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2020



THIRTY-SECOND
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

STAY AWAKE,
FOR YOU KNOW
NEITHER THE DAY
NOR THE HOUR.

MATTHEW 25:13

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED ~ ~

If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today's Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus' story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus' listeners, just as they are—if we think about it—to us. Weddings never, ever start on time. There's always a delay. Buttons pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it. Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. **But he doesn't tell it to make us dour and somber.** The heavy-hearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen—is bound to happen—so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes. Copyright © J. S. Paluch



Farewell to Chris Roque

On behalf of St. Anastasia Community, we would like to thank Chris Roque, for his dedicated work as a Director of Music Ministry in St. Anastasia Parish.

During the last 5 plus years, we have enjoyed the melodic voice of our Music Director, Chris Roque, backed by his talent on the guitar. The combination has led our worship to another level in song and praise at our Masses. For almost 13 years, Chris has blessed us with this God given gift that has soothed our souls and filled our hearts with reverence to God! As St. Augustine said, "He who sings, prays twice!"

Chris is moving forward on his journey to explore new avenues of opportunity and venues to share his years of experience. The St. Anastasia Community is going to miss him deeply! Thank you for your ministry, dedication as well as using your God-given talents to bring honor to Him.

We wish Chris and his wife Kelli, the Best!

St. A's Priests, Parish Office, and School staff!!

Thank you and God bless you!



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 8TH, 2020
32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 8TH

7 AM - MARIAN LANGE ✚
 9 AM - MARIAN LANGE ✚
 11 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 P. J. WENNER ✚
 5 PM - ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 MSGR. GABRIEL "Fr. Gabe" GONZALES ✚

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 MANUELA NODA ✚

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 JOHN PAUL ONGCAPIN ★

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 PETER WENNER ✚

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH

8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 CECILIA RASBOT TORRES ★

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH

8 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
 REYNALDO GALUTERA ✚



Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial ✚



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Sharing Points...Family Comes First...

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

Family Ritual and Traditions are the way that you create long-time memories for your future generations!

This week, ask the following questions to each member in your family:

1. Who did you pray for this week?
2. Who did you help this week?
3. Who did you care for this week?

Questions as these spark up Jesus in our family life!

Till next week...KEEP THAT FAMILY



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 ~ ~

Email: Nivita007@st-anastasia.org

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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.

Details on how this feast is going to be celebrated will follow!



FACTS OF LIFE

Share the App for Life
AppForLife.org

There is a 24-48 hour time frame when a woman decides to keep her child or have an **abortion**. **Options United's** mobile **App for Life** sends users an urgent prayer alert, asking for your prayers right at the crucial moment so you can send grace to mothers, fathers, and children in need. Download the App for Life on your smartphone by searching "**Options United App for Life**" in **Google Play** or on the **App Store**. The App for Life also lists services throughout Southern California, including free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, NFP, and post-abortion healing.

www.lacatholics.org



Did You Know?

How to help your children with anxiety

We're living in uncertain times, and our anxiety about what is happening today, and will happen in the future, can trickle down to our children, making them anxious, too! This anxiety may manifest in new fears, such that a child becomes reluctant to try new things, or it may exacerbate existing fears, such that a child becomes even more anxious than before. Parents can help their children with anxiety by practicing techniques for deep breathing, ensuring regular exercise, and talking honestly about feelings and concerns. For more tips, request a **copy of the VIRTUS article "Techniques for Calming Anxiety for Youth"** at

<https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.



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.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Getting to Know You

At the end of today's Gospel, the groom answers the pleas of the foolish virgins not with a question, "Why weren't you ready?" but with the statement, "I don't know you" (Mt 25:12). Now that sounds kind of odd, if the bridegroom represents the LORD, because God knows everything and everybody. But here in Matthew's Gospel, this phrase seems to imply that "because you made no effort to know me, I don't know you."

So what am I doing to get to know Jesus? One way to know someone is to act like them. Actors who portray a real person try to watch videos of that person to see how they talk, walk, relate to people, etc. We can act like Jesus by following his example of care for the poor and the sick, forgiving people who have done wrong, feeding the hungry, and giving God the credit for what we do.

Another way to get to know someone is to talk to them. The more we pray, the more we get close to Jesus. We can praise God for Creation, we can thank God for all the giving (and forgiving!) We can ask for help for those we love and for God's strength in our weakness (2 Cor 12:9). But we don't get to know someone if we do all the talking. Our prayer can include time to be quiet and listen to the LORD. We also listen to God by reading God's words in the Bible. Hopefully, we can all find ways of getting to know the Lord, so that God can "recognize" us as friends.

