

# The Lord is kind and merciful!

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

SUNDAY OF EASTER

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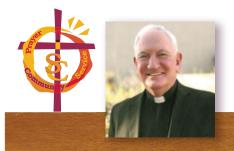
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## Service Schedule

Monday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	Mass - 5:00 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 [in the Confessional] : After Friday 5:00 Mass,
Saturday 4-4:45, After all Sunday Masses,

Confession also available by appointment, contact the Rectory



## Pastor's Corner

### St. Cornelius Catholic Church PG 2

Today we receive 10 people into full communion with our Catholic Church. Charles DeRosier, Chris Leach, Lauren Pisani, Anthony McConnell, Ricardo Ascencio, Lauryn Cox, Hilda DeRosier, Riley Flick, Raquel Sepulveda and Tim Silegy . Please pray for them, together with those we baptized at Easter. All of them have their own story of coming to faith in community, especially over the past year. It is in their way, the journey of Thomas in today's gospel from doubt to the full expression of belief "my Lord and my God."

These professions of faith and all the readings today speak of 'belief' and 'faith'. What do these words really mean? On one level they mean professing a set of doctrines such as we do at mass in the Creed. Today, the candidates for full communion will say, before the Church, "I believe and profess all that the Catholic Church believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God."

On another level, some people say faith is opposed to science or to reason. That which is real, they say, is only that which can be proven by empirical evidence. But love or hope or forgiveness cannot be proven by scientific methodology and all science is itself based on the faith that there is order and laws in the universe which can be discovered. The English word 'believe' translates the Latin Credo which comes from two words meaning 'heart' and 'give'. Belief is that to which I give my heart. Faith in its primary sense means 'trust' so to have faith is to trust in God, or in another person.

Jesus in the gospel today pronounces a blessing on all those making a profession of faith in our parish and on all of us "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

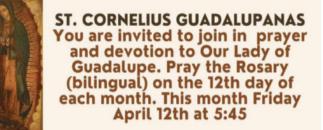
> Blessings, Fr Jay





#### PLEASE JOIN THE ST CORNELIUS RESPECT LIFE TEAM IN PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR LIFE

Every first and third Sunday at 1:15





#### St. Cornelius Catholic Church PG 3

# CATHOLIC

#### Written in the Wounds

For all the condemnation Thomas the Doubter has received in 2000 years of homilies, I think there's something to admire in him.

Thomas is not unique. We all waver at some point, overcome by hesitation, distracted by the clamor of the world which seeks at every turn to shout above the whisper of the divine.

Thomas knows what he saw on Good Friday: his friend nailed to a cross, a sword driven through his body. He saw the blood and the water. He saw these things with his own eyes, eyes given to him by God, eyes which have never failed him before. And God doesn't ask us to suspend reality to believe in Him. He only asks us to be discerning about how that reality is interpreted in our hearts.

Thomas knows the man before him is either a fraud, preying on the hopes and anxieties of the traumatized disciples, or he is the Christ, the Savior of the world, accomplisher of impossible things. But where to look, to tell the difference?

Satan once appeared to the great mystic saint, Teresa of Avila, disguised as Jesus. She knew instantly that he was a fraud. Enraged, he demanded to know where his deception had failed. "You have no wounds," she told him simply.

Could we have accepted a savior who did not bleed? I don't think we could, because sooner or later, we would all stand before him and say, "Here is where the world hurt me. Here, and here, and here. What about you?" Christ can point to his hands, his feet, his side. "Here, and here, and here," he can say. "And I overcame them all."

It's the wounds, you see. The truth is in the wounds.

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" — John 20:28

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### **Question:**

After a civil divorce, is a Catholic obligated to pursue an annulment?

#### Answer:

Many Catholics are not exactly sure what an annulment does. An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that people say anything untrue, such as they never loved each other or that everything in their marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage. In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the sacrament from taking place. It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court. Therefore, a Catholic has no moral obligation to pursue an annulment. However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, annulments may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life. Some people have found the process to be healing and others have found it to be difficult. Speak to your priest or a member of the Diocesan Tribunal staff to decide what is best for you.



## Prayer

## St. Cornelius Catholic Church PG 4



### 12:00 pm SI Karen Boggs † Carmen Vazquez



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

Prayers for the Sick Please remember these loved ones in Prayer

Lolita De Leon Kathleen Shelley Randall Shelley Tom Ostoich Mark Slater Alyssa Monarrez Marcella Callahan Marie Eleasaro Eric Davidoff Corky Stillwell William"Chacho"Martinez Ida Aleman Flora Wendt Tina Gurney Marta Velez Lisa Miller Regina Ross Matthew Dougherty Thomas Peck Tish Lorenzana Alana Ellis Maximo Morales Kathy Haley Maria Corona Jess Escandon Kieth Perkins

If you would like a loved one or yourself included, please submit via the form on our website stcorneliuslb.org





#### St. Cornelius Catholic Church PG 5

**St. Vincent de Paul** - April 7 - Second Sunday of Easter: In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" During Mass we turn to each other and say "Peace be with you!" As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box you say "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.

**St. Cornelius Book Discussion Group** - The next meeting will be held Monday, April 15th in the Parish Center at 3:30. The book that will be discussed is <u>A Long Petal of the Sea</u> by Isabel Allende. All are welcome to join.

**Caring Hands Ministry -** The Caring Hands Ministry invites you to join us in hand-making prayer shawls, beanies for the homeless, infant hats, chemo caps, and more. We meet for fellowship and prayer every other Thursday. Next meeting is April 4th at 4 pm in the Parish Center.

