

# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

# **3rd Sunday of Easter**

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER **BEWITH YOU** LUKE 24:36

# **APRIL 14TH, 2024**

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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 12:30-1:30PM (CLOSED WEEKENDS)

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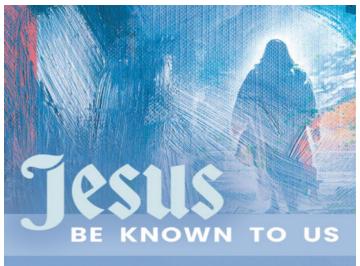
## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

#### **3rd Sunday of Easter**

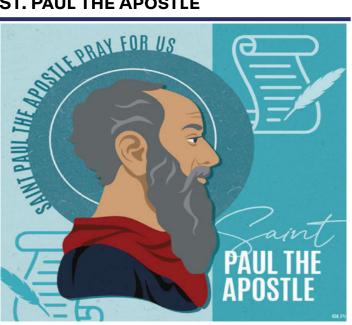
When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late-arriver, it's something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrongheaded it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: Word, followed by Eucharist. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too! - Father John Muir ©LPi



# **ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE**



St. Paul the Apostle (c.4-c.64) was named Saul of Tarsus before his conversion. He was born to a devout Jewish family who followed strict Pharisaic traditions for generations. He spoke Greek and was formally educated in Jewish culture, scripture, and traditions. As an adult he worked as a tentmaker as well as an enforcer for the Jewish leadership in their efforts against new Christian converts. He is known to have taken an active part in the stoning of St. Stephen, the first martyr, and considered himself to be a shining example of Judaism.

Saul's conversation to Christianity took place while he was traveling to Damascus to persecute Christians there. According to Scripture, "a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?'" (Acts 9:3-4). Stricken blind by the vision, Saul continued to Damascus where he was healed and immediately began meeting with other disciples in the area and preaching that Jesus is Lord. He changed his name to the Roman version of Saul, Paul, after his conversation because it was more common among the Gentiles.

For years he traveled all over the region starting churches and preaching the Gospel to the Gentiles. Paul's letters to the communities he served make up thirteen of the books of the New Testament today. His writings encourage new believers to learn about Jesus through Scripture and prayer, partaking in the Eucharist, and serving those in need. He was eventually beheaded as part of systematic executions of Christian leaders in Rome. St. Paul is known as the Apostle to the Gentiles, and the most prolific Christian missionary of all time. St. Paul, pray for us! © LPi

# **MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS**

# **DAILY PRAYERS**

#### **PERSONAL PRAYER IN THE CHURCH**

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 Fridays



# SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### **BAPTISM:**

Please contact the Parish Office at 310-670-2243 ext.36 for information, as parents and godparents are required to participate in a preprepartion baptism course. You may also email Dianalee Dupree at DDupree@st-anastasia.org for information on the completion of all requirements. All requiremnets are to be completed <u>4 weeks</u> prior to a scheduled 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 ↔ SUN, April 14th: 3rd Sunday of Easter Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48 7:30 AM - Ruby Doney ★ 9 AM - Bernadeta Semik ↔ 11 AM - Bishop David O'Connell ↔ 5PM- St. Anastasia Parishioners ◆

MON, April 15th: Tax Day Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29 6:30 AM -Daniel Austin ひ 8 AM -Joseph & Blanca Marin ひや

#### TUESDAY, April 16th:

Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

8 AM - Ray & Marcy DeLeonardis 🔂 🔂

WED, April 17th:

Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

6:30 AM – Chris Wyatt む 8 AM - Jan Semik む

THUR, April 18th: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

8AM - Jacob Herber ★

#### FRIDAY, April 19th:

Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59 6:30AM- Jeffrey Shaffer 🕆 8AM- Wanda Stefanski 🕏

#### SATURDAY, April 20th:

Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69 8AM - Fr. Leszek Semik ◆

5PM- Yvette Arca 🗘

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

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

**First Reading**: "There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved." (Acts 4:12)

**Psalm:** The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. (Ps 118)

**Second Reading**: Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. (1 Jn 3:2)

**Gospel:** Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." (Jn 10:11)

# **FAITH FORMATION**

# WARM WELCOME



# **MINISTRY MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

<u>April 16th</u>: Bible Study (Every Tuesday 9-10:30 am or 7:30-9 pm) Location: Parish Hall

