

# CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 10, 2025

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

## 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.

### ADMINISTRATOR

Msgr. James Forsen (Pastor Emeritus)

### IN RESIDENCE:

Fr. Jim Anguiano (Vicar General)

Fr. Timothy McGowan

### RETIRED:

Msgr. Charles E. Hill

### DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday: 8:00a.m.

### SUNDAY MASS

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

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

### HOLY HOUR (Inside the church)

First Friday of each month: 8:30am-9:30am

### DAILY ROSARY:

Monday thru Friday following the 8 a.m. mass

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

**FIRST READING:** The night of the passover was known beforehand to our fathers, that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they put their faith, they might have courage. (Wis 18:6-7)

**PSALM:** Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. (Ps 33)

**SECOND READING:** Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. (Heb 11:1)

**GOSPEL:** Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." (Lk 12:48)

## 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

### SATURDAY - AUGUST 9TH

*St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr*

5:00pm Yanet Velazquez

### SUNDAY - AUGUST 10TH

*19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am Janet Migneault

9:30am Lope Catobig Jr. †

11:00am Bob Collins †

### MONDAY - AUGUST 11TH

*St. Clare, Virgin*

8:00am William Russell †

### TUESDAY - AUGUST 12TH

*St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious*

8:00am Stephen Rosselli †

### WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 13TH

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

8:00am Son Tengco

### THURSDAY - AUGUST 14TH

*St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr*

8:00am Bob Whipple

### FRIDAY - AUGUST 15TH

*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00am Mariano & Asuncion  
Laureola †

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](mailto: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.



There was a young mother in my parish community who was depressed due to financial strain. She prayed for help. One morning before Mass, she placed on the counter a zip-lock bag filled with jewelry and old coins. Smiling, she explained she had been fixing an old cabinet and found the items hidden deep within the walls of her home. One particular coin could be worth as much as \$900,000. The contents of the bag—previously unknown to them—were now their prized possession. Their plans changed that week. They had to learn how much it was worth.

This week, the Lord tells us, **“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be” (Luke 12:34).** Our lives revolve around what we treasure. When we discover the treasure the Father gives us—the kingdom of God—everything changes. We might not know its precise value, but we rearrange our lives around it. The joy of this discovery should never be far from our minds.

Sometimes we go through times when we can’t find this treasure. It seems hidden. Or it appears like dirty old coins and worthless jewelry in a Ziploc bag. But how crazy would my parishioners be if they tossed it away without knowing the cash value? How much crazier are we if we center our hearts on any treasure except that of Jesus and his kingdom? Remember, the Father is pleased to give it to us. That’s why we put our hearts there, even when it is hidden.

— Father John Muir

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## SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### Far-reaching effects of child abuse

Children who suffer from sexual abuse run a greater risk of negative associated outcomes, not only with their mental health, but also suicidal tendencies, potential future abuse, more cognitive deficits, or lower educational interests and efforts. Abused children also are at higher risk for eating disorders, obesity, early onset of puberty, or chronic health issues. Ultimately, abuse has far-reaching consequences beyond childhood for many victims, and it is critical to act quickly to protect potential victims. It’s important to remember that any intervention or supportive response from a safe adult can reduce the risk of many or all negative outcomes. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Disclosures Part 1: Why are Disclosures Important?” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

## 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.

In August,  
we *celebrate*  
two Marian  
feast days.



AUGUST 15

### The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*This feast day  
commemorates Mary's  
body and soul taken  
directly to heaven.*



AUGUST 22

### The Queenship of Mary

*This feast day recognizes  
Mary as the "Queen of  
Heaven and Earth" and  
celebrates her special role  
in salvation.*

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## COFFEE & DONUTS

As summer starts to wind down, if you're not vacationing, please stop in the Courtyard for Coffee & Donuts on Sunday, Aug. 10 (Hosted by Knights of Columbus) and Sunday, Aug. 24 (Hosted by our newest ministry Midlife Catholics). You are encouraged to introduce yourself and/or to find out more about whatever group is hosting Coffee & Donuts whether it's the Welcome Wagon, K of C, the school or another ministry group!!!