**Women Together in Prayer -** Next meeting April 11 at 6:00. We meet in the Chapel of the Parish Center. Women coming together connecting to their faith through prayer, scripture, song, reflection, community, tears and laughter. One of the great things about praying is that it reflects the heart of God. A woman's strength and beauty root her in Christ's character. When a woman prays, something wonderful happens. Prayer changes things and people. Light snacks and refreshment will be available.

**PFO -** You are invited to a Luncheon on Friday, April 12, 2024 at 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm in St. Cornelius School Large Hall. Guests include residents of convalescent and nursing homes, and people from the community. PFO provides fish, chicken, salads, drinks, and more. Free Bingo games, Bingo prizes, birthday gift bags. Optional donation: a hot dish, fruits, vegetables, or dessert.

**PFO Transportation**: If you need transportation to attend the PFO activities, or if you need transportation to a doctor's appointment, please contact Sean Gunning 562-209-3051. Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 10:00 am in the Parish Center. Rosary and 5:00 pm Mass: Saturday, April 13, 2024 we pray the Rosary at 4:30 pm and attend Mass. Questions: John Gaudy 562-597-6917; Jenny Davidoff 562-234-7043.

#### Men's Sunday Mass Reading Study

#### **Rebuild My Church**

St. Francis was called to rebuild the Lord's Church. We men are called to continue this effort in our own spiritual growth. Join us on May 9th at St. Cornelius as we begin our weekly study of the upcoming Mass readings. We will convene in the Parish Center on Wednesdays at 6:45 am. Please use the QR code below to indicate your interest. For more information, contact Chris Miraglia dcmm14@gmail.com



#### 9-DAY IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL IN GREECE



With FR. LAURENCE GALLAGHER October 18 - 26, 2024/ 5-DAY ROME EXTENSION (OPTIONAL) October 26 - 30, 2024 For Information Call Lori or Ric Ochoa Mobile : (562) 833-5902

Fr. Laurence will be be here to give a presentation of Immaculate Tours Pilgrimage on Sunday 4/13 in the Parish Center after 12:00 mass



#### St. Cornelius Catholic Church PG 6

Katy Ellis

Matt Siebert

Jackie Ramirez

Joe Patolo

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Rachel Landesfeind 562 421-8966

#### April 6-7 || 2024-2025 Working **Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse Brochure**

The Office of Safeguard the Children of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles annually publishes the Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse Brochure, which provides an up-to-date listing of safe environment policies, programs, resources, contact numbers and other important information about how the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is working to prevent child sexual abuse. Copies of the brochures are available in the parish vestibule or online at https:// lacatholics.org/departments-ministries/ safeguard-the-children/.





Join us for an hour of **Eucharistic Adoration** 

After the Friday 5:00pm Mass in the Church from 5:30 to 6:30

The Chapel at the Parish Center will be open for private prayer on Tuesday's and Friday's

Stewardship Repor	t
Week of 3/24	
In-person Collection	\$10,916
E-giving (adj bi-weekly)	\$2,869
Total	\$13,785
Versus Budget	\$785

### **Clergy and Parish Office** Parish Office, Mon-Fri 9:30 to 5:30 Weekends 9:00am to 2:00pm Father Jay Cunnane - Pastor Father Hieu Nguyen - Associate Pastor

**Deacon Rich Boucher Deacon Joe Hamamoto** Linda Ramirez - Receptionist Maria Carbonara - Secretary & Projects Erik Landesfeind - Business Manager Nancy Hayes - School Principal

#### Ministries and Fellowship Groups

Altar Servers Book Club **Caring Hands** Cub Scouts Choirs Cursillo (Los Angeles) Cursillo (Orange) Eucharistic Ministers/Lectors Hospital Ministry Knights of Columbus Lazarus Project People for Others **PFO Transportation Prayer Warriors** Adult Preparation for Sacraments **Religious Education Respect Life** St. Vincent de Paul

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Let's Celebrate Earth Day!

It's time for some Spring Cleaning! Dig through those closets and support our school with textile recycling! Please donate your used clothes, shoes, bags and linens (no pillows)

Bring them in bagged to St.Cornelius School. So spread the word to friends, neighbors, family and anyone who is ready to clean for spring! The more, the better !

Drop off deadline is April 16th, 2024 to the school office!

## LAZARUS PROJECT

The Long Beach Rescue Mission requests fresh fruits and vegetables or canned fruits and vegetables. They have specifically requested They have specifically requested pepper, kosher salt, salad dressing, coffee, and oatmeal. They very much appreciate our contribution. Thank you to all of you who continue to support the group either with food, prayer, or funds directly to the Long Beach Rescue Mission.

We meet near the pavilion at St Cornelius Saturday morning at 6:45 am. Please drive thru and drop off what you can share in front of the pavilion. Our car leaves at 7:00 am. We will gratefully accept any sack lunches you can provide. Those of you who would like to deliver directly to the streets, please arrive before 7am to pick up additional lunches to deliver those in need on the streets. We will take the rest of the lunches and food goods directly to the LBRM to bolster and support their efforts to serve the homeless of Long Beach

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS WORTHY PROJECT. PLEASE PRAY FOR US. FOR ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL OR TEXT 562-755-0862.

## ST. CORNELIUS **PARENT ED NIGHT** April 18 at 6:30 in the Lg Hall

Guest Speaker - Deputy Renata Phillip

Member of Los Angeles Sherriff Dept. for 7 1/2 years. She has worked custody and patrol at Lakewood station where she was a training officer and school resource officer at the high schools. She currently works for LASD civil litigation unit. Prior to becoming a deputy, she taught high school for 9 years where her emphasis was behavioral intervention.

She will talk about social media, drug use in the schools and the major issues that she dealt with on a reoccurring basis.