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MASS TIMES

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday: 8:00a.m.

(This mass is also live-streamed)

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 am., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.

(The Sunday Mass at 8:00 a.m. is also

live-streamed on our website)

DAILY ROSARY

Monday thru Friday following the 8 a.m. mass

HOLY HOUR (INSIDE THE CHURCH)

First Friday of each month:

8:30am-9:30am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

and by appointment

PRIVATE WORSHIP (INSIDE THE

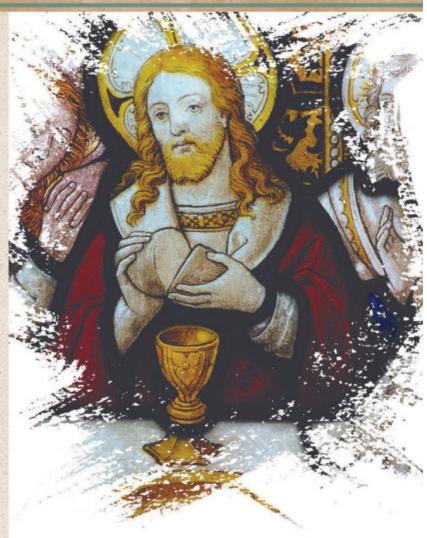
CHURCH)

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Closed for lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00pm



"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE." - JN 6:48

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EXCERPTS FROM THE LECTIONARY FOR MASS #2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. #LPI

AUGUST 11, 2024

WELCOME TO VISITATION CHURCH!

A special welcome to those who may be visiting us today, we are blessed that you are here to worship with us. If you are traveling, we hope you find this Catholic community welcoming. If you are new to this area, we hope to see you again and that you may consider joining this community.

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PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Dear Father in heaven, I come before your sacred altar to assist the divine sacrifice of your Son Jesus. Fix my mind on you and by his precious blood wash away all my sins as I repent of having offended you. Grant that we may celebrate this holy mystery with strong faith and devotion. Send us the Holy Spirit of love to ignite our hearts to receive devoutly the Holy Eucharist. Bless our family, our parish, and our community. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. / Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-2

TUESDAY: Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/MT 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

WEDNESDAY: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/MT 18:15-20

THURSDAY: RV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB/PS 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 COR 15:20-27/LK 1:39-56

FRIDAY: EZ 16:1-15, 60, 63 OR 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6/MT 19:3-1 **SATURDAY:** EZ 18:1-10, 13B, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/MT 19:13-15

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LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration of the Week

Jesus tells us that he is the living bread that came down from heaven. His actions, his example, his teachings — they are not just words on a page, stories from a moth-eaten history book. They are life. They are food for our journey, and they are forever.

WE SHARE YOUR GRIEF

Please check the Visitation website under Resources/Bereavement for a list of Grieving, Cancer, Hospice and Palliative Care note titles. These are very helpful and powerful small articles. Please contact Candy Blankenship at 310-338-9043 or blank8840@gmail.com and she will mail them to you at no charge." Such titles include Caring for yourself while Grieving, Overcoming Loneliness, What to do after the death of a Spouse, The first 12 months of Grieving, and many, many more.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please scan the QR code to get more information regarding Baptism, First Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Confirmation, Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (OCIA), Marriage, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders.



PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you looking for a faith community to call home? Visit our website to register as a parishioner.

Your continued support and generosity to Church of the Visitation is greatly appreciated!



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY - AUGUST 11TH

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Silvia Luna † 9:30am - For the people of

Visitation Parish

11:00am - Msgr. Charles Hill

MONDAY - AUGUST 12TH

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:00am - Lenore Rotolo †

TUESDAY - AUGUST 13TH

Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:00am - Johny Skala †

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 14TH

St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

8:00am - Rev. Mario Arellano †

THURSDAY - AUGUST 15TH

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am - Mariano & Asuncion Laureola †

FRIDAY - AUGUST 16TH

St. Stephen of Hungary

8:00am - Fortunio Sales †

SATURDAY - AUGUST 17TH

5:00pm - Helen Patricio †

To request a **Mass intention** please call the Rectory 310-216-1145

PRAYER REQUESTS: email them to the following vizprayerrequests@gmail.com If you would like to join in praying for the requests received, please send an email to the prayer request email address.



Thank you for your Donations!

MESSAGE FROM FR. FRANCIS

Dear Sisters and Brothers.

This weekend our Visitation community is collecting Mercy Bags for St. Margaret's Center. As we strive to live out our faith, it's important to remember the ways we can serve others through both spiritual and physical acts of mercy. Mercy means helping others in need selflessly, just as God offers us His mercy selflessly. The works of mercy are central to our Christian calling and offer a practical way to embody God's love.

