

BEATITUDES OF OUR LORD CHURCH

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

GOD OF THE DESERT,
FILL OUR HUNGRY HEARTS
WITH FAITH IN YOU.

WHEN WE FEEL ALONE,
HELP US SEE YOU THERE WITH US.

GIVE US THE COURAGE
TO CRY OUT TO YOU.

AMEN.

February 26, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

ALL MASSES
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Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm
Mon., Wed. & Fri. at 8:30 am
Tuesday & Thursday 6:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions: Tues. & Thurs.
5:00-6:00 pm

CHURCH OFFICE

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri.
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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First Sunday of Lent

February 26, 2023



Dear Followers of the Crucified,

It has begun. A holy season, a challenging season, and, a season of hope for the sinner. It is Lent. It can also be a frightening season if we allow the full weight of sin to continue to hold sway over us. The danger of our encounter with evil seems hidden from us in the readings this first Sunday of Lent. And yet, we would do well to consider the reality – for by it, we lost our relationship with God, our relationship with creation, our relationship with others, and our access to heaven.

The serpent of Genesis and Satan of the Gospels both wanted to separate us from God and one another. Do not miss the subtleties of temptation, nor their source in your life. In the words of C.S. Lewis, in his work, *The Screwtape Letters*, one of the most useful tools the evil one has, is to convince humans that he does not exist. See where you are “blind”, acknowledge where your hungers are “disoriented”, be aware of temptation in your life; and, use this time to repent. Reduce sin to ashes and live for God alone!

You will find the list of Lenten Penance Services in our area to gain the grace of the Sacrament of Confession. Do not neglect this help in your battle to be holy, to be reunited to God, to be reconciled to others, and to be healed and restored. And parents, please lead your children by your example.

You will find that on Fridays during Lent, you are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm to gain the grace of Contrition. Do not neglect this help in your battle to be holy, to be reunited to God, to be reconciled to others, and to be healed and restored. And parents, please lead your children by your example.

You will find our daily Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 8:30 am and celebrated at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, to gain the strength that comes from the Word of God, and the Body and Blood of the Lord. Do not neglect this help in your battle to be holy, to be reunited to God, to be reconciled to others, and to be healed and restored. And parents, please lead your children by your example.

You will find the opportunity to spend an hour in the true presence of the Lord in Adoration every Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 pm to receive comfort and grace from the one who loves you and asks for your love in return. Do not neglect this help in your battle to be holy, to be reunited to God, to be reconciled to others, and to be healed and restored. And parents, please lead your children by your example.

We need not live in fear, nor separated from God or one another; God’s grace gives us this hope. It has begun. A holy season, a challenging season, and, a season of hope for the sinner. It is Lent. Thank you God for your Son Jesus, who carries us home to you!

As always, I wish you peace. – Fr. Ed

Ministry & Church Announcements

Lenten Stations of the Cross

Join us for
Stations of the Cross
Every Friday
beginning on
February 24 - March 31
at 7:00 pm in
Marron Hall

Lenten Penance Services (all at 7:00 pm)

February 27th - Holy Family, Artesia

March 8th - Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
Los Nietos

March 15th - St. Mary, Whittier

March 21st - St. Linus, Norwalk

March 27th - Beatitudes of Our Lord

March 29th - St. John of God, Norwalk

March 31st - St. Francis Xavier, Pico Rivera

Make A Lenten Journey!

Follow Our Lord to Jerusalem by reading and discussing the Gospel of Matthew in a bible study seminar facilitated by Deacon Bruce Clark. The Seminar will meet on selected Fridays in the Ministry Center from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible)!

Follow Our Lord on these following Fridays of Lent:

Friday, March 3, 2023

Friday, March 17, 2023

Friday, March 24, 2023

Friday, March 31, 2023

Sign up via the link below or by calling Deacon Bruce at
(562) 322-7171. Enrollment will be limited to 25 people.

Sign-up link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BA4AB2DA6FFC43-lenten>

Prayer & Worship

Mass Intention

Sunday, February 26, 2023

8:00 AM- All Parishioners

10:00 AM- Danny Anthoniraj, Special Intention

12:00 PM- Bernardina Maluenda†

Monday, February 27, 2023

8:30 AM- Lurdes Torre Franca †

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

6:30 PM- Paulo Reynaldo †

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

8:30 AM- Nicole Ramirez, Special Intention

Thursday, March 2, 2023

6:30 PM- Carmen Rawson†

Friday, March 3, 2023

8:30 AM- Campo Elias Espinosa†

Saturday, March 4, 2023

4:00 PM- Carmen Rawson †

Mass Readings

for the Week of February 26, 2023

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Dear God...We pray for those who are sick, lonely, or are in need of consolation. May Christ's Divine Mercy bring them strength and comfort. We pray especially for:

Lisa Avery	Apollo Ramirez
George & Rachel Bender	Rivera Obenberger
John & Sonia Bailey	Vivian & Frank
Bobbie Canduer	Romero
Aly Carew	Tony Morales
Alex Dejun	Estela Morales
Arnold Garza	Joanne Shipherd
Frank Garza	Jonathan Sayre
Javier Morales	Vivian Sharma
Steve Gerhig	Dorothy Tamashiro
Richard Harbaugh	Agripina Tapia
Suzete Hodnett	Raul Vega
Hayden Lindfield	Frank Qui
James & Juanita Miles	Lynda Ineguez
Nicole Ramirez	Gay Unhalts
	Roberto Uranga
	Tess Partida

If you would like to add or delete a name on the list, please call the Rectory at 562-943-1521. All names will be deleted at the end of every month.

