

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Deacon Thomas Concitis



Deacon Glenn Erwin (retired)

2017 PSA

THANK YOU to all the families who have made their pledge to the 2017 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA). We have now exceeded our diocesan goal of \$35,000! Any further donations we receive will be returned to us in the form of a rebate. Our total goal for this year's PSA is \$95,000. We hope if you haven't yet made your pledge, you will do so today and help us achieve this goal. Again, THANK YOU!

Number of pledges received: **57**

Total Pledged: **\$49,926** Total Paid: **\$38,446**

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

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

ADORATION HOURS:

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 1:00 - 4:30 PM

THURSDAYS: 3:00 TO 7:30 P.M. (BLESSED SACRAMENT
IS EXPOSED & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET RECITED AT 3 PM)

FIRST FRIDAYS: 24-HOUR ADORATION

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

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

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 – SUSAN HAWLEY

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE – NINA MERLINO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS – MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – HANS ANTER

LECTORS – MIKE BANNER

LEGION OF MARY – JOANNE PETERS

MINISTRY TO THE SICK – DEACON GLENN ERWIN

PRO-LIFE – JACKY ROZA

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – LINDA GILBERT (DIRECTOR)

RETREATS – ANN ERWIN, DALE SCHIERING

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – MARY BANNER, IRENE CLAYPOOL

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – FELIPA CHADWICK

USHERS – DERRICK PERONT

WEDDING COORDINATOR – GINNY ARAGÓN

WELCOME MINISTRY – AL GRIEGO

LENTEN SCHEDULE

† STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

EVERY FRIDAY - 8:30 AM & 6:00 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

Greater Than You Expect

Sometimes a prophet says more than he intended. Ezekiel in the first reading is talking about restoring Israel after the Babylonian exile. The Jews saw the Exile as punishment for their sins, especially the sin of relying on false gods or political leaders for their safety. God demonstrates forgiveness by bringing them back to Israel; God also shows them divine power and glory so that they return to the Lord for their protection.

Ezekiel uses the image of the dead rising from their graves (37:12). Jesus came to show us God in a new way and to fulfill the promises of all previous prophecies. Notice how the first reading repeats two phrases: "open your graves" and "know that I am the LORD." Jesus demonstrates that God's promise is much greater than anything Ezekiel expected.

First, the Gospel. When Jesus went to the tomb of Lazarus, he apparently waited till his friend had died. He knew that he was going to raise Lazarus from death to help his disciples believe. So why was he "perturbed and deeply troubled"? It could be that he was disappointed that his friends did not seem to believe that he could raise Lazarus. Notice Jesus became perturbed again when some of the crowd question Jesus' ability to do so (John 11:37-38). Like Ezekiel, the people of Jesus' time did not expect him literally to raise the dead. But God used the prophet's message to prepare for Jesus' message that not only would he rise from the dead, but we will also. And like the friends and relatives of Lazarus, we too may find it hard to believe, or at least question how it could be possible. Fortunately, Jesus helps with that, too.

Look at the second reading to the Romans. Because we have God's Spirit living in us, we who are sinners can be raised to new life by that Spirit. When our sins are forgiven, we begin to live a new life by loving the people we hurt by our sins, forgiving people who have hurt us, and being more concerned for the poor than for our own comfort. We are freed from worrying about the future, from holding onto grudges, and perhaps even from the fear of death itself--all because we have experienced the new life of God's Spirit and, as Ezekiel says, know that God is the LORD.

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TRIDUUM AND EASTER

SCHEDULE

Penance Service

*Monday, April 3 – 7:00 p.m.

Daily Mass: April 10, 11, 12

8:00 a.m. – Holy Mon., Holy Tues., Holy Wed.

Holy Thursday, April 13

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration before Altar of Repose – After Mass until 12 a.m. in Fr. Johnson Hall

Good Friday Services, April 14

(Fast & Abstinence)

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

(w/ Holy Communion)

(THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.)

Holy Saturday, April 15

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. – **Easter Vigil Mass**

Easter Sunday, April 16

7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. Masses

12:00 noon – Latin Tridentine High Mass

*** PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Confessions heard on Saturday, April 8 or Saturday, April 15, 2017**



April Showers

Baby Bottle Campaign

This weekend is the start of our *April Showers Baby Bottle Campaign* for Pro-Life. Parishioners can **take home a baby bottle** provided by us, fill it with all of their spare change and **return the bottle by Apr. 30th**. All your donations will go towards helping women who have chosen life for their babies.



