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Monday - Friday: 8:30AM - 1:00PM
& 2:00PM - 8:30PM
Saturday & Sunday: 8:30AM - 5:15PM

Church Hours:
Monday—Friday: 6:00AM—8:30PM
Saturday, Sunday:
6:30AM—7:00PM

Mass, Confessions Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30PM (English)

Sunday Masses:

7:30AM (English) 9:00AM (Español)
11:00AM (English) 1:00PM (Español)
5:30PM (English)

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Friday 6:30AM & 8:00AM
Saturday Morning 8:00AM

First Friday/Primer Viernes:

7:00PM Mass & Adoration until 10:00PM/
Misa y Adoración hasta las 10PM

Confessions: Saturday 4:00PM - 5:00PM

Daily Rosary: Monday-Friday 6:00AM
Monday-Saturday 7:30AM
First Saturday 7:00AM
Sunday 8:40AM (Español)

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
Wednesdays, 6:30PM (Church)

Rosario - Legión de María (Español)
Martes, 9:00AM (Iglesia Antigua)



APRIL 7, 2019
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Parish Contacts

Faith Formation/Religious Education

Mrs. Madonna Castro, Director (310) 323-0860

High School Confirmation Program

Mrs. Leilani Alvarado, Coordinator (310) 327-3953

St. Anthony Elementary School

Mrs. Angela Grey, Principal (310) 329-7170
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St. Anthony Day Nursery

Sister Yadira Villalobos, M.C., Director (310) 329-8654
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Baptism/Bautismo

Baptisms in English: Pre-Baptismal classes are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Parents and Godparents are required to attend. Baptisms are on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month. Stop by the rectory to register.

Bautismos en Español: Clases pre-bautismales se ofrecen los 1st y 3rd lunes de cada mes. Es requisito que padres y padrinos asistan. Los Bautismos se celebran el 2^o y 4^o sábado de cada mes. Pasen a la rectoría para inscribirse.

Marriage/Arreglos para Boda

Engaged couples are strongly encouraged to contact the parish office for appointments and classes 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. Contact the parish office for details.

Parejas que desean casarse necesitan ponerse en contacto con la parroquia para empezar hacer arreglos por los menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.

FROM THE PASTOR

“PASSIONTIDE” AND HOLY WEEK -This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday of Lent. It is Passiontide and the images in church are hidden from our sight. When Easter comes the joyful contrast will be all the greater. Meanwhile we focus more on God. When we look around church today we see the veils - but what does God see when He looks at us? He sees veils too. His image in us is hidden by our sins and failings. Looking down from the cross Our Lord found little to comfort Him. “I looked in vain for compassion, for consolers, not one could I find. For food they gave me poison and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.” In Lent we can console Our Lord by letting Him see His image in us restored. At the foot of the cross His mother comforted Him. She never lost God’s image and she reflected His love back to Him entirely. St. Mary Magdalen consoled Him. She regained the image of God through repentance. Can we console Him by turning back to Him?

Our sins and failings are more than just a veil concealing the goodness God made by creating us. They are the cause of terrible suffering in the world, a deep injustice against God and against each other, a cause, in the end, of Our Lord’s death on the cross. The crucifixion is the only means by which we could be freed from our sin and its consequences.

Our Lord’s death and the kind of death He died, is so appalling, horrific and grotesque that we ought to be shocked by it. We should be stunned into speechlessness at the thought that the Lord of the Universe, the Creator of the World, Word-made-flesh and Splendor of the Father ended His ministry of love choking out His last agonized words on a Roman cross.

Part of the wisdom of the tradition of the veiling of images is to give us time to become un-used to the crucifixion. In a peculiar way, the covering of the cross helps us to see it properly again. We can become too used to the Cross. By veiling the images now we will be able to see more clearly on Good Friday and on Easter Sunday just how much God loves us.

Perhaps by our prayers and our penitence this Passiontide we can join Our Lady, St John and St Mary Magdalene at the foot of the cross. We can console Him too. When we unveil our crosses on Good Friday, we will be able to look at the image of our Savior in His agony and see God’s love for us shining through the face of Jesus. And on Easter Sunday the statues will be unveiled once more. The church will be full of light and joy.

