



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



LEGACY PROJECT

We are now at **80%** of our goal of \$900,000. The response has been **incredible** and we are getting closer to our goal every day! These pledges, however, only represent **10%** of our **672 families** who are registered. *We really need all parishioners to participate in this incredible project!* Keep in mind that while some people can make significant donations, not everyone can. We ask you to carefully and prayerfully consider *equal sacrifice* - not equal gifts and how you might be able to help us accomplish our goals; then act accordingly. Thank you and God bless you.

# of Pledges	Total Pledged	Total Paid
(69)	\$268,098	\$123,471
+ money on hand:	+450,000	+450,000
Total Amount =	\$718,098	\$573,471

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Deacon Thomas Concitis



Deacon Glenn Erwin (RIP - 9/21/2017)

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 7-9 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 – JON CLAYPOOL

LECTORS – MIKE BANNER

LEGION OF MARY – JOANNE PETERS

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

PRO-LIFE – JACKY ROZA

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – LINDA GILBERT (DIRECTOR)

RETREATS – ANN ERWIN

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – MARY BANNER, IRENE CLAYPOOL

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – FELIPA CHADWICK

USHERS—JOE MUNGARI

WEDDING COORDINATOR – GINNY ARAGÓN

WELCOME MINISTRY – AL GRIEGO



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
December 8th - (Holy Day of Obligation)

MASS SCHEDULE - Thursday, 12/7: 5:30 pm Vigil Mass &

Friday, 12/8: 8:00 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm (Fr. Zachary to Concelebrate) & a 7:00 pm Latin Tridentine Mass

Reflections of the Week

Watch For It!

In Advent, we celebrate our hope that the Lord might come more fully into our lives. The first reading from Isaiah voices the hope of sinners for a redeemer. As sinners, we too hope for forgiveness. Unlike Isaiah, we know that God has come to bring us back, when the Father sent His Son, Jesus, to save us. And God's power was manifest in the raising of Christ from the dead. Our faith in Jesus leads us to a new way of looking at the world. We can see what God is doing as well as remembering what God has done.

The Gospel reminds us to look constantly for signs of God's work. Jesus says simply, "Watch!" Like the gatekeepers in Jesus' short parable, we need to keep our eyes open for Him. Just as we expect people driving cars to turn off their cell phones and keep their eyes on the road, so we can stop looking for whatever makes us comfortable and watch for ways to love others as God loves us.

When we only look out for ourselves, we may miss the signs of God's presence around us. Instead of looking at the difficulties of life as obstacles, we can watch for them as opportunities to stretch our faith, to rely on God, or to show God's love to a friend. The recent re-translation of the prayers of the Mass can be an opportunity to stretch our faith and our understanding of the Eucharist.

The Corinthians were also watching for the Lord to come. Paul encourages them (and us) by his reminder that we "are not lacking in any spiritual gift" (1 Corinthians 1:7). The Holy Spirit gives us all we need to help each other prepare for the Lord's coming. They were thinking of Jesus as coming in glory. Though we don't see the full glory of the Lord, part of that glory is His presence in the sacraments. In them we celebrate not just the coming of the Lord, but His working in the world. He shares His life with us in baptism, gives us His Spirit in confirmation and Himself in the Eucharist, heals us in reconciliation and the anointing of the sick, and calls us to make Him present to others in holy orders and matrimony. You could almost say His second coming is taking place now. *Watch for it.*

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Christmas Program in the Church & Parish Party December 10th at 5:00 pm

Join us for our **Annual Christmas Program in the Church** as we celebrate that God is with us.



Afterwards, everyone is invited to the **Parish Christmas Party** in Fr. Johnson Hall, sponsored by St. Mary's by the Sea ministries.



FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Bestir, O Lord, Thy might, we pray thee and come; that, defended by Thee, we may deserve rescue from approaching dangers brought on by our sins, and being set free by Thee, obtain our salvation. Who livest and reignest, with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.



