

ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Third Sunday of
LENT

March 24, 2019



“Sir, leave the fig tree
for another year;
perhaps it will bear fruit.”



Luke 13:8-9



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MASSES:

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM
Saturdays: 8:00 AM

WEEKENDS: **Saturday (Vigil):** 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9, 10:30 AM, 12 & 7:30 PM

HOLY DAYS:

HOLY DAY VIGIL MASS: 6:00 PM
HOLY DAY: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, & 6:00 PM

RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday: 6:15 to 6:45 PM
(During the Divine Mercy Devotion)
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:45 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every first **Saturday** of the month from 8:30 AM
to 9:30 AM and all **Wednesdays** from 6:00 pm
to 7:00 PM

CHURCH HOURS:

OPEN: **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and
Friday:** 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Wednesday: 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Saturday: 7:30 AM — Closed after 5:00 PM Mass.
Sundays: 7:00 AM — Closed after 7:30 PM Mass

DEVOTIONS:

MIRACULOUS MEDAL Monday, following the
8:00 AM Mass

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Wednesday 6:00 PM

ROSARY: Recitation of the Rosary takes place
after every 6:30 and 8:00 AM Mass during the
week, and after the 8:00 am Mass on Saturday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays, During Lent,
at 6:00 PM

This Week: Saturday, March 23rd, 2019 / Sunday, March 24th, 2019

Third Sunday of Lent

Reflections on Today's Readings:

FOCUS: Jesus calls us to repent so that we might bear good fruit. God's ways are not our ways. In order to bear good fruit, we must allow him to shape and mold our lives. This was not a new message that Jesus shared, but an affirmation of the covenant that God made with his people from the beginning. God is faithful – and so we are called to be. When we stray and wither or produce bad fruit, we have the opportunity to repent and try again.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: In the first reading from Exodus, God speaks to Moses from the burning bush, announcing his presence as the God of his father, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. In Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, he speaks of the Old Testament ancestors, many with whom God was not pleased. In today's Gospel, the crowd tells Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate mingled with their sacrifices. Jesus calls them to repentance and tells them a parable of the fig tree that produces no fruit.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER ~ For those who are ill, and those in need of our prayers...

Kristin Wygal
Thomas Brasil
Baby Braxton Bjorn Roe
Julio Arritola
Javier Antunes
Robin Hebert
Hector Salas
Cathay Brunett
Victoria Gomez
Bob Duron
Diane Sortino
Angie Alvarado
Anastasia White
Katherine King
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Vera Romo
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Gisela Herrera
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Nicole Tredinnick
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Germaine Wensley
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Dina Yordy
Dina Giron
Diana Guerra
Deshi Chopra
Debbie Atwell
Deanna Marie Messier
Daniel Cathcart
Daisy Lezcano
Cynthia McCarthy
Cleofas Prieto
Christine Houchin & family
Charles Keglevich
Charles Guerra
Carolyn Lispcomb
Brandi Hines
Beverly Galip Marinelli
Bertrina De Rouen
Belkis Guerra
Beatrice Vasek
Barbara Clark
Baby Grace Rose Awwad
Baby girl Ramsay Sketon
Baby Colton Smith
Baby Anuli Davis
Annette Andelin
Anastasia White
Amy Harms



New names to be prayed for, will be added to the top of our first column. As these names are added, the names at the bottom of the third column will be cycled off.

Call the Parish Office at 310-670-2243 to request a name to be replaced.

Thank you for your cooperation.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SUN. 03/24

7:30 AM DOLORES DOMINETTA †
9:00 AM DARA GEUVJENIZIAN ♦★
10:30 AM DOLORES KESHTKAR ♦
12:00 NN DOLORES DOMINETTA †
7:30 PM ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS

MON. 03/25

6:30 AM KATIA ABBAS ★
8:00 AM OBDULIA LIN ★

TUE. 03/26

6:30 AM LAIRD & CAROLE ROTH ♦
8:00 AM MARCELO GATCHALIAN †

WED. 03/27

6:30 AM CAROL ALIG †
8:00 AM MSGR. ROYALE M. VADAKIN †★

THUR. 03/28

6:30 AM DOLORES DOMINETTA †
8:00 AM VIOLETA HERNANDEZ †

FRI. 03/29

6:30 AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS ★
8:00 AM JAN SEMIK ♦

SAT. 03/30

8:00 AM FRANK MANKO †
5:00 PM LEOPOLDO ONGCAPIN †



Third Sunday of Lent A Time to Cleanse Our Hearts

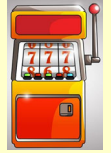
“Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly, and cleanse your heart from all sin.” - Sirach 38:10

In this time of Lent we are preparing for the celebration of Easter, when we will renew the promises of our baptism. Let us walk in the world as Jesus did, and let us make our whole existence a sign of our love for others, especially the weakest and poorest. Let us build for God a temple of our lives and make it approachable for those who we find along our journey. If we are witnesses of the living Christ, so many people will encounter Jesus in us, in our witness. But does the Lord dwell at home in my life? Do we allow Him to “cleanse” our hearts and to drive the idols, those attitudes of cupidity, jealousy, worldliness, envy, hatred, those habits of gossiping and tearing down others. Do I allow Him to cleanse all the behaviors that are against God, against our neighbor, and against ourselves? Jesus cleanses with tenderness, mercy, love. Mercy is the His way of cleansing. Let us, each of us, let us allow the Lord to enter with His mercy to cleanse our hearts.

