioners have pledged **\$2,098,561**. Those parishioners who have pledged will receive a monthly reminder in the mail. There are payment envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

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New classes for RCIA will be starting on **Monday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m.** For more information please call Sr. Milda at **(818)342-4505**

We Look forward to Welcoming you!

The donuts and coffee after Mass **today, Sunday** are sponsored by the 4th. grade. Your donations support the school's Cultural Arts program. This program enables the school children to attend the educational field trips and assemblies that enrich their learning.

Please join us... ...in the patio.

School News

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Preschool-7grade applications for the 2008-2009 school year are now available in the School office. If you would like your child to attend Our Lady of Grace School, please stop by the school office anytime Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or call **(818) 344-4126**.

SCHOOL TOUR

If you would like a tour, please call Karin at the school office and make a reservation. Mrs. Chaimowitz, our school's principal, will be giving personalized tours to future school families on Fridays at 4:00 p.m. Please be sure to call first for your reservation.

OLG SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School for students in K-8th from July 7 through August 1. Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Registration has already started. Registration information maybe picked up in the School Office. Day care will also be available before and after school. \$50.00 deposit will hold your spot. The total cost for Summer School is \$260 and the total Day Care cost is \$260. Any questions, please contact Pat Baker-Director at **(818) 344-4126**.

CONSIDER OUR LADY OF GRACE PRESCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD.

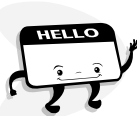
We offer a full day of learning with values and love. Our yearly tuition is \$4,800. Call the school office at **(818)344-4126** or visit our website at www.ourladyofgrace.org for an application. We are holding a spot for your child to join our faith-filled community.

VALLEY INTERFAITH COUNCIL PANEL DISCUSSION

All are invited to a VIC panel discussion entitled "Open and Affirming: Welcoming Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender people of faith into our congregations" on Sunday, April 13th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Emerson Unitarian Universalist Church, 7304 Jordan Avenue, Canoga Park.

NAME TAG SUNDAY

Coming next month! On Sunday, May 4, volunteers from our FACE ministry (Faith and Community Events) will be handing out name tags to all parishioners and visitors. FACE will also be hosting donuts and coffee. It's a chance to "put a name with the face" of someone you may see around the parish but have never met. If you've been looking for a way to get more involved in the parish, FACE is a great way to do it, and we're always looking to grow. For further information, please contact Jeff Pope at **(818) 705-3089** or Vicky Scheibe at **(818) 986-4453**.



CREATING OUR PARISH DIRECTORY

Do you have some graphic design talent? Enjoy working with digital photos? Did you work on your high school or college yearbook? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, the FACE Committee would like to hear from you! We're looking for a couple of computer-savvy volunteers to help us design and lay out the Parish Directory during the summer. If you're interested and would like to know what's involved, contact Vicky Scheibe at **(818) 986-4453**.

SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars for **Sunday, June 1** OLG's third annual Family Picnic and Mass at Rancho San Antonio in Chatsworth. We'll start gathering at 1:00 p.m. with Mass beginning at 2:00 p.m..



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Bring a picnic lunch for you and your family. Friends are welcome! There will be music, entertainment and games for children during the picnic. The event is sponsored by FACE, the parish hospitality ministry. Watch the bulletin, patio flyers and posters for further information. We need volunteers, so call Jeff Pope, **(818) 705-3089**, or Vicky Scheibe, **(818) 986-4453** if you'd like to help. See you there!

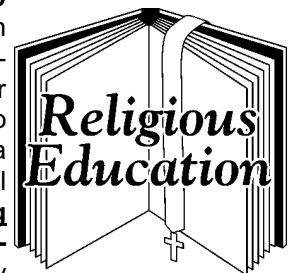
DANCE FOR CATHOLIC SINGLES

Join the L.A. Catholic Alumni Club for their Spring Dance on Friday, April 25 from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Burbank Holiday Inn, 150 E. Angeleno Ave. Dressy Attire. Tickets at the door \$20. All ages welcome -- most are 35 to 55. Please call **(818)-759-1545** for more information and free event calendar our site www.LACatholicSingles.org

SINGLES BACKYARD BARBEQUE PARTY!

