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Saturday: 5PM Vigil Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM,

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Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:30AM

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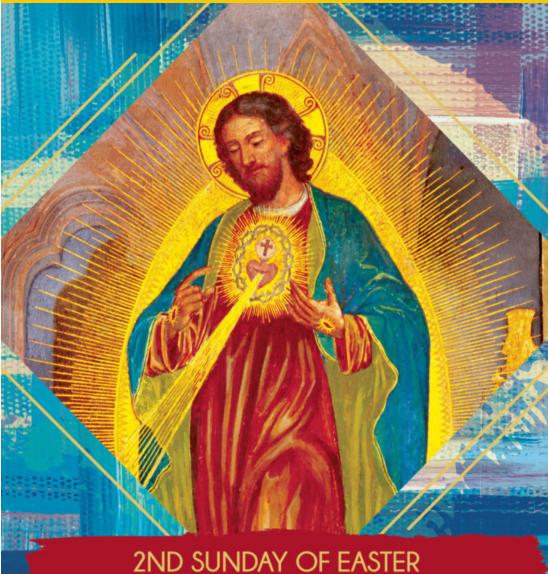
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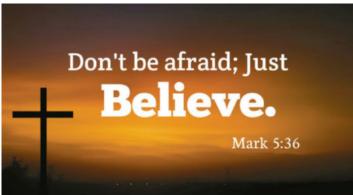


(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:26-27



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP



"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life." John 6:47

Due to the constant unchecked flow of data and information through the Internet, it can be hard to know when a story is real news or rubbish. It never ceases to amaze me when someone I know has bought into some crazy fake news story. Sometimes the story is just so unbelievable: celebrities who gained two hundred pounds in a month, women having babies who were never pregnant, or people actually being seen who are dead! Like Elvis!

The apostle Thomas found the news that Jesus was alive just too far-fetched to believe. But he didn't first hear the news on the Internet or read it standing in the grocery store checkout line. His friends told him. His fellow apostles told him they had actually seen the Lord with their own eyes. Their testimony was not enough. He needed proof.

The resurrection of Jesus gives us not only hope, but also a reason to be his disciples. We have not seen with our own eyes but, like Thomas, we have a community, the Church, that has relayed the truth to us. This same Jesus now calls us to go forth to spread the Gospel. More unbelievable than that, we have, through the gifts we have been given, a chance to change and even save lives. The day may come that you, moved by this news of the risen Lord, will be an agent of his love to the point where someone will tell the tale that you, a follower of Jesus, actually helped to change his or her life. Pretty unbelievable, right?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration of the week

Doubting Thomas is a mood, and we've all had it. We hang our every hope on this sign, that proof. We challenge God: "Make me believe." To each of us he extends his wounded hand, to each of us he shows his pierced side. He will always meet us in our unbelief.

GOSPEL MEDITATIONS

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE-— Father John

Muir April 16, 2023 2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

A young, engaged couple sat on the couch in front of me as we chatted



about their upcoming marriage. The young lady was struggling to trust her future husband. She told me her father had been unfaithful to her mother. She said of her fiancé, "I want him to prove to me that he won't cheat on me." The young man looked at me helplessly, raised his eyebrows and shrugged his shoulders. What evidence could he possibly give to validate such a proof? Nothing. All he could do was invite her to trust him.

We all are wounded by experiences of imperfect love. We also are tempted to demand from God proof of His fidelity and goodness. We are like St. Thomas the Apostle who, on that second Sunday of Easter, demands proof of the Lord's resurrection. "Unless I see the mark of the nail ... I will not believe." Our science, technology and mathematics can indeed prove a great deal. But there are some things that require trusting another person. We prove promises of love only by trusting.

St. Thomas indeed saw the wounds of Jesus and believed. But there is an even greater blessing for us who simply trust Him — and all the truths the Church proclaims — because of the trustworthiness of the Risen One who speaks. This week let's trust Jesus without seeing him.

MINISTRY MEETINGS & EVENTS

April 25 and May 9: Ministry of Consolation

(Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7PM)

Location: Parish Office Conference Room

April 19: Adult Choir (Every Wednesday at 6:15PM)

April 20: Companions on the Journery

(Every 3rd Thursday at 10AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

April 29: St. Roberts Center (Every 6 weeks)

Location: 211 3rd Ave, Venice

<u>May 3:</u> Men's Morning Hour (Every 1st Wednesday after 6:30AM Mass) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>May 4:</u> Catholic Mom's Ministry (Every 1st Thursday at 10AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

Morning Glory Rosary Group

(Every Thursday 8AM Mass) Location: Diamond Courtyard w/ light refreshments



MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS

DAILY PRAYERS

PERSONAL PRAYER IN THE CHURCH

The Church is open every day:

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS: 6AM - 5PM

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS: 7AM - 5PM

WEDNESDAYS: 6AM - 6PM

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS: 7AM - 6PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET + ADORATION

In the Church -

Wednesdays at 5PM

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Saturday following all 8AM Masses and after 6:30AM Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Friday



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM:

