ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA



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

ASH WEDNESDAY

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

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

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PERSONAL PRAYER Mon.-Thurs. 1:30-4:30 pm

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 pm



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MASSES AT: 8am, 12:10pm & 5:30pm

Reflections of the Week

The strictures announced in the first reading were sensible for their time, for even then people realized that the skin disease they referred to as leprosy was quite contagious. If a person with symptoms ate, socialized, and lived with others, the whole community was at risk. Because the scabs and sores were both obvious and unsightly, people concluded that those with the disease were being punished by God. Therefore, they must be sinful and impure. Between contagion and impurity, they were best kept outside the community. Because they were being punished by God (or so they believed), only God could heal them.

This brings us to the leper in today's Gospel. The leper recognized Jesus for more than a healer, for a healer could only cure an illness. The leper, recall, specifically asked to be made clean. He wanted God's punishment to be removed. He wanted the barrier between him and the community to be removed. Jesus removed that barrier the moment he touched him, bridging the gap between community and outcast, even before healing him. In touching the man, Jesus would have been considered to have made himself impure. But far from making himself less than whole, he is making the community whole by restoring the leper to it.

Jesus challenges us to do the same, to break down the barriers that keep us apart, that keep some excluded from the community. He challenges us to be unafraid of reaching out to those whom we feel uncomfortable coming in contact with. Paul called upon the Corinthians to imitate him, as he imitates Christ. Though he was Jewish, Paul reached out to Gentiles from Jerusalem to the ends of the known world, bringing all of them into this new religion as full members. This is the inclusivity we are called to imitate in our families, our communities, our nation, and our world.

Question of the Week

Who can I reach out to in order to help make my family/community/world whole? How can I go about doing so?

-GIA Publications

Special Intentions of Pope Francis For February 2024

For the Terminally Ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

2023 Tax Donation Letters

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation letter for your 2023 tax return, please contact the Parish Office (714-536-6913).



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Today, Sunday, 2/11 After all the Sunday Morning 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, talents, and love to do something for the Church; it's people and community. <u>This Sunday</u>, we will hold a MINISTRY FAIR, which will give you 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.

Also, for Mardi Gras, stop by the Hall for a light breakfast, along with donuts!

2024 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)

All registered parishioners should have received information by mail on the **2024 Pastoral Services Appeal** (**PSA**). The PSA helps to support the ministries of our Diocesan Church in all of our parishes and centers, and helps to strengthen the bonds of communion and family in our local parish, as well. It also gives us the opportunity to raise funds for the parish by earning rebates over our own individual diocesan goal which we will use to replace many pieces of rotten wood on the Church and Rectory, and also paint the exterior of the Church and the Rectory as well.

It is important you listen to your heart and prayerfully discern how God wants you to use the gifts He has entrusted to your care. You may make your pledge by using the special envelope you receive and **returning it** either in the **Collection Basket** *or* to the **Office**. We will also have extra pledge envelopes in the pew racks. Your pledge may be paid all at one time, quarterly or spread out over a ten month period. Any gift you can give will be appreciated. Every pledge is important and no monthly pledge is too small. Jesus is always calling out to us in love. How will you faithfully respond for our Church's future?

The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

17. Can Mass and exposition take place at the same time?

During the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the celebration of Mass is prohibited in the body of the Church... the celebration of the Eucharistic mystery includes in a more perfect way the internal communion to which exposition seeks to lead the faithful.

31 Questions on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (#17 of a 31 part series)

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.

<u>Lenten Meal/Fish Fry</u>

Make sure to attend St. Mary's by the Sea LENTEN MEAL/FISH FRY on February 16th from 5:00-7:00 pm. Don't miss out on this fun and delicious



Don't miss out on this fun and delicious event. Come share with fellow parishioners in our Lenten journey.

Let Us Pray for the Sick... on-Sotelo Caleb Hill Michael Pezzaniti

Tony Aragón-Sotelo Mike Banner Ted Beresford
Mike Bolong, Sr.
Connie Bowles
Lynn Briggs
Pamela Brown
George Christa
Rosie Clouse
Dina DaSilva
Vicky Derieg
Mary Dunthorne
Ann Erwin
Al Griego
Paul Hayes

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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

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FEBRUARY 4, 2024

St. Vincent de Paul	
Specials	
National Needs	
Regular Collection	

Thank you very much for supporting your Church!

