

# 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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## Parish Ministries

ADORATION MINISTRY - THE LIEBLANG FAMILY

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE - SUSAN SIZLO

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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 - MIKE PEDUZI

USHERS - JOE MUNGARI

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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 & 12:00 pm  
English Masses

**ADORATION & BENEDICTION:**

Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm &  
Every 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

In the first reading today, we encounter a remarkable woman hailed as a worthy wife. The author bears witness to her lifelong commitment to bringing goodness to her husband and utilizing her talents to serve her family. She diligently engages in tasks such as procuring materials, working the loom and spindle, and weaving with "loving hands" (Proverbs 31:13). Her generosity extends beyond her household, reaching out to the poor and needy in the community. Crucially, the writer unveils her secret—her profound reverence for the LORD.

This reverence for God becomes the driving force behind her selfless service to her husband, family, and the larger community, as revealed in the concluding sentence mentioning her impact on the entire city. Her value transcends even precious pearls, emphasizing the profound impact of her generosity on multitudes.

The Gospel passage further illuminates this theme, suggesting that when we share our talents, we are, in essence, proclaiming God's presence and generosity. Jesus, in his parable, seems to emphasize not merely financial gain but the call to utilize our gifts to build the kingdom of God and spread the Good News comprehensively. The invitation to "Come, share your master's joy" (Matthew 25:21, 23) underscores the deep connection between sharing our talents and partaking in God's joy.

A quote from Russian director Konstantin Stanislavski who once famously said, "There are no small parts, only small actors" adds depth to this reflection, reminding us that there are no inconsequential roles; every participant, no matter how seemingly insignificant, contributes to the greater whole. The servants entrusted with fewer talents in the parable are akin to those with seemingly smaller parts, yet their faithfulness and dedication demonstrate the transformative power of making the most of what one is given. This message resonates—regardless of the scale of our talents or resources, we are called to use them in the service of something or someone greater than ourselves. Our commitment to being good and faithful stewards, even with seemingly small roles, aligns with the enduring invitation to share in the joy of our Master.

**Question of the Week**

How do I share my gifts? What talent have I been told I have but am afraid to share out in the open?

-GIA Publications



**2023 Pastoral Services Appeal Update**

| # of Pledges | Amt. Pledged | Amt. Paid |
|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| 88           | \$61,446     | \$57,936  |



**THANKSGIVING MASS**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Blessing of Foods for Thanksgiving**

Thanksgiving is not only a day for turkey and cranberry sauce, parades and bowl games, but also a day to reflect on God's Blessings. On **Thursday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>**, you may bring any food item(s) that will be served at your family dinner to be blessed at the **9:00 am Mass**. What a beautiful way to celebrate this holiday. Feel free to bring any or all of your meal to be blessed. For example: A basket filled with items you will serve at dinner, a bottle of wine, a pie, or any item(s) you wish to bring. Children can bring chocolate turkeys, or candy they may receive for this holiday. In addition, all parishioners who attend this Mass will receive a blessed loaf of bread. Please join us for this celebration and give thanks for all of God's blessings.

**Why Have Eucharistic Adoration?**

**6. What significance does this reservation of the Eucharist have for the life of Catholics?**

The Eucharist is reserved in churches or oratories to serve as the spiritual center of a religious community or a parish community, indeed of the whole Church and the whole of mankind, since it contains, beneath the veil of the species, Christ the invisible Head of the Church, the Redeemer of the world, the center of all hearts, by whom all things are and by whom we exist. He is in the midst of us day and night; He dwells in us with the fullness of grace and of truth. He raises the level of morals, fosters virtue, comforts the sorrowful, strengthens the weak and stirs up all those who draw near to Him to imitate Him, so that they may learn from his example to be meek and humble of heart, and to seek not their own interests but those of God.

(#6 of a 31 part series)

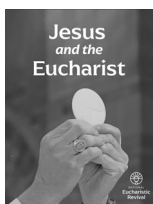
**Let Us Pray for the Sick...**

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

**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

**Jesus & the Eucharist: Small Group Series**



As we continue this year of Eucharistic Revival, we would like to invite you to grow closer to Jesus alongside fellow parishioners through Jesus and the Eucharist.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE SMALL GROUP SERIES:**

Wednesday evenings 7-9 pm: Jan. 10 - Feb. 28  
or  
Saturday mornings 9-11 am: Jan. 13 - Feb. 24

**Feast of 117 Vietnamese Martyrs**

The Diocese's Vietnamese Catholic community and the Vietnamese Catholic Center are hosting the annual **FEAST OF 117 VIETNAMESE MARTYRS** at the **Our Lady of La Vang Shrine at Christ Cathedral** from **8am to noon** on **Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>**. The event includes inspirational drums, a choir prelude, martyrs' re-enactment, reflection, liturgical dances, a procession, Adoration, benediction and Mass.

The guest speaker is Fr. Hieu Nguyen, SVD, and the main celebrant is Bishop Timothy Freyer. No registration is required. Admission is free.

