

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

8:00 am: M, W, Th, F

Holy Days

Please see The Messenger



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

**First Saturday to Honor
the Immaculate
Heart of Mary**
Mass 9:00 am

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Adoration
10:30 am-11:15 am
(Benediction follows)
Confessions
10:35 am-11:15 am
Mass 11:30 am

Confession

Sat. 4:00 to 5:00 pm
or by appointment

Baptism

4th Sunday of the Month
Contact Fr. Timothy

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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.

Church is Handicapped Accessible

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT



GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 25-MAY 3, 2020

		<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Sunday:	<i>Lk 24:13-35</i>	Saturday, Apr 25	5:30 pm	†Jim Archer
Monday:	<i>Jn 6:22-29</i>	Sunday, Apr 26	8:00 am	
Tuesday:	<i>Jn 6:30-35</i>	Sunday, Apr 26	10:30 am	For the People
Wednesday:	<i>Jn 6:35-40</i>	Monday, Apr 27	8:00 am	†Frank Plotnik
Thursday:	<i>Jn 6:44-51</i>	Tuesday, Apr 28	7:30 am	<i>Rosary</i>
Friday:	<i>Jn 6:52-59</i>	Wednesday, Apr 29	8:00 am	†Mary Plotnik
Saturday:	<i>Jn 6:60-69</i>	Thursday, Apr 30	8:00 am	†Rita Plotnik
Next Sunday:	<i>Jn 10:1-10</i>	Friday, May 1	11:30 am	†Thomas Vito DeMarino
		Saturday, May 2	5:30 pm	†Jim Weismann
		Sunday, May 3	8:00 am	For the People
		Sunday, May 3	10:30 am	†Daniel Barker



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

Amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, It shall be granted to them by my heavenly father. Matthew 18:19



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Third Sunday of Easter

APPEARED	BREAD	CONCERNING
DREW	EACH	EVEN
EYES	FOUND	GOING
HAPPENED	HEART	JERUSALEM
JESUS	NAMED	OPENED
OTHER	PROPHET	RECOGNIZED
ROAD	SAID	SAYING
SCRIPTURES	SOME	STAY
TALKED	THEN	THINGS
TOGETHER	TOMB	VERY
VILLAGE	WENT	WOMEN

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Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed until further notice. If you need assistance with any church related issue please leave a message as they are checked daily.



Mass Streaming Online Mass can be viewed online at the diocesan website at sdcatholic.org.



GRAND RE-OPENING On behalf of Father Tim and Queen of Angels Church, we are ecstatic to announce that beginning **May 1, 2020** the church doors will re-open! Hours are as follows:

Monday–Friday: 11:00am to 2:00pm,
Saturday: 4:00pm to 6:00pm and
Sundays: 10:30am to 12:30pm.

Dear Parishioners,

I am very sorry to say that, because of the new Health and Human Service Agency's orders that are taking place throughout the State of CA today, April 9th, **Queen of Angels Church will now be closed for the duration of this period, namely until April 30, 2020.**

I have reluctantly reached this painful decision, as this is the best measure to keep people safe and to be in full compliance with Public Officials. I would ask that each of you pray ardently at home for the end to this plague upon our nation and world. Know that I continue to offer the Holy Sacrifice of The Mass daily. I keep all my Queen of Angels parishioners, living and deceased, in my prayers. I hope that you pray for me also.

Perhaps this plague is not a punishment, but a sign to us all from God. A sign to never take for granted the freedoms that we have in this great nation. A sign that we need to cherish our faith and family. A sign to really look deep into our hearts and souls to see whether we are responding to God's Love *as we should* in faith, hope, and charity, in the Commandments, and at least in the spirit of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

Let us all realize that we are in for a longer Good Friday. We have been pushed to become like the Apostles, locked in the upper room for fear. We know, however, that our fears will pass, and a new day will come (*as it did for the Apostles*). That we will rise and begin again and hopefully, with renewed and contrite hearts, we will become the Christians that Jesus has called us to be. That must be our prayer – to become like Jesus Our Lord without reserve.

Those who wish to have **Sacramental Reconciliation** may call the church office, as I will check the phone messages daily. Or email me at my [parish email address].

God bless you all.
Sincerely in Christ Jesus,
Fr. Timothy



*The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal
"Gratitude in Action" continues.
Queen of Angels assessment for 2020 is \$30,000.*

*ACA includes support for the following ministries:
Catholic Schools and Tuition Assistance,
Formation in the Faith, Prison Ministry,
Young Adult Ministry,
Seminarist Support, Retired Priests and
Catholic Charities.*

Through your gift, we impact thousands of lives in our local Church community. Thank you for your support as we participate in living the Church's mission to be a witness of compassion and mercy to those in need.

GOAL: \$30,000.00
PLEDGED: \$15,760.00 BALANCE: \$14,240.00

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.



PASTOR'S PAGE

The Catholic Church is the official guardian and interpreter of the Scriptures; without the Church's Sacred Tradition we would be left in hopelessness.