Spiritual Works of Mercy:

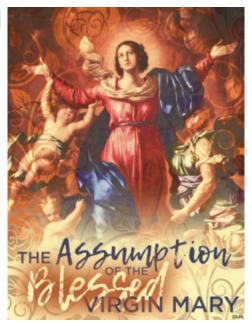
- 1. Counsel the Doubtful: Offer reassurance and a positive presence to those who are uncertain or struggling with their beliefs, providing them with understanding and hope.
- 2. Instruct the Ignorant: Share your insights and life lessons to enlighten and encourage others in their faith journey.
- 3. Admonish the Sinner: Gently guide those who may be lost or misdirected towards positive change, offering loving correction without judgment.
- 4. Comfort the Sorrowful: Be a source of empathy and support for those who are grieving or distressed, helping them find solace and strength.
- 5. Forgive Offenses: Let go of past hurts and extend forgiveness, fostering healing and creating an environment of peace.
- 6. Bear Wrongs Patiently: Show grace and patience in challenging situations, demonstrating resilience and understanding.
- 7. Pray for the Living and the Dead: Keep others in your thoughts and prayers, offering spiritual support for their current needs and eternal well-being.

Corporal Works of Mercy:

- 1. Feed the Hungry: Provide nourishment and kindness through shared meals or support for community food efforts.
- 2. Give Drink to the Thirsty: Offer refreshment and comfort to those in need, addressing both physical and emotional thirst.
- 3. Clothe the Naked: Extend warmth and care through clothing donations or simply providing a comforting presence.
- 4. Shelter the Homeless: Offer hospitality and safety, whether through direct support or involvement in community initiatives.
- 5. Visit the Sick: Bring light and encouragement to those who are unwell, showing them they are valued and cared for.
- 6. Visit the Imprisoned: Reach out with kindness and support, helping those in prison feel seen and supported.
- 7. Burial of the Dead: Ensure comfort and dignity in the face of loss, providing support to those who are grieving.

May we commit to living out these acts of mercy daily, reflecting God's love and compassion in all that we do.

Take good care, Fr. Francis fkim@la-archdiocese.org



August 15th, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Our Mass times are 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

Question:

What lessons should I learn from the Assumption of Mary?

Answer:

Growing in holiness is similar to training in a sport. We need someone to show us how we can live our faith well. Mary is a model of sanctity. She shows us how to be faithful to God's will, living each day with confidence in God's mercy and love. At the Nativity, in Jesus' public ministry, and at the Crucifixion, we see her steadfast trust. She allows the Lord to use her life to accomplish his plan for her and for all of us. In the Preface of the Mass for the Assumption of Mary, we pray: "For today the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of your Church's coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people."

It is this image of holiness that we strive to imitate. In the office, at home, or in our community, we look for signs of God's grace that call us to an ever greater love of him and each other. A greater awareness of God is a sign of our conversion of heart that lives the lessons Mary teaches.



Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age. Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread. Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and

the suffering. Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. / Amen.

PRAYER FOR AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Trinity, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, I adore you deeply and I offer you the precious Body, Blood and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacle on earth, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which He Himself is offended. And, for the infinite merits of his most holy Heart and of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I ask you for the conversion of poor sinners. /Amen

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS DID YOU KNOW?

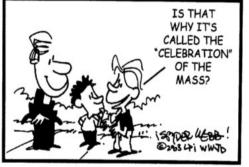
What can you do to end human trafficking?

Even if you have no daily connection with human trafficking, you can do your part to help stop this crime. Start with the basics — know the facts about human trafficking, what it looks like, and how to get help from the National Human Trafficking Hotline. Look at your community, and what resources are available for anti-trafficking organizations. You can volunteer, raise awareness, or even simply educate yourself and others about the dangers. For more ideas, visit acf.hhs.gov.



ASSUMPTION





Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

FAITH AS A THEOLOGICAL VIRTUE

QUESTION:

I've heard that faith is a theological virtue. What does that mean?

ANSWER:

To say a virtue is theological means that it comes as a gift from God. St. Thomas Aquinas, a Dominican monk who crafted the famous arguments for the existence of God, wrote: "This alone is the true knowledge of God: to know that God is beyond knowing." God is transcendent. This word comes from the Latin "transcendere," meaning "to climb beyond." When something is transcendent, it exists beyond our normal range of experience.

Philosopher Peter Kreeft put it simply: "God is always more."

While God created us in His image and likeness, too often we re-create Him in ours. We project our deepest hopes, our subliminal fears, and our hidden dreams, and conjure up our own image of what God could be. Yet God can never be limited to our own perception of Him.

That's where faith comes in. We read in the Catechism that "faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that He has said and revealed to us and all that the Holy Church proposes for our belief" (CCC 1814). We can know God through reason, to a point. As human beings, we want to know and understand the world around us. but God isn't in the world around us. He's beyond it. The best way to come to know God is not through our own clever mental maneuvering, but through trusting in God's revelation of Himself. We might think we know who God is, but the only way we can have any idea is if we trust, through the virtue of faith, who He has revealed Himself to

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died in World War II

at Auschwitz?



