

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



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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: **87**

Total Pledged: **\$65,046** Total Paid: **\$54,807**

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 – 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

WEDDING COORDINATOR – GINNY ARAGÓN

WELCOME MINISTRY – AL GRIEGO

Mission Statement

Jesus comes "to serve, not to be served" (Mt. 20:28)

St. Mary's by the Sea is a Catholic/Christian community of faith, hope, tradition and love, journeying together in the spirit of hospitality, stewardship, respect, unity and charity, welcoming and serving all brothers and sisters in Christ, under the mantle of Our Lady.

Reflections of the Week

To some people in society today, religion, especially Catholicism is a fairy tale. It is fine for children to believe, but nobody takes it serious after doing their own research. One might even be so bold as to say that even some of our leaders buy this narrative more than they should There's nothing special about Christianity, it's just a nice tale that should inspire us to do good in the world.

To counter this strong temptation, the Church institutes certain feast days to remind us why we believe. The solemnity of the Transfiguration is one of these days. Today we celebrate not a fable, but a real event in history. Not only did Christ walk this earth, but on the mountain revealed His true dignity to his inner circle within the twelve. He did this to show His apostles not only who He was, but to prepare them for what was to come. Once they came down from that mountain, they would see the Son of Man die, and they would be scattered to the corners of the world, cut off from their friends and loved ones, and likely dying a martyr's death. If you're going to sign up for that, you're going to want a reason. Christ showed them that He was God, and the fulfillment of both the law and the prophets.

In today's Epistle, Peter makes this point by telling them that Christ really did appear transfigured before John, James, and himself. If they trusted that He was from God, they had to trust that he wasn't lying. If you believed him about the Transfiguration, then you had to believe everything else. What's tougher to believe? That God can become man and transfigure himself on a mountain, communing with Elijah and Moses, or that God can forgive any sinner of their sins, and bring them to everlasting life? Which sounds like the harder feat?

Another effect of the Transfiguration is that when they encountered Christ transfigured, any doubt in their minds as to His identity was revealed. The light of Christ enlightened their paths. The Introit picks up on this theme, telling us that God "enlightens the world." When something is enlightened, you can see it better. With so much that doesn't seem to make sense in this world to even the brightest of minds, Catholicism makes a bold claim when she says that the Gospel allows you to perceive things as they really are. Yet that claim is true because we have the witness of those men who Christ appeared transfigured to.

Anything in the world that is true or good points to Christ. While man may have corrupted some of that truth, that truth still points to Christ and only Christ. We need to announce that message to the world. Unfortunately, that is a message that we have difficulty preaching today. While we profess a belief in the Transfiguration, we don't profess much of a belief in the Gospel message. Sure, we say "I believe" every Sunday at Mass, but do we? How often are we Catholics out there sharing the Gospel in our everyday lives? If we aren't following and sharing the Gospel with our every breath, then we might as well be believing a fairy tale.

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Parish Family Picnic - August 19th

From **11am-2:00pm** at **LAKE STREET PARK** under the shade from the big, white, tent.

►FAMILIES with last names beginning with:

A-P..... Please bring an appetizer, side dish, salad or veggie dish to share

Q-Z..... Please bring a dessert

(There is limited storage for food refrigeration, so please bring your salads and desserts in coolers to keep chilled.)

So far, we have only a few sponsors: for drinks, buns, sauerkraut, sliced lettuce, tomatoes, and onions, and potato salad confirmed. Please help us coordinate the meal... See flyer for details. ☺

For **coordination of dishes**, or **any questions**, or **volunteering opportunities**, please contact **iRene** at **(714) 330-3765**.

To **SPONSOR**, contact the **Church Office staff** at **(714) 536-6913, x-112**.

