



# CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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

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**MAY 28, 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 (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 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](http://www.visitationchurch-la.com)

### PRIVATE WORSHIP (INSIDE THE CHURCH)

Open for private devotion:

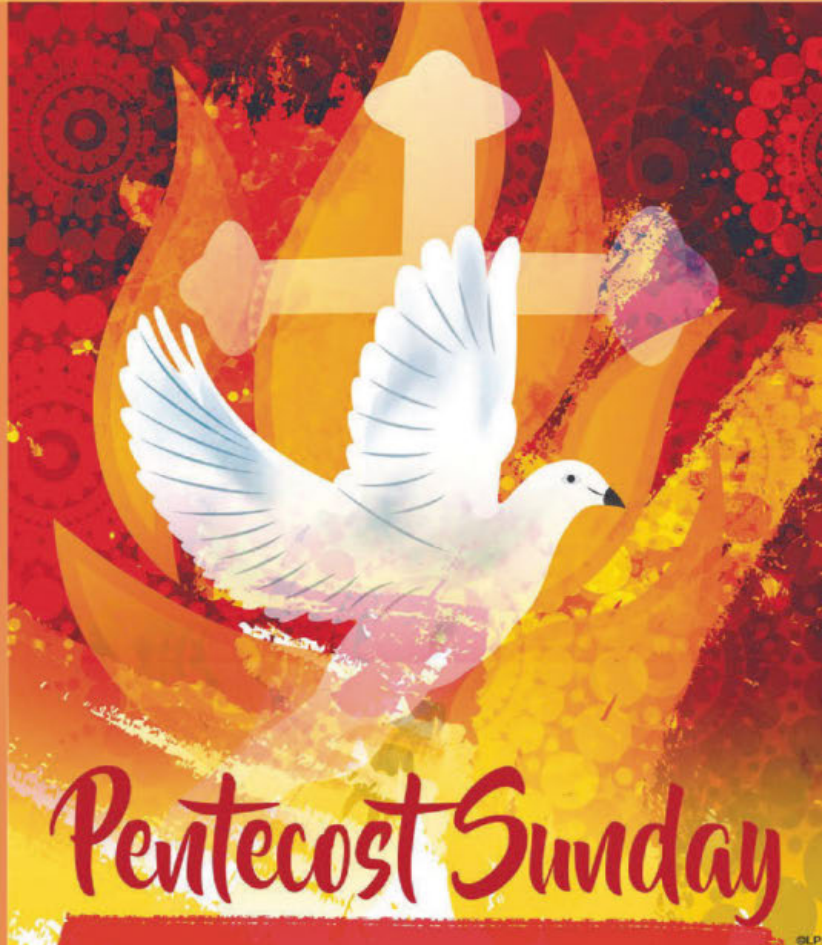
Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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](mailto: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.



## Pentecost Sunday

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

### 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](http://www.visitationchurch-la.com/register)

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## SUNDAY'S READINGS

**FIRST READING** – And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. (**Acts 2:4**)

**PSALM** – Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (**Ps 104**)

**SECOND READING** – For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (**2 Cor 12:13**)

**GOSPEL** – Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.” (**Jn 20:21-22**)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY:** GN 3:9-15, 20 OR ACTS 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 AND 5, 6-7/JN 19:25-34

**TUESDAY:** SIR 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 AND 23/MK 10:28-31

**WEDNESDAY:** ZEP 3:14-18A OR ROM 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6/LK 1:39-56

**THURSDAY:** SIR 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/MK 10:46-52

**FRIDAY:** SIR 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/MK 11:11-26

**SATURDAY:** Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mk 11:27-33

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The most memorable day of my life was the day I received my First Holy Communion” (Napoleon).

## FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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

◆ **Rosemarie “Rose” Bertiaux** who went home to the Lord on April 11, 2023. She was 84 years old. Funeral mass will take place June 3, 2023 at 12:00PM at St. Louise DeMarillac in Covina

◆ **Theresa Mary Marcello** who went home to the Lord on May 6, 2023. She was 94 years old. Funeral mass will take place June 6, 2023 at 11:00AM at Visitation. Rosary prior to mass at 10:30AM .

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



**NOTICE:** Due to the School Graduation there will **not** be any Holy Hour this coming First Friday of the June.

## PARENT LEADERSHIP

“Remember, the whole of moral development means moving from *self* to *others*. Your children will not grow up when they can take care of themselves; they will grow up only when they can take care of others, and want to” (*Compass*, Jim Stenson).

## 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, June 11, 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.

