

# ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## PARISH MINISTRIES

ADORATION MINISTRY - THE LIEBLANG FAMILY  
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LECTORS - MIKE BANNER  
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OUR LADY'S COMFORTERS - ANNE LIEBLANG  
PRO-LIFE - JACKY ROZA  
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RETREATS - DIANE MILLER  
SAFETY MINISTRY - TOM & SUSAN SIZLO  
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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday, 9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, 9:00am - 9:00pm  
With Benediction

### CONFESIONS

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.

### Reflections of the Week

In Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus speaks to his disciples about the last judgment, his words sound very much like Isaiah's do today. In both cases, we are told to share what we have with those in need. In fact, both Isaiah and Jesus specifically mention feeding the hungry and clothing the naked. However, Jesus adds another dimension. Jesus teaches us that when we do so, we're not just doing it for that person in need, we are doing it for him. He challenges us to see him in the person in need. In responding to their need, Isaiah tells us, our light will overcome the darkness. That light will also illuminate the face of Jesus in the person whose need we are satisfying.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus tells his disciples that while he is in the world, he is the light of the world and his disciples are the light of the world. We are called to be that light now. However, Jesus is actually still in the world. We incarnate Jesus when we act as he did, caring for those in need. Jesus is also present in that person in need, as he taught his disciples in the context of the last judgment. Finally, the Lord is present in the act of generosity itself. An act of charity reflects the gift of the Lord that we have received from God.

In most cases, if we give something away, we no longer have that thing. Giving food or clothing or money means our pantry or closet or bank account has less. But there are exceptions. One is light. When we open a door or window shade to allow light to spread, the light doesn't get dimmer by its source. When we light someone else's candle with our own, our own candle remains just as bright. Putting a light in a bushel basket does not "conserve" the light. Putting it on a lampstand widens the lit area. Spreading light does not diminish its intensity or brightness at all. Another exception is love. Treating someone else with love does not exhaust our supply even one little bit; in fact, acts of love multiply the love within us and in the world, engendering more and greater acts of love. In spreading light and love, we participate in God's expansive plan for the world.

### Question of the Week

How can I and my parish increase the light we shine in our community?

-GIA Publications

### Thank You ❤

Horizon Pregnancy Clinic would like to thank everyone who participated with Christmas Crib baby items for the Horizon baby store or with a monetary donation, and for all your prayers.



### 2025 Tax Donation Letters

If you are a registered parishioner and need a Tax Donation letter for your 2025 tax return, please contact the **Parish Office** at (714) 536-6913 with your **name** and **Parish ID #**, if known, to request one.

### Get Involved! The Ministry Fair



February 15<sup>th</sup>  
After all the Sunday 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. **Next weekend**, 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!*



### **2026 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)** **"Share Christ's Love with Others"**

One of the most exceptional parts of belonging to St. Mary's by the Sea is knowing that we are part of something much greater than any one person. Our Church connects us all - as neighbors, as a community, as children of God and followers of Christ. From faith formation to outreach in the community, to social and community activities, our parish is alive in the spirit.

All registered parishioners should have received information by mail on the **2026 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.

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 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 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?

**\*2026 PSA Kick-Off Weekend - Feb. 7-8**

## Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi

Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a **SPECIAL JUBILEE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**, running from January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027, to mark the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the saint's death (Transitus). This jubilee offers a plenary indulgence to the faithful who visit Franciscan churches, in the form of a pilgrimage, any Franciscan conventual church or place of worship anywhere in the world dedicated to Saint Francis or connected to him for any reason and engage in prayer for peace, reflecting on Francis's life of poverty and humility. The additional normal conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the intentions of the Holy Father) are required to gain the indulgences.

Pilgrims are asked to devote a reasonable period of time in pious meditation and raise prayers to God so that, following the example of Saint Francis, feelings of Christian charity towards their neighbors and authentic vows of harmony and peace among peoples may spring forth in their hearts, concluding with the Our Father, the Creed and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Clare and all the Saints of the Franciscan Family.

"The elderly, the sick and those who take care of them, and all those who are unable to leave their homes for serious reasons may also obtain a Plenary Indulgence, provided they detach themselves from any sin and intend to fulfil the three usual conditions as soon as possible, if they unite themselves spiritually to the jubilee celebrations of the Year of Saint Francis, offering to the Merciful God their prayers, the pains or sufferings of their lives."

To view the actual decree, go to: [rebrand.ly/3y8dc49](http://rebrand.ly/3y8dc49).

## National Needs 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection

The annual **NATIONAL NEEDS 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION** will be held **this weekend, February 7-8**. This collection combines four national collections into one:

- Catholic Campaign for Human Development
- Catholic Communication Campaign
- Catholic University of America
- Catholic Home Missions

**Weekly Collections**

**JANUARY 18, 2026**

**REGULAR COLLECTION.....\$7,534.48**

**VISITORS AND PARISHIONERS, YOU MAY USE THE QR CODE TO MAKE ONLINE DONATIONS (EITHER ONE TIME OR REGULAR WEEKLY DONATIONS).**

*We always appreciate your Generosity!*



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

5:00pm Mass for Sandy Troyer (L)

\*PSA Kick-Off & \*National Needs 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection

### Sunday, February 8

\*PSA Kick-Off & \*National Needs 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection

