

# 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 3:00-4:15 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.

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,

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. This feast was established by the late Pope John Paul II to ask Jesus to have mercy upon all of us who are sinners. Jesus revealed Himself to Sister Faustina and asked her to make known Jesus' love and mercy to those who lack faith, hope and love. In addition, today is also a special day for us as Catholics, because our Holy Father, Pope Benedict the 16<sup>th</sup>, will beatify the late Pope John Paul II in Rome. Let us ask Blessed Pope John Paul II to intercede for us with the grace of Jesus Christ the Risen Lord so that we may continue to be His witnesses in this world.

The theme for this Second Sunday of Easter is that **Jesus is our true joy.**

**Acts 2:42-47** – The story of Pentecost closes with a summary of the characteristics of the first Christian communities in Jerusalem. It describes the practices that express this life as a response to discipleship; the teachings of the apostles and the breaking of the bread. The sharing of all goods is added. The wealthy sold their properties and shared them in the community. As a fruit of the Spirit, the community continued to grow rapidly

**1 Peter 1:3-9** – The letters from Peter are known as general Catholic because, in contrast to the letter from St. Paul, they are not addressed to a specific community. The first letter from St. Peter is not a theological treatise, but expressed the hope of Christians. The promises made to Israel are fulfilled in the life and resurrection of Jesus. Israel was promised the land but the new Israel is promised an eternal home in heaven. God does not disappoint and he will fulfill his plan for humanity. The letter opens, after the greeting, with a solemn blessing in the style of Jewish blessings. Blessings were the same as giving thanks. The author (a disciple of Peter) gives thanks for the salvation of the communities through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**John 20:19-31** – The intention of John is to connect the divine Jesus with the human one, so that the readers could see that Jesus who had traveled with them on earth was the same one who now reigns with the Father and the Spirit. The community was affected by Gnosticism and some preferred to center on the divinity, somehow excluding the crucified Jesus. John demonstrates how Jesus showed his wounds to Thomas to remind the community of his death and resurrection. These narrations of appearances after the resurrection also serve to strengthen the community in the Lord's absence and in anticipation of his second coming. In reading this Gospel, we need to ask some questions: **At what moments do you feel more joyful? Have you ever had the experience of having a conflict or were you suffering and yet, in spite of it, you had a strong conviction of the presence and love of God?** In short then, we only find our true joy in the Risen Lord, who has defeated the power of death and brought us the newness of life.

Your humble servant in Jesus Christ the Risen Lord,  
Rev. Joseph Luan Nguyen

**Special Mother's Day Offering**

If you would like to participate in our special "Mother's Day Offering", then use one of the special envelopes located in the pews. Include the name of your mother (or other special person) to be remembered and enclose your donation. If your gift is received in this weekend's collection or in the Office **BY this Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**, we will put the name of your loved one in the Mother's Day bulletin.

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

**Divine Mercy Sunday – May 1**  
Masses at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & Tridentine Mass at 12 pm

12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
4:30 pm **Confirmation Class**

**Monday, May 2**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:30 am **Staff meeting**  
3:30-4:30 pm CCD - Level 1

**Tuesday, May 3**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
3:30-4:50 pm CCD - Level 3

**Wednesday, May 4**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:15 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
3:30-4:50 pm **CCD - Level 2 – Testing & Penance**  
3:30-4:50 pm CCD - Level 4/5

**Thursday, May 5**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
3:30 pm **St. Vincent de Paul meeting**  
3:30 pm **NO Level 6 CCD**  
4:00 pm **Level 2 CCD – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Practice**  
\*4:30-7:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
(Will begin at 4:30 pm today, not 2:45) \*

7:00 pm **Altar Server meeting**  
7:30-8:00 pm Benediction

**Friday, May 6**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
8:30 am **1<sup>st</sup> Friday 24-hr. Adoration** (runs until the 8:00 am Mass begins on Saturday, 5/7)  
9:00 am Cenacles of Life prayer group (Church)

