

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

R O M A N C A T H O L I C C H U R C H



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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 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 is 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

Storms, fires, and earthquakes were often thought of as divine manifestations; even today we may refer to a natural disaster as an act of God. Therefore, it's hard to imagine that Elijah did not venture to the opening of the cave to look for God in the heavy wind, the earthquake, or the fire, especially after he had been told, "Go outside . . . the LORD will be passing by" (1 Kings 19:11). But he waited patiently until he heard a tiny whispering sound. Standing at the entrance of the cave, he then hears the LORD's voice. (This occurs immediately after the end of today's first reading.) May the wisdom of the prophet provide a lesson for us as well. We may wait in vain for a big event to hear God's voice, expecting to recognize it during the trauma of the moment. But like the compassionate souls reaching out to rescue and aid a storm's survivors, our God can often be found in the quiet moments and days as we recover from life's storms.

Paul's heart broke when he considered that most of his own people—the Chosen People—could not see Jesus as the Messiah. But up until his journey to Damascus, he too was in that state. In fact, he was dedicated to persecuting those, like Stephen, who saw Jesus as the Christ. He feels the anguish so deeply because he regrets the actions of his old self so deeply. Seeing through eyes of faith can challenge us, for we cannot return to our old imperfect way of seeing things.

Fear is a great threat to faith in the Bible, from the Chosen People's fear of starvation in the desert to Peter's fear while walking on the water in today's Gospel. It is no wonder that whenever an angel visits, the first words out of their mouth are, "Do not be afraid." Overcoming fear, as Abraham did when bringing Isaac up the mountain, or David in facing Goliath, takes faith. Peter fails on this count today. His "little faith" leads to doubt, which allows his fear to overtake him (Matthew 14:31). Peter is literally drowning in fear. Faith allows us to walk above our fears.

Question of the Week

When has my faith helped me to cope with my fears or overcome them?

-GIA Publications

Emergency Collection for Spokane, WA

Next weekend, **August 15 & 16**, we will have an emergency Second Collection taken for the victims of the Spokane, Washington wildfires. Over 700 structures have been destroyed and the fires have burned over 10,000 acres forcing 67,000 people to evacuate. Please be as generous as possible!

Faith Formation Program 2026-27

We are now accepting registrations for the upcoming Faith Formation Program. **Please register as soon as possible. A \$20 late fee will be added after August 11th.**

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2026.

FIRST COMMUNION YEAR 1: *For students at least 6 years old and will receive First Holy Communion in 2028.*
[Classes: Tuesdays 3:30-4:30pm Fee: \$100]

FIRST COMMUNION YEAR 2: *For students who completed year 1 and will receive First Holy Communion in 2027.*
[Classes: Mondays 3:30-4:30pm Fee: \$120]

POST-COMMUNION: *Students who have completed First Communion and are not in High School.*
[Classes: TBD Fee: \$50]

CONFIRMATION:

Year 1: High School Students

Year 2: High School Students who successfully completed Year 1 Confirmation

[Classes: Mondays 5:15-6:30pm Fee: \$150]

☛ **Please note that our classes are for registered parishioners only.**

PLEASE EITHER COME BY OUR PARISH Office TO COMPLETE A FORM OR DOWNLOAD AN ONLINE FORM AND BRING IT INTO THE Office.

OCIA Program for Adults

St. Mary's by the Sea will offer classes for adults who would like to become a practicing Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Baptism, and/or First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. The classes begin **September 22** and are held on **Monday evenings from 7:00-8:20 pm** where you will prepare to receive the Sacraments. Please note that these classes are for registered parishioners or people who live within our boundaries. And of course, all Catholics are also welcome to join as a refresher course.

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Weekly Collection

August 2, 2026



Regular Collection\$8,391.01

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!

“There’s More!”

The **DIOCESE OF ORANGE** is celebrating 50 years since its establishment in 1976! All the faithful of Orange County are invited to join them for their 50th anniversary celebration called **“There’s More”**. This free event will be held at the Honda Center on **August 22 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Spread the word! Share with your friends and family, and be sure to sign up to reserve your seat today!

Admission & parking is free, but **registration is required**. In addition, the Concession Stands will be open the entire time for anyone to purchase food.

If you are carrying doubts, have questions or just simply searching ... there’s more.

If your faith has grown lukewarm .. there’s more.

If you are already on fire for the faith ... there’s more.

Inspirational speakers include Msgr. James Shea, Rev. John Riccardo and Toney Melendez. Amazing music and worship by Matt Maher. There will be prayer and adoration too! This is an event of a lifetime. You won't want to miss it!

Please use the **QR Code** to register or visit **RCBO.org/theres-more**.



