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**"YOUR WORD
IS TRUTH."
—JN 17:17**

7TH SUNDAY OF
EASTER

May 12, 2024

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

Monday - Friday: 8:00a.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 on our website)

6561 WEST 88TH STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90045

ADMINISTRATOR:

Fr. Matthew Wheeler

IN RESIDENCE:

Fr. Timothy McGowan

RETIRED:

Msgr. Charles E. Hill

Msgr. James Forsen

HOLY HOUR (INSIDE THE CHURCH)

First Friday of each month: 8:30am-9:30am

CONFESSIONS

(Inside the church, in the Sanctuary)

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment

PRIVATE WORSHIP (INSIDE THE CHURCH)

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

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed for lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00pm



SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING – “Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection.” (**Acts 1:21-22**)

PSALM – The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (**Ps 103**) Or: Alleluia.

SECOND READING – God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him. (**1 Jn 4:16**)

GOSPEL - “Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one.” (**Jn 17:11**)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: ACTS 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3AB, 4-5ACD, 6-7AB/JN 16:29-33

TUESDAY: ACTS 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/JN 15:9-17

WEDNESDAY: ACTS 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35A, 35BC-36AB/JN 17:11B-19

THURSDAY: ACTS 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2A AND 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/JN 17:20-26

FRIDAY: ACTS 25:13B-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20AB/JN 21:15-19

SATURDAY: ACTS 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 AND 7/JN 21:20-2

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“We need the Holy Spirit to perfect and renew us, for spiritual fire can cleanse us, and spiritual water can recast us as in a furnace and make us new.” -Didymus of Alexandria

PARENT LEADERSHIP

“Teach your children what real love means: sacrifice, including risk-taking, for the happiness and welfare of others.” -Jim Stenson, *Compass*

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.



HOSPITALITY

SAVE THE DATE: Our beloved Dick Van Dusen who has been an active member of our Parish and staff for many years in MANY ways, will be retiring. We would like to honor, celebrate, and thank him for a lifetime of service, so please join us at the 11:00 Mass on May 19th and in the courtyard afterward as we show our appreciation. You may find more information elsewhere in the bulletin.



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY – MAY 12TH

The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day; Mother's Day

8:00am - Rosemary Coda †

9:30am - For the people of
Visitation Parish

11:00am - Ruth Ann Younger †

MONDAY - MAY 13TH

Our Lady of Fatima

8:00am - Adele Nico †

TUESDAY - MAY 14TH

St. Matthias, Apostle

8:00am - Weitao Liu †

WEDNESDAY - MAY 15TH

St. Isidore

8:00am - Carlos Cano †

THURSDAY - MAY 16TH

8:00am - Matthew Brewer

FRIDAY - MAY 17TH

8:00am - Angelika Carr †

SATURDAY - MAY 18TH

5:00pm - Sindronio & Adelaida
Hernandez †

To request a **Mass intention**
please call the Rectory 310-216-1145

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.



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PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you looking for a faith community to call home? Visit our website to register as a parishioner.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

From the bottom of my heart I want to wish all mothers a very happy Mother's Day. Thank you for your generous love, sacrifice, and guidance. Personally, I don't know where I would be without my own mother. She gave up a career to care for my siblings and me, she taught us our first prayers, and she has continued to be a listening ear and full of wisdom as we encounter difficulties in adulthood. Society is enriched by strong and holy mothers and we are forever grateful.

As you know, I was recently in France with my parents and we had the opportunity to visit the shrine and grotto of Mother Mary in Lourdes. This beautiful place honors the appearances of Mother Mary to Bernadette Soubirous in 1858. One thing that Bernadette recounted from these celestial visits was that Mary looked at her "like a person speaking to another person." This detail might seem insignificant, but for Bernadette Mother Mary's loving gaze was life changing. You see, Bernadette was poor and came from a very humble family. Because of this she was disregarded, disrespected, and treated as less than human. So the fact that Mother Mary looked at her with love was an acknowledgement of her abiding dignity and value in the eyes of God.

