

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



FEBRUARY 17TH

MASS SCHEDULE

8:00 AM, 12:10 PM,
& 5:30 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

➤ EVERY FRIDAY AT 8:30 AM

*(Please read inside Bulletin for Rules
and Regulations during Lent.)*

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*(Notice: The Office is open from Monday through Thursday, 9am-12pm & 1-5pm.
Please note that we will be closed on Fridays until further notice.)*

TEMPORARY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS (Mon.-Sat.): 8:00 am

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

7:30, 9:00 am & 10:30 am English

12:00 pm Latin Low Mass

4:30 pm English

ADORATION & BENEDICTION:

Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm &
Every 1st Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

*** CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 pm



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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings from Leviticus and from the Gospel of Mark today speak of healing and hope. Leviticus outlines procedures to prevent the spread of leprosy, a skin disease understood to be a great danger to the community. Those with the disease were isolated and ritually impure. Absent some cure from God, they were considered beyond hope. Their lives were like a living death, and likely they saw no future hope in their lives. Jesus' healing of a leper was thus a profound sign of the promised reign of God, which Jesus had earlier announced. The healing was like raising the leper up from death, and thus a hint of Jesus' resurrection. Where are there "lepers" today, those isolated or outcast from our communities? Who are those our society considers beyond hope, or deems not worth the trouble to offer hope? How can we imitate Jesus in offering a healing touch to them?

The Gospel today concludes the first chapter of Mark, which traces the rapid expansion of Jesus' ministry. Excitement about Jesus grows so much that he can't enter a town without being besieged. His healing of a leper results in a reversal: the leper, who had been isolated from the community, is now free to speak with everyone. Jesus, who before could speak freely, now must isolate himself from the crowds. By serving others, Jesus lost some control over his ministry. This is the first hint of what happens later in Mark. Jesus' displays of power—over illness, over evil spirits, over nature—eventually lead him to the "powerlessness" of the cross. The experience of Jesus guides us in our own efforts to be of service. Surrendering control is often very difficult. To be a servant is to engage with others, where frequently we lose some control over our freedoms, time, and energies. Often there is a cross or two to bear. As Jesus let go of control in his life, he also placed his trust in his Father. He invites us to do the same.

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A Same and Different Ash Wed. in 2021

We have had a year filled with different ways of living and praying. There are fewer people in our "outdoor church." No singing. Communion mostly in the hand. No coffee and doughnuts on the way home. Yet we still pray. Instead of giving ashes as a cross on the forehead — unsafe in this Covid time — we can still receive them by sprinkling on the top of the head (permitted by our ritual rules).

We will look a little cleaner. We can still enter into Lent with a repentant heart and believe in the Gospel. We will still bear ashes home to begin our Lenten practices. **Come to Ash Wednesday, on Feb. 17.** Masses will be at **8:00 am, 12:10 pm** and **5:30 pm**.

Get Involved!

The Mini-Ministry Fair



*This Weekend after
all the Masses*

What is a ministry and what is a Ministry Fair? A ministry is an organization made up of fellow parishioners who volunteer their skills and talents, and love to do something for the Church; it's people and community. Today's Ministry Fair is an opportunity to see, meet and learn about our different volunteer groups and what they do here at St. Mary's by the Sea, out of gratitude to give back to God what He has given to us. Please consider the gift that God gave you, and make it a point to stop by our Ministry Fair.

Parish Ministries

ADORATION & DEVOTION – THE LIEBLANG FAMILY

www.StMarysAdoration.blogspot.com

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE – NINA MERLINO & SUSAN SIZLO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS – MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – JIM RAHM

LECTORS – MIKE BANNER

LEGION OF MARY – JOANNE PETERS

OUR LADY'S COMFORTERS – MARY BANNER

PRO-LIFE – JACKY ROZA

FAITH FORMATION – SISTER CATHERINE NGUYEN

(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

WELCOME MINISTRY – AL GRIEGO & SHARON TRAN



Mark Your Calendars for Marriage Night

This World Marriage Sunday (February 14), we invite all married couples in our parish to set aside time to rediscover their spouse by holding a date night in! Relax, have fun, and enjoy each other's company at home with a planned fun date, including a recipe and fun activities to do together! Your marriage is not only a gift to each other, it is a gift to our parish. Thank you for being a witness of God's love! Get your Date-Night-In kit at www.rcbo.org/marriage.

Office of Faith Formation Corner

LENTEN PRAYER LOG – All children in our Parish Faith Formation Program are invited to be with Jesus in a special way this Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday. Every gesture of love and sacrifice will surely strengthen our relationship with our Lord and our commitment to be like Him—in sickness and in health—always and forever. Parents, please be on lookout for the Lenten handout next week when your child returns to class.



RCIA RITE OF ELECTION – We are blessed to have Keri Johnson and Ken Smith in our RCIA program. They appreciate everyone's love, support, and prayers as they prepare for their Rite of Election next Sunday, Feb. 21, at the 9am Mass. On this day, they will officially be enrolled as Candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation and of the Rite of Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil, April 3, at 8pm.



PRAYING WITH COLORS – At a recent meeting with the First Holy Communion catechists, we began prayer by reflecting on a designated color. One catechist received yellow. She thought immediately of the highlighter that she often uses. It reminded her how she puts an effort in highlighting her special moments with God throughout her day. Another catechist reflected on the color red. It brought to mind the images of blood, heart, and fire—how important it was for her to love God and let it blossom in prayer.

