

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

R O M A N C A T H O L I C C H U R C H



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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

Feast of the Immaculate Conception *December 8th – Holy Day of Obligation*

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, Dec. 7th - 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
*There will be a Procession on December 7th at the start
of the 5:30 pm Mass. A Reception with light refreshments
will follow Mass in the Family Room. Please join us!

Thursday, Dec. 8th - 8:00 am, 12:15 pm, 5:30 pm,
& 7:00 pm - Latin Tridentine Mass

Adoration, 12/8 - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Catholic parishes in the U.S. are now using a new English translation of the Roman Missal. We will continue here each week as we break down the sections of the Mass with their changes.

Examining the Liturgy of the Eucharist

Today I will begin with the "*Mystery of Faith*." The priest has spoken the words of consecration over the bread and wine, and now have become the body and blood of Christ. In reverence the priest genuflects in silent adoration before Christ's Blood in the chalice; he rises and solemnly says, "The mystery of faith." The words express the priest's profound wonder and awe over the mystery that is taking place. Jesus Christ, who died for our sins on Calvary is now present on the altar under the appearance of bread and wine. An expression used by St. Paul (1 Tim. 3:9), the priest exclaims that this truly is "the mystery of faith" Joining the priest and the wonder over this mystery, the people proclaim the story of salvation summed up in Jesus' death and resurrection. Two of the acclamations options draw from St. Paul's words to the Corinthians: "*For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes*" (1 Cor 11:26): "*We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.*" "*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*"

A third option proclaims the saving power of Christ's death and resurrection while drawing on the words of the Samaritans who, after encountering Jesus, came to believe in him, saying, "We know that this is indeed the Savior of the world" (Jn 4:42). "*Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.*"

The next two prayers following the words of institution gives us a needed pause and lengthens the moment of the mysteries unfolding in order to grasp their meaning, and enter into them.

The first prayer is called the *anamnesis*. We have seen how the whole Eucharistic prayer is a "memorial" (or *anamnesis* in Greek), making present Christ's saving action on the cross so that we might participate in its power more fully. In a technical sense, however, the *anamnesis* refers to a prayer which identifies what is happening in the Mass. Jesus said, "Do this in memory of me." The priest tells the Father in heaven that the Church has been faithful in fulfilling this command:

"Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection..." (Eucharistic Prayer II)

God, of course, does not need to be informed of our liturgical actions; He knows of them already and understands their meaning perfectly. We, however, have a need to tell our heavenly Father of our joyous participation in these sacred mysteries.

The *anamnesis* serves as the basis for the second prayer known as "*the offering*." This prayer expresses how in the Mass we have the awesome privilege of offering what Jesus offered on Good Friday. On the cross Jesus offered up his sacrifice alone. In the Mass, he offers it with his Church as he associates us with this sacrifice:

"We offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice..." (Eucharistic Prayer III)

We are invited to unite ourselves with this sacrifice of Christ, which is why the Eucharistic Prayer calls this not only

Christ's sacrifice, but also "the oblation of your Church" (Eucharistic Prayer III). And the two are really one, since the Church at every Mass participates in the one self-giving act of Christ's offering on the cross.

The symbolism of the gifts also points to how the Church offers itself to God not on its own, but in union with Christ's sacrifice. Recall how the material gifts of bread and wine symbolized a total gift of one's self. After the consecration, those human gifts to God have become the Eucharistic body and blood of Christ - the body and blood that is offered to the Father. Thus, in Christ, the Church participates in the perfect self-giving love of the Son on the cross. As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* explains:

In this very memorial, the Church - and in particular The Church here and now gathered - offers in the Holy Spirit the spotless Victim to the Father. The Church's intention, however, is that the faithful not only offer this spotless Victim but also learn to offer themselves, and so day by day to be consummated, through Christ the Mediator, into unity with God and with each other so that at last God may be all in all.

(General Instruction of the Roman Missal, Third Typical Edition, no. 79.)

Eucharistic Prayer I goes on to cite three models of sacrifice from the Bible, asking the Father to accept the Church's offering as he was pleased to accept the sacrifices of Abel, Abraham, and Melchizedek. Each of these Old Testament patriarchs made sacrifices that prefigure Christ's and point to the kind of self-giving we should offer God as we unite ourselves to his oblation.

God looked with favor on the sacrifice of the mysterious priest-king, Melchizedek, who offered bread and wine to God and blessed Abraham. From the earliest period of Christianity, his sacrifice has been seen as prefiguring Christ's offering of bread and wine at the Last Supper. The sacrifice of Abel reminds us to give our best to God. In contrast to his brother Cain, Abel was willing to give the Lord his best, sacrificing "the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions" [Gn 4:4]. Abraham gave something more than bread, wine, or animals. He was willing to offer God that which was most precious to him: his own son, Isaac. And the events surrounding Abraham's sacrifice prefigure Christ's sacrifice on Calvary perhaps more than any other sacrifice in the Old Testament. Genesis 22 tells how Abraham took his only beloved son Isaac to Mount Moriah on a donkey. Isaac carried the wood for the sacrifice up the mountain and was bound on the wood to be offered as a sacrifice for sin. In response to this act of total surrender, God swore that he would bless the whole human family through Abraham's descendants. Centuries later, God the Father offers up his only beloved son, Jesus, in Jerusalem - a city associated with Moriah, the very place where Abraham offered up Isaac [see 2 Chr 3:1; Ps 76:2]. Like Isaac Jesus travels to this place on a donkey, and like Isaac he carries the wood of the cross to Calvary. There, like Isaac again, Jesus is bound to the wood and offered as a sacrifice for sin - a sacrifice that brings about the worldwide blessing that God swore to Abraham in Genesis 22. On Good Friday, God the Father and God the Son, /££, therefore, bring to fulfillment what was prefigured by Abraham and Isaac, and God's oath to Abraham that he would bless the human family is realized.

