# ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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PASTOR: Rev. Quang Vinh Chu

# PARISH MINISTRIES

ADORATION MINISTRY - THE LIEBLANG FAMILY

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE - SUSAN SIZLO

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - MIKE BANNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - PAUL BRESTYANSZKY

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OUR LADY'S COMFORTERS - ANNE LIEBLANG

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RETREATS - DIANE MILLER

SAFETY MINISTRY - TOM & SUSAN SIZLO

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE-MARY GILL/DEBBIE RANSOM/GERI DIXON

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#### **DAILY MASS**

Monday-Saturday at 8:00am

# **SATURDAY VIGIL MASS**

5:00pm

#### **SUNDAY MASS**

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12:00pm

#### **ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

Thursday, 9:00am - 3:00pm With Divine Mercy, Rosary, Benediction

Every 1st Friday, 9:00am - 9:00pm With Benediction

#### **CONFESSIONS**

**Saturday**, 3:00pm-4:00pm



#### **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.

# Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Reflections of the Week

Once upon a time there was a woman who kept a tiny mustard seed taped inside her Bible. Whenever she felt overwhelmed, she would open to that page and whisper, "Lord, my faith feels so small today, but You said even this is enough." Years later, she faced a great trial when her husband became seriously ill. She told her parish priest, "I don't have much faith, Father, but I have this little seed." Through tears, prayers, and perseverance, she discovered that God carried her family through. Looking back, she said, "The seed never grew bigger in my hand, but it grew deeper in my heart."

Don't we sometimes ask God for more faith like the apostles did? And yet, Jesus assures us: "Ask and you shall receive." The more we rely on Him, the greater the grace poured into our lives. Even the smallest seed of faith, when rooted in Christ, holds incredible power. Jesus then pairs the mustard seed with a teaching on humility. Like servants, we do not serve God for praise or recognition, but because love calls us to do so. Every act of faith and service becomes our joyful response to His boundless love.

# Invitation to Spiritual Renewal

How much faith do you think you have—would you give yourself a 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5?

How is faith expressed in your daily life—in prayer, in your family life, in worship, in your connections with others at work, school, or society?

Where has the "fertile soil" been in your life that allowed your seed of faith to take root and grow the most? Take time to speak with God about your desire to recognize the importance of faith not only on Sundays, but in the ordinary rhythms of each day.

And even at Sunday Mass itself—are you allowing the grace of the Eucharist to truly sustain, inspire, and transform you from within, so that you may go forth to live with greater faith, hope, and love?



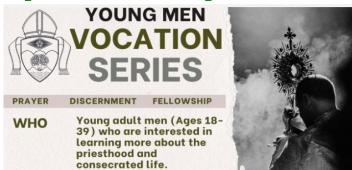
### THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!

Last week on **Good Shepherd Sunday**, many of you offered heartfelt words to our priests, Fr.

Quang and Fr. Jim. Your Spiritual Bouquet was a deeply meaningful gift to them.

Your prayers and encouragement are not only a blessing to our priests, but also a beautiful witness of our parish family's faith. They truly inspire and strengthen our clergy as they continue to guide and serve us.

Thank you for helping to nurture and support the vocations that shepherd our community with love. We continue to COUNT ON YOU to pray for more vocations, especially for young people from our parish to LISTEN to our Lord's invitation to be a priest or religious and have the courage to respond with love and gratitude.



The Vocations Office invites all young adult men (ages 18 to 39) who are interested in learning more about the priesthood and consecrated life. Each gathering, which starts on **Oct. 15 and goes through Nov. 19**, will include a meal, personal sharing, vocational guidance, and prayer.





"I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands."

Each of us has received gifts from God through baptism, confirmation, and the Spirit at work in our lives. But like a fire, these gifts can grow dim if left unattended. To "stir into flame" means to tend the fire daily: through prayer, the sacraments, Scripture, acts of charity, and humble service. God has already placed the spark within us; our task is to give it air, attention, and fuel so that His light shines through us.

When we rekindle God's gifts, we discover that faith grows stronger, courage becomes deeper, and love overflows into every corner of daily life—family, work, school, and community.

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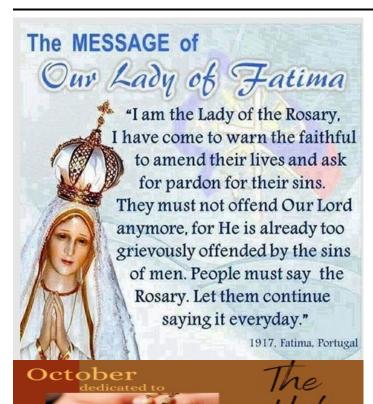




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WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY!



#### **STEWARDS**

Just some quick reminders:

**Adoration on Thursdays** at noon and on 1st Fridays at 1pm. Please come and spend time with Jesus this upcoming Thursday and Friday!

**Tour prayers and encouragements for fellow** Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, neighbors and everyone are much appreciated.