What most hinders God from coming to dwell in the temple of my heart?

Laughlin Casino Trip

The St. Anastasia Social Club is headed for the Riverside Hotel in Laughlin for an exciting casino adventure. We will be heading out on May 15th for 3 days and 2 nights of fabulous fun. Amenities include two breakfast buffets, one buffet of choice, the bus and bus driver's tip. We will be leaving St. Anastasia at 9 AM on Wednesday, May 15th and returning about 6 PM on Friday the 17th. Double occupancy is \$115 pp, and single occupancy is \$155 pp. Call Laurette and reserve your space today. Payment must be received by April 22nd.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY:

We invite everyone to our Lenten Fish Fry Dinners every Friday during Lent. Enjoy our traditional fresh Alaskan Cod or Shrimp, delicately deep fried in a light batter, with either a baked potato, French Fries or Onion Rings along with Cole Slaw and a Roll. Adults \$12 & children \$8. Dinner served between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Take-outs available. The Hall is located at 8049 W. Manchester Blvd. 310.821-2324.



CONFESSIONS:

Wednesday: 6:15 TO 6:45 PM
Saturday: 3:30 TO 4:45 PM



TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION:

(For those who are sick, hospitalized, or home bound). Please call the parish office. 310.670.2243

FAMILY VISITATION MINISTRY:

The Family Visitation Ministry offers spiritual support to those in need. Please call Sr. Teresita at 310-216-2001, or the Church Office at 310-670-2243.

CHURCH HOURS:

- ◆ The Church is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6 AM—6 PM (closing time).
- ◆ On Wednesdays, Divine Mercy is from 6-7 pm. There is Confession from 6:15-6:45 pm. (During Devotion). Church will be closed at 7 pm. (Only on this day.)
- ◆ The Church will be closed on Saturdays after the 5:00 PM Mass.
- ◆ The Church will be closed on Sundays after the 7:30 PM evening Mass.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday; from 8:30 am to 4 pm. Phone hours are: 9 am to 3 pm—310-670-2243. Email: parish@st-anastasia.org.

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

~ **Next Week** ~

**Saturday, March 30th &
Sunday, March 31st, 2019**

Masses:

Sat: 5:00 PM
Sun: 7:30 AM
Sun: 9:00 AM
Sun: 10:30 AM
Sun: 12:00 PM
Sun: 7:30 PM

Celebrants:

Fr. Semik
Fr. Semik
Fr. King
Msgr. Cox
Fr. Semik
Fr. Innocent



We encourage all to read and reflect on the Biblical passages that will be proclaimed at Masses next week.

First Reading -- The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm -- Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading -- Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel -- This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].



Saint Anastasia was born in 281 A.D. and became a perfect symbol of peace, humanity, and solidarity. Her Feast Day is December 25th. She is a symbol of dialogue and collaboration. In her spirit, and in the spirit of love, we welcome all to the Catholic Community of St. Anastasia Catholic Church.

LENTEN MISSION 2019

The first night begins by joining Jesus as he journeys to Jerusalem, telling stories that point to where the real joy in life is to be found. Luke: Stories on the road is 75 minutes, performed without an intermission.

The second night Jesus proclaims the joy of the Beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount. The sermon involves gentle interaction with members of the audience, which adds both drama and humor. Sermon is about 40 minutes. The performance is followed by Conversation with the Actor again about 40 minutes. This reflects on the experience of the first two nights, on our experience of God's Word as drama.

The final night, Hollywood vs. Faith, takes a humorous but also deeply challenging look at our struggle to live lives of real joy in the middle of a media-centered culture. He points to "three other beatitudes". This lasts about 75 minutes, it is filled with many comic anecdotes. He concludes with a summary of the mission...to a life of true joy.

Additional flyers are in the Vestibule. Please help us to promote this Lenten mission. Bring family and friends!

NO STATIONS OF THE CROSS this **FRIDAY, MARCH 29th**, as we will be presenting our **LENTEN MISSION @ 7 PM, in the Church**
"Sermon of the Mount"
All are welcome!



