

HURCH OF THE / ISITATION



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



12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea. "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. - Mk 4:39

JUNE 23, 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 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 — Thus far shall you come but no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stilled! (Jb 38:11)

PSALM — Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting. **(Ps 107)** Or: Alleluia. **SECOND READING** — So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. **(2 Cor 5:17)**

GOSPEL - They were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" (Mk 4:41)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: IS 49:1-6/PS 139:1B-3, 13-14AB, 14C-15/ACTS 13:22-26/LK 1:57-66, 80

TUESDAY: 2 KGS 19:9B-11, 14-21, 31-35A, 36/Ps 48:2-3AB, 3CD-4, 10-11/MT 7:6, 12-1

WEDNESDAY: 2 KGS 22:8-13; 23:1-3/PS 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/MT 7:15-20

THURSDAY: 2 KGS 24:8-17/Ps 79:1B-2, 3-5, 8, 9/MT 7:21-2

FRIDAY: 2 KGS 25:1-12/PS 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/MT 8:1-4

SATURDAY: VIGIL: ACTS 3:1-10/PS 19:2-3, 4-5/GAL 1:11-20/JN 21:15-19 DAY: ACTS 12:1-11/34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 TM 4:6-8, 17-18/MT 16:13-19

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I do not pray for success. I ask for faithfulness." -St. Mother Teresa

PARENT LEADERSHIP

"When you comment about people outside the family, especially in public life (in government or media), practice charity. Distinguish between individuals and their faults, even grievous moral flaws. We deplore people's wrongdoing but bear them no personal ill will."

- 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.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitation Parish Community extends its sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of

◆Antonia Haro who went home to the Lord on June 9, 2024. She was 83 years old. Funeral Mass will take place Wednesday, June 26th at 10:00AM at Visitation.

Please pray for her souls and the souls of all the faithful departed.

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 23RD

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Priesthood Anniversary for Msgr. Forsen & Fr. McGowen

9:30am - For the people of Visitation Parish

11:00am - Richard Polatewicz †

MONDAY - JUNE 24TH

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:00am - Mary Devine †

TUESDAY - JUNE 25TH

8:00am - James Soto

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 26TH

8:00am - Teresa Razo

THURSDAY - JUNE 27TH

St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00am - Nicole Coda †

Friday - June 28th

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

8:00am - Logie Alejo †

SATURDAY - JUNE 29TH

Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles

5:00pm - Karl Brewer †

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Please join me in congratulating Msgr. Hill on his 60th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood! Msgr. Hill is such a gift to Visitation as we are all the beneficiaries of his holiness and wealth of experience. On a personal note, I've been so blessed to be able to receive his thoughts and counsel in moments of uncertainty. There have been times where a good "chat with Monsignor" has made all the difference. I know that each of you have your own stories of how he's been the humble presence of Christ leading you to deeper peace and love.

In particular, the fact that this is his 60th anniversary moves me to reflect on his persevering fidelity. We all know how hard it is to remain faithful to commitments. Challenges surface and all sorts of unforeseen struggles are thrown upon us. While he carries it all well, I am sure this has been a part of Msgr. Hill's journey. As a young priest, I look up to him and admire his persevering trust in his vocation and God's plan for his life.

As we celebrate this weekend, I invite you to join me in this ancient prayer for Msgr. Hill and his continued presence here at Visitation.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;

May the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

May the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

We love you, Msgr. Hill! Thank you for sharing your life and love with us all.

In Christ, 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.



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

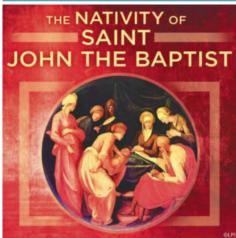
missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. / Amen.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

DID YOU KNOW? Athlete helpline available for sports-related abuse concerns

The Courage First Athlete Helpline is a national resource aimed at combating child abuse in sports. Counselors and team members are available to help ensure physical and mental safety for sports communities, offering emotional support, crisis intervention, and guidance related to abuse concerns. If you have concerns about your child's sports teams, you can call or text 888-279-1026, or visit athletehelpline.org.





