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Rev. Dan Mc Sweeney S.S.C.C

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Rev. Bruce Patterson

In Residence

Celebration of the Eucharist

Daily Mass

8:00 am & 6:00 pm

Saturday

8:00 am

5:00 pm (Church)

Sunday

7:45 am (Church* & Live-stream),

9:00 am (Outdoor),

10:30 am Spanish (Outdoor),

5:00 pm (Church*)

400 Person limit

Drive-up Communion

10:00 am

Office Hours

Daily

8:00 to 11:00 am

Monday - Saturday

4:00 to 7 pm



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 9, 2021

PARISH UPDATE

Dear friends,

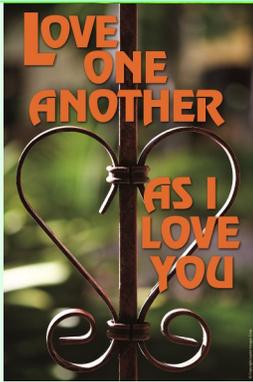
It is with my privilege and great joy to announce Fr. Randy Guillen will be the new Administrator for St. Angela Merici Parish. Fr. Randy comes to us from St. Joachim Church in Costa Mesa where he served as a Parochial Vicar. I'm truly excited about his coming here and believe wholeheartedly he'll be perfect for St. Angela's. Now of course, after being around me for 4 years you know no priest is perfect, we all have strengths and areas for growth, but I know he'll bring strengths I didn't possess and will take our Parish to the next level. I look forward to sharing more with you in the next couple months. Please stay tuned and welcome Fr. Randy when he arrives in July and my sabbatical begins. Fortunately for St. Angela's, Fr. Francis will remain here for at least another year to help show Fr. Randy the ropes and make his transition as smooth as possible. Until then please start praying for Fr. Randy as he makes the transition into his new parish home. As always, your prayers for me are much appreciated as well.

It's great to see the number of Covid vaccinations going up and the number of Covid cases coming down. Given the low infection rate and the increased number of people being vaccinated, we are slowly and cautiously opening up for more activities. Our church office is now open every day from 8 to 11 am and every evening from 4 to 7 pm except Sundays. Schools and church services are allowed to reduce the 6-foot safe distance between people from different households to 3 feet and there is no longer a capacity limit for people inside the church provided we wear masks and keep the minimum 3-foot safe distance rule.

I've been taking informal poles about reducing the distance from 6 to 3-feet and there's about 15% of our parishioners who, for health reasons, want to maintain the 6-foot safe distancing rule. For this reason, and because our attendance allows us to maintain the 6' rule, I believe it's best to postpone reducing the safe distance from 6 to 3'. It's great to know we have the option to sit closer to each other and still be safe. Eventually we will be removing the pew barriers and allowing people to sit in all pews. Another exciting announcement is all of our ministry related groups are now allowed to meet inside, provided food is not served. This includes the Knights of Columbus, PALS, Social Justice, charismatic prayer groups, Fire, Ignite, Rosary, etc.

Our annual Pastoral Services Appeal, PSA, is well under way. PSA provides an opportunity for us to join together as one Diocese of Orange church family in our support of many diverse ministries like; Catholic Education, Clergy Formation and Support, Outreach ministries to the poor and needy, and Parish and Diocesan Development. These ministries and services benefit our own parish as well as parishes and people all over Orange County. With funds from PSA, we will be able to address some significant needs here at St. Angela Merici Church. This year we have chosen to focus on refurbishing/ replacing our church pews. With all the major improvements to our lighting system we can now see how our pews and kneelers have fallen into disrepair. In the months ahead we will hear how we can respond to this call to carry on the work of Christ in our community. Please prayerfully consider how you will be able to support this important appeal.

Resurrection Blessings to all, Fr. Dave



SUNDAY REFLECTION

IT WAS NOT YOU WHO CHOSE ME,
IT WAS I WHO CHOSE YOU
TO GO FORTH AND BEAR FRUIT!

This is my favorite verse from the Bible, John 15:16a. It clarifies God's love for me and is not based on my initial belief that I am the one who sets the parameters for my relationship with God; but He does out of His love. I am created in the divine image and likeness of God, and called to be His disciple. Being called is a concept seemingly easy to accept. Yet it takes a life time to understand because we don't believe ourselves worthy. Therefore, we don't know how to activate it in our lives and others. We often fall short in acceptance, growing in it and sharing it with others.

