

St. Maria Goretti Church

Long Beach, CA

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Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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

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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.***

PALM SUNDAY

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sat, March 24: Confession 3pm
 Sun, March 25: Palm Sunday—All Day
 Religious Education Class—8:30am
 SMG: Religious Ed. (Grade 1-6)—8:30 am
 Confirmation 2 Class 12— AMR 11:30am
 RCIA—Library 11:30am
 Cub Scout Den Meeting—Hall 3pm
 Mon, March 26: RCIA youth Sessions—AMR 6:30pm
 Tues, March 27: Ordinary Activities
 Wed, March 28: Adult Choir Practice—Church 7:30pm
 Thurs, March 29: Holy Thursday
 AA Meeting—Hall 6:30pm
 Fri, March 30: Good Friday
 Sat, March 31: Holy Saturday
 K of C Easter Egg Hunt— Field 10am
 RCIA: Presentation of the Creed and the
 Lord’s Prayer — AMR 7:30pm
 RCIA: Baptisms —Church 8pm
 Sun, April 1: Ordinary Activities

REMINDER

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
 ON HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 29 AND
 GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30.
 IT WILL REOPEN MONDAY, APRIL 2.**

EASTER SCHEDULE 2018

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, March 28
 Confessions are also heard 3:00-5:00 pm
 7:00-8:00 pm

HOLY WEEK

WEEKDAY MASSES

March 26, 27 & 28 8:00 am

HOLY THURSDAY, March 29

Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30

Celebration of the Lord’s Passion 1:00 pm
 5:00 pm
 7:00 pm

EASTER, March 31 & April 1

Easter Vigil Saturday: 8:00 pm
 Sunday Masses: 8:00 am
 10:00 am
 Noon



Saturday, March 24

5:00 pm +Josephine Orante (Sylvia Colorado)

Sunday, March 25

8:00 am Int. of SMG Parishioners
 10:00 am +Robert Flores (Martha Loomis)
 12:00 pm For the Souls in Purgatory



THIS WEEK 8:00am

Monday: Int. Steve Schaller (Family)
 Tuesday: Fr. John’s 71st Birthday (SMGP)
 Wednesday: Int. of Fr. Tony (SMGP)
 Thursday:
 Friday:

Saturday, March 31

5:00 pm Mass for the People

Sunday, April 1

8:00 am +Dr. and +Mrs. Jose D. Rivera (Family)
 10:00 am Int. of SMG Parishioners
 12:00 pm +Adrian Jimenez (Family)

DID YOU KNOW?

Talk to children about all types of strangers. Most children know something about stranger danger, but do they know about friendly strangers? Many predators will use tricks to lure young victims such as asking for help walking a dog, offering candy, or pretending to know their parents. No matter how friendly someone may be, children should know that if they don’t know the person, they should never go anywhere with them. Give kids simple rules: it’s okay to run away from someone you don’t know, and to shout “no!” or “go away!” if a stranger is talking to you or asking you to go anywhere. To view a kid-friendly video on this topic, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SY7RhBszp0k>.

¿SABÍA USTED?

Hable con los niños sobre todo tipo de extraños. La mayoría de los niños saben algo sobre peligros con extraños, pero ¿saben ellos de amigos extraños? Muchos depredadores utilizarán trucos para atraer a víctimas jóvenes, como pedir ayuda para pasear a un perro, ofrecer dulces o pretender conocer a sus padres de familia. No importa cuán amigable sea alguien, los niños deben saber que si no conocen a la persona nunca deberían ir a ninguna parte con ellos. Dé a los niños reglas simples: está bien escaparse de alguien que no conoce y gritar “¡no!” o “¡vete!” si un extraño le habla a uno o le pide que vaya a algún lado. Para ver un video para niños sobre este tema, visite <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SY7RhBszp0k>.

BASKETS FOR CARNIVAL

If you have any wicker baskets that you no longer need, consider donating them for the silent auction. To donate, simply bring your basket to the rectory office. Thank you!

ST. MARIA GORETTI LONG BEACH

Breaking Bread

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Responsorial Psalm:

“My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?”

THANK YOU

Thank you to a donor who gave us funds to upgrade the lights in the hall and to Tony Jimenez, who worked tirelessly to find the right bulbs and lenses and made time to install them for us! Your generosity to our Parish is very much appreciated.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our Parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, March 24

5:00pm Naomi, Kira & Nadia K.

