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## MASS SCHEDULE: (subject to change)

SATURDAY EVENING VIGIL MASS: 5:00 P.M.

SUNDAY MASS: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 A.M. &  
12:00 NOON (LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS)

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY: 8:00 A.M.

HOLY DAYS: 5:30 P.M. ON EVE OF HOLY DAY;  
8:00 A.M. & 5:30 P.M. ON HOLY DAY  
7:00 P.M. LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 3:00-4:30 P.M.  
AT OTHER TIMES UPON REQUEST

EUCCHARISTIC DEVOTIONS: THURSDAYS -7:30 P.M.

## ADORATION HOURS:

THURSDAYS: 2:45 TO 7:30 P.M.

FIRST FRIDAYS: 24-HOUR ADORATION

BAPTISMS: THIRD SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 1:30 P.M.

BAPTISM CLASSES REQUIRED. THESE ARE HELD THE  
SATURDAY BEFORE THE BAPTISMS AT 9:00 A.M.

CALL THE RECTORY TO MAKE RESERVATIONS.

MARRIAGES: ARRANGEMENTS BY APPOINTMENT

AT LEAST SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO THE MARRIAGE.

QUINCEAÑERAS: THREE MONTHS PRIOR

C.C.D. CLASSES: SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY

R.C.I.A CLASSES: SEPTEMBER THROUGH APRIL –

MONDAY EVENINGS. FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M. IN THE  
FAMILY ROOM.

## Parish Ministries

Adoration & Devotion – The Lieblang Family

Altar Guild – Susan Hawley

Altar Servers – Sean Lieblang

Bereavement Committee – Nina Merlino

Extraordinary Ministers – Steve Byars

Knights of Columbus – George Wall

Lectors – Steve Byars

Legion of Mary – Joanne Peters

Ministry to the Sick – Deacon Glenn Erwin

Pro-Life – Jacky Roza

Director of Religious Education – Linda Gilbert

Retreats – Ann Erwin

Stewardship Committee – Steve Byars

St. Vincent de Paul Society – Felipa Chadwick

Ushers – Derrick Peront

Wedding/Quinceañeras Coordinator – Ginny Aragon

## **LENTEN SCHEDULE**

### **† STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT 3:30 P.M.

### **REMINDER . . .**

#### **FRIDAY ABSTINENCE:**

EVERYONE 14 YEARS OR OLDER IS SERIOUSLY BOUND  
TO ABSTAIN FROM MEAT ON ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT.

Pastor's Corner

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We begin the month of April with our Lenten Mission starting this Monday. I hope you will invite your family and friends to this wonderful opportunity for faith renewal. We also hope you can help with our April Showers Baby Bottle Campaign to help the women who have chosen life for their babies. Easter is only a few weeks from now. Please come to our parish Penance Service which will be held on Monday, April 11 at 7pm. There will be four priests available to hear confessions. Next weekend, our St. Vincent de Paul society will have a basket during the offertory to ask you to help them so they can buy food for the poor during the Easter Season. If you have any canned goods, please also bring them as well. Thank you so much for your generosity to our parish and the poor.

The theme for this 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent is that **Jesus is the light of the world.**

**1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a** – The monarchy had been tolerated by God in Israel as a lesser evil. It is now about to take a turn and the story confirms this. It is a classical doctrine that David was chosen by the Lord. The anointing, which probably sealed a process already announced, is placed in the context of David's adolescence or early youth, in the early pages of his history. The Lord takes the initiative. Samuel is the official executor of the commandment. The people don't count. If we compare this with the election of Saul we see the differences: the initiative is from the Israelites and it is corrupted even from its inception.

**Ephesians 5:8-14** – The majority of the Christian communities founded by St. Paul lived in the large cities of the empire where the generalized moral decadence was patent and very notorious. The most shameful perversions and vices were ruling the society. They had become normal and accepted behaviors. This was the darkness against which the Apostle gives his call of alarm for the Ephesians. The world of light is opposed to the world of darkness.

**John 9:1-41** – The commentary in this gospel refers to the previous statement on the part of Jesus that He is the light of the world. Jesus contrasts the vision of the blind man to the growing blindness of those who say they can see. The story in the Gospel of John is placed in the context of the controversies between Christians and Jews in the synagogue and they help prove that Jesus is the Messiah. They also give witness to Christ as the fulfillment of the Jewish worship. In reading this Gospel, we need to ask some questions: what kind of things in your love would you rather not see or recognize? At what moments have you let the light of Jesus heal your blindness? It is easier to see the faults in others than in ourselves. There is also a kind of spiritual blindness that we can not see. Jesus is the light of the world. May He give us strength and courage to see. Jesus is the light that heals us from our blindness and gives us the courage to walk in the light. He is the healing that frees us from our isolation and fears. He is our salvation.

