

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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 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,

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent after the 8:00 am Mass

Reflections of the Week

The author of Genesis does not use the word “rainbow” to describe the object God sets in the sky after the Great Flood. No, the word we see repeatedly is “bow,” as in “bow and arrow.” When God says, “I set my bow in the clouds,” what God is doing is unilaterally disarming (Genesis 9:13). In effect God is saying, “You have just seen the power I have to destroy all life on earth, but now I am promising you that I will never do it again; in fact, I will transform this weapon of aggression into a thing of beauty.” When we commit to peaceful, nonviolent action, we make ourselves vulnerable, but this is exactly what God does in making this covenant. May we be as willing as God is to do so.

By the waters of the flood the world was transformed. By the waters of baptism we are transformed. God established a covenant with Noah, his descendants, and all living creatures, transforming humanity’s relationship with God. We enter into a covenant in baptism, transforming our relationship with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As we journey through these forty days, let us open ourselves to the transformative grace of God in our lives.

Mark tells us precious little about Jesus’ forty days in the desert: no details of Satan’s temptations, as we hear from Matthew and Luke. But he mentions that Jesus “was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him” (Mark 1:13). We too may find ourselves beset by “wild beasts” within and without as we try to resist temptations. Let us look to the angels in our lives who care for us, who offer their occasional assistance when we need it or their constant support throughout our trials. Better yet, make us angels who minister to others when they undergo difficulties or trauma and feel deserted and in need.

Question of the Week

How will I minister to others during these forty days of Lent? Who is in need of my help?

-GIA Publications



Knights of Columbus Campaign

The Knights of Columbus of St. Mary’s by the Sea are conducting their annual campaign to **benefit children and adults with special needs**. All of the money collected stays in Huntington Beach and supports the **Therapeutic Riding Center in Central Park**. The riding center strives to empower children with intellectual and developmental challenges to discover their greatest strengths and gain a sense of self-confidence and self-reliance through the special relationship with a horse.

They will be collecting donations outside the Church after Mass on **February 24 and 25**. Your donation will provide scholarships for the children. Checks may be made out to **T. Riding Center**. You may also make a credit card donation. Thank you.

2024 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)

“Praise the Lord, who heals the broken hearted - together we can be the hands and feet of Christ.”

Our parish goal for the **2024 Pastoral Services Appeal** is \$73,500, with pledges from 551 of our parish families to support the ministries of our Diocesan Church in all of our parishes and centers, and help to strengthen the bonds of communion and family in our local parish, as well. **Gifts made over \$40,000** (our 2024 diocesan goal) **will come straight back to us** which we will use to replace the many pieces of rotten wood on the Church and Rectory, and paint the exterior of the Church and Rectory, as well.

We are only asked once each year to make this special pledge. The PSA provides a convenient way for all of us, no matter what our time limitations, to take an active role in the mission of the Church.

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 which you received and putting it in our collection box, sending it by mail, or going online at www.rcbo.org/psa-give-now. There are also extra pledge envelopes in the pews. 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 none too small. Let us continue our mission: *“Praise the Lord, who heals the broken hearted - together we can be the hands and feet of Christ.”*

Local Penance Services

Monday, Feb. 26..... St. Bonaventure—H.B.

" St. Vincent de Paul—H.B.

Tuesday, Mar. 5..... Sts. Simon & Jude—H.B.

Monday, Mar. 18..... St. Mary’s by the Sea—H.B.

Wednesday, Mar. 20.... Holy Spirit—Ftn. Vly.

" St. Joachim—Costa Mesa

Tuesday, Mar. 26..... St. John the Baptist—Costa Mesa

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).

The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18. Couldn’t the Eucharist be exposed always by building tabernacles of glass or tabernacles with small windows to see inside?

No. The holy Eucharist is to be reserved in a solid tabernacle. It must be opaque (solid) and unbreakable.

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

Suggestions for Lent & Catholic Life

Personal prayers, meditation on the profound mysteries of God, visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament, devotional Confessions, Scripture reading, spiritual reading, recitation of the rosary, making the Way of the Cross - all of the above contribute something precious in personal depth and spiritual enrichment, so necessary to a sound, mature life of faith in the Lord.

But also....

Don't be gloomy and morose about Lent. It is a time of penance, yes but, more of HOPE.

Attend daily Mass.

Make a mission or retreat to reform your whole way of living your faith-filled life.

Is there anyone you have not forgiven? Do you foster bitterness? There is no forgiveness unless you forgive. Pray earnestly for this grace.

Give up luxuries - do something positive for others with time and money saved from self-denial. This is Christian love.

Work is a penance. Do a hard, honest day's work.

Read prayerfully the account of Christ's passion in the Gospels to discover His love for you.

Repent and turn to God so that your sins may be blotted out.

Lenten Meal/Fish Fry

Make sure to attend St. Mary's by the Sea **LENTEN MEAL/FISH FRY** on **March 1st** from **5:00-7:00 pm**. 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...

