



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 UPDATE

"We Did It!"

Dear Parishioners,

As of 2/15/2018, we are over our goal of \$900,000 for the Legacy Project. ***THIS IS INCREDIBLE!*** And this is from just 17.9% of our 672 registered families (*imagine what we could accomplish if 100% of the parish took part!*) I truly want to thank all of you who have participated. I have always felt we had very generous parishioners here, and this confirmed it. And although some of you may not have been able to participate financially, I am sure we've been a recipient of your prayers. *Thank you and may God bless you all!*

<u># of Pledges</u>	<u>Total Pledged</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>
(120)	\$466,881	\$291,717
+ money on hand:	<u>+450,000</u>	<u>+450,000</u>
Total Amount =	\$916,881	\$741,717

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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

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 - FRANCES LULU

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE - NINA MERLINO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - JON CLAYPOOL

LECTORS - MIKE BANNER

LEGION OF MARY - JOANNE PETERS

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

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

Extreme Christians

This Sunday's first reading is one of the descriptions of ideal apostolic life. Remember John's Gospel saying that God is love? Here we have Luke's version in Acts of that same principle. He begins with the community being one in heart and mind. They not only believed in the same Risen Lord, but their love for Him showed in their love for each other. They were not just a community or parish; they were one family.

Luke shows two ways the Christian communities began to change the world. First, they told anyone who would listen about the resurrection "with great power." (Acts 4:33) You can take that as power to do miracles, healings, etc. But it can also mean the power of conviction: They were so excited about Jesus' resurrection, that they couldn't stop talking about it. Their fervor was infectious. We could use some of that fervor today. Sometimes the only reason we don't do miracles ourselves is that we don't really believe we could. Maybe we need to remind ourselves that we aren't the ones doing the miracles -- God is. Remember how many times Jesus told people it was their faith that cured them? God can do miracles any time he wants. But we can't receive them if we don't have faith. Instead of trying to believe that you can do a miracle, try believing that God can do it for you.

The second way the disciples stood out was their willingness to give up anything for the Lord. Luke uses the example of selling their property to share with those in need. But some went even further, giving up their lives for the faith. That kind of witness says that the resurrection is real and they expect to take part in it. It also says that nothing can make them give up their faith. So what are you willing to give up for the Lord? It's easy to throw money in a collection for the poor. How about giving some time to feed the poor, or help build a home for someone? What can you give to help spread the faith--maybe the time to be a sponsor for a convert? The love you show to others could be their only experience of God's love.

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2018 PSA Update

Thank you to the **55 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 2018 Pastoral Services Appeal. As of today, we have received **pledges of \$53,320** with **\$39,565 of this already paid**. We are still hoping to meet our personal goal of \$75,000, so please, if you have not yet made your pledge, do so today by submitting your PSA Pledge Envelope at the regular collection during Mass, return it to the Parish Office, or mail it directly to the Orange Catholic Foundation. Again, thank you for your generous donations!



**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 April 30th**. All your donations will go towards helping women who have chosen life for their babies.

April - Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Diocese of Orange continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families. As we begin April, National Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Diocese wants to reiterate that it remains committed to helping survivors and their families heal and find peace. The Diocese of Orange has codes of conduct for all adults who work or volunteer around minors. Reading and following the code in all situations creates a culture of protection and keeps our children safer. www.rcbo.org/group/child-and-youth-protection.

2017 Tax Donation Letters

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation letter for your 2017 tax return, please contact the Parish Office (714-536-6913, ext. 112) with your name and Parish ID #, if known, to request one.

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 pm** 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**.

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Parish Faith Formation

CELEBRATE YOUR BAPTISM

Although Baptism can be conferred at any time, it has always had a special connection with Easter. Christ achieved our redemption by dying for us and rising from the dead — Good Friday and Holy Easter. He gave us the sacrament of Baptism to confer upon each of us His grace, His own eternal life, which came forth from the tomb — forever and for good.

Even though most of us were baptized years ago, we were still called upon in the Easter liturgy to recall and to renew our baptismal vows. We should try to meditate on the sacrament of Baptism much more often than only once a year, and it should include a meditation on our own Baptism. We have birthday parties to celebrate our birth, but the real birth we should be celebrating should be our spiritual birth. Baptism does wonders for us. It brings the living Christ into our persons for the first time. It effects these extremely important gifts in us, as the Catechism teaches:

- It frees us from original sin.
- It causes us to become children of God.
- It makes us heirs of Heaven.

We should try to remember our Baptism every day, frequently every day, so that we might live its splendid graces. If Baptism were pondered properly, it would be a powerful means for each of us to overcome temptation and sin.

St. Francis de Sales, as a boy, showed an apostolic zeal for souls. He had great influence over his classmates, both in play and in prayer. Sometimes he would lead them in the Parish Church. There he would arrange them in a circle around the baptismal font. Then he would say to them, *“Look, this is the place we should love the best of all! Here is where we were made children of God! Let us say together the Glory.”* The children would then all kneel down to say the prayer, then arise, kiss the baptismal font, and return to their games.

*-Catholic Quote.
Vol. 81, No. 4*



Congratulations!

