ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SECOND SUNAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 16, 2022

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Associate Pastor Rev. Innocent Nzewuji

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE Rev. Msgr. Gregory Cox

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WEEKEND MASSES Saturday: 5PN Sunday: 7:30 11A

ASSES 5PM Vigil 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM, 5PM

Daily Masses Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:30AM 8AM Tues, Thu, Sat: 8AM

RECONCILIATION (PENANCE) Wednesdays: 5:15 - 5:45PM Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:45PM

Parish Office Hours Mon-Fri: 8:30AM - 4:30PM

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His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." John 2:3-5

REVELATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Today's first reading from Isaiah arises out of the ordeal of the people of Jerusalem and Judea as they anticipate the end of seventy years of exile in Babylon. Their sufferings and their oppression will end, and they are promised joy like that of a great wedding upon returning to their homeland. Although this passage is probably set in the early sixth century B.C., it is free of historical particulars. Accordingly, the Church has understood its imagery universally, as it proclaims God's promise of healing, hope, and happiness for all peoples, in this world and in the next. When read against this background, the story of Jesus' turning water into wine at the wedding at Cana becomes a revelation of God's presence in the person of Jesus, making these promises real for us in the here and now, in the transformation of our own lives. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless.

Let us pray...

Good and gracious God, you blew into our nostrils the breath of life. You are the One to whom we owe our very existence. Give us the courage to take that unpopular position of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb, to the person taking his or her last breath. The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure. Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square. With thankful hearts, we ask all this of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

FLOCKNOTE

Flocknote is a communication tool that we have been testing across various ministries, since the Fall. It allows us to more effectively communicate

with you and your family through text or email. With Flocknote, you choose what information to receive regarding events happening at St. Anastasia. Join today by texting our keyword **STACHURCH** to **84576**.



FOWARD IN HOPE



OneLife LA partners with many Southern Californiabased service organizations that provide life-affirming support to pregnant women, assist immigrants and refugees, the homeless, trafficking survivors, the elderly, the disabled and the dying, and help foster children find forever homes. This commitment to service ensures that participants view this event not only as a destination, but as a call to build up their communities.

This family-friendly event begins with a solidaritybuilding walk through downtown Los Angeles, ending with a festival, live music, food trucks, entertainment, and inspiring speakers.

Speakers share powerful stories of what they have overcome in life and how they use that struggle to help others. These stories inspire and mobilize thousands of people to do good work every day to help those in need.

BULLETIN UPDATES

If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email **bulletin@st-anastasia.org.**

Jan. 30 bulletin content: Due Thursday. Jan. 20 Feb. 6 bulletin content: Due Thursday Jan. 27

MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS

DAILY PRAYERS

PERSONAL PRAYER IN THE CHURCH

The Church is open every day

Mondays & Fridays: 6AM - 5PM

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7AM - 5PM

WEDNESDAYS: 6AM - 6PM

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS: 7AM - 6PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET + ADORATION In the Church - Wednesdays at 5PM

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Saturday Following after all 8AM Masses And after 6:30AM Masses on Mon., Wed., and Fri.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM:

Parents and Godparents are required to participate in a pre-Baptism Preparation Course through the Los Angeles Archdiocese at www.LaCatholics.org/baptism. Call the Parish Office for more information at 310-670-2243

FIRST RECONCILITION & HOLY COMMUNION

Please contact Nivita Aldrede-Brito (DRE) Cell/Text: 310.614.7520 or Email: Nivita007@st-anastasia.org

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION:

Please contact Dianalee Dupree Call: 310-670-2243 Ext. 51 or Email: DDupree@st-anastasia.org

Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (RCIA):

More on becoming Catholic contact Nivita Aldrede-Brito (DRE) Cell/Text: 310.614.7520 or Email: Nivita007@st-anastasia.org

MARRIAGE:

Engaged couples must contact the Office 6 months before their proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Sacrament for the Sick is celebrated upon request of the family. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

Arranged by contacting the Parish Office with names of loved ones. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

Note: Due to privacy and confidentiality laws, permission must be given by a family member to publish a loved one's name for mass intentions and prayer requests.

FUNERALS:

Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 to arrange funeral or memorial services.

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Birthday ★ Support ◆ Anniversary ♥ Memorial ♥ SUNDAY, January 16: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

7:30 AM – Mike Kerr 🔂 9 AM – Mr. Michael Keohane 🔂 11 AM – St. Anastasia Parishioners

5 PM – Phyllis "Phyl" Smith 🕈 MONDAY, January 17: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22

6:30AM – The Carmelite Sisters ♦ 8 AM –Kamila M. Drissi★

TUESDAY, January 18: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

8 AM – Rita Morgan ★ 🕆

WEDNESDAY, January 19: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany) 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

> 6:30 AM – Sr. Mary Rose Creegan ¹ 8 AM – Jan Moat ¹

THURSDAY, January 20: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12

8 AM – Sr. Genevieve Underwood 🕆

FRIDAY, January 21: St. Agnes 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19

> 6:30AM – Special Intentios ♦ 8 AM – Teresita Cui 🛱

SATURDAY, January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

9 AM – The Pauline Sisters ◆ 5 PM – Olga Lortie ★

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS

SAT: 5PM	Fr. Leszek Semik
SUN: 7:30AM	Msgr. Gregory Cox
SUN: 9AM	Fr. Leszek Semik
SUN: 11AM	Fr. Innocent Nzewuji
SUN: 5PM	Fr. Innocent Nzewuji

First Reading – Ezra read from the book of the law of God to the assembled people. They understood and accepted the law (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalm – Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading – As the body with its many parts is still one body, so it is with Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27])

Gospel – While attending worship in the Nazarean synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah and declares himself to be the fulfillment of the prophecy (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

FAITH @ HOME

HEAR

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading <u>Gospel - Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21</u>

PRAY

Take a moment of silence to reflect on the Gospel words:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

During this prayer time, what words resonated with you? How do these words bring spirit and life to you at this moment?

