

# ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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

### 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.

**Reflections of the Week**

Though phrases like “verdant pastures” and “restful waters” are figurative more than literal (Psalm 23:2), they suggest that following the Lord as our shepherd brings comfort and peace. However, the psalmist admits that sometimes the “right paths” lead to “dark valleys” (23:3-4). The first letter of Peter echoes this aspect, speaking of suffering when doing the right thing. For an example of coping with this, we need look no further than the Good Shepherd himself, who suffered more than can scarcely be imagined: an innocent man tortured, nailed to a cross, and left to die. From the garden of Gethsemane to the hill on Calvary, Jesus realized that the Father was by his side, giving him the courage to face the darkest of valleys. May we bear our sufferings as he did, knowing that God is always with us.

A sheepfold in the Ancient Near East generally consisted of a low stone wall with an opening through which sheep could leave to go out to pasture or be returned to spend the night. A shepherd would lie down across the opening, acting as a gate in order to keep the sheep inside and to keep them safe from predators during the night, whether from wolves or thieves. Jesus took this one step further in calling himself the Good Shepherd and the gate itself. He not only lays down to protect his sheep like a dedicated shepherd, he will go on to fulfill his mission as our Savior by laying down his life to save his sheep.

In our consumerist culture, having life more abundantly is interpreted as having more material goods: a bigger house, another car, a larger wardrobe, the latest and most advanced tech, and so on. But Jesus never talked about accumulating things. In fact, he told his disciples to leave their things behind. He spoke of abundance differently. He told them about God’s abundant mercy, abundant grace, and abundant love. These spiritual goods are the goods that God provides in abundance. Spiritual goods are goods that last. They cannot be lost in a natural disaster or with the loss of a job or economic fortune. They cannot be taken by a thief or a robber. Moreover, unlike material goods, spiritual goods increase when we share them with others. Forgiving someone who has hurt us does not leave us with less forgiveness to give later on. No, it can even spread through that person who has felt its power. Loving someone does not entail taking some of our love away from someone else. And loving someone may inspire that person to love more themselves. To live a life more abundantly is to recognize God’s generosity and to pass that mercy and love on to everyone we can.

**Question of the Week**

How can I live my life more abundantly? What specific things can I do this week to increase the love and mercy in my life?

-GIA Publications

**Parishes in Collaboration 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection**

Next weekend, **May 2-3**, all people of the Diocese of Orange have the opportunity to donate to the **Parishes in Collaboration Collection**. This collection is for the purpose of assisting parishes in the Diocese of Orange that exhibit ongoing needs that cannot be paid for by their ordinary income and have urgent needs (such as repairs and maintenance).

All money donated to this collection is put into a *restricted* fund that is administered by a group consisting of laity and clergy of the diocese. Parishes with needs as stated above may apply for grants from this fund to be used for their specific needs. Most recently the committee has focused the grants to safety issues including emergency electrical, plumbing repairs and roofing.

By participating in the **Parishes in Collaboration Collection**, all people of the Diocese of Orange are helping one another support the works of our parishes that struggle financially. Thank you for your generosity.



**April Showers  
Baby Bottle Campaign**

We still continue our month-long *April Showers Baby Bottle Campaign for Pro-Life*. Parishioners can **take home a baby bottle** provided by us, fill it with all of their spare change, and **return the bottle to the large silver box** at the back of the Church **by May 3<sup>rd</sup>**. If you cannot pick up a bottle in person, you can save your change in a bag or just make your donation and drop it off to the Office when convenient. Online donations can also be made at our website—just designate it for April Showers. Please join our Pro-Life Ministry as we celebrate life this month.

All of your donations to this worthy cause will go towards helping women who have chosen life for their babies.



**Let Us Pray for the Sick**



Natalia Amezqueta	Cindy Friendt	Don Quinn
Tracy Andonian	Rudy Friendt	Debbie Ransom
Tony Aragón-Sotelo	Paul Hayes	Tim Ransom
Mike Banner	Bertha Herrera	Jeanete Reyes
Ted Beresford	Jim & Paula Keating	Carmela Rugel
Rowyn Bolinger	James Kosai	Susan Rocio
Connie Bowles	Nam Le	Colleen Rowe
Pamela Brown	Jan Love	Yvonne Ruiz
Maria Carderas	Arturo Loya	Breanna Sims
Georg Christa	Susan Mastroianni	Carol Summerfield
Rosie Clouse	DruAnn McClusky	Ernesto Aragón-
Vicky Derieg	Dan McKelvie	Trevino
Bryan Donnelly	Patricia McKenzie	Roberta Velasquez
Ann Erwin	Tracy Murray	Andrea Wall
Rachel Ferrarie	Erin Nakamoto	John Waldron
Molly Flaherty	Thomas Nester	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



**12-Hour First Friday Adoration**

According to Pope St. John Paul II, visiting Jesus in Adoration not only showers you with blessings but also increases priestly and religious vocations. Since our Bishop is asking us to pray for these vocations, come to **12-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** this **First Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**, which **begins at 9:00 am** and **ends with Benediction at 9:00 pm.**

If you are interested in volunteering to come for an hour of Adoration on the First Friday of each month, please contact the **Office** at (714) 536-6913.

