## CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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

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APRIL 30, 2023



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 (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 8:00 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 (INSIDE THE CHURCH)

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.



## 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." - Jn 10:9-10

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 62001, 1990, 1970 CCD, GLP

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you looking for a faith community to call home?
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## **SUNDAY'S READINGS**

FIRST READING — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized (Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

PSALM — My shepherd is the Lord; I shall not want (Psalm 23).

SECOND READING — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

GOSPEL — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).



Yesterday, April 29th the Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) and the 2nd grade students from Visitation School

received their First Holy communion at a special mass. We congratulate them and their parents, as well as the Catechist and our PREP Coordinators.

## RCIA CONG

CONGRATULATIONS!

At the Easter Vigil Mass, Rodney
Thomas Riddle and Douglas E. Saxon
received the Sacrament of Holy
Eucharist and Confirmation. It was a
wonderful celebration of faith. If you
see them around please take a moment
to congratulate them.

## **HOSPITALITY NEWS!!!**

WELCOME to all the "friends" who accepted an invitation to attend Mass with us this weekend. We invite you to join us after Mass for Hospitality hosted by our Welcome Wagon and Parish Pastoral Council. Thank you for coming to our first BRING A FRIEND TO MASS weekend. We hope to see you back here again!!!

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58 TUESDAY: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

WEDNESDAY: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

THURSDAY: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

FRIDAY: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

**SATURDAY:** Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The devil saw me with my head down and thought he'd won until I said AMEN!" (Visitation Parishioner).

## PARENT LEADERSHIP

"Man's ability to see is in decline. Those who nowadays concern themselves with culture and education will experience this fact again and again. We do not mean here, of course, the physiological sensitivity of the human eye. We mean the spiritual capacity to perceive the visible reality as it truly is" (Josef Pieper, Only the Lover Sings: Art and Contemplation, p. 31).

#### CARDINAL McIntyre Fund

Next weekend we take up the special collection for this charitable fund. This charity is unique to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles since 1951. It's for those in CRISIS SITUATIONS throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Your contribution goes directly toward emergency needs for children, adults, and families. You are their hope! Your gift provides a one-time emergency help for: Food, Utilities, Medical, Housing, Transportation or Funeral expenses. Thank you for your generosity to this fund.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

AINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

♦ SUNDAY- APRIL 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter;
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:00am - Jacqueline Hoang †

11:00am - Gwen

♦ Monday - May 1, 2023

St. Joseph the Worker

8:00am - Barack & Michelle Obama

◆ TUESDAY - MAY 2, 2023

St. Athanasius

8:00am - Patricia Stemig †

WEDNESDAY - MAY 3, 2023

Ss. Philip and James

8:00am - Anne Gervais Dorn †

♦ THURSDAY - MAY 4, 2023

National Day of Prayer

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8:00am - Megan Meyer †

• FRIDAY - MAY 5, 2023

First Friday; Cinco de Mayo

8:00am - Barack & Michelle Obama

SATURDAY - MAY 6, 2023

First Saturday

8:00pm - Gwen

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.



Come and spend some time with the Risen Lord!

First Friday Noly Nour (Inside the church)

May 5, 2023 8:30AM - 9:30AM

### Dear sisters and brothers.

On behalf of all of us at Visitation, I'd like to extend a special welcome to all of those joining us for prayer and worship this weekend. Whether this is your first-time ever at Vis or your first-time back after some time away, we are happy to have you with us. As we gather as a family of faith, we unite ourselves to the first Christians who, "devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). In this way, we are given an opportunity to slow-down from the busyness of life, reconnect with each other, and encounter Jesus Christ anew.

Many people ask me, "Why go to Mass?" My response is, "Because I need it!" Not only do we get to enjoy each other's presence and learn about the life and teachings of Jesus, but the unique miracle of the Mass is that "Our Creator comes to meet us, he comes to feed us with the bread of life, to nourish us on our pilgrimage through this world" (Archbishop Gomez, *homily*, 8/13/22). Friends, our God loves us and wants to share his life and love with us - incredible! Each one of us is precious to the Lord and in the Eucharist Jesus wants to bring us the peace and joy that we so desperately desire. Why go to Mass? Well, I couldn't imagine my life without the gift of Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist.

