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Rectory Office Hours:
Monday - Friday: 8:30AM - 1:00PM
& 2:00PM - 8:30PM
Saturday & Sunday: 8:30AM - 5:15PM

Church Hours:
Monday—Friday: 6:00AM—8:30PM
Saturday, Sunday:
6:30AM—7:00PM

Mass, Confessions Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30PM (English)

Sunday Masses:

7:30AM (English) 9:00AM (Español)
11:00AM (English) 1:00PM (Español)
5:30PM (English)

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Friday 6:30AM & 8:00AM
Saturday Morning 8:00AM

First Friday/Primer Viernes:

7:00PM Mass & Adoration until 10:00PM/
Misa y Adoración hasta las 10PM

Confessions: Saturday 4:00PM - 5:00PM

Daily Rosary: Monday-Friday 6:00AM
Monday-Saturday 7:30AM
First Saturday 7:00AM
Sunday 8:40AM (Español)

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
Wednesdays, 6:30PM (Church)

Rosario - Legión de María (Español)
Martes, 9:00AM (Iglesia Antigua)

LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

MARCH 31, 2019
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Parish Contacts

Faith Formation/Religious Education

Mrs. Madonna Castro, Director (310) 323-0860

High School Confirmation Program

Mrs. Leilani Alvarado, Coordinator (310) 327-3953

St. Anthony Elementary School

Mrs. Angela Grey, Principal (310) 329-7170
<http://www.stanthonygardena.org/>

St. Anthony Day Nursery

Sister Yadira Villalobos, M.C., Director (310) 329-8654
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Baptism/Bautismo

Baptisms in English: Pre-Baptismal classes are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Parents and Godparents are required to attend. Baptisms are on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month. Stop by the rectory to register.

Bautismos en Español: Clases pre-bautismales se ofrecen los 1st y 3rd lunes de cada mes. Es requisito que padres y padrinos asistan. Los Bautismos se celebran el 2^o y 4^o sábado de cada mes. Pasen a la rectoría para inscribirse.

Marriage/Arreglos para Boda

Engaged couples are strongly encouraged to contact the parish office for appointments and classes 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. Contact the parish office for details.

Parejas que desean casarse necesitan ponerse en contacto con la parroquia para empezar hacer arreglos por los menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.

FROM THE PASTOR

LAETARE SUNDAY – Today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Lent. It is traditionally called “Laetare Sunday” and derives its Latin name from the first word of the Mass text, “Laetare Jerusalem” (Rejoice, O Jerusalem). It is a day of joy within the somber Lenten season. The altars may be decorated with flowers, instrument playing is permitted (not just to sustain singing), and the priests wear rose-colored vestments instead of violet. The reason for such display of joy is explained in a sermon by Pope Innocent III (1216): “On this Sunday, which marks the middle of Lent, a measure of consoling relaxation is provided, so that the faithful may not break down under the severe strain of Lenten fast but may continue to bear the restrictions with a refreshed and easier heart.” This “midway” point in Lent is a good time for us to examine the Lenten resolutions we made back on Ash Wednesday and see if we have been faithful to them. It’s a time to renew those resolutions.

Next Sunday you will notice a change in the church environment. All the statues as well as the crucifix will be covered with purple cloth. The Fifth Sunday of Lent begins the last part of Lent which is called Passiontide. It includes the last full week of Lent (5th week) and Holy Week. In ancient times many of the crosses in churches were “gemmatae,” that is, covered with jewels and without a corpus (body) or with a corpus of the risen Savior, a sign of the resurrection. These crosses were covered during Passiontide to help people meditate more on the sufferings of Jesus. If the crosses were covered, it was thought necessary to cover also all the other pictures and statues. In the course of years, especially influenced by Franciscan spirituality in the 13th century, the cross “evolved” and most crosses were crucifixes, vividly showing the death of Christ. However, the “covering custom” continued. The veil on the crucifix is removed during the Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday while the coverings of the statues are removed at the singing of the “Gloria” at the Easter Vigil.

DAY OF RETREAT COMING HERE IN TWO

SATURDAYS – A Spiritual Path for Healing Our Woundedness Retreat by Daughter of St. Paul Sister Kathryn James Hermes, FSP, author of *Reclaim Regret*, Saturday, April 13, 10:00am – 4:00 pm, \$30, lunch provided. Retreatants will be led on a spiritual path for healing the wounds we all carry: regrets we hold in our hearts, the wounds caused by things that happened to us or things we have done to others. Through conferences, prayer, and reflection the retreatants will be led to experience Christ’s mercy and healing. Retreat location in our parish hall. Please RSVP to the rectory office at 310-327-5830 or email culvercity@paulinmedia.com

SLIGHTLY ALTERED FIRST FRIDAY EVENING

SCHEDULE – This Friday, April 5 is the First Friday of the month. We will merge our usual First Friday schedule with our Lenten Friday schedule as follows:

5:00-7:30	-Fish Fry
7:00	-Monthly Bilingual First Friday Mass
After Mass	-Bilingual Stations of the Cross followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:55	-Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

OTHER LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Wednesday Novena in honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help with Mass, 6:30pm

April 3, 10, 17 (Penance Service instead of Mass)

Holy Week – April 14 - 20

Penance Service with Confessions and Adoration
Wednesday, April 17, 7:00pm

ANNUAL WOMEN’S RETREAT (English): Friday, April 26 through Sunday, April 28, Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra, Father Will Schmid, [For information/RSVP:](#) our parishioner, Laly Savoy @ 310-225-2553 or Yolanda Torres at 310-748-1837. For fee see: <https://sacredheartretreathouse.com/retreats/rates/>

OTHER ACTIVITIES AT SACRED HEART RETREAT HOUSE, ALHAMBRA

For information/RSVP: 626-289-1353, ext. 204 or retreatcoordinator@carmelitesistersocd.com. For fee see: <https://sacredheartretreathouse.com/retreats/rates/>

Annual Men’s Retreat (English): Friday, August 23 through Sunday, August 25, Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra, **Father Bill Casey, CMP Married Couples Retreat** with Fr. Bryce Sibley, May 24-26, \$395 per couple includes meals and lodging.