Refurbishing the Church Pews

Just to inform all of our parishioners, the pews in our Church will be removed August 17th-September 3 as they get refurbished. Not to worry though! St. John the Baptist Church has agreed to lend us chairs to use, along with ones we already have.



Let Us Pray for the Sick



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

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, H. Smith, Capt. D. Tierney, T. Pace

This Week at St. Mary’s by the Sea

5:00pm Mass for our Priests and the People of the Parish – Living & Deceased

Sunday, August 9

7:30am Mass for Mary Schlaerth (L)
 9:00am Mass for Dat Nguyen (L)
 10:30am Mass for Greg & Sandra Wade (L)
 12:00pm Mass for the soul of Mark Rogers (RIP)
 12:00pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.
 1:30pm Baptism

Monday, August 10

8:00am Mass for the soul of Evan Kurth (RIP)

Tuesday, August 11

8:00am Mass for the soul of Riya DeSa (RIP)

Wednesday, August 12

8:00am Mass for the soul of Mommy Fiona (RIP)
 9:30am Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

Thursday, August 13

8:00am Mass for James Lieblang (L)
 9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, exposed until 3:00pm with Benediction
 4:00pm Food Bank for the Needy (til 5:00pm)
 7:00pm Knights of Columbus meeting

Friday, August 14

8:00am Mass of Thanksgiving
 9:00am Cenacles of Life

Saturday, August 15

***Parish Picnic at Lake Park (11am-2pm)**

8:00am Mass for Mike Banner (L)
 3:00pm Confessions (til 4:00pm)
 5:00pm Mass for the soul of Mary Lou McArdle (RIP)
***Special 2nd Collection for Spokane, Washington**

Sunday, August 16

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7:30am Mass for our Priests and the People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
 9:00am Mass for the Kosearas Children (L)
 10:30am Mass for the soul of Paul Viem Pham (RIP)
 12:00pm Mass for the soul of Catherine Doyle (RIP)
 12:00pm Legion of Mary meeting in Conf. Rm.

CELERATE AND RENEW

From Bishop Timothy Freyer

In only two weeks, parishioners from across the Diocese will gather as one for our Diocese's 50th Anniversary Celebration at the Honda Center on

Saturday, Aug. 22

— the Feast of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. From **Aug. 13 to 21**, starting this week, we will offer a nine-day novena for this special intention:

Through her intercession, we ask for a New Pentecost and for renewal through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, so that Christ may reign in us and the Gospel may be proclaimed throughout the world.

We ask Mary to obtain for us the grace to listen to her words: **“Do whatever He tells you”** (Jn. 2:5), and to open our hearts to Christ, who desires to give us His life in abundance.

As we celebrate this significant anniversary, we believe that the Lord wants to bless us and deepen our commitment to faithful discipleship. Let us entrust ourselves to His grace and confidently seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We look forward to gathering with you, soon.



LET'S CELEBRATE OUR FAITH TOGETHER!

Celebration at the Honda Center

Saturday, August 22, 2026, 11am-3pm



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION
Registration forms for both children and adults available online and at our parish during office hours.

Stewardship Corner



HELLO STEWARDS!

Happy Sunday! Our **ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC** is **this Saturday, August 15** at **Lake Park**. Please visit our **“PICNIC TABLE”** after Mass today for more info about attending or volunteering at this fun, community-building event. (Please come to the **PICNIC** even if you are unable to help.) If you are able to help, we will need assistance with loading, transporting, unloading, setting up, decorating, serving, cleaning, loading, transporting, and unloading. It's a very busy day and we appreciate any and all help you can give. You can also contact **Geri** or the **Office** if you would like to help. We will send more info about volunteer opportunities and time schedules via email or text messages.

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

➤ We invite you to visit **JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** every **Thursday at 12pm** or on **First Fridays at 1pm**. Please come to **ADORATION** during our time slots or whenever your schedule allows on those days.

➤ Please continue to pray for the needs and intentions of your fellow Stewards, parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors. You are loved! You are appreciated!

The Assumption on August 15th

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will NOT be observed as a Holy Day of Obligation this year.



Parish Family Picnic
Aug. 15th 11am-2pm @ Lake Park

Make sure to attend our **ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC** next **Saturday, 8/15**.

We will have a really large tent, lots of games, grilled burgers, compliments of **Carls Jr.** and hot dogs, and soft drinks, not to mention the fantastic Opportunity Prizes!



We will have a table set up outside after Mass today where you can sign-up your family to let us know how many people will be attending and what dish you can bring to the picnic.

Also, for those of you who need a St. Mary's by the Sea blue t-shirt, we will be selling them after all the Masses today. The cost is \$15 each.

Any questions on what's needed, how to donate, or about volunteering opportunities, please ask us today or contact the **Office** at (714) 536-6913.