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A Roman Catholic
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celebrating Christ's
presence among us.



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PASTOR NOTES:

Sometimes love does not look like what you had in mind." - Anne Lamott

That is certainly true about **Covid-19** and the changes it has wrought. The uncertainty and chaos of our present moment is not what I think of when I think of love. But these days I have seen more people out walking than ever before. More parents out riding bikes with their children than ever before. More families having meals together than ever before. The sky is so blue. The air so fresh. The quiet that is so profound that a single lawnmower or departing jet stands out like never before. When I look beneath the surface, I still see God's love. In the midst of all the horror, I can still see beauty. And beauty is the infallible sign of the presence of God. As Dante wrote, "Heat cannot be separated from fire nor beauty from God."



VISITATION NEWS

- **Fr. Tim McGowan** - As many of us know, Fr. Tim has struggled with health issues over the past year. His doctor has strongly advised that he take time off to work on these issues. So Fr. Tim will be on a "mini-sabbatical" here at Visitation, hopefully regaining his health. Please keep him in your prayers. (This has nothing to do with Covid-19; he is perfectly healthy in that respect.) Fr. Jim Anguiano will be assisting me with the celebration of the sacraments.
- **Bread for Sandwiches** - We are still making sandwiches for St. Margaret Center, but we no longer receive free bread from local stores. If you could drop off a loaf of bread in the blue bin in front of the rectory, it would be much appreciated.
- **Visitation Online** - I want you to know that even though we may feel cut off, separate in our homes, we are not alone, especially when we go online to participate in our religious celebrations. For our Sunday mass, we are having between **800 -1,100** views. For Lent unplugged, well over **200** views. Even for our weekday masses, more than **70 to 80** computers are tuned in. And when you figure that the average family watching has three or four members, well, wow! When you are home alone watching the services, you are not alone. All Visitation prays with you.
- **Holy Week Schedule** - We will be online for Holy Week Services The schedule is: - Palm Sunday, **April 5**, at **9:30AM** - Holy Thursday, **April 9**, at **7:00PM** - Good Friday, **April 10** Stations of the Cross **12:00PM** and The Liturgy of Good Friday at **3:00PM**. - Holy Saturday, **April 11**, at **7:00PM** - Easter Sunday, **April 12**, at **9:30 AM**.
- **First Communion and Confirmation** - Because of the uncertainty of when the school might open, we decided to postpone First Communion until sometime in October / November. The archbishop has postponed Confirmation indefinitely; We will wait to receive from him a new date. I feel for all of the children and the teens who have been preparing for two years. But I promise you the celebrations will be even greater than ever.

It is so strange celebrating mass in an empty church. I miss you all, and look forward to the time when we can be back together again. Take good care of yourselves.

Father Jim

HOLY SATURDAY - April 11

7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass will be streamed from our website.

EASTER SUNDAY - April 12

9:30am Mass will be streamed from our website.

Visitationchurch-la.com is our website.

Mass is streamed from **RenewVisitation.org** until further notice.

The services listed above will be archived to allow you to view them at a later time. We will be streaming the Sunday Mass at 9:30am every week until the end of the month or when the quarantine is lifted.

**HAPPY
EASTER
EVERYONE
AND
STAY WELL**