7:30am Mass for Jane and Paul Pham (L)

9:00am Mass for the O'Brien Family (L)

10:30am Mass for the soul of Fatem Hatoum (RIP)

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

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

### Monday, February 9

8:00am Mass for the Filipe and Lage Families—Living & Deceased

### Tuesday, February 10

8:00am Mass for the soul of Joe Batte (RIP)

### Wednesday, February 11

8:00am Mass for the Souls in Purgatory

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

### Thursday, February 12

8:00am Mass for Karen Pendergrass (L)

9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, exposed until 3:00pm and Benediction

11:30am Staff meeting

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

7:00pm Knights of Columbus meeting in Hall

### Friday, February 13

8:00am Mass for the soul of Marcella Chavez & son (RIP)

9:00am Cenacles of Life

### Saturday, February 14

8:00am Mass for Rudy Friendt (L)

1:30pm Wedding

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

5:00pm Mass for the soul of Robert Gibson (RIP)

### Sunday, February 15

\*Ministry Fair/Mardi Gras Breakfast  
(after all the Sunday Masses)

7:30am Mass for the souls of John and Helen Donnelly (RIP)

9:00am Mass for OCIA/Adult Sacrament Class

10:30am Mass for our Priests and the People of the Parish—Living & Deceased

12:00pm Mass for the soul of Mai Xuan Trinh (RIP)

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



## WARFARE & BUILDING THE KINGDOM

The Catholic Catechism teaches that the "one Church" exists in three distinct states, which together form the Communion of Saints. These are the Church Militant, the Church Suffering (or Penitent), and the Church Triumphant. The Church Militant consists of the faithful living on earth. They are "militant" because they are engaged in constant spiritual warfare against sin, the world, and the devil. Members are called to be "soldiers of Christ," striving for personal holiness and the transformation of society. The other two states, the Church Suffering, those in purgatory—and the Church Triumphant are the saints and angels who have finished the race and won victory over death.

All three states are interconnected because we are one Church of Christ. Those to be Confirmed take on the name of their patron saint for this reason. We do not walk our earthly journey alone; in our spiritual battles, we are supported by the assistance of the glorious and triumphant Church.

Last Saturday, parents and students of the Faith Formation Program gathered to discuss growing in faith and preparing to receive the Sacraments. Together, we reflected on the importance of God's grace at work throughout the first semester and how we are all called to labor diligently in building God's Kingdom by remaining faithful in living out the Lord's teachings.

In ten days, the season of Lent will begin once again. We will engage in self-denial, that is to empty ourselves of selfishness and to receive purification through fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. The purer our hearts become, the more clearly we will see God's face — even here on earth.



## • LENT SILENT RETREAT •

Join us on the hillside of North Tustin on our next retreat. **Saturday, March 14@9am-4pm.**  
Please register by the last day of February.

Please call, email, or visit our parish office to register and we will contact you promptly with more details.



## Stewardship Corner



### DEAR STEWARDS . . .

**Happy Sunday!** Thank you to all the volunteers who showed up this past Sunday to help stuff envelopes for the PSA. With so much help, we were done in one hour (the shortest time yet).

➤ As for upcoming volunteer opportunities, this **Saturday, February 14**, we will be setting up and decorating **Fr. Johnson Hall @ 10 am**. On **Sunday, February 15**, we will have a **MARDIS GRAS CELEBRATION** and **MINISTRY FAIR**. We need help serving and cleaning up after all **Sunday Masses**. Please contact **Jacky** or the **Office** if you would like to help with this fun and festive event. We will also need help at the **FRIDAY FISH FRIES** on **Feb. 27, March 13, and March 27**. Please contact **Geri** if you would like to help at any or all of these Lenten meals. We hope to see you at these events!

➤ Don't forget to check out our Facebook page ([www.rv.by/d0jbv7](http://www.rv.by/d0jbv7)) to view pics from all of our events as they are posted.

➤ Once again, we invite you to spend time with **JESUS IN ADORATION** every **Thursday at 12pm** and on **FIRST FRIDAYS at 1pm**. We hope you will stop by and visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during our time slots or whenever your schedule allows.

➤ Please continue to pray for fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors who are in need of your prayers. Always remember that you are loved and appreciated!

### 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)



## Let Us Pray for the Sick



Natalia Amezqueta	Cindy Friendt	Debbie Ransom
Tracy Andonian	Rudy Friendt	Tim Ransom
TonyAragón-Sotelo	Paul Hayes	Carmela Rugel
Mike Banner	Jim & Paula Keating	Susan Rocio
Ted Beresford	James Kosai	Colleen Rowe
Rowyn Bolinger	Nam Le	Yvonne Ruiz
Connie Bowles	Arturo Loya	Breanna Sims
Pamela Brown	Susan Mastroianni	Carol Summerfield
Rosie Clouse	Dan McKelvie	Ernesto Aragón-
Vicky Dierieg	Patricia McKenzie	Trevino
Bryan Donnelly	Tracy Murray	Roberta Velasquez
Ann Erwin	Erin Nakamoto	Andrea Wall
Rachel Ferrarie	Thomas Nester	John Waldron
Molly Flaherty	Rosalie Ocanas	Baby Brooks Webb
Nancy Friedman	Don Quinn	Nancy Yaslik

### For Those in the Armed Forces

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