



CHURCH OF THE VISITATION

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Our Mission: A Roman Catholic Community celebrating Christ's presence among us.



“TO WHAT SHALL
WE COMPARE
THE KINGDOM
OF GOD?”
—MK 4:30

11TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 16, 2024

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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)

DAILY ROSARY

Monday thru Friday following the 8 a.m. mass

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

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING – And all the trees of the field shall know that I, the LORD, bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree, wither up the green tree, and make the withered tree bloom. (Ez 17:24)

PSALM – Lord, it is good to give thanks to you. (Ps 92)

SECOND READING – Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. (2 Cor 5:9)

GOSPEL - “It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.” (Mk 4:31-32)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: 1 KGS 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3AB, 4B-6A, 6B-7/MT 5:38-42

TUESDAY: 1 KGS 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6AB, 11 AND 16/MT 5:43-48

WEDNESDAY: 2 KGS 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24/MT 6:1-6, 16-18

THURSDAY: SIR 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7/MT 6:7-1

FRIDAY: 2 KGS 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18/MT 6:19-23

SATURDAY: 2 CHR 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34/MT 6:24-3

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“All human fatherhood finds its origins, its truth, and its finality in the fatherhood of God. The social and psychological work performed in this domain is necessary and praiseworthy, but insufficient. It's only in returning to God that human fatherhood can regain its true meaning and be exercised in a fair and fruitful manner.” -Jacques Philippe

PARENT LEADERSHIP

“Teach your children the meaning of the word ‘integrity.’ Integrity is unity of intention, word, and action - that we mean what we say, we say what we mean, and we keep our word.” -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.



COME CELEBRATE MSGR. HILL

60 Years of Priesthood

Next Sunday | June 23 | 11 AM

Immediately following the mass we will host a BBQ-style outdoor lunch.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

All are welcome.

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 – JUNE 16TH

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

8:00am - Tony Sales †

9:30am - For the people of

Visitation Parish

11:00am - Karl Brewer & Evis Coda †

MONDAY - JUNE 17TH

8:00am - Maria Soto

TUESDAY - JUNE 18TH

8:00am - Jim Van Dusen †

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 19TH

St. Romuald, Abbot

8:00am - Duke Jordan †

THURSDAY - JUNE 20TH

World Refugee Day

8:00am - Tony Sales †

FRIDAY - JUNE 21ST

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

8:00am - Bill Van Dusen †

SATURDAY - JUNE 22ND

St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

5:00pm - Caroline Manara †

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

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PARISH POST

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Some years ago, one of my favorite contemporary spiritual writers, Fr. Jacques Philippe, came out with a new book entitled *Priestly Fatherhood: Treasure in Earthen Vessels*. Although this book is specifically written for priests, I think it holds wisdom for spiritual and biological fathers alike. One section I found particularly helpful speaks about “failures in fatherhood.” While it might seem negative to focus on failures, I find it can be quite helpful to learn from examples of what not to do so as to grow in positive and life-giving ways. Here are few failures he mentions:

Absence: “The absent father is one who doesn’t dedicate time to his children, who isn’t present or attentive as he should be, who never finds a moment to speak or play with them. He is always consumed by other tasks and is rarely at home... The need for attention and listening is a very deep need for many. Fatherhood is first of all about presence. This presence doesn’t need to be unrelenting (a child needs to breathe freely from time to time!), but it needs to be a quality presence in moments of encounter, and a presence that can be counted on in case of need.”

Severity: “Another failure is the type of fatherhood that is too demanding and severe, crushing the child. Here, the father is never satisfied, asks for too much, and excites a feeling in children that they are never up to his expectations... The situation here is a delicate one: it’s not about changing the gospel to make it agreeable to someone. Of course, we must preach it with all its force and its demands, but at the same time we must avoid making it a burden for the faithful to carry rather than the good news which it should never cease to be.”

Chumminess: “Another deviation from paternity is the attitude of the priest who is content to be a friend, a buddy, without ever relating as a father. The priest who exhibits this weakness is really kind and close to everybody and knows how to make parishioners laugh during his homilies, but is in the end boxed into the ‘friend zone,’ failing to communicate to those in his charge anything that pushes them to grow and convert.”

The Superman: “This type is a person with many good qualities, a person who is apparently without reproach. He tries to make sure that no one ever perceives any vulnerability in him. I’m not saying that a father should lick his wounds and expose his faults; there are a lot of things that ought to remain personal and not be placed as burdens on children. But it’s also necessary to be simple and truthful.”

I pray that these reflections help us examine ourselves so we can make the most of the gift and blessing of our fatherhood. Today, let’s ask our Father God for the help we need to be faithful and humble; ready to begin again after we fall.

