



CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 13, 2023

ADMINISTRATOR:

Fr. Matthew Wheeler

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Fr. Timothy McGowan

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Msgr. Charles E. Hill

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MASS TIMES

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.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)

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

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He became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter.

- Mt 14:30-31

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

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING – Then the LORD said to him, “Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by.” (1 Kgs 19:11)

PSALM – Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Ps 85)

SECOND READING – My conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, (Rom 9:1-3).

GOSPEL – Peter said to him in reply, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. (Mt 14:28-29)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-2

TUESDAY: VIGIL: 1 CHR 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 COR 15:54B-57/LK 11:27-28 DAY: RV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/ 1 COR 15:20-27/LK 1:39-56

WEDNESDAY: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3A, 5 AND 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-2

THURSDAY: Jos 3:7-10A, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21–19:1

FRIDAY: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12

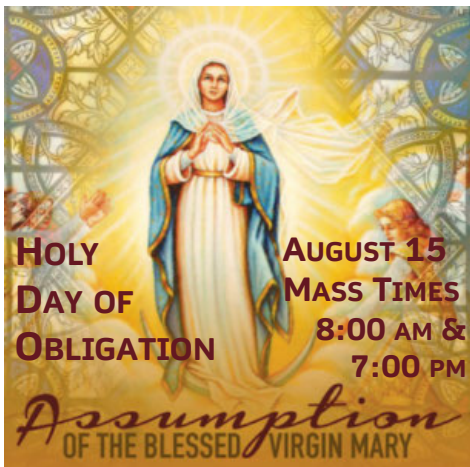
SATURDAY: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did.” - St. Maximilian Kolbe

PARENT LEADERSHIP

“If you listen to your children when they’re small, they will be sincere with you when they’re adolescents, and this is vitally important”
- Jim Stenson, Compass



THE ASSUMPTION: A SIGN OF HOPE

Is the resurrection a concept or reality? For many of us, the resurrection of the dead may be a stray idea recited in the Nicene Creed. Heaven we discuss. But resurrection? The feast of the Assumption is a reminder to us that heaven gets even better! We pray that the souls of the faithful departed would soon be united to God in heaven. The truth is, the separation between our souls and our bodies was not God’s original plan for things. It’s one of the results of the Fall, of original sin. At the end of time and Jesus’ second coming, our bodies and souls will be reunited. Lest we forget, Mary’s Assumption is the reminder. Today, we celebrate that Mary is enjoying what we, too, hope to participate in — complete joy in heaven with our God, experienced body and soul. Today and every day, let’s pray for those who have died and that we may meet them again in the heavenly kingdom. ©LPi

HOSPITALITY NEWS!!!

Coffee & Donuts will be held Sunday; August 13th (Hosted by the Knights of Columbus). Please join them in the courtyard after each Mass.



& SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

◆ SUNDAY - AUGUST 13, 2023

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Pio Abarro †

9:30am - For the people of Visitation Parish

11:00am - Frine Velez †

◆ MONDAY - AUGUST 14, 2023

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

8:00am - Maria Salomao-Schmidt †

◆ TUESDAY - AUGUST 15, 2023

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am - Mariano & Asuncion Laureola †

7:00pm - For the people of Visitation Parish

◆ WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 16, 2023

St. Stephen of Hungary Martyr

8:00am - Fortunio Sales †

◆ THURSDAY - AUGUST 17, 2023

8:00am - Helen Patricio †

◆ FRIDAY - AUGUST 18, 2023

8:00am - Francesco Borgese †

◆ SATURDAY - AUGUST 19, 2023

St. John Eudes, Priest

5:00pm - Marlene McKeon †

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.



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; religioeducationvc@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 religioeducationvc@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.

Dear sisters and brothers,

I'd like to share a few inspiring words from Pope Francis to the youth joining him for World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal, this past week:

Dear young people, good evening!

You are not here by accident. The Lord has called you, not only in these days, but from the very beginning of your days. He called you by name. Let us listen to the word of God that called us by name. Try to imagine these three words written in large letters. Then consider that they were written within you, on your hearts, as if setting the direction of your lives, the meaning of who you are: you have been called by name. Each of us is called by name. You, you and you, all of us here, myself included: all of us have been called by name. Not impersonally, but by name. Think of this: Jesus called me by name. His words are inscribed in our hearts, and we come to realize that they are written in the hearts of every one of us, as a kind of title that tells people who we are, who you are. You have been called by name. None of us is a Christian by chance; all of us were called by name. At the beginning of the story of our lives, before any talents we may have, before any shadows or wounds we may be carrying in our hearts, we were called. Why? Because we are loved. This is something beautiful. In God's eyes, we are precious children, and he calls us each day in order to embrace and encourage us, to make of us a unique and original masterpiece. Each of us is an "original", whose beauty we can only begin to glimpse.

