



ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 14, 2022



20th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Lk 12:49

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5PM Vigil
Sunday: 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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GOSPEL MEDITATION

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and self-absorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction. Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as

the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance.

"What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth. ©LPi



BULLETIN UPDATES

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

Aug. 28 bulletin content: Due Thursday, Aug. 18

Sep. 4 bulletin content: Due Thursday, Aug. 25

NEW MINISTRY COMING SOON!



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Life is an exciting albeit challenging journey. We are each blessed with incredible gifts but sometimes it is hard to recognize those gifts when we are struggling. One of the best gifts we have on our journey is the support of those who walk along side us.

Reaching out and asking for help can be difficult, especially in situations when we could use it the most:

- after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- after the funeral, when everyone has left and loneliness and hurt come crashing in on you.
- after the relationship falls apart and the bottom falls out of your life.
- after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.
- after the gavel comes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

There is a constant and tremendous need for support considering the challenges life throws our way. Fr. Leszek recognized the need for broadened care within our congregation and is bringing a new Ministry designed to help our community cope, make it through difficult times and remain connected to God. We are proud to announce St. Anastasia is in the process of building a Stephen Ministry team. Thru Stephen Ministry, our congregation will equip and empower lay care givers in the art of confidential, one-on-one, Christ centered care so when you find yourself in crisis, you will not have to walk alone.

If you are interested in learning more, please reach out via email to stascares@gmail.com. Training for care givers, also called Stephen Ministers, will begin in mid-January. It is a profound and rewarding experience to use your God given talents of mercy, grace and compassion to help people in need. If you feel you are blessed with those gifts and want to get involved, our community will be a stronger, more loving, place because of your participation. You will be providing hope when people need it most.

FLOCKNOTE

Flocknote is our communication tool allowing us to more effectively communicate with you through text or email. You choose what information to receive regarding events happening at St. Anastasia. Receive the digital bulletin, ministry updates, and more! Join today by texting our keyword **STACHURCH** to **84576**.



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

Monday, Wednesday and Friday



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 at 310-670-2243 for information on completion of requirements due 2 weeks before Baptism.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & 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, August 14: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

7:30 AM - St. Anastasia Parishioners ♦

9 AM - John and Rosemary Connolly ♥

11 AM - Colleen & Chris ♥

5 PM - Ichan Satyadi †

MONDAY, August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Lk 11:27-28

6:30 AM - Special Family Intentions ♦

8 AM - Sr. Rose Eileen †

5 PM - Sr. Maureen Thomas †

TUESDAY, August 16: St. Stephen of Hungary

Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

8 AM - Josephine Russell †

WEDNESDAY, August 17: S

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

6:30 AM - Patrick Joseph Mallen ★

8 AM - Esperanza Rasbot ★

THURSDAY, August 18:

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

8 AM - Fr. Tom King ★ †

FRIDAY, August 19: St. John Eudes

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

6:30 AM - Chris Wyatt †

8 AM - William Russell †

SATURDAY, August 20: St. Bernard

Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

8 AM - Carlos Hurlado †

5 PM - Yvonne Leo †

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS

SAT: 5PM Fr. Greg Rozborski

SUN: 7:30AM Fr. Greg Rozborski

SUN: 9AM Fr. Leszek Semik

SUN: 11AM Msgr. Gregory Cox

SUN: 5PM Fr. Greg Rozborski

First Reading – Brothers and sisters of every race and language will be brought to Jerusalem (Isaiah 66:18-21).

Psalms – Go out to all the world and tell the Good News (Psalm 117).

Second Reading – Be strong and endure your trials as the "discipline" of a loving God, for it will result in the peaceful fruit of righteousness (Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13).

Gospel – People from east and west, north and south, recline at table in the kingdom of God (Luke 13:22-30).

FAITH FORMATION

SRE REGISTRATION FOR 2022-2023

Registration for FHC Y1 & Y2 R.C.I.A/ Adult FHC/ Adult Confirmation will take place after Sunday morning Masses. Please Contact DRE for more information at nivita007@st-anastasia.org



YOUTH MINISTRY CORE TEAM

Accompany our High School teens as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Consider saying "Yes," to the call and cultivate a beautiful community for our Church! All interested please email: Ddupree@st-anastasia.org

Can you give an hour of your Sunday mornings to help in the formation of Next Generation Catholics?