All that is what we will see from our places. But our Father loves our hearts of flesh more than any statue. What will He see from His place once we have passed through Lent and Passiontide? May God see from His place the compassionate image of His Son restored in each of us, the veil of sin removed.

Palm Sunday – Next Sunday is Palm Sunday which marks the beginning of Holy Week and Our Lord’s triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. At all Masses we will have the Solemn Entrance and blessing of palms. (Inside the church – Sat. 5:30, Sun. 7:30; in front of the church at all other Masses.)

Sacred Triduum – Keep your calendar open for Holy Thursday evening (4/18/19) and Good Friday afternoon (4/19/19) so you can participate fully in the beautiful Liturgies of Holy Week. More details next Sunday.

Penance Services – Our Parish Penance Service will take place on Wednesday of Holy Week, April 17th at 7:00 p.m. There will also be additional Confession times provided throughout Holy Week. The schedule will be included in next Sunday’s bulletin in a special insert.

DAY OF RETREAT NEXT SATURDAY – A Spiritual Path for Healing Our Woundedness Retreat by Daughter of St. Paul Sister Kathryn James Hermes, FSP, author of *Reclaim Regret*, Saturday, April 13, 10:00am – 4:00 pm, \$30, lunch provided. Retreatants will be led on a spiritual path for healing the wounds we all carry: regrets we hold in our hearts, the wounds caused by things that happened to us or things we have done to others. Through conferences, prayer, and reflection the retreatants will be led to experience Christ’s mercy and healing. Retreat location in our parish hall. Please RSVP to the rectory office at 310-327-5830 or email culvercity@paulinemediacom

OTHER LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Wednesday Novena in honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help with Mass, 6:30pm

April 3, 10, 17 (Penance Service instead of Mass)

Friday Fish Fry and Stations of the Cross

5:00pm – 7:30pm: Fish Fry, Parish Hall, \$7 presale, \$9 at door per plate

7:30pm: Bilingual Stations of the Cross and Benediction, Church

Holy Week – April 14 - 20

Penance Service with Confessions and Adoration

Wednesday, April 17, 7:00pm

ANNUAL WOMEN’S RETREAT (English): Friday, April 26 through Sunday, April 28, Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra, Father Will Schmid, For information/RSVP: our parishioner, Laly Savoy @ 310-225-2553 or Yolanda Torres at 310-748-1837. For fee see: <https://sacredheartretreathouse.com/retreats/rates/>

OTHER ACTIVITIES AT SACRED HEART RETREAT HOUSE, ALHAMBRA

For information/RSVP: 626-289-1353, ext. 204 or retreatcoordinator@carmelitesistersocd.com. For fee see: <https://sacredheartretreathouse.com/retreats/rates/>

Annual Men’s Retreat (English): Friday, August 23 through Sunday, August 25, Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra, **Father Bill Casey, CMP**

Married Couples Retreat with Fr. Bryce Sibley, May 24-26, \$395 per couple includes meals and lodging.

Retiro de Silencio de Fin de Semana para Hombres y Mujeres with Rev. Ricardo Pineda, CPM, November 15-17, 2019, different rates.

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DID YOU KNOW? Use creative problem solving to find new ways to protect children

In the Protecting God’s Children program, adults learn how to identify potential signs of abuse and how to pick up on red flag behaviors that indicate a potential predator, even before abuse happens. Another tool in the arsenal of child protection is creative problem solving, where adults learn to think outside the box when it comes to finding solutions for protecting children. One very effective creative problem-solving tool is to refocus the group’s thinking, turning it away from the perceived “problem” and productively more toward a collaborative solution. Consider the challenge of how to deal with registered sex offenders whose children attend the school or participate in religious education at the parish. Rather than discuss the topic, the leader might ask participants to finish the following sentences, “Wouldn’t it be awful if…” and “Wouldn’t it be wonderful if…” Once everyone has provided responses, the group can look through the answers to find connecting themes that may provide a previously untried solution.

