

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Parish Ministries

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The Office is open from Monday through Thursday, 9am-12pm & 1-5pm.

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 High Mass

ADORATION & BENEDICTION:

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

PERSONAL PRAYER

Mon.-Thurs. 1:30-4:30 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

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our readings this Sunday describe God's work of liberation for those who are vulnerable. Isaiah portrays the coming of God in terms of the healing of the blind, the deaf, and the lame. James notes that God chooses the poor to be rich in faith. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus heals a deaf person who has a speech impediment. The readings remind us of the acute struggles of the disabled, the excluded, and the poor. In the last year and a half, the pandemic has reminded us that we are all vulnerable, that illness and death are near us always. Today we hear that God's presence is revealed when God lifts us up, and when we join God to lift each other up. Our care for others, especially those in greatest need, can be our grateful response to God's healing of us in our own vulnerability.

Blessing for All

The story of the deaf man related in today's Gospel is one of several descriptions of extraordinary healings in this part of Mark's Gospel. Mark leads readers to understand that in Jesus, God is fulfilling the divine promises prophesied by Isaiah: "the ears of the deaf (will) be cleared . . . the tongue of the mute will sing." When the deaf can hear and the mute can sing, this sign of the coming of God means that the gifts of sight and hearing are now available, not only for the individuals involved, but for their families and the whole community around them.

There is a "ripple effect" of blessing extending well beyond individual healing. Those isolated by deafness and speech impediments could now fully participate in common life. With their inclusion, the community itself receives healing. In the Gospels, salvation is always inclusive and wholistic. God brings blessing to one small part of creation, so to extend blessing to all of creation.

Both Love and Critique

For those who first heard today's passage from the letter of James, it probably struck a nerve. James challenged the local church's treatment of the poor as compared to the rich. It might strike a nerve for us too, because we live in a society where the wealthy are very much privileged, and the honoring of wealth is deeply ingrained in our cultural value system. James warns the church not to imitate the class distinctions made in the broader society. The Gospel proclaims that we are all equally God's children.

The church typically lives in a particular place and within a dominant culture. The church is always called upon to reflect upon its faithfulness to the Gospel, discerning whether it absorbs cultural values and attitudes that conflict with the Gospel. The church is called to love and nourish the culture, and at the same time to speak in critique of its idolatries. These challenges continue in our own parish communities, here and now.

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RCIA Program for Adults

St. Mary's by the Sea will offer classes for adults who would like to become a practicing Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. This program is also for Catholics who have not completed their Confirmation. You can come and prepare to receive this Sacrament in one year. And of course, all Catholics are also welcome to join us as a refresher course. Classes are held on **Mondays**, from **7:00-8:15 pm**, beginning the last week of September through Easter.

To register online, go to www.stmarysbythesea.net (scroll down and on the right side of the page, click the link "RCIA Registration for 2021-22")

Faith Formation Program for Children

1ST COMMUNION: *Students at least 6 yrs. and will make their 1st Holy communion in 2023. (A 2 year program)*

POST-COMMUNION: *Students who completed First Communion and are not in High School*

CONFIRMATION:

Year 1: High School Students who received Baptism, Reconciliation, and First Communion

➤ **Parent & Student meeting on Sept. 21 or 22, 2021**

➤ **All classes begin the week of Sept. 27 or 28, 2021**

REGISTRATION FORMS ON OUR WEBSITE & IN THE OFFICE.

PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT ACCEPT STUDENTS WHOSE FAMILIES ARE NOT REGISTERED PARISHIONERS.

NOTICE: THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 10TH, OR WHEN MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT HAS BEEN REACHED.

Thank You Volunteers!

I would like to thank the Stewardship Committee and all the parishioners who so generously volunteered their time to help with the Parish Picnic and the Rummage Sale. You are all the backbone of each and every event, and we could not do this without your hard work. A special thank you to Irene Claypool, Jacky Roza, and Mary Gill for leading these two events. Both were an outstanding success, with the Rummage Sale netting us a profit of \$5,389 (not counting a few more collectible items we have yet to sell).