Blessings,
Fr. Matt

Don’t Forget:

- Visit our website to submit prayer intentions for our team to bring to the Eucharistic Revival Congress in July! Let us unite in prayer for one another and trust in the power of God.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

TO ALL OF THE FATHERS OUT THERE! INCLUDING:

- SPIRITUAL FATHERS
- GRANDFATHERS
- STEPFATHERS
- FOSTER FATHERS
- FATHERS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED MISCARRIAGE
- FATHERS WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN
- FATHERS ESTRANGED FROM THEIR KIDS
- FATHERS WHO HAVE ADOPTED CHILDREN
- FATHERS WHO GAVE A CHILD UP FOR ADOPTION

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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.

Viz Senior

Come to O'Grady Center and have a **Senior Fun Day.**

Join us at 1:30

on Wednesday, June 19

for a celebration of

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We'll celebrate turning three

in style with a Classic Oldies

Sing-a-long,

games, prizes and great party food!

Valet Parking will be provided for everyone.

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Let us know.

Marlene Kaufman / Mary Lou Ward/

Toni Kerker

Questions?

call Marlene 310-365-8211

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

GOSPEL DIFFERENCES

QUESTION:

Why do the Gospels differ in their details? I was surprised to learn that not all of the Gospels tell the same stories, for example, the Nativity. Doesn't this take away from their credibility?

ANSWER:

Take any event that happens, from family trips to national politics and ask two or three different people to explain what happened. You will get a different version of the same story. People tend to tell the story from their perspective, and past experience shades what we recall and how we recall it. Our choice of words and what details we leave in or out is also influenced by the audience who is listening to our tales.

The Gospel writers are no different. Each one tells the story of Jesus from their own perspective. Versions differ in some details, not because one is true and the other is not, but because each Gospel writer, or Evangelist, has a different theological point to communicate as well as a different audience for whom he is writing. He picks and chooses the details of his Gospel based on what message he is preaching, what his audience may already know, and what message they need to hear. The various details of the Gospels point more to their authenticity as a record of the church's experience and understanding of Jesus. In a good study Bible, the background notes for each Gospel contain a lot of information that helps us better understand each Evangelist and his message.

CONVENT BUILDING UPDATE

Did you know?... That the Convent was built in the 1940's? Do you wonder what "the plan" might be for the space since it is no longer needed as a convent? We invite you to come find out as we host **LISTENING SESSIONS** after all of the Masses the weekend of June 15/16 in the O'Grady Center. We will also be hosting Hospitality, so plan to grab a donut or snack and beverage and join us. We will also have note cards available to submit ideas/questions in writing (or via email).

If you cannot join us this weekend, another Listening Session will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, June 18 at 7:00pm.

Guyline Brosmer is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Convent Listening Session

Time: Jun 18, 2024 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 839 4486 3418

Passcode: 611274



Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, June 19th in observance of Juneteenth, a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. It's a very important day in African American history, Juneteenth, or "Freedom Day" is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. The parish office will reopen on Thursday, June 20th 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Thank you for your continued support and generosity
to Church of the Visitation!



GATHERING

In Christ Alone



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the



light, my strength, my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal



Ground, firm through the fier - est drought and storm. What heights of
breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His



cease. My Com - fort - er, my All in All, here in the
hand; Till He re - turns or calls me home, here in the



love of Christ I stand.
pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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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 JOY AND PEACE

GLORY TO GOD Mass of Renewal



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple



of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -



dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you



thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav - en - ly



King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.



Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a -
 way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a -
 way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed
 at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer -
 cy, have mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the
 Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, a - men.

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PSALM Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia (Angrisano)

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

We Walk by Faith

1. We walk by faith— and not by sight; No
 2. Help then, O— Lord,— our un - be - lief; And

1. gra - cious words we hear— From Christ who spoke as none
 2. may our faith a - bound, To - call on you - when you -

1. — e'er spoke, but we be - lieve him near.— We may not
 2. — are near, and seek where you are found. Then when our

1. touch— the hands and side, Nor fol - low where he trod;
 2. life— of faith is done, In realms of clear - er light

1. — Yet in the prom-ise we — re - joice, and cry,
 2. — we may be-hold you as — you are — in full

1. — You are — my Lord and God, — you are
 — my Lord and God! — You will al - ways be — the Lord

1. — we — cry, — "My Lord — and God!"

2. — and end - less sight. My Lord, — and God.

of all — of me. —

I be - lieve — "My Lord and God!"

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COMMUNION
 Ubi Caritas

Refrain: All
 *U - bi ca - ri - tas est ve - ra, est ve - ra: De - us i - bi

Verses: Cantor/Choir
 est, De - us i - bi est. 1. The love of Christ joins us to -

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SENDING
 I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Verses
 1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives, the One who
 2. I know that I shall one day see the good - ness
 3. The last day I shall rise a - gain, shall be re -

1. calls me home. I long to see God face - to - face, to
 2. of the Lord, when God will wipe a - way our tears, and
 3. made like God. My home shall be by God's own side, the

Refrain
 1. see with my own eyes. I know that my Re -
 2. death will be no more.
 3. dy - ing, ris - ing Lord.

deem - er lives, that I shall rise a - gain. gain.

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