

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours

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

Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

Rosary

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, pray for us!

Confession

Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 am,
Saturday: 4:00 pm,
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

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

First Friday Devotions

Adoration/Confession: 10:00 am
Mass: 11:30 am

First Saturday Devotions

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

Baptism, Holy Matrimony & Funerals

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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 858-0490-8353.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

<u>April 4-5, 2026</u>	<u>April 11-12, 2026</u>	<u>Special Collection</u>
Envelopes Used 88	Envelopes Used 72	
Plate Collections \$ 1,488.03 861.36	Plate Collections \$ 1,106.00	Holy Thursday \$ 481.00
Envelope Collections \$ 6,518.25	Envelope Collections \$ 4,955.02	Good Friday \$ 1,652.00
TOTALS \$ 8,006.28	TOTALS \$ 6,061.02	

READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 18-26, 2026

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/ Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/ Mk 16:15-20
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SPECIAL INTENTION</u>
Saturday, Apr 18	5:30 PM	†Michael Felchlin
Sunday, Apr 19	8:00 AM	†Max Empizo
Sunday, Apr 19	10:30 AM	†Kyle Poser Aldaz
Monday, Apr 20	7:30 AM	<i>Rosary</i>
Tuesday, Apr 21	8:00 AM	The Clark Family
Wednesday, Apr 22	8:00 AM	Brian Yelvington
Thursday, Apr 23	8:00 AM	Michael Figueroa
Friday, Apr 24	8:00 AM	Marion Montgomery
Saturday, Apr 25	5:30 PM	†Pierloigi Gallenetti
Sunday, Apr 26	8:00 AM	†Beverly Bohacek
Sunday, Apr 26	10:30 AM	†Carl Osborne

Healing Prayers

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




...may they find joy
in the healing love of Christ.



Katie Clark
Nancy Clark
Matt Delgado
Ana Fonseca-Garcia
Mike Gust
June Hill
Ida House
Jason Laccone
Jerry Price
Sarah Rusinak
Karla Schafer
Brian Yelvington
Kailyn & Charis Whaley

Deployed Military

Meagan Abad McAuley, LCDR
Matthew D. Fuller, PV2
William W. Fuller II, PFC
Christopher Hartnett, E4
Nicholas Johnson, LT
Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt
David J. McIntyre, PFC
Nicholas Palstorm, E8
Joshua Rosson, PFC
Jacob Tweed, HM3



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

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting
Darlene Ames at bulletinqofa@gmail.com.

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NEW Eucharistic Minister Training Please take note: the training session for new Eucharistic Ministers will take place on Tuesday, **April 21** at 6:00 PM in the church. Please be prompt and we look forward to having you share your time and talent with Queen of Angels.



Queen of Angels Women's Auxiliary All ladies of the Parish are welcome to join our next monthly meeting on Wednesday, **April 22** at 5:30 PM in the parish hall.



High School Youth Group Our weekly meeting will be on Thursday, **April 23** from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the parish hall. Open to all high school aged youth. SEE YOU THERE!



NEW Lector Training The training session for new Lectors will take place on Tuesday, **April 28** at 6:00 PM in the church.



Mother's Day Novena Cards Remember Mothers, living or deceased, in our Novena of Masses for Mother's Day May 10. 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.



Just a Reminder All literature, pamphlets, handouts, etc. need to be approved by Father David before placing said items on the tables near the church entrances. Please refrain from placing any items on the tables without his prior approval. Thank you.



Don't Forget If any of your personal information has changed please call the Parish Office at 619-445-2145 to let us know. We strive to keep our family records up-to-date and confidential.



Please Remember Upon leaving Mass, please make sure all Missalettes, Hymnals, Prayer Cards, and donation envelopes are put back neatly in the pew backs. It only takes a few seconds and greatly enhances the appearance of the church when arriving to celebrate Mass. Thank You~



"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.



Dear Friends, Pray Every Day this Easter

If you haven't joined the #1 prayer app, this Easter Season is the perfect opportunity to do so. Join Mark Wahlberg, Chris Pratt, and Jonathan Roumie, as well as many others as you Find Peace, Transform Your Prayer Life and build a Habit of Prayer.

Hallow is an excellent resource for people searching for deeper spiritual lives, especially the younger generation of Catholics today. It helps make clear that a relationship with God is and can be extremely personal and can be a great source of peace, joy, and strength.

Get started now. Start your free 30 day trial today and try the 9-day intro to contemplative prayer challenge.

