

St. Maria Goretti Church

Long Beach, CA

December 2, 2018

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

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ST. MARIA GORETTI SCHOOL:

Tel. (562) 425-5112 Website: www.smgschool.com
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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://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.***

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sat, November 24: Confession — 3pm

Sun, December 2: Religious Education Class — 8am
 SMG School: Pictures with Santa — 11am Hall
 Confirmation Year 1 Class 6 — 11:30 am AMR
 RCIA—Library 11:30am
 Boy Scout troop 224 Mtg — 6pm Hall

Mon, December 3: Ordinary Activities

Tues, December 4: K of C: Officers Mtg — 7pm Hall

Wed, December 5: Opus Dei Women Recollection — 6pm Church

Thur, December 6: AA Meeting — 6:30pm Hall
 Bible Study — 7pm AMR

Fri, December 7: K of C: Bunko — 7pm Hall
 Holy Day of Obligation Vigil Mass — 7pm Church

Sat, December 8: Holy Day of Obligation Vigil Mass — 8am Church
 Confession — 3pm

Sun, December 9: Religious Education Class — 8am
 Pack 62: Pancake Breakfast — 7am Hall
 First Holy Communion I: Session 2 — 8:40 am AMR
 Confirmation Year 2 Class 5 — 11:30 am AMR
 RCIA—Library 11:30am
 K of C: Christmas Party — Noon Hall
 Boy Scout troop 224 Mtg — 6pm Hall

SMG Christmas Toy Drive

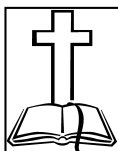
The SMG Christmas toy drive in partnership with Catholic Charities - Long Beach will start collecting toys again for families in need! We will be collecting new unwrapped toys for all age groups, up through teens! The toys will be distributed by Catholic Charities to selected families in the first week of December. There will be a table set up in the church, under the stairs to the choir loft! Thank you for your generosity!

Next Week is Census Sunday!

We are blessed through the faithful attendance and participation of each family in the life of our parish. We want each of you to feel welcomed and keep you informed of all that is happening in our parish, but sometimes this isn't possible because we don't have accurate address and phones numbers.

To help us update our records, we will ask each family to fill out a Census card next weekend. Filling out a card will help us better communicate with you and provide better service to the community.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and thank you for being a part of our community!



Saturday, December 1
 5:00 pm +Charles Clough
 (Gloria & Bud Miller)

Sunday, December 2
 8:00 am Int. of all SMG Parishioners
 10:00 am Int. of Courtney Shararian
 12:00 pm Int. of Marcus Altavas

THIS WEEK 8:00am
 Monday: Int. of Samantha Santos
 Tuesday: +Albert DeFauw (Gloria & Bud Miller)
 Wednesday: +Rose Souza
 Thursday: +Lucy Wescott
 Friday: +Ken Williams
 7pm Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday, December 8
 8:00am Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 5:00 pm +Rosalinda Castine May (Dolgorouky Gaudy)

Sunday, December 9
 8:00 am +Eugene Miller (Mike & Susie Miller)
 10:00 am Int. of all SMG Parishioners
 12:00 pm +Adrian Jimenez (Family)

DID YOU KNOW?

Keep Santa visits safe and secret-free

It's the Christmas season, which means children around the archdiocese will be lining up for a picture with Santa and a chance to tell him what they hope to find under their trees this year. The Santa visit is a fun holiday tradition, but it's not a time when parents can let their guard down. Santa and his helpers are usually volunteers and may not have gone through screenings or tests to ensure your child's safety, so it's up to you. Keep an eye on anything happening while your child visits with Santa. Never step away from the action, even for a moment, and don't allow your children to be led away to another room. For a copy of the complete VIRTUS® article, "Safety for Children AND Santa's Helpers," visit <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspxprotecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

¿SABÍA USTED?

Mantenga las visitas de Santa seguras y libre de secretos

Es la temporada de Navidad, lo que significa que los niños de la arquidiócesis se prepararán para una foto con Santa y la oportunidad de decirle lo que esperan encontrar debajo de sus árboles este año. Esta es una tradición navideña divertida, pero aun así no es un momento para que los padres de familia bajen la guardia. Santa y sus ayudantes por lo regular son voluntarios, y es posible que no hayan pasado por exámenes de detección o pruebas para garantizar la seguridad de su hijo/a, por lo que ésta depende de usted. Vigile cualquier cosa que suceda mientras su hijo visita a Santa. Nunca se aleje del lugar de la acción, ni siquiera por un momento, y no permita que sus hijos sean llevados a otra habitación solos. Para obtener una copia del artículo completo de VIRTUS®, "Safety for Children AND Santa's Helpers" (Seguridad para los niños y los ayudantes de Santa), visite <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

ST. MARIA GORETTI LONG BEACH

Breaking Bread

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Responsorial Psalm:

“To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.”



SMG School: Upcoming Events

Dec 6th: Celebrate the Feast of Saint Nick
SLE-Loving and Character Counts Caring
School Family Activity

Dec. 7th: Loving/Caring Wear red shirts with
UNIFORM bottoms

Dec. 8th: Immaculate Conception-Holy Day of Obligation



Knights of Columbus Home Decorating

The Knights of Columbus is offering the opportunity to have your home decorated for the Christmas Holiday.

