



PADRE SERRA PARISH



— Encounter Jesus. Be Disciples

APRIL 23, 2023 · THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Baptized in Grace - Easter Vigil 2023  
Visit [www.padreserra.org/holy-week-gallery](http://www.padreserra.org/holy-week-gallery)



Celebrate New Life!  
**Baby Shower**  
 Sunday, April 30  
 2:30 - 5:00 pm Serra Center

You are invited for an afternoon tea to support women and families experiencing unexpected pregnancies.

Includes: Keynote speaker Michele Loughman, director of Life Centers of Ventura County, information about local services, baby shower activities, and tea-tasting. \$10/person, \$60/table of eight; baby shower gift.

Sponsored by Padre Serra, Life Centers, and Zonta International.

Learn more and register at [www.padreserra.org/baby-shower](http://www.padreserra.org/baby-shower)




**Funeral and Burial Practices in Various Faith Traditions**  
 Tuesday, April 25  
 7:00 pm, Santa Barbara room

People have been tending carefully to the remains of their loved ones for millennia, tradition has dictated the manner of that care, and it often finds its roots in religious beliefs. Ventura County Interfaith Community hosts three presenters: a rabbi, a Buddhist monk, and a Catholic priest, our own Fr. Patrick, who will share their traditions and customs.

RSVP appreciated, visit [www.padreserra.org/funeral-practices](http://www.padreserra.org/funeral-practices)




**Clergy Appreciation Dinner**  
 Saturday, April 29, 6:00 pm, Serra Center

COCKTAIL HOUR · LIVE ENTERTAINMENT · GUEST SPEAKER  
 Meat Medley Delicious Brisket, Teriyaki Pulled Pork and BBQ Chicken Entrées, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, and Dessert.


Honor our Clergy, Religious Sisters and Brothers, and seminarians.

**\$20 adult, \$15 child pre-sale tickets will be available in the courtyard after Mass on April 22 and 23, or order online today at [padreserra.org/clergy](http://padreserra.org/clergy)!**

At the Door: \$25 adult, \$20 child  
 50/50 Raffle Tickets: \$5 / ticket or 3 for \$10  
 Winners receive: 1st = 1/2 the pot, 2nd = \$50, 3rd = \$25

All proceeds will benefit our Clergy and Religious.  
 Contact Bernie Noriega, (805) 204-8852, [noriega.bernie@gmail.com](mailto:noriega.bernie@gmail.com)  
 Hosted by the Knights of Columbus.






**Care & Prepare**  
 A Series on the End of Life  
 Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23  
 7:00 pm, Serra Center

*What is Church teaching about the difficult choices that can occur near the end of life? How can I best care for my loved one and myself? What documents are important to have in place and why? Who do I call after my loved one dies? How can my parish help?*

Professionals in health care and the Church will share their knowledge of what to expect when a person nears the natural end of life, how to provide compassionate care, and what steps to be taken in the preparation and upon death. Each session is independent.

Come for one, two, or all four sessions.

For more information and to RSVP, visit [www.padreserra.org/care-prepare](http://www.padreserra.org/care-prepare)



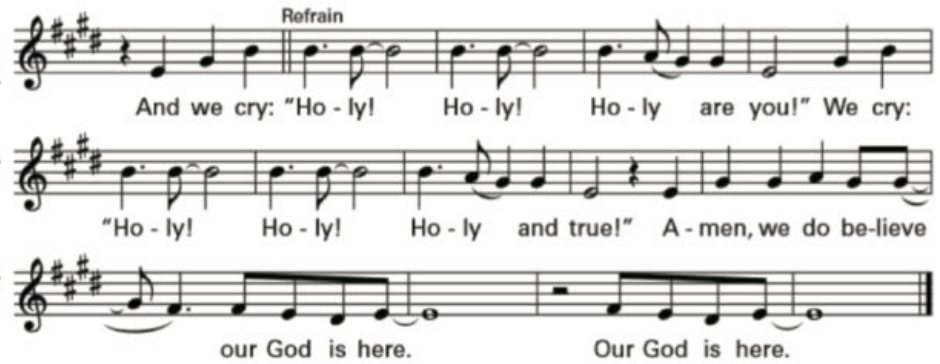
**GATHERING**

**Our God Is Here**

Chris Muglia

Here in this time, here in this place,  
 here we are standing face to face.  
 Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
 Here for the broken, here for the strong,  
 here in this temple we belong.  
 Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
**And we cry...**  
 Here in the Word God is revealed,  
 here where the wounded can be healed.  
 Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
 Here we become what we receive,  
 here in this Eucharistic feast.  
 We are his body, living as one; our God is here.  
**And we cry...**

Refrain



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**Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)**

Ed Bolduc



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We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
 We give you thanks for your great glory,  
 Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