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The Novena for All Souls Day began Mon., Nov. 2nd, and continues throughout the month of November.

You may submit the names of your loved ones that have been called home, via mail, email, or drop it through the mail slot. Donations may also be mailed or dropped through our mail slot at the Parish Office. Send the names to:

arodriguez@st-anastasia.org.

An Invitation to honor our loved ones!



The "Remembrance Table" this year will become a "Remembrance Wall." You may send us a picture of your loved one via email, and we will create a "Collage" that will be displayed on our window board by the side entrance of the Church. Also, with your authorization, we would create a page on our website, to place the picture of your loved one for remembrance, which could be visited on our portal. For those of you that don't have access to a computer (Internet), you can place the picture in an envelope, labelled with your name and phone number, and we will copy that picture, to make it part of the collage (you will be able to pick up that picture at a later time). If you have questions, concerns, or in need of more information, contact arodriguez@st-anastasia.org, as soon as possible. This will stay for the entire month of November.



The Parish Office will be CLOSED next Wednesday, November 11th to honor



The Box of Joy project has been a real success. Thanks to the participation and generosity of many, we have been able to create 50 boxes, that will bring joy to

children in some places where they don't have the same opportunities we benefit from here. This year Christmas is going to be a happy time for them. Once again thank you so much for sharing with others and making this a reality:

The Box of Joy is a Christmas blessing that says: "God loves you, and so do!"

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

~ Next Week ~

Saturday, November 14th & Sunday, November 15th, 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

Fr. Semik

Fr. King

Fr. Innocent

Fr. Semik

Msgr. Cox

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

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

Psalms — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

Gospel — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).





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



St. Anastasia is offering Drive-Through Holy Communion, On Sundays at 12:30 pm.



CONFESSIONS
Saturday
3:30 to 4:45 PM
PATIO—BACK ENTRANCE
OF PARISH OFFICE, OR
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SCHOOL NEWS!!



Pancake Breakfast returns amid COVID-19!

St. Anastasia Drive-thru -
Sunday, November 14th.
From 8 am to 11 am.

Orders due by
November 6th.

Information in the Bulletin
and our Website.

Please call the School Office @ 310-645-8816,
or the Parish Office @ 310-670-2243
for more information.



St. Anastasia Home Bible Study

Our Bible Study is beginning again, this time from home.

- Every week for the next couple of months, we'll send you a video along with some thought-provoking questions.
- Then participate by email in moderated discussion and Q&A on your own schedule.



- Explore with us such topics as: 'The Meaning of the Mass', 'Why God Allows Suffering', and 'How Should Faith Affect Public Life'.
- The perfect way to get back into regular Bible Study!
- There's no cost; to sign up simply contact Carolyn Godlewski at ScriptureStudyGal@gmail.com.

Holy Water is available in the Parish Office. Those interested, please call before coming, since the office is CLOSED to the Public. A donation is welcomed!



*"The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?" - Psalm 27:1*



Everybody is afraid sometimes, and there are many kinds of fears. There is the fear you get when you watch a scary movie. Fear can come when something happens that you don't understand, like a divorce, sickness, or the death of someone you know. Sometimes we are afraid that something bad that happened once will automatically happen again. All of these fears are real. Whatever you are afraid of, talk about it with someone who cares for you. Remember, too, that God loves you and understands you. He is there when you are afraid. Talk to God. Ask Him to help you trust Him. God will never fail you.

Loving God, shine your light on me
whenever I am afraid.

On **Saturday, November 21, 2020, at 12:00PM**, the African American Catholic Community of Los Angeles will be celebrating its **Eleventh Annual African American Catholic Ancestral Mass**.

It will take place at the "Negro National Church of Los Angeles", St. Odilia Catholic Church, established in 1926 and today recognized as the "Mother Church" for all Los Angeles' African American Catholics.

THIS MASS WILL BE LIVE STREAMED ON FACEBOOK at

www.facebook.com/aaccfe/

This year's Presider will be Most Reverend Edward W. Clark with Homilist Msgr. Timothy Dyer.



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ANONTING 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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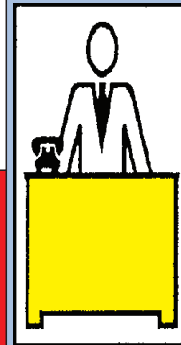
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