

# ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

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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: 3:00 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.

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY, 9 A.M.-12 P.M. / 1-5 P.M.

## 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 - Al Griego

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

## 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.*

## Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Catholic parishes in the U.S. are now using a new English translation of the Roman Missal. Each week, over the past few months, we have been breaking down the sections of the Mass with their changes. This is our last installment.

Today we will examine the last part of the Communion Rite, Holy Communion and the final section of the Mass, the Concluding Rite.

Many, such as the Church Fathers, St. John of the Cross, and theological writings of Pope John Paul II, have often described holy communion, the culmination of the Liturgy as an intimate union with our divine Bridegroom, Jesus, in the Eucharist. Let's consider the words of the priest shortly before we receive communion:

*"Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world,  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb."*

These words are said at a climactic moment in the book of Revelation and the entire Bible (Rv 19:9). To understand this we need to consider how they appear in the wider context of this part of the book of Revelation.

To begin with, in Revelation 19:1-6, we read of the multitudes in heaven along with the angels and elders singing a new song to the Lord. The "Hallelujah" is shouted out four times in their praise of God. This is significant because of the important liturgical word "Hallelujah. (Praise Yahweh)." Although it is found many times in the Old Testament, it is only used four times in the New Testament occurring in succession in Revelation 19.

The chorus of "Hallelujah's" in Revelation 19:1-6, brings to mind the "Hallel Psalms," of the Old Testament (Psalms 113-118). This group of psalms, are called "Hallel" because, many begin with "Halleluiahs," praising God for his works of redemption. Interestingly, these "Hallel" Psalms were the songs the Jews sang during the Passover meal. They sang "Hallelujah" in praise of Yahweh who rescued Israel from the Egyptians in the Exodus and who would redeem his people again. Also, these are the songs, which Jesus would have sung during his final Passover meal, the Last Supper, when instituting the Holy Eucharist (see Mt 26:30; Mk 14:26).

In Revelation 19, the last of the four "Hallelujah's" comes in verse 6, a turning point in the heavenly liturgy when the great multitude resounds in praise of God for the supper of the Lamb:

*"Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns,  
Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,  
For the marriage of the Lamb has come  
And his Bride has made herself ready." (Rv 19:6-7)*

And the angel instructs John to write: *"Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb"* (Rv 19:9).

The festive supper of the Lamb is the Lord's Supper, the Eucharist. The supper and the Lamb bring to mind the Passover supper in which Jews would sacrifice a lamb and eat of it as the main course of the meal. When we read about a Lamb's supper within the chorus of Hallel Psalm-like Hallelujah's in verses 1-6, the Passover allusions become even more evident. This climactic

supper of the Lamb is clearly some type of Passover meal, and in light of the liturgical framework of the book of Revelation, it would be understood as the new Passover of the Eucharist.

In Revelation 19:6-9, the Lamb is revealed to be a bridegroom. That means this Passover supper is a wedding feast. The Bridegroom-Lamb is Jesus, and the Bride represents us, the Church, whom Jesus is coming to wed. This is a wedding feast in which the Lamb unites Himself to his Bride, symbolizing the final consummation of the union between Christ and his Church (Rv 21-22; Eph 5:21-33). When the priest says, "Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb," he echoes the angel's invitation to the wedding supper of the Lamb in the Apocalypse (Rv. 19:9).

When you hear these words at the Mass, you are being called to participate in the marriage feast of Jesus and his Church. When you walk down the aisle to receive Holy Communion, as a member of the Church, you are coming to be united to your bridegroom, Jesus. Holy communion has a marital dimension. Like a bride who longs to be one with her groom, our hearts should be filled with ardent longing for Holy Communion with our divine Bridegroom, whose very Eucharistic body sacramentally enters into ours in the most intimate way possible.

In response to the invitation to the marriage supper of the Holy Eucharist, we say a prayer that acknowledges our complete unworthiness to receive our Lord, and at the same time, expresses confidence that Jesus calls us and can heal us:

*"Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."*

After the distribution of the Holy Eucharist, the priest cleanses the vessels and says the "Prayer after Communion," praying for the spiritual fruits of the Eucharist to take effect in our lives.

