# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

MOTHER'S DAY

IN LOVE

NURTURED

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

# MAY 8, 2022

**PASTOR** Rev. Leszek Semik

Associate Pastor Rev. Innocent Nzewuji

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

**Business Manager** Fred Balsz

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 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 (CLOSED WEEKENDS)

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#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start." (Pope Francis) We have a difficult time figuring out what is true



and best for us. There are many voices talking, and so many trying to get our attention. We wrongly convince ourselves that the true voice is the voice of progress, the one that speaks of contemporary wants and desires, enticing us with the latest trends and causes. We are taught, by listening to the voices around us, that truth is found in feeling and thought, and ideals must match current and popular human wants. Because we feel a particular way it must be true. Then, we find a shepherd who empathizes with us and affirms us. We follow that voice even though listening to that voice will render us powerless and lead us to harm. There are many with me in this procession to this pasture. I must be on the right path and listening to the right voice.

We are very confused. What can keep us safe and from harm? Where do we go to find life, love, and happiness? Jesus tells us that he is the way, the truth, and the life. The only way to get to Truth, who is God, is through Him. There is no other way. The Church, the gate around God's pasture of life, is charged with the mission of directing us where God desires that we go. In the midst of all of the conflicting voices around us, the voice of truth is often muffled in all of the noise, but it beckons us to a life of virtue and grace. Helping us understand who we are and where we have to be, it discerns the voice of God, providing us with the safety net we need to stay straight on our path to life eternal.

We have to trust the voice of God, the true Shepherd, even when it does not mirror what we want and what others may believe. Faith goes way beyond feeling and involves a radical trust in Someone who can lead us and form us. At day's end, if we do not know to find our way home, we will be ©LPi truly lost.

## ST. MARGARET'S CENTER COLLECTION

Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every Mass May 15, 2022, supporting St. Margaret's Center.



## FROM THE DESK OF FR. LESZEK

We are happy to welcome Deacon Jose (Joe) Viola to our Parish of St. Anastasia. Please provide him with a warm welcome as he settles into his new role within our parish.



Dn. Jose (Joe) a native of Manila, Philippines earned his business degree from the University of the East, Manila Phillippines. He went on to have a 25 year career as a corporate foreign exchange trader at Citibank Manila and then New York. He was ordained on June 11, 2011, in the diocese of Bridgeport, Connecticut. In 2019

he moved to Los Angeles with his wife Erlinda Viola and family. He has been assigned to our parish as a permanent Deacon and has already begun providing our parish with the support of his ministry. We appreciate you joining our community! Be sure to introduce yourself to him next time you see Dn. Jose (Joe) celebrating Mass or at a future parish event.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Leszek Semik

## MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Remember your beloved mother or any special woman, living or deceased, with a Mother's Day "Spiritual Bouquet" Mass Intention. Cards and offetory envelopes

can be found in the Vestibule and at the front West entrance to the Church.

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners please enjoy the rosaries available to take home with you. May this token of spiritual love serve to invite you more deeply into a prayerful life with our Blessed Mother Virgin Mary, as she intercedes for us to our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is for Cardinal Mcintyre's Fund formed in 1948 in order to assist the "neediest of the needy" by raising and maintaining funds to reimburse ADLA parishes for emergency financial assistance given to individuals and families. Learn more at - https://adladevelopment.org/cardinalmacintyre/

# MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS

#### DAILY PRAYERS

#### $\label{eq:personal Prayer in the Church$

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, May 8: Mother's Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

> 7:30 AM – Rey Gabriel Herrera ★ 9 AM – Rosemary Cambre and Ida Conolly ♥♥ 11 AM – St. Anastasia Parishioners ◆ 5 PM – Mother's Day Novena

MONDAY, May 9:

Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

6:30AM – Fr. Tom King 🕆 8 AM – Mother's Day Novena

TUESDAY, May 10: St. Damien de Veuster; St. John of Avila Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

