



St. Louise de Marillac

St. Louise de Marillac Church

Serving God's people in Covina, Glendora, San Dimas and surrounding communities.
"He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord." Psalm 15

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Mass Schedule

Monday –Friday

6:20 am & 8:00 am

Saturday

8:00 am & 5:30 pm *Vigil*

Sunday

6:30 am, 8:00 am,
9:30 am, 11:00 am,
12:30 pm, & 5:00 pm

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THE POOL
OF SILOAM
JERUSALEM

I was blind and now I see.

JOHN 9:25



MARCH 22
2020

fourth Sunday
OF LENT

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St. Louise de Marillac is a Roman Catholic community called together as family to worship, to minister, and to evangelize. As true disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called to renew His love and spirit by sharing our time, talent and treasure.

St. Louise de Marillac Mission Statement



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ARCHDIOCESE ANNOUNCES SUSPENSION OF MASSES AMID COVID-19 PANDEMIC March 16, 2020

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles announced this afternoon the suspension of Masses amid the current health threat due to COVID-19 (novel coronavirus).

“I deeply regret that we are forced to temporarily suspend public celebration of the Mass in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles,” said Archbishop José H. Gomez. “What we do in the Church, we do out of love for God and love for our brothers and sisters. We are taking this extraordinary step today out of love and concern for those in our families and communities who are most vulnerable to this deadly coronavirus.”

Archbishop Gomez stressed that the decision was “not made lightly,” and that it was made after “much prayer and reflection” and in consultation with the Archdiocese’s auxiliary bishops, Council of Priests, lay advisors, and government and public health officials.

“I ask your continued prayers for all those who are afflicted with this virus and those who are afraid and vulnerable. I also ask you to pray and reach out to help the many families who are facing difficulties as a result of this emergency. We also need to keep in our prayers all the doctors, nurses, caregivers, and public health and civil authorities working to contain the outbreak of this virus and treat those who are sick,” stated the Archbishop.

Catholics are encouraged to continue to pray at home with their families and join to the sacrifice of the Mass by making an act of spiritual communion. They are also encouraged to participate in the Holy Mass via the Internet. The Archdiocese will provide a livestream of non-public Masses from the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels daily and on Sunday via Facebook, @lacatholics, (facebook.com/lacatholics/) or visit lacatholics.org/emergency/. The daily Mass (M-F) in English at 12:10 p.m. and the Sunday Masses in English at 10 a.m. and in Spanish at 12:30 p.m. will be livestreamed.

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Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels San Fernando San Gabriel San Pedro Santa Barbara



Personal Healing

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Saint Louise de Marillac Parish,

Facing a pandemic crisis is scary at the best of times. But how can we as Christians respond?

The first and most important thing you need to do is not panic. This is a crisis but one we plan to get through. As Christians, we need to take care of each other. Within your family, use this time to enjoy each other's company. Play with your children. Spend some time with your spouse. Go outside. Nature can recharge your batteries. Take walks. That is good for your physical health as well as your mental health. Get outside with your children. That will help with cabin fever! Play with your children. Do you have board games? This is the time to break them out.

Think about your neighbors. Do you have elderly neighbors in your neighborhood? Can you check on them without doing your self harm? Social isolation can be deadly. Not all your older neighbors will be tech savvy. Knock on their front doors to ask if they are OK. You can stand back when the door is opened. Be sure you have washed your hands thoroughly before you visit a neighbor.. Just being present to your neighbor will do them a world of good.

Finally, take advantage of the extra time at home to pray. Pray as a family. This may not be part of your family's normal routine, but now would be a pretty good time to start. Pray to Mary. As our Mother, she is uniquely qualified to comfort us. Maybe during a family prayer time, you can ask for prayer petitions. Especially get your children to think about whom they would like to pray for. Thinking about others is a great way to shake off fear and anxiety.

I am grateful for the more than 1200 parishioners who were able to join us at Mass last weekend. Your dedication to St. Louise and your faith during this time is truly inspiring. I will ask going forward that you continue practicing your faith at home until Mass resumes.

Please keep me in your prayers as I keep you in mine during these trying times.

Fr. Robert Fulton

Pastor

Pope Francis' Prayer

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection.

