

St. Maria Goretti Church

Long Beach, CA

**December 23, 2018**

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Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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**ST. MARIA GORETTI SCHOOL:**

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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sat, December 22: Confession — 3pm  
Sun, December 23: RCIA—Library 11:30am  
Boy Scout troop 224 Mtg — 6pm Hall  
Mon, December 24: Ordinary Activities  
Tues, December 25: Ordinary Activities  
Wed, December 26: Adult Choir Practice — Church  
Thur, December 27: AA Meeting — 6:30pm Hall  
Fri, December 28: Ordinary Activities  
Sat, December 29: Confession — 3pm  
Sun, December 30: RCIA—Library 11:30am  
Pack 62 Scouts — 1:30pm Hall  
Boy Scout troop 224 Mtg — 6pm Hall

### Christmas Schedule 2018

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Parish Penance Service: Thursday, December 20th at  
7:00 P.M.

Each Saturday of Advent at 3:00 P.M.

#### MASSSES:

Christmas Eve: Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 P.M.  
(There will be no morning mass for today)

Christmas Day: Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 A.M.  
10:00 A.M.  
12:00 P.M. (*Spanish*)

#### January 1<sup>st</sup> is no longer a Holy Day of Obligation in our Archdiocese

*May Christmas this year be a reminder to you of how much God loves you. May the holy day of our Lord's birth be a beautiful day of grace for you, for the Lord came to make you His very own and gave His life for you and you.*



*Fr. John S. Schiavone  
and Staff*



### Eucharistic Ministers

Copies of the January 2019 schedule will become available in the Altar Server Sacristy the weekend of December 29th.

### REMINDER

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



#### Saturday, December 22

5:00 pm +Ishmael Guzman (Dorie Lopez)

#### Sunday, December 23

8:00 am +Ricky Sutton  
10:00 am +Encarnita Laureola  
12:00 pm Int. of SMG Parishioners

#### THIS WEEK 8:00am

Monday: Int. of Kevin Montano  
Tuesday: Int. of SMG Parishioners  
10am +Joe & Jane Morgan  
Noon Int. of M.Sp.S  
Wednesday: Int. of Tara Hizon  
Thursday: Int. of Michael Dwyer  
Friday: +Jeffrey Paicenti

#### Saturday, December 29

5:00 pm +Rose Marie Souza

#### Sunday, December 30

8:00 am Int. of SMG Parishioners  
10:00 am Int. of Chris Shararian  
12:00 pm +Matthew Lugo

### DID YOU KNOW?

Keep an eye on those Christmas candles

Twelve percent of home fires caused by candles will occur in December — the combination of increased candle use and flammable decorations isn't a good one, especially if candles aren't used safely. Never leave candles burning in a room you are not in, or while you're sleeping. Clear the area before lighting a candle, making sure that the flame will be contained, that there's nothing flammable nearby, and that the candle is safely out of reach for children. If you have plans for a fire in your fireplace, check your chimney to make sure it's clean. For more tips, visit <https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/tools-resources/seasonal-safety/winter/holiday>.

### ¿SABÍA USTED?

Vigile las velas navideñas

El doce por ciento de los incendios en el hogar causados por velas ocurrirán en diciembre. La combinación de un mayor uso de velas y decoraciones inflamables no es buena, especialmente si las velas no se usan de manera segura. Nunca deje velas encendidas en una habitación en la que no esté alguien o mientras esté durmiendo. Limpie el área antes de encender una vela, asegurándose de que la llama esté contenida, de que no haya nada inflamable cerca y de que la vela esté fuera del alcance de los niños. Si tiene planes de encender su chimenea, revise su chimenea para asegurarse de que esté limpia. Para obtener más consejos, visite <https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/tools-resources/seasonal-safety/winter/holiday>.

**ST. MARIA GORETTI LONG BEACH**

**Breaking Bread**

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**Responsorial Psalm:**

“Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.”

**Christmas Lectors**

**Christmas Eve, Dec. 24:**

5:00pm: Clark/Jaramillo

**Christmas Day Dec. 25:**

8:00am Niemeyer  
10:00am Windrim



**St. Maria Goretti Catholic School Open House**

You are invited to come and take a tour of our beautiful, spacious campus and meet the teachers! We offer challenging studies, leadership training, smaller class size, highly qualified faculty, competitive sports program, and a caring Catholic environment.