For the safety of all, volunteers must be Virtus trained & finger printed.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION



2022-2023 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

If you have a teen currently in High School, now is your chance to sign up for the Sacrament of Confirmation! St. Anastasia offers a two year preparation program. The program runs September-May.



All Year 1 and Year 2 candidates can visit our website to register at

<https://bit.ly/StAConfirmation>

KIDS' CORNER

BLESSED ARE YOU WHO FEAR THE LORD, WHO WALK IN HIS WAYS!

PSALM 128:1

God gave us commandments to follow because he knew that without his guidance we would get into all kinds of trouble and even cause harm to ourselves and others. God's laws are like the signs posted at the swimming pool that read "No running." Signs like this don't prevent you from having fun. But they can help keep you and others from getting hurt – so everyone can keep having fun. Always remember that God loves you and wants to protect you.

DEAR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HELP ME DO YOUR WILL TODAY.



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

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

"Take; this is my body"

—Mark 14:22

The presence of Christ in the Eucharist is real, true, and substantial.

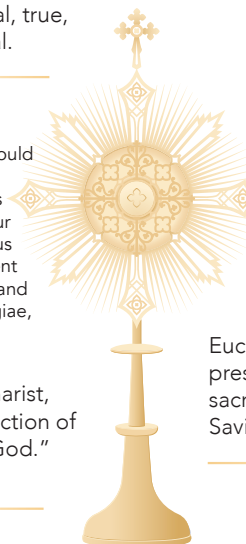
As St. Thomas Aquinas wrote, "It is the law of friendship that friends should live together. . . . Christ has not left us without his bodily presence in this our pilgrimage, but he joins us to himself in this sacrament in the reality of his body and blood" (Summa Theologiae, III q. 75, a. 1).

"It is called: Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God." (CCC, no. 1328)

"Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love." (St. John Paul II, *Dominicae cenae*, no. 3)

By his Real Presence in the Eucharist Christ fulfills his promise to be with us "always, until the end of the age" (Mt 28:20).

Eucharist "makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior." (CCC, no. 1330)



FAMILY FUN DAY

Let's close out the Summer together! Spend the afternoon in fellowship and enjoy Mass on the Grass at 5PM. There will be a food truck, games, and music for all to enjoy! Bring lawn chairs and blankets.



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED MARY AUG 15TH

Join us for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass on **August 15th at 5PM**

The feast of the Assumption is a reminder to us that heaven gets even better! We pray that the souls of the faithful departed would soon be united to God in heaven. The truth is, the separation between our souls and our bodies was not God's original plan for things. It's one of the results of the Fall, of original sin. At the end of time and Jesus' second coming, our bodies and souls will be reunited. Lest we forget, Mary's Assumption is the reminder.



FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN



Join us for our last family playdates this August at our school's play structure. Bring your little ones, ages 0-5yrs. Enjoy social time for littles and adults alike. All are welcome! Bring your children, water and snacks.

Where - Playground structure and Pastors Plaza

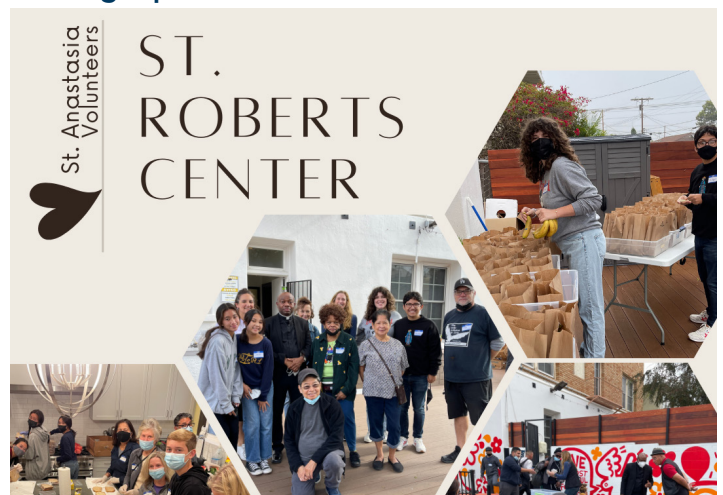
Time - 9AM-11AM

When: August 20th

Contact Ddupree@st-anastasia.org for more information.

ST. ROBERTS CENTER

Every 6 weeks our Parish Outreach Ministry volunteers at St. Robert's Center in Venice at 211 3rd Ave, Venice, CA 9029. Join us on **Saturday, August 20th 7:30AM-11AM**. Together we will feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and bring hope to those in despair. Sign Up at: <https://stanastasia.flocknote.com/signup/70593>



ST. MARGARET'S CENTER COLLECTION



Don't miss our monthly donations basket after every Mass this **Sunday, August 14, 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.

BEYOND OUR PARISH

ST. MARGARET'S CENTER COLLECTION



Drivers Needed! St. Margaret's Center is looking to fill two crucial volunteer positions to assist those in need.

The Center is seeking drivers who can pick-up food from local supermarkets during the week, Monday – Friday. Own vehicle is helpful but not required. The food is used in our Food Pantry to distribute to low-income families each week. We are also looking for administrative help to complete timely reports, crucial for funding and fulfillment purposes. For more information, please email **Zack LaGuardia** at zlaguardia@ccharities.org or call 310-672-2208. The Center is located at 10217 Inglewood Ave., Lennox 90304, just off Century Blvd. Thank you for considering these volunteer opportunities.

DID YOU KNOW?

August 13-14 || Meet all of your child's teachers this year

As children head back to school, parents should make every effort to meet the people their children will come in contact with — from their classroom teachers to those who teach the special subjects like art, music, or other extracurriculars. Make the effort to have a face-to-face meeting with these people and know the school's policies on abuse prevention and awareness. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done," at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



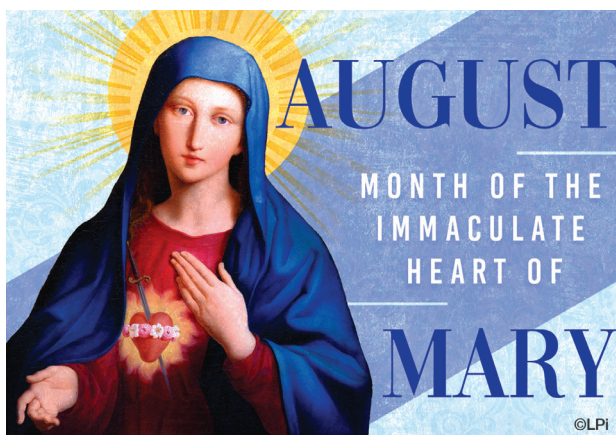
THE HUMAN ADVENTURE RETREAT



Weekend Healing Retreat: The Human Adventure with Fr. Pat Crowley, SSCC
6pm Friday, October 14 to 1:30pm Sunday, October 16, 2022

"To live with soul is to live with hope in the midst of discouragement and setbacks. Trust in the midst of struggle and the unknown future. Patience in the midst of trials and pain. Gratitude in the midst of ordinary life. Generosity in the midst of committed relationships." (Wilkie Au -The Enduring Heart) To recapture the vision of our human adventure is the aim of this retreat. St. Paul in his epistle to the Philippians captures the theme very succinctly: "Brothers and Sisters, I do not think of myself as having reached the finish line. I give no thought to what lies behind but push on to what is ahead." (Philippians 3. 13). The Retreat is an opportunity to experience sharings on the Human Adventure, times for quiet reflection and prayer; personal ministry; and daily celebration of the eucharist. The sacrament of reconciliation will also be available for those wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament. There will be a general healing service on Saturday evening in the Chapel for all of those wishing to attend. Fr. Pat is a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts in the Western Region of the United States Province. He has been actively involved in Healing Ministry for over forty years. He resides at the Community House in California. Cost: per person/shared \$250; single \$350; commuter \$160

Visit: <https://maryjoseph.org/event/weekend-healing-retreat-with-fr-pat/>





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