



St. Maria Goretti Church

Long Beach, CA

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ST. MARIA GORETTI SCHOOL:

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

ST. MARIA GORETTI RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Tel. (562) 541-6702

Office Hours:

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://giving.ncsservices.org/saintmaria>

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sat, Mar 11: Confession — 3pm
K of C Spaghetti Dinner

Sun, Mar 12: Ordinary Activities
FHC Class — 8:30am
RCIA Mass — 10am
Yr 1 Confirmation — 11:30 am

Mon, Mar 13: Ordinary Activities

Tues, Mar 14: Ordinary Activities
K of C Mtg — Hall 6pm

Wed, Mar 15: Ordinary Activities

Thurs, Mar 16: AA Meeting — Hall 6:30pm
Bible Study—AMR 7:00pm
Grade 8 Mass

Fri, Mar 17: Ordinary Activities

Sat, Mar 18: Confession — 3pm

Sun, Mar 19: Ordinary Activities
FHC Class — 8:30am
RCIA Mass — 10am
Yr 2 Confirmation — 11:30am

DID YOU KNOW?

Healing gardens for victim-survivors offer a way forward

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles unveiled its first “Garden of Healing” for victim-survivors of sexual abuse, at the St. Camillus Center for Pastoral Care, near East LA. Its goal is to bring peace and comfort to those who have been victims of abuse. Inspiration for the garden came from a victim-survivor who has worked with Archdiocese’s Victims Assistance Ministry for many years. To learn more, visit angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/la-garden-of-healing-for-abuse.



Saturday, March 11
5:00pm Special Intentions

Sunday, March 12
8:00 am +Gloria Miller
10:00am Int. of Jeff Palzer
12:00pm Int. of SMG Parishioners

THIS WEEK 8:00am

Monday: +Sean Nicolas Aguilar
Tuesday: +Thomas Richardson
Wednesday: Int. of George & Samantha Reisch
Thursday: Int. of Bud Miller
Friday: +Msgr. Saunders

Saturday, March 18
5:00pm Int. of SMG Parishioners

Sunday, March 19
8:00 am Int. of Joe Santos
10:00am Special Intentions
12:00pm Int. of Irene Nunez

Please Protect Our Garden

As we are sure you have noticed, Linda has worked so hard on our beautiful garden. The flowers are blooming wonderfully and the garden has never looked better. In order to ensure that this continues to ring true, we do ask that you refrain from picking or cutting the flowers. Thank you for keeping our garden healthy!



¿SABÍA QUE?

Jardines de sanación para víctimas-sobrevivientes ofrecen un camino hacia adelante

La Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles inauguró su primer “Jardín de Sanación” para víctimas-sobrevivientes de abuso sexual, en el Centro de Atención Pastoral San Camillus, cerca del este de Los Ángeles. Su objetivo es llevar paz y consuelo a quienes han sido víctimas de abuso. La inspiración para el jardín provino de una víctima-sobreviviente que ha trabajado con el Ministerio de Asistencia a las Víctimas de la Arquidiócesis durante mucho años. Para obtener más información, visite angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/la-garden-of-healing-for-abuse.

ST. MARIA GORETTI LONG BEACH

LECTORS

March 11

5:00pm Hanna

March 12

8:00am Stroh

10:00am Moons

12:00pm Dominguez/Saldivar

March 18

5:00pm Trondsen

March 19

8:00am Windrim

10:00am Garcia

12:00pm Saldivar/Lopez

Breaking Bread

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Responsorial Psalm:

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 11

5:00pm Rolf Trondsen, Maggie Lien

Sunday, March 12

8:00am Pat Moran, Pat Windrim

10:00am Carrie Cox, Sandy Moons

Noon Conseulo Marquez, Maria Alvarado

Saturday, March 18

5:00pm Genelle Curiel, Joe Curiel

Sunday, March 19

8:00am Hilda McAllister, Terry Gill

10:00am Steven Way, Mike Garry

Noon Sandra Herrera, Ramona Jimenez

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.

Offering Our Gifts to God

Each week at the Sunday Masses parishioners bring forward the bread and wine to be used in the Eucharist in the offertory procession. Since this symbolic act is meant to convey the faith of the whole parish community, we are always eager to have new individuals and families involved in the Eucharist in this way. If you would like to participate in the offertory procession, please let one of our ushers know.

Stations of the Cross

SMG Students will have Stations of the Cross every Monday at 1:15pm during Lent.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent;
Daylight Saving Time begins

Friday: St. Patrick; Abstinence

Saturday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

REMINDER

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

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer of Saint Patrick

Christ be with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,

Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,

Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ where I lie down, Christ where I sit,

Christ where I arise,

Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,

Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,

Christ in every eye that sees me,

Christ in every ear that hears me.

Salvation is of the Lord.

Salvation is of the Christ.