Our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles addresses acceptance. The circumcised believers were astounded the Holy Spirit would fill the gentiles so they could speak in tongues and glorify God. These Jews were biased in that they only accepted those who were named as the chosen people to receive such gifts. They must have missed the teachings of Jesus when He consistently reached out to those not of the Jewish faith or decided to ignore it.

The First Letter of St. John speaks of growing the love God has given us. He writes: "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that He loves us and sent His Son as expiation for our sins." In other words, the love of God consists of His love for us first and always! This is the foundation from which we grow love in ourselves and in our relationships. Love needs to be unconditional to be reciprocal with God and all He created.

St. John's Gospel today talks about sharing love because it initially came from God to be shared. By doing so, love blossoms and bears much fruit. In the bearing of this fruit God has taught us how we will endure and be granted whatever we ask in the name of Jesus both in His Kingdom on Earth and for our eternal salvation when we enter into the Kingdom in Heaven.

"The command I give you is this," Jesus says, "that you love one another."

If we truly espouse our Catholic faith as Christians who accept God's truth, then we have no other choice but to commit to our baptismal promises of loving God with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength and loving one another as Jesus loves us. We need to put aside our preconceived notions of how to balance our Christianity with what the world teaches us. Our balance is not manipulating this or that to survive in a world that is self-centered. We must put our total trust in God's ways because He alone has the answers to questions of doubt, we throw His way. With our trust, He will lead us down the right path. We must practice courage and strength, because God does not promise the journey will be easy; just the opposite. We must make wise choices to enlighten ourselves with understanding beyond just getting through each day. We must seek a life filled with peace and joy to ensure our relationship with God and all He has created is grace filled. With His grace we are full of the love we need to make every decision in our life God-filled.

God's love is a gift. Let us accept this gift with gratitude and humility to continue His work on earth for as long as we live here. When it is our time to leave, God will welcome us into our eternal life as the good and faithful servants. That's why we are chosen to bear fruit that will remain. It is the perfect plan with God's seal of approval known as LOVE.

Deacon Jim Merle

PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE GOING FORWARD

Sunday Mass schedule: Saturday: 5:00 pm Mass in the Church. Sunday: 7:45 am Live stream Mass in the Church. 9:00 am Mass on the field. 10:30 am Spanish Mass on the field. 5:00pm Mass in the Church. (there is a limit of 400 people in attendance for Masses in the church). Please remember if bad weather (rain, wind etc.) prevents us from celebrating Sunday Mass on the field, then we'll move into the church with a slight time delay to make sure the church has been sanitized. You can also view our 7:45 am livestream Mass on line at <https://stangelabreachurch.org/> or drive into the church parking lot at 9:00 am or 10:30 am (Spanish) and listen to Mass on the FM dial at 106.9. At Communion time, approximately 10:00 am and 11:30 am (Spanish) come up and receive Communion at the covered lunch table area. At all times, please wear your mask, keep social distancing, and before receiving Communion, please sanitize your hands. **Week day Masses** are at 8 am and 6 pm and Sat. 8am.

Adoration will be in the Church Monday - Friday from 8:30 to 9:30am, 5 to 6 pm and Saturday 3:30 to 4:45 pm.

Confessions are on Saturdays in the plaza from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

Our Church Office is now open from 8 to 11 am daily and 4 to 7 pm Monday - Saturday.

VEHICLE NEEDED

We are in need of a used truck or large SUV for various maintenance purposes here at St. Angela's. If you're thinking of getting rid of your old vehicle or know of someone who might be, perhaps we could use her here at St Angela's.

FUNERAL PLANNING

If you are planning a funeral, please call our Funeral Coordinator, **Denise Bittel at (714) 269-3362**, Denise will help you to schedule the Mass and gravesite service. Funerals will be held in the church.

CHURCH CROSS



One of the many projects we've been working on this past year has been the construction of a brand-new church cross. When the bell tower was removed for seismic reasons the church cross was also removed. This occurred many years ago and left our church without a cross. The church cross provides a visible sign of our faith and an expression of our faith to the community at large. I'm very pleased to announce a very generous donor has paid for the construction of the 15' high cross mounted on a 15' high pedestal and the associated concrete work. A big THANKS goes to Teresita Pabalan, Jim Aube, Bill Morgan, Franz Liem, Juan Santana, Ferdinand Mata, and all involved in making this project possible.