If you are sick/homebound and unable to attend Mass in person but desire to receive the Eucharist, please contact our office at 562-943-1521 or email boloffice@ca.rr.com

Weekly & Monthly Adoration

Exposition, Adoration, and
Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament.

Come spend an hour with Jesus!

Every Wednesday

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

&

the First Friday of each month
after Mass

Church & Ministry

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINISTRY

You're invited to our monthly gathering for married and engaged couples!

Make new friends while strengthening your marriage and learning to keep God at the center of your relationship.

Dinner and childcare will be provided.

Who: All engaged couples, newly married couples and longtime married couples.

When: Every 3rd Thursday of the month after the 6:30 pm Mass.

Dinner at 7:00 pm in Ministry Center.

Please reserve your place by contacting Ana Machuca: 714-864-1034

Baptismal Preparation

Baptisms are celebrated with the parish family during our Saturday and Sunday masses.

To begin the process, call the rectory for an appointment with a Deacon. (562) 943-1521

Beatitudes' Men's Fellowship

Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Ministry Center

For more information, contact Gene Gleason (562)631-5567 or gene@lamiradalaw.com

Beatitudes' Women's Fellowship

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Ministry Center

For more information, contact Kate Abad (714) 403-7068 or kateabad@msn.com

Anointing of the Sick

To arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (in person), please call the parish office at 562-943-1521

Did you know?

February 26, 2023

It is important to take immediate action if someone discloses abuse to you, or if you suspect abuse or neglect is happening.

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles offers a detailed list of resources with information about what to do if you suspect a child, vulnerable or elderly adult is being abused. All employees and volunteers within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are expected to report suspected abuse to the appropriate civil authorities and to Victims Assistance Ministry. For more information, visit lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse.

For more information about support for victim-survivors and abuse prevention, and protection efforts of the Archdiocese, visit lacatholics.org/protect.

RCIA

The RCIA process is designed for individuals who are not baptized, those baptized in other Christian faiths, and baptized Catholics who never received the Sacrament of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. It is a faith journey that encourages individuals to broaden and deepen their prayer life; to know God through the scriptures; to come to know themselves more fully, and to actively participate in parish and community activities.

Many individuals begin the process during late summer/early fall and are able to celebrate full sacramental initiation at the Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday Night) the following spring.

Parish members are invited to become directly involved by sponsoring a candidate. We also encourage and invite all who may be interested, to come and see what living life as a committed Catholic Christian can mean to you.

Church & Ministry

This Week at Beatitudes

Monday 2/27/23

7:00 pm-8:30 pm: C1 Teen Session, MC
2:40 pm-4:00 pm: Choir Practice, MH
6:00 pm-7:00 pm: Teen Penance Service, MH

Tuesday 2/28/23

5:00 pm-6:00 pm: Confession, MH

Wednesday 3/1/23

7:00 pm-8:00 pm: Adoration, MH
7:00 pm-8:30 pm: RCIA, SH

Thursday 3/2/23

5:00 pm-6:00 pm: Confession, MH
7:00 pm-9:00 pm: Music Rehearsal, MH
7:00 pm-9:00 pm: Men's Fellowship, MC

Friday 3/3/23

7:00 pm-8:00 pm: Bible Study seminar, MC
7:00 pm-8:00 pm: Stations of the Cross, MC

Saturday 3/4/23

10:00 am-11:00 am: Confirmation Parent Meeting, MC

Sunday 3/5/23

8:00 am-11:00 am: Community Fellowship, MH Patio

GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

Please help by donating the following items:

- Canned food- tuna, chicken, vegetables, fruit, soup, beans, chili,
- Boxed food- Hamburger Helper, Rice-a-Roni, mac & cheese, cereal, cake mix
- Packaged food- ramen, pasta, rice, dried beans, granola bars
- Other- peanut butter, jam (in plastic jars)
- Gift cards (Walmart)

Our distribution dates are the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. Thank you again for your generosity and support.

For more information or to volunteer, contact us at:
Cathy4GoodSam@gmail.com

MATER DOLOROSA RETREAT CENTER in Sierra Madre

The Beatitudes Women's Retreat

is scheduled for June 2-4.

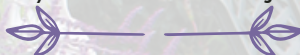
The theme of this year's retreat is:

"Who is Jesus Christ? Who am I?

Finding the divinity within."

Please visit their website: materdolorosa.org

for more information or call Joie Azurin
at (562)755-0374 or Martha Hidalgo
at (562)355-5574. Come join us.



Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra

"Drawing Closer to the Heart of Jesus"

Women's weekend in-person retreats are back
and are going on right now.

Select your weekend/retreat master.

Please go to their website:

<https://sacredheartretreathouse.com/>

For any questions, please call Grace Wagner
at (562) 536-3219.

"The Bethlehem Christian Families (The Holy Land)"

April 22 & 23, 2023

The Bethlehem Christian Families are here to sell their hand carved religious articles made of olive wood.

The sale of these precious articles supports their Church Mission which is to maintain the roots and the existence of the Christian Families who are struggling to remain in Bethlehem.

At least 90% percent of the funds raised through these sales go directly to Christians living in the Bethlehem area. The proceeds will create more work which will help them to survive and stay in the Holy Land since they have no other source of income and are dependent on the olive wood industry.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

WELCOME

Check out our parish ministries, organizations, and get in contact with us!

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CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Second Thursday of every month at 6:30pm

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GOOD SAM PANTRY

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Jasmine Concepcion(714) 930.6695
Every Friday in Ministry Center at 6:30 pm

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SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

Call Rectory(562) 943.1521

SILVER LUNCH CLUB

Third Wednesday of every month at 11:00 am
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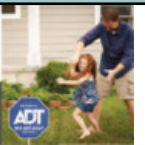


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