



St. Cornelius Catholic Church



Leading people to Center on the Love of Christ

Service Schedule

Monday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	Mass - 5:00 pm Rosary - 5:30 pm
Thursday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Friday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Saturday	Rosary - 7:30 am Mass - 8:00 am Mass - 5:00 pm Vigil [Except Holy Saturday]
Sunday	Mass - 8:00 am Mass - 10:00 am Mass - 12:00 pm

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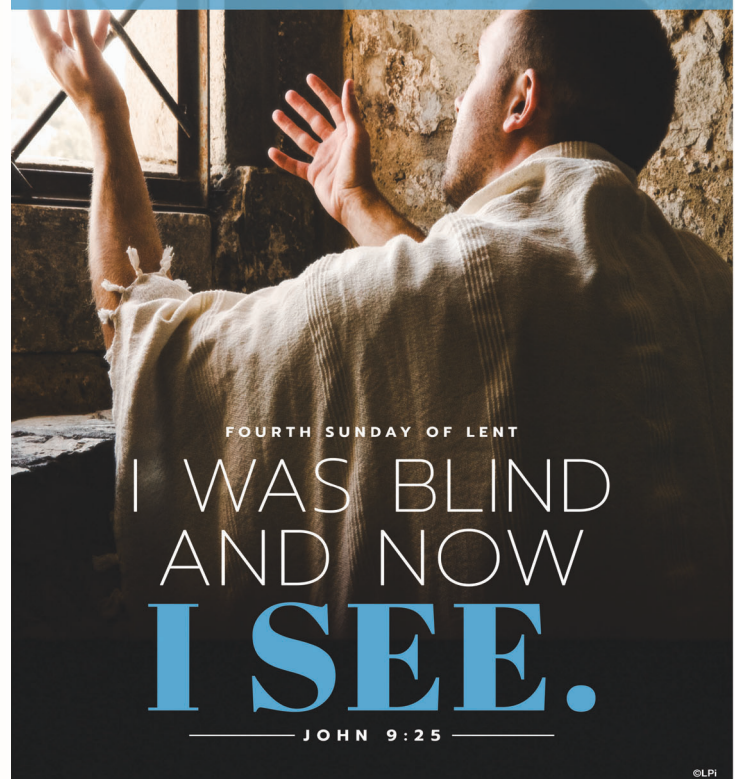
Livestream is available: Sun 10am.

See our website for link to our YouTube channel.

Confession: After Friday 5:00 Mass, Saturday 8:30 am
Saturday 4 - 4:45 pm

Confession also available by appointment, contact the Rectory

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday from 2:00 - 5:00 pm in the Church
Wednesday 5:30 - 8:00 pm - Parish Center Chapel
Holy Hour Friday 5:30 - 6:30 pm
First Saturday of the Month 8:30 - 9:30 am



Pastor's Corner

St. Cornelius Catholic Church **PG 2**

This is the second of the gospels assigned by the Church since earliest times to accompany the catechumens in their last stage of preparation for baptism. It is the story of the man born blind who is given sight by Jesus. And again, it is a story of conversion, of the fruits of the encounter with Jesus. Just as we do not see light, but light is that by which we see, so, Jesus is the light by which we see people and life. Faith is like a new set of lenses through which we see ourselves, other people and our time on earth in a new way and with a new perspective.

The first reading tells us that God sees the heart and does not judge by appearances. So, the man born blind comes to see who Jesus is, that is the Messiah. Light is a metaphor for faith, the way to see things as God sees them. This is all contrasted with the Pharisees and authorities who, though having physical sight are nonetheless spiritually blind. They accuse Jesus if being a sinner and the man born blind as being steeped in sin from birth. It is proof again that religion can blind us to see what God is really doing. We can get so caught up on devotions and laws (the sabbath laws in the reading) that we miss the human reality and substitute judgment for God's mercy.

Blessings,
Fr. Jay

St. Cornelius Catholic Church
5500 E Wardlow Rd
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family healing

WORKSHOPS
Sundays, March 8th, 15th, and 22nd
4:00 - 5:30 PM
Large Hall

PARA-LITURGY
Sunday, March 29th
4:00 - 5:30 PM
Large Hall

*Come not only as individuals, but as representatives of your families
—seeking healing, freedom, and grace for your loved ones.*

In this Family Healing Series, we will practice authentic repentance and learn to recognize wounds in our lives, including patterns of sin and family bondage. Together, we will ask for God's mercy to transform our sins and bring renewal.

ROSARY

for life

WITH EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

join us!

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 1:15 PM
St. Cornelius Parish Center Chapel
5500 E Wardlow Rd, Long Beach




St. Cornelius School

Our 17th Annual Jog-A-Thon will take place on Thursday, March 19th and will be a fun and memorable experience for all the students. This annual event helps build school spirit and raise much needed funds to enhance the education offered to our children. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Many blessings! -
The St. Cornelius School Community





Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: I wonder what it was that made the blind man feel he could trust Jesus. Was it something in his voice? In his touch? We'll never know. But we do know this: the blind man's sight wasn't restored until he made a decision. A decision to be sent.

