# HURCH OF THE / ISITATION

Our Mission: A Roman Catholic Community celebrating Christ's presence among us.

### ADMINISTRATOR:

Fr. Francis Kim

IN RESIDENCE:

Fr. Jim Anguiano (Vicar General) Fr. Timothy McGowan

RETIRED: Msgr. Charles E. Hill Msgr. James Forsen (Pastor Emeritus)

### 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.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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



# **30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

### **OCTOBER 27, 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.

### PARISH REGISTRATION



Are you looking for a faith community to call home? Welcome to the Viz family! You may register as a parishioner on our website or Scan the QR code now.



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donations. Help us to reduce our envelope and postage expense and at the same time support us in a secure and convenient way by enrolling with Faith Direct.

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- Visit faith.direct/CA772 or Scan QR code
- Call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757
- Text \$ amount to GIVE Now! Or "ENROLL" for recurring donations 310-361-1262

### SCRAMENTAL 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.

### 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.





SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 27TH 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Robert Miller † 9:30am - For the people of

Visitation Parish

11:00am - Janusz Kubiak † & Dorota Kubiak-Domantay †

MONDAY - OCTOBER 28TH Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostle

8:00am - James Juaneza

#### TUESDAY - OCTOBER 29TH

8:00am - Boysie Laureola †

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 30TH

8:00am - Sally Zimmerman †

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 31ST All Hallow's Eve

8:00am - Michelle Marie Byrne †

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 1ST

All Saints

8:00am - The Gonzalez Family

Saturday - November 2nd

All Souls' Day

5:00pm - Anne Gervais Dorn †

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

**PRAYER REQUESTS (SICK OR DECEASED):** 

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.



Find this bulletin and other announcements online: visitationchurch-la.com

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# MESSAGE FROM FR. FRANCIS

### Dear Parish Family,

As we celebrate All Saints Day on November 1st, we are reminded of the powerful examples of **faith**, **hope**, **and love** that the saints have left us. This feast is not only a time to honor the holy men and women who have gone before us but also an opportunity to reflect on how their lives continue to be relevant for us today.

The saints were **ordinary people** who experienced the same struggles, doubts, and challenges we face, yet they remained deeply faithful to God and lived lives of **extraordinary love**. They remind us that holiness is not out of reach, but rather a calling for each of us. Through simple acts of **kindness**, **steadfast trust in difficult times**, **and selfless service to others**, each saint demonstrated their love for God and neighbor in unique and powerful ways.

In our busy and sometimes chaotic lives, the saints call us to refocus on what truly matters: our relationship with God and our relationships with others. Their lives inspire us to live with intentionality, courage, and loving-kindness. As we celebrate this All Saints Day, let us seek their intercession, learn from their example, and remember that we, too, are called to holiness in our daily lives.

We will have two Masses on this holy day: 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM. Let us gather as a parish family to reflect on the lives of the saints and be inspired to live our own lives more fully rooted in faith, hope, and love, remembering that each of us have been called to become a saint.

In Christ's love,

Fr. Francis

• **Don't forget!** Join us November 2-3 for a special Mass in remembrance of all our loved ones who have died this past year.

# **COFFEE & DONUTS**

Stop by for Coffee & Donuts **Sunday**, Oct 27 which will be **hosted by the PTO.** Join them after Mass as they show their appreciation for all the parishioners who helped in voting for Visitation School in the Hometown News annual survey which resulted in Visitation School being named **BEST** 

PRIVATE SCHOOL (JK-8) for the third year in a row!!



# **LIVE THE LITURGY** Inspiration of the Week

Bartimaeus called upon Christ, even when everyone scolded him to be silent. He was not afraid to ask God for what he needed, and his courage was rewarded. Be like Bartimaeus. Be bold. Do not be content with the darkness. Call out for Christ.

### THANK YOU BULLETIN ADVERTISERS

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ALL SAINTS' DAY

> HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION FRIDAY; NOVEMBER 1

MASS TIMES; 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM



Saturday; November 2 Mass at 8AM

Come and spend some time with the Lord!

