

St. Maria Goretti Church

Long Beach, CA

February 18, 2018

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1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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Tel. (562) 425-5112 Website: www.smgschool.com
Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

ST. MARIA GORETTI RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Tel. (562) 248-3454
Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sunday - 8a.m. – 2 p.m.

SACRAMENTS:

Sunday Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Saturdays
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12 noon (Spanish)

Weekday Eucharist

8:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:00 p.m.
Anytime, by appointment

Baptisms: Parents expecting a child, please phone Parish Office, even before the birth, regarding preparatory classes.

Marriages: Please phone our parish priest at least 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the church office anytime. For Eucharistic care, arrange with the Ministry Office for weekly visitation.

Devotions

Rosary and Chaplet

Monday thru Friday at 7:20 a.m.

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions

Friday at 8:30 a.m.

First Friday: Eucharistic Adoration

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Online E-Giving available through our Parish website:

<https://www.ncsservices.org>

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please stop by the church office to register at your earliest convenience.
We need you! Welcome to our parish family.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sat, February 17 : MSpS Lenten Retreat—Hall 7pm
Confessions—Church 3pm

Sun, February 18: SMG: Religious Ed. (Grade 1-6) 8:30am
RCIA: Youth Rite of Election—Church 10am
Confirmation 1 Class 10—AMR 11:30am
RCIA—Library 11:30am

Mon, February 19: Ordinary Activities

Tues, February 20: Soup Dinner—Hall 6pm

Wed, February 21: Adult Choir Practice 7:30pm

Thurs, February 22: SMG Mass—Grade 7 8am
AA Meeting—Hall 6:30pm
Bible Study—AMR. 7pm

Fri, February 23: Ordinary Activities

Sat, February 24 : Confessions—Church 3pm
SMG: Texas Hold Em Tournament—Hall 6pm

Sun, February 25: Scouts Pancake Breakfast—Hall 7am
Religious Education Class 8:30am
SMG: Religious Ed. (Grade 1-6) 8:30am
Eucharist Process Year 2: Session 3 8:40am
First Communion Year 2: Session 3 8:40am
Confirmation 2 Class 10—AMR 11:30am
RCIA—Library 11:30am

Attention Parishioners:

Boy Scout Troop 224 will be holding their annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser and Bake Sale on Sun. Feb. 25th after the 8 am and 10 am masses. Please join us for breakfast, fellowship, and to lend your support to our Troop.
Thank you!

Lenten Soup Dinner

Our Lenten soup dinner schedule is as follows:
Tuesday, February 20, Patty Padilla & Tina Richardson-
Respect for Life & St. Vincent de Paul
Tuesday, February 27, Prayer Group &
St. Vincent de Paul
Tuesday, March 6, Genelle Curiel, Religious Education
Please come and support. Thank you!

Natural Family Planning

Do you want to learn the secret to living your marriage sacrament freely, totally, faithfully and fruitfully? Come learn Natural Family Planning; it's highly effective and can do wonders for your relationship. To learn more visit www.celi.org or contact Greg and Beth Gath at bethgath@gmail.com or 562-377-5877.



Saturday, February 17

5:00 pm Special Intentions

Sunday, February 18

8:00 am Int. of SMG Parishioners
10:00 am Int. of Bob Windrim
12:00 pm +Myra Garcia Vega

THIS WEEK 8:00am

Monday: Int. of Linda Ngu
Tuesday: +John McKay
Wednesday: +Anthony & Martha Caudillo
Thursday: Int. of Jose Marie Limpo
Friday: Int. of Albert Shaheen

Saturday, February 24

5:00 pm +Barry Espiritu (Family)

Sunday, February 25

8:00 am Int. of Vicky Zavala
10:00 am Int. of all SMG Parishioners
12:00 pm Int. of all Souls in Purgatory

DID YOU KNOW?

Establishing boundaries

Helping children understand that they have the right to establish boundaries if anyone tries to hurt them or touch them in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable is an important, but sometimes difficult, task. Establishing boundaries around touch is integral to keeping kids safe. Having regular, open conversations about safety is one of the best ways to help keep kids safe. Remind children that their bodies are their own, encourage them to talk about their concerns and listen respectfully when they do.

For more information from [kidsmartz.org](http://www.kidsmartz.org) visit, http://www.kidsmartz.org/~media/KidSmartz/ResourceDocuments/KidSmartz_Setting_Physical_Boundaries.pdf.

¿SABÍA USTED?