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SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

This weekend, for Mother's Day, please join us in offering a "Spiritual Bouquet" to Our Blessed Mother. Following each Mass, parishioners will be invited to write down their prayer intentions and offer them to Our Lady for her motherly love and intercession. Tables, paper, and pens will be available. As we celebrate the gift of Our Blessed Mother, we also recognize Mother's Day can be a difficult holiday for many, especially this past year. We hope this spiritual bouquet provides an opportunity to pray for the intentions brought to your heart by Mother's Day. Our intentions will be offered up for the entire month of May.





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FAITH FORMATION



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May 16 & 23* 10:30AM – 11:30AM (Sundays)
May 11 (T) OR May 20 (Th-repeat)* 6:30PM – 7:30PM

Summer sessions will meet in person on **Sundays from 10:30AM – 11:30AM**. St. Angela Merici campus location TBD.

June 27* (Sarah Room)
July 25* (Location TBD)
August 29* (Location TBD)

*dates/times subject to change

Please contact: **Andrea Draper** at amd.stangela@gmail.com to obtain Zoom Meeting information or with questions. When inquiring please include your **Name, Phone and Age (must be 18+)**. Thank you and see you there!

Ignite



CONFIRMATION

Ministries Sacrament of Confirmation Masses will be celebrated Friday, May 14 at 6 pm Please keep our Candidates and their Families in your prayers.

Confirmation Classes for MAY

Last Confirmation I Class Monday, May 10 at 7pm in the Hall.

*Confirmation Registration for 2021-2022 will begin on our church website Tuesday, June 1

CONSECRATION TO CHRIST THROUGH ST. JOSEPH

“Joseph teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses...amid the tempests of life, we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course.” - Pope Francis

Beginning on May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, the Diocese of Orange will facilitate preparation for anyone who would like to consecrate himself or herself to Jesus through St. Joseph. Members of our community will pray and meditate with those who would like to “make a formal act of filial entrustment to our spiritual father” and ultimately, lead themselves to God. Every night for 33 days from 8:30 pm to 9:00 pm, a host will facilitate prayer and meditation via YouTube Live www.youtube.com/DioceseOrange/. Those interested will need the book, *Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* by Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, available through the Christ Cathedral Gift Shop www.catholicfreeshipping.com. Versions of the book are also available in Spanish and an e-book on www.shopmercy.com.

Consecration Day | Wednesday, June 2

For more information on the Consecration to St. Joseph, www.consecrationtostjoseph.org



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

ST. ANGELA MERICI COMMUNITY EXTENDS ITS PRAYERS AND CARE FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS:

THE SICK, HOMEBOUND, AND THOSE IN SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES:

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THE DECEASED OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Eugene Shumaski, Deborah Sharfe, Rafael Torres, Ronald Lenzke, Stephanie Karanickolas, Virginia Sled, Ponce Borbon, Marco Tulio Arias, Mariano L. Gaerlan, Consuela Ramirez, Ramiro Diaz, Jagger Turner, KC Fitzpatrick, Clifton Brown, Martin Mc Allister, Sanny Epifamia, Osmond Fontanares, Danielle Inosente, Gary Dominguez

OUR COMMUNITY EUCHARIST INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	5/10	Friday	5/14
8:00 AM	Clarise Allane †	8:00 AM	James Lathrop †
6:00 PM	Miguel & Amalia Graciarena †	6:00 PM	Fr. Dave Klunk
Tuesday	5/11	Saturday	5/15
8:00 AM	Deidre Allevato †	8:00 AM	Severina Houstek †
6:00 PM	Aida La Salle	5:00 PM	Robert Babst Brown †
Wednesday	5/12	Intentions to be read at Mass 5/16	
8:00 AM	Antonio Cornejo †	James de Grasse †	
6:00 PM	Virginia Wood	Geri Dostalick	
Thursday	5/13	Maria Macedo & Miguel Macedo †	
8:00 AM	Bill & Donna Schafer	Fr. Dave Klunk	
6:00 PM	Valerie Morot-Gaudry	Alvorina Rodrgues †	

ROSARY & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Continue daily prayers. Try to find a quiet and calm place and offer thanks and praise to Our Lord

CONNECTING - WELCOME!

