

Third Sunday of  
*Advent*

December 16, 2018

# ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



## THE LEGACY PROJECT

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I want to acknowledge those of you who supported our Legacy Project, both prayerfully and financially. This parish is blessed with so many generous hearts! Because of you, we are now able to worship God in our newly renovated church. I thank God for every one of you; for the gifts you bring to ministry and for all you offer to St. Mary's by the Sea Church.

May God bless you and all of your families, in your homes, at work, in your service to the community and your lives in the parish. May you continue to find great joy in the Gospel and in your Catholic faith!

<u># of Pledges</u>	<u>Total Pledged</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>
(126)	\$516,426	\$390,113
+ money on hand:	+450,000	+450,000
<b>Total Amount =</b>	<b>\$966,426</b>	<b>\$840,113</b>

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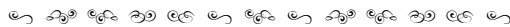
### MASS SCHEDULE: (subject to change)

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., 12:10 P.M. & 5:30 P.M. &  
7:00 P.M. LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS ON HOLY DAY



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

### ADORATION HOURS:

THURSDAYS: 3:00 TO 7:30 P.M. (BLESSED SACRAMENT IS EXPOSED & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET RECITED AT 3 PM)  
FIRST FRIDAYS: 12-HOUR ADORATION (9 A.M.-9 P.M.)

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

BAPTISM CLASSES REQUIRED. THESE ARE HELD THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 7-9 P.M.

CALL THE RECTORY TO MAKE RESERVATIONS.

MARRIAGES: ARRANGEMENTS BY APPOINTMENT AT LEAST SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO THE MARRIAGE.

R.C.I.A CLASSES: SEPTEMBER THROUGH APRIL – MONDAY EVENINGS. FROM 7:00 TO 8:00 P.M. IN FR. JOHNSON HALL

C.C.D. CLASSES: SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 3:00-4:30 P.M.

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

### PARISH MINISTRIES

ADORATION & DEVOTION – THE LIEBLANG FAMILY  
[www.StMarysAdoration.blogspot.com](http://www.StMarysAdoration.blogspot.com)

ALTAR GUILD

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE – NINA MERLINO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS – MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – HANS ANTER

LECTORS – MIKE BANNER

LEGION OF MARY – JOANNE PETERS

PRO-LIFE – JACKY ROZA

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – LINDA GILBERT (DIRECTOR)

RETREATS – DIANE MILLER

SAFETY MINISTRY – TOM & SUSAN SIZLO

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – MARY BANNER, IRENE CLAYPOOL

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – FELIPA CHADWICK

USHERS – JOE MUNGARI

WEDDING COORDINATOR – GINNY ARAGÓN

WELCOME MINISTRY – AL GRIEGO, SHARON TRAN

### Vision & Mission Statement

***Our Vision:*** Be my Disciples. If not you, then who...

***Our Mission:*** St. Mary's by the Sea, a Catholic community of faith, hope, and love, journeying together in the spirit of stewardship, unity, and charity, embracing all in Christ under the mantle of "Our Lady."

**Reflections of the Week**

*Not Ready? No Problem!*

While Advent is a beautiful time to prepare for the coming of the Lord, we often get so caught up in all the things we do to prepare for Christmas that we forget Advent all together. The readings remind us that in spite of the stress we may feel thinking about how close Christmas is, we are called to rejoice for the Lord is near.

The stress we feel may be from fear: Fear that we won't get the shopping done by Christmas, fear that people won't like the gifts we bought, or fear that we forgot someone that should be on our list. But did you ever notice how much easier it is when you have someone to shop with you, or write the Christmas cards, or decorate the tree? "Shout for joy. . .fear not!" says the prophet Zephaniah in the first reading. (Zeph 3:14) He tells us the Lord is not coming to punish us for waiting till the last minute to put up the tree. The prophet says the Lord is in our midst, we are not alone. "He has turned away your enemies" (Zeph 3:15), enemies like fear, doubts, and loneliness.

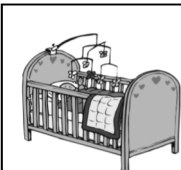
And as if that wasn't good enough, he says that the Lord rejoices over us! How many times have you wondered if you could ask the Lord for help? Zephaniah reminds us that the Lord is happy to help. And St. Paul says the same thing in the second reading: "Have no anxiety at all. . .make your requests known to God" (Phil 4:6). That is where Advent comes in. We can look forward to the Lord's presence in our lives. We can be confident of his love for us. That is why faith and hope are central to the theme of Advent. Our faith in God's love for us gives us hope that he will support us in our weakness and fill us with the joy he has over us.

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**Christmas Crib**

Throughout the month of December, we will be accepting baby gifts for 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 who have chosen life for their babies. A crib will be in Fr. Johnson Hall during the month of December for this collection. If you prefer, a monetary donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Crib" would also be helpful.



