

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



THE LEGACY PROJECT

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I would like to thank those of you who are supporting our Legacy Project, both prayerfully and financially. This parish is blessed with so many generous hearts! Because of you, we were able to construct our magnificent retablo in the Church with the tabernacle now placed in the center. 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 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>
(129)	\$523,216	\$424,878
+ money on hand:	+450,000	+450,000
Total Amount =	\$973,216	\$874,878

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Deacon Thomas Concitis

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

ALTAR GUILD

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE - NINA MERLINO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - DEAN LOHUIS

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

LENTEN SCHEDULE



STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

EVERY FRIDAY AT 8:30 AM & 6:00 PM

LENTEN MEALS (FISH FRY):

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 & APRIL 12: 5:00-7:00 PM

➤ REMINDER:

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE:

EVERYONE 14 YEARS OR OLDER IS SERIOUSLY BOUND TO ABSTAIN FROM MEAT ON ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT.

Reflections of the Week

Overconfident?

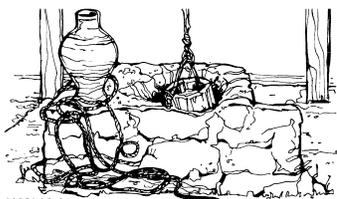
As we get to the halfway point of Lent, we may be tempted to overconfidence: *"The first three weeks weren't so hard. I can go a few more weeks without the things I gave up. And I've only committed a few sins; maybe I'll go to confession right before Easter."* If so, it might be a good idea to look at the second reading and the Gospel.

St. Paul says that anyone who is overconfident about their lack of sin "should take care not to fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). He compares those people to the ones Moses brought through the desert. Just because they were God's chosen people and had survived years in the desert doesn't mean they are perfect. In fact, many were punished because they were tempted to follow false gods or to complain about the food and drink God provided them. Could the same thing happen to us?

One form of overconfidence is rejecting what we learned as children. We may think, *"I'm old enough to decide if I should go to church"* or *"I can take care of myself now; I don't need God's help."* Or we may think that holiness is just for priests and religious: *"I go to church on Sundays; no need to pray the other days of the week."* If these sound familiar because you have thought that way yourself, Paul has a warning. His analogy of the Rock following the Hebrews in the desert refers to God's constant presence to the people. In the same way, He is present to us today. A couple of chapters after our second reading Paul says, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27). But just as God was not pleased with those in the desert, God may not be pleased with us if we continue to ignore the Lord.

That brings us to the Gospel. In the parable of the fig tree, the owner is not pleased--the tree has not produced any fruit. Unlike the fig tree, God would be happy with any fruit we produce. We could be generous to the poor, we could fight for the unborn child's right to life, we could welcome new members to the church, or we could simply teach our children how to pray. But if all we give is one hour a week in church, and ignore God the rest of the time, we need to take heed. Like the owner of the fig tree, God is patient, but we only have so much time. So when do you plan to bear fruit?

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Baby Blankets for Pro-Life

Please come help sew baby blankets for Pro-Life, no experience necessary. It may seem like a small gesture, but Our Lord will bless all efforts in supporting mothers in choosing life. **March 30th in Fr. Johnson Hall at 12 noon.** Light lunch provided.

2019 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)

"We Are One" - Our parish goal for the 2019 Pastoral Services Appeal is for at least 674 of our families to pledge \$85,000 to support the ministries of our Diocesan Church in all of our parishes and centers, and help to strengthen the bonds of communion and family in our local parish, as well. Gifts made over \$38,000 (our 2019 diocesan goal) will come straight back to us and go towards the completion of our own parish projects, including two new ADA compliant restrooms.

Thank you to the **51 families** who have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial contribution to the 2019 Pastoral Services Appeal. As of today, we have received **pledges of \$46,236 with \$36,156 of this already paid.**

If you have not yet made your pledge, you may do so by either submitting a PSA Pledge Envelope at the regular collection during Mass, returning it to the Parish Office, or you may go online at www.oc-foundation.org.

Penance Services

- Holy Spirit: Monday, 3/25 at 7 pm & Tuesday, 3/26 at 7 pm
- St. Joachim's: Wednesday, 3/27 at 7 pm
- St. Bonaventure: Tuesday, 4/2 at 7 pm
- St. Mary's by the Sea: Monday, 4/8 at 7 pm
- Sts. Simon & Jude: Thursday, 4/11 at 7 pm
- St. John the Baptist: Wednesday, 4/17 at 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration & Exposition

St. Mary's by the Sea **opens the Church for Eucharistic Adoration every Monday through Friday from 1:00 to 4:30 pm.** On **Thursdays**, the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be recited at **3:00pm** and we will have **Eucharistic Exposition** (where the Blessed Sacrament is displayed outside the tabernacle in the monstrance for adoration by the faithful) from **3:00 to 7:30 pm**, closing with **Benediction** (praying the rosary and receiving a blessing with the Host) at **7:30 pm.**

Third Sunday of Lent

Parish Faith Formation

THE SCRUTINIES - A RITE BELONGING TO THE PERIOD OF PURIFICATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT

Over the past year, we have had adults attending our RCIA (adult religious education) class each week who have expressed a desire to enter the Catholic Church and receive the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. These people are called our "elect," and for the next three Sundays, they will be celebrating the "scrutinies,"

The scrutinies, which we do here at the 9:00 am Mass beginning this Sunday and are reinforced by an exorcism, are rites for self-searching and repentance and have above all a spiritual purpose. The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. These rites, therefore, should complete the conversion of the elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all.