First Friday Holy Hour November 1, 2024 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

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### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

"Meditation is our availability to the eternal moment. In it, during the chronological time of our meditation, we are, in so far as we can be, wholly present to the God who is. From our point of view. in our meditation we are with Him. God with us. Jesus, reveals the glory of the Father to us in our own hearts. Purifying our hearts for the reflection of this glory is the whole purpose of the mantra. The mantra trains us to listen and so brings us to fullness of being, to God, in the present moment as we leave the past entirely behind and place the future in the hands of God. In our meditation we are not thinking about the past nor planning for the future because we are open to the eternal moment, the eternal now of God. Here is the importance of the mantra, in that it puts an end to thinking of the past, of the future, and leaves us wholly open to the presence of the God who is. Meditation is therefore a way of renunciation. Being so, it is also a way of discipline, an ascetical path. All this, renunciation, discipline, ascesis is caught up and combined in the act of faith that is the mantra, as we say it with ever deeper fidelity." Fr. John Main, OSB.

If you'd like to learn more about Christian meditation, please join Fr. Francis via zoom on Wednesdays, 8:00-8:30 PM. Email <u>fkim@la-archdiocese.org</u> for the link.



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# SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS DID YOU KNOW? Trick or treating safety

Halloween is one of the most exciting nights of the year for children, but it can be a nerve-wracking night for the parents who have to run the show. Consider a few safety tips to get your family ready for trick-or-treating. Choose bright colored costumes and give your children flashlights and/or glow sticks to make them easily visible. Visit neighborhoods you know well, with lit streets and houses. Prep your children with your cell phone number, either memorized or written down in their pockets or even on their arms, in case you get separated. For more tips, visit https://diocesecc.org/news/halloween-safety-tips.

### SCHOOL STUDENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY 2024-2025

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

[Note that this School Student Non-Discrimination Policy does not provide nor imply that the archdiocese waives any legal exceptions or exemptions that may apply to it as a religious nonprofit organization.]

This Catholic Elementary School publishes the above policy in the staff and parent/ student handbooks, public relations/recruitment brochures and in other publications such as the parish bulletin and school newspaper. The school also publishes applicable grievance procedures in the staff and parent/student handbooks.

# Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc.

### HONORING Fr Jim (Forsen)!

The Advisory Board Members of Catholic Charities OLA invite you to attend and/or support their annual Spirit of Giving Fundraiser on Sat., November 16 at the Riviera Country Club. In addition to honoring Fr. Jim, we will be acknowledging volunteers of the St. Robert's Center (Venice) Saturday Program. Fr. Jim has been very supportive of CCLA through St. Margaret's Center, as well as by supporting this event. The evening includes a Silent Auction (with an opportunity to bid on your own Dodger Announcer Booth experience like Fr. Jim had earlier this season), Putting Contest, appetizers, live music, dinner and presentations, with Fritz Coleman as the MC. Please visit the website CCLA2024.givesmart.com or by scanning the QR code (or contact Guylaine Brosmer for questions/details: mgbrosmer@sbcglobal.



# GRIEF WORKSHOP: WHAT IS PROACTIVE GRIEVING AND HOW TO GET THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS AFTER LOSING A LOVED ONE

**WHAT:** The holidays are fast approaching and this two hour workshop will help you navigate the holidays. We will discuss what proactive grieving looks like and why it's important in the first hour, the second hour will give you sound practical suggestions and spiritual guidance on how to cope during this difficult holiday season.

WHEN: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

TIME: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: O'Grady Center, Parking lot of Visitation Church; 6561 W 88th St., Westchester, CA 90045

**WHY:** Anyone who has lost a loved one recently or years before.

WHO: Candy Blankenship (Bereavement Minister)

**COST:** \$10.00 per person to be donated to Church of the Visitation (Cash or check)

Please RSVP to blank8840@gmail.com or call 310-338-9043 for accurate count and for class materials. Please also bring your own drinking water and notebook for note-taking.

### ALL SAINTS











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# **FAITH FORMATION AT VISITATION**

### 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 began on September 15th with our Opening Ceremonies. For more information and an application, please visit our website or scan the QR code **below.** 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 QR code to access more information and the application on our website. First Session Retreat on Sunday, September 22nd starting with the 11:00 am Mass. There's still time to enroll.

# OCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation of 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 at OCIA. 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 <u>religiouseducationvc@gmail.com</u>

# **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.

# Why do we do that? **Catholic Life Explained**

# ALL SOULS

### **QUESTION:**

November is called the month of All Souls. More recently, it has been called the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

## **ANSWER:**

November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1st, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory.

While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Today, belief in purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing and developing before meeting God face to face. God continually invites communion with these loved ones, but some feel the need to continue growing and developing before entering into full communion with God.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death. ©I.Pi



## 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

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