**Congratulation to the Graduating Class of 2023! May God bless you in your next chapter of your life. Go Bulldogs!**



## & SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

◆ **SUNDAY - MAY 28, 2023**

*Pentecost Sunday*

8:00am - Corley Hobrock †

9:30am - For the people of Visitation Parish

11:00am - Marcos Fernandez †

◆ **MONDAY - MAY 29, 2023**

*Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day*

8:00am - Esther Villalobos †

◆ **TUESDAY - MAY 30, 2023**

*World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

8:00am - Frances Mondello †

**WEDNESDAY - MAY 31, 2023**

*The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00am - For all the Benefactors of Visitation Parish past & present

◆ **THURSDAY - JUNE 1, 2023**

*St. Justin, Martyr*

8:00am - Gwen

◆ **FRIDAY - JUNE 2, 2023**

*Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs*

8:00am - Gwen

◆ **SATURDAY - JUNE 3, 2023**

*St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs*

8:00pm - Annella Dorn †

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.



Dear brothers and sisters,

Summer is near! And with vacation time right around the corner, there's a nice opportunity to reflect on "leisure and rest." As I mentioned a couple of weeks ago, work is a blessing from God and life is enriched by dignified labor. However, we also need to remember that God rested on the 7th day of creation (cf *Genesis 2:2-3*). This means that life is also enriched by wholesome and life-giving time away from work.

In fact, St. Thomas Aquinas speaks of the virtue of *eutrapelia*, or play (*Summa Theologica*, IIa-IIae, q. 168). His point was to emphasize that we are not machines. We cannot simply work and work without end. Our bodies and souls need rest when they become weary and it is through play and the joy of having fun that we are refreshed and recharged. Examples of this would be playing a good game of soccer with your friends, going on a hike in nature, or enjoying a nice family meal. This might sound odd but we could say that the perfect form of *eutrapelia*, rest, or leisure is Sunday Mass. It is through Mass that we come into special contact with God and by entering into His rest we are recreated on the deepest levels of our being.

Ultimately, *eutrapelia* is at the heart of what we Catholics mean by "sabbath" and why we dedicate one day per week to connecting more deeply with God, family and friends. In this way, Sunday (or any vacation) is not meant to be a time to "do nothing", but rather a time to engage in true *eutrapelia* - play - so as to connect with the deeper realities of life. As you and your family make your summer plans do so with *eutrapelia* in mind! Don't waste it by "vegging out on the couch" but seek opportunities for meaningful play which rejuvenates your body and nourishes your soul.

Peace,

Fr. Matt

### Don't Forget:

Congratulations to our newly confirmed teenagers! May the Holy Spirit make you bold witnesses of Christ-centered love in the world.



**ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL**

The parish office will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of this federal holiday. It will reopen on Tuesday, May 30th

### HOSPITALITY NEWS!!!

**Coffee & Donuts today, Pentecost Sunday, May 28** (Hosted by the Welcome Wagon). Please join them in the Mary's courtyard after each Mass. Our June dates are June 11th (Knights of Columbus) and June 25th (Welcome Wagon). Also, when you're craving Yum Yum donuts or a breakfast sandwich, be sure to visit the Playa location at 8139 W Manchester (just past the Knights of Columbus hall) and say thank you from Visitation!!!





○ Visitation Parish, Los Angeles

# Eucharistic Procession

Bringing the National Eucharistic Revival to our parish!

Join us for Mass and a Eucharistic Procession around the block on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. The procession will begin after the 11am Mass and conclude with benediction in the church. Hospitality to follow!



JUNE 11 • 11:00 AM MASS

MORE INFORMATION AT VISITATIONCHURCH-LA.COM



Visitation Church Goal: \$590,000

Pledged: \$796,520

% of Goal: 135%

102 gifts ~ Thank you!

*"It is not how much you give, but how much love you put into giving."* - St. Theresa of Calcutta

Our community is partnering with every parish, mission, and Catholic center in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles to strengthen parishes, families, and communities.

Fifty percent (50%) of all funds raised up to goal, will remain with our parish. One hundred percent (100%) of funds collected over our parish campaign goal will remain in our parish to address local needs.

To pledge/ donate please go to:

<https://calledtorenew.org/parishes/visitation/>

**Thank you for your continued Support and Generosity to Visitation Church!**



## MERCY BAGS FOR ST MARGARET'S CENTER

One way we are answering the call to serve the poor at Visitation, is to assist St. Margaret's Center in providing hygiene bags for the homeless and working poor that they serve.

Please *consider contributing 3-5 Mercy Bags that you assemble at home* and bring to church the weekend of June 3rd. CVS and Ralphs each have a travel section with inexpensive kits and products to choose from. Below is the recommended content list from St. Margaret's for the most needed items. Use a large Ziplock for the contents of each Mercy Bag.



