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

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

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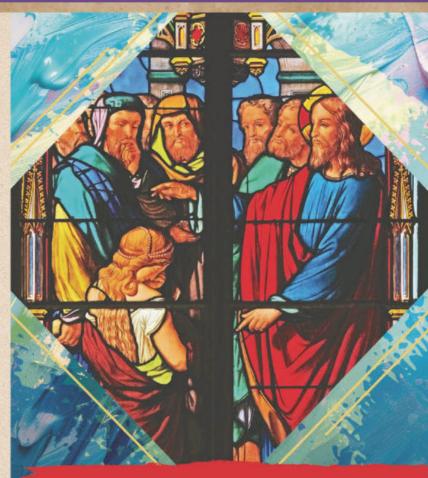
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(INSIDE THE CHURCH)

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



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:7

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APRIL 6, 2025

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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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING: Thus says the LORD, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters. (Is 43:16)

PSALM: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Ps 126)

SECOND READING: Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus. (Phil 3:14)

GOSPEL: Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more." (Jn 8:10-11)

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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.

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



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY - APRIL 6TH

5th Sunday of Lent

8:00am Edward Connoy †

9:30am For the people of Visitation Parish

11:00am Pierre Bara †

MONDAY - APRIL 7TH

St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

8:00am Angelika Carr †

TUESDAY - APRIL 8TH

8:00am Carlos Matus †

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 9TH

8:00am Florentino Buendia Ramirez†

THURSDAY - APRIL 10TH

8:00am Sonia Quintana †

FRIDAY - APRIL 11TH

St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr

8:00am Aimee Fernandez †

SATURDAY - APRIL 12TH

5:00pm Jason Leong

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.

Message from Fr. Francis

Dear Parish Family,

Today's Gospel gives us one of the most powerful and tender moments in all of Scripture: Jesus and the woman caught in adultery.

The scribes and Pharisees come ready with stones—ready to judge, to condemn, to trap both the woman and Jesus himself. But Jesus meets their harshness with silence. He bends down and writes on the ground, slowing the moment, drawing their attention inward. And then he speaks words that echo through time:

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone."

One by one, the accusers drift away, leaving Jesus alone with the woman. He asks, "Has no one condemned you?" When she says no, Jesus replies,

"Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

Jesus does not excuse sin, but he does refuse to define people by it. He sees her not only as someone who has fallen, but as someone who can rise again.

I'm reminded of a powerful quote from Dietrich Bonhoeffer:

"We must learn to regard others less in the light of what they do or omit to do, and more in the light of what they suffer."

Jesus sees this woman in the light of what she has suffered—and loves her there. Can we do the same?

Lent is our opportunity to lay down the stones we carry: the urge to judge, the impulse to condemn, the shame that weighs us down. In their place, may we take up compassion, mercy, and the healing hope that Jesus offers each of us.

Jesus never condemns. He invites us to begin again.

In Christ,

Fr. Francis

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

"More and more men and women in our society are beginning to understand that our personal problems, and the problems that we face as a society, all these problems, are basically spiritual problems. What more and more of us are understanding in this world, is that the human spirit cannot find fulfilment in mere material success or material prosperity. It isn't that material success or prosperity are bad in themselves, but they're simply not adequate as a final or ultimate answer to the human situation. And as a result of the materialism in which we live, so many men and women are discovering that their spirit is stifled." -Fr. John Main.

If you are interested in Christian meditation, please join Fr. Francis via Zoom on Wednesdays, 8-8:30 PM. Email fkim@la-archdiocese.org for the link.

COFFEE & DONUTS

Coffee and Donuts will be held on Sunday, April 6 and will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

Please join us after the Masses to enjoy some Spring weather, yummy donuts, coffee, juice and fellowship. Gathering together after Mass, and maybe even talking to someone new, is a great way to start your day as Easter approaches!



LENT IS HERE!

Take a look at these opportunities to make your Lenten observance:

DAILY BRIEF

The Daily Brief is a series of daily Lenten meditations based on the day's readings and read by our very own Visitation priests. Starting with Ash Wednesday and throughout all of Lent, we invite you to take 5-6 minutes of your day to listen and reflect. Watch in full screen or close your eyes. The meditations will be available under the Resources tab on the church website.

LENT UNPLUGGED

Our popular 'Lent Unplugged' meditation series is back in person. It began the First Week of Lent on Tuesday, March 11th at 7PM and continues for the following four Tuesdays in March - April until Holy Week. These drop-in, candlelit meditation evenings in the church are designed to help us slow down, unplug, and create the inner quiet we need to hear God's voice. Please consider attending.

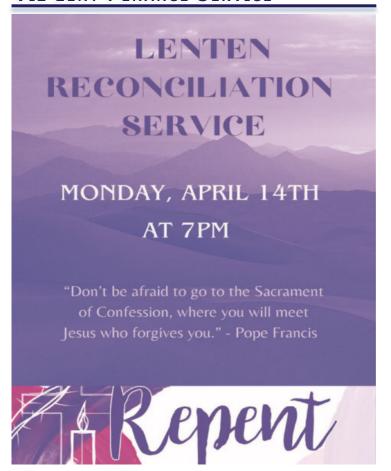
LENTEN CHALLENGE



We are All Sinner, Too!

For most of us, it is easy to point the finger at another, judge their sinfulness, and walk away feeling superior. But Jesus challenges us to look instead at our own hearts and behaviors. Will I accept his challenge?