Advent Reflection on December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Mark your calendar for this **Friday, December 8th**. **Fr. Zachary**, a priest of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT), has accepted our invitation to speak at St. Mary's by the Sea. He serves as the Rector of the Post-Novitiate House of Formation in the Asia-Pacific Region of SOLT to help form and prepare seminarians to become missionary priests. Formerly, Father served as the General Lay Servant of the Worldwide Community and had responsibilities for the administration and formation of the lay faithful. His travels enabled him to help teach and lead Catholics to live their baptismal promises by responding to the universal call to holiness.

Fr. Zachary will concelebrate with Fr. Quang at the **5:30 pm Mass** on the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** and begin his talk at the homily. After Mass, he will conduct a reflective discussion in Fr. Johnson Hall. There will be a reception afterwards; refreshments will be provided.

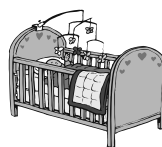
BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS - DEC. 10TH



After the 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses

Learn about St. Nicholas, make a craft, and enjoy a continental breakfast. Adults are welcome too.

Christmas Crib



Beginning this weekend and continuing through 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.

Parish Faith Formation
- ADVENT PREPARATION -

I. Attend the ADVENT REFLECTION by **Fr. ZACHARY** here on **DEC. 8th**

"Come Be My Disciple"

SCHEDULE

☛ **FRIDAY, DEC. 8TH:** **5:30 PM**
Concelebrating Mass with Fr. Quang and Homily by Fr. Zachary

☛ **REFLECTIVE DISCUSSION:** **6:30 PM**
In Fr. Johnson Hall

** There will be a reception after Fr. Zachary's discussion*
-Refreshments provided

2. Access "FORMED" (from 11/19 - 1/12/18)

All the best Catholic content in one place. Entertaining movies, enlightening programs, inspiring talks, a great selection of popular ebooks, and video-based studies from trusted providers like the Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, Catholic Answers, Sophia Institute Press, and St. Paul Center - *right at your fingertips!*

FORMED, a revolutionary online platform, is offering our diocese a free trial of their content for the season of Advent from **November 19, 2017** through **January 12, 2018**. Now you can prepare for Sunday Mass by watching a 5-minute video, enjoy a movie with

***TO SIGN IN:**

- Visit **www.formed.org**
- Click on **LOG IN**
- Email: **Orange@formed.org**
- Password: **formed17**

**Note: Please let the Office know how you like using the site and if this is something you would want to continue using throughout the year. If we receive enough positive responses, we will consider purchasing a subscription for the entire parish to use year round.*



Knights of Columbus
Membership Drive

The St. Mary's by the Sea Knights of Columbus are looking for a few Good Men. *Will you join us to help our Parish and Community?* The amount of time you dedicate is up to you... from a few hours a year to a few hours a month. You choose the projects you want to be involved in. Consider becoming one of the Knights... *You Can Make a Difference!*

Packing Food Boxes

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will be packing food boxes for the needy this **Saturday, Dec. 9th** at **7:30 am** (*earlier because of a morning wedding*). If you would like to volunteer to help, please meet in the parking lot.

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Aurora Aragón	Ann Erwin	Nathan Mora
Humberto Aragón	Glen Evans	Jane Moran
Bette Barilla	Jack Fodera	Steven Myrter
Lil Bertolotti	Frank Gillet	Joanne Peters
Colleen Campbell	Al Griego	Jim Pisani
Earline Campbell	Virginia Harris	Debbie Ransom
Peggy Carrasco	Paul Hayes	Kirsten Reis
Rodrigo Castro	Jane Hilton	Arthur Richter
Samuel Chavez	Diane Hoxsie	Susan Rocio
Graham Crimmins	Shelly Jones	Elfriede Shipman
George Christa	Roger Kunsaitis	Flora Simpson
Mary Crosby	Angie Lewis	Dan Stenglein
Jim Crowley	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Linda Stickles
Dan Derieg	Jean Markham	Mary Tripoli
Bryan Donnelly	Patricia McKenzie	Mary Trout
Helen Donnelly	Nina Merlino	Andrea Wall
Charlie Erpenbeck	Lucy Mira	George Zin

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces

Weekly Offering



Thank You For Your Generosity!