En el programa Protegiendo a los niños de Dios, los adultos aprenden cómo identificar posibles signos de abuso y cómo detectar comportamientos que indiquen la existencia de un posible depredador, incluso antes de que ocurra el abuso. Otra herramienta preventiva de protección infantil es la solución creativa de problemas, donde los adultos aprenden a pensar de manera innovadora cuando se trata de encontrar soluciones para proteger a los niños. Una herramienta creativa muy efectiva es reenfocar el pensamiento del grupo, alejándolo del “problema” percibido y orientándolo productivamente hacia una solución colaborativa. Considere el desafío de cómo tratar con los delincuentes sexuales registrados, cuyos hijos asisten a la escuela o participan en la educación religiosa en la parroquia. En lugar de discutir el tema, el líder podría pedirles a los participantes que terminen las siguientes oraciones: “¿No sería horrible si …” y “¿No sería maravilloso si …” Una vez que todos hayan respondido, el grupo puede revisar las respuestas para encontrar temas de conexión que pueden proporcionar una solución no probada anteriormente.

MUSIC REHEARSALS FOR HOLY WEEK—We welcome all interested parishioners to join the 11am choir for Holy Week Services. Please contact Erick Rubalcava for further info (562) 284-1430. The rehearsal schedule is as follows and will be held in the church.

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Service being rehearsed:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
Tues, 4/9	Good Friday	7p-9p
Thurs, 4/11	Easter Vigil	7p-9p
Mon, 4/15	Holy Thursday/ Good Friday/ Easter Vigil	6:30p-9:30p

The Parish Mass Choir will provide music at the following Holy Week Services:

Palm Sunday –April 14, 2019 Mass- 11:00 am
Holy Thursday-April 18, 2019 (Bi-Lingual) Mass- 7:00 pm
Good Friday-April 19, 2019 (English-All Choirs Welcome)

12:00- Stations of the Cross
 12:30- Seven Last Words of Christ
 1:30- Commemoration of the Passion and Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday-April 20, 2019 (English) Easter Vigil Mass- 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday –April 21, 2019 (English) 11:00 AM Mass

KEEP THEM IN YOUR SPECIAL PRAYERS — Our brothers and sisters who are ill, especially: Lukas Rodriguez, Arthur Vega III, Bryan Dinnoo, Teresa Quirino Linda Ruiz, Peter Publico, Alexis Lapeyrollerie, Brad Taylor, Angel Pers’a Bates, Rene’e Harrell, Pina Knapp, Arthur Guevara, Keshia Brown, Derek Serrano, Laura Luke, Joshua Ibanez, Joyce Vanderhorst, Shonari Duncan, Cindy Besler, Darius Levi, Evandas Cheesebrough, Nathaniel Chadwick, Monica Chadwick, Robert Braico, Joyce Vanderhorst, Sue Leong Poi, Shanari Duncan, Anthony de la Torre, Michael Doerschel, Cheral Sherman, Miguel Castaneda, Harvey Yuen, Donna Hayden, Dirk Bates, Wyomia Mortise, Oscar Chacon, Irma Dueñas, Dustin Coelho, Wilbur Swint, Herman Valdez, Connie Lozano, Juan Luis Lopez, Sally Tongson **And remember those who have recently been called from this life especially:** Prisciliano Magallanes, Joe Ferruccio & Martin Almaraz

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 8

6:30AM All Souls
 8:00AM +Remedios Peralta+

Tuesday, April 9

6:30AM All Souls
 8:00AM +Fred Sado+

Wednesday, April 10

6:30AM +Maria Ho Nguyen+
 8:00AM +Solomon Heredia+

Thursday, April 11

6:30AM +Maria Ho Nguyen+
 8:00AM +Mike Orozco+

Friday, April 12

6:30AM +Cordelia Ezeobah+
 8:00AM +Marc Pomerleau+

Saturday, April 13

8:00AM Intentions of Julieta Kihara
 5:30PM +Felipe Mayol+

Sunday, April 14

7:30AM +Alicia Cuadros+
 9:00AM Divine Mercy
 11:00AM +Yumi Salzman+
 1:00PM +Antonia Elicio
 5:30PM The People of Saint Anthony

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY— Sunday, April 7th: **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** will be selling coffee, donuts, and other food items after masses to raise funds for their program. *Your support is appreciated!*

ROSARY CRUSADE FOR PEACE



The Rosary will be held on Monday, April 8th at 7pm at the home of Kathy Freiburghouse (2220 Plant Ave. Redondo Beach). For more information, please call (310) 542-6825



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