Friends, I believe that what Mother Mary did for Bernadette is something all women and mothers do in our culture and world. They look with love upon all God's children affirming their worth and dignity. Mothers, through their loving gaze, teach us from our first days that we matter and that we have an infinite dignity and worth. Praise God and thank you mothers! In our war torn and divided world this is desperately needed more than ever. Mothers, keep looking upon the world with love and teach all of us to care for one another. Let's all make an extra effort this Mother's Day to express our gratitude to our mothers. Let's take time to look upon them with the same love and care as they do for us.

Peace,

Fr. Matt

Don't Forget:

- Visitation Men: join our Cornerstone retreat next weekend! You won't regret it. There is still time to register online.
- Thank you to all who helped make our O'Grady Golf Classic an amazing success! May God bless and reward you.
- Congratulations to our teenagers who received the sacrament of Confirmation on May 5th! We are so proud of you. May the Holy Spirit continue to lead and guide you to all peace and happiness.
- Thank you for your messages of love and support in light of my new assignment at USC. You are all so wonderful! May Jesus guide us all in this time of transition.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

DID YOU KNOW? When a child discloses

It is incredibly difficult to hear the stories of abuse victims — and even harder when the victim is a child. But how an adult reacts when a child trusts him or her with an abuse disclosure is very important. Staying calm and listening attentively is critical. Let the child know you hear and believe him or her, and that you are here to help. After your conversation, be sure to document any details that could help an investigation and begin taking steps to report the abuse and ensure that the child is safe. To learn more, read the VIRTUS® article "When a Child Discloses" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



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.



The students in our Confirmation Program that completed their 2 year preparation received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday, May 5th. They received this wonderful Sacrament from Most Reverend Matthew G. Elshoff, O.F.M. Cap. It's the beginning of an incredible journey through life with God at their side. May they be blessed with love and success as they continue forward. We congratulate them and continue to pray for them.

A retirement celebration for the
ONE OF A KIND
DICK VAN DUSEN

1956

Dick's lifelong journey with Visitation began at a very young age. He attended Visitation School as a child and graduated in 1956. Throughout the years, he remained a devout parishioner, and became an outstanding member of our staff. For decades Dick has been an integral part of our Parish, assisting in more ways than one can imagine. Help us celebrate his retirement. Let's show him just how much he will be missed!

May 19, following a blessing at the 11am Mass Lunch will be served in Mary's Garden 12-1:30

Please RSVP by scanning the QR Code
We are collecting Congratulatory Cards for Dick in the Parish Office.

Church of the Visitation

Viz Senior

Come to O'Grady Center and have a **Senior Fun Day.**
Wednesday, May 15, 2024
1:30 - 3:30 PM

for an informative and inspiring program to celebrate the Feast of the Visitation with parishioner Gail Gresser, Holy Land Tour Leader presenting:
"The Holy Land through the Eyes of Mary"
visiting the Holy Land places the scriptures connected to her.

Bishop Matt Elshoff will be joining us for a visit. So come on along!

Valet Parking will be provided.

Need a ride? Give a ride? Let us know.

Marlene Kaufman / Mary Lou Ward/ Toni Kerker

Questions? call Marlene 310-365-8211

MOTHER'S DAY WE ARE NURTURED IN LOVE



PRAYER FOR ALL MOTHERS



**GODMOTHERS * GRANDMOTHERS * STEPMOTHERS * FOSTER MOTHERS * MOTHERS
WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED MISCARRIAGE * MOTHERS WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN *
MOTHERS ESTRANGED FROM THEIR KIDS * MOTHERS WHO HAVE ADOPTED CHILDREN *
MOTHERS WHO GAVE A CHILD UP FOR ADOPTION * ALL MOTHER FIGURES**

Heavenly Father, from the beginning you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers; for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for commitment and sacrifice. Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our open-hearted love and gratitude. / Amen.