To try **Hallow** visit:
onboarding.hallow.com

IT'S STILL EASTER.

You won't find Easter candy or decorations for sale at the supermarket much past Easter Sunday. While the secular world moves on from bunnies and chocolate, the Church continues to celebrate Easter long after the final ham leftovers are eaten. The Easter season is the second-longest liturgical season. Only ordinary time is longer. The Church celebrates the Easter season (also known as "Easter tide") for 50 days, culminating with the feast of Pentecost, where Scripture (Acts 2:1-31) tells us that the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles.

Taken from: **Hallow**

During Eastertide, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Each Sunday of the season can be treated as an Easter Sunday — making this time period one large joyful feast!

PASTOR'S PAGE

Dear Friends,

You all know by now of my deep mistrust in and abiding dislike of politics in all of its forms, which is one of the reasons why I typically steer as far from those topics as possible. Another big reason is that it lacks, not objective importance in the sense that it *never* matters, but because the importance it does carry is always temporal, *not eternal*. That said, speaking up at this point, given the recent attempted throwdown between our president and our pope (it should be noted, that attempt only coming from the side of the president), seems like the right thing to do, and—fortunately for my streak of disdaining politics—doesn't even feel like politics.

I will leave aside my own opinion that if the president simply got off of social media, treated internet trolls like the white noise they are, mimicked Calvin "Silent Cal" Coolidge, and let people judge his presidency based on his ability to get results, that his approval rating would be significantly higher. But like I already said, I don't care about those things. Moving on...

It should come as no surprise, I hope, that I'm with Pope Leo on this make-believe conflict between him and the president. I say "make believe," because I think that our president is imagining a conflict where there is none, seeing a new opponent in every word of criticism he receives. As Pope Leo stated—very clearly, I thought—the Church has always held that peace is preferable to war, especially since it is the path that Jesus himself chose to save us. The Lord did not respond to the treachery of his own people or the violence of Rome with like conduct (as we are wont to do), but truly became the Prince of Peace and the Savior of the world.

I will let the Holy Father speak for himself on this, in response to President Trump's attempt to turn the pope's initial appeal to recognize the intrinsic and incalculable dignity of every person into a political issue:

"I am not a politician, and I do not want to enter into a debate with him... I do not think the message of the Gospel should be abused as some are doing. I continue to speak strongly against war, seeking to promote peace, dialogue, and multilateralism among states to find solutions to problems. Too many people are suffering today, too many innocent lives have been lost, and I believe someone must stand up and say there is a better way... I say this to all world leaders, not only him: let us end wars and promote peace and reconciliation... I have no fear of the Trump administration or speaking out loudly of the message of the Gospel, which is what I believe I am here to do, what the Church is here to do... We are not politicians. We don't deal with foreign policy with the same perspective he might understand it, but I do believe in the message of the Gospel, as a peacemaker."

We would do well to remember the words of Sacred Scripture as well, and in particular the words of Christ, when it comes to this. While all of the Beatitudes could, in their own way, be applied to the situation right now, one in particular, which Pope Leo referenced, stands out: "*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God*" (Matthew 5:9, RSV).

If a personal note may be permitted, I know I am not the only person in our parish who has seen the ugly face of war. It is a face that I do not wish upon anyone. This is especially true for the innocent non-combatants who inevitably get caught in the middle of every conflict. What pained me the most from my time in Iraq was the realization that every child I ever met only knew a life of conflict and war, where even playing outside could be deadly. I understand that sometimes war is the only avenue left, but as romantically as we like to paint it sometimes, I believe that it should always be treated as a last resort, employed only when everything else has failed and no other options remain.

I would like to again look at the words of Sacred Scripture, this time zooming in on possibly the first Apostolic letter ever written by a pope in history, Saint Peter's first epistle:

Beloved, I beg you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh that wage war against your soul. Maintain good conduct among the Gentiles, so that in case they speak against you as wrongdoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation. Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right. For it is God's will that by doing right you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God. Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor (1 Peter 2:11-17, RSV).

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I will resist the urge to do a deep dive into this passage today, and instead point out just a few important things from Saint Peter. First, we are to remember that this world is not our home, and that all of us are “aliens and exiles” as we await our true home, heaven. Second, God can use our good deeds, which he has prepared for us (cf. Ephesians 2:10) to “silence the ignorance of foolish men,” of which there are many in the world today, some of whom are very visible. Third and finally, God created us to be *free*, and to receive his love freely—and in doing so to also receive the grace to love others as freely and generously as we ourselves have been loved.