In the Concluding Rite, the people stand for the closing rites of the Mass. These closing rites mirror the words at the beginning of the Mass: "The Lord be with you," and the sign of the cross is made while the priest blesses the people in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. From the 4th Century, the Latin words *Ite Missa est* were employed for the task of a formal dismissal, literally meaning, "Go, you are dismissed." The words are rendered in the new translation of the Mass, "Go forth, the Mass is ended." Significantly, about this dismissal is that the whole Liturgy receives its name, "the Mass," from the word *Missa* ("dismissal"/"sending") in this closing line. This points to how the Mass ultimately should be seen as a sending forth. From the Catechism, the celebration of the Holy Eucharist is called "Holy Mass" (*Missa*) "because the liturgy in which the mystery of salvation is accomplished concludes with the sending forth (*missio*) of the faithful, so that they may fulfill God's will in their daily lives" (CCC 1332). The more deeply the Holy Eucharist unites us to Jesus, the more we will radiate his life and his love in the world around us. The closing line of the liturgy is not an aimless dismissal. It is a dismissal with a mission - a sending forth of God's people to bring the mysteries of Christ to the world.

May God Bless You,

Fr. Quang Vinh Chu

**This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea**

**Sunday, January 22 – \*PSA Kick-Off\***

7:30 am Mass for the souls of Peter Truong & Maria Lieu Tran (RIP)  
 9:00 am Mass for the people of the Parish  
 10:30 am Mass for Jonathan Paulson (L)  
 12:00 pm Latin Mass for Richard Nelson (L)  
 12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
 3:00-4:30 pm Level 7/Confirmation class

**Monday, January 23**

8:00 am Mass for the soul of James Nelson (RIP)  
 3:30-4:30 pm CCD – Level 1  
 7:00-8:00 pm RCIA class in Family Room

**Tuesday, January 24**

8:00 am Mass for Mr. & Mrs. Oong (L)  
 3:30-4:50 pm CCD – Level 3

**Wednesday, January 25**

8:00 am Mass for Vincent Wetzel (L)  
 9:15 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
 3:30-4:50 pm CCD – Level 2 & Level 4/5  
 7:00 pm Finance Council meeting

**Thursday, January 26**

8:00 am Mass for Gail Hirayama (L)  
 3:00-7:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 3:30-4:50 pm CCD – Level 6  
 7:30 pm Benediction

**Friday, January 27**

8:00 am Mass for Joseph Chavez (L)  
 8:30am-12pm Cenacles of Life prayer group (Church)

**Saturday, January 28**

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Robert O'Bryan (RIP)  
 10 am-12 pm Knights of Columbus meeting in Fam. Rm.  
 3:00-4:30 pm Confession  
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Jonathan Paulson (L)

**Sunday, January 29**

7:30 am Mass for the souls of Peter Truong & Maria Lieu Tran (RIP)  
 9:00 am Mass for the people of the Parish  
 12:00 pm Latin Mass for Blake Gilbert (L)  
 12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
 3:00-4:30 pm Level 7/Confirmation class

**Let Us Pray for the Sick....**

Aurora Aragon	Eileen Druiff	Don Merlino
Bette Barilla	Shannon Edwards	Fr. Pascal Nocero
Teri Carpentier	Alyson Emmons	Arthur Richter
Baby Marciano	Anita Hepp	Bertha Vasconcelos
Ceballos	Mary Hunt	Amador Vega
Dan Delmer	Fr. James Lane	Andrea Wall
John Donnelly Family	Diana Matthews	Lynn Wall

**for the Deceased....**

**& for those in the Armed Forces**

**2012 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)**

All registered parishioners should have received information in the mail about this year's Pastoral Services Appeal. It contained a letter from Fr. Quang, a diocesan brochure with details about the appeal and a pledge envelope. Our diocesan goal this year for St. Mary's by the Sea is **\$30,000**. The PSA supports different ministries and services that benefit our own parish as well as people throughout Orange County. *All monies paid over \$30,000 will be returned to us in the form of a rebate.* You may make your pledge by using the special envelope which you have received or you may go online at [www.oc-foundation.org](http://www.oc-foundation.org). There are also extra pledge envelopes available in the pew racks. Your pledge may be paid all at one time, quarterly or spread out over ten months.

**2011 Tax Donation Letters**

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation Letter for your 2011 tax return, please contact the Parish Office (714-536-6913, ext.112) with your name and Parish ID #, if known, to request one.

**Baby Blankets for Pro-Life**

Thanks to Ann, Diane, Tess, Terri, Betsy, Elizabeth, Ann E., Mary L., James, Peter, Amy, Mary, John, Mike and Sean for all the beautiful blankets sewn for pro-life. We are sure they will be appreciated.

**Evening Prayer to End Abortion**

On **Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**, you are invited to attend an **Evening Prayer to End Abortion** at **Holy Family Cathedral** at **7:00 p.m.** A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

**Baptisms**

We would like to congratulate the parents of the following children who were baptized here on **January 15, 2012:**

**Noah Alexander Nieves**  
**Connor George O'Toole**  
**Matteo Sperling**



**Weekly Donations**

The weekly donations for January 15, 2012 will be posted in next week's bulletin. Thank you.