Thank you and we look forward to another wonderful day together. Don't forget to wear your blue Church logo t-shirts!! ♥

Women's Retreat - September 15-17

Ladies, there are 34 unfilled beds at **Sacred Heart Retreat House** for our **September 15-17 retreat**. If you have never been on a retreat with us, some scholarship funds have become available. Please call **Ann** at **(714) 856-0997 ASAP** if you are interested. We usually carpool. Weekend **begins Friday evening at 5:00 pm** with dinner, and **ends Sunday morning after Mass at 11:00 am**. Do not miss the opportunity to spend some quiet time with the Lord who is inviting you.



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**.

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Parish Faith Formation

This week, we continue with “*Ten Ways to Fall in Love with the Eucharist*” by Fr. Ed Broom, OMV.

6. HOLY HOUR. Get into the habit of making a Holy Hour in front of the most Blessed Sacrament. It will transform your life if you persevere in the practice

7. ADORN & EMBELLISH CHURCHES. The woman stood behind Jesus at his feet weeping, then bathed his feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, kissed them, and anointed them with ointment (Lk. 7:36-50). This is symbolic of the gestures of love and attention we should manifest in the way we adorn, embellish and beautify the Churches and tabernacles where Jesus abides.

8. HOLY MASS & HOLY COMMUNION. Of course the greatest action in the whole universe is the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Whenever possible, go to daily Mass. Arrive early to prepare yourself. Offer your own private intentions. Participate in Holy Mass fully, actively and consciously. Receive Holy Communion as if it were your first Holy Communion, last Holy Communion and only Holy Communion. Render abundant thanks to Jesus for such a sublime gift.

9. A.C.T.S. Remember the four principal ends or purpose of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass—**A.C.T.S.:**

“**A**” - **Adoration.** “**C**” - **Contrition.**
 “**T**” - **Thanksgiving.** “**S**” - **Supplication**
 (offering prayers of intercession and petitions for the many needs of the world).

10. EUCHARISTIC MISSIONARY. As Mary received Jesus in the Annunciation and promptly and quickly brought Jesus to her cousin Elizabeth, so should we bring Jesus to others, and others to Jesus. This can be done in a very concrete manner by encouraging Catholic lost sheep wandering in the wilderness back to the fold. The second largest religious group in the United States are non-practicing Catholics.

Find the time, manner, effort and initiative to invite some lost soul back to Church. Hopefully he or she can make a good confession and return to the reception of Holy Communion and to the loving embrace of God the Father. All this might take place if you simply trust God and take the initiative to welcome them back! God is so loving and good! So go out - share the Good News to the entire world!

-Adapted from Fr. Ed Broom, OMV.

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Msgr. Peter Tien	Deacon Glenn Erwin	Steven Myrter
Nguyen	Glen Evans	Teresa Myrter
Aurora Aragón	Frank Gillet	Rachel Nguyen
Humberto Aragón	Al Griego	Joanne Peters
Bette Barilla	Virginia Harris	Jim Pisani
Colleen Campbell	Paul Hayes	Debbie Ransom
Earline Campbell	Jane Hilton	Kirsten Reis
Peggy Carrasco	Diane Hoxsie	Arthur Richter
Frank Cartwright	Shelly Jones	Joe Rivera
Rodrigo Castro	Blanca Kilpatrick	Susan Rocio
Samuel Chavez	Roger Kunsaitis	Elfriede Shipman
George Christa	Rod Lightner	Flora Simpson
Mary Crosby	Mary Lohuis	Dan Stenglein
Jim Crowley	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Linda Stuckles
Fr. Thomas Ha Do	Jean Markham	Mary Tripoli
Bryan Donnelly	Patricia McKenzie	Mary Trout
Helen Donnelly	Lucy Mira	Andrea Wall
Charlie Erpenbeck	Nathan Mora	George Zin
Ann Erwin	Jane Moran	

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces

Baby Hendrix Kunze

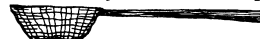
Sunday Lectionary Scripture Study

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 deacontomc@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. The website for the related Scripture passages commentaries can be found at www.agapebiblestudy.com.

Weekly Offering



Thank You For Your Generosity!

