# ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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#### **Parish Ministries**

ADORATION & DEVOTION - THE LIEBLANG FAMILY www.StMarysAdoration.blogspot.com

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE - SUSAN SIZLO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - BRYAN DONNELLY

LECTORS - MIKE BANNER

**LEGION OF MARY - JOANNE PETERS** 

**OUR LADY'S COMFORTERS - ELIZABETH LIEBLANG** 

PRO-LIFE - JACKY ROZA

FAITH FORMATION - SR. CATHERINE NGUYEN - DIRECTOR

RETREATS - DIANE MILLER

SAFETY MINISTRY - TOM & SUSAN SIZLO

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE - MARY GILL / DEBBIE RANSOM

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - FELIPA CHADWICK

**USHERS - JOE MUNGARI** 

WELCOME MINISTRY - AL GRIEGO & SHARON TRAN

 RCIA Faith Formation Registration Info

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 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

During the time of Jesus, wheat farmers faced a significant challenge in dealing with darnel, a poisonous weed often referred to as "false wheat." Darnel and wheat closely resembled each other until they bloomed, making it difficult to distinguish between the two. What appeared to be wheat could turn out to be darnel, and vice versa. Therefore, the farmer in the parable wisely cautions against prematurely uprooting the weeds. This story teaches us that those we may perceive as evil or unworthy have the potential to grow, transform, and eventually blossom into righteous and good individuals. Each person, including ourselves and our neighbors, has a lifetime to change, mature, and be transformed before the final judgment.

In light of this, Jesus advises patience for those entrusted with tending the wheat fields. He urges us not to judge or condemn hastily. As we learn from the Book of Wisdom, God's judgment is marked by clemency, His governance is characterized by leniency, and He applies justice with kindness, allowing room for repentance from sins. The Apostle Paul emphasizes the advantage we have through the Holy Spirit, who comes to our aid in our weaknesses. It is important to acknowledge that we are not perfect and not strong enough on our own to consistently avoid sin or always do the right thing. However, with the Holy Spirit's guidance, we can find strength. By attentively following the promptings of the Spirit in our lives, we can blossom and bear fruit that nourishes others.

In summary, this perspective emphasizes the need for patience and restraint in judging others, as well as recognizing the potential for transformation and growth in every individual. It highlights God's mercy and the assistance of the Holy Spirit in our journey towards righteousness.

#### **Question of the Week**

How can I cultivate patience and understanding in my interactions with others, trusting in the potential for growth and transformation within each person's journey?

-GÎA Publications (Adapted)



## **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 yet received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. You can come and prepare to receive these Sacraments in one year at the Easter Vigil. And of course, all Catholics are also welcome to join us as a refresher course. Classes will be held on **Monday evenings** from **7:00-8:15pm** beginning **September 25, 2023.** 

To register online, go to www.StMarysByTheSea.NET.

#### Baby Blanket Sewing Session for Pro-Life

All are invited to join us this Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm to make baby blankets in Fr. Johnson Hall. This is the second meeting to reach our goal to complete and donate 100 baby blankets in



**2023** to be delivered to pro-life agencies in honor of the **CENTENNIAL OF ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA**. A light breakfast will be provided. We would love to have you attend! No experience is necessary.

## Increased Need for Guardian Angels

It is indeed peculiar that while we enthusiastically emphasize the presence of Guardian Angels to little children (celebrated on their Feastday, October 2), we often overlook the significance of our own Guardian Angel. Every one of us is bestowed with a Guardian Angel by God from birth, whose purpose is to watch over and guide us throughout our lives.

Initially, as children, we may require our Guardian Angel the most. Our innocence and lack of awareness make us vulnerable to physical dangers that may lie ahead. However, as we grow older, the dangers we face do not diminish; rather, they transform into moral hazards that pose even greater challenges.

Throughout our lives, the assistance of our Guardian Angel remains crucial. It becomes increasingly vital to call upon them multiple times a day, seeking their guidance and protection. As we retire for the night, it is wise to seek their safeguard during our sleep.

When faced with important conversations with those who may hold differing opinions, invoking our Guardian Angel can be of great help. We can ask our Guardian Angel to approach the other person's Guardian Angel, preparing them for the forthcoming discussion.

