

ST. MARY'S BY THE SEA

R O M A N C A T H O L I C C H U R C H



LEGACY PROJECT

<u># of Pledges</u> (130)	<u>Total Pledged</u> \$566,516	<u>Total Paid</u> \$549,232
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2020 PSA

<u># of Pledges</u> (67)	<u>Total Pledged</u> \$55,046	<u>Total Paid</u> \$48,161
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THANK YOU for the support you showed during this time that we have been out of the Church. Your donations can be given electronically via our website at www.stmarysbythesea.net by clicking the large red button on the right which says "DONATE NOW." You can also send a check directly to our Parish. Thank you, and may God bless you during this time of trials.

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*(Notice: The Office has re-opened from Monday through Thursday, 9am-12pm & 1-5pm.
Please note that we will be closed on Fridays until further notice.)*

ALL Masses will be held outside in the Courtyard.

TEMPORARY SCHEDULE



DAILY MASS (Monday-Saturday): 8:00 am

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

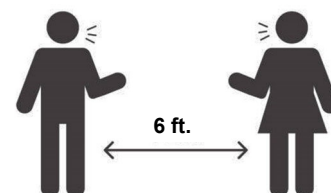
7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am Latin Low Mass

4:30 pm Mass

SOCIAL DISTANCING



**ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Thursday 3:00-4:00 pm &
Every 1st Friday 3:00-4:00 pm**

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm

VISION & MISSION STATEMENT

Our Vision: Be my Disciples. If not you, then who...

Our Mission: St. Mary's by the Sea, a Catholic community of faith, hope, and love, journeying together in the spirit of stewardship, unity, and charity, embracing all in Christ under the mantle of "Our Lady."

St. Mary's by the Sea Catholic Church

Reflections of the Week

Come to the Feast

Why would invited guests refuse to come to a wedding? Free food and drink, music and dancing--what's not to like? Apparently the king in Jesus' parable had the same questions. By this time, Jesus knew that many of the Jewish leaders would not accept the invitation to follow him. As we know, after the Resurrection, the disciples began to spread the good news not only to other Jews, but to anyone who would listen. The church began to grow, much faster than they expected.

One reason the leaders in Israel did not accept Jesus was his association with sinners. They did not understand that God calls sinners to repent and be forgiven. Since they thought of themselves as holy, they were not interested in forgiveness. Ordinary people, who knew they were sinners, were attracted by the offer of forgiveness. Many of them repented and came to be baptized. As the parable says, they filled the banquet hall.

Jesus calls us today to come to the same feast. But there are still people who think they have no need for Jesus. So what about the man in the parable who came in street clothes? The wedding garment was a symbol of the baptismal gown, the sign of new life in Christ. This man symbolizes those who "come to the feast" without repenting of their sins.

We can be like that man sometimes. We come to church arguing with our spouse on the way. We bring our prejudices, lies, anger, and selfishness--with no intention of doing anything about them. We come with the attitude that says, "I'm here, aren't I? That should be good enough." But it isn't, for the feast we come to is not a wedding to join husband and wife. It joins God to humanity. God's Son came to unite us all to Himself. By dying for our sins, Jesus calls us to come back to God. So repentance is not just a change of clothing; it is a change of heart, a change in how we live. It is our ticket to the banquet. It is our way of saying, "I know I don't deserve this, but thanks for letting me share the feast."

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Diocesan Ministries Celebration (Virtual)

We live in a world that's lost its way. That's always been true. We live in a world longing for GOOD NEWS. True again. We live in a world that is hungry for God, whether it knows it or not. And we have a GREAT STORY to tell.

Join Bishops Vann, Freyer and Nguyen and the rest of the diocese at **Diocesan Ministries Celebration 2020 VIRTUAL** on **Saturday, October 17, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** You can sign up at: <https://dmc.sidecarprod.com>.

LEARN THE GREAT STORY and get ready to tell the world the Story it longs to hear.

World Mission Sunday

2nd Collection - Next Weekend

Next weekend, **October 17 & 18**, is **World Mission Sunday**. We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith - to bring the Gospel to all! The **2nd Collection** for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith** ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Please be as generous as possible.

R.C.I.A. CLASSES

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

St. Mary's by the Sea is offering classes every **Monday evening from 7:00-8:00 pm** for adults and teens (16 years or older) who would like to become a practicing Catholic and/or receive the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation. This class can also be attended as a refresher course about the faith. The cost is \$40.

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

☛ We are still accepting registrations.

