

CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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

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APRIL 9, 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 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.

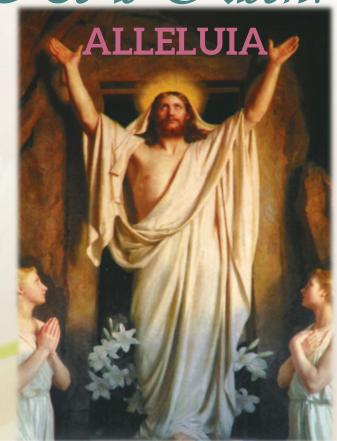
Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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.

He is Risen!



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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

ONLINE GIVING:



Thank you for your Donations!

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43). PSALM — Let us be joyful in this day of the Lord (Psalm 118).

SECOND READING — (1) All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or (2) Christ our Passover is sacri-ficed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

GOSPEL — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or Matthew 28:1-10 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35.

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, April 30, 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

TUESDAY: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

WEDNESDAY: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9;

Lk 24:13-35

THURSDAY: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

FRIDAY: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14

SATURDAY: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Man is only great when he is on his knees before God." -Robert Cardinal Sarah

PARENT LEADERSHIP

"Don't look for recipes or fixed formulas for raising children; there are none. And don't expect perfection from your spouse, your children, or yourself. Instead, set a realistic ideal for your children as responsible adults, and then strive to work with your spouse toward that ideal in unified parental leadership. Ask each other from time to time: "What do you need from me to be more effective, to feel more lovingly supported, and to have greater peace of mind?" (Compass by Jim Stenson)

HOSPITALITY NEWS!!!

HAPPY EASTER from the Welcome Wagon! We would like you to SAVE THE DATE for the weekend of April 29/30 as we will be hosting our first ever *Bring A Friend To Mass* weekend. We are asking our parishioners, including school parents, to invite a friend or neighbor to attend Mass with them. There will be Hospitality after all of the Masses, including the Saturday 5:00pm Mass! Stay tuned for additional details. Our next Coffee & Donuts will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus on Sunday, April 16 after the morning Masses.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

- Patricia Stemig, who went home to the Lord on February 19, 2023. She was 87 years old. Funeral mass will take place April 10, 2023 at 10:30 AM at Visitation church. The family is requesting that in lieu of flowers if you could please donate to C.A.R.L.- Canine Adoption and Rescue League which is where she adopted her service dog. Her dog was her comfort till the very end. Use this link: https://carldogs.org/donate/
- ◆ George Rachford, who went home to the Lord on July 29, 2022. He was 88 years old. Funeral mass will take place April 22, 2023 at 12:00PM at Holy Cross.

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



MASS INTENTIONS

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

♦ SUNDAY- APRIL 9, 2023

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord; Julian Calendar Palm Sunday

8:00am - For all the benefactors of visitation parish past and present

11:00am - For all the benefactors of visitation parish past and present

♦ Monday - April 10, 2023

Monday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am - Linda tam kung Foon †

♦ Tuesday - April 11, 2023

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am - Blanca Hernando †

♦ WEDNESDAY - APRIL 12, 2023

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am - Valentino Alvero †

THURSDAY - APRIL 13, 2023

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am - Patricia McMahon Harwood †

FRIDAY - APRIL 14, 2023

Friday within the Octave of Easter; Julian Calendar Good Friday

8:00am - Rudy and Susan Abundo

SATURDAY - APRIL 15. 2023

Saturday within the Octave of Easter

8:00pm - Theresa Ungaro †

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.



The parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 10th in Observance of Easter. PARISH POST APRIL 9, 2023

Dear brothers and sisters.

Happy Easter! Today we rejoice with the Church who sings, "The Lord is truly risen, alleluia!" And so let's heed the Church's call to celebrate and share the joy of the new life we've received in Jesus Christ.

But therein lies the problem - I'm not sure we really know how to celebrate. Most Catholics, for example, are pretty well accustomed to seasons of penance and reconciliation like Advent and Lent. As much as we might complain, I think we all secretly look forward to the challenge and struggle of giving up something during Lent. But I think it is also fair to say that Catholics aren't as well accustomed to seasons of feasting and celebration like Christmas and Easter. What typically happens is that we celebrate Christmas or Easter Day *only* and then move on with our lives and forget that the Church invites us to continue celebrating for weeks on end.

Did you know that the Easter season is 50 days long while Lent is only 40 days long? Yes, Easter is longer than Lent! Now it seems to me that one implication of this is that we ought to put way more time and energy into finding ways to celebrate for the entirety of the Easter season. My proposal is that each of us finds one little way each day, for 50 days, to celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead. For example, you could surprise your family with donuts for breakfast; pray an extra prayer; write a kind note affirming someone you love; or you could even treat yourself to watching an extra video on YouTube. The point is to find one way each day to share your Easter joy with your family, co-workers, friends, or even strangers.

On behalf of all of us at Visitation, I wish you and your loved ones blessed Easter celebrations. Let's GO BIG this Easter and prove true what Pope St. John Paul II famously proclaimed years ago, "We are an Easter people and alleluia is our song!"