Wednesdays during Lent

6 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet (Confessions from 6:15 to 6:45 pm)

Followed by SIMPLE SOUP! (March 13, 20 and 27th)
All are welcome!



March 6 - April 14
Help Save Lives in Lawndale



Your can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days 750,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 23 coordinated campaigns:

- **15,256 babies** saved from abortion
- **186 abortion workers** converted
- **99 abortion centers CLOSED**

Here's how to take part:

- ◆ **Vigil location:** Outside Planned Parenthood, Lawndale Medical Plaza, 14623 Hawthorne blvd., Lawndale, CA 90260
- ◆ **Vigil Hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- ◆ **Local contact:** Laura Frederick, 202-361-5166
 40Days4LifeLawndale@gmail.com

Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign: 40daysforlife.com/Lawndale

REMINDER ! St. Anastasia offers:

- **MONDAY:** Miraculous Novena, following the 8 am Mass.
- **TUESDAY-SATURDAY:** Recitation of the Rosary after all Masses, 6:30 and 8 am.
- **1st SATURDAY:** Eucharistic Adoration from 8:30 to 9:30 am.
- **WEDNESDAY EVENING:** 6 pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Eucharistic Adoration. Confession 6:15 - 6:45 pm.
- **1st WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH:** Men's Morning Hour Group; attends 6:30 am Mass - reflection and discussion follows in Parish Office Conference room.
- **1st THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:** MOMS - Meets from 10 - 11:30 am. Just come and join.
- **3rd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH:** The St. Joseph Center collection takes place after all Masses. This collection benefits the poorest and needy of the Westside area. Your contributions of cash/non-perishable food are really appreciated.
- **COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY:** Come and share your joys and sorrows with Fr. Leszek, the third Thursday of each month from 10 to 11:30 am.
- **Every last Sunday of the month**, after all Masses: the monthly Wedding Anniversary Blessing takes place for couples married during that particular month. All are welcome!
- **CONFESSIONS:** Wednesdays, from 6:15 to 6:45 pm, and Saturdays, from 3:30 to 5 pm.

Simply the Best: Oberammergau Passion Play plus Munich, Salzburg, Venice, Florence, Assisi and Rome.

Hosted by Maritza Leon and Spiritual Director, Fr. Greg Bramlage, Missionaries of the New Evangelization, Diocese of Colorado Springs.

Twelve days from May 18 to May 29, 2020 including a Papal audience. For more info contact Maritza Duran-Leon at 310-895-8898.

Ministry equips us to deepen our love for God and share our faith...

LENT 2019 - Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which fell on **Wednesday, March 6th**, this year.

The Catholic Community around the world follows these general regulations during Lent.

ABSTINENCE — Is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are **14 years of age** and older. **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.** Pastors and parents are encouraged to see that children who are not bound by the obligation to fast and abstain are led to appreciate an authentic sense of penance.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE — In addition to abstinence, fasting is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** by all Catholics between the ages of **18-59 years** (inclusive). On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed.

Note: If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.



Faith for Kids

You shall not have other gods besides me
—Exodus 20:3

I love reading tales about Greek and Roman gods because they are stories of courage, strength and adventure. They are fun to read and study, but it is important to remember that they are myths, created to entertain and to explain the world to people thousands of years ago. Our God is different. Our God is real and alive. Our God loved us enough to send His Son to save us from sin and offer us life forever with Him. Our God is an AWESOME God.

God, You are the only one I need.



The Catholic Relief Services Collection will take place next weekend, March 30/31st.
HELP Jesus IN DISGUISE

Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection, and **help Jesus in disguise.** Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

YOUR DONATIONS HELP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS... In the United States, and around the world.

Give generously. Envelopes are in the pews.

Save the Date for a Wonderful Lenten Activity!

A Live Theatrical Event. The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus Christ. Performances will take place on April 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, and 19th. For More information Please visit:

www.thelastdaysofjesuspasionplay.com

Did you Know?

Protect young people from cyberbullying

Cyberbullying can happen at any time, on any online platform. It can take many forms – cruel direct messages, threatening emails, mean texts, shared photos, and more. Victims of cyber-bullying often suffer from anxiety and depression, and their self-esteem can be diminished. They may be reluctant to talk about bullying, so parents need to be on top of all their children's online activities. Asking questions and getting information about popular apps and sites will help, too. For more information, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Cyber-Bullying: Protecting Young People from Technology Dangers" at <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

FACT OF LIFE

By Your Side LA

is the Archdiocese's official ministry journeying with women and men affected by abortion.

By Your Side is a comprehensive, bilingual ministry that includes a website, professional call center, trained lay Merciful Companions, and referrals to healing resources including the sacraments, retreats, support groups, mental health professionals, and more.

www.weare@byyourside.org.

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BAPTISM: Parents and Godparents are required to participate in preparation program. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples must contact the Office no later than 6 months before their proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243.

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