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

<u>April 18th</u>: Companions on the Journey (Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10AM-11:30AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>April 19th</u>: Prayer Group (Every Friday 6pm-8pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>April 24th :</u>Ministry of Consolation (Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

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

<u>May 8th</u>: Baptismal Ministry (Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm) Location: Parish Hall

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



# LIVE THE LITURGY

## Inspiration of the week

Sometimes when God appears in our path, we do not recognize him. In these moments, Jesus invites us to reach out and touch him. Remember that Christ is real, Christ is alive, and Christ stands before each one of us — so reach out. Touch him.

# **KIDS CORNER**

# "Jesus, show me how to serve others today"

Are there people in your life who do things for you? Who make your lunch, wash your clothes or take you places? These are the people who serve you. They do it because they love you. You probably can't do all these jobs yourself, but how about this? Take some time today to think about the ways people serve you. Is there a special way you can serve them? You can make them a thank-you card or a snack. Or you could just ask them how you can

help them today. This is a simple, easy and beautiful way to follow Jesus. -Living Faith Kids

# **DID YOU KNOW?**

**APRIL 13TH -14TH** 

# April 13-14 || The Archdiocese continues helping

survivors of sexual abuse and their families During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and on behalf of Archbishop José H. Gomez, we affirm our continued commitment to report allegations of sexual misconduct to law enforcement, support victim-survivors in their healing journey, and protect children and the vulnerable. The Archdiocese created a website, <u>https://lacatholics.</u> org/protect/ that serves as a comprehensive tool containing resources, programs and services for protecting children and reporting abuse. If you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual misconduct by someone affiliated with our Church, please contact law enforcement and the Archdiocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213) 737-7650 or visit <u>https://lacatholics.</u> org/reporting-child-abuse/ for help and support.

# **MONTHLY COLLECTION REPORT**

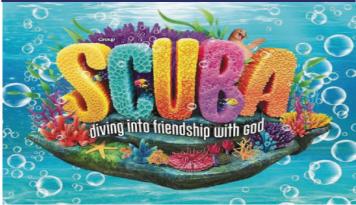
#### **March Collection Report**

Envelope Collection Totals	\$19363.00
Loose Collection Totals	\$6,856.00
Online giving Totals	\$31992.66
Holy WeekTotals( envelope/loose/online)	\$2529.00
Easter Totals( envelope/loose/online)	\$13,531.00
Monthly collection Totals	\$74271.00

Thank you for continued support

# **PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL**

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



#### Get ready to splash into fun!

At Scuba VBS, kids dive into friendship with God. Scuba is filled with awesome Scripture-learning experiences kids see,

So mark these dates on your calendar: June 24-June 28th We dive in at 9AM each day and re-surface at 12PM. Parents, grandparents, and friends are invited to join us as Fin-tastic Volunteers. We can't do it without the help of some fun, loving, volunteers! Middle School students this is a Fin-tastic way to get ahead of those service hours for next year. Middle schoolers will lead each group each day allowing them to develop leadership skills along with building those buddy relationships we love so much at St. A's. Follow the link below to register as a volunteer.

Register your children for this deep-sea adventure by visiting https://vbspro.events/p/scuba-sta

# hear, and touch!

# **FIRST ANNUAL MOTHER & SON DANCE**



Get ready for a hooting and hollering good time, with a Tower Pizza dinner, dancing, and games included! Adultonly beverages will be offered for purchase at the saloon. All Cowboys and favorite Cowgirl (Moms, Aunts, Grandmas or other special dudettes) are welcome. One adult per family please. So saddle up and grab your fanciest western gear and let's have a boot-scootin' good time! Tickets are \$50 per couple and \$25 for each extra child. Purchase your tickets here <a href="https://one.bidpal.net/">https://one.bidpal.net/</a>

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# **ST.VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY**



Don't miss our monthly donation basket after every Mass next Sunday, April 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 "LAX" area.



# NURSES MINISTRY

Stop by the Nurses Ministry Table in the Diamond Courtyard next Sunday, April 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.



