

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:
9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am to Noon

Website

www.queenofangels.org

Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am
& 10:30 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

Rosary

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Confession: 10:00 am,
Mass 11:30 am

First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Rosary: 8:30 am, Mass: 9:00 am

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion

Wednesday: after 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday: after 8:00 am Mass
until 9:30 am

Confession

Tuesday-Friday: 7:15 am,
Saturday: 4:00 pm,
or by appointment

Sacraments

Baptism, Holy Matrimony, & Funerals
Contact Fr. David

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The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel.

Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. www.unplannedparenthood.org, 619.442.4357

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, at 858.490.8353.

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE



Queen of Angels 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal "Living our Faith", has begun

We ask you to prayerfully consider how much you can give to this year's appeal. Your continued generosity in support of our local Church is vital to the mission of the Universal Catholic Church.

If you cannot donate at this time, we ask you to pray for a successful 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal for our parish.

But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works. James 2:18

GOAL: \$27,804.00 PLEDGE: \$ 3,685.00

BALANCE: \$24,119.00

DIocese of San Diego

READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 29-MAY 7, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday, Apr 29	5:30 pm	Melissa Yelvington
Sunday, Apr 30	8:00 am	Chris & Sean Clark
Sunday, Apr 30	10:30 am	†Carl Osborne
Monday, May 1	7:30 am	Rosary
Tuesday, May 2	8:00 am	Anne-Marie Sommese
Wednesday, May 3	8:00 am	Fr. David Exner
Thursday, May 4	8:00 am	Tom Hagan
Friday, May 5	11:30 am	Nycki Koeh
Saturday, May 6	9:00 am	Melissa Yelvington
Saturday, May 6	5:30 pm	Celeste Woestman
Sunday, May 7	8:00 am	Lisa Millar
Sunday, May 7	10:30 am	Harry A. Houghlon Jr.

Prayer Requests

Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.



Kelly Barker
Sue Dodds
Jim Hill
Carmen Holt
Jason Laccone
Stephen McMeeken
Steve Rodkey
Joan Smith
Kailyn & Charis Whaley
Celeste Woestman
Melissa Yelvington



Deployed Military

Meagan Abad, LT
Matthew D. Fuller, PV2
William W. Fuller II, PFC
Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt
Rebekah Meyer, BM2(sw)
Jacob Tweed, HM3
Mattison Underhill, USN
Morgan Williams, CPL



If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military and is deployed or will be deployed, please contact Darlene at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

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Mother's Day Novena Cards Remember your Mother, living or deceased, in our Novena of Masses for Mother's Day **May 14**. Please pick up a card at the front entrance of the church and return it to the office or drop it into the collection box.



Please Pray For all the young adults who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on **May 2** at 6PM. May this journey with Christ strengthen their faith to continue to live a Christian life as witnesses to God.



Monthly ECPCC Collection Please leave your donations after all the Masses next weekend, **May 6-7**, in the "TECATE TREASURE CHEST" directly behind the church. You can access the chest any day of the week. Please remember to close the lid when you are finished, and **PLEASE** only leave maternity and baby clothing for the ECPCC.



"Spiritual Rosary" Books Queen of Angels has the "Spiritual Rosary" book available for purchase. This book is the modern version of the way the rosary was once prayed throughout Western Europe in the late Middle Ages. This book is for everyone as it helps one to keep thinking about the Mysteries of each decade of the Rosary, while reciting the rosary. The books are available in the office during normal business hours for \$15.00. Limited supply, purchase yours now.



First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus-May 5

9:30 AM—Rosary
10:00 AM—Adoration/Reconciliation
11:30 AM—Mass



First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary-May 6

8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—Devotions

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

The Knight of Columbus will once again be awarding the

Andrew Tompkins
Memorial College Scholarship Award

to practicing Catholics and members of Queen of Angels Parish. Applicants must be a senior in a Catholic, Public, Charter or accredited Home High School or a full-time student at an accredited College or Trade School.

Applications will be available online at queenofangels.org and in the parish office.

Applications must be completed and **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 31st.**



We at Queen of Angels are in need of more **Altar Servers, Communion Ministers, Lectors and Ushers.** These volunteer positions are a vital and integral part of celebrating Mass and are not only necessary but rewarding as well.

If you can assist with any of these positions please contact the parish office at 619.445.2145. We will work with your availability to serve at the Mass which you now attend.

Note: We specifically need volunteers for the 8AM Mass. If you can assist just only once a month it would be greatly appreciated.

"Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you."
Matthew 5:42



Holy Hearts Homeschool Co-Op Update



Holy Hearts is currently in our final session of the school year. This first year of our Homeschool Co-Op has been amazing. We have added more families throughout the year and we feel so grateful to have made so many new friendships. We are so thankful for our parish family, Father David and the parish staff for supporting our program and contributing to its success. We are truly blessed to be a part of the Queen of Angels family.

Mark your calendar for May 18 & 19 at 7PM and May 20 at 2PM as our drama students will be performing The Jungle Book. The students have worked so hard and we would love to have you attend.

Please be on the lookout for more information regarding 2023 Fall Enrollment.