Estableciendo los límites

Ayudar a los niños a comprender que tienen derecho a establecer límites si alguien intenta lastimarlos o tocarlos de una manera que los haga sentir incómodos es una tarea importante, pero a veces difícil. Establecer límites alrededor del tacto es esencial para mantener seguros a los niños. Tener conversaciones abiertas y regulares sobre la seguridad es una de las mejores maneras de ayudar a mantener a los niños seguros. Recuérdeles a los niños que sus cuerpos son suyos, anímelos a hablar sobre sus preocupaciones y escuche respetuosamente cuando lo hagan. Para obtener más información, visite [kidsmartz.org](http://www.kidsmartz.org), http://www.kidsmartz.org/~media/KidSmartz/ResourceDocuments/KidSmartz_Setting_Physical_Boundaries.pdf.

REMINDER

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LOCK YOUR CAR AND HIDE YOUR VALUABLES FROM PLAIN SIGHT

ST. MARIA GORETTI LONG BEACH

Breaking Bread

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Responsorial Psalm:

“Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.”

Sunday Catholic TV Mass

9:00am on KDOC Channel 56

Also on cable/satellite TV. Check listings for “KDOC.”
Please help spread the word.

Tell a homebound relative or neighbor.

**CATHOLIC CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS
WANTED!**

Greater South Bay Catholic Co-ed Adult (Ages 18+) Softball League seeks players for their exciting 2018 season. Games are held on Sunday afternoon from February through June in Torrance. Singles and couples players welcome; Females players especially needed! If interested contact Fred at (714) 369-9516 or through email fredlawler@hotmail.com

To All Parishioners:

Just a reminder that all donations given to our church are tax deductible. If you are a registered parishioner you will receive a letter at the end of the year showing your annual contributions. If you are not yet registered please call our rectory office to get started. Church donations may help on your taxes!

ACCW District Meeting

The Southeastern District of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites all women of the parish to a day of prayer and fellowship with other Catholic Women of the area.

The ACCW District meeting is being held on Thursday, February 22 at St. Matthew Church.

672 Temple Ave, Long Beach, CA 90814

Charge is \$12.00 a person. For reservation or more information, call Linda Freundlich at 562-452-7444.

Check bulletin board for more information.

Companion Hospice Care Volunteers Needed

Companion Hospice Care is now recruiting volunteers for our upcoming training program. Volunteers can become a needed friend to someone during the last part of their journey.

Volunteers can also relieve tired caregivers for short periods of time, or help with errands and shopping. Assignments will be in your geographical area. Become a member of our team, whose goal is to promote quality of life and comfort measures. Each applicant will receive 16 hours of orientation and training from our professional team. We are located at 8130 Florence Ave. Suite 200, Downey 90240. Call today and make a real difference in someone’s life!

We also need help in the office, which does not require attending the patient Care Training Class. To learn more call the volunteer coordinator, Yovana at

(562) 944-2711



LECTORS

	February 10	February 24
5:00pm	Trondsen	Hanna
	February 11	February 25
8:00am	Niemeyer	Moons
10:00am	Clark/Merlos	Shararian
12 noon	Prieto/Saldivar	Godinez/Viramontes

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, February 17

5:00pm Celeste Banares, Genelle Curiel, Joe Curiel, Irene Wood, David Williams

Sunday, February 18

8:00am Hilda McAllister, Yvonne Seyler, Ofelia Cuellar, Esther del Campo, Volunteer
10:00am Donna Coutts, Barbara Clark, Carrie Cox, Mike Garry, Yolanda Medina-Skinner, Volunteer
Noon Lydia Fonseca, Ramona Jimenez, Carmen Cruz, Margarita White, Missionaries of H.S, Missionaries of H.S

Saturday, February 24

5:00pm Katherine Richardson, Bud Miller, Gloria Miller, Dom Rivera, Carol Gerbrand

Sunday, February 25

8:00am Terry Gill, Patricia Jondle, Hilda McAlister, Pat Moran, Volunteer
10:00am Sandy Moons, Louie Moons, Debbie Palzer, Rhonda Rivera, Steven Way, Volunteer
Noon Lidia Godinez, Maria Alvarado, Nelly Lopez, Missionaries of the H.S, Missionaries of H.S, Rosa Santana

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, February 17

5:00pm Ashton & Nicholas S, Volunteer

Sunday, February 18

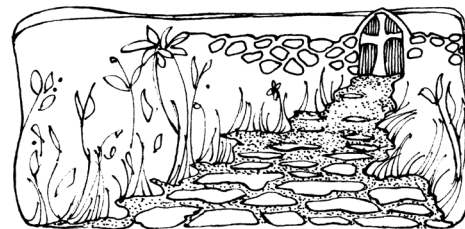
8:00am Jessie F, Max & Sebastian C
10:00am Angelica B, Ashton & Nicolas S.
12:00pm Johnson L., Pablo H. & Alexa P.

Saturday, February 24

5:00pm Naomi, Kira, & Nadia K

Sunday, February 25

8:00am Gary J, Claribel G. & Dean B.
10:00am Angelica B, Andres & Julian V.
12:00pm Jonathan L, Juliana & Sammy G.