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased *Also the Rite of Sending

<u>Sunday, February 11</u> *PSA Kick-Off

<u>Monday, February 12</u>

8:00 am	Mass for the soul of Bob Spellmire (RIP)
3:30 pm	1 st 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> Tuesday, February 13</u>

8:00 am	Mass for the souls of Frank & Rosa Panzitta (RIP)
3:45 pm	1 st Communion class - Year 2 (til 5:00pm)

Ash Wednesday, February 14

8:00 am	Mass for Rudy Friendt (L)
12:10 pm	Mass for the soul of Robert Gibson (RIP)
5:30 pm	<i>Mass</i> for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased
9:30 am	Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.
7:00 pm	#6 Eucharist Small Group Study in Hall (til 9pm)

<u>Chursday, February 15</u>

8:00 am	Mass for Mike Pendergrass (L)
9:00 am	Adoration with the Blessed Sacrament exposed (til 3:00 pm)
4:00 pm	Food Bank for the needy (til 5:00 pm)
6:30 pm	Finance Council meeting

<u>Friday, February 16</u>

5:00-7:00 pm - *Lenten Meal (Fish Fry) 8:00 am Mass for the soul of John Burne (RIP)

8:30 am Stations of the Cross 9:00 am Cenacles of Life

<u>Saturday, February 17</u>

8:00 am	Mass for the soul of Mickey Stucko (RIP)
9:00 am	#6 Eucharist Small Group Study in Hall (til 11am)
11:00 am	Pastoral Council meeting
3:00 pm	Confessions (til 4pm)
5:00 pm	Vigil Mass for the soul of Michael Reyes (RIP)

<u>1st Sunday of Lent, February 18</u>

12:00 pm	Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.
	- Living & Deceased
12:00 pm	Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish
	Family (RIP)
10:30 am	Mass for Deceased Members of the Kigano
9:00 am	Mass for Mike Banner (L)
7:30 am	Mass for Ross Miller, Jr. (L)

Office of Faith Formation Rite Of Sending



On 2/20, the candidate and catechumens of our parish at St. Mary's will participate in the Rite of Election presided by Bishop Kevin Vann. This week, these brothers and sisters accompanied by their sponsor and godparents present themselves before the Lord as the church officially sends them forth to be elected members of the Body of Christ, the Church.



What is the Purpose of a **Ministry Fair?**

•It serves to educate parishioners about stewardship while also

helping them **grow** in their *relationship with the Lord*. •It provides an opportunity for parishioners to ask questions, discern their many gifts and talents, and learn *how they can share* their gifts within a particular parish ministry.



Youth & Young Adult Ministry After the 5pm vigil Mass on 2/24

Lenten Day of Prayer "The Passion" 3/23@9am-1pm

Inspirational talk by the Carmelite Sisters in the enclosed cloister monastery in Alhambra & concluding at Forest Lawn Glendale, where we will pray with the largest painting in the world: "The Crucifixion and Resurrection."

For those who wish to drive or have others carpool, meet time at the church is 6:45am to attend an early Mass in Alhambra. Details and RSVP at our parish office latest by March 1.

A Quiet Lenten Day Away



February 24-Grace-in the wilderness and darkness of our experiences, God's presence and faithfulness still accompanying us.

March 2- Lenten Retreat: Mercy-the unfathomable love of God is relentless and we can receive all this now as we are invited to be agents of mercy.

Time, 9:30am-5pm, in North Tustin Heights For more information emailsisterc@yahoo.com or leave your contact information for Sr. Catherine at our parish office

Stewardship Corner



DEAR STEWARDS . . .

Happy Sunday! It's MINISTRY FAIR WEEKEND! Thank you to everyone who is helping with this event by setting up & decorating, serving breakfast, cleaning up, and greeting people at the Stewardship Table.

Geri has been busy planning our LENTEN MEALS, which will be held on 2/16, 3/1 & 3/15. If you are interested in helping, please contact Geri D, Debbie R, or Mary G. Thank you to all our volunteers for your help! We are always grateful when our loyal Stewards show up to lend a hand. We are especially encouraged to see new and enthusiastic members in our committee. Who knows, maybe we will have a few more after this weekend....

> As always, we invite you to join us for **ADORATION** every **THURSDAY** at **12pm** and **FIRST** FRIDAYS at **1pm** or whenever your schedule allows. Please consider setting aside this special time with Jesus as part of your Lenten practices this year.

 \geq Please continue to pray $\stackrel{\bullet}{\rightarrow}$ for fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors who are facing personal or health issues. Your prayers are more powerful than you realize!

Jesus and the Eucharist Study



"Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you." Matthew 26:26

Continues Wed. on evening 7pm-9pm and/or Sat. morning 9am-11am. You may not be attending, however, as a parishioner your role can be to support and pray for the participants

of the study. The Eucharistic Revival is vital for everyone. Let's light a Eucharistic fire of Love at St. Mary's!

Stations of the Cross Every Friday during Lent after the 8:00 am Mass



Superbowl Party

Everyone is invited to attend the SUPERBOWL PARTY between Kansas City and San Francisco at St. Mary's **by the Sea** in Fr. Johnson Hall today, Sunday, 2/11, at 3:00 pm. It will be a potluck so bring a dish to share and your own beverages (adult or otherwise) . Also, if you can come early, they will be setting up at 2:00 and welcome your help. Come on over! It will be a fun time for all!