



CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 10, 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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"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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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 – If I tell the wicked, “O wicked one, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. **(Ez 33:8)**

PSALM – If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. **(Ps 95)**

SECOND READING – Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law. **(Rom 13:10)**

GOSPEL – “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.” **(Mt 18:15)**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: COL 1:24–2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/LK 6:6-1

TUESDAY: COL 2:6-15/Ps 145:1B-2, 8-9, 10-11/LK 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY: COL 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13AB/LK 6:20-26

THURSDAY: NM 21:4B-9/Ps 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/PHIL 2:6-11/JN 3:13-17

FRIDAY: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1B-2A AND 5, 7-8, 11/JN 19:25-27 OR LK 2:33-35

SATURDAY: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-4

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.” -Psalm 23

PARENT LEADERSHIP

“Lead kids to learn from their mistakes and the mistakes of others.” -Jim Stenson, Compass

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

DID YOU KNOW? ONLINE RELATIONSHIPS AND ABUSE

Parents and caregivers need to be aware of the many ways predators can develop online relationships with their victims. Predators often seek out children or teens who share a lot of information about themselves online and use that information to build “friendships” that they can then use to their advantage. They may pretend to share the same interests or insecurities, offer excessive compliments, or claim to have access to desired items, usually drugs or alcohol. To learn more about what to watch out for when your children are online, read the VIRTUS® article “Online Child Sexual Exploitation” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

HOSPITALITY NEWS!!!

Please plan to join us TODAY (Sunday) as we celebrate **National Grandparents Day!!!** Grandparents and grandchildren (and everyone else) can join us in the courtyard after Mass for Coffee & Donuts.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, Sept. 16 will be our next evening hospitality of wine, cheese, crackers, cookies following the 5:00pm Mass.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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

- ◆ **Annelizabeth Gogniat** who went home to the Lord on June 17, 2023. She was 75 years old. Funeral Mass will take place September 16, 2023 at 12:00PM at Visitation.

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



Mass Intentions

& SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

◆ SUNDAY- SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Blanche Rizkal †

9:30am - For the people of Visitation Parish

11:00am - Ernesto Aragon Trevino

◆ MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Patriot Day

8:00am - Pat Rotolo †

◆ TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00am - Kappy Bettencourt †

◆ WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00am - James & Patricia

◆ THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00am - Geegee Gonzalez

◆ FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00am - Leonard Patino

◆ SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

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.



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,

Happy National Grandparents Day! Today we give thanks to God for the gift of grandparents without whom we wouldn't - literally - be here today. Although all four of my grandparents have passed on, I am filled with wonderful memories of their love and wise lessons. Now that my family is growing and my parents are now grandparents, I see God working anew in their lives as they take on new roles and responsibilities.

Pope Francis has spoken a lot about the need for young people to be grateful to the generations that have preceded them. In this year's letter to grandparents and elderly he writes:

"God wants young people to bring joy to the hearts of the elderly, as Mary did to Elizabeth, and gain wisdom from their experiences. Yet, above all, the Lord wants us not to abandon the elderly..." (Pope Francis, Message for World Day of Grandparents and Elderly, 2023).

The words of our Holy Father are particularly relevant for all of us at Visitation. Just like Mary went to serve Elizabeth, we are called to lovingly serve our elderly sisters and brothers, too. In fact, I am grateful to those in our community who are already taking great steps to do so. I love, for example, how our school children and Seniors regularly exchange letters with words of comfort and joy. What a beautiful way to bridge generational gaps and build a community of support and care!

This week, let's pray about how we can personally reach out to our grandparents or elderly members of our community. Let's ask the Lord to inspire us with generosity and guide our actions according to His most holy will.

In Christ,
Fr. Matt

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Dear Father in heaven, I come before your sacred altar to assist the divine sacrifice of your Son Jesus. Fix my mind on you and by his precious blood wash away all my sins as I repent of having offended you. Grant that we may celebrate this holy mystery with strong faith and devotion. Send us the Holy Spirit of love to ignite our hearts to receive devoutly the Holy Eucharist. Bless our family, our parish, and our community. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. Amen.



In need of a caregiver? If so, please call the Parish office for more information.



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

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.



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When: Sunday, September 17th
Time: 9:30am – 2:30pm
Where: Knights of Columbus Hall
8049 W. Manchester Ave, Playa Del Rey
Drop off items at the rear doors



Happy Grandparents Day

It is very important to bring together the wisdom of the elderly and the enthusiasm of the young. The encounter between grandparents and grandchildren is key, especially in this moment of economic and social crisis that humanity is undergoing.

- Pope Francis

VISITATION PRESENTS



CONCERT IN THE PARK -ING LOT

A BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY EVENT!