PASTOR'S PAGE

Friends,

Earlier this past week we celebrated the feast day of St. Mark the Evangelist, who wrote what is, in our Bibles at least, the second gospel, but what many scholars believe may have actually been the first gospel chronologically. But the story of St. Mark is far more than just the story of an author. In fact, the story of his life and his faith journey can serve as a beautiful reminder to us of God's faithfulness.

When we first encounter Mark in the Book of Acts, he is a young man – perhaps even a teenager – who is on fire for the Lord and is eager to serve him, so he joins Paul and Barnabas on their first missionary journey. Unfortunately for Mark, and much to the chagrin of Paul, he ended up leaving the group at Perga. Whether he did so out of fear, because he felt overwhelmed, or because he simply wasn't ready, we don't know. But he left, and it ended up being something that bothered Paul so much that he would struggle to forgive the young man for it.

Some time later, when Paul and Barnabas were preparing to set out on their second missionary journey, Barnabas wanted to give Mark a second chance and bring him along again, but Paul was adamant that he not come. I can easily imagine Barnabas – who was the first Christian to welcome Paul after his baptism – reminding Paul of how the community of believers had given him another chance despite how he had persecuted them; and I can easily imagine Paul, who was not famous for pulling punches, responding strongly. It's probably for the best, but we don't know exactly what was said, only that it was a very contentious dispute that ended up with Paul and Barnabas parting ways. Paul took Silas and Luke on his subsequent journeys, while Barnabas took Mark under his wing. At some point, Mark also teamed up with Simon Peter, who himself knew something about second chances. And that's where his story really starts to get interesting.

While he was not ready the first time he headed out on mission with Paul and Barnabas, at some point while he was with Simon Peter, the switch flipped. He became a faithful companion to Peter, to the point that Peter in his first epistle refers to Mark as "my son." The young man who was too afraid when he started out found his courage in Christ and was a trusted confidant and co-worker of one of Jesus' closest friends. Mark followed Peter to Rome before eventually founding the Church in Alexandria (which would become a hub of theology whose leaders staunchly defended the faith against the heresies that threatened the early Church), but as we mentioned at the beginning, he is most famous for his gospel. And while a full discussion of Mark's gospel would take far more space than this bulletin has, here's two of the more amazing things about it in my opinion... You see, the Gospel of Mark is written from the perspective of Peter, who would have related all of those stories to him. This tells us a lot about the humility and growth St. Peter, who I can picture insisting to St. Mark the importance of including the more embarrassing stories about him that we find throughout the gospel. Anytime we run across a story about Simon Peter in any of the first three gospels (Matthew and Luke have large portions of their gospel that are pulled directly from Mark), we are hearing it as he told it to his friend Mark.

But the second amazing thing we can learn about Mark from his gospel has less to do with the gospel itself and more to do with how it is depicted in Scripture and in religious art. In the book of Revelation, St. John sees four living creatures in heaven, and those are held to be symbolic of the four written gospels, with each creature corresponding to a different gospel. Matthew's gospel is depicted as the man (or angel, depending on your translation), Luke as the ox, John as the eagle, and Mark... fearful Mark who left Paul and Barnabas... is depicted as the lion. The scared, insecure teenager who was in over his head went on to write the gospel that is symbolized by the lion, perhaps the bravest and noblest of all the wild beasts. Because of course he did. What is so amazing about this is that God saw something in Mark that no one else saw, not even Barnabas, something that God knew was there because he put it there when he created him. God was patient with Mark, and put people in his path to help him find his way – Simon Peter and Barnabas, certainly, but even Paul in his own way helped form Mark into St. Mark. And this – for me at least – is an even greater reminder of God's faithfulness to us than if Mark had gotten it right the first time. Because when I remember St. Mark, I'm reminded that God is never finished with us.

In His Grip,

Fr. David



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"Revival's in the Air"



He has risen Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Happy Easter!

I love Easter because it reminds me that there is hope in the risen Jesus Christ, and we are loved!

As obvious as the above sounds, I didn't always love Easter for this reason; I loved it for other reasons. Easter meant:

- * A long weekend
- * Breaking in the swimming pool
- * Lots of Easter candy
- * My dad's Texas BBQ
- * Casacaornes (if you know, you know)
- * Cousins and family coming over
- * An Easter basket and an Easter egg hunt (where I hoped to find money!)
- *

As a kid, this was my world, and going to Easter Mass was the thing I **had** to do—so I could get to all of the above!

Easter morning, I had to get up, get dressed, and I had to be extra clean with my hair neat. **Oh and I learned we never went on Saturdays, because we would be there a long time! (Come on—I am sure you thought it at least once!)**

Now that I am older—much older, I realize that I was missing the most important part of Easter. Jesus rising, and conquering death. I never questioned it, I just accepted it, but I also didn't really understand what it had to do with me.

Then one day, my mentor Father Ralph Jones, reminded me,

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

He said, **"Cande, this is the ultimate gift. The ultimate sacrifice, and this is true sacrificial giving."**

This blew my mind! I never thought about Easter as giving!