Sunday, March 25

8:00am Gary J. Claribel G., & Volunteer

10:00am Angelica B, Andres & Julian V.

12:00pm Jonathan L, Juliana & Sammy G.

Thursday, March 29 Holy Thursday

7:00pm Juliana & Sammy G. & Angelica B.

Friday, March 30 Good Friday

7:00pm Peyton J, Alexa P, & Claribel G.

Saturday, March 31 Holy Saturday

8:00pm Max & Sebastian C, & Dean B.

Sunday, April 1 Easter Day

8:00am Naomi & Kira F, Volunteer

10:00am Max & Sebastian C, Volunteer

12:00pm Johnathan, Juliana & Sammy G.

LECTORS

March 24 5:00pm Trondsen/Hanna **March 31** 8:00pm Moons/Gaudy/Godinez

March 25 8:00am Windrim/Stroh **April 1** Windrim
10:00am Clark/Castaneda/Merlos Clark/Merlos
12 noon Viramontes/Godinez Moreno/Hermosillo

Holy Thursday (March 29)
7:00pm Trondsen/Godinez

Good Friday (March 30)
1:00pm Windrim
5:00pm Lopez/Prieto
Godinez/MSps
7:00pm Trondsen/Moons

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 24

5:00pm Genelle Curiel, Joe Curiel, Yolanda Litzinger, Dom Rivera, David Williams

Sunday, March 25

8:00am Terry Gil, Patricia Jondle, Pat Moran, Ofelia Cuellar, Volunteer
10:00am Yolanda Medina-Skinner, Sandy Moons, Louie Moons, Debbie Palzer, Rhonda Rivera, Steven Way
Noon Maria Alvarado, Rose Santana, Lidia Godinez, Nelly Lopez, M.Sp.S., M.Sp.S.

Thursday, March 29 Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper. Please Volunteer.

Friday, March 30 Good Friday

Please volunteer to serve at the service you attend.

Saturday, March 31 Easter Vigil

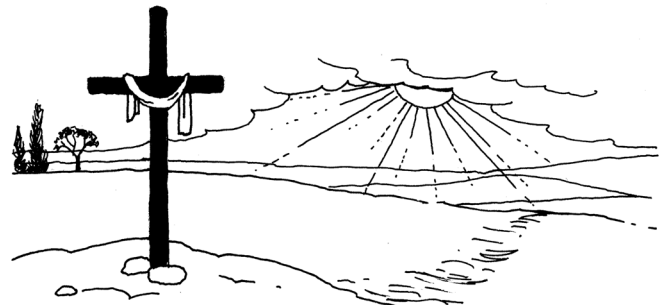
8:00pm Please Volunteer.

Sunday, April 1 Easter Sunday

8:00am Please Volunteer

10:00am Please Volunteer.

Noon Adela Rivera, Carmen Cruz, Ramona Jimenez, Lydia Fonseca, Missionaries of the H.S, Missionaries of the H.S



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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

The April schedule was emailed last week.

Extra copies are available in the Altar Servers' Sacristy.

“[Christ Jesus] humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”

-Philippians 2:8

St. Maria Goretti School News Corner



April 9
Back to School

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.smsgschool.com.

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

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. Thank you!



Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatias of Loyola Spring Session 2018

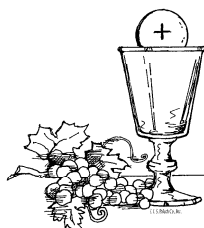
These classes, offered at St. Peter Chanel in Hawaiian Gardens, are given over a 10-week period, will greatly intensify your spiritual life and desire to go to Heaven. The first session begins April 21. This program and materials provided are free.

Donations are accepted. Each meeting last 2-2.5 hours. To register online, go to www.spcomv.com or contact Mary Martorana at lovegodssavesouls@gmail.com or Veronica Ayson at (562) 924-7591.

Saturdays 11am, Sundays 1:30pm, Wednesdays 7pm or Thursdays 9:15am

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.



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Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters . . .

Larry Aguilar, Steven Bopp, Frances Boudreu, 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, Tess Turla, Don Watts, Joyce Watts, Richard Zapata, Holder Zimmerle, Michael Zuelke, Kathy Olivos, Dave Haro, Richard Wescott, Leo Lucie, Fr. Tony Nuanez



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

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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
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