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Daily Mass (Inside the church)
Monday-Friday: 8:00am
(This mass is also live-streamed)

Sunday Mass (Inside the church)
Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, and 11:00am
(The Sunday Mass at 8am is also live-streamed)

Confessions (Outside in Mary's courtyard)
Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm and by appointment

Note: The live-streamed Masses can be viewed on our website:
www.visitationchurch-la.com

Private Worship (Inside the church) Open for private devotion between the hours of 7:30am-4:00pm. (Monday-Friday)

Holy Hour (Inside the church)
First Friday of each month from 8:30am-9:30am.

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**INTEGRITY is doing the RIGHT THING,
even when
NO ONE IS WATCHING.**



**The people were
exceedingly
astonished
and they said,
“He has done
all things well.
He makes
the deaf hear and
the mute speak.”**

Mark 7:37

Twenty-third

Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021

Pastor's Post



BLEST ARE THE BROKENHEARTED

I read an article that gives the medical basis for something we all know, that people can die of a broken heart. Called the Takotsubo syndrome, it occurs when a physical or emotional shock such as death of a loved one, causes a spike in adrenaline, which interacts with certain molecules, triggering a loss of movement in part of the heart, which can lead to acute heart failure. These very same molecules are linked to anxiety, depression and stress. Little wonder that we fear our hearts being broken and suffer when they are.

What breaks your heart? The death of a loved one? The cruelty of a relative or friend? Being treated unjustly and being powerless to stop it? Often, too is the loss of something that breaks our hearts. And whatever is lost usually can never be replaced. We begin to live life without that which was so deep a part of our existence. It is almost unbearable and sometimes it is. We all experience it. How do we live with it?

For some, the wound is so severe that they turn away from God, angry that He didn't stop some tragedy from happening. Some even turn away from other people. The broken heart can lead to a closed heart, which is a greater sadness, for the person now is cut off from that which is most needed: divine love.

Psalm 147 tell us, "The Lord heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." How? Through us, channeling God's grace. One of my favorite prayers is that of St. Teresa of Avila:

"Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

Who do I know whose heart is breaking? To them, I must bring God's divine love.

Fr. Jim

Most Reverend José H. Gomez

Archbishop of Los Angeles

Cordially invites you to attend the
Prayer Service in honor of the

250TH ANNIVERSARY

of the founding of Mission San Gabriel Arcángel

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 8, 2021

San Gabriel Mission

428 South Mission Drive, San Gabriel, CA 91776

The outdoor event begins in front of the mission church



Opening Mass of the

“FORWARD IN MISSION”

Jubilee Year

11 a.m. Saturday, September 11, 2021

Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

555 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Mass begins on the Cathedral Plaza with the
Rite of the Opening of the Holy Door

DID YOU KNOW? September 4-5 || Understanding the VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children” program

Child sexual abusers often target nurturing, child-friendly environments, where parents and participants assume that no one would ever want to harm a child. Religious organizations are prime examples. The Catholic Church has adapted the VIRTUS® Protecting God’s Children program to send a message to potential predators that child sexual abuse is not tolerated. Through this program, adults learn that through early identification, awareness, and education they can be “proactive” in protecting children and young people from child sexual abuse. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article “Protecting God’s Children” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

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www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard

October 29-31, 2021

San Fernando, CA
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For registration or more information
please call and leave message:

323-577-5693

www.rachelsvineyard.org

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O'Grady Pub at Visitation

Friday, September 24th @ 6:30pm

An adult evening with live music, dinner and games. \$35 p/p
We will also be blessing the O'Grady Center at 6:30pm
The theme is: College Night-so dig out your Alumni gear or the school you support. All tickets will be pre-sold each Sunday after the Mass or sign up on the church website. All are welcome in the Visitation Community!

