

ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MOTHER'S DAY WE ARE NURTURED IN LOVE



MAY 14, 2023

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WEEKEND MASSES Saturday: 5PM Vigil Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM, 5PM

DAILY MASSES Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:30 AM, 8AM Tues, Thu, Sat: 8AM

CONFESSION Wednesdays: 5:15 - 5:45PM Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:45PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri: 8:30AM - 4:30PM (CLOSED WEEKENDS)

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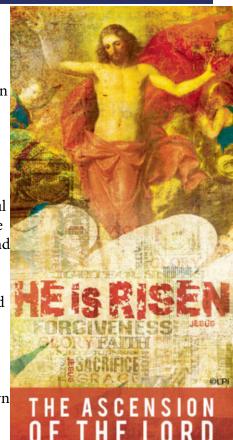


GOSPEL MEDITATIONS - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD- MAY 18TH

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE -Father John Muir Have you ever noticed how often we use "up" and "down" to judge things? Beethoven's Ninth Symphony is "high" art, while professional wrestling is "low." If I'm having a good day, I'm on "cloud nine." A bad day means I am "down in the dumps." A successful career is "moving up the ladder." Failure in work or personal life can be "falling from the heights." Life is filled with "ups and downs" — no one has the slightest problem understanding that means life has both "good and bad."

Now consider Jesus' ascension. He ascends not just to some level slightly higher of goodness, but "above all the heavens," to use the words of Saint Paul (Eph.4:10). That expression means to the source of all goodness. He has gone all the way down — to the farthest depths of human suffering, and death. And now he has taken our humanity all the way up into God. In doing so he has demonstrated what he says in the Gospel of John to the Father: "Everything of yours is mine." He now reigns over every possible aspect of creation in and through his human nature. That's what the ascension is all about.

So what? No matter what the lows and highs, ups and down we face this week, we are totally encompassed by the one who descended and ascended. So, we should happily and confidently entrust ourselves to him. He has shown us not only his power, but especially his love, in filling all our ups and down with his presence.



ARMED FORCES DAY~ MAY 20TH

On the 3rd Saturday in May we celebrate Armed Forces Day. This day is used to honor and uplift Americans who serve in all branches of the military. It is also used to recognize the work of all service members who dedicate themselves to preparedness for anything that the U.S. may face. Please join us in lifting all those who served or currently serve in our prayers.

God our Father,

Maker and lover of peace, To know you is to live, And to serve you is to reign. All our faith is in your saving help; Protect us from men of violence and keep us safe from weapons of hate. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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. May 28th bulletin content due: **Thursday, May 18th**.

ASCENSION SUNDAY~ MAY 21ST

Also Known as Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, this feast is traditionally celebrated on a Thursday, the 40th day of Easter and commemorates the bodily Ascension of Jesus into heaven. In the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, we celebrate it on the Follwing Sunday May 21st.

MINISTRY MEETINGS & EVENTS

May 17: Adult Choir (Every Wednesday at 6:15PM)

<u>May 18</u>: Companions on the Journery (Every 3rd Thursday at 10AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>May 23 :</u> Ministry of Consolation (Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7PM)Location: Parish Office Conference Room

June 7: Men's Morning Hour (Every 1st Wednesday after 6:30AM Mass) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

June 10: St. Roberts Center (Every 6 weeks) Location: 211 3rd Ave, Venice

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 **<u>4 weeks prior to the Baptism.</u>**

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, May 14: 6th Sunday of Easter, Mothers Day Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21 7:30 AM – Fleurette Gauthier ♥

9 AM – St. Anastasia Parisioners ♦ 11 AM – Yolanda Morgan ₽

5PM - Mothers Day Novena

MONDAY, May 15: St. Isidore

Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26–16:4a 6:30 AM – Mothers Day Novena

8 AM – Michael & Linda Radcliff 🎔

TUESDAY, May 16: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11 8AM- Mothers Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, May 17: Acts 17:15, 22–18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

> 6:30 AM – Chris Wyatt 🕏 8 AM – Mothers Day Novena

THURSDAY, May 18: The Ascension of the Lord; St. John I, Pope and Martyr Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

8AM-Mothers Day Novena

FRIDAY, May 19: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

6:30AM- Mothers Day Novena

8 AM – Luis Brito 🗘

SATURDAY, May 20: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest; Armed Forces Day Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

> 8 AM- Mothers Day Novena 5PM- Maggi Harris 🗘

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS

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

First Reading: All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. (Acts 1:14)

Psalm: I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. (Ps 51)

Second Reading: If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. (1 Pt 4:14)

Gospel: Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you." (Jn 17:1)

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

SACREMENTS

We are looking forward to the month of May when the children and young adults of our St. Anastasia Parish complete their formation preparation and receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please keep them, their sponsors, and families in your prayers.

May God's grace poor unto their hearts the gifts of these sacraments so that they can continue to grow in their faith, glorify God and spread the love of Jesus as true disciples of Christ.



DID YOU KNOW? MAY 13-14

Understanding the VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children program

Recognize signs of grooming behavior



Many adult predators

"groom" their victims, creating an emotional and psychological connection with a child to lay the groundwork for future sexual abuse. Some basic signs of child grooming can include taking an undue interest in someone else's child, or calling a child a "special friend." Groomers may give money or gifts for no reason, or invite a potential victim on isolated day trips or outings without the child's parents. For more signs of grooming behavior, read the VIRTUS® article "The Sometimes Hostile Community Response Regarding the Allegation of Child Sexual Abuse" at https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/

MOTHERS DAY ~ SUNDAY MAY 14TH

During the season of Easter, what a great time to remember our mothers and ask for God's blessing on them. It is God who ultimately gave us life. It is through God's unselfish love--mirrored in our mothers' willingness to associate their love with God's and take the risk to love us into life--that we have the opportunity for life. We remember our mothers this Mother's Day with much love. Let us pray for each of them:



God our heavenly Father, you give to each the ability to share your generative love. Bless those women in our lives who mirror your love and bring forth life through their willingness to risk bringing new life into this world. Help us to show them our gratitude for the gift of life and the gift of a mother's love. May our life-giving God continue to bless them and show them his unfailing love. We ask this through Jesus, God's Son and our brother. Amen.