VIZ LENT PENANCE SERVICE



YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY



Are you a young adult looking to grow in your relationship to Christ and The Church? Do you desire friendship grounded in God and his goodness? Have you been hoping to spend more time in prayer, reading sacred scripture, and conversing about your faith? If you answered yes to any

of these questions, then we warmly encourage you to consider joining Visitation's Young Adult Group for one of their upcoming meetings. Below you can find the group's schedule for this upcoming Spring. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to Aidan Foucher @ afoucher@lion.lmu.edu.

APRIL 10TH @ 7:00PM:ADORATION (In Church)

APRIL 24TH @ 7:00 PM: ADDRATION (In Church)

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Holy Week Schedule



PALM SUNDAY - April 12/13

Blessing of the palms at all Masses

March 14, 15, 16

8:00am - Regular Mass



HOLY THURSDAY - April 17

7:30pm-10:00pm- Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, quiet prayer and night prayer at 9:45pm in O'Sullivan Hall



GOOD FRIDAY - April 18

8:00am - Church open for silent prayer
9:00am- Tenebrae - Sung Morning Prayer
12:15pm - Good Friday Liturgy of the Word, Adoration of
the Cross and Holy Communion
6:00pm - Stations of the Cross
7:30pm - Good Friday Liturgy of the Word,



HOLY SATURDAY - April 19

Adoration of the Cross and Holy Communion

8:00am - Church open for silent prayer 8:00pm - Easter Vigil Mass (no 5pm Mass)



EASTER SUNDAY - April 20

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

5™ SUNDAY OF LENT





WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

PRIESTHOOD

QUESTION:

If someone is interested in becoming a priest, how does he go about it?

ANSWER:

Discerning a vocation can happen in any number of ways. It might come as a surprise to the person called or to family or friends. Sometimes it is a gradual process, and other times it is as quick and bright as lightning. Regardless of how it starts, a vocation to the priesthood or religious life requires a process of discerning, testing, and preparing. The best place to begin would be with lots of prayer, receiving the sacraments, and attending daily Mass whenever possible. Then talk to your pastor or a priest you know and trust. Your diocese may have a vocation director who can provide you with guidance and information. The Serra Club is also a great resource for information and contacts to help you discern if indeed God is calling you.

Remember that many young Catholic men have considered the priesthood. Some are ordained and others realize this is not their calling. However, we are all called to be of service to others as we practice our faith. These are extraordinary times in which we live, and they require an extraordinary witness to faith and to God's presence in the world. Our work, our ministry as Catholics, is to be the body of Christ with and for others. The Church needs priests. If God calls you to ordained service in the church, He will provide the grace, direction, and support you need. Just listen and respond with all your heart, mind, and soul. ©LPi

Eucharistic Miracle of Blanot, France

Contributed by: Katie Canty

On March 31, 1331, a Eucharistic miracle took place on Easter Sunday, in Blanot, France during the distribution of Holy Communion.

One of the last people to receive Holy Communion was a woman named Jacquette. The priest placed the Host on her tongue, and started to walk toward the altar. He didn't see that the Host had fallen and landed upon the cloth that was on the Communion rail. The altar server assisting at the Mass went to the altar and said: "Father, you must return to the rail because the Body of Our Lord fell from the mouth of this lady onto the cloth."

The priest approached the woman, still kneeling at the railing. Instead of finding the Host on the cloth, he saw a small spot of Blood. When Mass concluded, the priest took the cloth into the sacristy and placed the stain into a basin filled with clear water. After washing and scrubbing the spot several times, he found that it had become darker and larger.



A 17th century display case containing the cloth stained with Blood, preserved in a crystal tube. Blanot

Additionally, the water in the basin turned Bloody. The priest was astonished, and exclaimed, to: "This is the Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ!" The priest then took a knife and, after washing it, cut from the cloth the piece bearing the bloody imprint of the Host. This square piece of cloth was reverently placed in the tabernacle.

Every year on the feast of Corpus Christi, the relic is solemnly exposed in the church of Blanot.

**The Hosts that remained in the ciborium after the distribution of Holy Communion on that Easter Sunday were also returned to the tabernacle, never to be distributed. Hundreds of years later they were found to have been perfectly preserved.



PREP / CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to our PREP and Visitation School students who made their First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 29th and request prayers for them as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion on May 3rd.

Prayer requests for our Year 2 Confirmation teens who are participating in their Confirmation Retreat at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Big Bear this weekend. They are joined by St. Anastasia's Confirmation teens and accompanied by Father Francis, staff and volunteers from both Visitation and St. Anastasia's.

MEN'S CORNERSTONE

Men's Cornerstone congratulates the men who attended the 2025 Cornerstone on March 28th & 29th, and thanks the Cornerstone brothers who were on the team.



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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

READINGS

EZEKIEL 37:12-14

PSALM 130

2ND READING: ROMANS 8:8-11

GOSPEL: JOHN 11:1-45



PENITENTIAL

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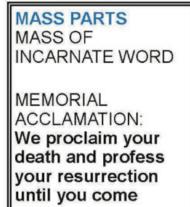
PSALM

With the Lord there is mercy and the fullness of redemption.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to You, O Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ (Stephan)



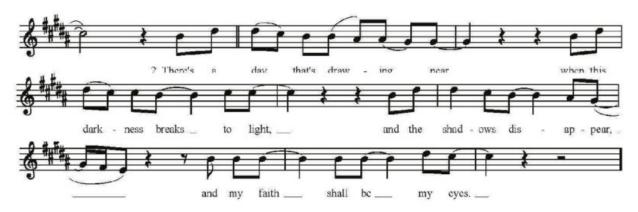


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COMMUNION

Take My Life

Verse 1

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.

Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.

Verse 2

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mile would I withhold.

Take my intellect and use every power as You choose.

Verse 3

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my I ove, my Lord, I pour at Your feet its treasure store.

Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

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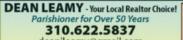


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