In essence, let us not underestimate the role of our Guardian Angel in our lives. Just as we cherish and emphasize their presence to little children, let us maintain a strong connection with our own Guardian Angel throughout life's journey. They are our divine protectors and guides, ready to aid us in navigating the challenges that lie ahead.

-Catholic Quote. Vol. 86, No. 7



#### Parish Family Picnic August 12th 11am-2pm @ Lake Park

We'll have two big tents, with lots of games, professionally grilled brats, burgers, hot dogs and soft drinks, not to

mention the fantastic Opportunity Prizes!

Any questions on what's needed, how to donate, or about volunteering opportunities, please contact Geri D. or Debbie R.

#### Faith Formation Program 2023-24

We are now accepting registrations for the upcoming Faith Formation Program. Registration forms are due by July 31, 2023.

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

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

▶PARENT/STUDENT MEETING: SEPT. 23, 2023 AT 3:30PM & Family Mass at 5:00pm

FEES, & DATES OF CLASSES: https://rb.gy/jhcsu

© REGISTER FOR CLASSES ONLINE:

www.stmarysbythesea.net/ccd-confirmations or pick up a form in the Office.

#### 2023 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)

We express our heartfelt appreciation to the 84 families who have pledged to support the mission of the Church by making a financial contribution to the 2023 Pastoral Services Appeal under the theme "Together we Build up God's Kingdom." Their pledges amount to a \$55,856, with \$50,536 already paid.

We are delighted that since we have met our diocesan goal, any additional payments we now receive will come straight back to us! We plan to utilize these funds to replace our sign at the corner of Orange Ave. and 10<sup>th</sup> Street by building a new monument sign.

To make your pledge, please use the special envelopes provided in the pew and return them in the Collection Basket or to the Office. You may also make your donation online at www.rcbo.org/psa-give-now. We welcome any and all contributions, big or small. Your support is crucial in enabling us to continue teaching, preaching, ministering and serving in the name of Jesus.

## Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Nathan Hamby Bill & Carolyn Myrter Mike Banner Ted Beresford Paul Hayes Thomas Nester Caleb Hill Rosalie Ocanas Connie Bowles Joanne Peters Lynn Briggs Diane Hoxsie LaNell Ceballos Michael Pezzaniti Keri Johnson Marciano Ceballos Paula Keating Debbie Ransom George Christa Lu Kelce Susan Rocio Rosie Clouse Maurice Kramer Colleen Rowe Rose Delmer Roger Kunsaitis Roberta Sanchez Vicky Derieg Nam Le **Bob Spellmire** Helen Donnelly Regina Lewis Dan Truzzolino Andrea Wall Nancy Yaslik Mary Dunthorne Arturo Loya Fr. Eamon Mackin Ann Erwin Sam Žappia Maria Zelaya Al Griego Adam Mattocks Griffin Family Ken Mattocks Patricia McKenzie Chin Ha

#### For Those in the Armed Forces

J. Caico, D. Coffey, Sgt. R. Colbert, Sgt. L. Donovan & Team. T. Donovan, R. Hanrahan, S. Miller, T. Pace, J. Pendergrass, Capt. D. Tierney

## This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the soul of Ric Lerma (RIP)

#### Sunday, July 23

Mass for the soul of Helen Craig (RIP)  $7:30 \ am$ 9:00 am *Mass for Bishop Joseph Strickland (L)* 10:30 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased

12:00 pm Latin Mass for Nicholas Spagnoli (L) 12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

## <u> Monday, July 24</u>

Mass for Doug & Cynthia Holmes (L) 8:00 am

## Eucsday, July 25

Mass for Samuel Spagnoli (L) 8:00 am

Wednesday, July 26
Mass for the soul of Linda Gilbert (RIP) 8:00 am 9:30 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

#### Chursday, July 27

Mass for the soul of William J. Feeney (RIP) 8:00 am 9:00 am **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** (til 3pm) 6:00 pm Stewardship Committee meeting in Hall

## Friday, July 28

8:00 am Mass for John Lieblang (L) 9:00 am Cenacles of Life

## Saturday, July 29

Mass for Fr. Frank Pavone (L) 8:00 am

9:00 am Sew Baby Blankets in Hall (til 12pm)

3:00 pm Confessions (til 4pm)

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the Souls in Purgatory

## Sunday, July 30

7:30 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased

9:00 am Mass for the soul of John the Baptist Tao Chu (RIP)

10:30 am Mass for the souls of Frank & Rosa Panzitta

12:00 pm Latin Mass for Catherine Clark (L)

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

# Meekly Collections

#### **JULY 16, 2023**

St. Vincent de Paul	\$50.00
Building Fund	
Specials	
Regular Collection	

Thank you very much for supporting your Church!