**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

*Incline Thine ear to our prayers,  
O Lord, we beseech Thee; and make  
bright the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy  
visitation. Who livest and reignest, with God the  
Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world  
without end. Amen.*

**Flowers & Decorating for the Church**



➤If you would like to **donate Poinsettias** for the Church, please bring them to the office by **Friday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>**.

➤If you would like to help us **decorate the Church & set up our trees and Nativity**, we will begin on **Sunday, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 p.m.** and finish up after the **8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>**. We will need your help, particularly from men who are able to do semi-heavy lifting, etc.

**PENANCE SERVICE**

**Tomorrow, December 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm**

**(5) Priests for Individual Confessions**

✠ **EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE** ✠

What are you hiding behind in your life? Perhaps it is an inordinate pride that keeps you hiding from God or an unwillingness to depend on God in all things. Perhaps it is a failure to pray as you should, to think before you speak or to leave unsaid those words that hurt more than physical blows. To aid your reflection in this regard, you should think of yourself not necessarily as a biblical scarlet sinner, but as a daily, dusty pink one who is afraid, for whatever reason, to reach out and love the people you should have, but didn't. There's a whole litany of these dust particles:

- ◆The words of love you didn't say
- ◆The comfort suppressed
- ◆The friendship left to wither
- ◆Relationships unattended
- ◆Children neglected as you pursued the better life... for them, of course
- ◆The little white lies, the face-saving untruths
- ◆The suppression of revealing your hunger for God

If any of these pertain to you, perhaps you should attend our **Penance Service** on **December 17<sup>th</sup>**. Prepare for the birth of Jesus and start anew.

## Third Sunday of Advent



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2018**

**\*Penance Service**

Monday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> - Penance Service: 7:00 p.m.

**Christmas Vigil - December 24<sup>th</sup>**

Family Vigil Mass: 6:00 p.m.

**Christmas - December 25<sup>th</sup>**

Midnight Mass: 12:00 a.m.  
8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. am - English  
12:00 noon - Latin Tridentine Mass

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

*(This is not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2019.)*

January 1, 2019: 8:00 a.m. - English  
12:00 p.m. - Latin Tridentine Mass

*\* (There will be NO Confessions on Saturday,*

**Treasures from our Traditions**

Years ago, the trick question on religion quizzes would be to name all the liturgical colors, or the colors of the vestments worn at Mass. Rose is a color seldom seen, used at most two days a year. Today, Gaudete Sunday, is one of those days. The name of the day is drawn from an opening verse in the old Latin Mass texts: Gaudete is Latin for Rejoice! This years Gospel certainly reflects that mood as Elizabeth feels her infant within her leaping for joy at the presence of Mary. Mary's visit to her aged cousin is an act of compassion between women, as two kinswomen who are bearing children into the world share their joy.

Some churches retain the custom of having the priest wear rose vestments today, and many will use a rose candle in the Advent wreath. Violet is the official color for Advent and Lent, but many parishes employ different hues for each season, trying to keep them distinct. In medieval times, dye was costly, and poor parishes used unornamented plain cloth for vestments. Dyes were expensive and some colors, particularly purple, difficult to achieve. In England, purple dye was made from mollusks, yielding at best a deep indigo or blue and not the desired violet. Thus, the color of Advent in the British Isles has long been a deep blue, reminding many people of Mary's presence at the heart of the Advent mystery. That theology is largely unplanned: it's all because of clams!

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**Poinsettias for Sale**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Poinsettias again this year **after all the Masses** this weekend, **Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>** and next weekend **Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Each Poinsettia is beautifully wrapped in foil and is only **\$10**. Plants can be taken home or donated to the Church to decorate the Altar and dedicated "*in loving memory of*" or "*in honor of*" if you so desire.



**Advent Penance Service Schedule**

Monday, Dec. 17 at 7pm: St. Mary's by the Sea  
Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 7pm: St. Joachim  
Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7pm: St. John the Baptist  
Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7pm: Sts. Simon and Jude

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

Aurora Aragón	Nathan Hamby	Joanne Peters
Natie Arellano	David Harris	Ben Phillips
Bette Barilla	Rusty Hawley	Jackie Pinault
Bonnie Barilla	Paul Hayes	Debbie Ransom
Cary Benoit	Anita Hepp	Susan Rocio
Kathi Britton	Diane Hoxsie	Amy Rosenberg
Hugh Cahil	Shelly Jones	Bill Sammon
Colleen Campbell	Roger Kunsaitis	Valerie Sandoval
Earline Campbell	Angie Lewis	Nate Sheffield
Peggy Carrasco	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Elfriede Shipman
Rodrigo Castro	Doris McDonald	Flora Simpson
Samuel Chavez	Patricia McKenzie	Linda Sparks
George Christa	Nina Merlino	Bob Spellmire
Rosemarie Clouse	Lucy Mira	Dan Stenglein
Dan Derieg	Brooks Morris	Linda Stickles
Helen Donnelly	Albert Myrter	Mary Trout
Ann Erwin	Steven Myrter	Andrea Wall
Glen Evans	Marilyn Novak	
Al Griego	Gloria Pagenkopp	