**Date: Sunday, January 27, 2019**

**Time: 9:00 am to 12 Noon**

**Place: St. Maria Goretti Catholic School  
3950 Palo Verde**

**Long Beach, CA 90808  
562-425-5112**

**www.smsgschool.com**

**Masses: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 noon (Spanish)**

**Registration packets for 2019-2020 will be available for grades TK-8.**

**Parkinson's Resource Organization**

Parkinson's Resource Organization invites you to our support group meetings. Learn about available resources, increase your feeling of self-worth, share your experiences & learn from others, decrease your sense of isolation, and receive encouragement & support. Meetings are free and are held on the first Wednesday of every month from 6:30 to 8:30 at Cambrian Homecare Training Center. For more information, please call (877) 775-4111.

**Please Protect Our Garden**

As we are sure you have noticed, Dave and Linda have 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!

**LECTORS**

	<b>December 22</b>	<b>December 29</b>
5:00pm	Rookey	Hanna
	<b>December 23</b>	<b>December 30</b>
8:00am	Niemeyer	Moons
10:00am	Clark/Jaramillo	Arroyo/Jaramillo
12 noon	M.Sp.S/Viramontes	M.Sp.S/M.Sp.S

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday, December 22**

5:00pm Katherine Richardson, Mary Kate Richardson, Irene Wood, Dom Rivera, David Williams

**Sunday, December 23**

8:00am Ofelia Cuellar, Esther Del Campo, Terry Gill, Patricia Jondle, Volunteer.

10:00am Mike Garry, Carrie Cox, Rhonda Rivera, Debbie Palzer, Louie Moons Volunteer

Noon Rose Santana, Adela Rivera, Carmen Cruz, Ramona Jimenez, M.Sp.S, M.Sp.S

**Saturday, December 29**

5:00pm Genelle Curiel, Joe Curiel, Gloria Miller, Bud Miller, Carol Gerband

**Sunday, December 30**

8:00am Hilda McAllister, Patricia Moran, Yvonne Seyler, Ofelia Cuellar, Volunteer

10:00am Sandy Moons, John Bryson, Steven Way, Yolanda Medina Skinner Donna Coutts, Volunteer

Noon Nelly White, Margarita White, M.Sp.S, M.Sp.S, Lydia Fonseca, Rosa Santana

**\*Christmas Eve and Christmas Masses, we ask Eucharistic Ministers to volunteer at whichever mass you attend.\***

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday, December 22**

5:00pm Peyton J., Jessie F., & Volunteer

**Sunday, December 23**

8:00am Naomi, Kira, & Nadia K.

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

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

**Saturday, December 29**

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

**Sunday, December 30**

8:00am Gary J, Dean B. & Volunteer

10:00am Ma & Sebastian C, & Angelica B.

12:00pm Jonathan L., Pablo H. & Alexa P.

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*“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.”*

*- Luke 1:42*

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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, Susan Escobar, Altigracia Garcia, Larry Gaudy, Sal Gonzales, Rhonda Griffen, Stephan Gutierrez, Pat Hawthorne, Fr. Henry, Thomas Alexander Hogan, Matthew Holliday, Frank Humphreys, Ellie Jacobs, Richard Joyce, Doug Jungemann, John Kenyon, Mykella Kershaw, Patricia Kershaw, Leon Labayen, Jaime Lagana, Margaret Lander, Audrey Longaberger, Gabriel Lopez, Manuel Lopez, Jack & Barbara Luera, Tonya Macias, Leo & Kevin Montano, Mary Ann Mendoza, Kelly Miller, Tom Moran, Sean Murray, Kristine Negrete, Jeffrey Newon, Stella Oliva, Joe Padilla, Patty Padilla, Annette Paradise, Mike Petersen, Gia Quintero, Harper Reich, Kevin Reich, Patricia Reich, Suzanne Reich, Thomas Richardson, Margie Rodriguez, Mary Ruth Romo, Dora Saning, Richard Santos, Lisa Sielen, Toby Sturgis, Raymond Tanguay, Virgie Trajano, Tess Turla, Don Watts, Joyce Watts, Gale Woods, Richard Zapata, Holder Zimmerle, Michael Zuelke, Dave Haro, Richard Wescott, Leo Lucie, Fr. Tony Nuanez,

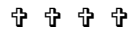


**Please continue to pray for all the sick of our parish.**

Please pray for those who have died, especially:

*+Hazel Anderson*

*May they and all who have died be received into God's eternal Kingdom; and may those grieving the loss of loved ones be comforted and supported through faith and prayers.*



**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.