

St. Cornelius
Catholic Church



## The Lord is kind and merciful!

#### **Service Schedule**

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday

Mass - 5:00 pm Mass - 5:00 pm Mass - 5:00 pm

Mass - 5:00 pm Mass - 5:00 pm

Rosary - 7:30 am

Mass - 8:00 am

Mass - 5:00 pm Vigil

[Except Holy Saturday]

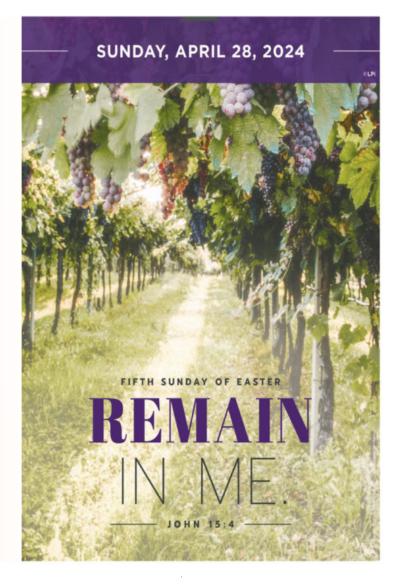
Sunday

Mass - 8:00 am Mass - 10:00 am

Mass - 12:00 pm

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School: 562-425-7813 • stcornelius.net
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

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The vineyard is a common image for Israel in the scriptures. God is the vine grower.

Sometimes Israel produced only sour grapes, despite God's efforts to tend to the vine in a way that bore good fruit. Today's gospel picks up this imagery when Jesus says "I am the true vine, you are the branches. Remain in me so that you may bear fruit". The verb 'remain' is repeated ten times in this passage, so the point is that the way we bear fruit is to remain attached to Jesus.

The point is to bear fruit not just to enjoy union with Jesus. We are not just called to an experience of mystical union with God but to produce good fruit in the world. The image stresses the mutual interdependence of Jesus and his followers. We cannot bear fruit alone without him just as the branch apart from the vine cannot bear fruit but also Christ bears fruit through us as the vine does through the branches. The invitation here is not that we live in the world and visit Jesus, or to go to him in times of prayer but to remain or live in him and from there go to the world. The prayer of St Teresa of Avila expresses this well:" Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on the world, yours the feet in which he walks to do good, yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world".

> God Bless, Fr. Jay

#### ST. CORNELIUS CHURCH



PARISH GOAL: \$1,000,000.00

TOTAL PLEDGED TO CALLED TO RENEW \$1,684,948

TOTAL PAID AS OF MARCH 2024: \$725,718

TODAY IS PLEDGE COMMITMENT SUNDAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT

FEED THE HOMELESS WITH

### PROJECT LAZARUS

MEETS SATURDAYS 6:45 AM - 7:00 AM (RAIN OR SHINE) AT THE PAVILION.

The Long Beach Rescue Mission continues to request fresh fruits and vegetables or canned fruits and vegetables. They have specifically requested pepper, kosher salt, salad dressing, coffee, and oatmeal. If you can add that to the bounty you donate, they would be most grateful.

They very much appreciate our contribution.

Please, if you are able, the team that goes to the streets is requesting cases of bottled water, socks, tarps and gift cards if possible.

A huge thank you to all of you who continue to support the group either with food, prayer or funds directly to the LBRM. Please drive thru and drop off what you can by 7:00 am.

If you can't join us, please pray for us. Also, please share this with friends or family who might enjoy the grace of giving. Thank you!



#### St. Cornelius Catholic Church

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## CATHOLIC

#### Love in Deed

It's a Wonderful Life is one of my favorite Christmas movies. It only occurred to me recently, though, that this film, for all its yuletide aesthetic, is actually more of an Easter story.

I love this movie because it's a very Catholic film — not overtly, although we do see the main character, George Bailey, going to Mass. No, it's the themes that are Catholic, not the set dressing. It's a story about the choices we make — to love, or not to love? To sacrifice, or not to sacrifice? To put oneself first, or to put oneself last? It's a story about what the consequences of those choices look like here in the world, and what they look like in heaven.