SEPT 15, 2023

5:30 - 9:30 PM

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Amount Paid: \$39,757.30 69.2%

Difference Over/(Under) Goal vs. Amount Paid:
(\$17,712.70) -30.8%

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING

All Are Welcome

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell And
2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, And
3. Let us build a house where love is found In

all can safe - ly live, A place where saints and
words are strong and true, Where all God's chil - dren
wa - ter, wine and wheat: A ban - quet hall on

chil - dren tell How hearts learn to for -
dare to seek To dream God's reign a -
ho - ly ground, Where peace and jus - tice

give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions,
new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness
meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus,

Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the
And as sym - bol of God's grace; Here as
Is re - vealed in time and space; As we

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,

all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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GLORY TO GOD

Mass of St. Ann

PSALM

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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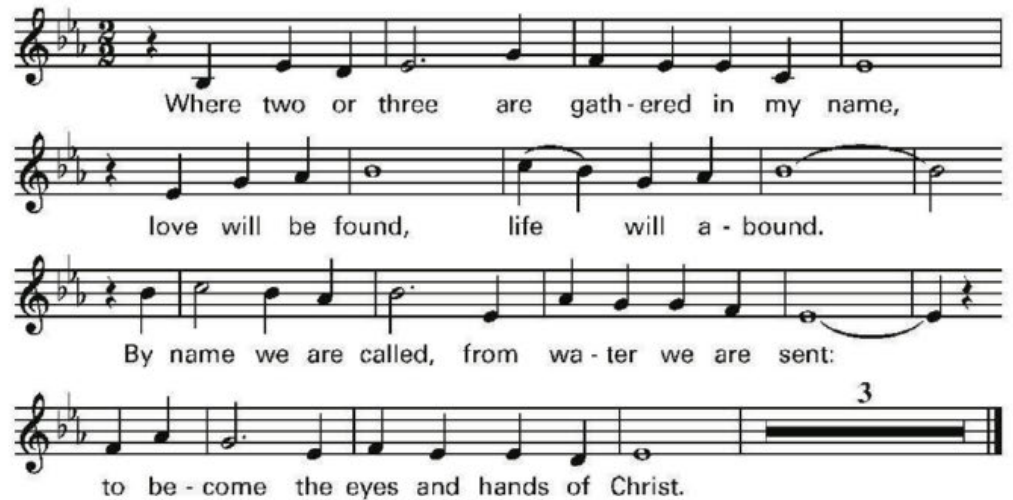
APOSTLES CREED

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

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

SATURDAY The Eyes and Hands of Christ



Where two or three are gathered in my name,
love will be found, life will a - bound.
By name we are called, from wa - ter we are sent:
to be - come the eyes and hands of Christ.

Verses 1, 2

1. One we be - come, no long - er strang - ers. No long - er
2. One in the Spir - it, one in the Lord. One in the

1. emp - ty or frail. Filled with the Spir - it, ev - 'ry
2. break - ing of the bread. Life - giv - ing wit - ness of our

to Refrain

1. hun - ger sat - is - fied. Christ is the cen - ter of our lives.
2. dy - ing and new life. Held by the prom - ise in our hands.

Verse 3

3. Not what we are, but what we be - come. Not what we
3. say, but what we do. Liv - ing the chal - lenge as

to Refrain

3. bear - ers of light. We are the eyes and hands of Christ.

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SUNDAY Small Things with Great Love

Not to the learned nor to the kings
But to the little ones who show the mysteries
I rejoice when I am weak
For you will give me all I need
Though I cannot fly, you carry me to heaven
You have not called me
To be successful
You have called me to be faithful

REFRAIN

I can do small things, small things with great love, That is enough
I can do small things, Small things with great love
And make my life something beautiful, For God

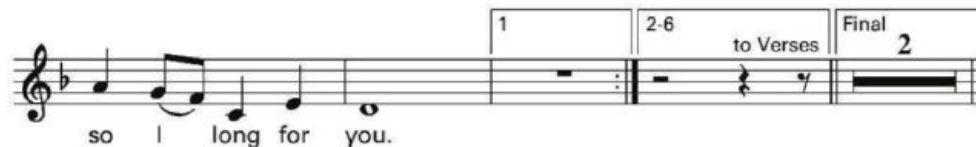
One drop in the ocean, One petal in the garden
One hidden sacrifice, One reason for my life
One dance before your throne, One child to give a home
One step towards Calvary, One touch of empathy
You have not called me to be successful
You have called me to be faithful, *Refrain*

Yesterday is gone, Tomorrow is not yet come, We have only today, Let us begin, *Refrain*
Be faithful in small things, For in them our strength lies

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COMMUNION

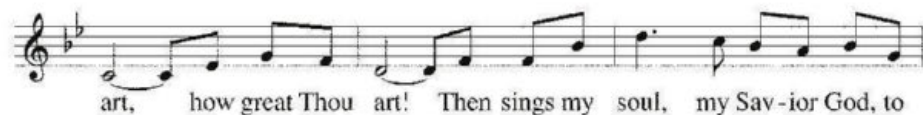
As the Deer Longs



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SENDING

How Great Thou Art



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