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Visitation Parish Goal:	\$59,133.00	
Amount Pledge:	\$41,428.00	70.1%
Amount Paid:	\$33,079.78	55.9%
Difference Over (under) Goal vs Amount Paid	(\$26,053.22)	-44.1%

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**Called to Renew Update
April 2024**

**Visitation Church Goal:
\$590,000**

Pledged: \$901,330.00

Total Paid: \$302,524.97

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Our Family | Our Parish | Our Community

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

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BAPTISM

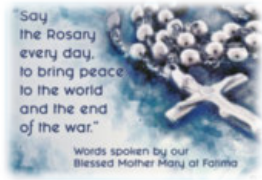
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on a separate day for each family after attendance by the parents and godparents at a Baptism zoom class. Parishioners are invited to call the office to get an appointment for these classes. The next ZOOM class scheduled is on **Sunday, May 26, 2024 at 1pm.** Please register to attend by calling the parish office. 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.



May is the Month of Mary!
Here are 3 ideas of how to honor Mary this month:



- 1. CELEBRATE MAY CROWNING:** May Crowning is celebrated by crowning a statue or image of Mary with a wreath of flowers to honor her as Queen of Heaven and the Mother of God.
- 2. GIVE SOMEONE A MARIAN GIFT:** Great gift ideas to honor Mary include a Marian Medal or a Marian Scapular.
- 3. PRAY THE ROSARY:** Consider participating in a group rosary at your parish or with friends/ family!





JESUS THIRSTS

THE MIRACLE OF THE EUCHARIST

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Deep within each human soul, there exists an intense craving for connection, purpose, and love — a thirst that only God can satisfy. Yet, the question remains: How does one fulfill this yearning? The Catholic Church teaches that the Eucharist is the most profound means by which God shares Himself with humanity. However, a 2019 Pew Research Study unveiled a concerning reality: only one-third of practicing U.S. Catholics believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

In *Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist*, we embark on a global journey to rediscover and revive the transformative power of the Eucharist. Engaging in dialogue with notable Catholic figures, the film explores the biblical origins of the Eucharist and shares personal stories of individuals whose lives have been transformed by the Blessed Sacrament. This exploration makes it unmistakably clear that the Eucharist is not merely a symbol, but is indeed Jesus Christ Himself — fervently desiring to quench our spiritual thirst with His boundless love.

**IT'S TIME . . .
BE A BETTER MAN
2024 MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT**

Visitation's Annual Men's Cornerstone Retreat will be Friday evening May 17th and Saturday May 18th right here on campus. It is presented by the men of our parish who have experienced it. If you speak to a Cornerstone Brother, he'll tell you the experience has enhanced his life in many ways – he is a better husband and father to his family, he is a better friend, he is more grounded in his work, and, most importantly, he has discovered new dimensions in his relationship with Christ.

Call Russell Kehl at 323.304.1065 with questions, or register on our Parish web site, www.visitationchurch-la.com. There is no cost to attend. Space is limited so please register soon.



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Prayer

Father, I want to follow your Son, Jesus Christ.

Mission for the Week

I will help others on my way to heaven in the name of Jesus Christ.