**Saturday, May 7**

8:00 am Daily Mass  
9:30 am **1st Communion Mass**  
3:00-4:30 pm Confession  
5:00 pm Vigil Mass  
5:30-7:30 pm **"Mother's Day Dinner"** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

**Sunday, May 8 – "Mother's Day Rose Sale"**  
Masses at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & Tridentine Mass at 12 pm

9:00 am Mass **May Crowning**  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
4:30 pm Confirmation Class

**April Showers**

This is the last Sunday to return the baby bottles provided by us filled with all of your spare change. All donations will go towards helping women who have chosen life for their babies. If you forgot to bring the bottle back, you may also drop it off in the Office this week.

**First Friday Adoration**

**A Gift for Your Mother**

In this month of May, which is dedicated to Our Lady, why not present her with a wonderful Mother's Day gift: **attend Adoration of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.** St. Mary's is blessed to again have **24-hour Adoration** this **Fri, May 6**, between 8am on Friday and 8am on Saturday. Thank you to all the volunteers who make this possible. If you do not remember your hour, please check the poster in the vestibule. Thank you again.

**May Crowning (Children Needed)**

The May Crowning will take place next **Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**, at the **9:00 a.m. Mass.** *All children are welcome to participate!* In addition, all children who will be making their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, should wear their Communion attire if they plan to attend. **Please meet prior to Mass in the Church Courtyard by the fountain at 8:45 a.m.**

**"Breath of Spring" Luncheon**

Sacred Heart Retreat House cordially invites you to the annual *"Breath of Spring"* Luncheon on **Sat., May 7<sup>th</sup>** at St. Joseph Campus, 570 N. Granada Ave. in Alhambra. This day will include the outdoor rosary at 10:30, a presentation by Sr. Mary Jeanne, OCD and Sr. Timothy Marie, OCD, on the Foundress, Mother Luisita at **11 am**, followed by a delicious lunch. Please call St. Joseph Campus of the SHRH for reservations: (626) 289-1353, ext. 302. Cost is \$45 per person/

**Parish Mother's Day Dinner**

Join the parish in celebrating *Mother's Day* with a special dinner next **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>** at **5:30 pm** and continuing until 7:30 pm. Bring that special lady and treat her to a very enjoyable evening. A delicious menu is planned.

Tickets are \$7 each in advance or \$20 for the whole family. They will be available after Mass today at the Welcome Table or from the Church Office. Proceeds will purchase a new dishwasher for the church. See you all there. *Don't miss out on a great home-cooked meal!*

**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.*



**Mother's Day Roses**

There will be roses available **after all the Masses on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>** at a cost of \$3.00 per rose. The proceeds will go to benefit the Life Center in Santa Ana. Please support this good cause by starting Mom's day off with roses and a smile!

**St. Mary's Rummage Sale**

St. Mary's by the Sea will be having a Rummage Sale on **July 8-9, 2011.** We will begin collecting donations in the parking lot **before the 5pm Mass on Saturdays and between Masses from 8:30am-12pm on Sundays.** Please call the Office at (714) 536-6913 if you would like us to pick-up donations from your house.

**Jest Kidding**

A father was trying to teach his young son about the evils of alcohol.

He put one worm in a glass of water and another worm in a glass of whiskey. Sure enough, the worm in the water lived, while the one in the whiskey curled up and died.

*"All right, son,"* asked the father, *"what does that show you?"*

*"Well, Dad, it shows that if you drink alcohol, you will not have worms."*

**Thank You For Your Generosity!**

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

**April 17, 2011**

Altar Guild ..... \$50.00  
St. Vincent de Paul .....\$357.00  
Regular Collection.....\$5,719.00

**April 24, 2011**

Altar Guild ..... \$35.00  
St. Vincent de Paul .....\$128.00  
Specials .....\$350.00  
Holy Land Collection .....\$1,213.00  
Regular Collection.....\$10,223.88

*(Please remember to use your envelopes.)*