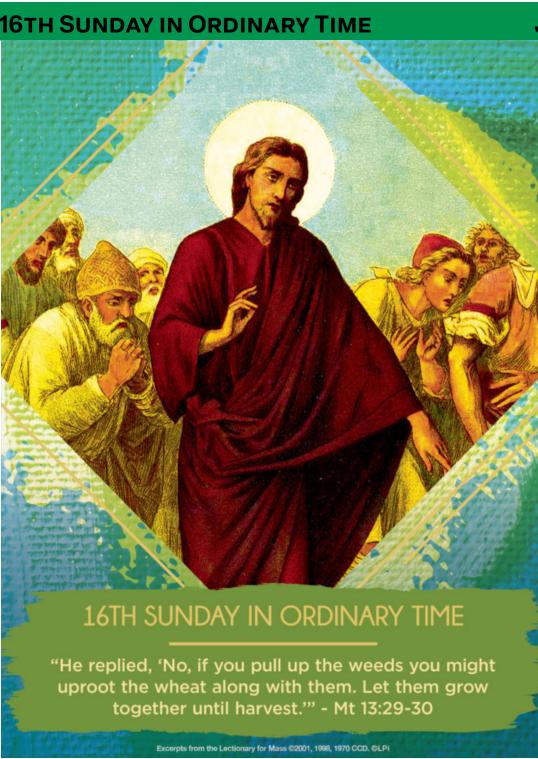


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#### **JULY 23RD, 2023**

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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 MEDITATION

#### July 23, 2023 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Patience is rooted in Hope (an image of a bush filled with birds would be great)
Life, like the church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord's parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.



Evil: in Jesus' parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of his patient love. He will finally deal with it, but his love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It's funny that Jesus says his kingdom looks like ... wait for it ... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky. The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives, still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends.

Impurities: divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares his kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It's the secret of the Cross. Not how we'd prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: all three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven-free.

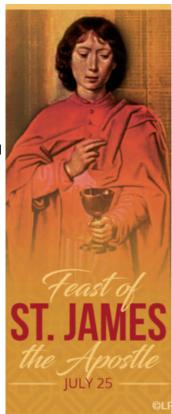
- Father John Muir @LPi

#### **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. August 6th bulletin content due: **Thursday, July 27th.** 

#### ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE- JULY 25TH

Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.



Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to

the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration of the week

When the disciples cannot understand something, they approach Jesus, and beseech him to explain. Let us be this forthcoming when we are discerning the will of God or struggling with a decision. Let us ask him to explain in words we can understand.

#### 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, July 23rd: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43

7:30 AM - St. Anastasia Parishioners

9 AM - William Gaffney &

11 AM -Mary Melchor 🕏

5PM -Rosalie Hunt 🕆

#### MONDAY, July 24th: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

6:30 AM -Natalie Maguire 급 8 AM -James Keithley 급

TUESDAY, July 25th: St. James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

8AM- Lola Rois★

WED, July 26th: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

6:30 AM - Harriet Weber &

8 AM - Diana & Aaron ◆

THURSDAY, July 27th:

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

8AM- Mary Helm 🕆

#### FRIDAY, July 28th:

Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

6:30AM- Andrew Stefanski む

8 AM -Ben Alcantar ◆

SATURDAY, July 29th: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

8 AM- Wanda Stefanski 🕏

5PM- Steven Radcliff ◆

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS**

Fr. Rozborski
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Msgr. Cox

**First Reading:** "Because you have asked for this—not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right—I do as you requested." (1 Kgs 3:11-12)

Psalm: Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119

**Second Reading:** For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. (Rom 8:29)

**Gospel:** "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

#### **SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Registration is open for classes within our School of Religious Education! To register please contact Dianalee Dupree at ddupree@st-anastasia.org

#### Classes offered are...

- Sunday preschool program for 3-5 year olds at 8:45AM
- First Communion preparation Y1 & Y2
- Continuing Formation for children 8 and older at 10:10AM
- Confirmation preparation Y1 & Y2

Are you interested in joining this ministry as a catechist or helper? Our program is a great opportunity for us to educate the youngest members of our Church. Contact Dianalee Dupree at ddupree@st-anastasia.org



#### **MINISTRY MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

<u>July 25th</u>: Ministry of Consolation (Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7PM)Location: Parish Office Conference Room

July 26th: Adult Choir (Every Wednesday at 6:15PM)

July 28th: Prayer Group (Every Friday 6pm-8pm)

Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>August 2nd:</u> Men's Morning Hour (Every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month after 6:30AM Mass) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

Aug 17th: Companions on the Journey (Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

Sep 2nd: St. Roberts Center (Every 6 weeks on Saturday)

Location: 211 3rd Ave, Venice

Morning Glory Coffee (Every Thursday after 8AM Mass and Rosary) Location: Diamond Courtyard w/ light refreshments and treats.



#### YOUTH MINISTRY CORE TEAM

We are committed to building a vibrant Youth Ministry at St. Anastasia. We find ourselves in need of adults and teens to walk alongside our Confirmation Program candidates. Join our team in accompanying High School teens as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. No experience required. Can you give an hour of your Sunday mornings to help in the formation of our Catholic Youth? Consider saying "Yes," to the call and invest in the future of our Church!