**A Big Thank You!**

*Our Lady's Comforters* wants to thank everyone who participated in making baby blankets in this Centennial Year. Our last sewing session produced 16 baby blankets, and now with your assistance, we have met our goal of making 100 blankets in honor of the Centennial! *Thank you all again for your participation!!*

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

We 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**



**NOVEMBER 12, 2023**

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| St. Vincent de Paul ..... | \$90.00    |
| Building Fund .....       | \$1,028.00 |
| Specials .....            | \$2,017.00 |
| Regular Collection .....  | \$6,149.65 |

*Thank you very much for supporting your Church!*

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

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Madison Grove & Family (L)  
6:00 pm Youth & Young Adult Ministry in the Hall

**Sunday, November 19**

7:30 am Mass for the souls of Maria Lieu & Peter Truong Tran (RIP)  
9:00 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased  
10:30 am Mass for All Souls  
12:00 pm Mass for Debbie Spagnoli (L)  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

**Monday, November 20**

8:00 am Mass for All Souls (RIP)

**Tuesday, November 21**

8:00 am Mass for Rudy & Cindy Friendt (L)

**Wednesday, November 22**

8:00 am Mass for Marissa Rodriguez (L)  
9:30 am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

**Thursday, November 23**



9:00 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased and Visitors  
**\*Office Closed**

**Friday, November 24**

**\*Office Closed**

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Fr. Eamon Mackin (RIP)  
9:00 am Cenacles of Life

**Saturday, November 25**

8:00 am Mass for Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary (RIP)  
3:00 pm **NO Confessions**  
5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Elaine Hirayama (L)

**Sunday, November 26**

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Thomas Mungari (RIP)  
9:00 am Mass for the soul of Vincent Ky Pham (RIP)  
10:30 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased  
12:00 pm Mass for the soul of Ashley Soto (RIP)  
12:00 pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

***Office of Faith Formation***

**OCIA & ADULT SACRAMENT CLASS  
WELCOMING & RITE OF ACCEPTANCE**



Our parish is blessed with eleven sisters and brothers preparing to enter the Church or preparing to receive the remaining sacraments of initiation as full-fledged Catholics. Each Monday all eighteen of us, which includes the team and refreshers show up to learn, review, and be inspired with God's word, His Church, and his community of faith ever searching for everlasting revelation of

**TRUTH, BEAUTY AND GOODNESS**

In God as revealed through the Catholic Church. May the prayers and support of our community make all those on their journey to be one with us feel welcomed as they strive to live out their promise to be opened to accept Jesus and His One, Holy, Catholic Church.



**YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**



After the 5PM VIGIL MASS this week, the youth and young adults gather for an evening of community and faith-filled discussion and prayer. Navigating through the secularized world with Catholic friends can only be a blessing because while the world tends to take God out of it, we instead sanctify it *by* recognizing the *world* for what it truly is, imbued with God's loving grace that helps us over all odds. Have FAITH!  
**"Run so as to win!" -1 Cor 9:24**  
 Our next gathering of the year will be on December 16, Same time – same place.

***Stewardship Corner***



**DEAR STEWARDS . . .**

➤ **Happy Sunday & almost Happy Thanksgiving!**  
 We would like to thank those volunteers who helped out last weekend with the book orders. We will again need **1-3 volunteers** after the Saturday evening Mass and each of the morning Masses (not after the 12:00) this weekend to take orders to purchase our new Centennial Book. If you can help after the Mass you attend, just come outside to the table.

➤ Thank you to everyone who came to last Thursday's **STEWARDSHIP MEETING**. We shared good food together for a **"FRIENDSGIVING" POTLUCK MEAL** while discussing and taking sign-ups for upcoming December events, such as the **ST. NICK BREAKFAST**, the **CENTENNIAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT & DINNER**, and **DECORATING THE CHURCH AND HALL** for the holidays. Look for an email with details.

➤ A lot of us went to the **PARISH MISSION** Saturday. It was a wonderful and inspiring day, and we appreciate Fr. Pascal Nguyen, taking time from his busy schedule to speak with us. Thank you to Sr. Catherine for planning and organizing it, and to Beverly T. and her Eucharistic Group for providing the lunch. This was a great way for us to prepare ourselves for the upcoming Advent season.

➤ Please continue to pray for fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors who are facing personal or health issues. 🙏

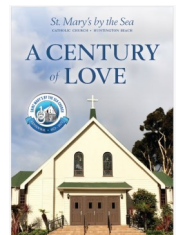
***What is a Christian Steward?***

*"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).



***"A Century of Love"***  
***A Book About St. Mary's by the Sea***

After many long hours spent by the author, Kathleen Kramer and her devoted Historical Committee, it is finally here... the first-ever book written about St. Mary's by the Sea Church. It is appropriately titled, *"A Century of Love"* because that is exactly what it has been for the past 100 years.



We will continue **taking orders** for the book **this weekend** after all the Masses.

Cash or Check Only!

➤ **THE COST OF THE BOOK IS:**

**\$40 for Hardcover (sold out)**  
**\$25 for Softcover**