> 8 AM – Carlos Castellano 🕆 Mother's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, May 11: Acts 12:24 – 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

> 6:30 AM – Mother's Day Novena 8 AM – Carlos Castellano 🗗

THURSDAY, May 12: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

FRIDAY, May 13: Our Lady of Fatima Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

> 6:30 AM – Mother's Day Novena 8 AM – Erik Melchor ★

SATURDAY, May 14: St. Matthias Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17 8 AM – Maria Otaño ★ ☎ 5 PM – Mother's Day Novena

#### 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. Leszek Semik     |
| SUN: 5PM    | Fr. Innocent Nzewuji |

**First Reading** – Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches (Acts 14:21-27).

**Psalm** – I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** – John's vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

**Gospel** – As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

# **FAITH FORMATION**

#### SRE REGISTRATION FOR 2022-2023



FHC Y1 & Y2 R.C.I.A/ Adult FHC/ Adult Confirmation will take place after morning Masses on:



- May 15<sup>th</sup> May 22<sup>nd</sup>
- June 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>
- June 26<sup>th</sup> Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>
- July 10<sup>th</sup>

July 24<sup>th</sup>

Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



VBS will be back this year! We will have two seperate tracks. Registration for VBS will take place in Diamond Courtyard after our morning Masses on May 15<sup>th</sup> & May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Contact DRE, Nivita Brito, for more information at nivita007@st-anastasia.org

June 27th - July 1st (F.R.O.G.) 8AM-12PM July 25th - July 29th (Hidden Treasures) 8AM-12PM

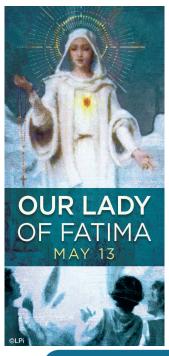
#### **S**ACRAMENTS

We are looking forward to the month of May when the children and young adults of our St. Anastasia Parish complete their formation preparation and receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and

Confirmation. Please keep them, their sponsors, and families in your prayers. May God's grace poor unto their hearts the gifts of these sacraments so that they can continue to grow in their faith, glorify God and spread the love of Jesus as true disciples of Christ.



## KIDS' CORNER

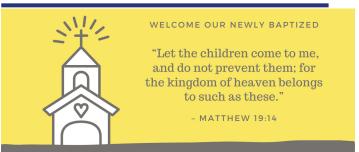


On May 13th, we celebrate the first time that Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal, in 1917. They were surprised! Mary asked them to follow her son by praying the Rosary for peace in our world. The children shared Mary's message with others. We can do that too. What is one way that you can follow Jesus and be a peacemaker?

MARY, PRAY FOR US, THAT WE CAN ALL LIVE IN PEACE.

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

## CONGRATS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED



The St. Anastasia Community congratulates the families of the following children recently baptized in our parish:

> EvaS. Luca K. Theodore <del>J</del>. Madison H.

Notan W.

Lord, pour your Holy Spirit into their hearts and wrap your loving arms around them.

# PARISH LIFE

#### MAY22<sup>ND</sup> STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND



Offering back to God what He has given us is part of how we worship and give thanks to God. Stewardship helps us see the good we can accomplish by making God and our spiritual life the

most important values in our life. On **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, St. Anastasia School and Parish are coming together for a **"Weekend of Stewardship."** Our Parish has two outreach initiatives and our Middles School students will be in Pastor's Plaza collecting items for their service projects. A few organizations are highlighted below:

Isaish, Juliam & Noah - Care Packages for unhoused & low income families. **In need of**: hand wipes, sanitary napkins & wipes, granola bars, lip balm, socks, shampoo, deodorant.

