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Fifth

Sunday of Lent

March 29, 2020

Jesus said,
"I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me,
even if they die, will live,
and everyone who lives and
believes in me will never die."

John 11:25-26

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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 Satur-
day.

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

THIS WEEK: SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH/ SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH, 2020

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS:

FOCUS: Those who believe in Jesus, and walk in his ways, will never die. Our worldly desires bind us up in burial cloths fashioned from our sins that block the will of God from our sight. By putting aside selfish ways and trusting in God's love and mercy, we allow Christ to call us forth from death so that we might lead a resurrected life in the Spirit.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: In the first reading, God promises life and liberty to the Israelites. In the second reading, Saint Paul reminds the Romans that they must strive to overcome their sinful natures so as to live in union with Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead and makes the bold proclamation that those who believe in him will never die.

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

Antoinette Aniello
Casandra Bacote-Capiga
Carmen Sullivan
Vincent Morgione
Pedro Fernandez
Lisa Argenta
Nicolas Carrilo
Beatrice Vasek
Herb Masi
Rita Reno
Silvana Shinsaato
Betty Emsch
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Mitania Fabian
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John Lewis
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Patrick Wellman
Loren Record
Catherine Macaulay Mallen
Patricia Farina
Cecile Rutkowski
Victor D.
Antonia Alvarado
Theo Hayez
Lupe Vega
Matthew Cook
Diane Sortino
Linda Smith
Dina Giron
Baby Chrislaine and
Mom Yolande
Stuart & Maxine Liebman
Mark Yngson
Raul Moran
Magally Rollice
Kristin Wygal
Thomas Brasil
Baby Braxton Bjorn Roe
Julio Arritola
Javier Antunes
Robin Hebert

Victoria Gomez
Bob Duron
Angie Alvarado
Anastasia White
Katherine King
Ramon Villafan
Vera Romo
Maria Castano
Ernesto Hernandez
Eduardo Hernandez
Ines Hernandez
Barbara Degrafenread
Alberto Gonzalez, Jr.
Nicole Tredinnick
Avery Oppenheimer
Richard & Maggie Harris
August Wygal
Richard Moran
Michelle King
Baby Sam Tello
Peter Cathcart
Jan Semik
Roland Adams
Severina Dizon
Yolanda Wygal
Vincent Morgione
Vicki Mitsakos
Valerie Adamcyk
Ursula Bloor
Sylvia Yates
Steven Wygal
Stephane Lempire
Seth Brunett
Rosado Family
Robbie Cole
Peggy Tyrrell
Paul Stasiak
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Natalie Nunez
Nancy Collins
Michlene "Mimi" Hébert
Michelle Anaya
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Mary Ann Kwinn

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Marie Briody
Manuel Villalobos
Lysa Dennehy
Lori Caldwell
Lizbeth Taylor
Lada Zubrinic
Justin Udtana
Julie Schiavone
Julie Martinez
Joyce Lynn Donnellan
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Joseph Perea
Jose A. Anaya
Jorden Aponte
John Allen
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Joanna Musacchio
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Jessica Leoni
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James Dugan
India Wygal
Ian Maxwell
Hannah & Carl Borgentun
Grace Avilez
Ging Savares
Germaine Wensley
Fr. Lancy Pereira
Elizabeth Hauser
Elaine Fischel
Donald "Sunny" Sunderlin
Dina Yordy
Diana Guerra
Deshi Chopra
Debbie Atwell
Deanna Marie Messier
Daisy Lezcano
Cynthia McCarthy
Cleofas Prieto
Christine Houchin & family



**YOUR
ATTENTION
PLEASE:**

Our parish community prays for each other and this is our ever-changing prayer list.

It is a way for all of us to support those who are ill or in need of our prayers. New names are added to the beginning of the list, as they are received.

Would you like for our parish community to pray for you or a loved one who is ill or in need?