My brothers and sisters in Christ, Jesus is still giving us Himself everyday at every hour around the world in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass! Jesus is this sacrifice that gives us Himself over and over again!

Coming to this realization was a moment I said, thank you, Jesus!

As the Chief Advancement Officer for the National Eucharistic Congress, I have the great privilege of inviting people into the Mission of the Congress, by **Giving, Praying and Leading**.

It is with this in mind I invite you to pray about giving to the National Eucharistic Congress. Your donation will go toward the Pilgrimage, toward producing the Congress, toward hospitality, and toward launching the initiatives that will follow this historic moment. Through your generous support of a small (or large) gift, you help the National Eucharistic Congress with its Revival efforts. Whether it is the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage which will span over thousands of miles, inviting Eucharistic Preachers across the country, or participating in a small gathering of tens of thousands of people in Indianapolis (LOL)—we are working hard to pray (and beg!) the Holy Spirit for Revival in our Catholic Church!

As Bishop Cozzens has said, **"We want to start a fire, not a program."**

Please join me in praying about how you can best support the Congress, participate in its initiatives, and bring as many as possible into this historic opportunity of Revival. Big or small, you can donate today.

Thank you for your consideration, and remember—whatever you can give makes an impact! God has a good history of taking things and multiplying them! Your gift will do just that for us—it will multiply and grow, from your love, faith and generosity!

Happy Easter—He has Risen!

Your Brother in Christ,

Cande



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BLUE MASS

Honoring all law enforcement officers, firefighters and first responders for their service in our communities

**SUNDAY
MAY 7, 2023
8:30AM**

The Immaculata Parish (USD Campus)
5998 Alcalá Park Way
San Diego, CA 92110

Hosted by the Office for Life, Peace, and Justice.



Bishop Ramon Bejarano

Bring your family, friends, and members of your community and join us to recognize and thank those employed in public safety and first responders.
Including: police officers, firefighters, correctional officers, 911 operators, and EMS personnel.
First Responders from all faiths are welcome.



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Cut to the Heart

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Everyone who has been married knows this feeling: you're in the midst of a disagreement with your spouse. You've really dug in your heels. You're ready to die on this hill. And you have the awful, heartbreaking realization that you are wrong. Whatever it is you're arguing about, you're wrong. You.

So where do you go from here? The only way forward is to own it. Fess up. Grab a fork and dig into that humble pie. It makes me cringe just to write about it, because it's the worst feeling.

I use the example of marriage because it's the one I'm most familiar with — my closest relationship, the one that teaches me the most about who I am and who God asks me to be. But this is a universal experience, and everyone — single or married, child or adult, lay or ordained — knows how badly it feels to realize that you're wrong. You're human. You messed up.

It is hard to recognize that the Christian life is one of ongoing repentance. It is painful to acknowledge the ways in which we are falling short, even as we strive to follow in Christ's example.

It can, in the words of today's reading, "cut to the heart."

But that feeling of despair is what propels forward motion. We have to allow ourselves to feel bad, that's the fertile ground of penitence. We are meant to have not just life, but life "more abundantly." Stasis isn't the goal. Baptism isn't the finish line.

Examining our conscience is hard. It cuts to the heart. It cuts to the truth.

"Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins." — Acts 2:38

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2023 National Prayer For America

We come with fervent hearts to praise You Lord. You are The Word, the Way, Truth and Life. The Alpha and Omega, Lion of Judah, Almighty God who was, and is, and is to come. You clothed Yourself in flesh and dwelt among us, to remove our sin and clothe us in Your righteousness that we might dwell with You forever and ever.

With broken, humbled hearts we repent of our sins. Confessing to You our faithlessness, prayerlessness, and disobedience. Forgive us for our doubt, our prideful and quarrelsome words that reveal our unclean hearts. Cleanse us and renew a right and steadfast spirit within us we pray.

With grateful hearts we thank You fervently for the blessings in our life and throughout America; they are more than we are able to count. We will remember Your grace and testify o Your goodness in all generations. Help us to refrain from complaining, but instead be prompted to pray faithfully in every circumstance. Teach us to have a content heart knowing You are always enough for our every need.

As the Church we commit to pray and love our neighbor and nation as You loved us, that our reputation in this world would be rooted in Your love. Holy Spirit work and overflow through us in every prayer, thought, word, and deed. May our character, conversations, and conduct reflect the righteousness in which You clothed us and command us to live.

With an obedient heart we put on the full armor of God; Your breastplate of righteousness guards our heart from which flows the springs of life. We pray fervently for our communities and country; the people who are in the Church, Family, Education, Business and Workplace, Military, Government, Arts, Entertainment and Media. Every person is Your workmanship, fearfully and wonderfully created and loved.

With hopeful hearts we pray that all would choose to receive Your love and follow You. We pray that America would confess, "Jesus is Lord" and reflect Your righteousness in every sphere of influence, and every aspect of our lives. We ask that heavenly hope would flood our hearts, silence hate, and that You will heal our land.

Believing You; all You are, all You said, and all You have promised, we pray fervently in righteousness and avail much. In Jesus Name we pray, Amen!