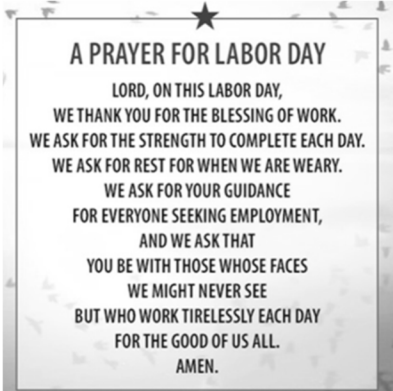
Being a volunteer can be a demanding job, so once again, I thank you for contributing so much of your time and effort to it. You all did an excellent job and are so appreciated! May the Lord bless you and your families always.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Quang Chu
Pastor

Office of Faith Formation Corner

LABOR AGENT EXCELLENCE

Often we do not think of God as being one who labors on our behalf, much less imagine him doing so with joy! The book of Genesis tells us that God is intimately involved in creating all things with his word, and when it comes to our first parents, he touches and breathes on them: the eternal breath, the same breath that has existed for all eternity, enters and takes residence in the human soul.



The Spiritual Exercises, a path to holiness formulated by St. Ignatius of Loyola, has a section devoted to the meditation of *God laboring on our behalf*. Have you heard of those who claim to lose weight after a week or month long Ignatian retreat? It is true though—the deliberate *exercise* of the mind, heart, and physical discipline directs a soul towards *seeing God in all things* (Spiritual Exercises, 236). As Christians, we follow the *Labor Agent Excellence*, whose divine labor creates and sustains the universe, and our laborious collaboration in God’s plan brings about fruit for the kingdom, fulfills our destiny, and thus makes us holy people of God.

The self-giving God works within the universe, within human hearts and lives, giving men and women the strength to give of themselves. For Ignatius, as for St. Paul, the God who was in Christ reconciling the world now entrusts to us the work of reconciliation (2 Cor 5:19). The God who became incarnate continues to “help souls”—to heal the sick, forgive sins, and feed people who are hungry—but, as before, with human hands.

—Excerpted from *Ignatian Humanism* by Ronald Modras

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

- ♦First Communion – Monday, 3:30pm-4:30pm, Year 1
- ♦Post-Communion – Tuesday, 5:00-6:00pm
- ♦Confirmation – Monday 5:15pm-6:30pm
- ♦RCIA & Adult Confirmation- Monday 7-8:15pm

We look forward to seeing you in the Fall!

Please contact emailsisterc@yahoo.com

Don’t forget to LABOR and reach out to others so their joy of discipleship may be more expressive and authentic in concrete actions.

*Did not God choose those who are poor
in the world to be rich in faith and heirs
to the kingdom?*

-James 2:5

September 11 - 20th Anniversary Mass

We will have a 20 year Anniversary Memorial Mass on **September 11th at 8:00 am**. We recall the devastation of that day twenty years ago and will bring before God our hopes, prayers, and concerns. We pray for the victims and their families, and honor the selflessness of firefighters, police, chaplains, and other brave individuals who gave their lives in the service of others. We pray for our president and national leaders; postal, health care and relief workers; and for military men and women. We pray for an end to terror and violence.

Please join us on this momentous day as we listen to the living word and ask the God of peace to bring peace to this world.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)

WWME is a weekend for married Christian couples who desire a richer, fuller life together. The emphasis is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and the tensions of everyday life to concentrate on each other.

Orange County WWME is hosting two upcoming in-person experiences at **St. Thomas More in Irvine on Sept. 18 & 19** and **Nov. 6 & 7**.

To register, please visit OCWWME.org or contact **John and Maggie Lee** at (714) 873-5136.