Your humble servant in Jesus Christ,

Rev. Joseph Luan Nguyen

This Week at St. Mary's by the SeaSunday, April 3

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & Tridentine Mass at 12 pm

*Jr. Joseph Donovan will speak at all Masses*

9:00 am Mass RCIA – “The 2<sup>nd</sup> Scrutiny”  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
4:30 pm Confirmation Class

Monday, April 4

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:00 am Lenten Mission - *Jr. Donovan*  
3:30-4:30 pm CCD - Level 1  
7:00 pm Lenten Mission - *Jr. Donovan*  
7:00 pm RCIA

Tuesday, April 5

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:00 am Lenten Mission - *Jr. Donovan*  
3:30-4:50 pm CCD - Level 3  
7:00 pm Lenten Mission - *Jr. Donovan*

Wednesday, April 6

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:00 am Lenten Mission - *Jr. Donovan*  
9:15 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
3:30-4:50 pm CCD - Level 2 & Level 4/5  
5:00 pm 1st Communion rehearsal- (Level 2)  
7:00 pm Lenten Mission - *Jr. Donovan*  
7:30 pm Evening Mass & Final Blessing -  
*Jr. Donovan*

Thursday, April 7

8:00 am Daily Mass  
2:45-7:30 pm Adoration  
3:30-4:50 pm CCD - Level 6  
3:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul meeting in C/R  
7:00 pm Altar Server meeting  
7:30-8:00 pm Benediction

Friday, April 8

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:00 am Cenacles of Life prayer group (Church)  
3:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 9

8:00 am Daily Mass  
8:30 am Sew Baby Blankets for Pro-Life in F/R  
3:00-4:30 pm Confession  
5:00 pm Vigil Mass  
\*St. Vincent de Paul Easter Donation Drive\*

Sunday, April 10

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & Tridentine Mass at 12 pm

\*St. Vincent de Paul Easter Donation Drive at all Masses\*

9:00 am Mass RCIA – “The 3<sup>rd</sup> Scrutiny”  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
4:30 pm Confirmation Class

**Operation Rice Bowl**

Please don't forget to leave your donations for our "Operation Rice Bowl" collection. This program supports agriculture programs in Haiti and around the world. **You may participate by leaving your donations in the Operation Rice Bowl containers located at the back of the Church.** Please give generously!

**Baby Blankets for Pro-Life**

Come help sew baby blankets for pro-life this **Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. No sewing experience is needed; just a desire to help is enough. A light breakfast will be served.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Next weekend, **April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>**, at all the Masses, St. Vincent de Paul will be accepting financial donations for Easter. You may bring your contribution of any amount up to the Altar during the Offertory at Mass, where it will be blessed. A contribution of \$35 will provide a needy family with food for Easter. You may also use one of their special envelopes located in the pew racks.



**April Showers  
Baby Bottle Campaign**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>** will be the start of our *April Showers Baby Bottle Campaign* for Pro-Life. Parishioners can take home a baby bottle provided by us, fill it with all of their spare change and return the bottle by May 1<sup>st</sup>. All your donations will go towards helping women who have chosen life for their babies.

**Penance Service**

Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

**(4) Priests available to hear your confession.**

<b><u>Penance Services at Nearby Churches</u></b>		
St. Bonaventure	4/12	7:15 pm
St. John the Baptist	4/14	7 pm
Sts. Simon & Jude	4/15	7 pm
" " "	4/16	9 am

**Mission Statement**

*Jesus comes "to serve, not to be served"*  
(Mt. 20, 28)

*St. Mary's by the Sea is a Catholic/Christian community of faith, hope, and love, journeying together in the spirit of hospitality, stewardship, respect, unity and charity, welcoming and serving all brothers and sisters in Christ, under the mantle of Our Lady.*

**Fr. Joseph Donovan, M.M.**

Fr. Joseph Donovan, M.M. will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend on behalf of **Maryknoll – the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America.**

In addition, Fr. Donovan will be giving our **Lenten Penance Mission** on **April 4-6**. He will be saying Mass and giving talks in both the morning and evening. Please see the weekly calendar for times.

**Save the Date!**

**MAY 7 – Parish Mother's Day Dinner**  
*(sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)*

**Jest Kidding**

A husband and wife both talked in their sleep. She loved auctions; his hobby was golf.

The other night, as the couple slept, the husband (who was the golfer) yelled, "Fore!"

To which his wife promptly yelled back, "Four and a quarter!"

**Thank You For Your Generosity!**

*(The Parish's regular expenses are \$5,000 to \$6,000 per week.)*

**March 20, 2011**

Altar Guild.....	\$65.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$265.00
Specials.....	\$730.00
Regular Collection.....	\$6526.00

**March 27, 2011**

Altar Guild.....	\$65.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$288.00
Specials.....	\$647.00
Home Missions.....	\$876.00
Regular Collection.....	\$5,981.00

**(Please remember to use your envelopes.)**