## SATURDAY MEET. PRAY. RUN... *And walking too!*

A couple of the "regulars" have graciously offered to keep this group going despite Fr. Francis' departure!!! It will continue on the 1st & 3rd Saturday with the 7:30am start time. If you are already on the email list, you should be receiving reminders as before. For those who might be curious, the walkers out-number the runners!! For info, please contact Christina at [may\\_may3@hotmail.com](mailto:may_may3@hotmail.com) OR Kristina at [kristee.sherry@gmail.com](mailto:kristee.sherry@gmail.com)

## MIDLIFE CATHOLICS

Our newest ministry held their first event: **FAITH ON DRAFT** in July and it was very well attended. About 25 people gathered at Three Weavers Brewing Company for socializing and a great Q&A with Fr. Francis. So far, the group has over 20 registered members. For more information about the group or to get the registration link please email: [midlifecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:midlifecatholic@gmail.com)

## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



Mass Schedule for

*The Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary*

Friday, August 15, 2025

8:00 a.m.

&

7:00 p.m.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

### DO YOU HAVE A HEART FOR SHARING YOUR FAITH?

Our parish Faith Formation programs are seeking enthusiastic and caring volunteers to help guide children, teens, and families on their journey with Christ. Faith Formation is at the heart of our parish mission—and **we can't do it without you!**

We are in need of volunteers (adults and teens) to serve as:

- **Catechists** (teachers of the faith)
- **Classroom Aides**
- **Confirmation Team Leaders**
- **Administrative and Event Assistance**

No prior experience is needed—just a love for our Catholic faith and a desire to serve. All training and materials will be provided.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." By volunteering, you can help bring that invitation to life—nurturing the next generation of Catholics through teaching, prayer, and joyful service.

Together, let's build a vibrant and faith-filled community!

For more information or to get involved, please contact: **Debra Evans, Director of Religious Education and Faith Formation** at [religiouseducationvc@gmail.com](mailto:religiouseducationvc@gmail.com) or call 310-216-1145.



## WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

### PARISH REGISTRATION

#### QUESTION:

Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

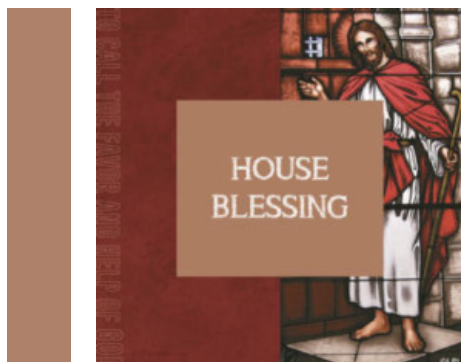
#### ANSWER:

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

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## DEVOTIONS EXPLAINED! – Connect with Tradition and Grow Your Faith



Catholics who move to a new place of residence often wish to have their dwelling blessed, to call the favor and help of God upon all those who live in the house and all those who will enter it.

The Roman Ritual (Book of Blessings) provides two formats for house blessings: one during the Easter or Christmas season (specifically for the Epiphany) and one for Ordinary Time. Those who live in the home must be present for a house to be blessed. A priest, deacon or lay person can administer the blessing, although if a lay person does so they must use the rites accorded to lay ministers in the Roman Ritual.

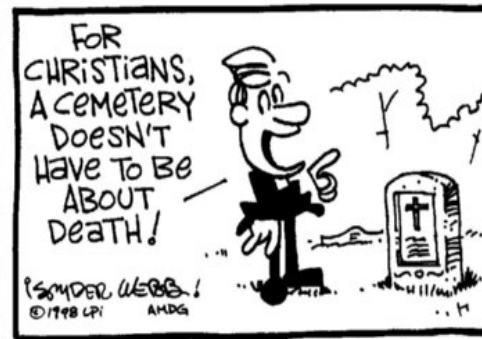
A house blessing includes Scripture readings, intercessions and a prayer of blessing.