In the Gospel of Luke this Sunday [24:13-35] we read the story of Our Lord's appearance on the road to Emmaus. In the beginning of the story we see two disciples had lost faith in Jesus as Messiah and were leaving Jerusalem in hopelessness. By the end of the story we find these same two rejoicing, burning with zeal over the risen victorious Christ! What changed this story to bring about such an ecstatic ending? Certainly, we can answer 'the appearance of Christ'. But what made them recognize Jesus as Messiah?

What changed the hopelessness of the story is that *Jesus opened up the scriptures to them*. Our Lord showed them how all the things that God The Father had prepared for had come to fulfillment in The Son Incarnate, Jesus. It was the true story of how The Father kept His promise from centuries past, and 'handed down' what was necessary for this promise to be completed. As it says of Jesus, "*Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, He interpreted to them what referred to Him in all the Scriptures.*" In the end the disciples come to recognize Jesus in the 'Breaking of the Bread' and return to Jerusalem rejoicing in the risen Lord. The turning point is, very simply, the correctly understood interpretation of Sacred Scripture. As the disciples proclaimed to each other, "*Were not our hearts burning within us while He spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?*" Had these disciples and the Apostles known how The Christ was present in the Hebrew Scriptures through the mysterious Wisdom of God [I Cor 2:6ff] they would never had given up hope in the first place. In Israel's history, however, the interpretation of God's Will through the written scriptures had always presented a difficulty.

After Moses set down the Law, it seems that the whole history of Israel was basically one of misunderstanding the Revelation of God. They *misinterpreted* what God said through His Prophets, and ultimately through His Son, Jesus. They failed to grasp the total reality of the scriptures of God spoken to them through the prophets. It is interesting to note, however, that they *thought* they knew God. As Our Lord said to the Pharisees, "*You search the scriptures, because you think you have eternal life through them; even they testify on My behalf.*" [Jn 5:39]. The faith of Israel was dependent upon hearing the message and following it as God spoke it. Unfortunately, there was always something lost in the interpretation. Clearly then, it is not merely the fact that we have a written recorded Revelation – Sacred Scriptures – *what matters equally is the interpretation of those written words.*

This is not to say that the written Word of God was in error, for St. Paul assures St. Timothy, "*All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness . . .*" [II Tim 3:16]. No, it is not the Sacred Scriptures of God, but rather the unstable fallen human nature of men that leads to the misinterpretation of God's Word. It is, as St. Peter says, "*In them [the scriptures] there are some things hard to understand that the ignorant and unstable distort to their own destruction...*" [II Peter 3:15]. This only makes sense. Can it really be that God would give us a set of books, written over the span of centuries, written in different languages, written in different genres and literary devices, written in such a puzzling manner, and yet expect *each and every person* on the face of the earth to go and interpret for themselves what God is saying? Impossible! In fact, the Bible tells us explicitly this is not the case, St. Peter says of Sacred Scripture, "*Know this first of all [first principle], that there is no prophecy of scripture that is a matter of personal interpretation . . .*" [II Peter 1:20].

Just as in the Gospel today, where we see that only the voice of Christ can tell us what it all really means, so too, we need to hear the voice of Christ speaking today for our instruction. In order to understand God in the Sacred Scriptures we must therefore turn to that one authentic infallible voice of Christ which is His Church. The Apostolic Body of Christ that Our Lord Himself established while here upon earth [Mt 18:17; Acts 5:11], to which He gave the Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, and of Whose teachings He Himself confirmed the gates of hell would not prevail against [Mt 16:18]. This is the only sure and certain manner of understanding the Wisdom of God found in the Mystery of the Sacred Scriptures that God bequeathed upon His Church, to be interpreted by His Church, through the Holy Spirit promised to His Church. Again, as Our Lord says to His Apostles, "*The Advocate, The Holy Spirit that The Father will send in My Name -- He will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.*" [Jn 14:25].

Like the disciples of Emmaus, we too will enter in to dark days ahead, times of trouble when we will need to understand God's Plan for us. We will need, just as the early disciples of Christ needed, assurance that God our Father keeps His promises; *that The Father has a plan for each and every one of us*. We can only have that assurance and certitude from the voice of Christ that speaks to us through His Church. In the end, the only way that we can avoid the hopelessness of a *perceived* abandonment by God is to see that God never abandons His people. That God has provided not only a written record, the Bible, but also a *living authoritative visible body* that interprets for us the fullness of the truth of what God wants us to know (Faith) and of what God wants us to do (Morals).

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Certainly, there is only one source of Divine Revelation, Jesus Christ, The Word of God. This one source of living waters, however, flows forth in two fonts (or modes) of transmission: Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture [CCC 78, 80ff]. We all know what Sacred Scripture is: the Bible. But what precisely is Sacred Tradition?

Tradition is that teaching which is '*handed down*' from Christ through His Apostolic Body, The Church, in an *unwritten* manner. Certainly, the oral transmission of the teachings of Christ took place *before* the written transmission of the New Testament scripture. The written Gospel was never meant to be in competition with the Gospel previously handed down in the form of oral teachings (*kerygma-catechesis*). The Gospel was, more or less, written down *in order to reinforce the teachings already received*. As the Gospel of St. Luke relates, "*I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence... ..so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received* [Lk 1:1-4]". Hence, the Apostolic Teaching was given *and received* by many Christians well before it was ever written down n paper.