(to be continued. . .)

May God Bless You,

Fr. Quang Vinh Chu

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

Sunday, December 4 - *2nd Sunday of Advent*

7:30 am Mass for Clint Peront (L)
 9:00 am Mass for the people of the Parish
 Altar Guild Mass
 10:30 am Mass for the soul of Clem Keefe (RIP)
 12:00 pm Latin Mass for Peter Berghammer (L)
 12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.
 3:00-4:30 pm Lvl 7/Confirmation class

Monday, December 5

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Raquel Reasol (RIP)
 9:30 am Staff meeting
 12:00 pm Altar Guild meeting in Fam. Rm.
 3:30-4:30 pm CCD – Level 1
 7:00-8:00 pm RCIA class in Family Room

Tuesday, December 6

8:00 am Mass for Elizabeth Lieblang (L)
 3:30-4:50 pm CCD – Level 3

Wednesday, December 7

8:00 am Mass for Marjorie O'Sullivan (L)
 9:15 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.
 3:30 pm **NO CCD classes**
 5:30 pm Vigil Mass for Dan & Diane Ponce (L)
 with Reception in Family Room after Mass

Thursday, December 8 - *Immaculate Conception*

****Feast Day of the Patron Saint of our Church****

8:00 am Mass for Lynn Brown (L)
 9 am – 5 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 9am-1pm St. Michael the Archangel Academy classes
 12:15 pm Mass for the soul of Paterno Ilarde (RIP)
 3:00-7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 3:30 pm **NO CCD class**
 5:30 pm Mass for Charlette Aragon (L)
 7:00 pm Latin Tridentine Mass

Friday, December 9

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Bob Finer (RIP)
 9:00 am Cenacles of Life prayer group (Church)

Saturday, December 10

8:00 am Mass for First Friday Adorers (L)
 Decorate Church for Christmas after Mass
 Volunteers Welcome to Help!
 3:00-4:30 pm Confession
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the soul of Rudy Ramirez (RIP)
 * 2nd Collection – Retirement Fund for Religious*

Sunday, December 11 - *3rd Sunday of Advent*

**** 2nd Collection – Retirement Fund for Religious****

****Learn About St. Nicholas after all Masses in Fam. Rm.****

7:30 am Mass for the souls of Maria Lieu Tran & Peter Tran (RIP)
 9:00 am Mass for the people of the Parish
 10:30 am Mass for the souls of Clara & Jesus Martinez (RIP)
 12:00 pm Latin Mass for Blake Gilbert (L)
 12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.
 3:00-4:30 pm Lvl 7/Confirmation class

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the ways of Thine only-begotten Son, that through His coming we may be



worthy to serve Thee with purified minds. Who livest and reignest, with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Extended Adoration on December 8

On Thursday, Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, St. Mary's will be having a special time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 am to 5 pm (with a break for the 12:15 pm Mass). Why not stop by, if even for just a few moments, to be with Our Lord on this special feast day. In order to ensure that Our Lord is not left alone during these hours of exposition, St. Mary's is asking that there be two volunteers signed up for each hour of Adoration. Please call the office if interested in volunteering. Thank you.

Flowers & Decorating for the Church



If you would like to donate Poinsettias for the Church, please bring them to the office by **Fri., Dec. 9th**.

If you would like to help us decorate the Church and set up our Nativity, we will begin after the **8 a.m. Mass on Saturday, Dec. 10th**. We do need your help, particularly from men who are able to do semi-heavy lifting, etc.

Let Us Pray for the Sick....

Aurora Aragon	Alyson Emmons	Diana Matthews
Bette Barilla	Carlos Fernandez	Don Merlino
Teri Carpentier	Keri Hendrickson	Fr. Pascal Nocero
Margaret Dejohn	Anita Hepp	Arthur Richter
Dan Delmer	Mary Hunt	Lewis Smith
Eileen Druiff	Gloria Jourdan	Amador Vega
Shannon Edwards	Fr. James Lane	Andrea Wall

for the Deceased.... & for those in the Armed Forces

Thank You For Your Generosity!

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

November 20, 2011

Altar Guild	\$525.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,332.00
Specials	\$260.00
National Needs	\$1,003.00
EFT & Credit Card	\$395.00
Regular	\$5,571.25

November 27, 2011

Altar Guild	\$45.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$207.00
Specials	\$617.72
EFT & Credit Card	\$645.00
Regular	\$5,547.00