Sent

I don't know about you. But if I was a blind person sitting by the side of the road, minding my own business, and a stranger came along and rubbed spit-mud in my eye, I'm just salty enough that I would ignore his words out of spite.

Even though he was, admittedly, super-nice about the whole thing.

Obviously I would wash the mud out, because ... spit. But I wouldn't go to the Pool of Siloam. I would go to a pool on the *whole other side of town*, just to be contrary. I would make frustrated, grossed-out noises while I splashed water on my eyes: "Ugh! I can't believe this! People are the worst!" I would feel satisfied that I wasn't tricked or conned or taken advantage of.

And I would stay blind the rest of my life.

When Jesus performs a miracle in the Gospel, we sometimes think of it like a fireworks show. Something people point at — "Ooh! Aah!" — and move on from. But a miracle of Jesus is not a party trick. It is a commissioning.

And each of us, in our own way, has the choice of accepting it or not.

Nowhere in the Gospel story does it say that Jesus promised the man sight if he washed in the pool. I wonder what it was that made the blind man feel he could trust Jesus. Was it something in his voice? Was it something in his touch? Was it the humanity with which he spoke of the blind man to his disciples — a gentleness missing from most other interactions of his life?

We'll never know. But we do know this: the blind man's sight wasn't restored until he made a decision. A decision to be sent.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

The Bible talks a lot about "testifying" or "giving testimony" to our faith. That makes me think of a courtroom. What does testifying to faith look like in everyday life?

Answer:

The courtroom image isn't too far off for some Christians. The Church has often been persecuted, and it was especially intense in the early days of the Church, when Acts and the various epistles were being written. For persecuted Christians, it did mean attesting publicly to their faith in Jesus Christ, sometimes before harsh judges. To testify is to bear witness, and this is something we are all called to do.

The call of Jesus is, first and foremost, a call to conversion of life. It is a repentance from sin, a casting off of old ways of seeing and moving in the world. The Christian life is one of transformation, becoming more and more like our God of love. In one sense, to testify to faith should happen naturally as we live like Jesus did. Our lives should bear witness in the respect we accord to others and the uncompromising dignity we honor in them. We bear witness in our gratitude, in our joy, in our hope in God's power and grace. This is where we start! Sometimes others might inquire, as St. Peter puts it, as to "a reason for your hope." Now you're on the stand! It's time to offer, "with gentleness and reverence," the Good News of the Gospel (c.f. 1 Peter 3:15-16).



Prayer

St. Cornelius Catholic Church **PG 4**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 3/15 8:00 am H Corky & Andy Stillwell
† John Palacios
† Jesus Palacios
† Al Stillwell

10:00 am † Judy Klenk
† Jim Young
† Brenda Crane
† Richard Miramontes
† David Lorenzo

12:00 pm SI Gillian Stormont
† Julia Medina
† Margaret Perez
† Grace Medina
† Benjamin Medina
† Peter Medina
† All Souls in Purgatory

Monday 3/16 5:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday 3/17 5:00 pm † Rose McCullough Paracca
† All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday 3/18 5:00 pm † Annie Dewitt
† All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday 3/19 5:00 pm † Frances M. Williams
† All Souls in Purgatory

Friday 3/20 5:00 pm B Nina Wratschko
† Elizabeth Wraschko
† Fr. William O'Keefe
† Rita Illig
† All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 3/21 8:00 am † Robert and Polly Morris
5:00 pm T Alexander Capitulo
† Andres Capitulo
† Archie McFadyen
† All Souls in Purgatory

A Anniversary SI Special Intention
B Birthday H Health & Healing I Illness
T Thanksgiving † Rest in Peace

Sunday 3/22 8:00 am † Loretta Silvestre
† Marcey McConnell Flood
† Jim Mancini
† Keith Perkins
† All Souls in Purgatory

10:00 am † Brenda Crane
† Jim Young
† Richard Viramontes
† Benjamin Adamos

12:00 pm † Redentor Jimenez Broas
† David Lorenzon



Prayers for the Sick

Please remember these loved ones in Prayer

Kathy Anderson	Claude Richard Petruncola
Andy Stillwell	Bill Stelmar
George Luza	Kristen Arroyo
Stetson Gibson	Angela Saldarriaga
Robert Johnson	Sr. Claire Flemming
Salome Mondragon	Sr. Teresa Doherty
Glen Huckaby	Emiliano Ramirez
Ray McConnell	Pat Stevens
Pat Reyes	Scott Thomas
Carl Thompson	Theresa Chrisman
Duney Tuiteleapaga	Ben Rodriguez

If you would like a loved one or yourself included, please contact the rectory or fill out a form on the website



Community



St. Cornelius Catholic Church **PG 5**

St. Vincent DePaul March 15 : Fourth Sunday of Lent - In today's Gospel, as Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe. Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor.