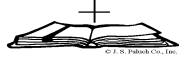
Saturday, April 26 at 5:00 p.m, until? Sponsored by the Orange County Catholic Alumni Club, a chapter of a national Catholic singles organization. Join us at Branko's house for food, fun and dancing. All singles 21 and over welcome! Cost \$10, bring a beverage and BYOB. Branko **(562) 923-5163**, 11522 Horley Ave, Downey 90241.

Parents of Religious Education Students are invited to "**Coffee and Conversation with the Pastor**" during class time on **Saturday, April 19** in Room A at 9:15 a.m. Fr. Austin will be on hand to answer questions about faith practices or other topics that parents would like to discuss. If you'd like to submit a question in advance, please email schettlerm@ourladyofgrace.org or call the office at **(818) 342-4505**. It is being sponsored by REPA.



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Mass Intentions

**Monday, April 14**

- 6:30 Gail & Donna Reimer by Eleanor Lo Curto
8:00† Maria de Jesús Llanos by Antonio y Rosa Maria Morales

Tuesday, April 15

- 6:30† Mario Mendoza by Kenneth & Carol Khey
8:00 Don Whalen by Jerry Nielsen

Wednesday, April 16

- 6:30 † Dr. Vincent Muscare by Tony Cicione & Family
8:00 † Mary a. Bruzdzinski by Mr. & Mrs. Larry Evaristo

Thursday April 17

- 6:30 † Jack Hanna by Mr. & Mrs. Samir Boutari
8:00 † Patrick Joseph Kearney by Patricia Rieken

Friday, April 18

- 6:30† Robert Bogart by Eleanor LoCurto
8:00† Christopher Bolms by Jerry Nielsen

Saturday April 19

- 8:00† Ernest Nappi by the Rosa Family

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: April 20, 2008
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7

They chose Stephen.

Psalms 33

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you."

1 Peter 2:4-9

The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

John 14:1-12

I am the way, the truth, and the life..

For several weeks we have heard the story of the early Christian community's growth in faith and members. They faced a dilemma that we face today—the need for more ministers to spread the Good News. Let us listen attentively to today's scriptures. As we hear the Lord Jesus announce that he is the way, the truth and the life, let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. May many more people turn to the way of the Lord and respond by living lives dedicated to ministry in his name.

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Pray For
The Dead



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Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Salvatore LaRussa, Juanita Torres, Bill Nolan & Helena Langi. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful rest in

peace.

Lay Mission-Helpers Association trains, sends and supports Catholic lay people as they serve 3-year missions all over the world to help the poor. Seeking volunteers and financial support. Please visit the website at www.laymissionhelpers.org or speak to Father Tom a veteran Lay Mission Helper, at (818) 342-4686, for more information.



Victor Lugo, Carmen Lugo, John Buchholz, Alisha Hernandez, Zane Walker, Helen Rattay, Phillip A. Tabbi, Dr. & Mrs. Canelo, Laszlo Varga, Christopher Casco, Hedy Kugler, Dominic Fasoline, Dan Newsome, Nelly Carroll, Pat Muro, Antonio D. Morales, Phil Dadant, Margaret Sottile, Ken Sklar, Cindy Joseph, Karen Wagoner, Garret Marcus, Tina Cirelle, Sandra Jeffrey, Dave Engman, Teodora Brittain, Kathy Kotzman, Pearl Schweisguth, Linda Ethridge, Katherine Romano, Tracey Jones, Sylvia Scheffris, Kyrra Wittana, Helen Schoch, Tom Brighton, Ray Dominguez, Simon Sob, Yolanda Baker, Ken Boyle, Lili Aguilar, Vicky Renfrow, Philip Escalante, Leslie Szepanski, Annie Gabriel, Diana Arrelia, Timothy Mulholland, Shirin, Gale & Donna Reimer, Thalia Feingersh, Anita Sullivan, Sondra Weiss, Eugene Shamoon, Anses Joseph, Peggy Thompson, Bill & Bonnie Smarker

