



**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 8, 2020**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:30am–noon; 1pm-4:30pm

Friday—10am-1:30pm

SCHEDULED SERVICES

Daily (Mon-Sat) Mass - 8am

Sunday Masses - 5:30pm (Vigil), 7:30am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm

Confessions - Friday 9am to 10am and Saturday 4pm to 5pm

Holy Hour - Wed. 8:30am Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena with Benediction & 6:30pm Adoration with Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 7pm

Rosary - following 8am daily Mass

Cenacle of Our Lady—Thursday 1:15pm

First Friday- Eucharistic Adoration follows Mass, Benediction at 10am.

RECTORY STAFF

Our Pastor: Fr. Bill Bolton 424-543-4681

Our Deacon: Senior Deacon Guy and Helene Wauthy

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SCHEDULING SERVICES (310-348-8212)

Anointing of the Sick: call the rectory

Baptisms: Must call rectory 6 weeks in advance to schedule

Communion to the Sick and Homebound: call the rectory

Funerals: contact the rectory to set date and time

Anniversaries, Quinceañera, Memorials: call the rectory

Weddings - Call the rectory 6 months in advance to set the date.

**"And he was transfigured before them,
his face shown like the sun and
his clothes became white as light."**

**And then came from a voice from a
bright cloud proclaiming the words
we long to someday hear:
"This is my beloved son,
with whom I am well pleased."**

**May his soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
Amen.**

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Youth Ministry (Teens) and Confirmation

Religious Education and Sacramental Prep for Children

Sacramental Preparation for Adults (RCIA): 310-348-8212

St Jerome's Catholic School (pre-K to 8th gr): 310-670-1678

www.st-jeromeschool.org Principal: Mr. Tom MacDonald

SCRC Prayer Mtg (7pm Fri): Mr. & Mrs. Muoneke 323-294-1940

Senior Center: (ext. 314) 310-216-7354

Sunday School for Toddlers (11am Mass): Obi Nwabuzor

Tuesday Evening (7:30-9pm) Bible Study:

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Knights of Columbus: Tony Holloway 323-295-4287

Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver: Bonnie Hal 323-295-2432

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Morris Bernstein 310-908-9204

LIFE, CHARITY, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRIES

Creation Sustainability Jacqueline Welsh 310-283-8258

Detention Ministry (Restorative Justice): Mr. & Mrs. Muoneke 323-294-1940

Food Pantry LAX: Johnny Albano 310-641-8871

Immigration: Noreta Jose 310-367-6557

Respect Life: Louise Meehan 310-641-0842

Safeguard the Children: call the rectory 310-348-8212

Voice in the Wilderness Tom Lenert 310-649-3245

Soup Kitchen (Every 3rd Sat.): Jude Ramlochan 310-348-9380

From Fr. Bill

Time change weekend! We spring forward. How appropriate that this transition occurs during Lent. Here are some suggestions and prayers you might consider adding to your Disciple's Toolkit.

Spring... the Winnie the Pooh character, Tigger comes immediately to mind. Tigger has bounce in his step and joy in meeting others. Each encounter is a potential adventure. Obstacles and adversity are opportunities to grow and learn. Life can be difficult, but with God it can also be filled with hope and love.

Something Tigger might have prayed was written by St. Teresa of Avila. It is a wonderful prayer to reflect upon during times of distress. It helps me maintain focus and stay on the right path in following our Lord.

*Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing away:
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things
Whoever has God lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.*

He's got the whole world in His hands. I just need to cooperate with Him and not let fear get in the way of trusting Him... and keep on springing forward.

Thinking about change... I love and hate The Serenity Prayer. When it is my favorite prayer, I am generally on stormy seas hoping to see our Savior walking my way. This prayer was written by the American theologian Reinhold Niebuhr.

The best-known form which I have memorized is: *God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, Courage to change the things I can, And wisdom to know the difference.*

The longer form is one I am adding to my Lenten daily experience this year:

*God, give me grace to accept with serenity
the things that cannot be changed,
Courage to change the things
which should be changed,
and the Wisdom to distinguish
the one from the other.

Living one day at a time,
Enjoying one moment at a time,
Accepting hardship as a pathway to peace,
Taking, as Jesus did,*

*This sinful world as it is,
Not as I would have it,
Trusting that You will make all things right,
If I surrender to Your will,
So that I may be reasonably happy in this life,
And supremely happy with You forever in the next.*

Prayers such as those by St. Teresa and Reinhold Niebuhr I need to sit with, hold in my heart and ponder. These need to be savored like a fine wine, not chugged to get done and get out of the way... because Lent is a time to change the way I react to the circumstances of life.