May your salvation, O Lord, be ever with us.

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Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters . . .

Larry Aguilar, Steven Bopp, Frances Boudreu, Esperanza Caballero, Kris Cash, Bertha Chavira, Brooklyn Blue Chavira, Bill Cooper, Trese Cordoza, Gloria Delgado, Sue Dietrich, Barbara Duran, Robert DuPont, Susan Escobar, Altagracia Garcia, Larry Gaudy, Sal Gonzales, Rhonda Griffen, Stephan Gutierrez, Pat Hawthorne, Thomas A. Hogan, Matthew Holliday, Frank Humphreys, Ellie Jacobs, Richard Joyce, Doug Jungemann, John Kenyon, Mykella Kershaw, Patricia Kershaw, Jaime Lagana, Margaret Lander, Gabriel Lopez, Manuel Lopez, Jack & Barbara Luera, Tonya Macias, Kevin Montano, Mary Ann Mendoza, Kelly Miller, Bud Miller, Tom Moran, Sean Murray, Kristine Negrete, Joe Padilla, Patty Padilla, Annette Paradise, Mike Petersen, Gia Quintero, Harper Reich, Kevin Reich, Patricia Reich, Suzanne Reich, Margie Rodriguez, Mary Ruth Romo, Dora Saning, Richard Santos Lisa Sielen, Toby Sturgis, Virgie Trajano, Don Watts, Joyce Watts, Gale Woods, Richard Zapata, Holder Zimmerle, Michael Zuelke, Fr. Tony Nuanez, Raymond, Gertie & Len Tanguay, Cathy Rand, Samuel Korkis, Sgt. Richard Thomas, Carmelita Villarosa,, Jaxon Curiel, Anita Ball, Fr. Jesus Sanchez.



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

New Stop Signs

We have installed new stop signs before exiting the parking lot. Please make a complete stop when you are exiting the parking lot please come out slowly as there may be pedestrians or cyclists.

Thank you!

How to access the updated E-Giving System

1. Go to <https://giving.ncsservices.org/saintmaria>
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
Cub Scouts: Solange Thompson (323) 376-8599
Boy Scouts: Katie Harshaw (562) 595-2220/Greg Gath
(562) 453-9553
Altar Servers: Adriana Lopez (562) 413-4591
Children’s Liturgy: Lupita Stimpson (562) 673-2851
Coffee and Donuts: Tina Richardson (562) 883-3150
Eucharistic Mass: Rectory (562) 425-7459
Eucharistic Sick: Rectory (562) 425-7459
Lectors: Leo Moons (562) 760-2951
Spanish Lectors: Lidia Godinez (562) 833-3284
Music: Steve Ordonez (562) 425-7459
Bible Study: Rolf Trondsen (562) 897-6584
RCIA: Rolf Trondsen (562) 897-6584
Respect Life: Patty Padilla (562) 496-0750
Safeguard the Children: Rectory (562) 425-7459
Senior Social Circle: Genelle Curiel (562) 425-7753
St. Vincent De Paul: Tina Richardson (562) 542-6486
Ushers: Dave Williams (562) 221-6985
Religious Education: Debbie Palzer/Albert Valdespino
(562) 541-6702

St. Maria Goretti School News Corner



March 17: No School — Faculty in Service

March 24: 2nd Trimester Report Cards
Fit-A-Thon
12:00pm Dismissal

March 27: Fr. John's Birthday

March 29: Lenten Drama

For frequent updates on all SMG School events and information, please visit their website at smgschool.com.

Parish Register

Being an active member at a Parish has many rewards such as: being eligible to sponsor a child for Baptism, receiving financial aid for Catholic Education, to be married within the parish and to prepare one's children for the Sacraments, to name a few. To be an active member is to participate in acts of stewardship and prayer throughout the Parish. All adults over the age of 21 can register and be considered members. Participating in one or more of the ministries offered by the Parish is a way in which you can share your time and talents for the greater good of the Church Community and beyond. If you are not a member, feel free to pick up a registration form from the Rectory.

Why do we have to attend Mass every Sunday?

Throughout our two thousand years of Church history, Sunday has been set aside as "the Lord's Day," to celebrate God's greater creation of the world. According to the *Catechism of the Holy Church*, "The Sabbath brings everyday work to a halt and provides a respite. It is a day to protest against the servitude of the world and the worship of money" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #2172). Observing Sunday as the Lord's Day helps us to keep our worship of God outward, visible, public, and regular. Sunday is also the day we celebrate Jesus' resurrection.

The Church instructs us to attend Mass each Sunday because that is where Jesus gives us what we need to stay strong in the world. Just as we take food into our bodies, so we take in Christ through the Eucharist. His body is real food and his blood is real drink (John 6:55-57). The resulting grace helps us to overcome our daily temptations and fulfill our responsibilities. Our faithful Communion will bring us eternal life.