**2026 Pastoral Services Appeal (PSA)**

Thank you to the **87 families** who have generously pledged to the **2026 PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL**. We are pleased to share that we have surpassed our Diocesan goal with 14% of the parish participating. We are asked only once each year to make this special pledge. Imagine the impact we could make if even more parishioners participated in supporting the PSA!

You can make your pledge by using the special envelope located at the end of the pews & returning it in the **Collection Basket** or to the **Office**. You can also make your pledge online at [www.rcbo.org/psa-give-now](http://www.rcbo.org/psa-give-now).

**Special Mother's Day Offering**



For this Mother's Day (**May 10<sup>th</sup>**), please consider a monetary gift to honor a special mother or other loved one in your life, whether alive or deceased.

If you would like to participate, use one of the special "**Mother's Day Offering**" envelopes located in the pews. Include the name of your mother (or other special person), enclose your donation, & put your envelope in the Collection Basket. If it is received by **Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**, we will put the name of your loved one in the Mother's Day bulletin.

**Weekly Collections**

APRIL 19, 2026



REGULAR COLLECTION ..... \$7,226.78

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 the soul of Margaret Sharou (RIP)

**Sunday, April 26**

7:30am Mass for Richard and Mary Ann Hoefler (L)  
 9:00am Mass for our Priests and the People of the Parish—Living & Deceased  
 10:30am Mass for Rudy Friendt (L)  
 12:00pm Mass for Ginny Aragon (L)  
 12:00pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Room

**Monday, April 27**

8:00am Mass for Natalie Ang (L)  
 3:30pm 1st Holy Communion Class Year 1  
 5:15pm Confirmation class Year 1 & 2  
 6:30pm OCIA Potluck & Last Class

**Tuesday, April 28**

8:00am Mass for Sandy Entrican (L)  
 3:30am 1st Holy Communion Class Year 2

**Wednesday, April 29**

8:00am Mass for Zoey Grace Truzzolino (L)  
 9:30am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.  
 10:00am Funeral

**Thursday, April 30**

8:00am Mass for the soul of Colin H. Campbell (RIP)  
 9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, exposed until 3:00pm with Benediction  
 4:00pm Food Bank for the Needy (til 5:00pm)

**Friday, May 1**

8:00am Mass for the Filipppe & Lage Families—Living & Deceased  
 9:00am 12-Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, exposed until 9:00pm with Benediction  
 9:00am Cenacles of Life

**Saturday, May 2**

8:00am Mass for the soul of Richard Richter (RIP)  
 3:00pm Confessions (til 4pm)  
 5:00pm Mass for the soul of Darrell Sarrazin (RIP)  
 & Crowning of Mary  
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 \*Knights of Columbus Drive

**Sunday, May 3**

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 \*Knights of Columbus Drive

7:30am Mass for the soul of Helen Donnelly (RIP)  
 9:00am Mass for the soul of Steven Knister (RIP)  
 10:30am Mass for our Priests and the People of the Parish—Living & Deceased  
 12:00pm Mass for the soul of Joanne Tost (RIP)  
 12:00pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Room

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## VISIBLE WITNESS FOR CHRIST JESUS

When was the last time you met a spiritual hero? There's something powerful about prayer gathering at the Huntington Beach Pier as it becomes a visible witness of hope, glorifying our Lord and lifting up the needs of others. We stood and knelt not just for ourselves, but for our families, our Church, and the world—believing that intercessory prayer has the power to bring grace, healing, and peace where it is most needed. Thank you, Jesus.

## FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

First Communion Mass on Sunday, May 24, at noon.

This FHC class has twice been recognized for their devotion and generosity through the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl and has participated in works of mercy with 100% involvement.

Parents and grandparents play a vital role in shaping the faith of their children and grandchildren. With deepening faith and stronger convictions, the youth of our parish are striving to grow in holiness and to be light to the world, especially during this time of the year when we celebrate the glory of the Easter season.



## MARIAN RETREAT

Saturday, May 30, 2026, 9am-4pm

Mt. Holy Cross on the hillside of N. Tustin

Have you heard of Medjugorje and all the miracles that transformed countless pilgrims of this place?

This Marian apparition site is one of a kind and you can partake in it spiritually.

This retreat will not be just a virtual pilgrimage but a retreat, time alone to savor and experience the graces reserved in silent prayer with Scripture, Adoration and the quiet beauty of the

hillside, surrounded by nature, accompanied by our own very Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Please call our parish office today.

## Stewardship Corner



Stewardship  
Committee

## HELLO STEWARDS!

➤ Happy Sunday! We hope you are enjoying a relaxing and joyful day! We would like to thank everyone who attended last Thursday's monthly **STEWARDSHIP MEETING**. We discussed our upcoming events: the **LADIES TEA (May 30)**, **RUMMAGE SALE (July 17 & 18)** and the **PARISH PICNIC (August 15)**. We will share more info about volunteer opportunities with these events by email. In the meantime please visit our **Facebook page** ([www.rv.by/d0jbv7](http://www.rv.by/d0jbv7)) to view pics from our events as they are posted.

➤ Once again, we invite you to spend time with **JESUS IN ADORATION** on **Thursdays at 12pm** and on **FIRST FRIDAYS** at **1pm**. Please stop by SMBS and visit **JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** during our time slots or whenever your schedule allows on these days.

➤ 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)



## Knights of Columbus Drive

The Knights of Columbus of St. Mary's by the Sea will be 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. They will be collecting donations outside the Church **after all the Masses next weekend, May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>**. 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.



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