



*“... like  
an olive tree  
in the house  
of God,  
trust in God’s  
faithful love  
forever.”*

*Psalm 52:10-11*



# The Olive Oil Story



Dominican Sisters  
OF MISSION SAN JOSE

When the Dominican Sisters arrived at Mission San Jose in 1891, they were welcomed by silvery olive trees.

Planted on this sacred ground by Franciscan friars, the sisters began processing the olives for their rich oil in 1894. It was the sacramental oil used by the Catholic parishes throughout the Bay Area.

Olive harvests, discontinued in 1965, were reinstated in 2000. The renewal of harvesting has engendered a spirit of gratitude for Earth's bounty.

The extra-virgin olive oil produced by the Dominican Sisters' mission-era trees is sought by connoisseurs, shared with friends and sold at the Sisters' Annual Holiday Boutique.

It is also used again to celebrate the sacraments in the Diocese of Oakland.

*May our Creator God  
grant abundant blessings  
to all who enjoy this olive oil.*



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