St. Teresa Benedicta (Edith Stein)'s feast day is August 9. She was sent to Auschwitz as a Catholic nun of Jewish descent and died in the gas chamber. She worked her whole life in education and service to others.



St. Maximilian Kolbe's feast day is August 14. He died in by lethal injection after ministering to fellow prisoners in Auschwitz and offering his life to save another.



The People in Darkness Have Seen a Great Light

A Healing Journey

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For more information and register go to: **events.scrc.org**

Or call/ text SCRC (818) 771-1361 spirit@scrc.org

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus down from heaven so that we can look forward to living with you forever in heaven.

Amen.

Mission for the Week

The Hebrews often baked manna into little cakes. Ask your parents if you can make pancakes this weekend, and talk about how Jesus is like manna.

Sharing the Gospel

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compared himself to manna. A long time ago God's people ate manna in the desert, because there was no other food to eat.

By sending manna falling from the sky every morning, God taught his people to trust him. Manna tasted good, and it kept them healthy. God took care of them and gave them all they needed. Then, hundreds of years later, God sent Jesus down from heaven, so people could have everlasting life with him.

Now color the picture!



Find and circle eight things that are different









APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ. His only Son, our Lord. who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified. died and was buried: He descended into hell: on the third day He rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty: from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

MASS PARTS

MASS OF RENEWAL

GATHERING

I Am the Bread of Life



PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia (Angrisano)

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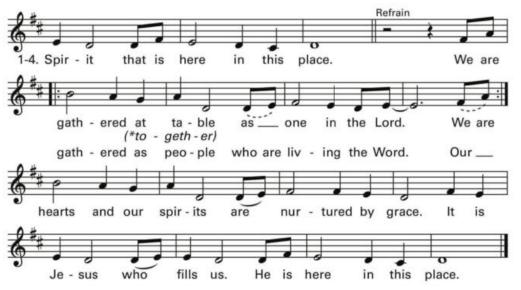


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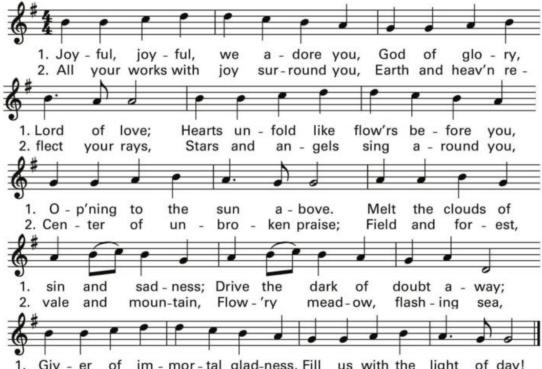




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SENDING

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



- Giv er of im mor tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day!
- 2. Chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, Prais-ing you e ter nal-ly!

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Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

We are excited to announce that our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) for students in Grades 1 - 8, including Sacrament Preparation is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 school year which will begin on September 15th with our Opening Ceremonies. For more information and an application, please visit our website or scan the QR code. We look forward to welcoming your family to PREP at Visitation this fall.



Confirmation Program for Teens

Registration is open for our parish Confirmation Program which is designed for teens who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation at Visitation celebrates the Holy Spirit working in the hearts of our teenagers. The Confirmation process, which takes place over a two-year period, is a time of discernment for our young people to explore, grow and take ownership of their Catholic Faith. If you or someone you know is in the 9th -11th grade and are interested in joining us, please scan the OR code to access more information and the application on our website. We can't wait to welcome you to our first Session Retreat on Sunday, September 22nd starting with the 11:00 am Mass.

OCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults welcomes those who are considering becoming Catholic and adult Catholics who have not yet been confirmed. The Church is where we encounter God in the Word, in the Sacraments, and in the Saints; to gain an understanding of the source of life and salvation. If you feel called to a work in the world and in the Church, consider joining us! OCIA meets on Mondays at 6:30 pm starting September 16th. For more information, please contact our OCIA Coordinators - Laura and Gilbert Trujillo at RCIA. Visitation@gmail.com.





For additional information about any of our Faith Formation programs, please contact Debra Evans, Director of Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation by phone/text (703) 582-9888 or by email at religiouseducationvc@gmail.com

Faith Formation Volunteers Needed

Go, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. - Mt. 28:19

Are you looking to deepen your faith and share it with others including the next generation? Consider answering Christ's call to be a volunteer Catechist or Catechist Aide with PREP; Adult Core Team Leader or Peer Leader with Confirmation; or accompany adults on their OCIA journey! If you have a heart for Jesus, and for spreading the Good News to children, teens, or adults please contact Debra Evans, Director of Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation by email at religiouseducationvc@gmail.com, or by phone/text (703) 582-9888. We welcome your interest and participation.