- Soap or Body Wash
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Body Lotion
- Razor and Shaving Cream
- Toothbrush and Toothpaste
- Socks (Unisex tube socks)
- Comb
- Chapstick

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

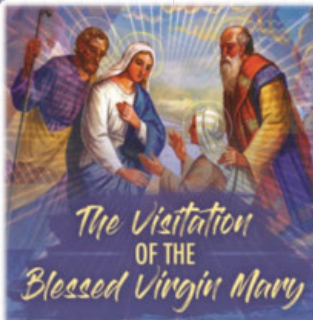
Assemble 3-5 Mercy bags into Gallon Ziplocks at home with your family

Bring your Mercy Bags to the back of the church the weekend of June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Consider making an extra bag or two to keep in your car to give to someone in need.

Contact Dan Smith if you have access to large amounts of these products for donation. [dsmithwestchester@gmail.com](mailto:dsmithwestchester@gmail.com)

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Celebrated on May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth. The meeting of these two women was a joyful and unique event. Both found themselves pregnant in unusual circumstances -- Elizabeth in her old age after suffering from infertility, and Mary by the Holy Spirit. At their meeting, John the Baptist leaped in the womb of Elizabeth, and she blessed Mary and the Christ Child. Mary, in turn, responds with the famous Magnificat praising the Lord.

This visit is detailed in Luke 1:39- 55

### PRAYER / REFLECTION:

Almighty and ever-living God, who while the Blessed Virgin Mary was carrying your Son in her womb, inspired her to visit Elizabeth, grant us, we pray, that, faithful to the promptings of the Spirit, we may magnify your greatness with the Virgin Mary at all times. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## Pentecost

### GATHERING

Come, Holy Ghost



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And in our hearts take  
2. O Com-fort - er, to thee we cry, Thou heav'n-ly gift of  
3. Praise be to thee, Fa-ther and Son, And Ho - ly Spir - it,



1. up thy rest; Come with thy grace and heav'n-ly aid To fill the  
2. God most high; Thou font of life and fire of love, And sweet a -  
3. with them one; And may the Son on us be-stow The gifts that



1. hearts which thou hast made; To fill the hearts which thou hast made.  
2. noint - ing from a - bove; And sweet a - noint - ing from a - bove.  
3. from the Spir - it flow; The gifts that from the Spir - it flow.

Text: LM with repeat; *Veni, creator spiritus*; attr. to Rabanus Manus, 776-856;  
tr. by Edward Caswall, 1814-1878, alt. Music: Louis Lambillotte, SJ, 1796-1855.

### PSALM

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

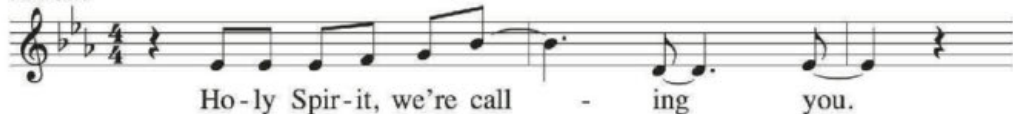
### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Easter Alleluia

### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

Holy Spirit, We're Calling You

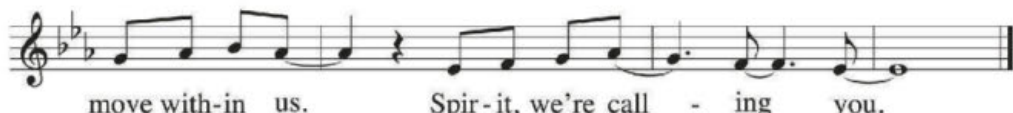
Refrain



Ho - ly Spir - it, we're call - ing you.



Spir - it, we're call - ing you. A - live in our world,



move with-in us. Spir - it, we're call - ing you.

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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

## COMMUNION

I, the Lord

Refrain

I, the Lord, am with you, al - ways by your side.

Come and take my hand, for I will lead you home. Fol-low

me, fol-low me.

1, 2 to Verses

2

Final

Fol-low me, fol-low me.

Verse 1

1. I am the res - ur - rec-tion, and I am the life; if

to Refrain

1. you be-lieve in me, you shall live for - ev - er.

Verse 2

2. You shall have new life and live it to the full.

to Refrain

2. Turn your sor-row in - to joy, for life has just be - gun.

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## SENDING

### Every Time I Feel the Spirit



Ev - 'ry time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing  
in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the  
Spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

#### Verses



1. Up - on the moun - tain when my God spoke,  
All a - round me, it looked so shine,  
2. 'Ol Jor - dan Riv - er, chill - y and cold,  
There ain't but one train that's on this track,

D.C.  
Out of God's mouth came fire and smoke.  
I asked my Lord if all was mine.  
It chills the bod - y, but not the soul.  
It runs to heav - en and runs right back.

Text: African American spiritual  
Tune: FEEL THE SPIRIT, 98-98 with refrain; African American spiritual; arr. by Nolan Williams, Jr., b.1969, © 2000, GIA Publications, Inc.



**All of them were  
filled with  
the Holy Spirit!**  
Acts 2.4

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