This is the Feast of the Nativity of Jesus' cousin, St. John the Baptist. We celebrate John's birth with joy as we remember him and the way he loved Jesus, baptizing him, and pointing people toward repentance and love.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Dear Father in heaven, I come before your sacred altar to assist the divine sacrifice of your Son Jesus. Fix my mind on you and by his precious blood wash away all my sins as I repent of having offended you. Grant that we may celebrate this holy mystery with strong faith and devotion. Send us the Holy Spirit of love to ignite our hearts to receive devoutly the Holy Eucharist. Bless our family, our parish, and our community. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. / Amen.



Thank you for your two years of faith, spiritual guidance, youthful energy, participation in school and parish events, ideas, listening, as well as guitar playing and Yo-Yo tricks and so much more!!! We wish you all of the best as you move to your new assignment and look forward to you coming back for the occasional visit.

Fr. Matt will be the celebrant at ALL MASSES the weekend of June 29 and 30

Please join us for a TAILGATE PARTY on Sunday, June 30 following the 11:00 Mass for Fr. Matt's send-off

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

We are excited to announce that our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) for students in Grades 1 - 8, including Sacrament Preparation is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 school year which will begin on September 15th with our Opening Ceremonies. For more information and an application, please visit our website or scan the QR code. We look forward to welcoming your family to PREP at Visitation this fall.



Confirmation Program for Teens

Registration is open for our parish Confirmation Program which is designed for teens who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation at Visitation celebrates the Holy Spirit working in the hearts of our teenagers. The Confirmation process, which takes place over a two-year period, is a time of discernment for our young people to explore, grow and take ownership of their Catholic Faith. If you or someone you know is in the 9th -11th grade and are interested in joining us, please scan the QR code to access more information and the application on our website. We can't wait to welcome you to our first Session Retreat on Sunday, September 22nd starting with the 11:00 am Mass.

OCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults welcomes those who are considering becoming Catholic and adult Catholics who have not yet been confirmed. The Church is where we encounter God in the Word, in the Sacraments, and in the Saints; to gain an understanding of the source of life and salvation. If you feel called to a work in the world and in the Church, consider joining us! OCIA meets on Mondays at 6:30 pm starting September 16th. For more information, please contact our OCIA Coordinators - Laura and Gilbert Trujillo at RCIA. Visitation@gmail.com.



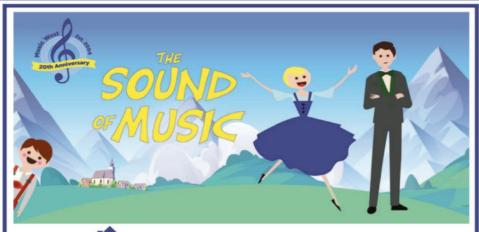


For additional information about any of our Faith Formation programs, please contact Debra Evans, Director of Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation by phone/text (703) 582-9888 or by email at religiouseducationvc@gmail.com

Faith Formation Volunteers Needed

Go, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. - Mt. 28:19

Are you looking to deepen your faith and share it with others including the next generation? Consider answering Christ's call to be a volunteer Catechist or Catechist Aide with PREP; Adult Core Team Leader or Peer Leader with Confirmation; or accompany adults on their OCIA journey! If you have a heart for Jesus, and for spreading the Good News to children, teens, or adults please contact Debra Evans, Director of Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation by email at religiouseducationvc@gmail.com, or by phone/text (703) 582-9888. We welcome your interest and participation.



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HOME SCHOOLING

QUESTION:

We are considering homeschooling our children. Does this present a problem when it is time for them to receive the sacraments? What must we do?

ANSWER:

Homeschooling is legal in all fifty states and like other types of education, has its advantages and its drawbacks. There are many factors to consider, and each family has to decide what the best way to educate its children is. With religious education, many dioceses have a formal policy that outlines procedures and expectations, some of which include more than just academic information. Call the religious education office to find out what they are for your area.

In general, though, an appointment with your parish priest to discuss your situation is the best first step. An opportunity to discuss what is available, what the expectations are for each sacrament, and how you can best prepare your child helps make your time of preparation more effective. The priest can direct you to good catechetical materials, parent information classes, and other choices and possibilities for your child. All parents need to be part of their child's religious education, taking a lead in instilling the values and beliefs of their faith. Communication and information helps us all to teach and preach the Gospel as Jesus did.