Sometimes things are moving more quickly. I use shorter prayers and versions of prayers to help me refocus on who I am and why I am here. Like a quick cup of coffee, they help give me purpose and energy. For example, I use the shorter version of the Serenity Prayer as well as The Glory Be to help me as I prepare to meet or speak with someone. Other prayers which quickly come to my lips... as I pass the statue of our Blessed Mother on the rectory stairway: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." When I am bowing or genuflecting to the real present of Jesus Christ: "O Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament, I adore you." And as I am putting on my vestments before mass I pray: "Jesus, Mary and Joseph I give you my heart and my soul. Jesus, Mary and Joseph assist me in my last agony. Jesus, Mary and Joseph may I breathe forth my soul in peace with you. Amen." Even my cell-phone triggers "Dear Jesus, I love you." When I going to visit a parishioner, "St. Jerome, pray for us." St. Paul challenges us to pray always and God gives me opportunities and reasons to pray each and every day. These prayer bursts help me stay on course and help me in being conscious of God's loving presence.

The Prayer of St. Richard is one I tend to sing rather than say. I am grateful to the play "Godspell" which took traditional prayers and hymns and gave them a different musical interpretation. Godspell introduced me to the Prayer of St. Richard: "Day by Day."

Thanks be to you, our Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which you have given us, for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us. Most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

We follow Jesus one step at a time, one day at a time. We need to address what God has brought us to and trust that He will help bring us though the gift of today: the present. Let us continue to spring forward. Let us continue to use today as a time of growth. It is time to change weekend.



Encounter Trinh

Trinh's family are farmers in Vietnam who have been affected by climate change. What would you do if your source of nutrition was threatened? How can we support those whose livelihoods are vulnerable to weather? Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

Rice Dish or Soup Dinner Fridays!

Please join us for our Friday Lenten Dinners during Lent to encounter the Families from different countries that "Operation Rice Bowls" supports. Our Parish community will be offering a wonderful meal every Friday during lent. The meals will be sponsored by different parishioners and or ministries within our parish. **While there is not a set fee for the meal, any donation will be greatly appreciated** and will go to support the Operation Rice Bow Fund. **Our next Lenten meal is this Friday, March 6th from 5:30pm to 6:45pm.**



The Stations occur every Friday During Lent at 7:00pm in the church. Different groups will present special themes for each of these Fridays.

Confessions will be heard during Stations.

TUESDAY MORNING "COFFEE WITH A CLERIC" 9:15 TO 9:45

We will NOT meet this week because Ivan Houston's Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 10th at 10:00am

Please join us next Tuesday, March 17th for "Morning Coffee With A Cleric". We will meet by the Virgin of Guadalupe statue at around 9:10 and then proceed to our gathering place in the rectory.



**Save the date: March 28th for
8th Grade Spaghetti Dinner & BINGO
7pm to 11pm
Held in the Parish Hall**

DID YOU KNOW?

A priest who is visiting the Archdiocese to minister for more than 15 days is required to complete a VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Adult Awareness Program, or present certification that states they have already completed a safe environment program. Archdiocesan officials will review alternative safe environment programs to ensure that they meet the standards held in our archdiocese for content and training protocols. These requirements are not just for priests—any bishop, deacon, religious brother or sister ministering in the archdiocese, must be cleared before beginning their ministry. For more information visit <http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/>

Senior Center

Mon. Mar. 9: 12—4pm, Cards & Social

Wed. Mar. 11: 12—4pm, Cards & Social

Wed. Mar. 25: 12noon—Communal Anointing of the Sick

MEMBERSHIP TIME— only \$10 (annual membership)

New Members Always Welcomed!

For more information, please call 310 216-7354

Laughlin Casino Trip

Join the St. Anastasia Social Club on a 3-day, 2 night trip to the Riverside Hotel in Laughlin.

Leaving on **Tuesday, May 5 and returning**

on Thursday, May 7. Includes two buffets, a raffle and water on the bus. The bus driver's gratuity is included. The cost is \$145 pp double occupancy and \$180 for single occupancy. If 50 or more folks sign up, everyone will receive a \$20 refund. To make a reservation, call Laurette at 310 670-2488. **Reservations must be paid by March 24th.** We hope to see you on the bus!



Parish Staff Sunday March 15th

Office staff will be in the parish hall **next Sunday.**

Mass Intentions for the 2020 year are available to book now! We will only accept (3) requests at one time and the dates should not be booked in a consecutive week for consideration of others. You are welcome to stop by for conversation or to ask questions regarding weddings, baptism, facility usage.

Restorative (Detention) Justice Ministry



Have you ever visited anyone in prison? You are invited to join the Restorative Justice (Detention) Ministry to visit kids in Central Juvenile Hall. It will be an eye-opening experience for you! After the visit, if you like the experience and want to be of service to these kids, you can then become a member of St Jerome Detention Ministry. Volunteers are needed to visit, talk, and listen to these kids.

