



CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 12, 2023



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.

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

(The Sunday Mass at 8:00 a.m. is also live-streamed on our website)

ADMINISTRATOR:

Fr. Matthew Wheeler

IN RESIDENCE:

Fr. Timothy McGowan

RETIRED:

Msgr. Charles E. Hill

Msgr. James Forsen

HOLY HOUR (INSIDE THE CHURCH)

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

CONFESSIONS

(Inside the church, in the Sanctuary)

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

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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING — Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. (**Wis 6:12**)

PSALM — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (**Ps 63**)

SECOND READING — For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. (**1 Thes 4:14**)

GOSPEL — “Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” (**Mt 25:13**)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1B-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6

TUESDAY: Wis 2:23–3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-10

WEDNESDAY: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

THURSDAY: Wis 7:22B–8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

FRIDAY: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5AB/Lk 17:26-37

SATURDAY: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK: REFLECT AND RESPOND TO THE SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING: Wisdom is presented as a virtue seeking to be found. *How might you search for wisdom this week?*

SECOND READING: Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be comforted in the belief that believers will be raised from the dead and live eternally with the Lord Jesus. *What family members, friends, or co-workers need to hear these words of comfort?*

GOSPEL: In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus is teaching about the importance of being prepared for his Second Coming. *In what ways is this directive from Jesus a challenge for you?*

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PARENT LEADERSHIP

“Practice ‘affectionate assertiveness’ in disciplining your children. Correct the fault, not the person. Show your children you love them too much to let them grow up with their faults uncorrected.” -Jim Stenson, *Compass*

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.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Listen and understand, my littlest son, let nothing frighten and afflict you or trouble your heart ... Am I not here, I, who am your mother?” - *Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego*



PARISH REGISTRATION:

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



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 12TH

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Eduardo Laureola †

9:30am - For the people of
Visitation Parish

11:00am - Vu Truong †

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 13TH

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

8:00am - All the deceased members
of Hocsons family

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 14TH

8:00am - Richard Topete †

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 15TH

*St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of
the Church*

8:00am - All Deceased members of
the Hobrock & Zimmerle families

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 16TH

*St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude,
Virgin*

8:00am - Sister Margaret Murray †

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 17TH

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

8:00am - Fr. Emi Kapaun †

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 18TH

*The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter
and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine
Duchesne, Virgin*

5:00pm - Francesco Borgese †

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.



ONLINE GIVING:

Thank you for your Donations!

Dear sisters and brothers,

Last week we considered a joyful willingness to reach out to others in love. In this week’s parish post on stewardship, I’d like to consider a joyful willingness to reach out to others with service. Although similar, these two themes are distinct. How so? Well, you might think of love as a general call the Lord places on our hearts and which can be expressed in a multitude of ways: listening, compassion, taking a stand for the poor, speaking truth, or joyful service.

What distinguishes service from other expressions of love is that it entails taking action for the practical benefit of another. For example, not too long ago I was approaching the rectory door and my hands were full. Believe it or not, a passerby went out of her way and kindly offered to hold the door for me. And to put the icing on the cake, she did it with a joyful spirit and a smile. This simple act of service was of practical benefit to me and brightened my day. God bless her!

Friends, I believe that many opportunities to joyfully serve so as to practically benefit those around us pop up all the time; if we are looking for them. Some hidden examples might be: throwing away your K-Cup after making a cup of coffee on the Keurig, bringing the newspaper to a neighbor’s door, cleaning the sink after shaving (men!), or sharing your toys with a friend (kids!).

Jesus says he “did not come to be served, but to serve” (Matthew 20:28). Let’s spend this week pondering how we can follow the example of Christ who calls us to joyfully serve those around us in simple but real ways.

In Christ,

Fr. Matt

Don’t Forget:

-Thank you Veterans! Veteran’s Day is November 11th. Express your gratitude to a veteran for his or her service to our country.

-Thank you for your prayers during my trip to Mexico! May our Lady bring all of us closer to her Son, Jesus.



FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitation Parish Community extends its sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of

◆ **Helen Frick** who went home to the Lord on October 27, 2023. She was 89 years old. Memorial Mass will take place Friday, November 17th at 2:00PM at Visitation.

◆ **Ruth Younger** who went home to the Lord on October 5, 2023. She was 83 years old. Memorial Mass will take place Saturday, November 18th at 1:00PM at Visitation.

◆ **Edgardo Maravilla** who went home to the Lord on October 29, 2023. He was 65 years old. Memorial Mass will take place Tuesday, November 21st at 10:00AM at Visitation.

Please pray for their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed.



BAPTISM

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, November 19, 2023 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.

Eucharistic Revival Prayer



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.

YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL JUNE 11 2023 - JULY 17, 2024

The Revival is now reaching the pews! This year is about fostering Eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through the faithful celebration of the Mass, Eucharistic adoration, missions, resources, preaching, and organic movements of the Holy Spirit. Find out about how parishes are answering the call. For more information please visit the Eucharistic Revival Website: <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>

Monthly Eucharistic Miracle

The Eucharistic Miracle of Buenos Aires

Contributed by Katie Canty

In August of 1996, a woman in Buenos Aires, Argentina, reported that she found a consecrated Host in the church. The priest, adhering to church protocol, placed the host into a glass of water in the tabernacle, so it would dissolve. Days later, the priest was shocked to find the host appeared bloody and had a flesh like appearance. Archbishop Jorge Bergoglio, (now Pope Francis) was notified and had the host photographed, which clearly showed bloodied flesh that had somehow grown larger than the original Host. It was then placed back in the tabernacle for 3 years. Incredibly, it never decomposed, which is virtually impossible to explain, because there had been no effort to preserve it. Consecrated hosts typically fully disintegrate within several days.

In 1999, Archbishop Bergoglio officially opened an investigation and brought in an atheist, named Castanon Gomez of Bolivia to spear-head the investigation which included 8 scientists from 4 Continents.

The experts, without knowing where the sample came from, issued their results, concluding that it was human flesh and blood. Moreover, world renowned cardiologist and forensic pathologist, Dr. Frederic Zugibe of Columbia University, said that it was “a fragment of the heart muscle found in the wall of the left ventricle close to the valves.” In addition, it was concluded that “the heart had been under severe stress, as if the owner had been beaten severely about the chest.”

Perhaps most fascinating about the findings, Dr. Zugibe said, “The heart muscle is in an inflammatory condition and contains a large number of white blood cells. This indicates that the heart was alive at the time the sample was taken. It is my contention that the heart was alive, since white blood cells die outside a living organism.”


Dr. Zugibe was so puzzled at the presence of the white blood cells (because white blood cells disintegrate after 15 minutes when blood is drawn) that he demanded to know who this sample belonged to. When he was informed it was a consecrated host, he was speechless for five minutes.

The presence of white blood cells was naturalistically impossible, and this was truly a Eucharistic miracle.

By the end of the investigation, Castanon Gomez had converted to Catholicism.





 Church of the Visitation

Celebrate the Eucharistic Revival at Visitation

Join us for “Babette’s Feast” Film Screening

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 15
6 - 9 PM in O’Sullivan Hall

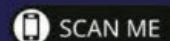
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Garcia-Romero, PhD, Professor of
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NOVEMBER 18 & 19

BRING A FRIEND TO MASS WEEKEND

Visitation CATHOLIC CHURCH

SATURDAY 5 PM
SUNDAY 8, 9:30, & 11 AM

Viz Seniors

Come to O'Grady Center and have a **Fun Day. Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023 at 1:30 PM**

Come have some fun, have some snacks and plan more Senior Fun Days. An idea or two

- Making new friends? Renewing acquaintances? Cards? Bingo?**
- Bunco? Movies? Potluck lunches?**
- Bible Study?**
- Any of the above? Other ideas?**

Gather up some friends and come on along and let's see what we can do.

Need a ride? Give a ride? - Let us know.
Marlene Kaufman - Mary Lou Ward - Toni Kerker

Questions?
call Marlene 310-365-8211

Coming?
RSVP vizensiors@gmail.com

Communion and Liberation (CL) is a proposal for education in the Catholic faith. It is an education that doesn't end at a certain age, but lasts a lifetime because it is always being renewed and deepened. CL is a companionship of friends inspired by the thought and lived faith of Msgr. Luigi Giussani, eager to share all aspects and needs of life. We meet together at Visitation Parish every other week on Wednesdays. For more information contact Maurizio Capuzzo at maurizio.capuzzo@gmail.com.

Come meet us after the masses on Saturday, November 11th and Sunday, November 12th.



"Fr. Giussani has truly become the father of many. He has conquered hearts, helped to make the world better and to open up the doors of the world to heaven." -then Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, now His Holiness Benedict 16, at the funeral mass in the Duomo Cathedral, Milan, February 22, 2005.

(image credit) Fra Angelico, *Presentation of Jesus in the Temple*, fresco, detail, 1442, Florence, Convent of San Marco. © Raffaello Bencini/Archivi Alinari, Firenze.

Visitation Church Goal: \$57,470.00
Amount Pledge: \$48,117.25 83.7%
Amount Paid: \$47,067.21 81.9%

Difference Over/
(Under) Goal vs.
Amount Paid:
(\$10,402.79) -18.1%





VIS for St. Margaret's Center Candlelit Concert Series

Concert #2
Celebrating the Holidays
with the Metropolis String Quintet



Saturday, December 16, 2023
7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
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Saturday, November 25, 2023
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Our Fully Alive event gives high school men the opportunity to grow in holiness and enter into a deeper encounter with our Lord through various moments of prayer and fraternity. We invite you to come and experience time with fellowship with other high school men.



The Advent season is a four week period before Christmas that celebrates the anticipation and coming of Jesus Christ, the Messiah, to our world. During Advent we prepare to celebrate his birth at Christmas, the anticipation of his Second Coming, and his presence everyday as we live in discipleship.

This is a hands-on workshop for catechists who minister to children of elementary age. You will learn creative ideas to help the children and their families prepare to celebrate a Jesus-centered Christmas.

Save the Dates!

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| <p>NOV. 13, 2023
6:30 - 9 PM
IN-PERSON</p> | <p>SAN PEDRO REGION
ST. JOSEPH PARISH
11901 ACACIA AV.
HAWTHORNE, CA 90250</p> |
| <p>NOV. 14, 2023
6:30 - 9 PM
IN-PERSON</p> | <p>SAN PEDRO REGION
ST. MATTHIAS PARISH
7125 MISSION PLACE
HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255</p> |
| <p>NOV. 16, 2023
6:30 - 9 PM
IN-PERSON</p> | <p>SAN GABRIEL REGION
SACRED HEART PARISH
2889 N. LINCOLN AVE.
ALTADENA, CA 91001</p> |
| <p>NOV. 20, 2023
7 - 9 PM
VIRTUAL</p> | <p>ONLINE
VIA ZOOM</p> |

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Reimagining the Holiday Season!

Separated, Divorced & Widowed Ministry Office of
 Marriage and Family Life
 "Free" Zoom Presentation

The holiday season can bring up a lot of challenging emotions, such as sadness, loss, and emptiness. However, it also presents an opportunity to create new and meaningful traditions and experiences. This presentation will provide guidance, ideas, and support to help you find a positive approach to reimagining your holiday preparations. Our goal is to help you maintain a spirit of hope through the celebration of the birth of our Savior.



Monday
November 20, 2023
 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Presenter: Kelly Klaus LMFT

A Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist with a practice focused on healing from divorce. A divorced mother of three children, now the proud parent of three successfully launched adults. Remarried to Sergio. Kelly's passion for the children of divorce has evolved to focusing in the divorce therapeutic and healing process for the whole family. Past Executive Director of the National Catholic Divorce Ministry.



Scan the QR Code to Register

For more information, contact Julie Auzenne:
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ANNUAL CRAFTS FAIR

St. Jerome Parish is holding its Annual Christmas Craft Faire Saturday, Nov. 18th 9am - 4pm & Sunday, Nov. 19th 8am - 2pm.

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GATHERING

Christ In Me Arise

Refrain

Christ in me a - rise and dis - pel all the dark-ness.
 Christ in me a - rise with your pow - er and your strength.
 Christ in me pour out your bless - ing and heal - ing.
 Christ in me a - rise and I shall rise with you.

Verses

1. Be now my vi - sion; o - pen these eyes, show - ing me
 2. Be now my foot - steps, lead - ing the way, tak - ing me
 1. all that I must see. } On - ward to the king - dom,
 2. where I must go. }
 1, 2. you are the way. A - rise in me and I shall rise with you.

to Refrain

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GLORY TO GOD Mass of St. Ann

PSALM My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia (Bolduc)

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

SATURDAY The Lord is My Light

1. The ___ Lord is my light, my ___ help, my sal -
 2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord that I
 3. I ___ know I will live to ___ see the Lord's

1. va - tion. Why should I fear? With God I fear
 2. long for: all of my days with God to be
 3. good-ness; now, in this life, I'm sure I will

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 St. Ann

1. no one. God pro - tects me all my
 2. dwell-ing, gaz - ing with awe at the beau - ty of
 3. see it. Trust in the Lord, be strong and be

1. life. With the Lord what should I dread?
 2. God, and in won - der look on God's house.
 3. brave; wait in hope for God, our sal - va - tion.

Refrain
 The Lord is my light, the Lord is my
 help, the Lord is my sal - va - tion.

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SUNDAY

The Lord is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shep - herd; there is
 noth-ing I shall want. The Lord is my shep -
 - herd; there is noth-ing I shall want.

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**COMMUNION
SATURDAY**

Because the Lord is My Shepherd

1. Be - cause the Lord is my shep-herd, I have
 2. And when the road leads to dark-ness, I shall
 3. In love you make me a ban - quet for my
 4. Your good-ness al - ways is with me and your

1. ev - 'ry thing I need. He lets me rest in the
 2. walk there un - a - fraid. E - ven when death is close
 3. en - e - mies to see. You make me wel - come,
 4. mer - cy I know. Your lov - ing kind-ness

1. mead - ow and leads me to the qui - et streams. He re -
 2. I have cour-age, for your help is there. You are
 3. pour - ing down hon - or from your might - y hand, and this
 4. strength-ens me al - ways as I go through life. I shall

1. stores_ my soul and he leads me in the paths that are right:
 2. close_ be - side me with com - fort, you are guid - ing my way:
 3. joy _____ fills me with glad - ness; it is too much to bear:
 4. dwell in your pres - ence for - ev - er, giv - ing praise to your name:

Lord, you are my shep - herd, you are my friend.

I want to fol - low you al - ways, just to fol - low my friend.

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SUNDAY

As the Deer Longs

Refrain
 As the deer longs for run - ning streams, so I long, so I long,
 so I long for you.

1. A - thirst my soul for you, the God who is my life! When shall I
 2. 7 Ech - oes meet as deep is call - ing un - to deep, o - ver my
 3. Con - tin - ual - ly the foe de - lights in taunt - ing me: "Where is God,
 4. De - fend me God, send forth your light ___ and your truth, they will lead
 5. Then I shall go un - to the al - tar of my God. Prais - ing you, ___

1. see, when shall I ___ see, ___ see the face of God?
 2. head, all your might - y wa - ters, sweep - ing o - ver me.
 3. ___ where is your ___ God?" ___ Where, O where are you?
 4. me to your ho - ly moun - tain, to your dwell - ing place.
 5. ___ O my joy and glad - ness, I shall praise your name.

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SENDING

America the Beautiful

1. O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, For am - ber waves of grain,
 2. O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress

1. For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plain!
 2. A thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness!

1. A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 2. A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,

1. And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea.
 2. Con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law.

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