Remember your beloved mother or any special woman, living or deceased, with a Mother's Day "Spiritual Bouquet" Mass Intention. Cards and offertory envelopes can be found in the Vestibule and at the West side entrance to the Church.

Ushers will be passing out Mothers Day gifts on behalf of Father Leszek and the St. Anastasia Parish Staff. We hope these gifts bring you joy and remind you of how loved you are.

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration of the week

If we love Christ, we will keep his commandments, and the world will not accept us. But we are not left orphans — God sends us an Advocate. Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face of the earth!

PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

NURSES MINISTRY

Stop by the Nurses Ministry Table in the Diamond Courtyard **Sunday May 21st** for your Blood pressure screening after the 7:30AM, 9AM, and 11AM Masses thanks to Angie Tolentino and the nurses who give their time to this ministry.



ST. MARGERTS CENTER



Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every Mass **Sunday**, **May 21st** supporting St. Margaret's Center. Since 1987, they have been providing a range of emergency and supportive services, to about 10,000

individuals annually, in the Los Angeles "L.A.X." area.

ST. ANASTASIA GOLF TOURNAMENT

The St. Anastasia's Charity Golf Classic is back for the 25th year!

There is still time to bid on some wonderful items in our silent auction. (*Did someone say Taylor Swift concert Tickets?!*) Check out the items we have up or grabs at https://one.bidpalnet/2023golftournament

SAVE THE DATE! JAZZ IN JUNE!

St. Anastasia Music Ministry is proud to present, Jazz in June! Pencil in this date as you dont want to miss this event. More details to follow.



CHILDRENS UKULELE SUMMER CAMP

Come join the fun as Miss Kate leads a group ukulele class! Students will learn : How to tune their instrument, Basic Chords, strumming, singing and playing songs! This camp will be from June 26th-30th form 12:30pm-1:30pm located in the Parish Hall. Registration is \$100.

This class is designed for beginners. Grades 1st-5th *Need based scholarships and ukuleles available* For more information please contact Kate at MusicMinistry@St-Anastasia.org



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM CAR WASH



MERCY BAGS - SERVICE PROJECT

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St. Anastasia Catholic Church

One way to do a service project for the less fortunate is to make blessing bags for the homeless. These care packages are kept at the Parish Office for when our homeless neighbors reach out to us. They are also given to homeless shelters and organizations that help those in need.



1 GALLON SIZE PLASTIC BAG:

- Food Only Ralph's Gift card
- Deodorant
- Pocket-sized facial tissues
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Wet wipes
- Sunscreen
- T-shirt
- Prayer Card/Personal Note of Hope

JUNE 4

Collection at Mass

Teens in shifts

INCLUDE NON PERISHABLE FOOD: CRACKERS, TRAIL MIX, GRANOLA BARS, BEEF JERKY

For more information please contact :

ddupree@st-anastasia.org

BEYOND OUR PARISH

RESPECT LIFE



The Pregnancy Help Center presents its 36th Annual Walk for Life South Bay on Saturday, May 20th, Veterans Park, Redondo Beach. Join us for us for this fun family event (pre-walk activities), walk along the strand, and raise funds which will help to provide free pregnancy services for South Bay Women. For information or to sign up online, visit <u>supportphctorrance.org</u>, click on the Walk for Life button, or call the Pregnancy Help Center at 424-263-4855. On site registration will be available the day of the event starting at 7:30 am (limited amount of T-Shirts available). Thank you!

MARY & JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

Joseph 25 Saturday, May 20, 2023 10:00am to 3:00pm

Connecting with your Inner Wisdom through SoulCollage[®]

> Laureen Lazarovici & Victor Narro





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SoulCollages is a gentle, intuitive, creative process that involves creating small collage cards that participants use as a powerful tool for ongoing self-reflection, self-awareness and community building. Through the use of images, symbols, and pictures from magazines and periodicals and other sources, the participants in this workshop will engage in the reflective process to create collage cards, that they can use as tools for prayer, meditation & connecting with their inner spirituality or soul wisdom. As part of the workshop, we will integrate the labyrinth of Mary & Joseph Center. We will provide the materials – magazines, scissors, glue sticks, SoulCollagescards, etc.

SoulCollage

aureen and Victor are both trained as SoulCollage® Facilitators, helping participants ap into their own inner wisdom and bring their whole and authentic selves to their iork, homes, families and communities. Laureen and Victor have facilitated several oulCollage® workshops including workshops for student activists at UCLA, the eligious Education Congress, and La Casa de Maria Retreat Center.

Cost: \$60 Lunch included To register call José at (310) 377-4867 ext 250 or email him at jsalas@maryloseph.org or register online at www.maryjoseph.org. Please see website for Cancellation Policy.

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CITY OF SAINTS



CARITAS



TROOP 915 PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please join Scout Troop 915 for a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 21st from 8am-11am at the Knights of Columbus Hall: 8049 W Manchester Ave, Playa del Rey. Right up the street!

Tickets are \$10 each at the door. Can't get a better deal! Feed the whole family! Please support the Scouts as they prepare for camping and numerous

neighborhood activities & community service projects.





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