Catholic Divorce Ministry Council-Help and Hope for Single Parents

This will take place on **Wednesday's June 23 to September 15 from 7:00-8:30 pm**. There aren't many people who truly understand the unique challenges single parents face. You deeply desire to do what's best for your kids, but sometimes it's all you can do to survive from one day to the next. Single and Parenting is a special weekly group that will bring hope to your life. For more info. Contact **Jerry Pyne @714-309-2424 or email msajtp@yahoo.com**. Registration link: <https://www.singleandparenting.org/groups/134990>

Knights of Columbus Council

The weekend of **September 11th and 12th**, the Knights of Columbus will be selling Rancho San Antonio Raffle Tickets before and after all the Masses. The donations for raffle tickets are **\$2 each or \$20 per book of 10**. The Grand Prize is \$3,000, Second Prize is \$2,000 and 10 \$100 Third Prizes. The **raffle will be held at the Rancho Open House on October 3, 2021**. The proceeds from this raffle support the “Boys Home of the West” located in Chatsworth. Its mission, which began almost 90 years ago, is to help young men develop the skills, values and personal responsibility needed to become useful members of their community. For many of these young men, Rancho represents their first real chance to succeed. Rancho success rate in achieving this goal is over 80%. The Knights of Columbus have supported Rancho San Antonio since the 1950s. We deeply appreciate the generous support that the parishioners of Visitation have given to this annual drive over the years. Contact **Mike Engler** if you have any questions at **703-350-7262**.

SESSIONS OF FAITH (PREP)

We are excited to announce that our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP), for students in Grades **K-8**, including sacrament preparation, we are now accepting applications for 2021-2022 school year which will begin in September. For more information, please contact our Coordinator, **Debra Evans** via phone or text at **703-582-9888**, or by email at religioeducationvc@gmail.com.

Is God calling you to share your faith with others, especially young people? If so, please consider volunteering for our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP). This ministry is for people who are interested in sharing God's love and bringing others closer to Christ. Please consider joining us. We especially welcome those who may have served in other ministries, who are not able to continue to serve in person at this time. Thank you and God Bless You! See the above email and phone number for more information and questions about our programs.

CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

If you are interested in the program for the next two years, please go online to visitationchurch-la.com to download an application. If you have any questions, please reach out to Jeremy Brosmer at confirmationvc@gmail.com.



R.C.I.A.

GOT LIFE QUESTIONS? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) may be just for you. RCIA is for someone who:

- Is interested in becoming Catholic.
- Was never baptized.
- Was baptized in another Christian denomination.
- Was baptized Catholic, but never celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation.
- Is interested in catching up on or renewing their faith.

We welcome you to join us in our RCIA group most Mondays from **7-8:30pm** when we have Zoom meetings. **In person meetings** will begin on **September 13th from 6:30pm-9:00pm**. Please call the church office to inquire @ **310/216-1145** or email **Toni Kerker** at tmkerker@gmail.com.



BAPTISMS



The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated, according to the CDC recommendations, 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, September 12, 2021 at 1 pm**. Please register to attend by calling the parish office at **310/216-1145**. 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 or associate pastor.

WE SHARE THEIR GRIEF

Visitation Parish Community extends its sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of those who lost a loved one. We pray for the souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace.

Prayer Requests:

Please email them to vizprayerrequest@gmail.com.



What's funny today?



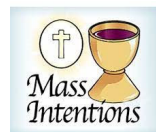
Prayer for the day

Dear Lord,

So far today, God, I've done alright. I haven't gossiped, haven't lost my temper, haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or over-indulgent. I'm very thankful for that...But in a few minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on, I'm going to need a lot more help.

Amen

**Mass Intentions
Sept. 6--Sept. 12, 2021**



- 9/6 8am Mass-**Janet Cahill** (Special Intention)
- 9/7 8am Mass- **Msgr. Patrick Reilly (Dec'd)**
- 9/8 8am Mass-**For the sick in the Parish and Andre Rouseyrol (Dec'd)**
- 9/9 8am Mass-**Leoncio and Carmen Abary (Dec'd)**
- 9/10 8am Mass-**Bertha Sosa (Dec'd)**
- 9/11 5pm Mass-**Victor Paluch (Dec'd)**
- 9/12 8am Mass-**Tim Wohlgemuth (Dec'd)**

To request a **Mass Intention** please call the Rectory at **310-216-1145**.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 5 2021



THEN WILL THE EYES OF THE BLIND BE OPENED

the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Isaiah 35:5-6

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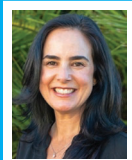
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