NEW? VISITING? INTERESTED?

Are you visiting for the first time? Would you like to know more about the wonderful ministries and activities at Saint Angela Merici Parish and School? Please check our Parish and School Website: www.stangelabreachurch.org.

REGISTER!

Are you a Catholic or non-Catholic attending Eucharist at Saint Angela Merici, but have not registered? Join us!

WHY REGISTER?

Saint Angela Merici is a vibrant parish, offering many avenues for ministry. Connecting with other parishioners for personal as well as community spiritual growth opportunities. We would love to get to know you and talk about our various activities, groups, and events at our parish and school. Please pick up a Registration Form by the Baptismal Font or go online to register at www.stangelabreachurch.org. We look forward to connecting with you!



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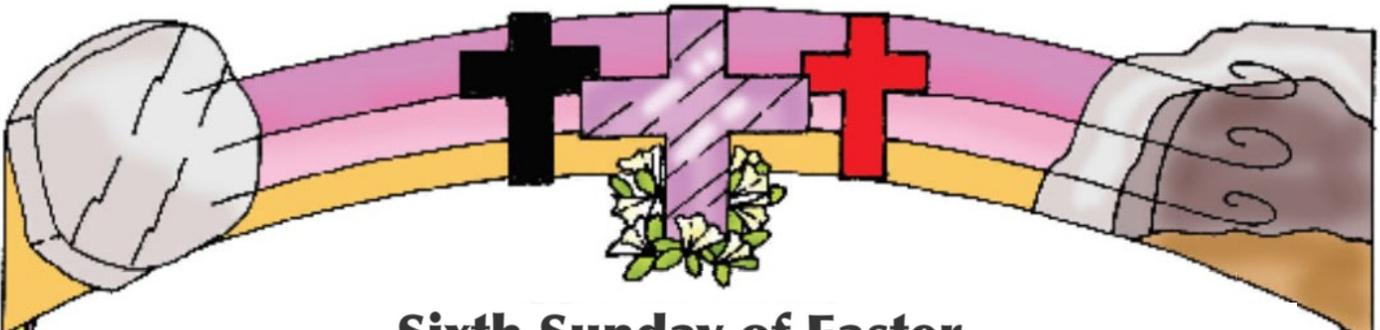
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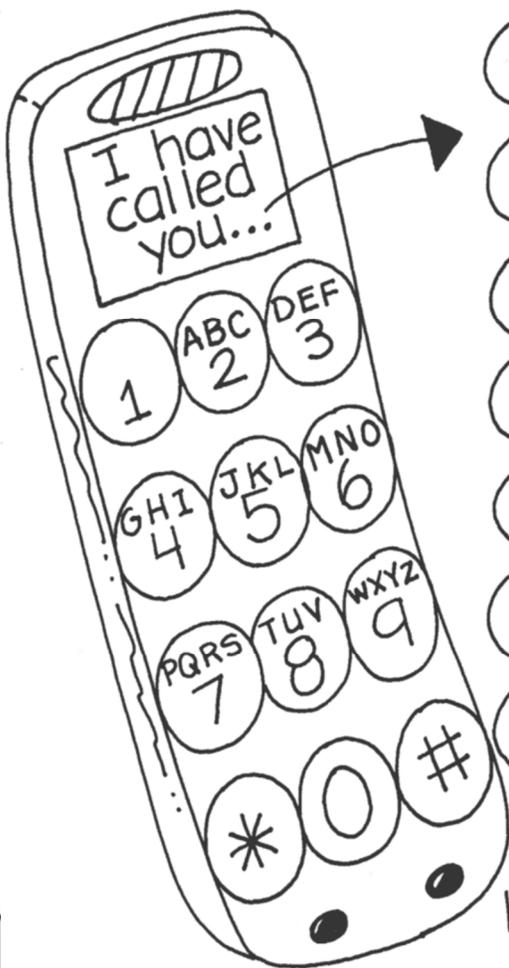
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- ← 3 (first letter)
- ← 7 (fourth letter)

"because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father."