Amen

POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS

Due to regulations from the Archdiocese, we will be cancelling/postponing all ministry meetings and events at St. Louise until further notice.

Cancelled events include, but are not limited to:

- Soup and Scripture
- Stations of the Cross
- Living Stations
- St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday
- Spaghetti Dinner and St. Joseph’s Table
- Knights of Columbus Dine out on March 23rd and 24th

Postponed events include, but are not limited to:

- Catholic Men’s Fellowship
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Rosary Making Group
- Senior Social Club
- Respect Life Meeting
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions
- Daily Rosary after the 8 AM Mass
- Knights of Columbus St. Patrick’s Day Dinner
- Guadalupana’s Casino Trip
- Bingo
- Wednesday Night Confessions

Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.



Attention St Louise de Marillac School Alumni (and parents of Alumni),

We have created a new St. Louise de Marillac alumni database to keep you informed of exciting upcoming events. Our first event is the annual St. Louise Frontier Days Carnival - May 29, 30, & 31. We invite you to join us carnival weekend for food, fun and fellowship. Please stop by the alumni table located in the grand raffle booth to receive your alumni lanyard!

Please complete the form below to update your contact information and submit it to the Parish Center or drop it in the Sunday collection basket. You can also email your current info to alumni@stlouisedm.org.

Hope to hear from you soon!

Thank you,
Alumni Committee

Student’s Name _____ Grad Year _____ Email _____

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ARCHBISHOP'S PRAYER

**Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the
Americas.**

**We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.**

**Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this
illness.**

**For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and
deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and
fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.**

**In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one
another and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land
and to our hearts.**

**We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate
mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.**

**Shelter us under the mantle of your
protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son,
Jesus**

Amen.

Looking for a convenient way to support St. Louise Church?

How many times have you walked out of the house, on your way to Mass and thought:

"I forgot my church envelope."

"I just used my last check at the grocery store."

"I don't have any cash on me."

These situations can be very frustrating to the faithful parishioner that wants to support their church.

Did you know that St. Louise has an Online Giving Program? You can sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/stldmgiving> or print the enrollment form <https://tinyurl.com/stldmgivingform> and drop off or email it to finance@stlouisedm.org.

We are experiencing extraordinary times. Please do not forget that St. Louise depends on your weekly parish donations. Parish expenses continue and only through the continuation of your weekly contributions will St. Louise be able to meet its financial obligations.

As always, your generosity is deeply appreciated.

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire.

St. Vincent Ferrer

THANK YOU!

We are grateful to our parishioners who were able to come to Mass last weekend. We had more than 1200 parishioners able to join us on Saturday, March 14th and Sunday, March 15th. We were able to practice social distancing through having the Mass in the Church and live streaming it to the Hall.

Regrettably we are no longer able to have any Mass per the Los Angeles Archdiocese's protocol. The church will be open from 8 AM to 8 PM for private devotions.

Stay up to date on St. Louise Masses and other events, by going to the website, www.stlouisedm.org, or texting 'sldm' to 84576.

Thank you to all our parishioners!

MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH



The Town Hall Receptions that were planned for March 22 and March 23 will be rescheduled. In these challenging times, the parish leadership will focus on the pastoral needs of the parish. To date the campaign has been busy at work and has received many generous pledges. We anticipate many more parishioners will join the campaign and we want to make sure that time is allowed to inform the parish community of the importance of the campaign needs. The success of the campaign to date has been a reflection of the commitment of the parish community to St. Louise. In the coming weeks we will be reaching out to donors and church leadership to ensure that the capital campaign does not lose momentum. If any of you have concerns in the coming weeks about the campaign pledge, feel free to contact our campaign director, Christopher Smith, through the parish office.

Campaign Goal: \$2,860,000



% of Goal: 62%

Gifts: 133

Avg. Gift \$13,423

In the coming weeks, our Ambassadors will be calling families to explain the campaign and answer your questions. We hope you will welcome their invitation to meet with open hearts.

Thank You!