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

Nathan Mora † Bob Sizlo †

**2018 PSA Update**

**# of Pledges: 68 / Pledged: \$62,020 / Paid: \$61,270**

**Weekly Offering**



**Thank You For Your  
Generosity!**

*Operating Expenses are \$5,500 - \$6,500 per week*

**December 9, 2018**

<b>Altar Guild .....</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul.....</b>	<b>\$222.00</b>
<b>Building Fund .....</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>
<b>Specials.....</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>
<b>Immaculate Conception .....</b>	<b>\$3,421.79</b>
<b>Retired Religious.....</b>	<b>\$2,337.00</b>
<b>Regular .....</b>	<b>\$8,505.10</b>

*Please remember to use your envelopes.*

***Sunday Lectionary Scripture Study***  
***Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Hall***

Biblical Study related to the Scripture passages of the Sunday Lectionary Readings: Focusing on the Liturgy of the Word for the following Sunday, you will explore the inspired Word of God to see how God speaks to us in the various passages of the Bible.

Bring a New American Standard Study Bible if you have one. If you'd like to get on the email list for the weekly distribution of the basic materials, please contact **Deacon Tom** at [deacontom@gmail.com](mailto:deacontom@gmail.com). If you can't commit to the weekly gathering, check out the following websites for your personal Prayer, Study and Reflection: [www.usccb.org/bible](http://www.usccb.org/bible). The website for the related Scripture passages commentaries can be found at [www.agapebiblestudy.com](http://www.agapebiblestudy.com).



**Stewardship Corner**

***Best Double Event Ever Loyal Stewards!***

*Nobody throws a party as well as Jacky Roza, except Althea Santucci!!!* These two amazing Stewards and their committees created a magical morning and evening like never before; *Thank you so very much!* And **THANK YOU to ALL the volunteers and donators** who worked with Jacky in the morning and Ali at night. Most of you worked both events, and with such joy and love between you 🎉 (*best birthday Rene ever had, too, thanks to you*).



➤ **THIS IS A LOT TO ASK OF YOU..... But here goes- - -**

It's a very big request from Fr. Chu you'll need to plan around, **PLEASE:**

- 1) 🏠 **DEC. 23<sup>rd</sup>** at **3:00pm**, he needs our help to decorate **outside the church**.  
*and.....*
- 2) 🎄 **DEC. 24<sup>th</sup>** at **8:30am**, he needs our help to decorate the **inside of the church**. Yes, this is a lot to ask, crunch time, *but we can do this, right?* **PLEASE PLAN TO HELP** and if many of us do, then we'll spend only a short amount of time to get it done. 🎉🎉

As Tiny Tim says:  
**GOD BLESS US, EVERYONE** 🍀

***What is a Christian steward?***

*"One who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord."*

(American Bishops Pastoral Letter).

December 16, 2018

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

5:00 pm *Mass for the soul of Alex Yaslik (RIP)*  
**\*Knights of Columbus selling Poinsettias\***

**Sunday, December 16**

**\*Knights of Columbus selling Poinsettias\***

7:30 am *Mass for the souls of Maria Lieu & Peter  
Truong Tran (RIP)*

9:00 am *Mass for Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sotelo &  
Family (L)*

10:30 am *Mass for the People of the Parish Living &  
Deceased*

12:00 pm *Latin Mass for the soul of Jack Robe (RIP)*

12:30 pm **Legion of Mary weekly meeting**

1:30 pm **Baptism**

**Monday, December 17**

8:00 am *Mass for the deceased members of the  
Filippe & Lage Families (RIP)*

7:00 pm **Penance Service**

**Tuesday, December 18**

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Pat Curran (RIP)*

**Wednesday, December 19**

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Bill Morrison (RIP)*

9:15 am **Legion of Mary weekly meeting**

6:30 pm **Lectionary Scripture Study Group in Hall**

**Thursday, December 20**

8:00 am *Mass for Lynn Wheaton (L)*

3:00 pm **Adoration in the Church (til 7:30)**

7:30 pm **Benediction**

**Friday, December 21**

8:00 am *Mass for the souls of Stanley & Josephine  
Grosso (RIP)*

9:00 am **Cenacles of Life**

**Saturday, December 22**

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Barbara Beretich (RIP)*

5:00 pm *Mass for the soul of James W. Thomas  
(RIP)*

**\*Knights of Columbus selling Poinsettias\***

**Sunday, December 23**

**\*Knights of Columbus selling Poinsettias\***

7:30 am *Mass for the soul of Shauna Hosey (RIP)*

9:00 am *Mass for the soul of Albert Myrter (RIP)*

10:30 am *Mass for the soul of Judith McDonald (RIP)*

12:00 pm *Latin Mass for the People of the Parish  
Living & Deceased*

12:30 pm **Legion of Mary weekly meeting**

3:00 pm **Volunteers needed to help decorate the  
outside of the church**