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# THE SPIRIT

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May 19, 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 am., 9:30 a.m., and II: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 — And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. (Acts 2:4)

PSALM — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)

Or: Alleluia

SECOND READING — In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. (Gal 5:22-23) GOSPEL - "But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth." (Jn 16:13)

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#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

**TUESDAY:** JAS 4:1-10/PS 55:7-8, 9-10A, 10B-11A, 23/MK 9:30-37 **WEDNESDAY:** JAS 4:13-17/PS 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/MK 9:38-40

**THURSDAY:** JAS 5:1-6/PS 49:14-15AB, 15CD-16, 17-18, 19-20/MK 9:41-50

**FRIDAY:** JAS 5:9-12/PS 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/MK 10:1-12 **SATURDAY:** JAS 5:13-20/PS 141:1-2, 3 AND 8/MK 10:13-16

#### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"Sometimes, God brings times of transition to create transformation."
- Lynn Cowell

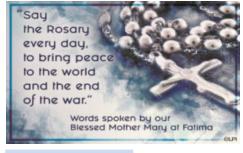
#### PARENT LEADERSHIP

"Raise your children to be producers, not just consumers. Let them put their powers up against problems to solve them and thus grow in selfconfidence. We humans are born to serve, not to shop. Show them that real happiness comes from doing good, not feeling good."

- 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

PLEASE JOIN US after the 11:00 Mass on Sunday as we celebrate and show our appreciation to Dick Van Dusen for his decades of dedicated service to our Parish (and school!).

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

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



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

#### SUNDAY - MAY 19TH

Pentecost Sunday

8:00am - Joseph Kassar †

9:30am - For the people of

Visitation Parish

11:00am - Mr. & Mrs. Walenty Naczynski †

#### MONDAY - MAY 20TH

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:00am - Tony Sales †

#### TUESDAY - MAY 21ST

St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00am - Lawrence Miller †

#### WEDNESDAY - MAY 22ND

St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

8:00am - Jim Van Dusen †

#### THURSDAY - MAY 23RD

8:00am - Rick Gonzalo-Daza & Oscar Manuel Miranda †

#### FRIDAY - MAY 24TH

8:00am - Elaine Creaney †

#### SATURDAY - MAY 25TH

St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin

5:00pm - Mary & Russell Rangwala

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.



Thank you for your Donations!

PARISH POST May 19, 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Many people believe that parish life begins and ends with Sunday Mass. That is, we open up the church on Sundays, people gather for Mass, and then the church closes until the next Sunday. Such an impression is understandable because most people only make contact with their parish in order to attend Sunday Mass. However, there are many things going on at a Catholic Church in addition to Sunday Masses:

- Parish School
- Religious Education classes for children and adults
- Ministry meetings for various groups
- Outreach to the poor and needy
- Spiritual counseling
- Sacramental celebrations like baptisms, funerals, and confessions
- Office duties and scheduling
- Financial planning
- · Parish maintenance and upkeep

The list goes on! In many ways, running a parish is like running a small business... it never stops! All this is to say that with so many things going - all the time - there is no way that I could do it alone. Not a chance. For a parish to run smoothly it really takes the commitment and generosity of many people to keep it going.

Today we gather in gratitude for Mr. Dick Van Dusen's decades of dedication to our parish. As a humble servant of the Lord, Dick has worked day in and day out to ensure that people in need find loving and helpful support when they come to Visitation. Dick's duties are too vast to enumerate in this parish post but all I can say is that Dick has been our "go to guy" for pretty much everything. Opening the church, setting up for Masses, helping in the office, keeping a watchful eye on the campus... In my two years here I cannot tell you how many times I've heard, "Let's call Dick!". No matter the occasion, you can bet that Dick has played a role (usually behind the scenes) in its success.

Now the time has come for Dick to retire and we will miss him. Quite simply, Visitation will not be the same without his daily presence. It is hard to say goodbye but we know that it is best for Dick as he begins a new chapter in his life. While we'll never be able to replace him (Dick is one of a kind!), I've been amazed at how many of you have stepped up to offer your help in this transition - thank you. It will take a village to cover Dick's many responsibilities and duties. I know that God is with us so let's continue to open our hearts and pray for grace. May the Lord bring to completion what He has begun. Dick, we love you and we'll miss you! Thanks for everything and may God bless you always.

In Christ,

Fr. Matt

#### Don't Forget:

- Pray for our school's student council campaign! May the Lord bless our students running for office.
- Thanks to all who participated in our Eucharistic Revival Retreat last weekend. May the Lord's continued blessings be upon us as we share the Good News with all!
- May is the Month of Mary. Let's make the most of this month to grow in our devotion to Mary. May she draw all of us into the love of her Son, Jesus!



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.

#### **BAPTISM**

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 Sacrament of Baptism is



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.



#### **ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

the office for an appointment with

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. / Amen.

the pastor.



#### **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

#### GATHERING

Come, Holy Ghost



#### **GLORY TO GOD**

Mass of St. Ann

PSALM Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Easter Alleluia (Haugen)

#### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

Holy Spirit, We're Calling You



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#### COMMUNION

### One Bread, One Cup

#### Verse 1

 We all come before you now, hungry for your healing touch. Here we stand with open hearts, thirsting for your love. You are the one who fills our every need. So with one voice we lift our hearts in unity.



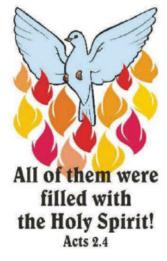
#### Verse 2

 As we gather at your table, broken like the bread we share, fill our hearts with your compassion for a world in need of care. You are the way. You are the life. You are the truth. The source of our salvation, we find new life in you.

#### Bridge

When we go forth from this place of perfect peace, may your light shine in our lives for all the world to see.

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### Every Time I Feel the Spirit





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