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Prayer

Heavenly Father, when I am afraid, give me hope and courage.

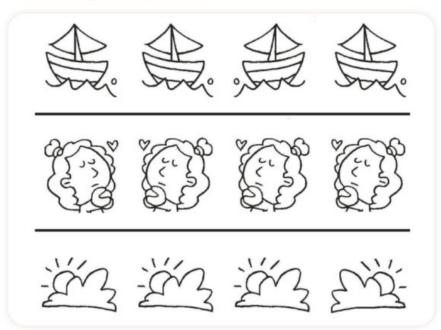
Mission for the Week

If your friend is afraid, ask God to make the fear go away.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus and his disciples were in a boat on the water. Hurricane winds turned the boat on its side. Jesus was sleeping. The disciples awoke Jesus saying, "Teacher, we're going to drown. Save us. Save us." Jesus was upset because his disciples believed that he would let them drown. Jesus waved his arms over the sea. The wind stopped blowing. The waves calmed down. The disciples were amazed and thankful.

Now color the picture! Circle the pictures that are facing the same way. Then color in all the pictures.





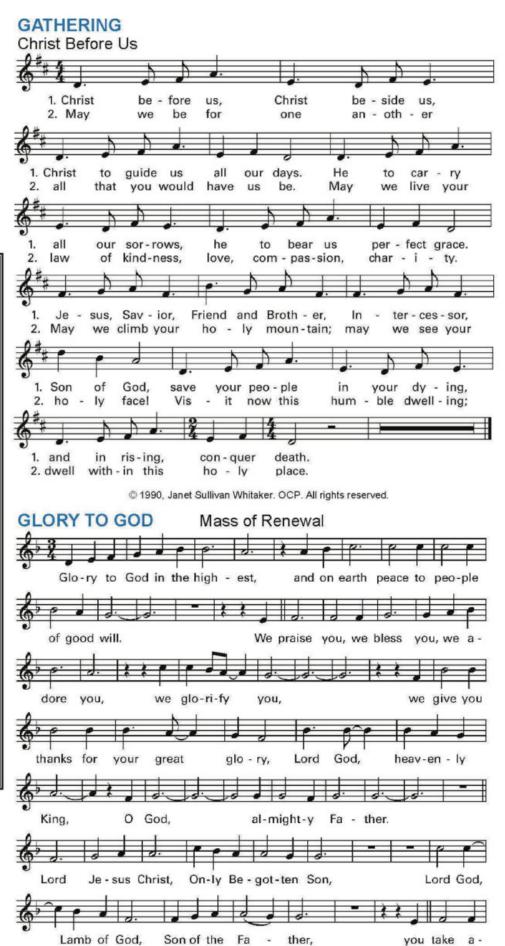


APOSTLES CREED

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 RENEWAL





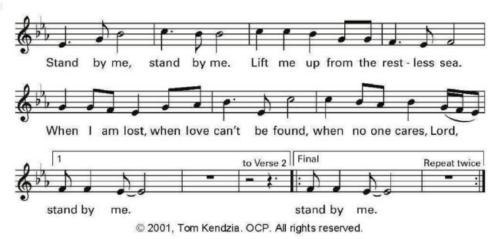
PSALM Give thanks to the Lord; His love is everlasting.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia (Angrisano)

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND GIFTS

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HOLY, HOLY (Mass of Renewal)



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (Mass of Renewal)

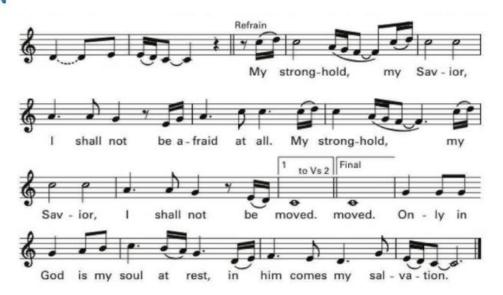


AMEN (Mass of Renewal)



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