Parents and Godparents are required to participate in a pre-Baptism Preparation Course through the Los Angeles Archdiocese at

www.LaCatholics.org/baptism. Call the Parish Office at 310-670-2243 for information on the completion of all requirements **4 weeks prior to the Baptism.**

FIRST RECONCILIATION, HOLY COMMUNION & HS CONFIRMATION:

Please contact Dianalee Dupree

Call: 310-670-2243 Ext. 51 or Email: DDupree@st-anastasia.org

Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (OCIA):

for information on becoming Catholic contact Parish Office at 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

MARRIAGE:

Engaged couples must contact the Office 6 months before their proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Sacrament for the Sick is celebrated upon request of the family. Don't wait until their condition becomes dire. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

Arranged by contacting the Parish Office with names of loved ones. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

Note: Due to privacy and confidentiality laws, permission must be given by a family member to publish a loved one's name for mass intentions and prayer requests.

FUNERAL PLANNING:

Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 to arrange funeral or memorial services.

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Birthday ★ Support ◆ Anniversary ❤ Memorial &

SUNDAY, April 16: 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

7:30 AM – St. Anastasia Parisioners ◆

9 AM - Bernadette Martin &

11 AM - Esperanza & Abner Daland 다 다

5PM - George Hall &

MONDAY, April 17:

Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

6:30 AM – Elizabeth Drake ❖ 8 AM – Jacob Herber ★

TUESDAY, April 18:

Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

8 AM -William Jolly Jr. 🕏

WEDNESDAY, April 19:

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

6:30 AM - Chris Wyatt 🕆

8 AM - Consuelo G. Manglapus *

THURSDAY, April 20

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

8AM-Father Greg Foley ◆

FRIDAY, April 21: St. Anslem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4,13-14/Jn 6:1-15

6:30AM- Teri Zusman ◆

8 AM - Hallie Scruggs 🕏

SATURDAY, April 22: Earth Day

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

8 AM- Trevor & Hailey ◆

5PM- Marcel & Olga Lortie 🎔

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS

SAT: 5PM	Fr. Greg Rozborski
SUN: 7:30AM	Msgr. Cox
SUN: 9AM	Fr. Greg Rozborski
SUN: 11AM	Msgr. Cox
SUN: 5PM	Fr. Greg Rozborski

First Reading: "This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it." (Acts 2:23-24)

Psalm: Lord, you will show us the path of life. (Ps 16)

Second Reading: Conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb. (1 Pt 1:17-19) **Gospel:** And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread,

Gospel: And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. (Lk 24:30-

31)

FAITH FORMATION

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Jesus Time Program

An introductory faith formation program developmentally appropriate for Children 3-5 years of age. Offered every Sunday during our 9AM Family Mass.



Meet us in the School Building

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration NOW OPEN for our upcoming Vacation Bible School week this Summer. Cost is \$90 per camper Visit http://www.st-anastasia.org/youth/

vbspro.events/p/sta



JUNE 26 – JUNE 30, 2023 9AM TO 12N (DAILY)

Join us for a week of Bible stories, crafts, snacks, games and more, as we explore how we can 'Shine Jesus Light' in our world. Older kids and adults are encouraged to sign up to experience an amazing adventure as a **CREW LEADER**. Sixth graders and older are invited to register as crew leaders. We appreciate any time that teens, college students, and adult volunteers can give during the week. We are looking forward to an amazing week this Summer! Contact ddupree@st-anastasia.org for volunteering opportunities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BULLETIN UPDATES

Deadline for any pulpit announcements is **Thursdays by 12N**. If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email bulletin@st-anastasia.org. Apr. 30 bulletin content due: **Thursday, April 20**



CELEBRATE EARTH DAY APRIL 22ND

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation



Here are some ways you can celebrate Earth Day

- Bless and praise God for his creation! You can find many passages in the Bible meditating on God's creation. Here are a few examples of ancient hymns and prayers you can enjoy during family prayer; Genesis 1:1-2:3, Genesis 9:8-13, Psalm 104, Psalm 148.
- 2. Create a garden. Participate in God's ongoing creation by planting a garden! Consider planting a vegetable garden and sharing your harvest with those less fortunate.
- 3. Take the St. Francis Pledge. "I pledge to pray, live, and advocate Laudato Si': On Care for our common home. By taking this pledge, you commit to living out the vision of the encyclical and our Catholic faith through prayer, concrete action and advocacy.
- 4. Follow the 3R's. Look for ways to Reduce, Recycle, and Reuse throughout your home. You'll save natural resources, money, and reduce waste sent to landfills.

DID YOU KNOW? APRIL 15-16

United Together in Prayer"

This year marks the 21st Anniversary of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. We, as the People of God, continue our commitment to Promise to Protect and Pledge to Heal, we ask you to unite in a special prayer for victims of child sexual abuse.