#### Office of Faith Formation

#### **CROPS & WEEDS**



In a recent interview, Fr. Sy Nguyen, pastor of Holy Family Church in Orange, asked for a top highlight of my 25 years as a religious sister. Without any hesitancy, I said *the Eucharist!* Jesus' intimate and devoted Presence in the Eucharist

is "the crops" that keeps me alive. I do see lots of unwanted weeds in my life that sometimes seem to choke me severely and diminish my joy; however, resorting to prayer is what I often do to obtain the grace I need to *find God* in all things—yes, all things—crops and even weeds. I realize, in the parable this Sunday, that weeds can serve to purify my soul; it forces me to battle strongly for the real thing: the CROPS! Christ!

#### "I AM" EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS OCT. 2023

Please register at <a href="https://www.rcbo.org/congress/">https://www.rcbo.org/congress/</a> or in person at our parish office.

#### YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

NEXT GATHERING SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 @ 5PM VIGIL MASS TIL 7:30 PM All Catholics & non-Catholics invited!

#### **SUMMER SAINTS SERIES**

Tuesday August 8, 22, and 29, 6:00-7:00 pm Evenings of Inspiration with the Saints at our



Parish Saints Shrine. Bring a folding chair. Immerse yourself in the experience of choosing God as the ultimate inheritance through the blood shed by the heroic Jesus lovers, the Martyrs. RSVP requested one week prior to event by calling our Parish Office 714-536-6913, x-0

#### **UPCOMING SILENT RETREAT**

July 29 @ 9:30am-5pm and September 9
More information is posted at the entrance of the church. Spending quality time with God is the most satisfying food for the soul. GOD will speak to your heart on the serene retreat house on the hillside.

#### Stewardship Corner 6



#### HELLO STEWARDS!



Whew!! We did it! The RUMMACE SALE was a huge success, so THANK YOU to everyone who donated their time to collecting, pricing, sorting, setting up, running the actual sale, and of course, cleaning up. Also, to Deborah A. for feeding us each day we worked. And a special shout out to Jacky for coordinating the whole thing again this year. Honestly, St. Mary's by the Sea would not be able to function so well at it's events if it weren't for the dedicated, hard-working volunteers who continually make that happen! We are so blessed at this church to have you all!

So now, after all that is over, we get to move straight onto the annual **Parish Picnic** (8/12)! Thank you to Geri D. and her co-chairs for volunteering to lead this. Our next **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING** is **this Thursday**, **July 27**<sup>th</sup> at **6:00 pm** in the **Hall**. Here we will be discussing all the details about the **PICNIC**, so please try to attend the meeting so we have an idea of how many people will be volunteering to help. Also, you can always contact Geri or Debbie to let us know you are available.

We would like to invite you to join us for **ADORATION** every **THURSDAY** at 12 pm and **FIRST FRIDAYS** at 1pm. Please come and spend this time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during our time slots or whenever your schedule allows.

Please continue to pray for fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors who are facing personal or health issues. Your prayers are powerful and needed! Always remember that you are loved and appreciated!

#### **Eucharistic Revival**

"I AM" — the revelation of God's name to Moses. This coming October 20-21, our Diocese will host a EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS at Christ Cathedral. This free 2-day event invites people to gather in anticipation of the through nearness of God powerful transformative prayer, and Sacramental celebrations. With tracks in English, Spanish and Vietnamese, a track for young adults, and even for young children - there is something for everyone to encounter the presence of God. Registration is free. Register now rcbo.org/congress.

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"Feed on this Bread of the Angels from which you will draw the strength to fight inner struggles."

- BL. PIER GIORGIO