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

July 30, 2017

Altar Guild	\$40.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$186.00
Building Fund	\$45.00
Specials.....	\$1,430.00
EFT & Credit Cards.....	\$430.00
Regular	\$4,370.50

Please remember to use your envelopes.

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

Donors = (90)

Pledged = \$221,346

Paid = \$145,170.17

Rebates = \$45,875 (as of 6/1/17)

To all past and present active Stewards:

Please plan to attend our next **Stewardship Meeting** on **Aug. 11th** at **7:00 pm**. We need your input, ideas, and opinions! Here's a couple of concerns:

1. Monthly Meeting attendance has lessened and we want to hear from you how to bring you back (?) Join us beforehand if you'd like for a **Potluck Dinner at 6:00 pm**.
2. Without Stewards attending our meeting, it's very intimidating to run an event of just FAITH... and "hope" that it will work out with confirmation of all the necessary help. *(No one is taken for granted that they will do or donate what they've done in the past unless said so, please.)*
2. ☺**AND**.... If you bring someone NEW to our meeting, you'll get a prize ☺

➤Here's the latest on our **PARISH PICNIC** at Lake Street Park, **Aug. 19th**, from **11:00-2:00**:

Should be a great day! Lots of "Opportunity Prizes" are coming in. We plan to **set-up and decorate at 10am**, and **clean-up at 2:00 pm**, if anyone can help. See the flyer for more details. ☺

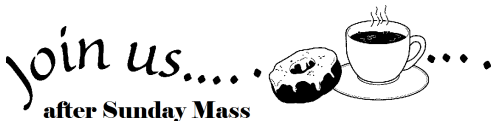
We don't have another event until the end of October, our popular **OKTOBERFEST**... we'll plan that at our Sept. meeting.

Please Lord, watch over us, guide us and give comfort to those of us who are in need of your mercy and love. 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).



Catholic Resources

We would like to remind everyone of the circular rack at the back of the Church with various pamphlets in it that you can take home. Another resource is our Lending Library available to all located in Fr. Johnson Hall. It contains many Catholic approved books. And lastly, we invite you to visit our website at www.StMarysByTheSea.net, as well as our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/StMarysByTheSeaCatholicChurch.

August 6, 2017

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Mass for the soul of Mary Lefebvre (RIP)

Sunday, August 6

7:30 am Mass for Mary Griffith (L)
9:00 am Mass for Antoinette Sharp (L)
10:30 am Mass for the souls of Alex Yaslik & Stanley
& Josephine Grosso (RIP)
12:00 pm Mass for the People of the Parish (L)
12:15 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting

Monday, August 7

8:00 am Mass for the soul of David S. Gill (RIP)
10:30 am Staff Meeting
1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Tuesday, August 8

8:00 am Mass for the souls of John & Pat Sullivan (RIP)
1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration

Wednesday, August 9

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Franz Louie Veer (RIP)
9:15 am Legion of Mary weekly meeting
1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration
6:30 pm Lectionary Scripture Study Group

Thursday, August 10

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Joseph Vo (RIP)
1:00 pm Weekly Adoration
3:00-7:30 pm Blessed Sacrament Exposed
6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Officer's meeting
7:30 pm Benediction

Friday, August 11

8:00 am Mass for Rhiannon Maria Nottke (L)
9:00 am Cenacles of Life (in the Church)
1:00-4:30 pm Weekly Adoration
5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal
6:00 pm Stewardship Committee Potluck &
Meeting

Saturday, August 12

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Maria Le (RIP)
10:00 am Pastoral Council meeting
1:30 pm Wedding
3:00-4:30 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Mass for the People of the Parish (L)

Sunday, August 13

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Mary Hebbing (RIP)
9:00 am Mass for the soul of Scott C. Campbell (RIP)
10:30 am Mass for the soul of Lillian Garcia Torres (RIP)
12:00 pm Mass for John-Thomas Clark (L)
12:15 pm Legion of Mary weekly meeting