

St. Thomas Aquinas Church

Iglesia Católica Romana

天主教華人傳教中心



1501 South Atlantic Boulevard
Monterey Park, California 91754



Third Sunday of Lent — March 15, 2020

From the Desk of Our Pastor

Cold and Flu Season Precautions

Dear Parishioners,

We continue being cautious during this cold and flu season. During the sign of peace, please just share a bow or wave, and avoid contact even though you may not be feeling sick.

When receiving Holy Communion, please be prepared to receive it by hand. This will prevent the possibility of transmitting any germs from one communicant to another.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this time.

Cover
your
Cough



Clean
your
Hands

Preventive Steps

Last Sunday, our Chinese ministry sanitized the church pews, benches and doorknobs. We plan to continue to disinfect the church every weekend after each Mass. We are looking for volunteers to assist with this preventive measure. Each volunteer will be assigned a specific area of the church to disinfect. Gloves and items needed will be provided. Please see your Mass usher for instructions.



Fr. John.

Upcoming VIRTUS Training Classes

Our Safeguard the Children committee is committed to ensuring that our parish offers everyone the opportunity to participate in the required VIRTUS training and Fingerprinting. Our goal is to provide this training to all adults who work with children so we can work together as a more effective community to prevent child sexual abuse. This program is mandated for all adults who work with or around children or youth on a regular basis.

Following is the schedule for upcoming sessions:

- Saturday, March 28th @ 10 AM – 1 PM – VIRTUS – “Protecting God’s Children”
- Saturday, June 20th @ 10 AM – 1 PM – VIRTUS “Protecting God’s Children”
- Saturday, August 29th @ 9 AM – 5PM - VIRTUS “Protecting God’s Children” & “Keeping the Promise Alive”
- Saturday, October 24th @ 9 AM – 5 AM - VIRTUS “Protecting God’s Children” & “Keeping the Promise Alive”
- Saturday, October 10th @ 10 AM – 5:30 PM Fingerprinting

To enroll in these classes go to virtusonline.org

Rice Bowls We are Called

Maria Ana and her brothers receive one meal a day at school, so that they can focus on achieving their dreams. How was education important for your future? How can you ensure that all young people have a chance to be educated? Visit crsricebowl.org for more. Pick up your family’s CRS Rice Bowl from church entrances this weekend and return on Easter Sunday.



We invite you to join our Stations of the Cross, which will be **held every Friday evening at 7 PM, except April 3rd which is First Friday.** Stations of the Cross will start after 7 PM mass.

Following is the schedule with the ministry and language for the Stations of the Cross services.

- 3/20 Hispanic Ministry - Spanish
- 3/27 Rel. Ed. & Confirmation Passion Play – Shadow performance
- 4/2 STA School – 2 PM
- 4/3 English Liturgy - English

Special Lenten Programs

Rice Bowl Project – ends Easter Sunday

- 3/21 Spanish Retreat in Parish Hall – Fr. John Greeley – 5 PM
- 4/1 Penance Service @ STA – 7 PM



In Appreciation

Our parish school would like to thank everyone who contributed to the school second collection last weekend. We collected a total of **\$874.00**. Your contribution will be used to provide a Catholic based education to our students.

Earth Day Clean –Up Saturday, April 4th 9 AM – 1 PM

St. Thomas Aquinas is having a four hour Earth Day clean-up for the Church and School Grounds. We have areas of the church and school grounds that need attention. We are asking all parishioners to come join us for a 4 hour clean up! We need not only your help but your equipment from home. We would like to get 5-6 weed whackers/trimmers and other tools such as rakes, shovels, gloves, large brooms, trash cans, hand tools, etc. We also need donations of water and snack items. Sign-up sheet is available this weekend by our baptismal font.

This event will go well with a good showing! Please help and be of service to the church. Students who show up for the full 4 hours will get service credits.

Immaculate Conception Statue Out for Refurbishing & Repair

You may have noticed that our Lady of Immaculate Conception statue is no longer by the baptismal font. Our Guadalupanos ministry offered to have our statue cleaned, repaired and repainted. The statue was picked up last week and will be back in a few weeks. Many thanks to our Guadalupanos for enhancing our church environment.

Lenten Season Traditions

Per the Archdiocese Office of Worship, during the Lent season, the only days when flowers are allowed are on March 19th – Saint Joseph Day, husband of The Blessed Virgin Mary and March 25th – the Annunciation of the Lord.

Please help us maintain this tradition by refraining from decorating or offering flowers to the statues of the saints.