LIGHT

“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light” (Ephesians 5:14). We are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey of conversion. As always, God never gives up on us, especially those who have “fallen asleep” along the road to conversion. The most powerful stories of conversion are proclaimed during these final weeks of Lent. They have the power to shake us out of our sleep. Today’s Gospel story of the healing of the man born blind exposes the real blindness in the time of Christ—the blindness of the self-righteous religious leaders. In a few weeks, at the Easter Vigil, the Church will proclaim “Christ our Light” as the paschal candle is carried into darkened churches throughout the world. May the darkness of sin that still pervades our lives, communities, and world, be dispelled by the Christ who comes to bring sight to the blind and light to the world.

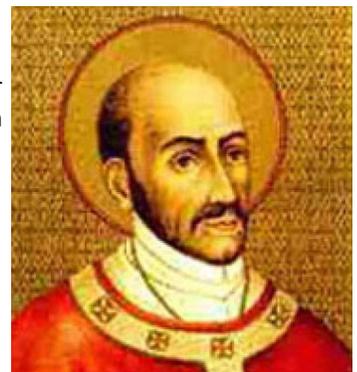
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SAINT TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO (1538-1606)

March 23rd

In times of crisis, God always surprises the Church with unlikely saints, through whom Christ’s light radiates beyond their local communities to illumine the universal Church. Charles Borromeo was such a saint: appointed Archbishop of Milan at twenty-one by his papal uncle. Charles instead inspired a revival that reinvigorated a Church devastated by the Reformation. His less well-known contemporary, Turibius of Mongrovejo, was God’s “saintly surprise” in the New World. Spanish-born lawyer, professor, head of the feared Inquisition, Turibius was still a layman when a grateful king appointed him Archbishop of far-off Lima. Once in Peru, however, Turibius was appalled at the abuse of indigenous peoples by the occupying conquistadores—his fellow countrymen—and by the complicity of the clergy. He became the natives’ devoted advocate, building churches, schools, hospitals, and the first seminary in the Americas, publishing catechisms and prayer books in the native languages he painstakingly mastered. Four hundred years later, whenever Pope Benedict welcomed Latin American bishops to Rome, he always invoked “the shining example of San Toribio.”

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Silent Auction Booth

is looking for donations.

Great opportunity for business exposure and advertisement!

Here are some tax deductible ideas of possible donations and services that we would greatly appreciate!

- Baskets
- TimeShare Getaway
- Sporting event tix
- Amusement park tix
- Golf package
- Private Gourmet Chef
- Electronics
- Concert tickets
- Sports Memorabilia
- Gift Card

- Services- home cleaning, extermination, hair salon, nail salon, spa services, lash extensions etc.
- Lessons- music, dance karate, cooking, tumbling, Yoga classes etc.

*Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center or we can make arrangements for pick up.



Country Boutique Donations Needed

Looking to do some Spring Cleaning!

Please consider donating new and lightly used items to our

Country Boutique. Please email frontierdays@stlouisedm.org for drop off arrangements.

Thank you!

GRILL MASTER NEEDED

The Frontier Days carnival is looking for a BBQ Grill Master to Smoke and BBQ meat for Carnival weekend, May 29th, 30th, and 31st. No professional skills needed. This is a great way to help out our parish while meeting new parishioners. Please consider volunteering. Please contact frontierdays@stlouisedm.org for more information.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory for Sunday, March 15, 2020			
	2020	2019	Variance
Envelopes	\$18,443	\$19,205	(\$762)
Plate	\$1,323	\$3,322	(\$1,999)
TOTAL	\$19,766	\$22,527	(\$2,761)

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for those listed below who are sick:

- Gerard Atienza
- Aileen Fallis
- Ernesto Garcia
- Sylvia Garcia
- Suzanne Hanson
- Nancy LaMascus
- Julie Moore
- Susan Schmaltz
- Sharon Wiessler
- Chris Williams

Continue to Pray For...