TO REGISTER ONLINE, GO TO:

WWW.STMARYSBYTHESEA.NET
(scroll down and click the link to register for CCD)

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the Office (714-536-6913) to register your child.

COMMUNION CLASS (YEAR 1/2):

Tuesdays at 3:30-4:30 pm

POST COMMUNION CLASS (GRADES 3-8):

Tuesdays at 5:30-6:30 pm

CONFIRMATION CLASS (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS):

Mondays at 5:30-6:30 pm

FEES:

LEVELS 1-7: \$100 (3+ children will receive a \$50 discount after the first 2 children)

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS (2 Year program): \$300

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE ONLINE IF YOU PREFER. GO TO: WWW.STMARYSBYTHESEA.NET & CLICK "DONATE NOW." MAKE YOUR PAYMENT UNDER "CCD."

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Question of Dispensation

When Covid19 first closed down our churches, the Bishop of Orange, Kevin W. Vann, extended a dispensation (the relaxation of a merely ecclesiastical or Church law in a particular case) from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation until such time as it is deemed safe to have large gatherings at Mass. This was necessary since the faithful would not be able to physically attend Mass. However, since the Bishop has no authority to dispense from a Divine Law, in this case, the commandment requiring us to keep the Lord's Day holy, one would still have to fulfill this by either watching a Sunday Mass on television or via live-stream or by spending at least 30 minutes in prayer, saying the Rosary, reading the Scriptures or participating in another pious activity.

After a few months, the churches were re-opened using social distancing, maximum capacity guidelines for attendance and guidelines for sanitization set by Bishop Kevin Vann and the State. Shortly thereafter, we were informed we could no longer worship inside the church; instead, we would need to celebrate our Masses outdoors, again with the same guidelines as before. And after the re-opening of the churches, the dispensation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation was still extended to the faithful. This was meant to include the following people:

- Those who are over the age of 65;
- Those who have an underlying health condition;
- Those who are truly fearful that they might contract the virus; in this case, "truly fearful" is defined as those who have not gone out to a restaurant or visited people with whom they do not live since March, 2020.
- Those who are sick, including those who have tested positive for the coronavirus and those who were exposed for fifteen consecutive minutes or more to one who tested positive for Covid-19.

Unfortunately, some people are simply taking advantage of the Bishop's dispensation and not attending Mass at all. While this is perfectly acceptable for people who fall into one of the categories above, it is not for those who have returned to shopping, are going out to restaurants, etc. If these people are comfortable in those types of situations, they should also feel comfortable attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.

In addition, whether one physically attends Mass or not, financial support of one's parish is essential. The faithful are expected to adhere to the expectations laid out in canon 222 §1, that is, "to assist with the needs of the Church."

Pennies From Heaven

All through the month of October, we will have our **Pennies from Heaven Campaign**. This is where you donate your coins and dollars to local Respect Life shelters, clinics, and centers that give immediate and long-term care to Orange County women, men, and families in crisis. **YOU CAN PUT YOUR DONATIONS IN THE JAR MARKED "PENNIES FROM HEAVEN."** Last year \$265,447 was raised in the Diocese thanks to your efforts. Visit rcbo.org/penniesfromheaven to learn more about Pennies from Heaven or to donate electronically.

Horizon Pregnancy Clinic 5K Family Walk & Open House - Oct. 17

More than ever we need to do all we can to support moms and their babies. Life must be protected! One way to do this is by supporting **Horizon Pregnancy Clinic** and joining their **Walk for Life 2020** on **Saturday, Oct. 17th**, from **9am to 12pm**. To register, go online at www.SupportHPC.org or call **(714) 897-7500** and meet at **Horizon - 15061 Springdale St. #109, Huntington Beach, CA**. The entry fee is \$25 and includes a free tee shirt.

Respect Life Month Speaker Series

For this year's October Respect Life Month, the Diocese of Orange and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are pleased to present you with a new and unique opportunity to participate in a Speaker Series of webinars. Speakers and topic include:

- "Dignity and Justice: Welcoming the Stranger at Our Border," 10/14 at 6pm
- "How Do Americans Think and Feel About Abortion?" 10/20 at 10am
- "Addressing Mental Health Challenges During the Covid19 Pandemic" 10/22 at 6pm
- "Care, Prepare, and Connect: Caring for the Whole Person at the End of Life's Journey" 2 sessions: 10/24 at 10am & 10/29 at 6pm

For more information and to register for the webinars, visit: www.rcbo.org/resource/about-life-justice-and-peace/life-dignity-month.