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### PRAYER FOR OUR DECEASED

God Dear Lord,  
Comfort us in our grief as we  
mourn those no longer with us  
on earth.  
Free those in purgatory quickly,  
and guide us in Your will, so  
that one day we may all be  
united with You, for eternity.  
Amen.

#### ASSUMPTION





**Wednesday**  
August 13, 2025  
**Time**  
9:00AM - 2:00PM  
**Calvary Cemetery - LA**  
4201 Whittier Blvd  
Los Angeles, CA 90023

**Wednesday**  
August 20, 2025  
**Time**  
9:00AM - 2:00PM  
**San Fernando Mission Cemetery**  
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will hold their annual Crafts Fair on  
November 22, 2025 (9:00am-4:00pm),  
and November 23, 2024 (8:00am-  
2:00pm).

Several tables are still available. They  
are on a first come first serve basis  
and are \$80.00. If interested please  
call Joan Hoffman :310-670-7801.

## All Grieving Mothers & Grandmothers are invited to join Sacred Sorrows for:

### New Things: A Retreat Day of Renewal

Please join us (or sponsor a participant) for this gentle Day of Renewal for grieving mothers and grandmothers - no matter how long - or how recent - it's been since loss. We'll focus on the topic of "New Things", as we find hope & healing by opening our hearts to the peaceful invitations of God. Through intentional presentations, experiential activities, and connection with other grieving mothers, this retreat will offer a different perspective to the grief journey. Sign up today to find new hope and healing in the company of the women of Sacred Sorrows.



**Fr. Jim Clarke, Ph.D.**

Fr. Jim has served in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in several capacities, including seminary professor, senior lecturer, workshop facilitator, and spiritual director. Recently retired, Fr. Jim is a popular speaker, author, retreat master, and friend of Sacred Sorrows.



**Ms. Rita Morton**

Sacred Sorrows helps bereaved mothers integrate their deep grief through encounters with the mystery of grace. After losing her son in 2019, Rita felt called to utilize 20+ years of experience in women's ministry programs to found Sacred Sorrows.

For questions, or to light a memory candle, visit [sacredsorrows.org](https://sacredsorrows.org) or email [rita@sacredsorrows.org](mailto:rita@sacredsorrows.org)

**Saturday, August 30, 2025**



**American Martyrs Church**  
700 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Manhattan Beach, CA  
Saturday, August 30, 2025  
9:30 am - 4:00 pm (Breakfast & Lunch)

Reservations are required  
**Suggested fee: \$120**  
Financial Assistance Available  
(Please consider sponsoring a participant)

TO REGISTER

CLICK HERE

or Scan QR Code



**Sacred Sorrows**



**Update for July 2025**

**Visitation Church Goal: \$590,000**

**Pledged: \$872,530**

**Total Paid: \$470,479.61**

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give, but how much love  
you put into giving."  
- St. Theresa of Calcutta

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Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

## Prayer

Dear God, help me to stay close to Jesus.

## Mission for the Week

Every day I will read, play, and listen to things that make God happy.

## Sharing the Gospel

One day Jesus will come back from heaven. He could come back any day now - nobody knows when. So, you and I need to be ready. Put God first in your life. Love God with your whole heart. Live every day in a way that will make Jesus smile. Be ready to go to heaven!

Now color  
the picture! →

ready  
lamps  
servants

master  
night  
morning

home  
thief  
coming

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### 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

## GATHERING

### Enter the Journey

Refrain

En - ter the jour - ney. Come to the song. By God  
you are cho-sen, by name you are called to fol - low the vi -  
sion, car - ry the cross. En - ter the jour - ney of  
faith as the fam - 'ly of God.

Verses

All Cantor

1. En - ter the jour - ney, the way may be long.  
2. En - ter the jour - ney, though lost and un - sure.  
3. En - ter the jour - ney, though dark is the way.  
4. En - ter the jour - ney, the old and the young.

All Cantor

1. En - ter the jour - ney, yet we are made strong.  
2. En - ter the jour - ney, God's peace will be yours.  
3. En - ter the jour - ney, do not be a - fraid,  
4. En - ter the jour - ney, the king - dom is won.