"A Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse"
Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's
wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness.
Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace,
to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers
and labors. Grant that all harmed by abuse may find
peace and justice.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY- APRIL 16TH

The devotion to Jesus of the Divine Mercy has its origin in Poland in the 1930's. Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her diary. On May 5, 2000, at the direction of Saint John Paul II, the Vatican decreed that the



Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. **This Sunday, April 16th at 3PM** we invite you to join us in the Church for the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which was passed on by Jesus in visions to St. Faustina. Bring your rosary, which will be used for reciting the prayers. We will also have benediction and some quiet time for adoration of the Blessed Sacrement. Everyone is invited to attend. Fr. Leszek encourages us all to encounter Jesus through the Divine Mercy devotion. St. Anastasia offers Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet every Wednesday at 5p. To learn more and find additional resources visit: https://www.thedivinemercy.org/



COMPANIONS OF THE JOURNEY

Companions on the Journey grew out of Fr. Leszek's desire to provide an opportunity for parishioners to share their joys and sorrows in a confidential, small group setting. All are welcome. This informal group is facilitated by Sue McLaughlin and Lidia Vinci. Prayer, scripture and mutual support are its foundations. Come check us out. There is no preparation or commitment required.

We meet in the Parish Office Conference Room on the third Thursday of each month from 10 am to 11:30 am If you would like to have your name, phone number/email address added to the list, please email the parish office at parish@st-anastasia.org. For additional information email Sue at mango95@aol.com.

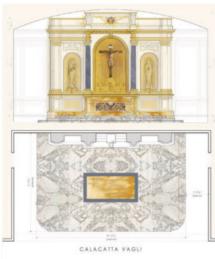


ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

The truck from St. Vincent de Paul will be in the Church Parking Lot **Sunday, April 23rd, 8AM-2PM,**collecting useable clothing, shoes, small appliances, household items, books, etc



ST. ANASTASIA SANCTUARY REMODEL



Our Sanctuary
remodel is going
very well. Over the
past few months,
our staff has worked
closely with the Los
Angeles Archdioceses
Construction
Department and the
assigned project
manager. Our
contracts have all
been signed and
approved by ADLA.

The flooring material for the Sanctuary has been purchased and is currently being

fabricated with a target installation date of May 8th. Our Retablo is being built offsite in the artisans's worshop and will be installed, painted, and finished once completed.

We have also contracted a lighting designer. She is well known in the Los Angeles Archdiocese and will begin with lighting niches and then work outward over time into the Church's nave.

.We are currently reviewing bids on this work with the construction department. Our next step is to finalize material selections for the flooring in the rest of the Church.

We thank you for your continued patience during this time. In addition, we are incredibly grateful for your continued financial generosity to our Building Fund and parishioners' fulfillment of Called to Renew pledges. Both sources of funding will help see this project to fruition



BEYOND OUR PARISH

LMU -EARTH DAY WORKSHOP

"Entering the Heart: Nature as Spiritual Practice" with Mark Mitchell

Saturday, April 22, 2023 9:30am -12:30pm

University Hall 1 LMU Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90045



The Center for Religion and Spirituality invites you to this workshop with **Mark Mitchell**, counselor and pastoral minister. In this workshop, participants will explore and experience spiritual practices and tools that can help to develop a deeper connection with nature. By opening one's heart to the discovery of new possibilities, participants will:

Gain deeper understanding of nature and their own connection to it. Experience new and ancient meditation practices that connect us with nature that can create greater hope, joy and healing. Develop a plan of action that continues to nurture your own relationship with nature

For more information or to register please visit https://cal.lmu.edu/event/workshop-entering-the-heart

SERRA MENS RETREAT

Living Life to the Fullest Men's Retreat Everyday experiences with God April 28-30, 2023 Prayer is being attentive to God's presence at work within us and around us. It awakens, nurtures, and expresses our longing for God. Prayer is not a goal; it is a way to God, a journey into God's deepest love for you and for the whole world. During our Retreat we invite you to deepen your relationship with God, engaging every part of yourself, heart, mind, breath and body, our wonders and wounds. His guidance will help you live life to the fullest, experiencing the holiness of **Retreat Presenters:** God in the ordinary. Sr. Carol Quinlivan, CSJ & Fr. Charlie Smiech, OFM Address: City State Parish: City: Please note a \$50 per person non-refundable deposit is required for registration. Single room \$300 Double room \$240 per person, Roommate Name: Please check if this is your first overnight retreat at Serra Retreat Do you NEED a room on the first floor? Yes or No First Floor rooms are very limited. But please let us know if you have any medical reasons that require you to be on the first floor. Specific rooms are not guaranteed / All rooms have an adjoining bathroom Credit card information #: Exp: Make checks payable to Serra Retreat. Attn: Isabel Help us go Green: Please print email address clearly. Confirmations are sent via email. 3401 Serra Rd. P.O. Box 127, Malibu, CA, 90265 (310) 456-6631 communications@serraretreat.com

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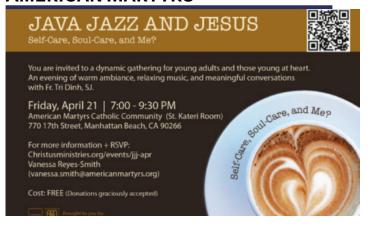


The Pregnancy Help Center's Walk for Life South Bay is coming, and we need YOU! Walk proceeds provide free services for women with an unplanned pregnancy. The Walk is Saturday, May 20th, save the date!

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