**PLEASE PRAY FOR PRIESTS OF THE
SAN FERNANDO REGION**

Bishop Wilkerson has asked the people of the San Fernando Region to pray each day for one of the priests serving us. **This week, April 13—April 19**, please pray for:

Sunday	Rev. Melvin Rybarczyk, CR (Cathedral of St. Mary Byzantine, S. Oaks)
Monday	Rev. Damien Toilolo, OSB (St. Andrew's Abbey, Valyermo)
Tuesday	Rev. Christopher Bazyouros (St. Mary, Palmdale)
Wednesday	Rev. Joy Lawrence Santos (Our Lady of the Valley, Canoga Park)
Thursday	Rev. Stephen Cooley, OCarm (Crespi Carmelite Community, Encino)
Friday	Rev. Luke Dysinger, OSB (St. Andrew's Abbey, Valyermo)
Saturday	Rev. Robert E.J. Garon (St. Charles Borromeo, No. Hollywood)

NOMINATE NEW MEMBERS OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

We invite you to nominate new members for the Pastoral Council of Our Lady of Grace Church. The Pastoral Council advises the pastor, makes sure we live up to our mission as a parish, and plans for the future. A member of the Council must be a practicing, confirmed Catholic, registered and active in parish life. He or she needs to be committed to prayer, sensitive to diversity, open to the vision of the Church reflected in the 2nd Vatican Council, with the ability to listen to and work together with other parishioners and parish staff. Qualified nominees will be invited to be part of a pool of volunteers from which the Pastoral Council will draw its new members over the course of the next several years. The Pastoral Council has 12 members who are parishioners who reflect the diversity of age, ethnicity and interests of our parish. If you would like more information, or wish to nominate yourself or another parishioner to be on the council, please notify Father Austin at (818) 342-4686, or our Pastoral Council Chairperson, Mr. Timothy Donahoe at his daytime phone number, (818) 461-3400, ext. 4.



Picnic parroquial

¡Marque su calendario! El domingo, 1 de junio se llevará a cabo el tercer Picnic Parroquial y Misa en el Rancho San Antonio ubicado en la ciudad de Chatsworth. Nos reuniremos a partir de la 1:00 p.m. y la Misa empezará a las 2:00 p.m. Los invitamos a que traiga su almuerzo y algún un postre para compartir con los demás. Tendremos música, juegos y entretenimiento para los niños. ¡Estén al tanto porque más adelante seguiremos ofreciendo mayor información!

¿LE GUSTARIA PASAR UNOS DIAS EN LAS VEGAS?

La comunidad hispana esta organizando un paseo a Las Vegas los días **20 y 21 de abril**. El costo es de \$95.00 y debe hacer su reservación a más tardar el 13 de abril. Para mayor información llamar a la oficina de Ministerios Pastorales al **(818) 342-4505**.



EL LLAMADO DEL BUEN PASTOR

El salmo responsorial de hoy es el Salmo 23 y sin duda es el más conocido de los salmos. Los versos que rezan: "Aunque camine por cañadas oscuras, / nada temo, porque tú vas conmigo: / tu vara y tu cayado me sosiegan" (Salmo 23:4) se vinculan en las lecturas bíblicas de esta semana con el maravilloso relato sobre el camino a Emaús, que escuchamos la semana pasada. El Señor Jesús, nuestro Buen Pastor, está constantemente a nuestro lado. Nos llama por nuestro nombre, atrayéndonos a una más profunda relación con él. Ese llamado, hecho a cada uno de nosotros en el momento de nuestro bautismo, lleva la promesa del Buen Pastor: "Yo he venido para que tengan vida y la tengan en abundancia" (Juan 10:10). © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



UN DOMINGO PARA CONOCERNOS LOS UNOS A LOS OTROS

Una vez mas tendremos la oportunidad de poder conocernos con los demás feligreses que vemos siempre en la misa dominical y que no sabemos como se llaman. El **domingo, 4 de mayo**, tendremos voluntarios en el patio que los invitarán a que escriban su nombre en una etiqueta y la usen con el fin de que los demás sepan como nos llamamos. La misión de nuestra parroquia es proveer hospitalidad y edificar una comunidad de fe en donde todos se sientan bienvenidos. Si esta buscando una manera de involucrarse en la parroquia, **FACE (Eventos de Fe y Comunidad)** es una manera de hacerlo. Para mayor información, puede comunicarse con Jeff Pope at **(818) 705-3089** o Vicky Scheibe at **(818) 986-4453**.