All

1. God's spir - it will guide us, God's gifts will un -  
2. And all who are thirst - ing be filled with God's  
3. for God's great com - pas - sion will give you new  
4. By faith now u - nit - ed, as ser - vants we

All to Refrain

1. fold. En - ter the jour - ney of hope!  
2. grace. En - ter the jour - ney of faith!  
3. sight. En - ter the jour - ney of light!  
4. come. En - ter the jour - ney of love!

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## GLORY TO GOD

Stephan

## PSALM

Bless the people that the Lord has chosen to be His own.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Angrisano



# MASS PARTS MASS OF RENEWAL

When we eat this  
bread and drink  
this cup, we  
proclaim your  
death, O Lord.  
Until you come  
again.

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

### Awake, O Sleeper

Verses



1. In the dark - est times of life, when our lights re -  
2. When our hearts be - come like stone, when we live  
3. In the midst of life's de - cay, when our lives be -



1. fuse to shine: you are there, you are there. —  
2. with - out hope: you are there, you are there. —  
3. come like graves: res - cue us, res - cue us. —



2, 3. Don't let your hearts be trou - bled;



2, 3. don't let your hearts be trou - bled.

Refrain



A - wake, O sleep - er! A - rise from slum - ber!



Christ is call - ing your name!


1, Final to Verse 3 | 2, 4 to Refrain

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## COMMUNION


### Taste and See

Refrain




Taste and see, O taste and see, taste and see the


Verses 1, 2



good-ness of God. 1. Glo - ry, glo - ry to God most high,  
2. Who has fash - ioned the earth and sky,



1. glo - ry, bless - ing and praise. With one voice, O peo - ple, re -  
2. who cre - a - ted the deep, who ex - alts the low - ly and



to Refrain

1. joice in our God, who hears — the cry of all — in need. O  
2. sets cap - tives free, who o - pens the door to all those who seek. O

Verse 3

3. Oh, the love of God! Be-come flesh of our flesh,  
3. so that we might live in glo - ry. O

to Refrain

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## SENDING

### I Know How You Want Me to Live

Refrain

I know how you want me to live. Oh, I  
\*(We) (us) (we)  
know how you want me to live. You want me to  
(us) (us)  
act, you want me to love, you want me to walk with you, God.  
(us) (us)  
Oh yes, I know how you want me to live.  
(we) (us)

Verses

1. You want me to do jus - tice. How do I do jus - tice? I  
2. You want me to love kind-ness. How do I love kind-ness? I  
3. You want me to walk hum-bly. How do I walk hum-bly? I re-

1. act when it's time to act. I speak up when it's time to speak up.  
2. give when it's time to give. I bring joy when it's time to bring joy,  
3. pent when it's time to re-pent. I for-give when it's time to for-give.

1. I take stands when life calls for a stand, and say no to the hate in our  
2. I weep with the sor-row-ing soul. I in-clude in a way that is  
3. I let go of my need to know why, and I die when it's my time to

1, 2 to Refrain 3 to Refrain  
1. land. 3. die 'cause that's how you want me to live.  
2. bold. (us)

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**Visit our website or scan the QR code** below for more information and to register. We look forward to welcoming your family into our PREP community!

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAM



Are you a teen in Grades 9–11 ready to grow deeper in your faith and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? Visitation's Confirmation Program is a two-year journey designed to help young people encounter the Holy Spirit, strengthen their relationship with Christ, and embrace their Catholic identity. Through fellowship, formation, service, prayer, and retreats, teens will explore what it means to live as a disciple of Jesus and an active member of the Church. **Join us this fall!** Opening Ceremonies take place on **Sunday, September 14**, beginning with the **11:00 AM Mass**.

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### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

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- ◆ Have never been baptized and are hearing God's call to begin your faith journey,
- ◆ Are a baptized Christian seeking full communion with the Catholic Church,
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- ◆ Are a lifelong Catholic wanting to grow in understanding the faith and relationship with Christ,

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For more information, **scan the QR code or email: [OCIA.Visitation@gmail.com](mailto:OCIA.Visitation@gmail.com)**.

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