Easter Blessings,

Fr. Matt

Don't Forget:

Easter 2023 marks the beginning of two new features in our parish bulletin and communications: 1) Quote of the Week and 2) Parent Leadership. In the Quote of the Week I'll share some words that I've found particularly inspiring and helpful. In Parent Leadership, I'll share wisdom from one of my favorite books on parenting entitled *Compass* by James Stenson.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

DID YOU KNOW? The Archdiocese continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families

During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and on behalf of Archbishop José H. Gomez, we affirm our continued commitment to report allegations of sexual misconduct to law enforcement, support victimsurvivors in their healing journey, and protect children and the vulnerable. The Archdiocese created a website, https://lacatholics.org/protect/ that serves as a comprehensive tool containing resources, programs and services for protecting children and reporting abuse. If you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual misconduct by someone affiliated with our Church, please contact law enforcement and the Archdiocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213) 637-7650 or visit https://lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse/ for help and support.

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



Easter Sunday

GATHERING 8:00 AM | 9:30 AM | 11:00 AM

Jesus Christ is Risen Today



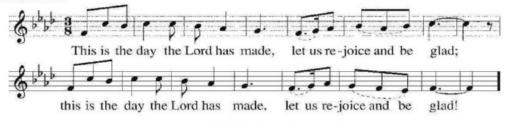
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June: EASTER HYMN. 7777 with a klainis, Lyra Davines, 1768

GLORY TO GOD

Haugen/Bolduc

PSALM

8:00 AM | 9:30 AM



@ Marty Haugen

11:00 AM



@ Bobby Fisher

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

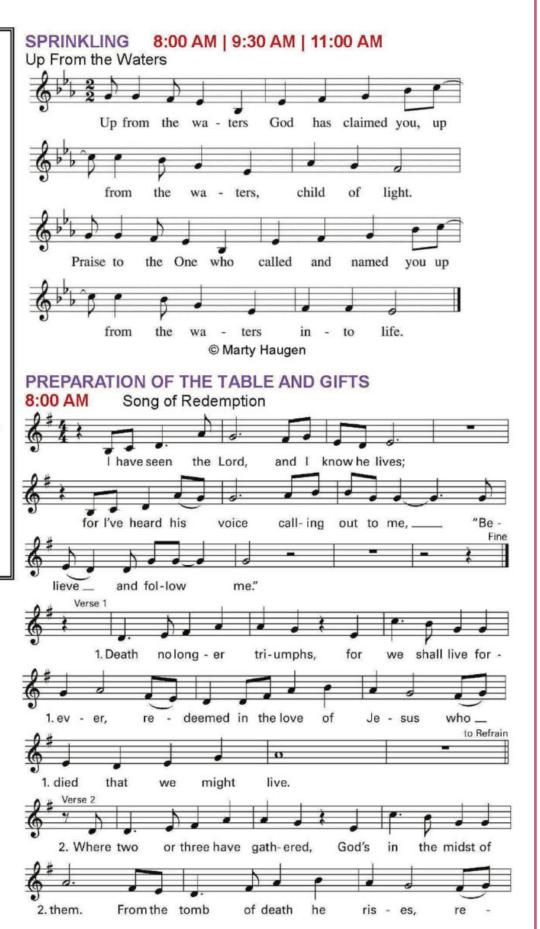
Easter Alleluia

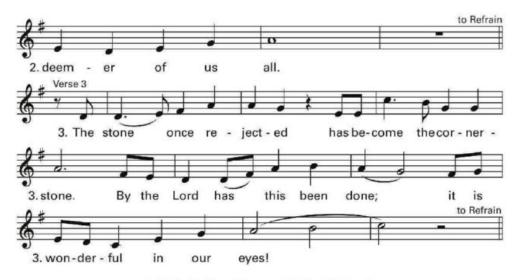
APOSTLES CREED

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 8:00 AM | 9:30 AM Mass of Creation

11:00 AM Mass of St. Ann





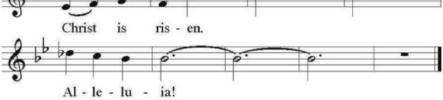
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9:30 AM | 11:00 AM Bell Ensemble





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9:30 AM

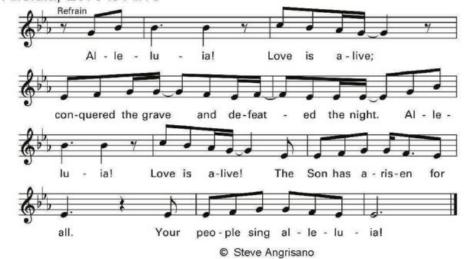




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11:00 AM

Alleluia, Love is Alive



This is the Day the Lord Has Made



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SENDING

8:00 AM | 9:30 AM | 11:00 AM

Over My Head

Over my head, I hear music in the air. Over my head, I hear music in the air.

Over my head, I hear music in the air. There must be a God somewhere.

Come and see: he has rolled away the stone.

Come and see: he has rolled away the stone.

Come and see: he has rolled away the stone. There must be a God somewhere.

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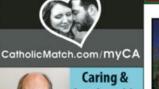
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