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NOVEMBER 27, 2022



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.

Daily Mass (Inside the church)

Monday – Friday: 8:00a.m.

(This mass is also live-streamed)

Sunday Mass (Inside the church)

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 a.m. is also live-streamed)

Confessions (Inside the church, in the Sanctuary)

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and

by appointment

Note: The live-streamed Masses can be viewed on our website: www.visitationchurch-la.com

Private Worship (Inside the church)

Open for private devotion:

Monday–Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Holy Hour (Inside the church)

First Friday of each month: 8:30am–9:30am.

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

PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you looking for a faith community to call home?

Use the link below to register as a parishioner.

www.visitationchurch-la.com/register

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HOLY HOUR

This coming Friday,
December 2nd is Holy
Hour from
8:30am-9:30am.



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TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING — All the peoples shall stream toward the LORD'S house (Isaiah 2:1-5).

PSALM — We will rejoice as we go up to the Lord's house (Psalm 122).

SECOND READING — It is the hour to cast off the dark and clothe ourselves in the light (Romans 13:11-14).

GOSPEL — Stay awake! Be prepared! The Son of Man will come when you least expect (Matthew 24:37-44).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

TUESDAY: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

WEDNESDAY: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

THURSDAY: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

FRIDAY: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

SATURDAY: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY: First Sunday of Advent

WEDNESDAY: St. Andrew

THURSDAY: World AIDS Awareness Day

FRIDAY: First Friday

SATURDAY: St. Francis Xavier; First Saturday

SESSIONS OF FAITH (PREP): All ARE WELCOME!!!

Visitation's Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is for students of all abilities in first grade through 8th grade, who are not enrolled in Catholic School. This includes Sacrament preparation and Baptism for unbaptized children. Classes are held on Sundays in-person and on-line between 9:15 am and 10:45 am. Please visit our website, and contact Debra Evans, Coordinator of Religious Education; religiouseducationvc@gmail.com or call/text (703) 582-9888, for more information, thank you!

RCIA PROGRAM AT VISITATION

The RCIA program meets on Thursday evenings in the O'Grady Center from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, started September 15th. Please email to Gilbert & Laura Trujillo at rcia.visitation@gmail.com or call (424) 235-3122 to learn more.

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on a separate day for each family after attendance by the parents and godparents at a Baptism zoom class. Parishioners are invited to call the office to get an appointment for these classes. The next ZOOM class scheduled is on **Sunday, December 18, 2022 at 1pm**. Please register to attend by calling the parish office at 310-216-1145. If you are not a current registered parishioner of Visitation Parish and not receiving envelopes in the mail, please call the office for an appointment with the pastor or associate pastor.

MASS INTENTIONS

◆ **SUNDAY— NOVEMBER 27, 2022**

8:00am - Efrain Villalobos †

11:00am - Rosemary Coda †

◆ **MONDAY - NOVEMBER 28, 2022**

8:00am - Maria Nguyen †

◆ **TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 29, 2022**

8:00am - Esther Villalobos †

◆ **WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 30, 2022**

8:00am - Devon Pendergrast †

◆ **THURSDAY - DECEMBER 1, 2022**

8:00am - Eduardo Laureola †

◆ **FRIDAY - DECEMBER 2, 2022**

8:00am - Brian McFarland †

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 3, 2022

5:00pm - Annella Dorn †

To request a **mass intention**

please call the Rectory

310-216-1145

Please pray for the faithful departed,
that they may see the face of God.

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.



PARISH POST

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the Gospel passage on Thanksgiving Day, we read about when Jesus heals ten lepers (Lk 17:11-19). Of the ten who were healed, only one returns to thank Jesus. Jesus is moved by this expression of humble gratitude, and it reminds all of us about the importance of not only *being* grateful but of *expressing* our gratitude to God and each other. Here we see Jesus teaching us that His true disciples are women and men who approach life with a fundamental disposition of thankfulness and gratitude.

Jesus extolls a grateful heart and I am proud that our nation does too. In his 1877 Thanksgiving Proclamation, President Rutherford B. Hayes wrote:

The completed circle of summer and winter, seedtime, and harvest, has brought us to the accustomed season at which a religious people celebrate with praise and thanksgiving the enduring mercy of Almighty God. This devout and public confession of the constant dependence of man upon the divine favor for all the good gifts of life, health, peace, and happiness, so early in our history made the habit of our people, finds in the survey of the past year new grounds for its joyful and grateful manifestation.

As our nation celebrates Thanksgiving, we have an opportunity to count our blessings and give thanks to God for the many good things He has bestowed upon us: faith in Christ, family, friends, our Visitation community, work, good health, and the list goes on. We remember that each morning when we wake up, we can choose whether to face the day with anger, fear, bitterness... or instead we can choose to live with an attitude of gratitude. A friend of mine once challenged me with these words:

"It's your attitude, not your aptitude, that determines your altitude in life!"

My friends, may our personal and collective attitude be one of gratitude. It is easy to focus on the negative and complain. It is easy to get into fights and arguments. It is much more difficult to humble ourselves, take responsibility for our words and actions, and with grateful hearts share the good things we have received with those around us.

Perhaps, this week you can surprise someone with the gift of gratitude. Be creative. Be daring. Have a blessed week.