Christopher, Josue & Nathan collecting underwear for St. Margaret's Center. **In need of:** 500 pairs of NEW underwear for adult homeless men who are offered weekly showers at St Margaret's Center. various sizes

Sasha and Laura America fundraising for Red Cross, assisting the people or Ukraine **In need of:** follow link for Go Fund Me Go Fund me for Ukraine: <u>https://gofund.me/f69f28f9</u>

David, Michael & Orion AGES Book drive.

**In need of:** books for all children ages to enjoy and learn the love of reading.



The truck from St. Vincent de Paul will be in the Parking Lot **Sunday**, **May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30AM-1:30PM**, collecting useable clothing, shoes, small appliances, household items, books, etc.

Thru May 31<sup>st</sup> our Respect Life ministry will be collecting diapers and baby care items to support local Pregnancy Help Centers.



Please fill up the cribs in the vestibule and at the front of the Church.

## CONFIRMATION PROGRAM SERVICE PROJECTS

#### Then, on **Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> after the 9AM and 11AM Masses** candidates will be selling homemade goodies for all to enjoy. All sale proceeds will be used to purchase much needed items for St. Robert's Center



Outreach program. Be sure to stop by and support their efforts as they learn about the virtue of charity– allowing them to grow in the love of Christ, for the more we give, the more we receive!

## CALLED TO RENEW CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Parish Goal: \$1,245,000 Pledges to Date: \$509,685 We are 41% to our Goal



For more information on how this campaign impacts our Parish, please visit our website "Giving" page. To make an appointment with Fr. Leszek to discuss how you can contribute with a pledge at your comfort

level, contact the Parish Office at (310) 670-2243. To make your pledge online visit :

#### https://bit.ly/RenewSt\_Anastasia

Be sure to select St. Anastasia as your Parish (P482)

## ST. ANASTASIA GOLF TOURNAMENT



The 24th Annual St. Anastasia's Charity Golf Classic is back! Register now to attend on **Wednesday, May 25th,** for an unforgettable day on the links with DRINKS, FOOD, PRIZES, RAFFLES, and MORE! Awards

and dinner at the Elks Lodge following the golf.

The tournament will be held at SKYLINKS GOLF COURSE with a 10am Shotgun start. Golf skills are not required. Teams will be in foursomes. You can form your own or we'll find you a group. Singles welcome!

If you would like to register, please contact Shannon Matthews: Shannon@MatthewsFam.us

# Beyond Our Parish

#### CITY OF SAINTS TEEN CONFERENCE

Pre-registration will run from March 30th – May 15th (or until capacity is reached). If you or a group is interested in attending together as a parish please contact Dianalee Dupree at ddupree@st-anastasia.org by May 10<sup>th</sup>. Any adult volunteers who would like to join as chaperones please reach out aswell.



## VOCATION SUNDAY MAY 14TH & MAY 15TH



OUR VOCATION TEAM IS READY TO HELP YOU DISCERN...

#### **Building a Culture of Vocations**

The home is the domestic church, and it is here that the vocation to priesthood, religious life, marriage, or consecrated single begin. Here are some ways that you can build a culture of vocations in your home.

- Create an altar/prayer space with images of saints reminding us of our call to holiness.
- As parents, share with your children your experience of the sacrament of marriage and your positive experiences of priests and religious growing up.
- Invite your local priest or religious to share with your family their vocation story.
- Watch videos of priests and religious.
- Encourage one another to follow God's will.
- Pray wholeheartedly for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

COFFICE FOR VOCATIONS

Fr. Michael Perucho Director of Vocations frmikeperucho@la-archdiocese.o Fr. Peter Saucedo Associate Director of Vocations frpsaucedo@la-arcdiocese.org

## WALK FOR LIFE SOUTH BAY



Please join the Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance as we celebrate our 35th Annual Walk for Life on **Saturday, May 21st at 8:30 a.m.** 

If you don't sign up online (by clicking "Walk/Join Team" button), onsite registration starts at 7:30 a.m., festivities and Walk at 8:30 a.m. Meet us on the south side of Veterans Park in Redondo Beach.

This fun community event is perfect for all ages and abilities, including babies in strollers to senior citizens. Walk, ride, or stroll with us to show your enthusiasm knowing you are helping to provide free livesaving services for abortion-vulnerable women and their preborn babies. Get your daily exercise and support a great cause at the same time.

For More information and to register visit - https:// supportphctorrance.org/events-news/

Saturday, May 21, 2022 8:30am – 11:00am Location: Veterans Park 309 Esplanade Redondo Beach, CA 90277

## DID YOU KNOW?

#### May 7- 8 || Know who to call in California

If you suspect a child is being abused, it is important to know who to call with your information. In California, the agency that handles child abuse tips is the Department of Social Services — Division of Children and Family Services. Anyone who suspects abuse can call



this department, local law enforcement agencies, or the California hotline at 916-445-2771. For more information, please visit https://www.virtusonline.org/ virtus/Abuse\_Reporting.cfm#CA.





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#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

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| Parish Finance Council   | David Mora670-2243  | Associate Pastor:  | Fr. Innocent Nzewuji | Teressa Syta670-0285                     |
|                          | Christopher Kaczor670-2243  |  | Msgr. Gregory A. Cox | Nurses Ministry                          |
|                          | Stefan Politz   |  |                      | Linda S. Absher645-6136                  |
| Men's Club:              | Chris Turkmany200-8021  | Business Manager:  | Fred Balsz           | Angie Tolentino351-6137                  |
|                          |   |  | Nora Jayne Mallen    | Men's Morning Hour                       |
| Arts and Education:      | Andy Kozlowski670-3152  | Parish Office Assistants:                                | Theresa Reilly       |  |
| LITURGI                  | CAL MINISTRIES  | Director of Religious Education:                         | Nivita Aldrete-Brito | MOMS Ministry                            |
| Ministry of the Eucharis | t: Linda Schmidt397-5691  | e e  | Kate Comstock        | Maria Reilly                             |
| To the Home Bound        |   | Confirmation/ Bulletin Editor:                           | Dianalee Dupree      |  |
|                          | Carl Pentis649-4238   |  | Angelica Krestin     | Bible Study<br>Carolyn Godlewski670-2243 |
|                          | Antoinette Luxford.338-1140   |  | •<br>•               | Email: ScriptureStudyStA@gmail.com       |
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|                          | r: Parish Office670-2243  |  | Pauline Diaz         | Laurette Bibeau670-2488                  |
|                          | Sr. Teresita  |  | Ken Lance            | Family Visitation Ministry               |
| Altar Care:              | Rose De Leonardis645-7175<br>Herb Masi641-2819                                | Maintonanco  | Erik Melchor         | Sr. Teresita                             |
| And Server Commutee.     | Mary Paquin502-6653   |  | Dianalee Dupree      |  |
|                          |   | PTO-Parent Teacher Organization:                         | Vickie Farmer        |  |
|                          | <b>BECOMING A PRIEST</b>  | ADESTE (After School Program):                           | Ofelia Jimenez       |  |
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Arrangements....670-2243

| Companions on the Journey |
|---------------------------|
| Sue McLaughlin &          |
| Lidia Vinci670-224        |

Young Adult Ministry Nancy Albin.....927-8891

| Prayer Group  |  |
|---------------|--|
| Lori Mountain |  |

| Deceme Ministry           |
|---------------------------|
| Rosary Ministry           |
| Rose De Leonardis645-7175 |
| Ben Oakley670-2771        |

Respect Life Teressa Syta......670-0285

Safe Guard the Children Ken Lance......670-2243

Homeless Weekend Program/ St. Robert's Center

Parish Office......670-2243 St. Margaret's Center

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

Catholic Charities Cindy Begazo......306-9390

Bundles for Babies & Dianer

| Nurses Ministry |          |
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| Linda S. Absher | 645-6136 |
| Angia Talantina | 251 4127 |