Because they are asking for the three sacraments of initiation, the elect must have the intention of achieving an intimate knowledge of Christ and his Church, and they are expected particularly to progress in genuine self-knowledge through serious examination of their lives and true repentance.

In order to inspire in the elect a desire for purification and redemption by Christ, three scrutinies are celebrated. By this means, first of all, the elect are instructed gradually about the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered and thus saved from its present and future consequences. Second, their spirit is filled with Christ the Redeemer, who is the living water, the light of the world, and the resurrection and the life. From the first to the final scrutiny the elect should progress in their perception of sin and their desire for salvation.

In the rite of exorcism, which is celebrated by a priest, the elect, who have already learned from the Church the mystery of deliverance from sin by Christ, are freed from the effects of sin and from the influence of the devil. They receive new strength in the midst of their spiritual journey and they open their hearts to receive the gifts of the Savior.

The priest, who is the presiding celebrant, carries out the celebration in such a way that the faithful in the assembly will also derive benefit from the liturgy of the scrutinies and join in the intercessions for the elect. Let us pray for our elect!

Lenten Meal/Fish Fry

Mark your calendars for St. Mary's by the Sea Lenten Meal/Fish Fry this **March 29th** and **April 12th** from **5:00-7:00 pm**. Don't miss out on this fun and delicious event. Come share with fellow parishioners in our Lenten journey.



2019 Tax Donation Letters

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation letter for your 2018 tax return, please contact the Parish Office at **(714-536-6913, ext. 112)** with your **name** and **Parish ID #**, if known, to request one.



Let Us Pray for the Sick...

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

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces

Anna Bac Thi Nguyen (Fr. Pascal's Grandmother) †

Thank You For Your Generosity!

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

March 10, 2019

Altar Guild	\$20.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$113.00
Building Fund	\$20.00
Regular	\$9,221.58

March 17, 2019

Altar Guild	\$20.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$85.00
Building Fund	\$130.00
Specials	\$3,340.00
Church in Afr., Ltn. Amer. & Est. Eur.	\$2,023.65
Regular	\$7,004.53

Please remember to use your envelopes.

**ST. MICHAEL'S ABBEY PREPARATORY
HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 3:30 pm

COME FOR A TOUR AND INFORMATION SESSION.

- A Catholic, boys, 5-day boarding high school in rural Orange County
- Teaching the classical curriculum
- Full varsity sports program
- Daily Mass and Holy Hour

NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE.



Stewardship Corner

LOYAL STEWARDS:

LENT is here and now we put on our special **LENTEN MEALS** beginning **THIS FRIDAY, MAR. 29th**. If you haven't signed up for any duty yet, and plan to help, please contact **Rene** at **(714) 330-3765, ASAP!** Then two weeks later, **APR. 12th**, we do it again, and if you plan to also help with our second **LENTEN MEAL**, I need to know that too, ***please!*** So many have responded and are doing the same jobs as they have in the past making this an easy event... **but we still need servers....** THANK YOU ALL, and GOD BLESS YOU!! After meeting with the **COMMITTEE** last Monday, we decided to make a few changes to improve the dinners. *Thank you for those suggestions!*

HERE'S THE PLAN: 🐟

- **QUICK, EASY SET-UP** the same morning, **Fri. Mar. 29th** after Mass at **8:45 am**.
- Then, any **PRE-MEAL PREP WORK** (heat fryers, ice beer, heat ovens, set-up Father's kitchen) at **4:00 pm**.
- Those **CONTRIBUTING FOOD** ready to serve, should be brought at **4:00-4:30pm please!**
- **SERVERS** are needed at **4:30pm**.
- Then, **CAVALRY CLEAN-UP** is needed at **7:00pm....** *We all know the drill, lol!!!*

May God continue to bless us all this Holy Lenten Season in serving others in His Name. Let this be one of our best....Amen 🙏

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).

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Mass for the soul of Nathan Mora (RIP)

Sunday, March 24

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Janie Nagle (RIP)
9:00 am Mass for the soul of Aurora L. Aragón (RIP)
10:30 am Mass for the People of the Parish living and deceased
12:00 pm Latin Mass for the soul of Deacon Glenn Erwin (RIP)
12:30 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting

Monday, March 25

8:00 am Mass for Kristine Pham (L)
1:00-4:30pm Weekly Adoration

Tuesday, March 26

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Mr. Antonio (RIP)
1:00-4:30pm Weekly Adoration

Wednesday, March 27

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Tom Fallas (RIP)
1:00-4:30pm Weekly Adoration
6:30 pm Lectionary Scripture Study Group in Hall

Thursday, March 28

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Everett Shipman (RIP)
1:00 pm Weekly Adoration
3:00 pm Adoration in the Church (til 7:30)
7:00 pm Re-Lit Program/Evangelization
7:30 pm Benediction

Friday, March 29

8:00 am Mass for Maria Theresa Adamo Nottke (RIP)
8:30 am Stations of the Cross
8:45 am Set-Up for Fish Fry in Hall
9:00 am Cenacles of Life
1:00-4:30pm Weekly Adoration
5:00 pm Lenten Meal (til 7:00pm)
6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 30

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Fr. Donald Lavelle (RIP)
9:00 am Re-Lit Program/Evangelization
10:00 am Pastoral Council Meeting
12:00 pm Sew Baby Blankets for Pro-Life in Hall
3:00 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Mass for the soul of David Hawley (RIP)

Sunday, March 31

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Mary Hebring (RIP)
9:00 am Mass for the soul of Anthony "Tony" Otwell (RIP)
10:30 am Mass for the soul of Rosa Thudung Hoang (RIP)
12:00 pm Mass for the People of the Parish living and deceased
12:30 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting