



St. Thomas Aquinas Church

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Easter Sunday - April 4, 2021

From the Desk of Our Pastor



Dear Parishioners, Visitors and Friends,

I wish everyone a happy Easter. Despite all that we have gone through since last Easter, we have kept the faith and we have maintained our relationship with one another. Thank you for your support of one another and of our parish, financially and in other ways.

As we celebrate Easter let us give thanks to God for the blessings we have received. At the same time, we keep in mind and offer prayers for the many families who are not able to celebrate Easter together because a member of their family is sick or has passed away. We stand in solidarity with them and offer them hope with our prayers. With the resurrection of Jesus, we begin a new journey towards renewing our faith.

We welcome those who have been baptized on Easter Vigil. May the risen Lord bring us hope and transformation so we may live in harmony with one another.

Fr. John

April - Prevent Child Abuse Month

My dear brothers and sisters,

As you know, for nearly a year now we have been in the grips of a global health crisis. But despite the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic, the Church here in Los Angeles has continued its vigilance and commitment to child safety in our parishes, schools, and other ministries. Using Zoom and other online platforms, we have trained more than 4,000 clergy, staff, and volunteers in our VIRTUS® Adult Awareness program since the pandemic began. Our Empowering God's Children and Young People© child sexual abuse prevention program has also continued successfully, using online platforms. I am so grateful to our dedicated staff and volunteers for rising to the challenges of this extraordinary moment. All of us in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are blessed by their witness and commitment to the cause of preventing abuse.

Thank you for your commitment to ensure that children and young people are safeguarded in our parishes, schools, ministries and communities. Together we are making a difference.

I entrust all our children and families to the tender care and protection of Our Blessed Mother Mary.

Most Reverend Jose H. Gomez
Archbishop of Los Angeles

Abbreviated version of Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse 2021 brochure

School News

In-person Instruction Resumes

STA School will resume in-person instruction on Monday, April 12, 2021. Our families will have a choice to either send their child(ren) in person or to remain online for the rest of the school year.

Open Enrollment 2021-2022

Are you interested in enrolling your child at STA School for the 2021-2022 year? Registration is now open! Please contact the school office via phone at (323)261-6583 or by email info@stampkschool.org or visit our school website stampkschool.org for information and forms.

Happy Easter!

“May the promise of Easter fill you with faith, hope, and Joy.”

STA School will be closed for Easter Break, from April 5-April 9, 2021.

We would like to wish all of our students, our families, and STA Parishioners a happy Easter. May you be renewed by the love of Christ and may you all enjoy many blessings!

Thursday Spanish Mass Resumes April 8th @ 7 PM

Come join us for a weekday evening Spanish Mass filled with music and fellowship. Fr. John will be the presider and looks forward to seeing you there.

Revitalizing STA's Society of St. Vincent De Paul Conference

The St. Thomas Aquinas Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to join it in silent works of charity:

- Growing spiritually through a gift of self to others.
- Seeking and serving the distressed.
- Quietly, discreetly aiding needy families.

The purpose of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is to fulfill the two great Commandments—love of God and love of neighbor. We seek out God's needy, both materially and spiritually, and help where we can. No need is too great or too small.

For more information please reach out to Katti Fernandez at (323) 405-3631 or kfernandez@svdpla.org.

For Lent...For Life HAPPY EASTER!

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we rejoice because Christ is risen! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share the joy of having a loving God that is alive and accompanies us always. Let's do the same by being present to our global family by caring for their material and spiritual needs. Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowl in the basket on the table by the altar or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give. Thank you for changing lives this Lent through your donation.

Join e-Giving

Easter is always a time of hope and renewal, and that is especially true for 2021. This time last year our world had come to a standstill – now, though challenges remain, our parish is joyfully resuming services and programs for our church family. It is in the spirit of hope and renewal that we ask you to consider making your generous gifts through eGiving. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/CA779.

**Safeguard The Children
DID YOU KNOW?**

**“United Together in Prayer”
Novena**

In honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month this April, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles invites you to join us in transforming awareness into action by participating in a special nine-day Novena for Protecting and Healing from Abuse, April 22-30. For more information and to join the Novena on April 22, please visit <https://lacatholics.org/united-together/>.

For those wishing for the direct link to the one-page novena prayer sheet, please visit: <https://lacatholics.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/cyp-novena-bulletin-insert.pdf>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Weekly Expenses: \$7,500.00

3/27 & 3/28 Offertory/Online: \$7,462.00

Over/(Under): (\$38.00)

Thank you for your support!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 3rd

Easter Vigil

7:00 PM For All STA Parishioners

Sunday, April 4th

Easter Sunday

8 AM For All STA Parishioners

11:30 AM For All STA Parishioners

1:30 PM For All STA Parishioners

Tuesday, April 6th

8 AM Hou Yuan Chiao (D) by Yu Li

In thanksgiving for all of the blessings received by John & Marie Mendoza

Thursday, April 8th

8 AM Hou Yuan Chiao (D) by Lei Zhang

7 PM For All STA Parishioners

Friday, April 9th

8 AM Hou Yuan Chiao (D) by Lei Zhang

Saturday, April 10th

8 AM Hou Yuan Chiao (D) by Lei Zhang

If you would like to schedule Mass intentions, please contact:

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Mass Schedule

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| 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) |
| Friday | 8:00 AM (English) |
| 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