NOMBRE A NUEVOS MIEMBROS AL CONCEJO PASTORAL

Los invitamos a que nombre a nuevos miembros para el Concejo Pastoral de Nuestra Señora de la Gracia. El Concejo Pastoral aconseja al párroco, se asegura de que vivamos nuestra misión como parroquia y hace planes para el futuro. El miembro del Concejo deberá ser un católico practicante, confirmado, inscrito en la parroquia y ser activo/a en la vida parroquial. (también deberá tener conocimiento del inglés) Ella o el deberá estar comprometido a la oración, ser sensible a la diversidad de la comunidad y ser receptivo/a a la visión de la iglesia que esta reflejada en el Concilio del Segundo Vaticano, tener la habilidad de escuchar y trabajar en unión con otros feligreses y el personal parroquial. Los nominados que estén calificados serán invitados a ser parte de un grupo de voluntarios del cual el Concejo Pastoral durante los siguientes años podrá escoger a los nuevos miembros. El Concejo Pastoral tiene 12 miembros que son feligreses y quienes reflejan la diversidad de edad, origen étnico e intereses de nuestra parroquia. Si desea mas información o nombrarse así mismo, o desea nombrar a otro feligrés por favor, comuníquese con el Padre Austin al **(818) 342-4686**, o con la persona encargada del Concejo Pastoral, Sr. Timothy Donahoe al **(818) 461-3400, ext. 4**.



¿LES GUSTARIA TENER EN CASA A LA VIRGEN DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA GRACIA?

Las personas interesadas en tener a la Virgen peregrina en su casa por una semana, deben de apuntarse con anticipación. Pueden hacerlo después de la Misa con Sister Maggie o llamando al Sr. Ciro Barillas al **(818) 437-5614**.

LECTURAS PARA EL DOMINGO 20 DE ABRIL

Primera lectura: Hechos 6:1-7

Eligieron a siete hombres, llenos del Espíritu Santo.

Salmo 33

Señor, que tu misericordia esté con nosotros mientras ponemos nuestra confianza en Ti.

Segunda lectura: 1 Pedro 2:4-9

Ustedes son una raza elegida, un reino de sacerdotes.

Evangelio: Juan 14:1-12

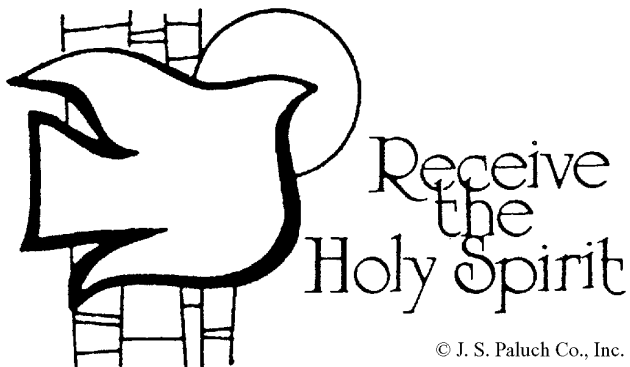
Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida.

Las clases de bautismo en español se llevan a cabo el tercer domingo de cada mes a las 10:30 a.m. Sírvase llamar con 6 semanas de anticipación al **(818) 342-4505** para tener una entrevista con Sister Maggie.