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

November 19, 2017

Altar Guild	\$20.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$3,800.00
Building Fund	\$124.00
Specials	\$120.00
Regular	\$7,933.42

November 26, 2017

Altar Guild	\$20.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,212.00
Building Fund	\$20.00
Specials	\$1,667.00
Regular	\$6,937.75

Please remember to use your envelopes.

- - - CHRIST FOREVER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - - -

Donors = (90)

Paid = \$145,170.17

Pledged = \$221,346

Rebates = \$42,407 (as of 6/1/17)

LOYAL STEWARDS: Here is our schedule of *volunteering/donating opportunities* for **NEXT WEEKEND:** 🙏 🙏 🙏 🙏

➤ **FRI, DEC. 8th** (*a Holy Day of Obligation*): After the **5:30 pm** evening Mass, we are hosting a simple set-up of light refreshments to share with all those coming to hear **Fr. Zachary** continue to speak in **Fr. Johnson Hall**. *If you can help set-up or donate light finger food snacks/drinks*, please let **Rene** know at **(714) 330-3765**.



➤ **SAT, DEC. 9th** at **10:00 am**: We are **SETTING-UP AND DECORATING** **Fr. Johnson Hall** for our double Christmas event the next day. **Please help if you can!!!!**



DEC. 10th: Begins with **BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS** after all A.M. Masses. Jacky Roza could use your support by coming at **7:30 am** to help heat or served food, *or* join her **right after your Mass of choice** to see if you are needed.

➤ **DEC. 10thSAME DAY at 3:00 pm**: Help is needed to **transform the Morning Event into our Evening Event**. Then we will serve a buffet meal, a **CHRISTMAS PARTY (6:00 pm)** for all parishioners **after the CHRISTMAS CONCERT**, which begins at **5:00 pm**. We will hopefully have all ministries donating side dishes or desserts and bring them to the Hall **4:00-5:00pm** to add to our main course of baked ham and lasagna. **Coordinating this party is Althea**, who will gladly accept help. Contact her at **(714) 658-9705**. 🙏 🙏

THEN.....

➤ After a **BUSY LONG DAY.... OUR WONDERFUL CAVALRY CLEAN-UP** will be called upon...to put the Hall back together again after the party... **PLEASE!!** 🙏 🙏

THANK YOU STEWARDS! May we all be grateful for the many blessings God has bestowed upon us and graciously enable us to give back to others 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).

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Mass for the soul of Alex Yaslik (RIP)

1st Sunday of Advent, December 3

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

9:00 am Mass for Mary Antosh & Family (L)

10:30 am Mass for the soul of Mario Ponce (RIP)

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

12:15 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting

Monday, December 4

8:00 am Mass for Danny & Diane Ponce (L)

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Tuesday, December 5

8:00 am Mass for Darren Enders (L)

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Wednesday, December 6

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Maria Hoang Nhan (RIP)

9:15 am Legion of Mary weekly meeting

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal

6:30 pm Lectionary Scripture Study Group in Hall

Thursday, December 7

8:00 am Mass for the Children of Rebecca Richter (L)

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

5:30 pm Vigil Mass for Lee & Corrine Combs (L)

Friday, December 8 - Office Closed

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Marie Burt (RIP)

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

12:10 pm Mass for the soul of Robin Rankin (RIP)

5:30 pm Mass for Judy Akiike (L)

***Fr. Zachary to begin Advent**

Reflection (Homily at Mass & continues afterwards in the Hall)

7:00 pm Latin Tridentine Mass for Linda Gilbert (L)

Saturday, December 9

7:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Packing Food Boxes

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Baby Hendrix Kunz (RIP)

10:30 am Wedding

3:00-4:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass for Ryan & Olga Wall (L)

2nd Sunday of Advent, December 10

Retirement Fund for Religious 2nd Collection

Breakfast with St. Nicholas (after morning Masses)

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Zeenat DeSa (RIP)

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

10:30 am Mass for Charli Aragón (L)

12:00 pm Mass for Mrs. Teri Mostero (L)

12:15 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting

5:00 pm Christmas Program in the Church & Reception afterwards in the Hall