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“Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths.”

-Psalm 25:4

St. Maria Goretti School News Corner



February 19

No School—President's Day

February 24

Texas Hold-Em Poker Tournament

St. Maria Goretti School Open Enrollment

Registration packets are available for grades TK to 8 in the school office for the 2018-2019 school year.

Please call to schedule a tour at 562-425-5112 or visit our website at www.smgschool.com.

If you have any questions please contact the school office at (562) 425-5112.

Using Visitor Envelopes

When using a visitor contribution envelope for your weekly offering, please be sure to list your full name and address so that our Rectory staff can apply credit to the appropriate family or member, as some families share the same last name. Thank you!

**The St. Maria Goretti School Alumni
Invites You To A**

Texas Hold'em Tournament

Saturday, February 24, 2018

Doors open at 5 pm

Dealing starts at 6 pm

\$35 Buy in for 500 chips

First Prize - A \$500 pre-paid Debit Card

Additional Debit Card prizes for 2nd - 5th places.

"Adult" Beverages, Water, and Soft Drinks for sale during the event. Free munchies provided for all.

Must be 21+ years of age to play.

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Help Raise Box Tops for SMG!

Help earn money for St. Maria Goretti Catholic School with Box Tops for Education! Box Tops are found on the packaging of many different food products and household items (please see BTFE.com for a full list of participating products). Each one that is clipped and turned in means 10¢ for our school! It may not seem like a lot, but it all adds up. Our goal is to raise \$1,000 to purchase new books for our library. You may turn in your Box Tops to the school office, or drop them in the box in the back of the church. SMG School thanks you!



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Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters . . .

Larry Aguilar, Steven Bopp, Frances Boudreau, Esperanza Caballero, Madelyn Caldwell, Max Cardona, Kris Cash, Bertha Chavira, Brooklyn Blue Chavira, John Clark, Bill Cooper, Trese Cordoza, David Costello, Gloria Delgado, Sue Dietrich, Barbara Duran, Robert DuPont, Ann Erlich, Shelley Flores, Altagracia Garcia, Larry Gaudy, Sal Gonzales, Stephan Gutierrez, Pat Hawthorne, Fr. Henry, Thomas Alexander Hogan, Matthew Holliday, Frank Humphreys, Ellie Jacobs, Richard Joyce, Doug Jungemann, Mykella Kershaw, Patricia Kershaw, Leon Labayen, Jaime Lagana, Margaret Lander, Gabriel Lopez, Manuel Lopez, Jack & Barbara Luera, Leo Montano, Mary Ann Mendoza, Kelly Miller, Tom Moran, Sean Murray, Kristine Negrete, Jeffrey Newon, Stella Oliva, Joe Padilla, Patty Padilla, Mike Petersen, Lorissa Privette, Gia Quintero, Harper Reich, Kevin Reich, Patricia Reich, Suzanne Reich, Thomas Richardson, Margie Rodriguez, Mary Ruth Romo, Dora Saning, Richard Santos, Brad Schneider, Lisa Sielen, Toby Sturgis, Raymond Tanguay, Virgie Trajano, Robert Trani, Tess Turla, Don Watts, Joyce Watts, Richard Zapata, Holder Zimmerle, Michael Zuelke, Kathy Olivos, Dave Haro

Please continue to pray for all the sick of our parish.



Call to Vocation

Ever have a quiet suspicion that God is asking more of you? Do you wonder if it might be a Church vocation? Meet a group of people with the same question. Call Sr. Kathy at the Archdiocesan Vocation office at (213) 637-7248

How to access the updated E-Giving System

1. Go to <https://www.ncsservices.org>
2. Click on the “Members” icon at the top left corner of the screen
3. Select the “New Login” link
4. Login with your email address and password
5. Proceed to donation prompt

MINISTRY CONTACT LIST

Knights of Columbus: Dave Williams (562) 221-6985
Boy Scouts: Kelly Bryson (562)-761-9375
Cub Scouts: Melissa Ray (714) 785-3577
Altar Servers: Debbie Palzer (562)-248-3454
Children’s Liturgy: Lupita Stimpson (562) 673-2851
Coffee and Donuts: Tina Richardson (562) 883-3150
Carnival Contact: Jeremy Seib (562) 248-9521
Eucharistic Mass: Rectory (562) 425-7459
Eucharistic Sick: Rectory (562) 425-7459
Lectors: John Clark (562) 425-3203
Music: Steve Ordonez (562) 896-6959
Bible Study: Rolf Trondsen (562) 897-6584
RCIA: Rolf Trondsen (562) 897-6584
Respect Life: Patty Padilla (562) 496-0750
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