# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH



# 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You know neither the day nor the hour." - Mt 25: 13

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. @LPi

# **NOVEMBER 12TH, 2023**

**PASTOR** Rev. Leszek Semik

ASSOCIATE PASTOR Rev. Greg Rozborski

**PRIEST IN RESIDENCE** Rev. Msgr. Gregory Cox

**DEACON** Jose "Joe" Viola

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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 for lunch 12:30-1:30 (CLOSED WEEKENDS)

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#### A LETTER FROM THE DESK OF FR. LESZEK

Dear St. Anastasia's Parishioners,

Fall is such a lovely season! I love to see the changing of the leaf colors, feel the chill in the air, make apple pies, and smell the wonderful fragrances in the air.

The fall season normally makes us think of the upcoming holiday season. As we draw nearer to Thanksgiving Day, let us be reminded that this holiday serves as a reminder to us that we are to have thankful hearts all the time, not just during Thanksgiving. Having a spirit of thankfulness is such a wonderful blessing.

Gratitude is so important to God. 1 Thessalonians 5:18 states: "In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." God wants us to be thankful to Him for everything. Sometimes we can get into a spot where our perspectives are negative and we tend to murmur and complain, but God wants us to have a heart that is swelled with gratitude.



We have so much to be grateful for. We ought to be thankful for the air that we breathe, food to eat, a place to call home, plenty of water, family, friends, and so much more. God has definitely bestowed blessings all around us and if we will simply open our hearts and eyes to see we will be eternally grateful.

God freely gives His love and salvation to us. In turn, we ought to be grateful and bestow that kind of love upon others. As this season of Thanksgiving approaches, let us be reminded to be thankful for everything and look for ways that we can be servants. Look at those around you and see how you can be a blessing to them.

This Thanksgiving and all throughout the holiday season, count your blessings and be a blessing unto others. Invite friends and family over for dinner, take the kids to the soup kitchen, make a visit to a nursing home, or buy some groceries and bless a family in need.

You can also make a gratitude list to serve as a reminder of all the things that you are grateful for. Post it in a place that you can see every day so you can be reminded of what a great life you have! Being grateful can bring you peace and joy and God's will is that we be full of love, peace, and joy.

This Thanksgiving, no matter what you are going through, give thanks to God. Even if you are going through a tough time, thank God for the times that He has helped you through other difficult times, and for all of the good things in your life. Keeping your eyes on Him and off of your own circumstances will allow your heart to open and be enlarged. Happy Thanksgiving!

Blessings in Christ, Fr. Leszek

## **BULLETIN ANNOUCEMENTS**

Deadline for any pulpit announcements is **Thursdays by 12N**. If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email bulletin@st-anastasia.org. November 26th bulletin content due: **Thursday, November 16th.** 

# LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration of the week

God knows that, sooner or later, we all face a night that is long and dark. He has given each of us exactly what we need to make it through. If we keep Him with us, the light will not go out.

## MASS OF WELLNESS

ST. ANASTASIA



Our next Wellness Mass will be this Thursday, November 16th at 5pm.

Dear Lord, we lift those up who are facing illness and any other kind of suffering. Calm their fears, bring healing, comfort and peace to their souls.

# **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 Tent - Wednesdays at 5PM

#### DAILY ROSARY

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

(6:30 Mass temporarily suspended during renovation. Mass Intentions are privately prayed).