TALK

We are all the Body of Christ!

• How do we use our gifts and talents to live out the example of Jesus?



- How are we living this call of Missionary Discipleship?
- How is Jesus asking you to take care of the members of this Body of Christ?

Consider one of these activities to do as an individual or family:

- Reach out to someone you prayed for
- Call someone in grief
- Donate to your Parish pantry

Share as a household/ family:

• How did this prayer time and activity help you grow closer to Jesus?

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Please keep our HS Confirmation Y1 Candidates in your prayers as they prepare to go on retreat this month. May they come to know you, the one true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. [Jn 17:3]



KIDS' CORNER

JESUS SAID TO HIM. "FOLLOW ME." AND HE GOT UP AND FOLLOWED JESUS MARK 2:14

This short scene is full of inspiring moments.

For one thing, Levi is a tax collector, and in Jesus' time, tax collectors were considered dishonest and even traitors. Yet, Jesus invites Levi to be his disciple. Jesus shows us that instead of judging people, we need to see others the way he does–as God's kids. Levi's reaction to Jesus' call is just as awe-inspiring. Levi doesn't think twice. He doesn't say, "Later, when I have time." He gets up and follows Jesus right then and there.

JESUS, HELP ME SAY YES TO YOUR CALL TO Follow you today.

From the book entitled "Living Faith Kids" by Imprimatur Bishop Mark S. Rivituso

IT TAKES ALL KINDS

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a Saint.

But, this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues," might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give

our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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PARISH LIFE

SCHOOL NEWS

ST. MARGARET'S CENTER COLLECTION



Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every Margaret's Mass on January 16, 2022, supporting St. Margaret's Center. Since 1987, they

have been providing a range of emergency and supportive services, to about 10,000 individuals annually, in the Los Angeles "L.A.X." area.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

All that new outdoor camping gear Santa brought you for Christmas this year looks great! So what do you plan to do with your good old stuff?

Pay it Forward

Maybe we can take it off your hands — sleeping bags, warm jackets, tarps, blankets, tents, boots, bungie cords, whatever else that can help us with our outreach projects in the community. If there is anything you think is worth donating to the Catholic Charities LA - St. Roberts Center of Venice, please contact THoffarth@ccharities.org

We also accept mens and womens durable shirts, jeans, shoes and jackets, as well as, new socks, new underwear, stocking caps, and warm gloves. And if you have boxes of paperback books stowed away, consider letting us help them find new readers especially the classics!

See our Amazon gift registry for more ideas as well: https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/ownerview?registryId=1LL2FEVXLPHFI

Our Next Volunteer Date is scheduled for January 22, 2022. Signup at https://stanastasiala.flocknote.com/ signup/70593

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

In Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17th



ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



SOCIAL MINISTRY

Who is ready to travel again? Don't wait until 2030 to see the Passion Play! Join us in May 2022 for Simply the Best:

Oberammergau Passion Play plus Munich, Salzburg, Venice, Padua, Assisi and Rome.

Hosted by Maritza Leon. Twelve days from May 16 to May 27, 2022 including a Papal audience.

For more information contact Maritza Duran-Leon at 310-895-8898.



Beyond Our Parish

THE RIGHT TO LIFE LEAGUE

One of our League members, the Women's Clinic of the Antelope Valley, has two part-time job openings for people who are passionate about the Christian faith, the sanctity of human life, and who wants to work in a ministry environment.

Social Media Coordinator – Part Time

If you have a heart for pro-life ministry, LOVE social media, are gifted at writing and communicating, and need a job with flexible hours, this may be the perfect job for you. Position combines working remotely and on-site at the clinic.

RN / Limited Ultra-Sound Sonographer – Part Time

80% of women facing unplanned pregnancies who have an opportunity to receive an ultrasound, choose life for their babies. Effective January 2022, the WCAV is committed to providing the training for our employed nurses to be able to perform limited ultrasounds because ultrasounds save lives. If this stirs your heart, we may be the place God is calling you to serve.

WCAV is a pro-life Christian pregnancy clinic providing pregnancy testing, pregnancy verification, limited ultrasounds and options counseling--all at no cost to clients. Please email Stacy Ralston directly at director@womensclinicav.com

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

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If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you.

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DID YOU KNOW?

January 15-16 || Windows are hidden hazards

As you and your children prepare for their return to school after Christmas break, make sure they are not carrying too much around in their backpacks. Backpacks that are too heavy can cause problems like neck or back pain, or poor posture. The American Chiropractic Association (ACA) recommends that a child's backpack weigh no more than 5-10% of the child's body weight. Help your children by ensuring that they wear their backpacks correctly, with both straps over the shoulders, and that they are only carrying what they need. If you have concerns about the load your child is carrying, reach out to a teacher

or school staff to discuss what should and should not be coming home every day. For more information, visit nsc. org/community-safety/safetytopics/child-safety/backpacksafety-for-kids.





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