# Let Us Pray for the Sick



Tracy Andonian TonyAragón-Sotelo Mike Banner Frank Barrera Ted Beresford Rowyn Bolinger Connie Bowles Lynn Briggs Pamela Brown Marciano Ceballos Rosie Clouse Vicky Derieg Bryan Donnelly Ann Erwin Rachel Ferrarie Molly Flaherty

Nancy Friedman Cindy Friendt Ivan Gulmesoff Paul Hayes Jim & Paula Keating Susan Rocio James Kosai Nam Le Arturo Loya Susan Mastroianni Dan McKelvie Patricia McKenzie Tracy Murray Erin Nakamoto Thomas Nester Rosalie Ocanas Derrick Peront

Don Quinn Debbie Ransom Tim Ransom Carmela Rugel Colleen Rowe Yvonne Ruiz Daniela Smith Carol Summerfield Ernesto Aragón-Trevino Roberta Velasquez Andrea Wall John Waldron Baby Brooks Webb Nancy Yaslik

#### For Those in the Armed Forces

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

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

# First Saturday, October 4

8:00am Mass for the Rebecca Richter and Family

3:00pm Confessions (til 4:00pm)

5:00pm Mass for the soul of Michelle McKinish

(RIP)

Sunday, October 5 Respect Life Sunday

**World Communication Sunday** 7:30am Mass for Charles Griffith (L)

9:00am Mass for Our Priests and the People of the

Parish - Living and Deceased

10:30am Mass for Christopher Ngo (L)

12:00pm Mass for the soul of Don Baumann (L) 12:00pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

## Monday, October 6

8:00am Mass for Tom Orr (L) 3:30pm First Communion Year 1 5:15pm Confirmation Year 1 and 2 7:00pm OCIA/Adult Sessions

> Tuesday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00am Mass for the Zappia Family 3:30pm First Communion Year 2

Wednesday, October 8

8:00am Mass for the Maldonado Family 9:45am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

Thursday, October 9

8:00am Mass for Tim and Debbie Ransom

9:00am NO Adoration

**4:00pm** Food Bank for the needy (til 5:00pm)

Friday, October 10

8:00am Mass for the soul of Ray Kendrick (RIP)

Saturday, October 11

8:00am Mass for Thomas Morrison

3:00pm NO Confessions

5:00pm Mass for the soul of Kiet Vu (RIP)

Sunday, October 12

7:30am Mass for James Schlaerth (L) 9:00am Mass for Evelyn Minahan

10:30am Mass for Our Priests and the People of the

Parish - Living and Deceased

12:00pm Mass for Lowell & Debbie Been

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

# St. Mary's by the Sea Catholic Church

# 🌟 Plenary Indulgences 🌟

Jubilee Year of Hope

How many plenary indulgences have *you* received so far in this Jubilee Year of Hope?

The nearest pilgrimage site for us is Christ Cathedral—a beautiful opportunity to step into grace and renewal. Remember, indulgences are not just for yourself, but can also be offered for others, even for souls you do not know. Truly, *all is grace*! God gives us the ability to obtain these spiritual gifts **each day until January 6, 2026**.

Take advantage of this gift! Follow the guidelines below to receive and share the blessings of

indulgences during this Jubilee Year.

## **CONDITIONS FOR RECEIVING A**

Plenary Indulgence

- Go to Confession / the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Attend Holy Mass and receive Holy Communion
- Pray for the intentions of the Pope (e.g. Our Father & Hail Mary)
- Have a spirit of detachment from sin



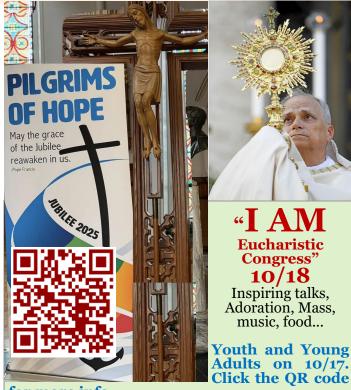
#### Catechist Interview

Our catechists are devoting themselves to prayer and service to bring the Good News to both children and adults in our parish. In turn, they also *receive* the Good News through our students, who are such a gift of God—their faith, their smiles, their eagerness to learn, and their love for Christ continually inspire them.

Recently, the Diocese of Orange interviewed our soon-to-be certified catechists. They were asked what fuels their devotion to God and their desire to be certified in this ministry. Here are two of their beautiful responses:

"To center students in Christ—to help those I serve find Him in the center of our history, our Church, our families, and ourselves."
"To lead students into an encounter with Christ and to do so as a witness. I pray and hope for God to do His work well within me.

Indeed, catechists are not only teachers, but living witnesses of the Gospel—planting seeds of faith that God Himself will bring to fruition. Let's pray for all catechists worldwide.



for more info.

And don't forget: while you are there, be sure to **receive the plenary indulgence** being offered during this Jubilee Year of Hope.

Registration could be done online via this QR code or come to our office and we will help you out. Register online or at our parish (for bus and lunch count).

Remember to wear your blue St. Mary's shirt.



Encore: It's movie night at the shrinel Before the I AM: A Beacon of Hope congress, come to Christ Cathedral on Oct. 16 for a free outdoor screening of "Our Lady at the Center," a landmark film co-presented by the OLLV Foundation and Diocese of Orange. The documentary explores the fascinating transformation of the cathedral's Marian Court. Learn who Our Lady of La Vang is, how and why a shrine was made in her honor, and the beautiful pathways of the Marian Gardens. Presented in English and shot in four countries, "Our Lady at the Center" tells a unifying message of hope, healing, joy, miracles and faith.

Check-in begins at **7:30 p.m.** with the film starting at **8 p.m.** Free parking. Light refreshments available

Register at OurLadyAtTheCenter.com/tickets or call (714) 282-4290