#### 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. All requirements are to be completed <u>4 weeks prior to a scheduled 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 🕆

SUN, November 12th: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

7:30 AM - All Souls 30 Day Novena 🔂

9 AM – St. Anastasia Parishioners ◆ 11 Am-Bernadeta Semik &

5PM - Jan Semik 🔶

MON, November 13th: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6 6:30 AM -Kathleen Pultorak & (privately prayed) 8 AM – All Souls 30 Day Novena &

TUESDAY, November 14th: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6 8AM- All Souls 30 Day Novena ₽

WED, November 15th: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6

6:30 AM – All Souls 30 Day Novena 한 (privately prayed)

8 AM – Lidia Chavez <sup>①</sup> THUR, November 16th: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25 8AM - All Souls 30 Day Novena <sup>①</sup> 5PM - Mass of Wellness

FRIDAY, November 17th: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab/Lk 17:26-37

6:30AM- Glenn Allred Jr. む(privately prayed)

8 AM - All Souls 30 Day Novena 🗗

SATURDAY, November 18th: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

> 8 AM- All Souls 30 Day Novena 🕏 5PM- Bernadeta Semik 🕏

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

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

First Reading: She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life.

She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. (Prv 31:12-13)

Psalm: Blessed are those who fear the Lord. (Ps 128)

**Second Reading**: But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light

and children of the day. (1 Thes 5:4-5)

**Gospel:** "'Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'" (Mt 25:21)



# FAITH FORMATION

## **MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION**

The Ministry of Consolation has been providing a supportive space for individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one.



We meet twice a month on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Parish Office Conference Room. This November, our sessions will be held on the 14th and 28th.

After these sessions, we will take some time to prepare a new program for the start of 2024, likely beginning in late January or early February.

To stay updated on this information, please check the weekly bulletin and St. Aanastasia's website.

Our study of the book *"It is OK that we are not OK"* by Megan Divine has revealed the shortcomings of our current support system and the need for better counseling and assistance to help individuals rebuild their lives after loss.

Here are some excerpts from the book:

"Having lost a loved one, she (the author) knows that life is forever changed. There is not getting over it, but only getting under it. Loss and grief change our landscape. The terrain is forever different and there is no normal return to. There is only the inner task of making a new and accurate map. As she (the author) so wisely says,

- We're not here to fix our pain, but to tend to it."

If someone is interested in this book, we still have a couple of them to purchase. Please contact Aleida Rodriguez, Ministry Coordinator, *Ministryofconsolation@St-Anastasia.org* for questions or information.

# KIDS CORNER

#### "Hello, Jesus! Help me remember that you're always with me."

Jesus spent a lot of time in prayer. There's a lesson for us: We can pray before, during and after every important event in our lives. And everything in your life is important to God! Try saying, "Hi Jesus!" or

"Help me, God!" or "Thanks for that, Lord!" throughout the day today. Those little prayers can help you in a big way. -Living Faith Kids



## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which one becomes a full member of the Roman Catholic Church. While coming to know Jesus and His invitation to become a disciple, the OCIA process involves the journey of faith

and conversion. A person is introduced to the beliefs, life, liturgy, and apostolic work of the Catholic Church. For more information email:



 St. Anastasia Bible Study

 Surviving the Last Days

 • Every morning the 'End Times' come one day closer.

 • The 'Last Things' – Death, Judgment, Heaven, Purgatory, and Hell – give us all good reason to ponder.

 • Should we fear the particular judgment?

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How do we face our end with genuine Christian Hope?

• Our study of the Last Things begins October 24. Attend

either the morning session, 9:00–10:30 am, or the evening session, 7:30–9:00 pm. Meetings are held in the Parish Hall • Register right away. Materials fee <sup>\$</sup>25.



Scan the QR Code or register at the Parish Office or Online: www.osvhub.com/st-anastasia/giving/funds (scroll down to Bible Study.) Contact: Carolyn Godlewski ScriptureStudyStA@gmail.com

## **MINISTRY MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

November 14th: Bible Study (Every Tuesday 9-10:30 am or 7:30-9 pm) Location: Parish Hall

<u>November 14th:</u> Ministry of Consolation (Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7PM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

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

<u>November 17th</u>: Prayer Group (Every Friday 6pm-8pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>November 25th:</u> St. Robert's Center (Every 6 weeks on Saturday) Location: 211 3rd Ave, Venice

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

<u>December 21st</u>: Companions on the Journey (Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>Altar Server Ministry</u> (Every Thursday after 8AM Mass and Rosary) Location: Diamond Courtyard w/ light refreshments and treats.

# PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

## 70TH ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE



St. Anastasia is coming up on it's 70th year Anniversary Jubilee! If anyone has any photos, and wants to share them you can post them here or email them at DGulalo@st-Anastasia.org We will be having a celebration and would love to have pictures from past and present. Thanks and go Panthers!

## **NURSES MINISTRY**

Stop by the Nurses Ministry Table by the tent next Sunday, November 19th 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.

# SAINT MARGARET'S CENTER

Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every Mass next Sunday, November 19th 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 "L.A.X." area.



# BOX OF JOY IS BACK!



Our 'Box of Joy' program is Back! Families, groups, and parishes across the U.S., team up with Cross Catholic Outreach, to pack and ship 'Boxes of Joy.' We, as a community of faith, have the power to make a difference in the life of a precious child and send a powerful reminder of God's love in Jesus' name. By packing Boxes of Joy with toys and other gifts, participants bless children suffering from extreme poverty by sharing the joy of Christmas and planting seeds of hope. Stop by our Parish Office and pick up your 'Box of Joy.' We have set goal for 100 boxes for our Parish. St. Anastasia can make this happen! Gift Ideas can be found on their Website: https://crosscatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/ Web-P6637-FY2023-BOJ-gift-ideas-No-Calendar.pdf

## **KNIFE SHARPENING FUNDRAISER!**

Back by popular demand, St. A's very own knifesharpening dad, Toby Guidry, is here to take your knives from drab to fab right in time for those holiday dinners! Proceeds to go to St. Anastasia School.

Your knives will be sharpened, tested, and sanitized, at \$7/knife or 4 knives for \$25. Exact change or Venmo is accepted. He can accept a maximum of 10 knives per customer. Use the link below to reserve your spot & choose a pick up date/time for the following day. Please note, Toby can sharpen most knives, but please be aware that he cannot sharpen kitchen shears, serrated knives, or single-bevel Japanese style or Shun knives.

\*\*Can't make the November dates? We'll offer one more sharpening in December right before Christmas!\*\* Questions? Contact Toby at guidry.toby@gmail.com or 310.721.2929



## THANKSGIVING TURKEY DRIVE!

St. Anastasia Turkey Drive is underway, and we would love to hit our goal of donating 150 turkeys to St. Margaret's Center!

We will be purchasing Ralphs gift cards to deliver to St. Margaret's Center on behalf of our Parish. St. Margaret's Center (a part of Catholic Charities of Los Angeles) has served low-income and homeless families since 1987. Based on the current cost of turkeys, the suggested donation is \$25. You can donate a Ralphs gift card, Venmo, cash, or check (payable to St. Anastasia PTO).

- For Venmo: @STA-PTO in the note section please add "Turkey Drive and Family Name".
- Checks, cash, and gift cards can be delivered to the school office.

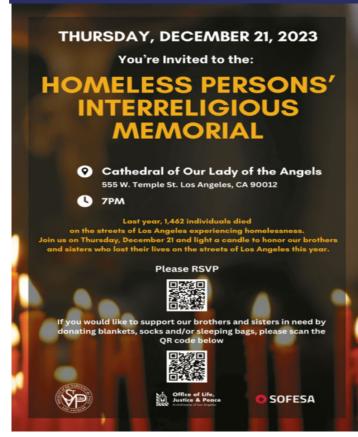
All donations must be collected by November 16th. Thank you for helping support St.Margarets Center!