We had a number of persons who received their sacraments at our **Easter Vigil Mass** on **Saturday, March 31, 2018**, and their names were posted in our weekly bulletin. We would like to add our congratulations to two additional young ladies who also received their sacrament of Confirmation that evening, but were not listed in the bulletin:

Hannah O’Steen Kate O’Steen

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Church will be open today (Sunday, April 8th) with **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** from **3-4 pm** for all who would like to participate in reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. On this Feast of Divine Mercy, complete pardon of sins will be granted to the souls that go to Confession and receive Holy Communion.

Malice of Scandal

While skating one day, a man fell through thin ice. Another man trying to help him was also ensnared by the treacherous ice. A third person went to their aid, but ultimately all three people drowned in the freezing waters.

In spiritual life, too, what starts out to be one man’s misfortune (sin) often turns out to be a calamity for many; the sin of one now is an occasion for the sin of many.

Therefore, St. Francis warns us, whether we are superiors or subjects, to take care not to be disturbed or angered over another’s sin or bad example. If someone becomes angry, we should be careful not to lose our temper also. If someone is uncharitable to us, we must carefully avoid falling into the same fault by seeking revenge. Remember, the Devil wants to spoil many through the sin of one. Satan would like to see us all drown in the lake of sin. Or to go back to the Gospel metaphor (Matt. 13:25), by sowing the weeds this enemy wishes to ruin the entire crop. Don’t further his plan by committing sin yourself. Instead, help the one who sinned in whatever way you can.

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Weekly Offering



Thank You For Your Generosity!

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

March 25, 2018

Altar Guild	\$40.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$265.00
Building Fund	\$143.88
Regular	\$7,605.70

April 1, 2018

Altar Guild	\$25.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$365.00
Building Fund	\$140.00
Specials	\$1,241.67
Holy Land.....	\$903.46
Regular	\$16,309.32

Please remember to use your envelopes.

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

Donors = (90)	Pledged = \$221,346
Paid = \$145,170.17	Rebates = \$42,407 (as of 6/1/17)

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Aurora Aragón	Sara Fenoglio	Steven Myrter
Humberto Aragón	Al Griego	Gloria Pagenkopp
Bette Barilla	Nathan Hamby	Joanne Peters
Cary Benoit	David Harris	Jackie Pinault
Colleen Campbell	Rusty Hawley	Jim Pisani
Earline Campbell	Paul Hayes	Debbie Ransom
Peggy Carrasco	Diane Hoxsie	Susan Rocio
Rodrigo Castro	Shelly Jones	Toni Sharp
Samuel Chavez	Roger Kunsaitis	Nate Sheffield
George Christa	Angie Lewis	Elfriede Shipman
Mary Crosby	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Flora Simpson
Jim Crowley	Doris McDonald	Bob Spellmire
Dan Derieg	Patricia McKenzie	Dan Stenglein
Helen Donnelly	Nina Merlino	Linda Stickles
Charlie Erpenbeck	Lucy Mira	Mary Trout
Ann Erwin	Nathan Mora	Andrea Wall
Glen Evans	Jane Moran	George Zin

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces



Stewardship Corner

LOYAL STEWARDS:

We haven't had a monthly meeting in a couple months so it's time we meet again on **Friday, April 20th** for an hour at **7pm**. If you'd like to join us in a **pre-meeting potluck**, we'll start that at **6:00pm** in **Father Johnson Hall**.

NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!

*We had **four new sign-ups** at the Ministry Fair, and we hope to see them, too.*

➤ Here's a couple of **SAVE-THE-DATES** for fun volunteering opportunities with donating to raffle prizes, foods, teas, help setting up, serving and cleaning up at our **LADIES TEA: Set-up May 18th at 10:00am. Help with the Tea - May 19th. A COMMITTEE IS FORMING NOW.** If you'd like to help **Mary Lohuis** with this, please contact her at **(714) 585-2243**, or see her at the Stewardship Committee meeting. She'll meet with her committee in the next few weeks.



➤ **Any questions** about the Stewardship Committee *or* if there are **NEW MEMBERS** who'd like to be added to our volunteering information email list, **please contact iRene** at **(714) 330-3765**.

May the good Lord 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).

April 8, 2018

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Mass for the soul of Deacon Bill Schlater (RIP)

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8

7:30 am Mass for the souls of Servillano & Pilar Merle (RIP)

9:00 am Mass for Pat Lawrence (L)

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

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

12:00 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting

Monday, April 9

8:00 am Mass for Sean Lopez (L)

10:30 am Staff Meeting

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Tuesday, April 10

8:00 am Mass for Kelly Flathers (L)

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Wednesday, April 11

8:00 am Mass for David & Kathleen Hawley (L)

9:15 am Legion of Mary weekly meeting

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

6:30 pm Lectionary Scripture Study Group in Hall

Thursday, April 12

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Frank Gillet (RIP)

1:00 pm Weekly Adoration

3:00 -7:30 pm Blessed Sacrament Exposed

7:30 pm Benediction

Friday, April 13

8:00 am Mass for John-Thomas Clark (L)

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

1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Saturday, April 14

8:00 am Mass for Richard Nye (L)

10am-2pm Legion of Mary Acies Mass & meeting afterwards in Hall

1:45 pm Wedding Rehearsal

3:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass for the soul of Deacon Bill Schlater (RIP)

Sunday, April 15

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Leona Schonder (RIP)

9:00 am Mass for Gerard Lieblang (L)

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

12:00 pm Latin Mass for Diane Miller (L)

12:00 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting