

HURCH OF THE / ISITATION



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ADMINISTRATOR:

Fr. Matthew Wheeler IN RESIDENCE:

Fr. Timothy McGowan

RETIRED:

Msgr. Charles E. Hill Msgr. James Forsen

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 II:00 a.m.

(The Sunday Mass at 8:00 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

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

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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

ONLINE GIVING: Thank you for your Donations!



AUGUST 20, 2023



Then Jesus said to her reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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

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.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you looking for a faith community to call home? Visit our website to register as a parishioner. www.visitationchurch-la.com/register

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING — All who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer (Is 56:6-7)

PSALM - O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)

SECOND READING — For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. (Rom 11:32)

GOSPEL — Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." (Mt 15:28)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: JGS 2:11-19/PS 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43AB AND 44/MT 19:16-2

TUESDAY: JGS 6:11-24A/PS 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/MT 19:23-30 WEDNESDAY: JGS 9:6-15/PS 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/MT 20:1-16

THURSDAY: RV 21:9B-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/JN 1:45-51

FRIDAY: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14B-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6AB, 6C-7, 8-9A, 9BC-10/MT 22:34-40

SATURDAY: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

PARENT LEADERSHIP

"Keep the media - your rivals - under your discerning control. Permit nothing in your home that offends God, undermines your lessons of right and wrong, and treats other people as mere objects." -Jim Stenson, Compass



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I try to take it one day at a time, but sometimes several days attack me at once!" -Bumpersticker

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, September 10, 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.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

DID YOU KNOW? THE IMPORTANCE OF RESPECTING A CHILD'S BOUNDARIES

Children have the right to set their own boundaries based on what they are comfortable with. One way to be a safe adult is to honor these boundaries to the best of our abilities. For example, if a child doesn't want to high five, we can honor that desire and find another way to celebrate, maybe with a wave or friendly smile. When we respond positively to a child's preferred interactions, we show them that their comfort does matter, and should be respected whenever possible. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "How Safe Adults Can Maintain Health Boundaries" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



& SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

♦ SUNDAY – AUGUST 20, 2023

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Bob McElroy †

9:30am - For the people of Visitation Parish

11:00am - Tony Sales †

♦ Monday - August 21, 2023

St. Pius X, Pope

8:00am - Linda Limcaoco †

◆ TUESDAY - AUGUST 22, 2023

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am - Don Glaza & Jennifer Howard †

♦ WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 23, 2023

St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

8:00am - For the Intentions of the Albert Ward Family

♦ THURSDAY - AUGUST 24, 2023
St. Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00am - Chris Johnson †

FRIDAY - AUGUST 25, 2023

St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:00am - Mr. Paul Marcien Trudeau †

♦ SATURDAY - AUGUST 26, 2023

5:00pm - Fritz Villeneuve †

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

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.

SESSIONS OF FAITH (PREP):

PREP REGISTRATION NOW OPEN: All ARE WELCOME!!!

Registration for Visitation's Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is now open 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. We would love to welcome your family to PREP this year! Classes are held on Sundays in-person and on-line between 9:15 am and 10:45 am. Classes begin on Sunday, September 17th with our Opening Ceremonies and run through May. Please visit our website, and contact Debra Evans, Coordinator of Religious Education; religiouseducationvc@gmail.com or call/text (703) 582-9888, for more information and an application. Thank you!

PREP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: PLEASE JOIN US!!!

Is God Calling You to Pass on the faith? Our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is looking for Volunteers to serve as Catechists, Classroom Aides, Teen Faith Mentors, and Office and Event Assistants. Our wonderful team of volunteers welcome you to join us for a fun and faith-filled year supporting our children and families as they grow in their faith. If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Debra Evans, Coordinator of Religious Education, at (703) 582-9888 call/text or religiouseducationvc@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Registration is now open for our Parish Confirmation Prep Program. The 2 year program is available for high school students who are looking to receive the sacrament of confirmation. Please visit our website or email confirmationvc@gmail.com for more information.

PARISH POST

August 20, 2023

Dear sisters and brothers,

I'm excited as our community begins another year of sacramental preparation! The offerings of our PREP, Confirmation, and RCIA programs are top notch and I encourage you to consider your family's sacramental needs and register in the weeks to come.

The sacraments are truly gifts from God because all seven of them were instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Catholic Church so as to draw those who receive them into the very life of God (Catechism Catholic Church, par. 1131). Another way to say it is that through the sacraments we taste now what we'll enjoy fully in eternal life: total loving union with God and neighbor. Praise be Jesus Christ!

Sometimes people feel a bit embarrassed if they or their children haven't received certain sacraments yet. That is understandable but if you find yourself in such a situation I simply want to say, "Don't worry! Visitation is here to accompany you and help you respond to Jesus' call to receive him anew in the sacraments of the Church." Far from being a moment of shame, it is a moment of grace and hope.

I pray that all of you have a blessed week and encourage you to lovingly reach out to those you know who need the sacraments reminding them that they have a home and support here at Visitation Parish.

In Christ,

Fr. Matt

Don't Forget:

- -Register for PREP, Confirmation, and RCIA. Lovingly encourage others to do so as well.
- -Happy Senior Citizen Day (August 21st) to all of our wonderful Seniors!



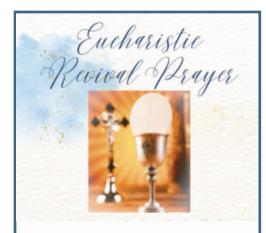
Los Angeles Archbishop José H. Gomez, center, poses with new LA auxiliary bishops appointed by Pope Francis (left to right): Father Slawomir Szkredka, Father Brian Nunes, Father Matthew Elshoff OFM, Cap., and Msgr. Albert Bahhuth. (Victor Alemán)

Archbishop José H. Gomez has announced pastoral region assignments for the four new LA auxiliary bishops-elect appointed

by Pope Francis July 18.

After being ordained bishops Sept. 26, <u>Albert M. Bahhuth</u> will serve as Episcopal Vicar for the San Fernando Region, <u>Matthew G. Elshoff</u>, OFM Cap. for the Our Lady of the Angels Region, <u>Brian Nunes</u> for the San Gabriel Region, and <u>Slawomir S. Szkredka</u> for the Santa Barbara Region.

"It is important to remember that all of our Auxiliary Bishops are ordained to serve, not only the region they are assigned to, but the entire family of God in Los Angeles," wrote Archbishop Gomez.



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.

RCIA PROGRAM AT VISITATION

Thinking about becoming Catholic or wanting to complete your Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? Wanting to renew your faith? We welcome you to join our RCIA group on Mondays from 7-8:30 pm in the O'Grady Center beginning September 11th. Please email Gilbert & Laura Trujillo at rcia.visitation@gmail.com or call (424) 235-3122 to learn more.



THE WORD AMONG US

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



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A Beginning Experience® Weekend retreat will be held from September 8-10 at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center, Encino.

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https://familylife.lacatholics.org/beginning-experience OR www.beginningexperience.org

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To register, CALL Maria (909) 592-0009 or EMAIL:

beginningexp.losangeles@gmail.com



SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

MASS IN RECOGNITION OF ALL IMMIGRANTS

3:00pm Pre-Procession 3:30pm Mass

CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

Archbishop José H. Gomez, Presiding

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"But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." -Philippians 3:20

Every parish and religious ministries are invited to attend the Mass. Speak with your pastor for more information on how to have your parish represented in the pre-procession.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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

 Martha Hood who went home to the Lord on August 1, 2023. She was 92 years old. Funeral mass will take place August 21, 2023 at 11:00AM at Visitation. A small reception will be held in the O'Grady Center 12PM -3PM.

Please pray for her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed.

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING

O God Beyond All Praising



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GLORY TO GOD

Mass of Joy and Peace

PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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SATURDAY

You are the Healing



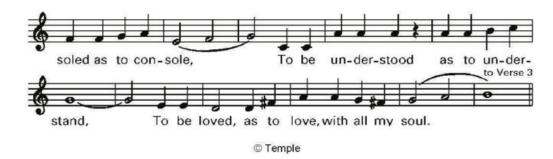
APOSTLES CREED

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 Joy and Peace





SUNDAY With the Lord There is Mercy

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

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SENDING

How Can I Keep from Singing?



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



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