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Pay Asjar	Beck Fearnley	Thomas Nester
Sarah Asjar	Juanita Gillen	Maria H. Nguyen
Mike Banner	James Gould	Rosalie Ocanas
Bette Barilla	Al Griego	Mary Peduzzi
Bonnie Barilla	Marilyn Gulino	Diane Pham
Angela Bennett	Chin Ha	Derek Pham
Teresa Braga	Nathan Hamby	Pat Quintana
Lynn Briggs	Chloe Hammarstrom	Debbie Ransom
Colleen Campbell	David Harris	Irene Rinehimer
Earline Campbell	Virginia Harris	Susan Rocio
Peggy Carrasco	Paul Hayes	Colleen Rowe
George Christa	Larry B. Henry	Julie Sanchez
Rosemarie Clouse	Diane Hoxsie	Mark Scally
Stacey Coburn	Paula Keating	Hilda Shipman
Ann Costello	Marilyn Kefalas	Barry Robert Snyder
Johnny Costello	Jake Kemeny	Bob Spellmire
Linda Coyne	Roger Kunsaitis	Mary Teaze
Dan Derieg	Ernest Landell	Bernadette Vanderhorst
Vicky Derieg	Nam Le	Leann Vanderhorst
Bryan Donnelly	Larry Lewis	Andrea Wall
Helen Donnelly	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Nancy Yaslik
Ann Erwin	Nina Merlino	Maria Zelaya

Those in the Armed Forces

Jonathan Caico, Jean Pendergrass



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

August 29, 2021

St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$50.00
Building Fund	\$30.00
Specials	\$4,849.00
Regular Collection	\$5,905.42

Thank you very much for supporting your Church!

From the Office of the Bishop

Bishop Kevin Vann invites you to join him alongside his brother bishops in California, disabilities rights groups and a diverse coalition of community members in opposing Senate Bill 380. SB 380 is a California bill that aims to expand access to assisted suicide. It would expand threats to patient safety and incentivize the wrong responses to patient care during serious illness or at life's end.

Please **contact your assembly member today** and urge him or her to vote **NO on SB 380** by going to: www.votervoicenet/PRAF/campaigns/85854/respond.



CONGRATULATIONS STEWARDS

who contributed to this years Rummage Sale!

We exceeded our goal of \$5,000.00! The quality of donated boutique items and clothes reflected these amazing results, as well as the salesmanship and friendly assistance to our shoppers.... Thank you to all who brought in such wonderful things that people were interested in buying! This huge job was done by only a few people this year compared to previous attendance throughout the collection and two day sale event. What these few accomplished was amazing, but too much burden was forced on them for all the heavy lifting, and carrying things from place to place in all that sun after working all day and week. Please consider re-joining the committee when help is needed for setting up and tearing down events, especially, Stewards. +

➤ We also need to better our attendance with our weekly scheduled hour of **ADORATION** every **THURSDAY** and **FIRST FRIDAYS** from **1:00-2:00pm**.

➤ **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETINGS** will resume this fall so mark your calendars starting **October 13th** and for the **SECOND WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH** at **6:00pm** in **Fr. Johnson Hall**. We would love to hear your suggestions and ideas on how to increase our committee's involvement in upcoming events.

➤ **PRAYER WARRIORS** have made a huge impact on our parish and families. Thank you angels 🙏.

Lord, please bless all who work together using their God given time and talents in your name, to do your will here, at SMBTS. 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 Rosalie Yracheta (RIP)*

Sunday, September 5

7:30 am *Mass for the People of the Parish - Living and Deceased*

9:00 am *Mass for the soul of Emma Fe Joaquin (RIP)*

10:30 am *Mass for Daniel & Katie Ann Sheehan (L)*

12:00 pm *Latin Mass for the soul of Jacqueline Smith (RIP)*

12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

Monday, September 6

8:00 am *Mass for Kelly Flathers (L)*

Tuesday, September 7

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Linda Gilbert (RIP)*

Wednesday, September 8

8:00 am *Mass for Ellen Myer (L)*

9:30 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

Thursday, September 9

8:00 am *Mass for Mark & Stacey Lohuis (L)*

9am-3pm Adoration & Benediction

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus meeting in Hall

Friday, September 10

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

9:00 am *Cenacles of Life*

Saturday, September 11

8:00 am *20th Anniversary Memorial Mass for victims of 9/11*

10:30 am Pastoral Council meeting

3:00 pm Confessions (only until 4:00 pm)

5:00 pm *Mass for the People of the Parish - Living and Deceased*

Sunday, September 12

7:30 am *Mass for the souls of Maria & Joseph Vang Pham (RIP)*

9:00 am *Mass for the soul of Gerald D. Clark (RIP)*

10:30 am *Mass for Peace in the World*

12:00 pm *Latin Mass for Richard Nelson (L)*

12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.