All interested please email: Ddupree@st-anastasia.org

#### **CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION OPEN**

#### 2023-2024 Registration Now Open!

If you have a teen currently in high school, now is your chance to sign up for the Sacrament of Confirmation! St. Anastasia offers a two year preparation program. The

program runs September-May. All Year 1 and Year 2 candidates can visit our website to register at <a href="https://www.st-anastasia.org/sacraments/">https://www.st-anastasia.org/sacraments/</a>



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#### PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

#### **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**



#### Red Cross Blood Drive

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Parish Hall 7390 W Manchester Ave Los Angeles, CA 90045

Sunday, August 27, 2023 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: AnastasiaChurch to schedule an appointment. Streamline your donation

experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



#### **BINGO LUNCHEON! AUGUST 15TH**

#### **Outdoor Summer Lunch and Bingo**

RSVP to Laurette at 310-670-2488 by Tuesday, August 8th at 9 AM

When: Tuesday, August 15th at 12 Noon

Where: Pastors' Plaza Cost: \$20.00



#### **BOUCH SPORTS CAMP**



Bouch Sports Camp still has 3 more weeks of fun available at St. Anastasia School campus. The multi-sports camp, led by one of our parishioners, Coach Chris Bouch and St. Anastasia's own Coach Nik Amatulli, is open to our whole community and will provide a safe and fun environment for children to focus on physical health, while developing coordination through drills, games, and activities! Camp is offered 9am-3:30 pm Monday-Friday, with special fun activities of Friday! Cost is only \$350 per child.

Session 4 (July 31 - Aug. 4)

- Session 5 (Aug. 7 11)
- Session 6 (Aug. 14 18)

Please contact Chris Bouch at (310) 713-1557 with questions or scan the QR code to regitser.



#### **ALUMNI MASS AUGUST 6TH**

Save the Date for a special Alumni Mass **Sunday**, **August 6th at 5pm.** We invite Alumni families with students

going off to college to come and recieve a special send off of blessings and warm memories. All are welcome to come, so make sure to put the date on you calendar!



#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

The ADESTE program at St. Anastasia School is an afterschool daycare to help St. Anastasia families during the school year. They are looking for additional employees to work in the afternoons M-TH from 2 to 6 PM and Fridays from Noon to 6 PM. If you are interested in one of their positions, please contact Mrs. Jimenez at 310-848-8539.

#### **BEYOND OUR PARISH**

#### **IGNATIANS WEST**

#### **Summer Retreat Day** Ignatian Spirituality

Graces of 'Less is More:' God's Gifts for Our Later Years." Saturday, August 5, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Loyola Marymount University Jesuit Community Garden

Join Fr. Randy Roche, SJ, University Chaplain at LMU, and Anne Hansen, Director, Ignatians West,

for a summer day of reflection and renewal in the peace of the LMU Jesuit garden.

Lunch will be served, and free parking is available.

To register or for more information:

ahansen@ignatianswest.org or call 805-443-0812.



#### L.A CATHOLICS



#### MARY AND JOSPEH RETREAT CENTER

Saturday, August 19, 2023 9:00am to Noon Paint, Pause, and Pray Melissa Calderon & Marita Bueza







Art Theme: The Garden of God.

This is a meditational event through the expressional form of painting. The participants follow a pattern and start with the same subject, but have artistic freedom & flexibility. This session will allow time for contemplative prayer using silence, music, scripture, and sharing as each artist creates their masterpiece. During this unique form of gathering, individuals will be able to connect with others on a spiritual level while creating art.

All skill levels are invited and no artistic experience is required. Melissa Calderon has been a private tutor in the South Bay area for over twenty years, and her areas of expertise are math and science. She has also been part of the hospitality team at the Mary & Joseph Retreat Center for over seven years. While in elementary school, she studied different branches of art at Barnsdall Art Park in Los Angeles where she was captivated with calligraphy, painting, and photography. Later she continued studying art while in high school. Marita Bueza is a database analyst for a hospital in the Chicago area, and she shares that she spends most of her time using her left side of the brain during work and visual arts helps to open her creative mind, aids in being in God's presence, and aids in her balance. Her father, a retired skyscraper architect and painter, taught her painting techniques using acrylics. Marita continued mastering her artistic ability when she studied art during high school and college.

Jost: \$45 per person (all materials included); optional \$16 lunch

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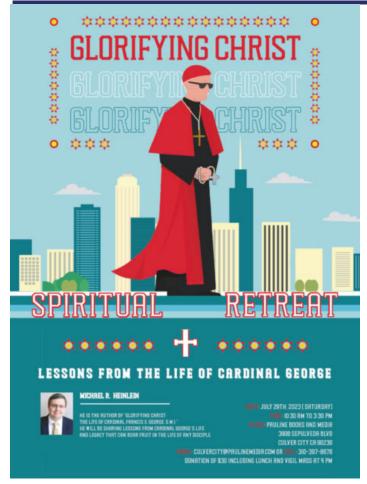
Marita Bueza

Cost: \$45 per person (all materials included); optional \$16 lunch To register call José at (310) 377-4867 x250 or email him at jsalas@maryjoseph.org or register online at www.maryjoseph.org. Please see website for Cancellation Policy.

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