# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

# SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# FEBRUARY 20, 2022

PASTOR Rev. Leszek Semik

> Associate Pastor Rev. Innocent Nzewuji

**PRIEST IN RESIDENCE** Rev. Msgr. Gregory Cox

**Business Manager** Fred Balsz

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday: 5PN

Sunday:

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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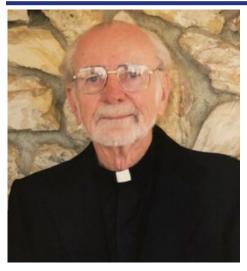


7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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#### IN MEMORY OF FR. THOMAS KING



Dear Families and Friends,

I am writing to express to you my greatest sympathy and assurance of prayers during this time as we all cope with the passing of our beloved Fr. Tom King. We were all saddened upon hearing of his passing last week, and once again, we are mindful of the shortness and brevity of this life, even for those who have served with such distinction and honor as Fr. Tom.

We have seen many times the profound impact he had on so many families and individuals in our parish, in our school, and I think especially on our children who always impatiently waited for Fr. Tom close to the sacristy to get lollipops, which Fr. Tom always had ready to give to our kids. Fr. Tom was known for sharing many lovely stories during his homilies and was even known as "Fr. 45," for almost always being able to celebrate Mass in 45 minutes.

In his time as a Pastor of St. Anastasia, from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2010, Fr. Tom celebrated Masses, baptized children, blessed marriages, listened to confessions, preached the Word of God, served the sick, celebrated funerals, built the Kingdom of God in our community. Fr. Tom worked hard with the Parish Council on a vision to someday build a new Parish Center. Unfortunately, his great dream was not fulfilled due to the financial crisis of 2008. His dream continues to live on in each of us and we pray someday to fufill his legacy.

Fr. Tom loved St Anastasia so much that even after his retirement and moving back to his family home in Venice, he still maintained himself involved in helping the next pastors in their ministries. He would always say that St. Anastasia was his home parish. I believe his good work, dedication, his love for St. Anastasia's community, faithfulness to God, and his priestly vocation is a great inspiration to all of us. Our beloved Fr. Tom King lived and followed the example of Christ, and in turn, became a powerful example of what God can do through a life yielded to Him. I know that if he were able to speak to us once again, he would share with us Jesus' words: "Don't be troubled, there is much room in the Kingdom for us all."

I want to remind you that there is no weight of the soul that our Savior Jesus Christ cannot help you bear. He is with us and wants us to trust in him as we cope with our sorrow. Never forget to allow him into your heart so that he may heal your wounds and relieve your pain. As Jesus says to all of us, "Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in me."

Let us pray that the Lord will give us his consolation and his peace at this time of grief and sadness. May God provide his compassion in abundance to us as we struggle with this loss. Finally, may God help us all to live the many faith lessons that Fr. Tom so generously taught, shared, and lived while he ministered to us. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

In Christ, Fr. Leszek Semik



# 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, February 20: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 17:5-8; Ps 138: 1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

7:30 AM - Elen Levine 🕆

9 AM – St. Anastasia Parishioners 🕈

11 AM – Damian LeBlanc ♦ 5 PM – John Madden 🕏

MONDAY, February 21: St. Peter Damian; Presidents' Day Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29

> 6:30AM – Elissa Boyce ★ 8 AM – Ray, Bette & Mark Ferra ���� V. Fahrwary 22: The Chair of St. Deter the Anastla

**TUESDAY, February 22: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle** 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

8 AM – Albert Sautter ★

WEDNESDAY, February 23: St. Polycarp Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40

> 6:30 AM – Mark Hennessy ♦ 8 AM – Jude Stark Dizon ★

THURSDAY, February 24: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50

8 AM – John Madden 🔂

FRIDAY, February 25: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

6:30 AM – Don T. 🔶

8 AM – Mark Hennessy ♦

SATURDAY, February 26: Blessed Virgin Mary Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

> 8 AM – Don T. ♦ 5 PM – Abner & Esperanza Daland & ♥

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS

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

**First Reading** – One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

**Psalm** – Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

**Second Reading** – We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:54-59).

**Gospel** – A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45).

# FAITH FORMATION

#### FAITH @ HOME

HEAR

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading <u>Gospel - Luke 6:27-38</u>

## PRAY

For your time of prayer, you will need: paper, pencil, eraser

- Begin with the Sign of the Cross. On the center of the paper, draw a heart. In the center of the heart, quickly write down the names of the people you love.
- 2. Write down the names of people (or groups of people) who you do not love or find difficult to love outside of the heart.



- 3. Once you've finished writing the names, put downyour pencil and reread the Gospel. Sit quietly and ponder the words of Jesus.
- 4. Talk to Jesus about his words. Are his teachings easy to do? Why or why not?
- 5. As you reflect on the Gospel and talk to Jesus about it, slowly erase the heart you drew. Pray as you erase the boundary. Ask Jesus to help you who are outside of your heart.
- 6. Once the heart is erased, draw a new, larger heart that enfolds all the names on your paper.
- 7. Amen.

#### TALK

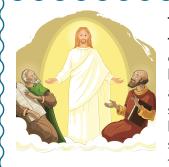
In the gospel, Jesus calls us to be merciful like the Father is merciful. Thinking of the people we find difficult to love, what are some ways I can show the love of Christ to them? Please share with one another your answers.

Now, think of a concrete way how each of you can make this a reality with the people you identified as being difficult to love. Is there a specific word, action, or prayer that you can say, do, or pray for that person?

## KIDS' CORNER

#### ... THEN FROM THE CLOUD CAME A VOICE, "THIS IS MY BELOVED SON. LISTEN TO HIM."

MARK 9:7



## The disciples were

terrified, and it's pretty easy to see why! Jesus had been transfigured, and Moses and Elijah suddenly appeared with him. Then God himself spoke! But God told the disciples to listen to

Jesus. And that's what the disciples did even if they didn't always understand. Listening to Jesus helped them in the difficult times ahead. God speaks in your heart and your life too. He tells you to listen to Jesus and follow him. Jesus shows you how to live by his words and actions. Listening to Jesus will help you become all that God created you to be. What is one way you can follow Jesus today?

> JESUS, OPEN MY HEART TO FOLLOW YOU EACH DAY.

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

#### **CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

Please keep our HS Confirmation Y2 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] We are in need of small group leaders for accompaniment during this 2 day retreat. Please reach out to ddupree@st-anastasia.org



# PARISH LIFE

## ST. MARGARET'S CENTER COLLECTION



Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every Mass today February Margaret's 20, 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.

## LENTEN SEASON 2022

Lenten Season is right around the corner. We invite all parishioners to pick up a copy of Lenten Gospel Reflections book by Bishop Robert Barron. Copies will be distributed after each Mass on Sunday February 27<sup>th</sup>. Please note the parish has purchased these booklets and we need to be



mindful to take only (1) copy per family. The front office will have limited copies to distribute during the week after distribution at our Masses.

#### Ash Wednesday Mass/Ash Service has been scheduled follows: 6:30 AM Mass/Ashes 8:00 AM Mass/Ashes

11:00 AM Mass/Ashes 5:00 PM Mass/Ashes

## OFFETORY GIFTS AT MASS



We are all part of the Body of Christ, and as active members of the Church we are blessed to begin participating again in the presentation of Gifts

during our Masses. Gift bearers at Mass represent the people of the parish and, in a sense, the entire Church. They bring up bread and wine; and the collection from that Mass as a gesture of our desire to be transformed by the power of the sacred mysteries.

Would your family like to bring up the Offetory Gifts at Mass? Please see Mrs. Brito before each Mass in the Vestibule area or contact her by email at: nivita007@st-anastasia.org

## TOGETHER IN MISSION

St. Anastasia along with all other parish in Los Angeles are excited to participate in Together in Mission 2022 "As One We Believe" Annual Appeal Campaign. This annual campaign provides for the basic needs of our poorest parishes and schools in the Archdiocese.

As one Catholic community of faith, let's pray and reflect on how we can continue to help our struggling parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

St. Anastasia parish goal is \$74,379 Commitment Weekend: Feb. 19th - Feb. 20th



## 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

## CALLING ALL SOFTBALL PLAYERS



For the past 35 years, the South Bay Catholic Adult Co-Ed Softball League has come to represent a ministry that allows its participants to cover a lot of bases. They are looking for Catholic Co-ed Softball Adult(Ages 18+) Players for the Spring Season! Games are Wed & Sun in El Segundo & WLA! Singles & Couples Welcome. Females Players especially needed! If interested, text Fred @ (714) 369-9516.

#### **R**ESPECT LIFE



# March 2-April 10 DAYS FORLIFE.

#### HELP SAVE LIVES IN LAWNDALE

**You can protect mothers, fathers, and children** by joining this worldwide mobilization. Through **prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils** and **community outreach**, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers in 63 countries. **Your presence on the sidewalk matters!** 

With God's help, here are the proven results:

- 20,000 babies saved from abortion
- 200 abortion workers converted
- 100 abortion centers closed

Here's how to take part:

- Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood South Bay 14623 Hawthorne Blvd, Lawndale, CA 90260
- Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily
- Local contact: Teressa Syta, 310-592-4213 40Days4LifeLawndale@gmail.com

Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign at:

# your family

**DID YOU KNOW?** 

If your children use the internet or social media, you will want to decide how, when, and where they can use it. Review privacy settings on apps, games, and websites, and talk to your children about how to keep their information private and safe. Check in often to make sure your children are following the

February 26-27 || Decide on online safety rules for

rules and update accordingly as apps update or technology changes. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Revisit Online Safety Practices" at lacatholics.org/didyou-know.



## Read the VIRTUS

article "Revisit Online

Safety Practices" at https://lacatholics.org/wp-content/ uploads/2022/01/DYK.Feb\_.26-27.Revisit-onlinesafety-practices.pdf

#### 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**.



## BULLETIN UPDATES

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

Mar. 6 bulletin content: Due Thursday Feb. 24 Mar. 13 bulletin content: Due Thursday. Mar. 3

## 40daysforlife.com/Lawndale



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Arrangements....670-2243

Sue McLaughlin &

**Prayer Group** 

**Rosary Ministry** 

**Respect Life** 

Young Adult Ministry

Companions on the Journey

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Nancy Albin......927-8891

Lori Mountain......502-9105

Rose De Leonardis......645-7175

Ben Oakley......670-2771

Teressa Syta.....670-0285

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Parish Office......670-2243

Mary Agnes Erlandson....672-2208 Senobia Nelson......291-3047

Cindy Begazo......306-9390

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Safe Guard the Children

St. Robert's Center

St. Margaret's Center

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