We invite our Parish family to keep our nine First Holy Communion students in your heart and prayers as they prepare to encounter Jesus Christ in a special way at their retreat on March 6.

Lenten Regulations

1. It is to be noted first of all that it is by Divine Law that the faithful are bound to do penance and, as a specification of this obligation by the Church, some form of mortification by those 14 years of age and older is to be observed on all Fridays throughout the year. This obligation is itself a serious one.
2. Everyone 14 years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent.
3. Everyone who is at least 18 years of age and not yet 60 is bound also to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
 - a. On these two days of fast, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals on these days is not permitted, but liquids are allowed.
 - b. Where health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Pay Asjar	Eric Esquivel	Mary Peduzzi
Sarah Asjar	Al Griego	Diane Pham
Mike Banner	Chin Ha	Derek Pham
Bette Barilla	Julia Hamby	Ray Quinn
Bonnie Barilla	Nathan Hamby	Debbie Ransom
Angela Bennett	David Harris	Irene Rinehimer
Teresa Braga	Paul Hayes	Susan Rocio
Hugh Cahill	Larry B. Henry	Colleen Rowe
Colleen Campbell	Diane Hoxsie	Mark Scally
Earline Campbell	Paula Keating	Hilda Shipman
Peggy Carrasco	Marilyn Kefalas	Barry Robert Snyder
Marciano Ceballos	Roger Kunsaitis	Bob Spellmire
George Christa	Ernest Landell	Dan Stenglein
Rosemarie Clouse	Nam Le	Mary Teaze
Ann Costello	Larry Lewis	Bernadette Vanderhorst
Johnny Costello	Regina Lewis' Family	Andrea Wall
Dan Derieg	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Britt Wilson
Vicky Derieg	Doris McDonald	Maria Zelaya
Bryan Donnelly	Nina Merlino	
Helen Donnelly	Rosalie Ocanas	

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces

Weekly Collections

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

February 7, 2021

Building Fund	\$500.00
Specials	\$42.00
Regular	\$6,056.00

Thank you so very much for supporting your Church during these difficult times. God Bless you all!



2020 Tax Donation Letters

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation letter for your 2020 tax return, please contact the Parish Office (714-536-6913, ext. 112) with your name and Parish ID #, if known, to request one.



Stewardship Corner

LOYAL STEWARDS:

How great is it to be back inside our beautiful Church again? Remember how we sanitized pews after Masses? (Please help to do this again after YOUR Mass.) And at such an exciting time of year to be inside, with Lent starting this week.

➤ **TODAY** is an actual **event**, although no food will be served, we will still have a **MINI-MINISTRY FAIR** after **ALL MASSES** this year. Stop by and help man a table or two if you can. We're answering questions and allowing people to sign up and join a ministry. (All the Covid protocols will be observed, of course.) If you attend the Sun. evening Mass, please stay a few minutes longer and help us take down the sign-up tables.

➤ Still hoping for your personal experiences to share (without using names), about God's answers to your prayerful requests. You can email it to Rene: isclavpool@gmail.com and read them right here in the Stewardship Corner starting next weekend, *please*.

➤ Our **PRAYER WARRIORS** have been greatly challenged this past week with very serious requests, and we need to add a rosary to our prayers if you would, for those recent requests! No updates have been received so please **KEEP praying**.

➤ All are welcome to join other prayerful people at **ADORATION** inside the Church every Thursday, 9-3pm, and we **STEWARDS** are asked to fill in the **1:00-2:00 pm** time slot. Hope to see more Stewards together there.

*Dear Lord, we are truly blessed to be back inside our Church together again. Let us give you praise with great appreciation, always.
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 Gregorio Muñoz (RIP)
MARDI GRAS MINI-MINISTRY FAIR

Sunday, February 14

Valentine's Day & World Marriage Day

MARDI GRAS MINI-MINISTRY FAIR

7:30 am Mass for Tim and Debbie Ransom (L)
9:00 am Mass for Ruby Friendt (L)
10:30 am Mass for the People of the Parish - Living
and Deceased
12:00 pm Latin Mass for Rosalie Ocanas (L)
4:30 pm Mass for Richard & Mary Ann Hoefler (L)

Monday, February 15

President's Day—Office Closed

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Catherine Quoi
Nguyen (RIP)

Tuesday, February 16

8:00 am Mass for Gail Hirayama (L)

Ash Wednesday, February 17

8:00 am Mass for Gordon Shigezawa (L)
12:10 pm Mass for the People of the Parish - Living
and Deceased
5:30 pm Mass for the People of the Parish - Living
and Deceased

Thursday, February 18

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Joseph Dang Khoa
Huynh (RIP)
9am-3pm Adoration & Benediction

Friday, February 19

8:00 am Mass for the souls of all persons who have
died from Covid-19 (RIP)
8:30 am Stations of the Cross
9:00 am Cenacles of Life

Saturday, February 20

*PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSIONS AT 3PM

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Felix Souza Faria (RIP)
9:30 am Catechist & RCIA Retreat at Mt. Holy
Cross (til 5pm)
5:00 pm Mass for the People of the Parish - Living
and Deceased

1st Sunday of Lent, February 21

7:30 am Mass for the soul of William Feeney (RIP)
9:00 am Mass for our Candidate and Catechumen
who are preparing for their Sacraments
[Rite of Election]
10:30 am Mass for Laurie Shebs (L)
12:00 pm Latin Mass for Rachel Ballin Espino-Nottke (L)
1:30 pm Baptism
4:30 pm Mass for Dolores Garcia (L)