Carmelite Spirituality Silent Retreat Weekend with Fr. Matthias Lambrecht, OCD, August 16-18, different rates.

Retiro de Silencio de Fin de Semana para Hombres y Mujeres with Rev. Ricardo Pineda, CPM, November 15-17, 2019, different rates.

FOUR FREE POWERFUL MEANS FOR HOLINESS FOR LENT AND BEYOND – that you can receive for free during Lent:

- 1) An online course on the Catholic Church from Sacred Heart Seminary at <http://explore.shms.edu/beautyofbelief>
- 2) A study of the entire Bible in parts each week by Scott Hahn by emailing info@saintjoe.com or calling 800-526-2151.

3) "Fr. Rocky's 40 Lenten Lessons on the Mass" emailed each day of Lent from Relevant Radio.com.

4) Catholic CDs and pamphlets during Lent and later from <https://catholicity.com> Parishioners can be apostles in an easy way by *telling other Catholics and non-Catholics* about these 4 wonderful means for holiness and evangelization.

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83RD ANNUAL STRAWBERRY PARK DAYS FIESTA



- Our 83rd Annual Strawberry Park Days Fiesta is fast approaching! Mark these important dates on your calendar! You don't want to miss out on any of the FUN and HARD WORK! **Strawberry Park Days Fiesta: May 17, 18 & 19**

Monday, April 22nd at 6 pm: Last General Fiesta Meeting; dinner at 6 pm, meeting at 7 pm

Saturday May 11th: Setup Saturday

Monday, May 20th: Teardown Monday

- Filipino egg roll wrapping : April 13, 20, 27, and May 4 & 11, 2019 in the Parish Hall from 10 am to 4 pm
- Teriyaki stick preparation: Saturdays 4/27/19 and 5/4/19 from 9 am to 5 pm. Location TBD
- We will start selling raffle tickets and pre-sale ride tickets on Ash Wednesday, March 6th

If you have any questions, call Jim Torii, Fiesta Chairperson, 310.753.9429

FISH FRY - The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Fish Fry every Friday during Lent. PRE-SALE Tickets: \$7.00 per plate. The price at the door will be \$9.00 @ St. Anthony Parish Hall~5:00 PM to 7:30 PM



Participating Ministries include Knights of Columbus , Religious Education, Love & Faith Prayer Group, VanClar, HS Confirmation. All Parishioners are invited to participate. Leave the cooking to us and also plan on attending the Stations of the Cross.

Tickets will be sold each Sunday after all the masses by the Knights and the participating Ministries.

Keep them in your Special Prayers

Our brothers and sisters who are ill, especially: Lukas Rodriguez, Arthur Vega III, Bryan Dinnoo, Teresa Quirino Linda Ruiz, Peter Publico, Alexis Lapeyrollerie, Brad Taylor, Angel Pers'a Bates, Rene'e Harrell, Pina Knapp, Arthur Guevara, Keshia Brown, Derek Serrano, Laura Luke, Joshua Ibanez, Joyce Vanderhorst, Shonari Duncan, Cindy Besler, Darius Levi, Evandas Cheesebrough, Nathaniel Chadwick, Monica Chadwick, Robert Braico, Joyce Vanderhorst, Sue Leong Poi, Shanari Duncan, Anthony de la Torre, Michael Doerschel, Cheral Sherman, Miguel Castaneda, Harvey Yuen, Donna Hayden, Dirk Bates, Wyomia Mortise, Oscar Chacon, Irma Dueñas, Dustin Coelho, Wilbur Swint, Herman Valdez, Connie Lozano, Juan Luis Lopez, Sally Tongson, Brian Dinnoo & Family. **And remember those who have recently been called from this life especially:** Joe Ferruccio & Martin Almaraz

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 1

6:30AM Hong Lee (Birthday)
8:00AM +Arturo Ron+

Tuesday, April 2

6:30AM +Joseph Bich+
8:00AM +Irma Lopez+

Wednesday, April 3

6:30AM +Florence Larson+
8:00AM Recovery of Catherine Lutterloh

Thursday, April 4

6:30AM +Father Peter McGee+
8:00AM +Solomon Heredia+

Friday, April 5

6:30AM +Katherine Grace Pagbilao +
8:00AM Intentions of Joel Kihara

Saturday, April 6

8:00AM +Christopher Mendez+
5:30PM +Maria Silva+

Sunday, April 7

7:30AM +Nelly Manrique+
9:00AM +Pilar Perez+
11:00AM Sister Alta Gracia (Birthday)
1:00PM The People of Saint Anthony
5:30PM +Joseph Espinoza+

Sunday Hospitality

Sunday, March 31st: Guadalupanos

will be selling coffee, donuts, and other food items after masses to raise funds for their program. *Your support is appreciated!*

ROSARY CRUSADE FOR PEACE



The Rosary will be held on Monday, April 1st at 7pm at the home of Kathy Freiburghouse (2220 Plant Ave. Redondo Beach). For more information, please call (310) 542-6825



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