Once again, I extend a warm welcome to any newcomers, and I hope you find your time at Mass nourishing for your soul. I hope you find the strength you need to keep living the life God calls you to live. I hope you find a place of belonging within our community of faith at Visitation. God bless you and see you next weekend.

Peace,

## Fr. Matt



We would like to thank the following parishioners who generously volunteered their time to beautifully decorate the church for Easter:

Mark Brosmer, Tom Hughes, Cathy Smith, Peter Beal, Edward Garza, Dwight LeBuff, Mary Putnam.

Also, we wish to thank Terry Godat-Kelly for all her hard work beautifully restoring the figures for the Christmas manger.

Again, thank you from: Liturgical Environment Team, Maryann Nguyen, and Fr. Tim



- Blake Allison and Ana Francia Morales will be receiving the sacrament of holy matrimony on May 27, 2023.
- Sergio Somma and Gaia
   Mariani will be receiving the sacrament of holy matrimony on July 2, 2023.

If you know of any impediments to these marriages please contact Fr. Matt at the parish office: 310-216-1145.

# World Day of Prayer for Vocations

World Day of Prayer is being observed today Sunday, April 30, 2023 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website.



9 AM...... Registration and Putting Contest 10:30 AM..... Announcements and Send Off 11 AM...... Shotgun Start, Lunch & Beverages on Course, Course Activities END OF PLAY...... Club House Reception, No Host Bar, Helicopter Drop, Silent Auction 5 PM..... Dinner and Tournament Awards

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## **MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT**



"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another". Proverbs 27:17

Visitation's Annual Men's Cornerstone Retreat will be Friday evening May 5th and Saturday May 6th right here on campus. It is presented by the men of our parish who have experienced it. If you speak to a Cornerstone Brother, he'll tell you the experience has enhanced his life in many ways - he is a better husband and father to his family, he is a better friend, he is more grounded in his work, and, most importantly, he has discovered new dimensions in his relationship with Christ, Call Bret Osterberg at 310.738.9440 with questions, or register on

our Parish web site. www.visitationchurchla.com. There is no cost to attend. Space is limited so (1) SCAN ME please register soon.



## Viz Seniors

Come to O'Grady Center and have a Fun Day. Wednesday, May 3, 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.

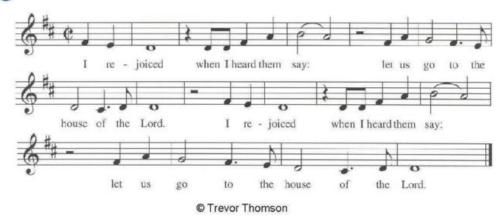
> Need a ride? Give a ride? - Let us know. Marlene Kaufman - Mary Lou Ward - Toni Kerker **Questions?** call Marlene 310-645 - 4436 Coming? RSVP vizseniors@gmail.com



## 4th Sunday of Easter

## GATHERING

I Rejoiced

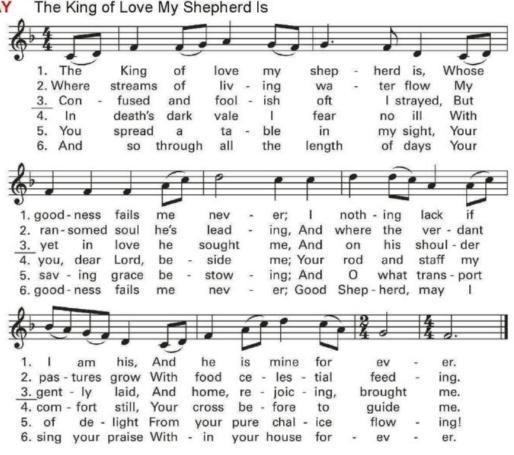


## **PSALM**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Easter Alleluia

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS



Text: 87 87; based on Psalm 23; Matthew 18; John 10; Henry Williams Baker, 1821–1877, alt.

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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

## MASS PARTS

Mass of St. Ann SUNDAY Lord, I Need You

REFRAIN

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need You. My one defense, my righteousness; Oh God, how I need You.

## VERSE 1

Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.

And without You, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

### VERSE 2

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found is where You are. And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

Matt Maher



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## SUNDAY

Alleluia, Love is Alive



## SENDING SATURDAY

Celtic Alleluia Sending Forth



## SUNDAY

Canticle of the Turning





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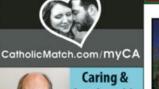
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