Call the Parish Office at 310-670-2243 to request names to be added or returned to the list. Thank you for your cooperation.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

**SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH, 2020
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

SUN. 03/29

7:30 AM RICHARD REBENSTORF †
9:00 AM STEVE ATCHLEY †
10:30 AM CHRIS ROQUE ★
12:00 NN MARKUS TOLENTINO & MITANIA FABIAN ◆
7:30 PM ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS ◆

MON. 03/30

6:30 AM ROMAN LAUREANO †
8:00 AM LEO ONGCAPIN †

TUE. 03/31

6:30 AM AURORA HERNANDEZ ★
8:00 AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS ★

Birthday ★ Support ◆ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †

EVEN THOUGH MASSES TO THE PUBLIC HAVE BEEN CANCELLED,
THESE INTENTIONS ARE BEING SAID PRIVATELY BY OUR PRIESTS

WED. 04/01

6:30 AM NINA TSOURAS †
8:00 AM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ◆

THURS. 04/02

6:30 AM CARMEN SULLIVAN ◆
8:00 AM CATHY MATHES CHISHOLM †

FRI. 04/03

6:30 AM MARY EHLMAN ★
8:00 AM JOE HARRIS ★ †

SAT. 04/04

8:00 AM NICOLA McNULTY †
5:00 PM STEFANO GALANTE †

"Check out our St. Anastasia Catholic Church Facebook page for uplifting music, streaming Masses, and updated information on church activities. You can find our page by searching for St. Anastasia Catholic Church on Facebook."

Lent 2020 - Please continue observing these regulations during Lent:

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

ABSTINENCE – Refrain from the consumption of meat. This penitential practice 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 – Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday & 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. 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. **Giving up something for Lent fosters self-discipline and tempers our desires.** It is a form of fasting. It is a form of penance. It promotes spiritual growth. If you're giving up something for Lent, that's great. Also consider doing something positive to bolster your spiritual life and make the world a better place. Look for ways that you can increase your knowledge of your faith, strengthen your spiritual life or perform special acts of mercy and kindness at home, at work, in your parish or in your community.

Strengthen your faith!



Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

- Philippians 4: 6

**CONFESSIONS:
THERE WILL BE NO
CONFESSIONS UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE**



**UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE INFORMATION
HERE HAS BEEN REMOVED!**

A Message to our Parishioners:

During this difficult time, please be mindful and conscious of our responsibility to support the work of the Church. Our parish is dependent upon the weekly offertory collection to continue its ministry and its ability to maintain our staff. We would be most grateful for your continued financial support while our collections may be significantly affected. You may mail in your weekly offertory donations to the parish, or transition to *Online Giving* by using this link: <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1706>



**THE CHURCH IS NOW CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH, 2020 READINGS:

First Reading — Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalms — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).



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

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalms — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).



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.



How to continue connected to Daily and Sunday Mass, Daily Prayers, Rosary, etc., while we are all at home, being responsible citizens?

- ◆ St. Anastasia - <https://youtu.be/5dVbeA4hoHg>
- ◆ Relevant Radio - Station 930AM—24/7
 - Daily Mass - 10 AM and 5:30 PM
 - Sunday Mass - 7 AM
 - Divine Mercy Chaplet - 1 PM
 - Stations of the Cross - 1:30 PM
 - Rosary - 5 PM
- ◆ WordonFire.org
 - Daily Mass online with Bishop Barron or Fr. Steve Grunow, CEO of Word on Fire - 5:15 PM
- ◆ EWTN - Global CatholicTV.com (streaming media)
- ◆ LACatholic.org/Emergency
- ◆ Important and relevant information can also be found by visiting the Archdiocese of Los Angeles website @ www.la-archdiocese.org.



Fifth Sunday of Lent - GIVE GLORY TO GOD - On the Fifth Sunday of Lent, just before we begin to enter Holy Week, we are summoned to Bethany. If we had been friends of Mary, Lazarus, and Martha, and found out that Lazarus was gravely ill, we probably would have dropped everything to be with them. This was what was so surprising about the behavior of Jesus. Although he was their close friend, he chose to stay away, that God's glory would be manifested. This is a persistent theme in John's Gospel. Right to the very end, Jesus' works were meant to give glory to the Father. As our Lenten journey reaches a crescendo, let us be mindful that, as people who have "put on Christ" in baptism, we are also called, by our attitudes and actions, to give glory to God.
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FACT OF LIFE

A high school student born without a fully formed arm said she is "happy to be alive," thankful for every day and grateful that her mother chose life. A doctor offered Marin Carter's mother an opportunity to **abort** her when they found out that the baby's arm would not fully develop during the fourth month of pregnancy. But Carter's mother chose to give birth to her daughter instead, 17-year-old Carter said. I'm glad that God made me this way and gives me challenges, gives me things that I have to face," she added. "Every day is a gift from God, and it just pains me that some people will take that away from their children and take their children's lives." www.lifenews.com



Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus

Most Reverend José H. Gomez
Archbishop of Los Angeles

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.
Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.
For those already afflicted,

we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to
love one another and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus
to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are
our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.
Shelter us under the mantle
of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the
love of your Son, Jesus.
Amen.



MINISTRY EQUIPS US TO DEEPEN OUR LOVE FOR GOD AND *SHARE OUR FAITH...*

March 24, 2020

Greetings in Christ!

I wanted to take a few moments to send this announcement letter to let you know that as the Pastor of St. Anastasia Parish, I am praying for you as you go through this difficult time in your life.

As you already know, all Masses and parish meetings are cancelled until further notice. To continue serving the spiritual needs of our parishioners, we will be livestreaming and recording daily Masses in our St. Anastasia Chapel. You may visit our website at <http://www.st-anastasia.org/> or our Facebook page to view the broadcasts so that you may continue to pray at home with your families and join in the sacrifice of the Mass. We will be livestreaming our Sunday Mass at 10AM and our daily masses will be at 9AM.

Please be sure to say "hello" in the comments area and share, share, share! People will be thirsty for God during this time.

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The new policy from our Archdiocese states clearly that Churches and Parish Offices are to be closed to the public. Also, the Sacrament of Reconciliation has been suspended.

St. Anastasia Community:

We are going to come THROUGH this and will have greater victory on the other side! It's time to pray and seek God for answers, yet, we must use wisdom and be a good neighbor. We are going to be doing our best to explore ways we as a Church can be a blessing in ministry to our community during this time. We don't just want to "hide out" but find safe and effective avenues to minister to others. If you have any ideas, don't hesitate to let us know. We will try to use all possible means to communicate with our parishioners and frequently update our website and Parish Facebook with new information and all possible sources to feed our parishioners spiritually. Please know that all of the staff are working constantly to see that we remain connected as a parish and a family, and most of all, to give hope in this time of fear and anxiety. We miss you! God's love be with you as we journey with the Lord during this Holy Season.

We love and appreciate you!

Fr. Leszek Semik,
Pastor

Holy Family of Nazareth
Protect our families,
Keep us united in love and
Lead us to eternal joy



NOW THAT WE ARE CONFINED

AT HOME, LET'S PRAY THE

ROSARY:

"THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS
TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER"

- FR. PATRICK PEYTON



Did You Know? Signs of abuse in children

Last week we discussed the importance of early **identification in stopping abuse**. This week, we're looking at some of the signs of abuse that could help adults recognize whether children are in danger. These signs could include withdrawal from others, or a general mistrust of adults. A child who is being sexually abused may relate to others in a sexualized way, inappropriate for his or her age. He or she may suddenly refuse to go to school, or become very fearful of school, or the dark. Other signs that could indicate a child is being sexually abused include aggressive or secretive behavior. Keeping an eye out for these things can help an adult ask the right questions while serving as a trusted source of support and love for a child in need. For more signs, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article "A Step to Healing" at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.



Faith for Kids

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

- Psalm 23:1



What are the kinds of messages the world gives you?

There are messages like these: "Buy this and you'll be cool!" Or, "be just like this famous people!" But Jesus has a different message for us. Jesus tells that real peace and real joy come through Him. With



Jesus, we don't have to buy anything.

Jesus gives us His grace, absolutely free! With Jesus, we can be exactly who we are. Jesus' message is this: I love you. I will always love you.

Lord, with you I don't need anything else.

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ANOIDTING OF THE SICK: Sacrament for the Sick is celebrated upon request of the family. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243.

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.

R.C.I.A.: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - *Becoming Catholics* - Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243.

FUNERALS: Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

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