

I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.

MATTHEW 25:35-36

OUR LORD
**JESUS
CHRIST
KING**

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SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE ~ THE SHEPHERD KING

The job of shepherd and the job of king couldn't be more different from each other. Shepherds are on the lowest rung of society, kings are at the top. But God says, through the prophet Ezekiel, that the Messiah will lead in a way very different from earthly authorities who lord it over their people and cause harm with their poor leadership. Our King takes on the job himself. Christ, like a shepherd, will give rest, seek out the lost, bring back the strayed and scattered ones. He will heal the wounded and bind up the injured. He does not delegate, but will "shepherd them rightly." We have a king who cares for us and who is not afraid to "judge between one sheep and another" (Ezekiel 34:17). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Psalms 95:1,2,6

O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.



ATTENTION PLEASE: OUTDOOR MASSES ARE CELEBRATED AS FOLLOWS:

DAILY MASSES, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY @ 8 AM - IN DIAMOND COURTYARD

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5 PM - DIAMOND COURTYARD,

SUNDAY MASSES 7 AM & 9 AM - DIAMOND COURTYARD

♥ 11 AM - PASTORS PLAZA ♥ 5 PM - DIAMOND COURTYARD

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND, 2020
 SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
 KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

CONTINUE TO CHECK THE ST. ANASTASIA WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE TO STAY TUNED WITH UPDATES!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

FOR YEARS, WE HAVE TRADITIONALLY LISTED THE PRAYER INTENTIONS IN THE BULLETIN. KEEPING WITH THAT TRADITION, WE NOW LIST THOSE INTENTIONS AND PLACE THEM ON THE ALTAR DURING MASS. (THIS IS A TEMPORARY CHANGE. - THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND

- 7 AM - D. ALEJANDRA QUIÑONEZ ✝
- 9 AM - MAGGIE HARRIS ★
- 11 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS
- 5 PM - MARYANN RAVAGO ★

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD
 8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 SPECIAL INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
 8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 ROBERT PROROK ✝

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH
 8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 SPECIAL INTENTIONS/THANKSGIVING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH
 9 AM - THANKSGIVING DAY! 

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH
 8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 MONICA MALLEN ★

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH
 8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 5 PM - ROSS A. SIMARD

Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial ✝

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The safety of our parishioners is our top priority at this time.

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The Bible gives us an amazing command, and to be honest, one that I personally have struggled with from time to time. I believe after I share the scripture, like me, you will have to confess you have probably fallen short in this area a few times as well.

Here it is: 1 Thessalonians 5:18: "In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

For the most part, that verse speaks clearly that we are to be giving thanks to God, and in doing so, we even see that it's the will of God to do so!

I want to do His will more than anything I can imagine. Yet, there are three words, that is the part of the verse I've **struggled with and it's the words "In all circumstances"**.

Can we honestly say that everything that comes into our lives we find a way to thank God for it and appreciate His wisdom for allowing it to be there? Well, the Word is clear that we, in fact, should be thanking Him!

Isaiah 55:8-9: **"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways—oracle of the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, my thoughts higher than your thoughts."**

This is God basically saying to humanity: "I'm smarter and wiser than you, so to proceed in life, you might want to just get over it"!

There are some things we obviously are not thankful for, such as the coronavirus pandemic or loss of a loved one; however, as we walk through that storm we can still find blessings to be thankful for, including the presence of God as He comforts us in the midst of tears and pain!

Instead of our focus being on the "why" it happened, we can, through the grace of God, begin to focus on the "what" should we do now, or "how" can we trust God more than we ever have before?

Perhaps this Thanksgiving is a challenge for you or someone you know. Yet, I would encourage you to find something to thank God for, and begin to focus on the good things He's blessed you with!

I trust your Thanksgiving is one of tremendous appreciation to God for His bountiful blessings in your life.

In Christ,

Fr. Leszek Semik,

Pastor

FACTS OF LIFE

Missouri woman is first U.S. model with Down syndrome representing skincare line

Grace Strobel is a 24-year-old model from Missouri. Grace is a talented model **who is changing expectations of what's possible for individuals living with Down Syndrome.** Grace was recently announced as an ambassador for world-wide skincare brand **Obagi's** newest SKINCLUSION line. Grace is the official **"face" of their Obagi Clinical Kinectin.** According to Obagi, the goal of the SKINCLUSION initiative is **"to elevate the global dialogue about diversity and how we can all make conscious choices to see the beauty in all of our differences."** Through her modeling career, her inclusion education efforts, and her very life, Grace is spreading that message far and wide. Grace's parents hope that mothers facing a difficult prenatal diagnosis or a new diagnosis after birth will see Grace's story and **"envision a different future for their children"** than the low expectations and doom-and-gloom predictions they may initially receive. www.liveaction.org

Did You Know?

Keeping children safer online

While we continue to develop our understanding of the impact of Covid-19 and social distancing on child safety, we also know that more time online means increased risk of more direct access to children for those intending to harm them. From online enticement to sexting and sextortion, it is critical that we combine efforts to protect children from online risks. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children in partnership with the White House have launched a new campaign to raise awareness about safeguarding children online. Visit <https://safetypledge.org/> for more information and to learn about the tools available to help parents and other trusted adults keep children safer online.



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.

Happy Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving Mass, Thursday, November 26th @ 9 am.

As a Parish Community we will have the opportunity to express our gratitude to God for His goodness and the blessings He has given us. This is a time to gather around God's Altar to celebrate the Eucharist. Bring your wine, bread, or food item to be blessed at the Liturgy for your Thanksgiving Dinner. There will be a table prepared for you to place them upon.



**There is ONLY
one Mass today,
at 9:00 AM.**

The Catholic Campaign for
Human Development (CCHD)
takes place today,
Sunday, November 22nd.
"Working on the Margins"

LEARN about those living in poverty.
ACT and spread the word about poverty
by sharing this information.
CONNECT with the work of CCHD by
supporting this collection.
PRAY for those who benefit from this collection.
This collection will be taken up as a "Second
Collection" after Holy Communion, today,
Sunday, November 22nd.
Thank you for your thoughtfulness and
generosity!

Sharing Points...Family Comes First...

From the Director of Religious Education...Nivita...

This week, ask the following questions to each member in your family and share!

1. How can you help someone else, from a safe distance?
2. How can you help more around the house BEFORE you are asked?
3. How can I stay safe and still be close to others?
4. Who do you miss that you have not been able to hug since the pandemic?



NEWS FROM YOUR DRE (PCL)

Please contact me for any of the following, with questions or concerns.

Sacrament Preparation Class Updates:

- ◆ First Holy Communion - Year 1 and Year 2,
- ◆ Confirmation -Year 1 and Year 2,
- ◆ RCIA
- ◆ Family " ZOOMING with Jesus Time
(Open to all families with or without children),
- ◆ Baptism Class Parents/Godparents.

Nivita Aldrete-Brito ~ ~

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Faith @ Home

Is a familiar feature that is coming back again and will appear every week on our Website under News/Parish News/Family Resources. This page will help families to share the way they are living out their faith at home. Courtesy of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles/Office of Religious Education, brought to you through your DRE, Nivita Brito.

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

~ Next Week ~

Saturday, November 28th & Sunday, November 29th, 2020

MASSSES:

Sat: 5 pm

Sun: 7 am

Sun: 9 am

Sun: 11 am

Holy Communion @ 12:30 pm

Sun: 5 pm

CELEBRANTS:

Fr. Semik

Msgr. Cox

Fr. King

Fr. Innocent

Fr. Semik

Fr. Semik

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



First Reading — We are the clay and you, O Lord, are the potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7).

Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Ps 80).

Second Reading — God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9).

Gospel — Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).



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



St. Anastasia offers Drive-Through Holy Communion, on Sundays at 12:30 pm.

CONFESSIONS on Saturday, from 3:30 to 4:45 PM

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SAVE THE DATE! "Carols for a Cause: A Free Christmas Concert Benefiting Los Angeles Pregnancy Services" December 20th at 3:00 PM in Pastor's Plaza at St. Anastasia.

Christmas is NOT cancelled!
Help Families in Need this Holiday Season!



St. Margaret's Center, a community center located in Inglewood, is seeking donations for our annual **Christmas Program** on **Saturday, December 12, 2020.**

This year, St. Margaret's Center's Annual Christmas Program will be transformed into Santa Claus Lane!

Each pre-screened family will receive a

- Grocery gift card
- \$25 Target gift cards for all children 12 and under.

- Goody bags • Sweet treats and ...

...**Santa Claus** socially distanced of course!

The inserted flyer in today's bulletin gives detailed information on how to donate!

Please help Santa fill his sack with gift cards!
Imagine the difference Your donation will make **to a child's Christmas...**
We need 1,000 Target \$25 gift cards!

St. Anastasia Home Bible Study

What Are the Readings Telling Me?

The four Scripture readings proclaimed at Sunday Mass carry a special message for us. But sometimes we miss it.



Join Dr. Brant Pitre each week as he reveals hidden meanings, navigates difficult passages, and gives historical context for the Sunday 'Liturgy of the Word'.

Watch his engaging videos on your own schedule and participate in moderated Q&A and discussion with other members of St. Anastasia Bible Study.

Every Sunday like never before you will be prepared to understand and appreciate the richness of Sacred Scripture.

There is no charge but registration is needed.

Contact: Carolyn Godlewski at ScriptureStudyGal@gmail.com



SCHOOL NEWS!!

Enrolling for the 2021-2022 School Year!

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"Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days." - Psalm 98:14



What are the first things you think about when you wake up in the morning? If you think about happy things, your day will be off to a good start. If you think too much about unpleasant things, it can ruin your whole day. You can choose the kind of thoughts you want to have. When you wake up in the morning, you can thank God for giving you a new day. You can ask God to be with you and help you when you need it. And you can know that nothing will ever **change God's love for you. Can you think of a better way to start your day?**

Lord, may I start my day by believing in your love!

The Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass will take place

Friday, December 11th, at 6 pm in Pastors Plaza.

Following the guidelines, keeping the 6 feet distance, and protecting ourselves and others, wearing masks.



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ANONING 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.

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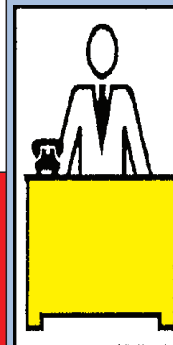
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