- Margaret Angulo
- Carlos Borge
- Lesia Brown
- Emy Cananea
- Rocio Centeno
- Betty Cresswell
- Maria de la Torre
- Don Dominic
- Joe Escalera, Sr.
- Joe Escalera, Jr.
- William Fitzpatrick
- Elaina Fossum
- Elva Gonzales
- Carmen Gonzalez
- David Gonzalez
- Phillip M. Grana
- Tana Iniguez
- Jennifer Langoria
- Margie Luxford
- Susan Mabida
- Damacio Marquez
- Gloria Marquez
- Carolyn Matone
- Todd McShane
- Fr. Bill Moore, SS. CC.
- Tracie Neria
- Sandra Nila
- Tulio Norori
- C. J. Oddo
- Bladimiro Ramirez
- Martha Ramirez
- Sharun Richardson
- Maryann Riley
- Raul Rodriguez
- Ana Beatriz Rossi
- Rocio Scott
- Jennifer Sennett
- Carol Ennis Shrosbree
- Ryan Soldridge
- Baby Sterling
- Bob Tessier
- Elisa A. Zaccarino

Parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Center to have a loved one placed on the sick list. For a name to remain on the sick list, please contact the Parish Office by the 15th of every month. Names of the sick and hurting are published weekly in our bulletin.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the Lord rushed upon David (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel — The man who had been blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

DID YOU KNOW?

Early abuse identification is key

We can do our best to ensure that the children in our community are as safe as possible, and one critical way is to take immediate action at the first hint of improper behavior by an adult towards a child. Be familiar with ways in which perpetrators attempt to groom children, their parents, and church communities so that you can recognize and interrupt such behaviors promptly. Paying attention to changes in behavior, appetite, or demeanor in the children we know is also important as these cues may be reflective of a child's distress. For more information, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Early Identification is Crucial" at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>

For more information on other ways to keep kids safe, contact Linda Filkins, the Parish Safeguard Committee Chairperson at (626) 214-7846 or the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office at (213) 637-7227. For particular help, call the Victims Assistance Office at (213) 637-7650.

CHANGE IN PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will now be open:

Monday to Friday: 8 AM to 5 PM

Saturday: 9 AM to 6 PM

Sunday: 9 AM to 2 PM

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Robert Fulton, *Pastor*

Fr. Joseph McShane, *Associate Pastor, Annulments*

Deacon Al Valles, *Permanent Deacon*

Deacon Alan Holderness, *Permanent Deacon*

Deacon Peter Brause, *Permanent Deacon*

Deacon Omar Uriarte, *Permanent Deacon*

MINISTRY STAFF

Robert Kochis, *Director of Music*

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Sheila Uriarte, *Director of Faith Formation and Ministries*

Cecilia Luna, *Faith Formation Secretary*

Kathy Prestia, *RCIA* (626) 963-1463

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& Fridays / 9 am - 5 pm
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Open wide the windows of our spirits and fill us full of light;
open wide the door of our hearts, that we may receive and
entertain Thee with all our powers of adoration.

Christina Rossetti

Stay up to date!

visit our website

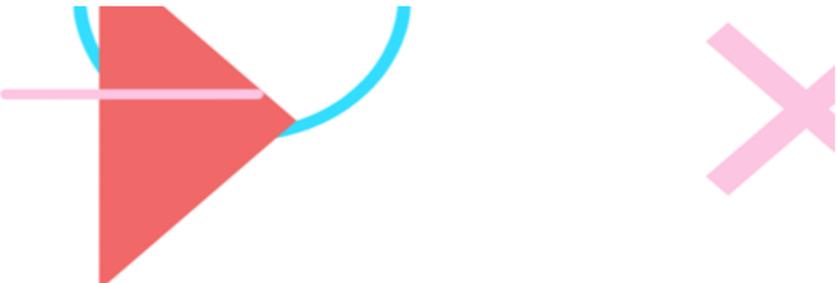
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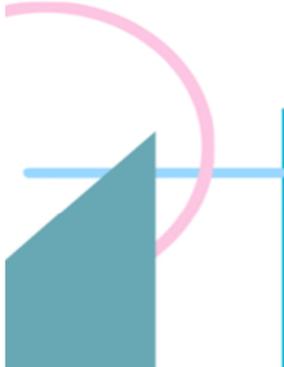
Get information about the
resuming of Mass times and
activities.



COVID-19

Receive Current
Church, School,
& Ministry Updates
Regarding Coronavirus

St. Louise de Marillac
Parish is taking the necessary
steps to ensure the safety,
health, and religious
obligations of our parishioners.
Please continue to pray
for all who are ill and
those who are providing
care for them.



If you wish to receive
updates on Masses & Parish
Events, text "sldm" to
84576.