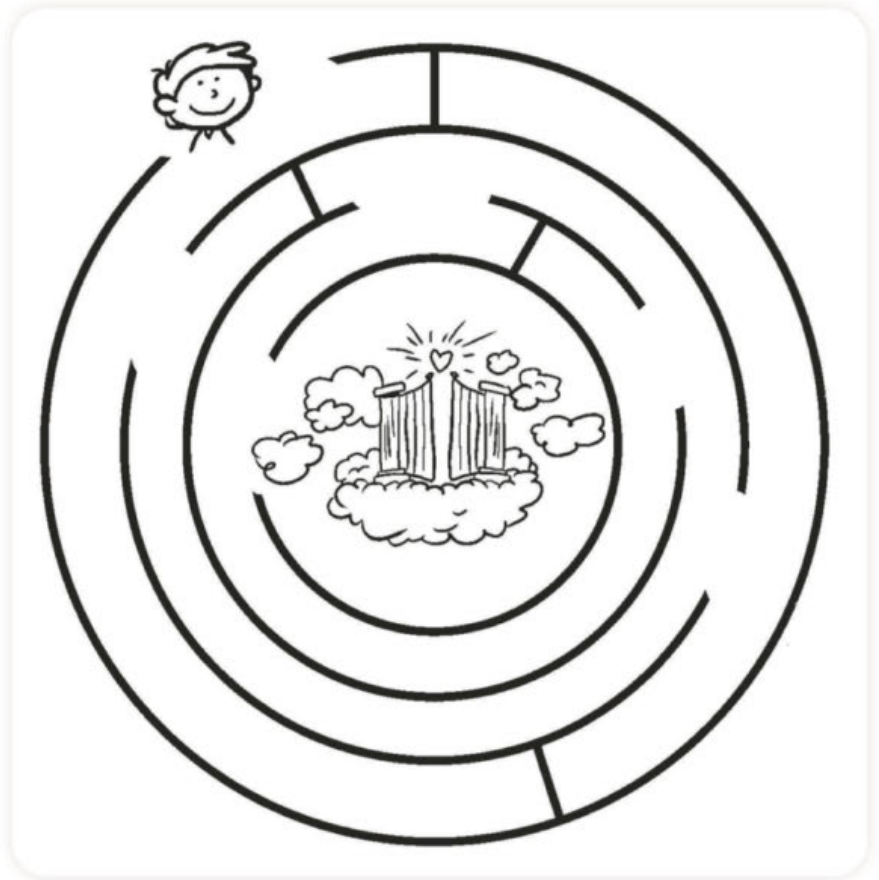
Sharing the Gospel

Jesus said, "Father, I am on my way to you. Keep my followers safe from the evil one." Tell God the Father that you are following his Son, Jesus Christ. When you are thinking about taking a toy that is not yours, God will help you decide to be good. When you get very angry and want to hit someone, God will help you to pull your hand back in peace. He will keep you safe from evil ways.

Now color the picture!



Help the boy find his way to Heaven.





GATHERING

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the
 2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans Are we

scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia!
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia!

his the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone;
 he is near us, Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, When the

like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -

ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood.
 get his prom - ise. "I am with you ev - er - more!"

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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

GLORY TO GOD

Mass of St. Ann

PSALM God mounts His throne to shouts of joy:
 a blare of trumpets for the Lord!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Easter Alleluia (Haugen)

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

Song of Redemption

I have seen the Lord, and I know he lives;
 for I've heard his voice call - ing out to me, — "Be -
 lieve — and fol - low me." Fine

Verse 1
 1. Death no long - er tri - umphs, for we shall live for -

MASS PARTS

MASS OF ST. ANN

1. ev - er, re - deemed in the love of Je - sus who —
to Refrain

1. died that we might live.

Verse 2

2. Where two or three have gath - ered, God's in the midst of
2. them. From the tomb of death he ris - es, re -
to Refrain

2. deem - er of us all.

Verse 3

3. The stone once re - ject - ed has be - come the cor - ner -
3. stone. By the Lord has this been done; it is
to Refrain

3. won - der - ful in our eyes!

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COMMUNION
SATURDAY

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 2 to Verses

Final

Fol - low me, fol - low me.

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SUNDAY Make Your Home in Me

Refrain

Your bur-den's light and your yoke is eas - y. Your name is
 love and your grace is free. My heart was locked but
 you had the key. Make your home in me, make your
 home in me. home in me.

1, Final to Verse 2 2

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SENDING SUNDAY

Celtic Alleluia Sending

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verses

1. Now with the strength of your Word, send us to
 2. Fed with the Bread of new life, filled with the
 3. Now make us stead - fast in faith, joy - ful in

1. be your dis - ci - ples, to bring all the world
 2. wine of com - pas - sion, send us out to serve
 3. hope of Christ's com - ing, and by u - ni - ty

to Refrain

1. to the joy of your king - dom. _____
 2. all the world in your name. _____
 3. let your love fill our lives. _____

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SUNDAY I Send You Out

**I send you out on a mission of love.
 I send you out on a mission of love.
 I send you out on a mission of love,
 and I know that I am with you always until the end of the world.**

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