The first Sunday of the month we invite those who wish to visit Central Juvenile Hall for the first time to join us. For more information, please contact **Donatus or Murglen Muoneke at 323 294-1940, or by emailing dmuoneke@gmail.com**

Together In Mission 2020

We need the help of all our families to reach this year's goal of \$70,332. We come to you to offer support to the poorest of Archdiocesan parishes and schools. What we can give to them will enable them to continue for another year to serve God's people.

If you received your Pledge Form in the mail, **please complete it and place it in the Collection basket; or you may return it by mail directly to the Annual appeal office.** God bless you for your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 03/07—5:30pm FB	St. Jerome Volunteers (SI)
Sun. 03/08—7:30am FB	Winola Smith (M)
9:00am SJ	Robert Lee Lucien III (M)
11:00am FM	Patrick Bennett (SI)
5:30pm FP	St. Jerome Parishioners (SI)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon. 03/09—8:00am FB	Christopher Ezokoli (M)
Tues. 03/10—8:00am FB	Sikere Irerih (M)
Wed. 03/11—8:00am FB	Filomena Sullano (M)
Thurs. 03/12—8:00am FM	All Souls in Purgatory (M)
Fri. 03/13—8:00am FB	Ivery Toussant (M)
Sat. 03/14—8:00am FB	In memory of : Joel Aquino, Elizabeth Ezeani, Janet R. Garcia, Norma Harris, Ivan Houston, Sikere Irerih, Cindy Licon, Sr. Judy Peters, C.S.J., Winola Smith

CELEBRANTS SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 5:30pm FB, 7:30am SJ, 9am FM, 11am FB, 5:30pm FB

Fr. Bill(FB) Jesuit(SJ) Fr. Michael(FM) Guest(FG)

Memorial (M) Special Intention (SI) Thanksgiving (T)

Prayers for the Sick

Hector G. Amezcuia	Jamie Brazile	Vincent Butt
Hazel Chu	Kathy Chun	Rorrie de la Vega
Agatha Ezeani	Xavier Galindo	Mark Gauerke
Anne Gingras	Michelle Gonzalez	Dindo Honrado
Ivan Houston	Monique Isaac	Eileen LaCasse
Tom Lenert	John Marcello	John McCreary
Louise Meehan	Caroline Metz	Allene Muccia
Sam Quatto	Eileen Reyes	Maria Ross
Genny Sotto-Camor	Dianne Smith	Betty Spindler
Gary Steed	Bernard Strickland	
Brooklyn Dvi-Vardhana	Cynthia Flores Zapata	

Deceased

Condolences are extended to the family and friends of

Joel Aquino,



Ivan Houston,
Sikere Irerih



(Brother In-Law of Mary Asoera)

May they rest in peace.

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**Ivan Houston's Funeral Mass will be held at
St. Jerome on Tuesday, March 10, 2020—10am.**



You are invited to pray the Holy Rosary
after each 8am Mass and Sunday 5:30pm
Mass in the church. Also on Thursday at
1:15pm we meet in the church. Please join us!

Knights of Columbus is serving Fish Fry 
Dinners every Friday in Lent from 5:30pm to
7:30pm. Choice of Fish & Shrimp combos with French
fries or baked potato, and Cole Slaw. Proceeds benefit
local Catholic school scholarships. Bingo after every dinner
at 7:30pm. Knights of Columbus Hall is at 8049 W.
Manchester, Palya del Rey.

St. Jerome School

St. Jerome School is accepting applications for Pre-K, Transitional K & Grades K thru Grade 8. Applications may be downloaded from our website.



Visit www.stj-jeromeschool.org
or call 310 670-1678



Coffee and Donuts

Join us in the parish hall for coffee, donuts and fellowship after all the Sunday morning masses.

**Blood Drive: March 15th
8am to 2pm—Parish Hall**



Simple to Sign Up!

Cedars-Siani.org/GiveBlood

Use Donor Group Code: SJBD

Make an Appointment - Cedars-Sinai Blood Donor Services

OR Call/Text to Anthony Chukwura: 310 413-9344

- Bring a photo I.D.
- Be in good general health
- Most common daily medications are okay
- Tattoos & body piercings are allowed
- 16 year olds need to weigh min 135 lbs bring signed parent consent form*

St. Jerome Monthly Soup Kitchen

OUR NEXT MEAL WILL BE ON

Saturday, March 21st, 2020

from 10:30am to Noon



If you wish to donate funds, kindly send your donation to Saint Jerome, 5550 Thornburn St. Los Angeles, CA 90045. Please Note: "Soup Kitchen Fund" in the memo section of check. **Thank you!**

Save The Date

St. Jerome's International Festival

Saturday, May 30, 2020

11:00am to 4:00pm

International Food Booths

Beer, Wine & Margarita Garden

Car Show, Kids Bouncer

Games, Raffles, Silent Auction,

School Open House

Sponsors & additional International

Food booths desired