They will try to accommodate all requests, but will work on a first come first serve basis.

Requestors will need to supply their own lights and decorations, but we can offer small hardware that may be required to help in the decorating process.

If you are interested, please give them a call at (310) 738-4396.

St. Maria Goretti has a Chance to win \$4,000.00 for our School!

Please let your neighbors, family, and friends know that every time they go to Chick-fil-A at the Long Beach Towne Center and Traffic Circle to mention our school name with their order and our school will receive credit. (NO MORE SAVING RECEIPTS)

The contest ends on January 31, 2019.

We need to collect at least \$1500.00 in qualifying receipts before sales tax to qualify for the 1st Place Prize. A graphic chart with our school name will be displayed in the restaurant to show our school's place in the contest.

Chick-fil-A	&	Chick-fil-A
7681 Carson Blvd		4401 Pacific Coast Hwy
Long Beach, CA 90808		Long Beach, CA 90804

Again, participants must let the cashier know at point of purchase our school's name in order to receive credit.

Thank you for supporting St. Maria Goretti Catholic School!

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Just a reminder that there will be a Holy Day of Obligation vigil mass on Fri., December 7th at 7pm and Sat., December 8th at 8am.

LECTORS

	December 1	December 8
5:00pm	Gunther	Hanna
	December 2	December 9
8:00am	Moons	Clark/Stroh
10:00am	Arroyo/Castaneda	Shararian
12 noon	Moreno/Hermosillo	Godinez/Lopez

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, December 1

5:00pm Rolf Trondsen, Celeste Banares, Dom Rivera, David Williams, Yolanda Litzinger.

Sunday, December 2

8:00am Elizabeth Stroh, Ron Costin, Hilda McAllister, Patricia Moran, Volunteer.
10:00am John Bryson, Barbara Clark, Donna Coutts, Mike Garry, Yolanda Medina-Skinner, Volunteer.
Noon M.Sp.S, M.Sp.S, Lydia Fonseca, Margarita White, Nelly Lopez, Adela Rivera.

Saturday, December 8

5:00pm Katherine Richardson, Mary Kate Richardson, Carol Gerbrand, Gloria Miller, Bud Miller

Sunday, December 9

8:00am Yvonne Seyler, Ofelia Cuellar, Esther del Campo, Terry Gill, Volunteer.
10:00am Carrie Cox, Joe Curiel, Celeste Banares, Yolanda Litzinger, Volunteer.
Noon Lidia Godinez, Rosa Santana, Maria Alvarado, Carmen Cruz, Ramona Alvarado, Lydia Fonseca

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 1

5:00pm Peyton J, Jessie F & Alexa P.

Sunday, December 2

8:00am Naomi, Kira & Nadia K
10:00am Max & Sebastian C, & Volunteer
12:00pm Jonathan L, Juliana & Sammy G.

Saturday, December 8

5:00pm Andres & Julian V. & Peyton J.

Sunday, December 9

8:00am Gary J., Dean B., & Volunteer
10:00am Claribel G., Angelica B., & Jessie F.
12:00pm Jonathan L, Juliana & Sammy G.



“I will rise up for David a just shoot; he shall do what is right and just in the land.”

- Jeremiah 33:15

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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 & Kevin 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, Dave Haro, Richard Wescott, Leo Lucie, Fr. Tony Nuanez, Audrey Longaberger, John Kenyon



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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Extra copies of the December schedule are available in the altar servers' sacristy.

Because of the holidays please advise the January dates you are not available to serve no later than December 9.

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
Boy Scouts: Kelly Bryson (562)-761-9375
Cub Scouts: Melissa Ray (714) 785-3577
Altar Servers: Adriana Lopez (562)-413-4591
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) 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: Chris Shararian (562) 925-8247
Senior Social Circle: Genelle Curiel (562) 425-7753
St. Vincent De Paul: Tina Richardson 1(562) 506-5105
Ushers: Dave Williams (562) 221-6985

Kiosk in the back of Church

All parishioners are welcomed and encouraged to check out the kiosk located at the back of our Church. This kiosk has several religious books and CDs. Please see if any of these items might be beneficial to you.

Each item has a price marked on the back of it so if you decide that you would like to take an item home, please leave that amount of money inside the box

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.



Save the Date: Sacred Heart Retreat

Annual silent retreat at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra, CA.

When: February 22-24, 2019

Experience a Quiet Weekend in Prayer with our Lord!
This year's theme is "In You, all find their home."

For more information, please contact Joji Gunther 562-420-7207.

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 Cruises and Tours **Fatima, Lourdes & Shrines of Spain**

Take your faith on a journey to Portugal, Spain and France on this twelve night experience.

When: June 11th - June 22nd, 2019.

Your included destinations include: Lisbon-Santarem, Fatima-Braga-Santiago de Compostela, Spain, Burgos-San Ignacio de Loyola-Lourdes, France, Carcassonne-Barcelona, and Spain. This cruise will also offer Mass and Rosary throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$1729 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$400 will reserve your space. Space is VERY LIMITED! For further information or to register, please contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785/
Eileen@CatholicCruiseandTours.com.