In the film, we meet a young George Bailey who dreams of growing up to do amazing, impressive things. Over the years, he makes a choice here and he makes a choice there ... and when all is said and done, the adult George Bailey is a tired, overworked husband and father with no worldly attributes that anyone would envy.

But he's a man who has loved in deed, not just in word, and who has reaped the spiritual rewards of those choices.

The season of Easter is about rejoicing in true redemption, not in worldly triumph. The Word of God is not a bedtime story. It's a pruning shear. To hear it is to be changed, to be shaped. To live it is to lose some things, so that you might bloom in unexpected ways. To welcome the Word is to be willing to look different, to feel different.

Anyone can say, "I love you, I accept you, I want to help you." But what does it actually look like, to love in deed and not just in word? It looks like giving something up: free time, wealth, comfort, worldly approval. It looks, to the casual observer, like pain.

To someone who has no concept of how plants grow and thrive, a gardener's pruning shears look like an executioner's sword. To someone who has no concept of how souls grow and thrive, a tomb barred by a stone looks like the end of a story, when in fact it's just the beginning.

"Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth." — 1 John 3:18

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

How does a person become a canonized saint?

#### Answer:

It is important to remember that all the saints are people, real people who lived just as we do! The first saints of the Church were martyrs or theologians known for a holy life. Over time, the Church has established a set process to investigate the causes of saints.

After a holy person's death, the bishop of their diocese initiates the canonization process with the Vatican. Typically, they must wait five years to ensure any false enthusiasm has lessened. With Vatican approval, the process begins and the person receives the title "Servant of God." The first phase involves collecting information about the person's life and scrutinizing it carefully. One person has the specific role of raising doubts — this is the origin of the phrase "devil's advocate!" When it is clear the person truly lived a heroically holy life according to Church teaching, they are declared "Venerable."

If the person is a martyr for the faith, they will also be declared "Blessed." If the person is not a martyr, they must be credited with a miracle. This is also closely examined for authenticity. Once the miracle is authenticated as truly a miracle performed by God through the person or through their intercession, they are beatified. An additional authenticated miracle is required before canonization, and we can call them "Saint."







## Prayer

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#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday 4/28 8:00 am SI Oliver & Esperanza Serna † Angelina See

> 10:00 am † Helen Harris † Maria Lauro † Ann Julienne Aoga

12:00 am † Luis Marron † Ruth Elena Villacres Torres

Monday4/29 5:00 pm B Alba Alvarez
T Amy Lopez
T Manolita Enad
H Josephine Dvorak

Tuesday 4/30 5:00 pm † Janis Krantz

Wednesday 5/1 5:00 pm † Eugenio V. Jala † Fe Pagana

**Thursday 5/2** 5:00 pm † Cecilia P. Ganacias † Jose Ante

Friday 5/3 5:00 pm † Kathleen Travis † Gavino Cruz

Saturday 5/4 8:00 am † Philip & Marie Caillovet

5:00 pm H Carolyn Deis

Sunday 5/5 8:00 am † Ingrid Garcia

10:00 am † Judy Klenk
H Richard Tomsco
† Ann Juliene Aoga



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

John Herrera
Alvaro Saldarriaga
Kieth Perkins
Rosalia Baez
Kathy Bond
Gina Arruda
Lolita De Leon
Kathleen Shelley
Randall Shelley
Tom Ostoich
Mark Slater
Alyssa Monarrez
Marcella Callahan

Marie Eleasaro
Eric Davidoff
Corky Stillwell
William Martinez
Ida Aleman
Flora Wendt
Tina Gurney
Lisa Miller
Regina Ross
Matthew Dougherty
Thomas Peck
Tish Lorenzana
Alana Ellis

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



## Community



#### St. Cornelius Catholic Church

**St.Vincent de Paul -** April 28 - Fifth Sunday of Easter. In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Indeed, by helping the poor we can "bear much fruit" and we find that with Jesus we can do everything. Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

**St. Cornelius Book Discussion Group** - The next meeting will be held Monday, May 20th in the Parish Center at 3:30. The book that will be discussed is <u>Mountains beyond Mountains</u> by Tracy Kidder. All are welcome to join.