Weekly Collection

Operating Expenses are \$5,500 - \$6,500 per week

October 4, 2020

Specials \$3,058.62
Regular \$7,426.16

Thank you so very much for supporting your Church during these difficult times. God Bless you all!

Let Us Pray for the Sick...

Pay Asjar	Bob Gibson	Rose Palmer
Sarah Asjar	Al Griego	Mary Peduzzi
Bette Barilla	Chin Ha	Diane Pham
Bonnie Barilla	Nathan Hamby	Derek Pham
Angela Bennett	David Harris	Jake Porter
Teresa Braga	Paul Hayes	Debbie Ransom
Hugh Cahill	Larry B. Henry	Irene Rinehimer
Colleen Campbell	Diane Hoxsie	Susan Rocio
Earline Campbell	Paula Keating	Mark Scally
Stuart Campbell	Marilyn Kefalas	Christine Schiering
Peggy Carrasco	Roger Kunsaitis	Hilda Shipman
George Christa	Ernest Landell	Flora Simpson
Rosemarie Clouse	Nam Le	Barry Robert Snyder
Ann Costello	Bill Lee	Bob Spellmire
Johnny Costello	Larry Lewis	Dan Stenglein
Dan Derieg	Fr. Eamon Mackin	Mary Teaze
Vicky Derieg	Doris McDonald	Bernadette Vanderhorst
Helen Donnelly	Nina Merlino	Andrea Wall
Loraine Dunn	Rosalie Ocanas	Maria Zelaya

for the Deceased & those in the Armed Forces

John Toomey †
Robert Griego Romero †



Stewardship Corner

WHAT IS THE MAIN PRINCIPLE OF STEWARDSHIP?

Loyal Stewards:
“The catholic social teaching principle of stewardship is about being responsible guardians of the earth. Exercising stewardship is caring for the gifts God has given us, including the environment, our own personal talents and other resources.”...caritas.org.nz.
This use of our gifts with our faithful basis is what makes up the Stewards of St. Mary’s. Your uniqueness and diverse backgrounds have made us the dynamic, creative, hardworking (and fun loving) ministry which started as event planners, and has evolved into so much more; and when challenged by the pandemic, evolved yet again to continue to use your gifts helping those stuck at home and with your prayers for those in need. *How exciting to be a part of this ministry!*

➤ It will be so wonderful to get back to our social events again with all of you! Do you remember how we asked for a break from doing the Rummage Sale every year? (Oh how we miss even *that* huge endeavor!)

➤ Stay well Loyal Stewards and May God continue to bless you in all you do for others in HIS name. Amen 🙏

What is a Christian Steward?

“One who receives God’s gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord.”

(American Bishops Pastoral Letter).

October 11, 2020

This Week at St. Mary's by the Sea

5:00 pm *Mass for the People of the Parish -
Living and Deceased*

Sunday, October 11

7:30 am *Mass for the soul of Robert Griego
Romero (RIP)*

9:30 am *Mass for the soul of Fr. Anthony
McGowan (RIP)*

11:30 am *Latin Mass for the soul of Mary Rosario
(RIP)*

4:30 pm *Mass for Sister Catherine Nguyen (L)*

Monday, October 12

8:00 am *Mass for Patrick Vu (L)*

10:30 am **Funeral**

5:30 pm **Confirmation Class** (til 6:30pm)

7-8:00 pm **RCIA** (for adults)

Tuesday, October 13

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Luke (RIP)*

3:30 pm **First Holy Communion Class Yrs. 1/2**
(til 4:30pm)

5:30 pm **Post Communion Class Levels 6-8**
(til 6:30pm)

Wednesday, October 14

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Vi Persabosco (RIP)*

Thursday, October 15

8:00 am *Mass for the soul of Peter (RIP)*

3-4:00 pm **Adoration & Benediction**

Friday, October 16

8:00 am *Mass for Jeremy Ponce (L)*

9:00 am *Cenacles of Life*

Saturday, October 17

8:00 am *Mass for Mike Banner (L)*

3:00 pm **Confessions (only until 4:00 pm)**

5:00 pm *Mass for the soul of Camilie (RIP)*

Sunday, October 18

7:30 am *Mass for Charles Griffith (L)*

9:30 am *Mass for the soul of J.B. Tao Chu (RIP)*

11:30 am *Latin Mass for Jenny Yiu (L)*

4:30 pm *Mass for the People of the Parish -
Living and Deceased*