Tony Aragón-Sotelo	Caleb Hill	Michael Pezzaniti
Mike Banner	Keri Johnson	Sue & Marshall
Ted Beresford	Jim & Paula Keating	Pieczentkowski
Mike Bolong, Sr.	Lu Kelce	Don Quinn
Connie Bowles	James Kosai	Debbie Ransom
Lynn Briggs	Nam Le	Susan Rocio
Pamela Brown	Arturo Loya	Colleen Rowe
George Christa	Adam Mattocks	Liese Rugo
Rosie Clouse	Ken Mattocks	Katie Stapleton
Dina DaSilva	Dan McKelvie	Ernesto Aragón-Trevino
Vicky Derieg	Patricia McKenzie	Ryan Truong
Mary Dunthorne	Carolyn Myrter	Roberta Velasquez
Ann Erwin	Thomas Nester	Andrea Wall
Al Griego	Rosalie Ocanas	Nancy Yaslik
Paul Hayes	Joanne Peters	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

Weekly Donations

The collection for February 11, 2024 will be posted in next week's bulletin.

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the soul of Michael Reyes (RIP)

1st Sunday of Lent, February 18

7:30 am Mass for Ross Miller, Jr. (L)

9:00 am Mass for Mike Banner (L)

10:30 am Mass for Deceased Members of the Kigano Family (RIP)

12:00 pm Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased

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

Monday, February 19

***President's Day Holiday—Office Closed**

8:00 am Mass for Gordon Shigezawa (L)

Tuesday, February 20

8:00 am Mass for Mary Lohuis (L)

7:00 pm Rite of Election for OCIA students at Christ Cathedral

Wednesday, February 21

8:00 am Mass for the soul of William J. Feeney (RIP)

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

7:00 pm #6 Eucharist Small Group Study in Hall (til 9pm)

Thursday, February 22

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

6:00 pm Stewardship Committee meeting in Hall

Friday, February 23

8:00 am Mass for the soul of Cesar Resurreccion (RIP)

8:30 am Stations of the Cross

9:00 am Cenacles of Life

Saturday, February 24

8:00 am Mass for Rachel Bolin Espino Nottke (L)

9:00 am #7 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 Rosalie Ocanas (L)

***Knights of Columbus Campaign Drive**

6:00 pm Youth & Young Adult Ministry in the Hall (til 7:30pm)

2nd Sunday of Lent, February 25

***Knights of Columbus Campaign Drive**

7:30 am Mass for the soul of Fr. Eamon Mackin (RIP)

9:00 am Mass for our Priests, and the People of the Parish - Living & Deceased

10:30 am Mass for the soul of Helen Donnelly (RIP)

12:00 pm Mass for the soul of Eugenia Vial (RIP)

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

Office of Faith Formation

At the Start of Lent



These women and men of our parish spent a day of prayer and reflection at Mt. Holy Cross in North Tustin. Many took part in the Rite of Sending that same day as they prepared for the Rite of Election, presided by Bishop Vann, which gathers around 1000 people at Christ Cathedral to be formally elected as candidates for the celebration of the Sacraments at the upcoming Easter vigil. Our prayers and support go out to our sisters and brothers in the OCIA and those seeking full communion with our Church.



Youth & Young Adult Ministry

After the 5pm vigil Mass on 2/24

Lenten Day of Prayer "The Passion" 3/23@9am-1pm, in Alhambra & Glendale

Inspirational talk by the Carmelite Sisters in the enclosed cloister monastery in Alhambra & concluding at Forest Lawn Glendale, known for the largest painting in the world: "The Crucifixion and RSVP at our parish office latest by March 1.

A Quiet Lenten Day of Prayer



March 2- Lenten Retreat: Mercy-the unfathomable love of God is relentless and we can receive all this now as we are invest in exploring, knowing and experiencing His mercy in our lives.

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

Stewardship Corner



DEAR STEWARDS . . .

Happy Sunday! Thank you to everyone who helped at the **MARDI GRAS/MINISTRY FAIR** by setting up & decorating, serving breakfast, cleaning up, and greeting people at the **Stewardship Table**. You all are fantastic!

➤ And I'm hoping that we had a great turn-out for our first **LENTEN MEAL**, this past Friday (this column is written before it actually happened). But if I know our volunteers, I'm sure they didn't let us down. Thank you to **Geri D**, for agreeing to run the meals. There are 2 more **LENTEN MEALS**—**Mar. 1 & Mar. 15**. Hopefully, those turn out just as great (as I know they will)!

➤ Our **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE** meeting is this **Thursday, Feb. 22nd** at **6:00 pm** in the **Hall**.

➤ 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.

➤ Please continue to pray 🙏 for fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors who are facing personal or health issues. Your prayers are more powerful than you realize!

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).

Jesus and the Eucharist

"For the most holy Eucharist contains the Church's entire spiritual wealth: Christ himself, our passover and living bread..."

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rcbo.org/revival

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, which will culminate in a **Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis**, organizers have created a free **"REVIVAL SPARK SERIES,"** featuring nine days of Eucharistic reflections at **<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/get-involved>**. Simply sign up online, and each day a daily reflection will be emailed to you. An excellent opportunity for the beginning of Lent, too.