In Christ,

Fr. Matt

Don't Forget:

-Thank you for donating to our Thanksgiving Food Drive! May God reward your generosity. Let us keep praying for all those in need during the holiday season.

-Happy New Year! November 27th marks the first Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new liturgical year. During Advent we prepare in a special way for Christ's coming at Christmas. Consider reading Scott Hahn's "Joy to the World" in preparation for Christmas.

-Support Visitation School! Please check out the Lynch Creek Farm and One Hope Wine Holiday fundraisers on our parish website.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today we begin the new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. We transition into a new liturgical cycle, we'll transition from cycle C to cycle A. The Church tells us that "Advent has a two-fold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered, and as a season when that remembrance directs our mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Advent thus is a period of devout and joyful expectation." Advent is a relatively short liturgical season, so perhaps it's fitting that short, simple prayers are all we need to feel God's calming presence in our lives amid the many distractions of November and December. Consider this brief Catholic prayer this Advent season:

Heavenly Father, heal my heart during this season of Advent. Help me to love more fully. To forgive more generously. To wait more patiently for Christmas, embracing each day and hour knowing the joy that awaits. In Your name I pray. Amen.



St. Margaret's Center seeking your help for their Annual Christmas Program! In recognition of the ongoing pandemic, St. Margaret's Center will once again host a drive-thru Christmas Program for poverty-level families on December 17th, at Lennox Middle School. The Center plans to distribute more than 1,300 Target gift cards (\$25 denomination) for the children and 500 grocery gift cards (\$50 denomination) for the families. In lieu of a Giving Tree this year, the Center is seeking your financial support to buy the cards in bulk. **Please go to <http://www.SMCXmas.com> or text SMCXMAS to 41444 to donate** For more information call the Center at 310-672-2208, or email maerlandson@ccharities.org or zlaguardia@ccharities.org Christmas blessings for you all for your generous support!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience:

December 2-4, 2022.

**Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center
in Sierra Madre**

(Check-in 7:30 Friday to 3:00 pm Sunday)

Want to keep the Romance Alive? The Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience is primarily a space for you to pause, reflect, and reconnect privately.

The experience allows you to create a dialogue with each other and with God, to create a higher and broader understanding of what it means to be married.

Registration fee: \$125.00; On-line registration: www.Sacramentallove.org

For information contact: Cameron & Barbara Troxell (909)938- 2682 or by email cbt4wwme@gmail.com.



ADVENT RETREAT FOR CHAPLAINS AND HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022



IN-PERSON RETREAT AND DAY OF REFLECTION
GIVEN BY: FR. NICHOLAS SHEEHY, LC

DIVINE MERCY CLINIC AND FAMILY CENTER

LOCATION: ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE PARISH
151 SOUTH HILL AVENUE
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8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
THE DAY INCLUDES: TALKS, MASS, RECONCILIATION,
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PERSONAL TIME FOR
REFLECTION.

The retreat is free to those in healthcare ministry compliments of a grant from, the Dan Murphy Foundation. Others are welcome to attend paying a fee of \$25 for materials and lunch.

Contact: Ann Sanders, Liaison to Healthcare Ministry
(213) 637-7655 | asanders@la-archdiocese.org

Scan QR code
to RSVP



DAILY BRIEF FOR ADVENT

The Daily Brief is a series of daily meditations during Advent based on the day's readings and read by our very own Visitation priests. On November 27th, and throughout all of Advent, we invite you to take 5-6 minutes of your day to listen and reflect. Watch in full screen, or even close your eyes. The meditations will be available under the Resources tab on the church website.

THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS

Attention for those who have pre-ordered the Word Among Us booklet, the December edition has arrived and can be picked up at the Rectory. If you haven't pre-ordered and would like to receive one please contact the Rectory for more information.

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1st Sunday of Advent

GATHERING

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Verses

Refrain

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Music: Chant, Mode I; Processional, French, 15th cent., adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890; arr. © 2013, Spirit & Song, a division of OCP. All rights reserved.

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I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison

PSALM

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hurd

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

Awake O Sleeper

Verses

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

2, 3
Don't let your hearts be troubled;
2, 3. don't let your hearts be troubled.
Refrain
A - wake, O sleep - er! A -rise from slum - ber!
1, Final to Verse 3 | 2, 4 to Refrain
Christ is call - ing your name!

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COMMUNION

SATURDAY Taste and See

Refrain
Taste and see, O taste and see, taste and see the
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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SUNDAY Ready the Way

Refrain
Read-y the way, read-y the way, read-y the way

1 2

Verse 1

1. Make straight the road,
raise the val - leys, and
1. moun-tains make low.
Turn-ing from sin,
let the bro-ken be whole,

to Refrain

1. and read-y the way
of the Lord.

Verses 2, 3

2. As we wait for you,
give us the strength to walk
3. Let us see your face;
in our hearts we pre-

2. in your truth,
so we may love more like you
3. - pare a place.
Come bring this world your mer - cy and grace

to Refrain

2. and { read-y the way
for you, Lord.
3. as we }

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SENDING

Emmanuel

Refrain

Come, come, Em - man - u - el!
Son of God, ap - pear.

Heav - en and earth, re-joice!
Sal - va-tion is draw - ing

near.
Sal - va-tion is draw - ing near.

Verses

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here

(to Refrain)

1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.

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