



St. Thomas Aquinas Church

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 24, 2021

STA COVID-19 Update

Fr. John's COVID-19 results were negative, thank the Lord! To ensure he has rested enough to minister to our parish community, we will continue to have guest priests preside at our English masses this weekend. Fr. Justin's test results came back positive for COVID-19, he will remain in quarantine.

In addition to our weekday and Saturday 8 AM, and Sunday 3 PM Masses, our 9:30 AM Mass will be cancelled for two weeks. During this time, we invite the parishioners to attend the Chinese Mass of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Rowland Heights on Sunday afternoons at 3 PM. They have online mass on YouTube, and physical outdoor mass or you can join the online mass of Holy Family Church Taipei Taiwan (Mandarin) mass of CIRS Hong Kong.

- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Rowland Heights:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj9d4sMINS2d7abmPJDplJw/videos>

- Holy Family Taipei (國語 Mandarin) <https://youtu.be/8tQeszC1slg>
- CIRS HK (粵語 Cantonese) <https://youtu.be/MoftVHzikCM>

Please continue to pray for the health of our parish community and the world. Our parish office staff will continue to work remotely. Office hours remain 8 AM to 4:30 PM. Please email all inquiries or requests to parishoffice@stampk.org

First Friday February 5th @ 8 AM

Our First Friday mass will be observed at our normally scheduled 8 AM mass until further notice. This change is due to the winter season coldness and darkness. Please plan on joining us.

2020 Tax Donation Statements

You may obtain your 2020 tax donation statement by completing an application which can be found on the table by the altar or by email at: parishoffice@stampk.org. Return your completed application in the collection baskets or mail it in to the parish office.

Thank you for your continued financial support, it is appreciated!

From the Desk of Our Pastor

Thank You for Your Love

Dear Parishioners,

As you know, I am supposed to be visiting my family in Uganda at this time. But on January 2nd, I tested positive for Covid-19 and my vacation was canceled.

Since then I have been in quarantine in my room trying to get better. I experienced chills, body aches, fever, and lost the senses of smell and taste. On the morning of January 21st, I tested negative. I feel good. All of my symptoms have been gone for more than a week now and I am ready to resume my ministry.

I thank all of you for your prayers and care. As soon as you found out that I contracted Covid-19, many of you provided me with food, vitamins, various remedies, and within one week my room was like a makeshift clinic. I have so many supplies that I can open a small supply stand and give out free covid-19 stuff for a week or so. All these supplies came from you as a sign of so much care, love and concern.

I am very grateful for your concern and love. Thank you for your communication and checking on me on a daily basis. I feel recovered now, and in a few days I will continue to plan for my Uganda vacation. I will let you know as soon as I am able to put things in place for my travels.

May God bless you.

Fr. John



Red Cross Community Blood Drive
STA Parish Hall
Thursday, February 4th, 2021
10 AM to 4 PM

As COVID-19 cases continue to surge, Los Angeles County has announced a new stay-at-home order that places new restrictions on businesses and gatherings but does not ban them altogether. Blood donations are considered an Essential act and SAFE and are done by APPOINTMENT ONLY to maintain a safe environment.

Now more than ever we need healthy individuals to come out in force to keep and maintain a safe and adequate blood supply. Blood donations will be tested for the Covid 19 antibodies.

To schedule an appointment, go to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsorcode: stthomasmp

All blood Donors will be e mailed a \$5.00 Amazon Gift Card.

Los Angeles Virtual Religious Education Congress
“Proclaim the Promise”
Feb. 18th – 21st

COVID-19 has changed many of the traditional ways of gathering, therefore the **RE Congress 2021 will be a virtual event**. This year, the theme, *Proclaim the Promise!*, is a radical invitation to believe that our lives and our world are sustained by God’s promise. Register and learn more about the workshops, and calendar of events by visiting the [RE Congress website](https://www.recongress.org).

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation classes are available for anyone wishing to learn more about the catholic faith. All classes will be held on Zoom. Below are the topics for February:

- **February 7- Precepts of the Church**
- **February 14, 2021 - Lent (Ash Wednesday)**

- **February 21, 2021 - No Class (Religious Education Congress)**
- **February 28, 2021 - Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy**

For more information or to register for classes, please contact Ana Martinez via email at: religiouslyeducation@stampkschool.org

Safeguard The Children DID YOU KNOW?

Talk to your children about social media challenges

Children have spent many months at home now, separated from friends and classmates. Social media is a great tool to stay in touch, but there are definitely dangerous aspects to much “screen time” that parents need to be aware about. Social media challenges range from funny and harmless to risky and dangerous — and sometimes even illegal. If your child has social media accounts, talk to them about making smart choices and about knowing the difference between harmless pranks and seriously dangerous stunts. Make a pact to discuss anything they see their friends or acquaintances doing before they try it out at home. For more tips on social media safety, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
Weekly Expenses: \$7,500.00

Please see next weekend's bulletin for collection totals.

Thank you for your support!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 23rd

5:30 PM For All STA Parishioners

Sunday, January 24th

8 AM Raquel O. Rivera (D)
Mervin Karapinka (D)
Monica Chan (D)
Amalia Vasquez (D)
Jose R. Vasquez (D)
Reynaldo Ray Vasquez (D)
Daniel M. Vasquez (D)

11:30 AM Rev. Erasmo “Sonny”
Ramirez O.P. (D)
Robert Mazzoni (D)
Martha Huynh (D)
Warren Kunkle (D)
Kunkle family (Well-being)
Astrid Huerta (Birthday)

1:30 PM Maria Raquel Ramirez (D)

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***For Mass intention requests
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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM (English)
Sunday	8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Mandarin) 11:30 AM (English) 1:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Cantonese)
Monday	7:00 PM (Chinese)
Tuesday	8:00 AM (English)
Wednesday	8:00 AM (Chinese)
Thursday	8:00 AM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Friday	8:00 AM (English) **1st Friday ONLY 7:00 PM**
Saturday	8:00 AM (English)

Zoom Links & Passwords:

English Masses:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/311575271>

Meeting ID:311575271 Password: Mass

Spanish Masses:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/912501465>

Meeting ID:912501465 Password: Misa

Chinese Masses:

<https://zoom.us/j/3901142241>

Meeting ID: 3901142241

***THURSDAY 8 AM ENGLISH MASS:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5897232327>

Meeting ID:5897232327 Password: 1501