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

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USHERS - JOE MUNGARI

WELCOME MINISTRY - AL GRIEGO & SHARON TRAN

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 & 12:00 pm English Masses

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

It must have been a beautiful vineyard. Impressively built and expensively furnished, it attracted tenants who wanted the finer things in life. They saw the vineyard and they envied its owner. They probably felt that they deserved it and its bountiful harvest. After all, they'd worked all year while the owner traveled far and wide. Who did this absentee owner and lowly servants think they were to take away all that they had produced? They wanted it all for themselves. So they fought to keep it, escalating their fight until they saw their opportunity to keep it forever. Their greed drove them to murder. Their desire to possess what was never truly theirs prevented them from finding joy in living in the beautiful vineyard for the season in the first place. The kingdom of God will be taken from the greedy and given to the generous.

It seems nonsensical for the landowner to keep sending servants to the murderous tenants. They killed two of the first three emissaries! Who would send more? Then who would send the person most precious to them in the whole world? But God persists in giving even the most incorrigible sinners second and even third chances. For God sent the Son not to be lauded by saints, but to save sinners. It is sinners who get opportunity after opportunity to repent and choose good. Even after they killed the Son, God does not put the murderers to a wretched death, as the chief priests and elders who heard this parable assumed. "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). God always offers mercy, even to those who show none.

Our thoughts can quickly fill with worries and anxieties. Saint Paul assured the Philippians that they shouldn't be anxious, for God's peace should reassure them. Moreover, note what Paul advises them to think about. Not their material wealth, status, or success. No, think about "whatever is true, . . . honorable, . . . just, . . . pure, . . . lovely, [and] . . . gracious" (4:8), in other words, virtues that will lead us to bear fruit, fruit for the kingdom, not for ourselves.

Question of the Week

What specific thing can I do this week to produce fruit for the kingdom of God?

-GIA Publications

Pennies From Heaven

Please give to the "Pennies From Heaven" collection when we ask you to bring in all of your loose change (and bills)



to support several Orange County pro-life organizations. Some of these include Horizon Pregnancy Center, Toby's House, Casa Teresa, the Precious Life Shelter, the Life Center, Birth Choice and Mary's Shelter. You may bring your donation anytime during the month of October, and put it in the container near the church doors marked "Pennies From Heaven." You can also bring your donations to the Church office Monday through Thursday.

Eucharistic Congress at Christ Cathedral

"I AM" — the revelation of God's name to Moses. Sign up to attend the upcoming EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS at Christ Cathedral this October 20-21. Our Diocese will host this free 2-day event to invite people to gather in anticipation of the nearness of God through powerful speakers, transformative prayer, and Sacramental celebrations. Registration is free. Register online now at rcbo.org/congress.

Bus Transportation - Now Filled Up

There are currently **no more seats available** to take the bus from St. Mary's by the Sea to the Cathedral. Please call the Office if you would like to be put on a waiting list.

For those people who signed up already, the bus will be here at 10:00 am and leave at 10:15 am promptly. Please arrive 10 minutes before the bus arrives so you can get checked in ahead of time.





"The Eucharist is the heart of the Church. Where Eucharistic life flourishes, there the life of the Church will blossom." - John Paul II



2023 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)

We express our heartfelt appreciation to the **88 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 **\$61,226**, with **\$54,556** 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 have utilized these funds to start building a new monument sign at the corner of Orange Ave. and 10th Street.

To make your pledge, please use the special envelopes provided at the back of the church 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.

Know Your Place, and Keep It

Attend to your own business and let others attend to theirs.

Don't try to get in front of someone who is entitled to march in front of you.

Don't try to get behind someone whom you should be leading.

Keep your place-fill your place. Not in someone else's place—but your own.

If you fill your place well, however humble, you are by so doing, fitting yourself for a better place.

Better to be a good cook than a poor teacher. Better to be a good listener that a poor preacher.

Fill your place-keep your place. Fill it so well, so fully that you can be asked out of it into a better one; then fill that, and so on, till you are fit to fill a place in

A person out of place is like a door off its hinges-their usefulness is gone.

They are out of joint.

They are in everybody's way.

They show it, others see it.

They are a pretense and a sham.

A place for everybody, and everybody in their place.

Blessed is the person who knows their place and keeps it.

-Catholic Quote. Vol. 86, No. 8

Food Distribution

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society has re-opened the food bank, which has been closed since Covid. Now, every **Thursday**, from **4:00-5:30pm**, they will be handing out food for the needy in the parking lot at the large bin.

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Tony Aragón-Sotelo	Paul Hayes	Thomas Nester	
Mike Banner	Caleb Hill	Rosalie Ocanas	
Ted Beresford	Diane Hoxsie	Joanne Peters	
Connie Bowles	Keri Johnson	Michael Pezzaniti	
Lynn Briggs	Paula Keating	Don Quinn	
Pamela Brown	Lu Kelce	Debbie Ransom	
George Christa	Roger Kunsaitis	Susan Rocio	
Rosie Clouse	Nam Le	Colleen Rowe	
Vicky Derieg	Arturo Loya	Bob Spellmire	
Helen Donnelly	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Ernesto Aragón-Trevino	
Mary Dunthorne	Adam Mattocks	Andrea Wall	
Ann Erwin	Ken Mattocks	Nancy Yaslik	
Al Griego	Patricia McKenzie	Sam Žappia	
Nathan Hamby	Bill & Carolyn Myrter	Maria Zelaya	
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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



OCTOBER 1, 2023

Specials	\$568.71
Regular Collection	\$6,625,54

Thank you very much for supporting your Church!