# **BEYOND OUR PARISH**

#### **ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES**





## WOMENS CLUB OF PLAYA DEL REY



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## **MARYCREST MANOR**

## "For Greater Things You were Born"

Have you ever thought "I want to make a difference. Where can I volunteer?" Marycrest Manor is calling you. **Do you have an hour a week or even each month to spend with a resident at Marycrest?** Here at Marycrest your experience and presence can bring a smile to a resident's face as you join in exercise, painting class or take them for a walk in the gardens. Join us in service to the Lord's dear ones. Contact us at <u>www.marycrestculvercity.com</u> and fill out a volunteer application form online. Or for additional information email pcc@marycrestculvercity.com. God Bless You and we look forward to seeing you.



# **MARY & JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER**



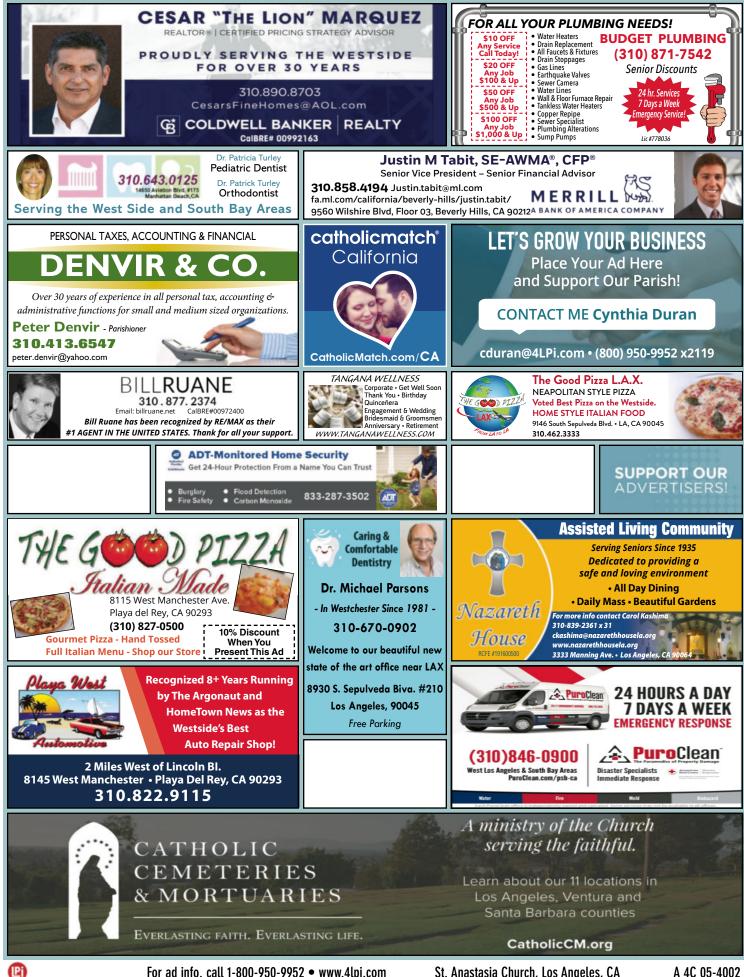


This retreat will center on renewal in the Holy Spirit with special times provided for healing pray: "O Holy Spirit, renew your wonders in this our day, as by a new Pentecost." (St. John XX111). "The rediscovery of the power of the Spirit, then, is a fundamental part of Church renewal. It has to be at the basis of everything else and it will, of necessity, affect everything else...worship and liturgy, community, daily life together, service, evangelism." *Steve Clark, Where Are We Headed*? This retreat is an opportunity to experience time for quiet reflection and prayer, personal ministry, and daily celebration of the eucharist. The

sacrament of reconciliation will also be available for those wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament. There will be a general healing service on Saturday evening in the Chapel. Fr. Pat is a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts in the Western Region of the United States Province. He has been actively involved in the Healing & Retreat Ministries for over forty years. He resides at the Community House in Hemet, CA.

Cost: per person/shared \$250; single \$350; commuter \$160 To register call José at (310) 377-4867 ext 250 or email him at jsalas@maryjoseph.org or register online at www.maryjoseph.org. Please see website for Cancellation Policy.

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