And I will leave things there for now, not pretending as if I am able to add anything meaningful to either the words of our first pope, or our current one, and close with the words of Christ Jesus himself: *“I have said this to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world”* (John 16:33, RSV).

Grace and peace,

Fr. David

FLEA MARKET QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

2569 W Victoria Dr.
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Spring
Cleaning-

Declutter &
Purge-

Garage
Clean out-



Have a
Talent or
Craft you'd
like to
share?

Join Us!

Saturday, April 25
7:00 AM – 2:00 PM

New * Used * Vintage * Designer

Sellers Tables: \$25 each
Must be purchased before **April 18th**

For more information contact Terri Horrell at 619-929-7834

Do You Hear the Call to Serve?

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

If you *Feel and Hear the Call to Serve*, and want to assist helping 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.



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*Holy Hearts
Ministry Presents:*

**Shake, Rattle,
& Roll!**

**Family
Sock
Hop**

May 30th, 4-8p
At: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

-Tickets include: Burger, Hotdogs, or
Salmon Burger, Nachos/ Drink/ Dessert

-Silent Auction: Raising
money for Ministry Needs.
Please consider donating an
item in advanced

Dress in your best
50's attire!
(Optional)

Tickets: Scan QR code, tap
"Donate" Button

Questions? Donations? Elena (619)243-4516


SAVE THE DATE**QUEEN OF ANGELS VBS****JULY 27-31, 2026**

Grab your hiking boots and take a step through the misty air of Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, your child will plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, All-knowing, our Refuge, Love, and Forever.

CHECK BACK, MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

3rd Sunday of Easter
Luke 24:13-35

When I first read Homer's *Odyssey* as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **"their eyes were prevented from recognizing him."** (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church.

Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are.

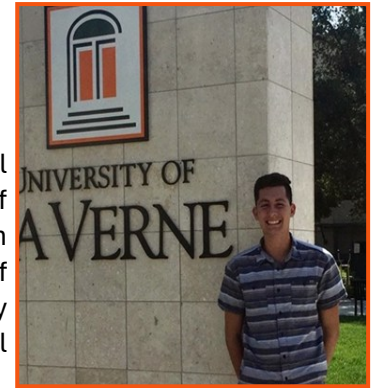
— *Father John Muir*

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Queen of Angels Knights of Columbus Council #10118

Andrew Tompkins Memorial College Scholarship Award

Andrew Joseph Tompkins was born to Diana and Paul Tompkins on Easter Sunday, April 12, 1998. He is survived by two sisters, Marion and Julia. He received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation at our family parish, Queen of Angels Church in Alpine, California. He was very active in our parish as a member of the children's choir, a long-time altar server, a member of the 412 Church Youth Ministry Group, and he attended the Steubenville Youth Conferences throughout his high school years.



Andrew graduated from Granite Hills High School in 2016 and attended the University of La Verne (ULV) on an academic scholarship to study business marketing. He received the Knights of Columbus scholarship award for the two years he attended ULV and was grateful to the Knights Council for financial support. Andrew had a passion for learning. He was an Honor Student and an accomplished swimmer and diver in high school and college.

Unfortunately, Andrew was diagnosed with cancer in his second year of college and was forced to suspend his studies while he had surgery and went through chemotherapy for several months. After a very tough battle, the Lord called him home on September 22, 2019 at the age of 21. While Andrew's time at ULV was short, he completed enough units to receive his Associate of Arts degree (posthumous). He was a natural born student and loved school and university life. He would be honored to know that this scholarship fund is now named after him. Indeed, his family is honored that Andrew's memory will live on through all students who go off to college with big hopes and dreams and remain strong in the Catholic faith.

The Knight of Columbus will once again be awarding scholarships 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 are available online at queenofangels.org.

Applications must be completed and **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JULY 31ST, 2026**

Please join in our latest Bible Study, “*Life Everlasting: Heaven, Hell, Death and Judgement*”

This study runs five weeks and explores what the Catholic Church teaches about death, judgment, heaven, and hell—the Four Last Things. Through Scripture, the *Catechism*, and engaging video sessions, Dr. Edward Sri and Dr. Jeff Morrow reflect on life's ultimate realities and dive into why it is important to live each day in light of eternity. Rooted in hope, it offers a clear and faith-filled understanding of what awaits us beyond this life and how those truths give meaning to the present.

Study Begins: Tuesday, April 14 (for five weeks)

Time: 9:00 AM — 11:00 AM in the parish hall

Cost: \$15.99 plus shipping for study book