The next St.Vincent de Paul "Bundle Sunday" is scheduled for April 28th from 8AM-2PM. That gives you two weeks for Spring cleaning and clearing out what can be donated to help another.

# **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Deadline for any pulpit announcements is Thursdays by 12N. If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email bulletin@st-anastasia.org. April 21st bulletin content due: Thursday, April 18th.

# **BEYOND OUR PARISH**

# WALK FOR LIFE





The Pregnancy Help Center presents its 37th Annual **Walk for Life South Bay on Saturday, May 18th**, at Veterans Park, Redondo Beach, 7:30 am onsite registration & pre-walk festivities (music, snacks, face painting). Join the St. Anastatia team to walk together, raise money and save lives every step of the way. 100% of proceeds provide free pregnancy services for clients of the Center. For information or to register- event.fundeasy.com/27239 or call the Center at 424-263-4855. **Sign up by April 23rd and raise/pay \$45 to be guaranteed a Walk t-shirt**. Thank you!





# Sign Up Here

June 17-21 Leadership

**June 24-28** The Arts

July 8-12

STEM

5th-8th Grade

Girls and Boys

\$450/week

# **CAMP LOUISVILLE**



All middle school girls and boys are invited to experiment, play, learn, explore, and create on the stunning campus of Louisville High School. **Come find your roar at Camp Louisville!** 

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**CHURCH OF THE VISITATION** 

Eucharistic Revival Retreat Visitation Church, 6561 W. 88th St. LA 90045 Saturday May 11, 9-3 pm.

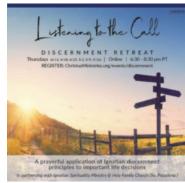
Join Visitation Parish and Father Parker Sandoval, Vice Chancellor and Senior Director of Ministerial Services for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles,



on a Parish-Wide Retreat focusing on "Who is Jesus? The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, and our Mission as Catholics to share the Good News with others." Includes Continental breakfast, lunch and retreat materials. Cost: \$35/person. For more information and to register, visit: https://e.givesmart.com/events/BeB/

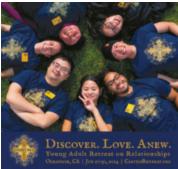


# **CHRISTUS MINISTRIES**



Join others for a five-week online prayer retreat that provides a hands-on experience of Ignatian discernment by integrating daily prayer, discernment of spirits, spiritual direction, spiritual conversation, and practicing key steps of discerning God's will. Learn more & register here https://www.christusministries. org/events/discernment

Are you looking to get away to reflect on your personal relationships and their meanings? Or encounter God's love in a whole new way? Join other young adults for a retreat focused on important and significant relationships - with God, yourself, and others. Learn more & register here <u>https://www. christusministries.org/events/</u> caritas67







# St. Anastasia Online Giving

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#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Finance Council:	David Mora	670-2243
Men's Club:	Chris Turkmany	200-8021
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Arts and Education:	Andy Kozlowski	670-3152
Safety Committee	Channing Pourchot	670-2243

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Ministry of the Eucharist: Linda Schmidt	397-5691
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Altar Server Committee: Mary Paquin	502-6653

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Deacon:	Jose "Joe" Viola
Pastoral Associate:	Dianalee Dupree
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Parish Secretary:	Nora Jayne Mallen
Director of Music Ministry:	Kate Comstock
Parish Office Assistant:	Theresa Reilly
Safety Administrator:	Kenneth Lance
Bulletin Editor:	Danielle Gulalo
School Principal:	Angelica Krestin
School Vice Principal:	Amanda Kraivanger
Director of Mission Advancement:	Vickie Farmer
Health and Academic Registrar:	Linda Schmidt
School Bookkeeper:	Pauline Diaz
Director of Admissions:	Clare Thomason
Maintenance:	Erik Melchor
PTO-Parent Teacher Organization:	Shannon Matthews
ADESTE (After School Program):	Ofelia Jimenez

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#### PARISH LIFE MINISTRIES

	<i>Companions on the Journey</i> Sue McLaughlin & Lidia Vinci649-6026
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	<i>Rosary Ministry</i> Rose De Leonardis567-2707
	<b>Respect Life</b> Teressa Syta670-0285
	Safe Guard the Children Parish Office670-2243
	Homeless Weekend Program/ St. Robert's Center
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