

# 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

**EUCHARISTIC 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.

**OFFICE HOURS:** MONDAY - FRIDAY, 9 A.M. - 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 - 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

**Pastor's Corner**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas Celebration. We are now celebrating in the Octave of Christmas. This Sunday, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family. All too often, in today's society, the family seems to be broken due to many conflicts. Parents often work too hard in order to feed the family. Children, on the other hand, are not really taken care of or being loved and supported by the parents. On this special Feast Day of the Holy Family, let us come and adore the Holy Family in the manger. Let us imitate St. Joseph, a chaste person. He is a model for all Catholic fathers. Mothers, look at the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is a model for all Catholic Mothers. We need to pray *with* and *for* our children. Children, let us look at Jesus and imitate Him, because He shows respect and love to St. Joseph and Mary. May our family always love and respect one another as the Holy Family loved. **In a few days, we will celebrate the New Year, 2011. On behalf of the entire parish and Father Mackin, we wish all of you a Happy New Year filled with God's love, good health and prosperity.**

The theme for this Feast of the Holy Family is **we need to treasure our family.**

**Sirach 3: 2-6, 7-14**

Ben Sirach wrote this book around 180 BC. It seems he was an educated man who reflected on the Torah and its practical applications to life. He wrote this treasure on wisdom not for his own benefit, but for those who sought wisdom. In a society who gave so much importance to the family structure, it was not obvious that he would demand respect and veneration for those who represent and sustain in this world the order and divine authority, parents. The family structure was the first human nucleus where the dominant structure was reflected.

**Colossians 3:12-21**

To take on a new condition is to be dressed in Christ. It means to enter the dynamism of a new creation. It might be that the aim of these recommendations for family would be to assure the pagans of the morality of Christians, of whom they were suspicious.

**Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23**

Just like Moses, Jesus is saved from a sure death at the hand of a tyrant. Just like the founder of the people of Israel, he has to flee with his family. The massacre of innocents evokes the extermination of the Israelite children and the weeping of Rachel. Their return to Egypt seems to correspond to the mandate of God which the prophet announced; "From Egypt I called my child." In reading this Gospel, we need to ask these questions: **How do I see my family? Do I feel close to my parents? Do I love my**

**parents?** May we see our family as an important unit where all members are loving and respecting each other.

Your Humble Servant in Jesus Christ our Emanuel,  
Rev. Joseph Luan Nguyen

**Christmas Crib**



All during the month of December, we are accepting baby gifts that will be given to our local crisis pregnancy center. Please consider a Christmas gift for these precious babies. Items will be used in various programs to help young mothers that have chosen life for their babies. A crib will be in the family room during the month of December for this collection. Please consider a baby item in support of pro-life.

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

**Sunday, December 26**

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & Tridentine Mass at 12 pm  
\*NO Donuts after Mass\*  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

**Monday, December 27**

8:00 am Daily Mass

**Tuesday, December 28**

8:00 am Daily Mass

**Wednesday, December 29**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:15 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

**Thursday, December 30**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
2:45-7:30 pm Adoration  
7:30-8:00 pm Benediction

**Friday, December 31**

\*OFFICE CLOSED\*  
8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:00 am Cenacles of Life prayer group (Church)

**Saturday, January 1, 2011**

**The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God**

(This is not a Holy Day of Obligation, however the faithful are exhorted to attend Mass.)

8:00 am Daily Mass  
5:00 pm Vigil Mass (for Sunday, 1/2/11)

**Sunday, January 2, 2011**

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & Tridentine Mass at 12 pm  
\*NO Donuts after Mass\*  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

**A New Year's Examination**

*During the New Year, are you willing....*

To close your book of complaints, and to open the book of praise?

To ignore what life owes you, and to think about what you owe life?

To stop looking for friendship, and to start being friendly?

To be content with such things as you have, and to stop whining for the things you have not?

To enjoy the simple blessings of life, and to cease striving for the artificial pleasures of the day?

To forget what you have accomplished, and to meditate on what others have done for you?

To cease looking for someone to help you, and to devote yourself to helping others?

To consecrate your life to the service of an imperfect church, and to remember that Christ chose twelve imperfect followers to be His disciples?

*God Bless You!*

**2010 PSA Report / End-of-Year Gifts**

Thank you to all those who joined together in helping St. Mary's by the Sea reach our PSA goal for 2010. Some of you may consider increasing your PSA pledge for 2010. All gifts postmarked by 12/31/10 will be applied toward our 2010 PSA campaign and should be mailed to OCF, P.O. Box 14084, Orange, CA, 92863-1484. Together we make a difference! Your faithful response in sharing your gifts is truly a blessing to the entire community.

As we approach the end of the year, you may also be considering an end-of-year gift to the parish. Please talk with your tax advisor about gifts of stock which you can sign over to the parish and then not pay any taxes for their capital gains, as well as make the tax free donation to the church. You might also consider cash contributions to the parish for our ministries and Building Fund. Thank you, and may God bless you for your generosity!

**2010 Pastoral Services Appeal Report**

Goal = \$30,000

- **105 Pledges** received for a total of **\$38,003**  
*(You have until 12/31/2010 to complete your pledge.)*

- Actual amount paid (as of 12/15/10) = **\$37,413**

☛ **Rebates received = \$7,413**

**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.*

**Religious Education Classes**

CCD and RCIA are on Christmas break until **Monday, January 10, 2011.**

**Jest Kidding**

Now and then, Father Tom would substitute for the regular driver of the school bus. One morning when the padre was at the wheel, seven-year-old Billy got on, evidently displeased about something. When Father asked him what was the matter, Billy blurted: "I hate school!"

Father tried to tell him that if he ever wanted to have a good job he would have to learn, and in order to learn, he had to go to school. Then Billy asked him: "How long did you go to school?"

Father explained that he went through the eight grades, then to high school four years, college four more years and finally four years in the seminary. Billy's eyes got bigger and bigger. Then with a frown he exclaimed: "And you're only a bus driver!"



**Thank You For Your Generosity!**

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

**December 12, 2010**

Altar Guild.....	\$55.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$3241.99
Specials.....	\$690.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$2019.00
Retirement for Religious.....	\$3011.00
Christmas.....	\$320.00
Regular.....	\$3595.00

**Please remember to use your envelopes.**