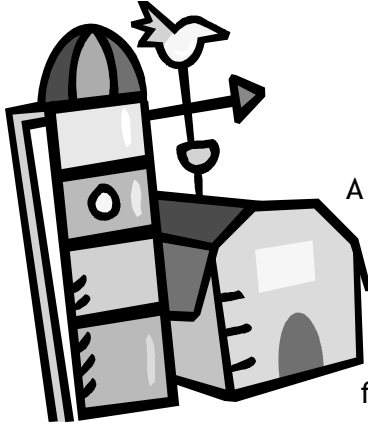
CAMPAÑA UNIDOS EN MISION 2008

Compromiso de la parroquia:	\$89,215
Cantidad donada:	\$32,412
Cantidad que todavía se necesita:	\$56,803



***Congratulations to the following
adults and teens of our parish
who will be confirmed by
Bishop Jerry Wilkerson
at a special Confirmation Mass
on Sunday, April 13, 2008
at 5:00 p.m.***

***Katherine Abdelkerim, Ashley Alfaro, Ever Barillas, Raul Barillas,
Thelma Calvillo, Ernesto Camacho, Daniela Cardona, Chris Cardoza,
Chris Castillo, Maria Castillo, Sarah Comstock, Michael Cousell,
Keny Cuellar, Chris Daggi, Silvia De La O Rivas, Carlo DiDomenico,
Nicole Dulay, Josh Eberhard, Ingrid Escobar, Ivone Escobedo,
Cristina Estupinan, Edna Fuentes, Erin Fukushima, Basia Gala,
Sarah Galarneau, Marielle Garalza, Brady Granados,
Taylor Grisham-Garcia, Allesandra Guglielmi, Isabella Guglielmi,
Gabriela Guido, Maggie Hall, Ryan Hanan, Norma Hernandez,
Robert Howard, Michael Iglesias, Mark Inocencio, Tanzi Jackson,
Amanda Johnson, Jennifer Joseph, Erika Kepski, Gabriel Levi,
Marc Levi, Michael Logan, Elizabeth Lund, Ryan Magee,
Paola Marquez, Emily McPeek, Raquel McPeek, George Melendez,
Jennye Mouser, Michael Nardi, Jeanne Nelson, Sandy Nuzzolilo,
Sean O`Connell, Anjenette Orr, Bridgett Orr, Brenda Pech,
Joyce Pezqueda, Delia Robles, Ryan Rocha, Adriana Rubio,
Nancy Rubio, Roxana Rubio, Gladys Ruiz, Joel Ruvalcaba,
Martha Sanchez, Andre Sisk, Carla Tena, Marcos Velis,
Victoria Ward, Miguel Wasshausen, Alexandra White,
Gracie Wilson, Whitney Wong, Ysabel Yu***



The Weathered Old Barn

A stranger came the other day with an offer that made me think. He wanted to buy the old barn that sits by the highway. I told him he was crazy. He was a city type. You could tell by his clothes, his car, his hands, and the way he talked. He said he was driving by and saw that beautiful barn sitting in the tall grass. He wanted to know if it was for sale. I told him he had a funny idea of beauty.

It was a handsome building in its day. There have been a lot of winters with their snow and ice and howling wind since that time. The summer sun has beaten on that old barn until all the paint is gone, and the wood has turned silver gray. The old building leans a good deal, and looks tired. Yet, that fellow called it beautiful.

I walked to the field and stood there, gazing at that old barn. The stranger said he planned to use the lumber to line the walls of his den in a new country home he was building down the road. He said you couldn't get paint that beautiful. Only years of standing in the weather, bearing the storms and scorching sun, can produce beautiful barn wood.



We're a lot like that barn. Only with us, the beauty grows inside. We turn silver gray too, and lean a bit more than we did when we were young. But the Good Lord knows what He's doing. As the years pass He's busy using the harsh weather of our lives, the dry spells and the stormy seasons, to beautify our souls as nothing else can.

They took the old barn down today and hauled it away to beautify a rich man's house. I imagine someday you and I will be hauled off to Heaven to do whatever chores the Lord has for us in our eternal mansion.



I suspect we'll be more beautiful for the seasons we've been through on this earth. We might even add a bit of beauty to our Father's heavenly mansion!