Reconciliation Services

- St. Mary's by the Sea: Monday, 4/3 at 7 pm
- Sts. Simon & Jude: Thursday, 4/6 at 7 pm
- St. John the Baptist: Wednesday, 4/12 at 7 pm



2016 Tax Donation Letters

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation letter for your 2016 tax return, please contact the Parish Office (714-536-6913, ext. 112) with your name and Parish ID #, if known, to request one.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Advice of Saint John Paul II

"...Eucharistic adoration outside Mass should become a particular commitment for individual parish and religious communities. Let us take the time to kneel before Jesus present in the Eucharist, in order to make reparation by our faith and love for the acts of carelessness and neglect, and even the insults which our Savior must endure in many parts of the world" (John Paul II).

Saint John Paul II encourages us to attend adoration to satisfy for our sins for which Christ was crucified. Let us heed the words of this saint by attending St. Mary's by the Sea's **monthly First Friday Adoration, which runs from 8am, April 7th to 8am, April 8th.**

Thank you to all the volunteers who make this possible. If you do not remember your hour, please check the poster in the vestibule.

Candlesticks Needed for the Latin Mass



Help! We need to replace the **six candlesticks** that are used for our Latin Tridentine Mass on Sundays. The ones we have now are quite old and the candles are always crooked in them. The cost to replace them is \$1,850 per candlestick. They will be 24" tall, made of high polished solid bronze. If you would like to make a contribution towards this, please put your donation in a separate envelope and write, "CANDLESTICKS" on it. *We would like to order them before Easter, if possible.* Thank you, and God bless!



Stewardship Corner

Many, many thanks to all you LOYAL STEWARDS for your help donating, setting up, and serving. And especially to the clean-up CAVALRY (many of the same volunteers doing all this), for our last Lenten Meal of the year!! You have made our Parish and Pastor very proud of the way you all work together with such joy, pride, and love, especially during our Lenten journey together. THANK YOU ALL and see you at the next meeting, APRIL 21st... Until then, May GOD continue to bless US, in all we do in HIS Name. 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."

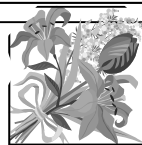
(American Bishops Pastoral Letter).



Easter Lily Sale



The **Knights of Columbus** will be selling Easter Lilies again this year **after all the Masses on Apr. 8th & 9th, Palm Sunday.** Each Lily is beautifully wrapped and is only **\$10**. Plants can be taken home or donated to the Church to decorate the Altar and dedicated to a loved one if you so desire.



Easter Flowers

We like our church to be particularly beautiful at this special time of the year. If you would like to help decorate, please plan to bring lilies and tulips to the rectory by **April 13th, Holy Thursday.**

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Msgr. Peter Tien Nguyen	Charlie Erpenbeck Ann Erwin	Nathan Mora Jane Moran
Aurora Aragón	Deacon Glenn Erwin	Joanne Peters
Humberto Aragón	Frank Gillet	Jim Pisani
Marie Aragón	Al Griego	Debbie Ransom
Bette Barilla	Jane Hilton	Arthur Richter
Peggy Carrasco	Diane Hoxsie	Joel Rivera
Frank Cartwright	Teresa Johnston	Susan Rocio
Rodrigo Castro	Shelly Jones	Jack Seibert
George Christa	Paula Keating	John Senoski, Sr.
Mary Crosby	Roger Kunsaitis	Helen Sharp
Jim Crowley	Baby Hendrix Kunze	Elfriede Shipman
Bryan Donnelly	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Dan Stenglein
Helen Donnelly	Patricia McKenzie	Andrea Wall
John Donnelly	Lucy Mira	George Zin

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces

Anna Nguyễn thị Đô (Fr. Joseph Nguyễn's Mother) †
Maria Đông thị Nguyễn (Fr. Pascal Nguyễn's Aunt) †

Weekly Offering

Thank You For Your Generosity!



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

March 26, 2017

Altar Guild.....	\$40.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$137.00
Building Fund	\$90.00
Specials	\$1,210.00
EFT & Credit Card.....	\$385.00
Regular	\$5,619.46

Please remember to use your envelopes.