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Espiridion Cerda & Family (L)

Sunday, October 8

Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish 7:30 am

- Living & Deceased

9:00 am Mass for Jane & Sam Zappia (L) 10:30 am Mass for Bianca Friedl & Family (L) 12:00 pm Mass for the soul of Linda Gilbert (RIP) 12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

Monday, October 9

8:00 am Mass for Sister Catherine Nguyen (L)

10:30 am **Staff meeting**

3:30 pm 1st Communion class-Year 1 (til 4:30pm) 5:15 pm Confirmation class-Year 1 & 2 (til 6:30pm)

7:00 pm OCIA & SA Adult class (til 8:15pm)

<u> Euesday, October 10</u>

Mass for the Filippe & Lage Families—Living & 8:00 am

Deceased

3:45 pm 1st Communion class—Year 2 (til 5:00pm)

<u> Wednesday, October 11</u>

Mass for the soul of James Gould (RIP) 8:00 am 9:30 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

Chursday, October 12

Mass for Elaine Hirayama (L) 8:00 am

9:00 am Adoration with the Blessed Sacrament exposed

(til 3:00pm)

4:00-5:30 pm Food Distribution for the Needy 7:00 pm **Knights of Columbus meeting in Hall**

Friday, October 13

Mass for Diane Ponce & Family (L) 8:00 am

9:00 am Cenacles of Life

Saturday, October 14

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Bob Steves (RIP)

3:00 pm Confessions (til 4pm)

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the soul of Msgr. Peter Tien

Nguyen (RIP)

Sunday, October 15

7:30 am Mass for James Schlaerth (L)

9:00 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish

- Living & Deceased

10:30 am Mass for Sophia Cerda & Family (L) 12:00 pm Mass for the soul of Virginia Chavez (RIP)

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

Office of Faith Formation

Modern Day Harvest Workers



Have you read today's Gospel reading? Wow, Jesus is not hesitant on issuing a warning to those who do not work for the kingdom with the time, talents, and treasures given. "I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." The photo above depicts those who are in the field/harvest, working to spread love, light, and the goodness of God in the lives of the youngthe younger. Our favorite little helper Madison is depicted here; only ten years old, but faithfully assisting the younger children in the faith. And if you're curious to know the names of other team members serving in the vineyard of our Lord, here they are: Rebecca Richter; Dianna Ponce; Kimberly Casey; Gayle and Bud PFOHL; Cindy Friendt; Beverly and Dan Truzzolino; Nicolette Sicoli; Andrew Tran; Dillon Kosai; and Brenda Bissette. May their ministry produce a great harvest for the kingdom of God in honor of His love and graciousness in our lives. May our devotion gladden the holy city of God here on earth at St. Mary's.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

SAT 10/28, 5PM VIGIL MASS, GATHER TIL 7:30PM Join us for dinner, community, laughter, discussion about our faith's joy and challenges and GET INSPIRED!



Boost up your Catholic identity by hanging out with a bunch of God-fearing & God-loving group of youth and young adults.







St. Mary's By the Ministry Volunteers Day of Renewal Saturday, October 28, 2023

700 N Sunnyside Ave, Sierra Madre, CA 91024

A day away for community bonding and spiritual renewal with St. Mary's very devout harvest workers. Please register for this very special event at the parish office by this Wednesday, 10/11.

Stewardship Corner



DEAR STEWARDS . . .

- ➤ Just as Jesus selflessly served others, you too are serving our church community with love and compassion. Your efforts are a living testament to our Catholic values. Let us remember that every task, no matter how small, is a way to glorify God. Thank you for your dedication, and may God's grace be with you always!
- On another note, some of our Stewardship members also signed up to help with the Centennial Celebration. If you are one of these people, then please keep an eye out for an email regarding volunteer help needed later this month.
 - Sister Catherine is having a **MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

DAY OF RENEWAL on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at MATER DOLOROSA PASSIONIST RETREAT CENTER located in the beautiful foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains in Sierra Madre. We would love to see all members of a ministry take advantage of this very rare outing/renewal—the first one we've ever had. Please RSVP to the Office. Although the actual cost is \$55 per person, SMBTS will pay for \$35 of it and you need only pay \$20 to register.

*The last day to register is this Wednesday, Oct. 11th.

- ➤ We continue to invite you to join us for **ADORATION** every **Thursday** at **12pm** and **FIRST FRIDAY** at **1pm**.
- Please continue to pray for fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors who are facing personal or health issues.

Centennial Pins, T-Shirts, Coffee Cups, & Travel Mugs Available

We still have the following Centennial items available in the Office to purchase:

↑ CENTENNIAL PINS: \$5 each

COFFEE CUPS: \$10 each

☆ TRAVEL MUGS: \$25 each

T-SHIRTS: \$15 each Sizes available in Small-2XL