«RECIBIENDO SU
MISERICORDIA Y
SANACIÓN»

RETIRO DE CUARESMA
**SÁBADO
21 DE MARZO**

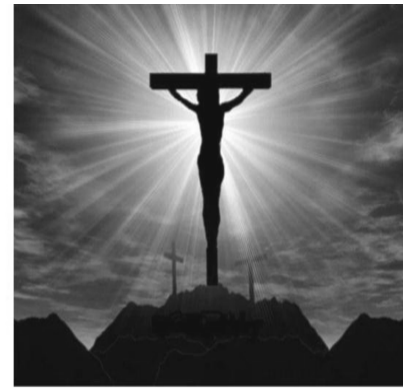
Dirigido por:

P. John Carlo Greeley

St. Thomas Aquinas Church
1501 S Atlantic Blvd Monterey Park
EN EL SALÓN PARROQUIAL
DE 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Para mayor informacion y
registracion:

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«El soportó el castigo que nos
trae la paz y por sus llagas
hemos sido sanados»

Is 55. 5c

NO FALTES!!! CRISTO TE ESPERA PARA LLENARTE
DE SU MISERICORDIA Y AMOR.
DEJA QUE DIOS ILUMINE TU VIDA CON SU
PALABRA

Catholic Relief Services Second Collection 3/21 & 3/22

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

主內的弟兄姐妹：

如果您想知道更多有關華人教友團體的活動訊息，請於教堂門口索取華人主日通訊詳細參閱。

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READ & REFLECT ON THE SCRIPTURES MARCH 15 — MARCH 22

- Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]
- Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
- Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-51b, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
- Sunday:** 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

KEEP IN PRAYER

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| • Maria Ibarra | Richard Jerome |
| • Noah Jimenez | Enrique Juarez |
| • Rudy La Ferla | Yvonne Lau |
| • Celia Lopez | Maria Lopez |
| • Chris Maestas | Richard Mann |
| • Alice Maldonado | Diana Marquez |
| • Tiffany Marquez | Candelaria Martinez |
| • Raquel Mayortal | Charles Melendez |
| • Julie Melendez | Raul Mena Jr. |
| • Jesse Mendoza | Isabel Mesa |
| • Javier Montanez | Dolores Morales |
| • Victor Morales | Irma Moreno |
| • Cole Moviz | Donnie Nava |
| • Margarita Ordóñez | Phillip Orozco |
| • Susan Orozco | Al Ortega |
| • Paul Ortega | Ann Peccino |
| • Susana Perez | Emma Pham |
| • Ruben Piedra | Felicitas Pimentel |
| • Sylvia Polanco | Michael Preciado |
| • Basilisa Quinones | Christina Ramirez |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020

5:30 PM In memory of Joseph Barrios by Barrios family
In memory of Frank Barberia by Leroy Cisneros

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

8:00 AM In memory of Joe Saragueta by Bea Saragueta

11:30 AM In memory of Paula Sulit

In memory of Virginia Medel by Anne Dennis

1:30 PM In memory of Jesus Gonzalez by Gonzalez family

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020

8:00 AM For the well-being of Ai-Min Lau

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020

8:00 AM For the well-being of Ai-Min Lau

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020

8:00 AM For all STA Parishioners

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020

8:00 AM For all STA Parishioners

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 15th

10 AM—RCIA—Dining rm
11:15 AM—Choir—Dining rm
11:15 AM—RCIA—Hall mtg rm
11:15 AM—Chn. Rel. Ed—Clrms
11:15 AM—Bible Study—CL3
11:15 AM—Meeting—Hall
12:45 PM—Cantonese Choir—Dining rm.
4 PM—Folk Dance—Hall
4 PM—Cantonese RCIA Class—Dining rm.
4 PM—Wedding Rehearsal—Church

Monday, March 16th

7 PM—Meeting—Hall

Tuesday, March 17th

11 AM—Wedding—Church
7 PM—Ping Pong—Hall

Wednesday, March 18th

7 PM—Folk Dance—Hall
7 PM—Bible Study—Church

Thursday, March 19th

7 PM—Meeting—Hall

Friday, March 20th

7 PM—Youth Ministry—Church
7:30 PM—St. Therese De Lisieux -Copy rm

Saturday, March 21st

9 AM—Cantonese Legion of Mary—Dining rm
10 AM—Mandarin Legion of Mary—Copy rm
1 PM—Hispanic Ministry Retreat Set Up—Hall
2 PM—Choir—Dining rm.
5 PM—Hispanic Ministry Retreat—Hall

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN*Did You Know?***Be aware of poison dangers in the home**

More than 90% of all poisonings happen in homes. Parents should know the top risks for children (especially children who still put things in their mouths!) and work to eradicate them. Lead poisoning is high on the list, especially for older homes with lead paint or dust. Button batteries are small and shiny and lurk in many toys and electronics that litter our homes. Swallowing these can be deadly for children. The same is true of household cleaners like laundry or dishwasher detergent pods. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Weekly Expenses: **\$7,500.00**
3/7-3/8 Offertory/Online: **\$5,697.00**
 Over/(Under): **-\$1,803.00**

Faith Direct:**membership.faithdirect.net/CA779****Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM (English)
Sunday	8:00 AM (English)
	9:30 AM (Mandarin)
	11:30 AM (English)
	1:30 PM (Spanish)
	3:00 PM (Cantonese)
Monday	7:00 PM (Chinese)
Tuesday	8:00 AM (English)
Wednesday	8:00 AM (Chinese)
Thursday	8:00 AM (English)
Friday	8:00 AM (English)
1st Friday ONLY 7:00 PM	
Saturday	8:00 AM (English)
Reconciliation	Saturday at 4:00 PM

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