**PFO** Luncheon. Mother's Day on Friday, May 10, 2024 Time: 11:30 am to 2:00 pm at St. Cornelius 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 Meeting**: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 10:00 am in the Parish Center.

Rosary and 5:00 pm Mass: Saturday, May 11, 2024 we pray the Rosary at 4:30 pm and attend Mass.

Questions: John Gaudy 562-597-6917; Jenny Davidoff 562-234-7043.

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.



#### Save the Date

6/9/2024 10:00 Mass

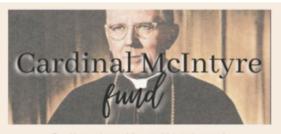
Lucio Trinidad who was our Seminarian Intern in 2021 and 2022 will celebrate his first Mass with us as an Ordained Priest

Join us for refreshments after Mass



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



Collection Next Weekend.

The "Fund" provides emergency help to persons who have nowhere else to go. Your contributions to the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity will make you a sharer in the funds works of mercy, and in their rewards of grace.





#### St. Cornelius Catholic Church

Ministries and Fellowship Groups

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#### April 27-28 | Healing Gardens for victims-survivors in the **Archdiocese's five pastoral regions** The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has created gardens of healing in each of the Archdiocese's pastoral regions, dedicated to those harmed by sexual abuse, in their family, church or community. These gardens offer a sacred space for all those impacted by abuse to seek comfort and solace. A fifth garden will be built in the San Pedro Pastoral Region. In each garden there is a weeping wall and a plague with a reflection by Archbishop Gomez, which starts with this paragraph: "Dedicated to all those impacted by sexual abuse in the Church, their communities, their families - may all who visit find some measure of renewal, peace and

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Stewardship Repor Week of 4/14	t
In-person Collection	\$10,430
E-giving (adj bi-weekly)	\$4,319
Total	\$14,749

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	Altar Servers	Al & Pilar Caceres	562 326-9768
	Book Club	Katy Ellis	562 607-1100
	Caring Hands	Rachel Landesfeind	562 421-8966
	Cub Scouts	Matt Siebert	562 756-7873
	Choirs	Joe Patolo	562 421-8966
	Cursillo (Los Angeles)	Jackie Ramirez	562 316-8303
	Cursillo (Orange)	Dn Joe Hamamoto	562 572-3425
	Eucharistic	Michele Bradley	562 964-4140
	Ministers/Lectors		
	Hospital Ministry	Frank Schmidt	562 225-7571
	Knights of Columbus	Victor Magana	562 821-1483
	Lazarus Project	Rose Letson	562 755-0862
	People for Others	Jenny Davidoff	562 234-7043
	PFO Transportation	Sean Gunning	562 209-3051
	Prayer Warriors	Hilda Ramirez	562 421-8966
	Adult Preparation for	Loraine Moreno	562 421-8966
	Sacraments		
	Religious Education	Cristy Hull	562 362-6561
	Respect Life	Jean Campos	562 421-8966
		Judith Martinez	
	St. Vincent de Paul	Jacqueline Padilla	562 421-8011
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	Quinceaneras	Parish Office	562 421-8966
	Youth Ministry &	Luis Lopez	562 420-7613
	Confirmation		

#### Clergy and Parish Office

comfort in doing so." For more

Versus Budget

information, visit https://lacatholics.org/

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

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#### 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 8th 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





## JOG-A-THON (S) ALOHA RUN 2024

Aloha! St. Cornelius School's 15th annual Jog-a-thon is quickly approaching and the students are excited! This fun event is taking place May 29th. Every dollar raised goes directly to technology and supporting academic programs for our students. If you would like to help us reach our fundraising goal by contributing a donation to this years Jog-a-Thon, please send or drop off your pledge support to the school office.

Thank you!



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and per person

St. John Seminary

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