St. Cornelius Book Discussion Group - The next meeting will be held Mon, March 16 in the Parish Center at 3:30. The book to be discussed is Master Slave Husband Wife by Ilyon Woo. All are welcome.



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St. Cornelius School Drama

March 19th 7:30PM	March 21st
March 20th 7:30PM	1:00PM & 6:30PM




**JOURNEYING THROUGH GRIEF
Bereavement Retreat**

Presenter: Cathy Narvaez
Saturday March 28, 2026 9am - 6pm

*The retreat is for those who have been grieving the death of a loved one for at least 4 months. Please bring two photocopied pictures of your loved one no larger than 4"x6".

For more information: Please call Sr. Marie at 818-815-4496.



Ministry

Did You Know?

March 14-15 || Children and healthy relationships

Ideally, children should know what healthy relationships look like in their own lives. This example is important for them to learn how to develop their own relationships. Children need to know that everyone has the right to feel safe and respected, and that violence and abuse are never okay in any relationship or interaction. Safe adults can talk about the importance of respect and kindness, and model that in their own relationships to show children how to navigate friendships, conflict, and other interactions. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Domestic Violence: Part 2" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



Ministries and Fellowship Groups

Prayer

- Adoration - Denise Healey 562-412-3378
- Men's Bible - Chris Miraglia 562-756-8779
- Praise and Worship - Mike Medina 562-607-3004
- Prayer Warriors - Hilda Ramirez 562-421-8966
- Women Together in Prayer - Janet Uy 310-629-4517

Community

- Adult Prep. for Sacraments - Loraine Moreno 562-252-6755
- Book Club - Katy Ellis 562-607-1100
- Cub Scouts - Matt Siebert 562-756-7873
- Cursillo (Los Angeles) - Jackie Ramirez 562-316-8303
- Cursillo (Orange) - Dn Joe Hamamoto 562-572-3425
- Guadalupanos - Maggie Miller & Maria Eugenia Cortez 562-421-8966
- Knights of Columbus - Vic Magana 562-821-1483
- Religious Education - Cristy Hull 562-362-6561
- Respect Life - Jean Campos & Judith Martinez 562-421-8966
- Safeguard the Children - Parish Office 562-421-8966
- Youth Ministry and Confirmation - Alexis Hull 562-420-7613
- Young Adults - Miguel Macias - 714-798-4494

Service

- COA Chili Dinners - Maria Jimenez 562-822-5563
- Habitat for Humanity - Richard Brennan 562-480-7215
- Homebound and Hospital - Frank Schmidt 562-225-7571
- Lazarus Project - Rose Letson 562-755-0862
- PFO Transportation - Sean Gunning 562-209-3051
- St. Vincent de Paul - Jacqueline Padilla 562-421-8011

Liturgical

- Altar Servers - Al and Pilar Caceres 562-326-9768
- Choirs - Joe Patolo 562-421-8966
- Eucharistic Ministers/Lectors - Michele Bradley 562-964-4140
- Greeters - Joe Sova 562-716-5635
- Anointings/Baptisms/Quinceaneras/ Weddings
Parish Office 562-421-8966

Stewardship Report Week of 2/22/2026

In-person Collection	\$11,063
E-giving	\$3,920
Total	\$14,983
Versus Budget	\$683

Clergy and Parish Office

Parish Office, Mon-Fri 9:30-5:30 Closed for Lunch 12:30 - 1:30pm 562 421-8966

Weekends 9:00am to 2:00pm

Father Jay Cunnane - Pastor

Father Hieu Nguyen - Associate Pastor

Deacon Rich Boucher

Deacon Joe Hamamoto

Deacon Jerick Alenton

Linda Ramirez - Receptionist

Adrian Ramirez - Office Assistant

Maria Carbonara - Secretary & Projects

Kathy Hernandez - School Principal

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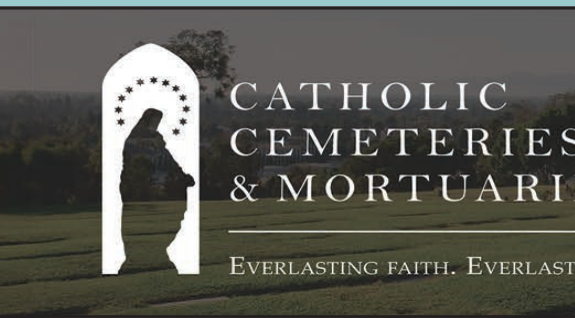


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MASS

5:00 PM

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5:30 TO 6:30 PM

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7:00 PM

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