Dear young friends, I encourage you to reflect on the beautiful fact that God loves us. God loves us as we are, not how we want to be or how society wants us to be. As we are! He calls us with our faults and failings, our limitations and our hopes in life. That is how God calls us. Trust, because God is a Father and a Father who loves us. This is not very easy. And for this reason we need a great help, the Mother of the Lord. She is our Mother too. She is our Mother...

You can read his entire welcome address here. Have a blessed week and let's keep Pope Francis and all of our young people in prayer!

In Christ,

Fr. Matt

Don't Forget:

Let's keep our school teachers and staff in prayer as they come back to campus and make preparations for the new school year.

Tuesday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a holy day of obligation. We'll have Masses at 8am and 7pm.

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.

RCIA PROGRAM AT VISITATION

Interested in RCIA or Adult Confirmation?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a **process** through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer and rites at Mass. The RCIA program meets on Monday evenings in the O'Grady Center from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm, starting September 11th. Please email to Gilbert & Laura Trujillo at rcia.visitation@gmail.com or call (424) 235-3122 to learn more.



Beginning Experience® Weekend Retreat for the Widowed, Separated & Divorced

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

Trained peer ministers will support and guide adult men and women on their grief journey after the loss of a spouse through death, separation, or divorce. For more information:

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

A \$75 deposit is required IN ADVANCE.

Need-based financial aid may be available.

To register, CALL Maria (909) 592-0009 or EMAIL: beginningexp.losangeles@gmail.com

Viz Seniors

Come to O'Grady Center and have a **Fun Day. Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2023 at 1:30 PM**

Come have some fun, have some snacks *and* plan more Senior Fun Days.

We will be playing Bingo this day, so 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 vizenseniors@gmail.com

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.

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



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 pre-ordered and would like to receive one please contact the Rectory for more information.

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19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my
2. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

1. light, my strength, — my song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
2. pow'r of Christ — in me; from life's first cry to fi - nal

1. ground, firm through the fier - est drought — and storm. What heights of
2. breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

1. love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
2. hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from his

1. cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the
2. hand; till he re - turns or calls me home, here in the

1 to Verse 2 | 2, 3

1. love of Christ — I stand.
2. pow'r of Christ — I'll

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GLORY TO GOD Mass of Joy and Peace

PSALM Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Angrisano

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

Be Not Afraid

Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar - ren des - ert, but you shall not die of
1. thirst. You shall wan - der far in safe - ty though you do not know the
1. way. You shall speak your words in for - eign lands and all will un - der -

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

1. stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain
 Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways. Come fol-low
 me, and I will give you rest.

1, 2 to Vss 2, 3 Final 2

Verse 2
 2. If you pass through rag-ing wa-ters in the sea, you shall not
 2. drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames, you shall not be
 2. harmed. If you stand be-fore the pow'r of hell and death is at your
 2. side, know that I am with you through it all.

to Refrain

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COMMUNION

Stand By Me

1. When the storms of life are rag-ing, Lord, stand by
 2. In the midst of per - se - cu - tion, Lord, stand by

1. me. When the cur - rent pulls me un - der, Lord,
 2. me. When my en - e - mies sur-round me, Lord,

1. stand by me. When the ris - ing wa - ters
 2. stand by me. When the ty - rant wields his

1. toss me like a ship up - on the sea, You who
 2. ter - ror and the ar - mies wage their might, When the

1. rule the wind and wa - ter, Lord, stand by me.
 2. dark - ness o - ver-whelms me, Lord, stand by me.

Refrain
 Stand by me, stand by me. Lift me up from the rest - less sea.

When I am lost, when love can't be found, when no one cares, Lord,
stand by me. stand by me.

1 to Verse 2 Final Repeat twice

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SENDING SATURDAY

Though the Mountains May Fall

Refrain
Though the moun - tains may fall and the hills turn to dust,
yet the love of the Lord will stand
as a shel - ter for all who will call on his name.
Sing the praise and the glo - ry of God.

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SUNDAY

Hallelujah is Our Song

Refrain
Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! He is ris - en
o - ver all. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -
lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah is our song.

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Prayer for after Holy Communion

Holy Trinity, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, I adore you deeply and I offer you the precious Body, Blood and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacle on earth, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which He Himself is offended. And, for the infinite merits of his most holy Heart and of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I ask you for the conversion of poor sinners.

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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