So to recap: If we want to have hearts burning within us as we travel with Christ on the road of life, we should be equally open to hearing the voice of Christ through the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church that Jesus Himself established for our sanctification in God. In this way we will not have false expectations and hopes which ultimately lead to despair; for we will have the true understanding of what to know, and what to do, in Christ. The truth of how Our Father in heaven keeps His promises, handed down to His Church, for the instruction and sanctification of each and every one of us. And we too can say . . .

"Are not our hearts burning within us as The Body of Christ, The Church, speaks to us today?"

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Sunday Blessings,

Father Tim

Don't Forget Your Priest!

Tell him...

You're grateful
for his prayers.

You're keeping
your faith.

And you're
including
him in your
prayers.



Thank you and God bless you!

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The Miraculous Image of Our Lady of Las Lajas

catholicexchange.com March 29, 2017 By Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC

In 1754, an event took place in Colombia that continues to baffle geologists and other scientists. This event was the miraculous appearance of the image of Our Lady of Las Lajas (Our Lady of the Rocks). Have you heard of it? Most Catholics outside of Colombia are completely unaware of its existence.

As the story goes, one day a woman named María Mueses de Quiñones was walking with her deaf and mute daughter, Rosa, through a very treacherous and rocky area on their way home from a nearby village. When a storm broke out, Maria and her daughter took shelter in the rocky cliffs of a canyon. All of a sudden, little Rosa spoke for the first time, declaring that she saw a beautiful woman who was calling her. Maria did not see or hear the woman, but was amazed that her daughter could now speak. A few days later, Rosa disappeared from the village. Her mother instinctively knew to return to the rocky canyon where she would find her little girl. Incredibly, when Maria went to the rocks, she found Rosa playing with a little child whose mother stood nearby. It was an apparition of the Virgin Mary and the Child Jesus! Maria and her daughter decided to keep this event secret, but would frequently return to the rocks to pray and ask Our Lady for her intercession.

After a few months, little Rosa suddenly fell ill and died. Distraught, Maria took her deceased daughter to the rocks to ask Our Lady to intercede with her divine Son to bring Rosa back to life. Miraculously, Rosa came back to life! When Maria returned to the village and the people saw that Rosa was alive, their interest was piqued about this place where little Rosa had miraculously recovered her speech and even come back from death.

The villagers followed Maria and Rosa to the rocks to see the place themselves. While they were there, someone noticed a beautiful image of Our Lady on the rocks. Neither Maria nor Rosa had seen the image there before. No one knew who had painted it or where it had come from. In the beautiful image, Our Lady is holding the Child Jesus and handing St. Dominic a rosary; the Child Jesus is extending a friar's cord to St. Francis of Assisi.

After extensive investigations, civil authorities and scientists determined that the scene was not a painting at all. The image is miraculously part of the rock itself!

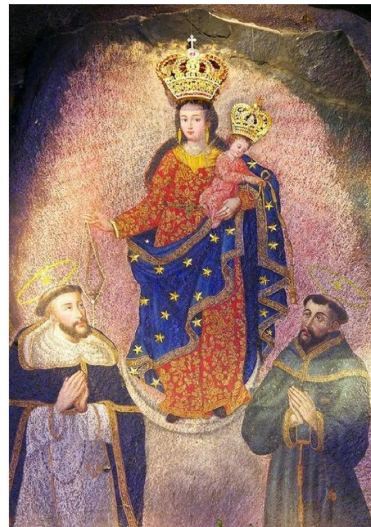
Geologists have since bored core samples from several places in the rock and discovered that there is no paint, dye, or pigment on the surface of the rock. The colors of the mysterious image are the colors of the rock itself and extend several feet deep inside the rock! The only man-made aspects of the miraculous image are the crowns above the heads of Jesus and Mary that were later added by local devotees. For more than two centuries, the location has been a place of pilgrimage and devotion. In 1951, the Church authorized devotion to Our Lady under the title of "Our Lady of Las Lajas," and the church built around the image has been declared a minor basilica.

Isn't this amazing! The entire Catholic world knows about the miraculous tilma of Our Lady of Guadalupe, but hardly anyone outside of Latin America knows about the incredible – and scientifically baffling – image of Our Lady of Las Lajas.

If you ever find yourself in Colombia be sure to visit this holy shrine. The basilica itself looks like something out of Lord of the Rings!

Our Lady of Las Lajas, Pray for Us!

The Basilica



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Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

*For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.*

*For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.*

*For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.*

*For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.*

*For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.*

*For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.*

*For our brothers and sisters around the world,
We pray for shared solidarity.*

*For public officials and decision makers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.*

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.

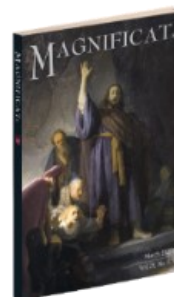
*Grant peace.
Grant comfort.
Grant healing.
Be with us, Lord.*

Amen.



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Dear MAGNIFICAT Family,

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