-- **CHRIST FOREVER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN** --

Donors = (90)	Pledged = \$221,346
Paid = \$145,170.17	Rebates = \$43,438

Penance Service - Mon. Apr. 3rd at 7 pm

What are you hiding behind in your life? An inordinate pride that keeps you hiding from God or an unwillingness to depend on God in all things? Failure to pray as you should? To think before you speak or to leave unsaid those words that hurt more than physical blows? Relationships unattended? Children neglected as you pursued the better life... for *them*, of course?

Then attend our Penance Service here, tomorrow night. There will be (5) Priests available to hear your confession.

The Distinction between Two Types of Sin

All sin is an offense against God and a rejection of His perfect love and justice. Yet, Jesus makes a distinction between two types of sins. We call the most serious and grave sins, **mortal sin**. Mortal sins destroy the grace of God in the heart of the sinner. By their very grave nature, a mortal sin cuts off our relationship from God and turns man away from his creator. The second type of sin, **venial sin**, is that of a less grave matter. It does not cut us off from Christ. However, venial sin does weaken grace in the soul and damages our relationship with God.

So what kind of sins are mortal? In order for a sin to be mortal, it must meet three conditions: It must be a sin of grave matter; it is committed with full knowledge of the sinner; and is committed with deliberate consent of the sinner. This means that mortal sins cannot be done "accidentally." A person who commits a mortal sin is one who knows that their sin is wrong and still deliberately commits the sin anyway.

The kinds of sin which constitute "grave matter" can be found in the Ten Commandments and in offenses against faith, hope and charity. These are classed as sins against God, neighbor and self. In addition, "the sins that cry to heaven for vengeance" are likewise grave matter. These are: voluntary murder; the sin of impurity against nature; taking advantage of the poor; and defrauding the workingman of his wages. Finally, the seven deadly sins are also considered grave matter. They are pride, greed, envy, wrath, lust, gluttony and sloth.

All sins, however, can be forgiven. Christ instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the forgiveness of our sins. Jesus gave the power to forgive sins in His Name to the church. He told his apostles, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (John 20:22-23). A person who 1) repents of their sin, 2) intends to live a new life of grace, and 3) receives the Sacrament of Reconciliation, will be forgiven of all their sins (mortal sins in particular must be confessed in the Sacrament). It is vitally important that Catholics confess sins on a regular basis, especially if we are in the state of mortal sin. Yet, even when we have not committed mortal sin, we are still obliged to confess our sins at least once a year. Christ, in perfect love, laid down his life so that we may be forgiven of our sins. This sacrifice should not be neglected or taken for granted. Jesus died for the life of the world and is thus the light of the world.

April 2, 2017

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Mass for the souls of Stanley & Josephine Grosso (RIP)

Sunday, April 2

7:30 am Mass for the People of the Parish (L)

9:00 am Mass for Yvonne Strahovski (L)

(Altar Guild meets together at this Mass. Their meeting is Monday, 4/3 at 9:45 am)

10:30 am Mass for the Lipsky Family (L)

12:00 pm Mass for the soul of Skip Shutt (RIP)

12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting

Monday, April 3

8:00 am Mass for Christopher Mackney (L)

9:45 am Altar Guild meeting in Hall

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

7:00 pm Penance Service

Tuesday, April 4

8:00 am Mass for the soul of John Street (RIP)

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

7:00 pm Baptism Prep class

Wednesday, April 5

8:00 am Mass for Kathy Dacey (L)

9:15 am Legion of Mary weekly meeting

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

6:30 pm Lectionary Scripture Study Group

Thursday, April 6

8:00 am Mass for Maggie Richardson (L)

1:00 pm Weekly Adoration

3:00-7:30 pm Blessed Sacrament Exposed

7:30 pm Benediction

Friday, April 7

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Joseph Trevil (RIP)

8:30 am Stations of the Cross

9:00 am 1st Friday 24-hr. Adoration (runs until the 8am Mass begins on Saturday, 4/8)

9:00 am Cenacles of Life (in the Church)

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 8

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Carey Riley (RIP)

5:00 pm Mass for Kara Salomon (L)

Knights of Columbus Lily Sale

Sunday, April 9 - Palm Sunday

Knights of Columbus Lily Sale

7:30 am Mass for Hoang Pham (L)

9:00 am Mass for the People of the Parish (L)

10:30 am Mass for Jack Siebert (L)

12:00 pm Mass for the soul of Antonio & Ellen Gatchalian (RIP)

12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting