



# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

## DISCIPLE



“Anyone of you who does not  
renounce all his possessions  
cannot be my disciple.”

LUKE 14:33

### PASTOR

Rev. Leszek Semik

### ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Greg Rozborski

### PRIEST IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Msgr. Gregory Cox

### DEACON

Jose “Joe” Viola

### BUSINESS MANAGER

Fred Balsz

### 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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## FROM THE DESK OF FR. LESZEK

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The summer months are coming to a close, and we are being called back into community at work, school, and Church. School is back in session; thanks be to God! I had the joy of welcoming our school's children back this past Friday during Mass. I was thrilled to see and hear the children's voices bringing their particular kind of electrifying energy to our Church. I've missed them!

God is calling us all to live and love as the community of faith that we are created to be. This past Saturday, we did just that, celebrating the end of Summer with our first ever "Family Fun Day." It was a beautiful afternoon filled with fellowship, good food, and sharing in the Eucharist at our Mass on the Grass. This event is not a singular example of our beautiful community. There is much to be thankful for!

Earlier this summer, parishioners helped us complete our **"Called to Renew Campaign."** Through much prayer and sacrifice, over 180 parishioners helped us exceed our goal with pledges totaling **\$1,349,545 (108%)**. We also finalized our altar remodel design, and thanks to the feedback from you in July, we selected white paint-grade finishes. We now look forward to beginning construction by the end of September. Our weekly worship will continue uninterrupted as we temporarily relocate our altar while the work is completed.

The Church also calls us to serve those in need. I'm delighted to share that our community is answering the call. We have met our goal for **"Together in Mission," our annual diocesan appeal, raising \$75,271** thanks to the generosity of over 100 St. Anastasia parishioners. Through parishioners like ours, who live out their faith in acts of charity, parishes and schools can continue to prosper in the city of Los Angeles.

There is much serving we do right here within our ministry groups. Our ministry volunteers are the heartbeat of our parish, and we appreciate all who serve in various capacities. After our lovely Ministry Appreciation Luncheon a few weeks ago, we are ready to bring back our **Ministry Fair on September 18<sup>th</sup>**. We have over twenty ministries at St. Anastasia, and I know there is one just right for you. I hope everyone takes time to reflect on their unique talents and discern how to share those talents to meet the needs of our community. Everyone is needed to carry out the mission of the Church.

It takes courage to listen to the Holy Spirit and devote ourselves to the task of discipleship and stewardship. So let's respond to today's Gospel by having the courage to pick up our own cross and continue building this community with resolve, knowing that with God at the center, we will always have the faith resources to do His will.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Fr. Leszek Semik

## CONGRATS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

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

*Calista K.*

*Jax S.*

*Maverik S.*

*Reese S.*

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

## LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

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### Prayer for Labor Day



Good and Gracious God,  
You created human beings in Your image and likeness and gave us dominion over creation to be stewards of the land and co-creators of Your Kingdom.

Jesus, You became one of us and labored as a carpenter. You ask all people -- whatever our state of life -- to follow you faithfully.

Holy Spirit, bless all workers this Labor Day. May all our actions be animated by Your love, as we do all things for the glory of God.

Amen.

In honor of Labor Day our Parish Office will be closed on **Monday September, 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**We will only be offering one Mass at 9AM**

## BULLETIN UPDATES

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If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email [bulletin@st-anastasia.org](mailto:bulletin@st-anastasia.org).

**Sep. 18 bulletin content: Due Thursday, Sep. 8**

# 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](http://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](mailto:Nivita007@st-anastasia.org)

### HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION:

Please contact Dianalee Dupree  
Call: 310-670-2243 Ext. 51 or Email: [DDupree@st-anastasia.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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, September 4: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

7:30 AM - Fr. Leszek Semik ♦

9 AM - Rachel and Bill Delucchi ★★

11 AM - Caridad Otaño ★

5 PM - St. Anastasia Parishioners ♦

**MONDAY, September 5: Labor Day**

1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

### ONLY ONE MASS ON LABOR DAY

9 AM - The Gatchalian Family ♦

**TUESDAY, September 6:**

1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19

8 AM - Carlos Ignacio †

**WEDNESDAY, September 7:**

1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

6:30 AM - John and Edna Cussigh ††

8 AM - Shelton and Celine Lorick ♥

**THURSDAY, September 8: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

8 AM - Aaron and Diana Coles ♥

**FRIDAY, September 9: St. Peter Claver**

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

6:30 AM - Thanksgiving for The Gatchalian Family

8 AM - Esperanza & Abner Daland ††

**SATURDAY, September 10: Blessed Virgin Mary**

1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

8 AM - Noah Abbas ★

5 PM - Kristen Herber ★

## 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. Greg Rozborski

**First Reading** – Because Moses interceded, the LORD relented and did not punish the people (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

**Psalm** – I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

**Second Reading** – Paul expresses his gratitude for being appointed to the ministry (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

**Gospel** – There is great rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

# FAITH FORMATION

## SRE REGISTRATION FOR 2022-2023

Registration is now open for First Holy Communion Y1 & Y2/ R.C.I.A/ Adult FHC/ Adult Confirmation. Connect with our DRE at Sunday morning Masses to learn more or email at [nivita007@st-anastasia.org](mailto:nivita007@st-anastasia.org)



## Religious Education:

Helps to build a strong foundation  
**Have you registered your child for SRE yet?**



St. Anastasia's School of Religious Education offers a full program for both the child and parent(s). First Holy Communion is a two year program for children that have been baptized and looking to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation.

Registration for new students is now open  
<https://forms.gle/tNMQa5wnRggCLPee9>

## 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

**WHEN RIDICULED, WE BLESS; WHEN PERSECUTED, WE ENDURE;  
WHEN SLANDERED, WE RESPOND GENTLY.**

1 CORINTHIANS 4:12-13

Would it surprise you to learn about a saint who was once a bully? Saul had been going around hurting Jesus' followers. He thought this was the right thing to do! Then Saul met, Jesus, who asked why he kept hurting him. Saul realized that every time he hurt Jesus' followers, he was hurting Jesus. Saul stopped hurting Jesus' followers and even became one himself! For this, Saul was ridiculed and thrown in prison. He was put in chains and beaten. He found out what it was to be bullied. But Saul (who we know as St. Paul) didn't bully anyone back or return the hurt. He responded with gentleness.



**ST. PAUL, PRAY FOR ME TO BE  
GENTLE LIKE YOU.**

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

## ALTAR SERVICE MINISTRY



**Calling all Students of St. Anastasia Parish who are in the fourth grade or older!**

You are invited to join the Parish Altar Server Ministry. Training will take place in three sessions and is available on **Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, September 17<sup>th</sup>, and September 24<sup>th</sup>. The training will be offered 7:45am-10am.**

Servers are required to be members of the St. Anastasia Parish. The Altar Server Ministry is open to students that attend any school.

The Parish priests and the entire St. Anastasia Parish community appreciate your willingness to serve! Registration is available. For an application or further information, please contact:

Mary Paquin, Altar Server Scheduler  
[MSPAQMAN@YAHOO.COM](mailto:MSPAQMAN@YAHOO.COM) or (310) 502-6653

# PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

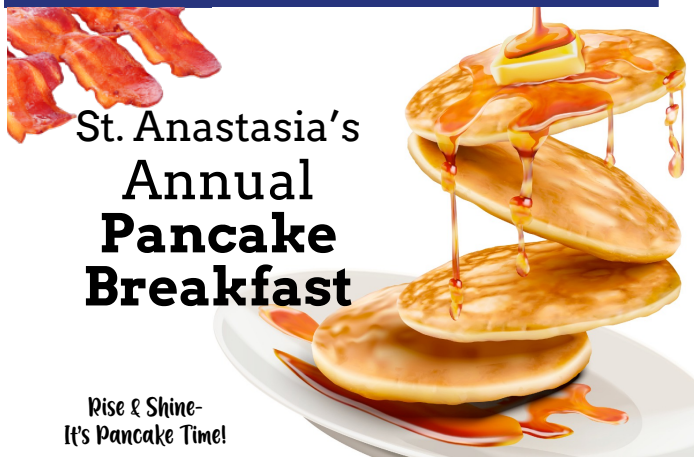
## MINISTRY FAIR SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

Our Ministry Fair is back! Come to Pastor's Plaza after all morning Masses on **Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**. Learn about our ministries and explore the ways you can participate in helping to meet the needs of the faithful. Get involved! There will be opportunities for you to ask questions and to sign up.



Please Contact the DRE for more information at [nivita007@st-anastasia.org](mailto:nivita007@st-anastasia.org)

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>



### St. Anastasia's Annual Pancake Breakfast

Rise & Shine-  
It's Pancake Time!

**SUNDAY, SEPT 18th**  
School Support Sunday!

## TOGETHER IN MISSION

Together in Mission directly and exclusively supports the poorest parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

**St. Anastasia's Parish Goal for 2022 was \$74,379.** We are happy to share that we have **exceeded** that goal by raising **\$75,271 (101%)**. Thank you to all our participating parishioners who are helping in bringing the Good News and hope to so many local parishes and families.



## MUSIC MINISTRY - SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is for the continued support of our Music Ministry. We are working towards enhancing the experience of worship by heightening the Word of God with an increase richness and variety of music at all our Masses and at the many community events we host throughout the year.



## UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

A little heads up on special collections is always helpful! Make note of these upcoming stewardship opportunities

- **September 18<sup>th</sup>**: School Support Sunday (St.A School 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)
- **October 9<sup>th</sup>**: Building Fund (St.A 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)
- **October 23<sup>rd</sup>**: World Mission Propagation of Faith (ADLA 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)
- **November 20<sup>th</sup>**: Catholic Campaign for Human Development (ADLA 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)

## VIRTUS TRAINING & ADLA FINGERPRINTING

St. Anastasia Church will be offering in-person VIRTUS TRAINING. This program is an awareness program on Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and a requirement for all parents of St. Anastasia School and Religious Education, as well as all liturgical ministers and volunteers of our parish. The course certification is valid for four years.



Register at [www.st-anastasia.org/events/](http://www.st-anastasia.org/events/)

Virtus Protecting God's Children sessions will be:

- **Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> 8AM**

Keeping the Promise Alive™ Refresher Program (1HR) - Recertification ONLY

- **Friday September 9<sup>th</sup> 10AM**
- **Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM**

Upcoming ADLA Fingerprinting dates:

- Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>
- Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

\* Fingerprinting is by appointment only

## BEYOND OUR PARISH

### CATHOLIC MENTAL HEALTH RETREAT



*Peace in the Storm*

**A Catholic Mental Health Retreat**

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 1ST, 2022  
POVERELLO RETREAT CENTER  
SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, CA  
\$85 (LUNCH INCLUDED)  
9:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

RETREAT LEADERS:  
ADAM CROSS, LMFT  
MICHAEL GASPARRO, LMFT, LPCC

VISIT [ADAMCROSSMFT.COM](http://ADAMCROSSMFT.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION

### ST. JEROME'S CRAFTS FAIRE

St. Jerome Parish will hold their annual Crafts Faire on

**November 19<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-4:00pm,  
November 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00am-2:00pm.**

Several tables are still available.

They are on a first come first serve basis and are \$80.00 .

Please call Joan Hoffman: 310-670-7801.

Location: 5550 Thornburn Street, Westchester, L.A.



### DID YOU KNOW?

**September 3-4 || Tips for talking to your children about school safety**

Most children will participate in school safety drills when they head back to the classroom this year, from active shooter drills to weather emergencies. As a parent, you can help your child cope with any anxiety or distress they experience during these drills. Talk to your children about school safety and address any concerns they may have. Remind them that the school and their teachers are working to keep them safe. For more tips, visit <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/all-around/Pages/Actions-Schools-Are-Taking-to-Make-Themselves-Safer.aspx>.

### 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/>**

### SACRED HEART RETREAT HOUSE

#### 3 Day Women's Retreat

This Classic Women's Retreat begins on Friday 10/21 in the evening and goes into Sunday 10/23 mid-morning. It is led by a priest retreat master speaking at five conferences and he will also be available for confession. Meanwhile the Carmelite Sisters will lead prayers such as Night Prayer, meditative reflection periods, and the Rosary. All periods between activities will maintain a silent environment intended to support your interior intimacy with Jesus while mealtime conferences help supplement conference material. Visit <https://sacredheartretreathouse.com/events/102122-onsite>



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