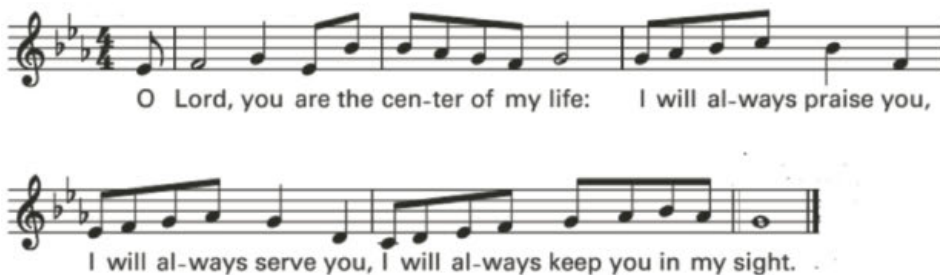
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
 You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
 You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
 You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
 With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Psalm 16: Center of My Life**

Paul Inwood, Gather #679



Keep me safe, O God, I take refuge in you.  
 I say to the Lord, "You are my God.  
 My happiness lies in you alone;  
 my happiness lies in you alone.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
 even in safety shall my body rest.  
 For you will not leave my soul among the  
 dead, nor let your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life,  
 the fullness of joy in your presence,  
 at your right hand, at your right hand  
 happiness forever.

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**Reading 1**  
 Acts 2:14-22-33

**Reading 2**  
 1 Peter 1:17-21

**Gospel Reading**  
 Luke 24:13-35

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Paul Prochaska

REFRAIN



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### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 Creator of heaven and earth,  
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,*  
*born of the Virgin Mary,*  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died and was buried;  
 he descended into hell;  
 on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and is seated at the right hand of God  
 the Father almighty;  
 from there he will come to judge  
 the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and life everlasting.  
 Amen.

*May the Lord accept the  
 sacrifice at your hands, for the  
 praise and glory of His Name,  
 for our good and the good of all  
 His holy Church.*

### INTERCESSION RESPONSE

Prayer of the Faithful

Donna Pena, Gather #349

*O Lord hear our pray'r. Lord hear us, O Lord hear our pray'r.*

### PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

Behold the Lamb

Martin Willett, Gather #939

### EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

"Misa del Pueblo Inmigrante"

Bob Hurd

Santo/Holy

(Bilingual) San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to es el Se - ñor,  
 (English) Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 Dios del u - ni - ver - so. Heav - en and earth are  
 God of pow'r and might.  
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Ho - san - na en el cie - lo.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho -  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

### Memorial Acclamation B

A - nun - cia - mos tu muer - te, pro - cla -  
 Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death;  
 ma - mos tu re - su - rrec - ción. ¡Ven, Se - ñor Je -  
 ris - ing you re - stored our life. Lord Je - sus,  
 1 Final  
 sús! ¡Ven, Se - ñor Je - sús! sús!  
 come, come in glo - ry. ry.

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### Amen

A - mén, a - mén. A - mén, a - mén.



Agnus Dei IX

Plainchant



Ag-nus De - i qui tol - is pec - ca - ta mun - di  
 mi - se - re - re no - bis do - na no - bis pa - cem. Ag-nus De - i qui tol - is pec -  
 ca - ta mun - di; mi - se - re - re no - bis.

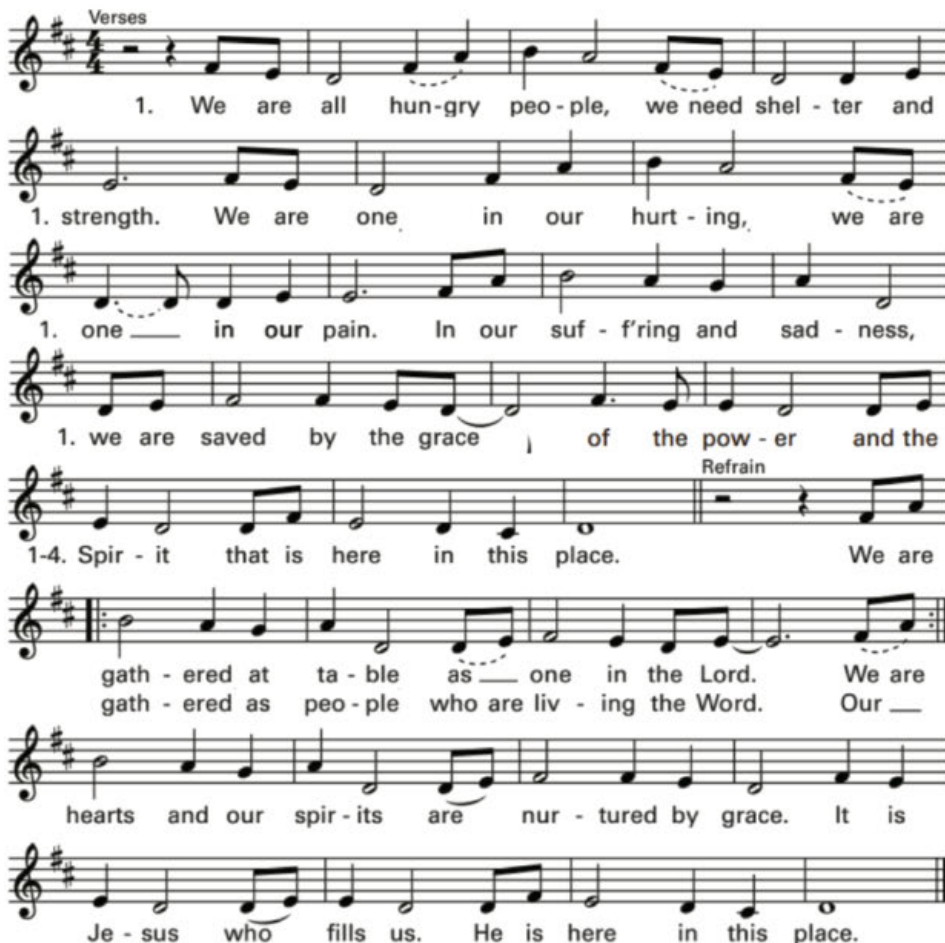
*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi / Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world  
 miserere nobis / have mercy on us  
 dona nobis pacem / grant us peace*

LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY THAT YOU SHOULD ENTER UNDER MY ROOF BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD AND MY SOUL SHALL BE HEALED.

COMMUNION SONGS

In This Place

Trevor Thomson



Verses  
 1. We are all hun-gry peo-ple, we need shel-ter and  
 1. strength. We are one in our hurt-ing, we are  
 1. one in our pain. In our suf-f'ring and sad-ness,  
 1. we are saved by the grace of the pow-er and the  
 Refrain  
 1-4. Spir-it that is here in this place. We are  
 gath-ered at ta-ble as one in the Lord. We are  
 gath-ered as peo-ple who are liv-ing the Word. Our  
 hearts and our spir-its are nur-tured by grace. It is  
 Je-sus who fills us. He is here in this place.

All our lives are a Myst'ry;  
 we see not where they lead.  
 We are asked now to trust you  
 and we know we must believe.  
 As our feet become Christ's feet,  
 we go forth with the grace  
 of the power and the Spirit  
 that is here in this place.

Though the world may tell us  
 to look at ourselves,  
 we reach out to another  
 where suffering dwells.  
 As our hands become Christ's hands,  
 we are healed by the grace  
 of the power and the Spirit  
 that is here in this place.

In the bread that is broken  
 is the Christ that restores.  
 As we take, now receive him,  
 we find love evermore.  
 As the bread becomes Body,  
 we are filled with the grace  
 of the power and the Spirit  
 that is here in this place.

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## Two Were Bound for Emmaus

Bob Hurd



1, 5. Two were bound for Emmaus, disheartened  
2. On the Sea of Tiberius, when the night was  
3. Then they knew it was Jesus and they hastened

1, 5. and lost; all their hope for the future had been  
2. nearly gone and their toil seemed so useless, not one  
3. in to shore; bread and fish for their breakfast from the

1, 5. nailed to a cross. Love unknown then walked beside them,  
2. fish had they caught, from the shore the stranger called to them:  
3. hands of their Lord. "O Peter, if you love me


1, 5. come back from the dead, and they knew he was  
2. "Cast your net, friends, once more." And they filled it to  
3. you must care for my sheep; if you follow your

1, 5. risen in the breaking of bread.  
2. burst-ing, but the net was not torn.  
3. Shep-herd, then a shep-herd you'll be."

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## SENDING FORTH

## God Sends Us Forth



1. God sends us forth to love and serve,  
Make known God's name and live God's word,  
Mir-ror God's love, re-flect God's grace Till  
all have seen the Sav-ior's face.

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When the road makes us weary,  
when our labor seems but loss,  
When the fire of faith weakens  
and too high seems the cost,  
Let the Church turn to its risen Lord,  
who for us bore the cross,  
And we'll find our hearts burning  
at the sound of his voice.

Tony Alonso, Gather #759

Nourished by Christ, our Word and Bread,  
Burning with love and Spirit led,  
Send to embrace a world in need,  
To make God known in word and deed.

Called to the ones the world ignores  
Hungry and thirsty, weak and poor  
Let us bear Christ, who heals all pain  
And comforts those bowed down by shame.

So, with the cross to lead the way,  
Let us go forth in peace today,  
And to the ends of earth make known  
The saving love our God has shown.

*Go in peace to  
love and serve the Lord!  
Alleluia!*

## Encountering Jesus in the Unexpected

Dear friends on the journey,

This weekend's readings offer a number of themes, but one in particular stands out for me. At the core of this theme is the message of recognizing Jesus in the unexpected. When two disciples are walking to the village of Emmaus after Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, a man joins them on the road. Little do they know this so-called stranger is in fact Jesus himself. I imagine he would be the last person they expected to run into. Jesus certainly did not jump in saying, "Tada, here I am, people." He did not get angry over their inability to recognize him. He simply walked alongside them and patiently accompanied the disciples as they processed the events of the previous three days.

Doesn't Jesus do that with us too? Jesus accompanies us on our road of life, a quiet, gentle and patient presence. He never abandons us but sometimes we get so busy that we are unable to see him at all, much less in the unexpected, or when life circumstances cause us to question his presence and concern. How could Jesus let us suffer or grieve?

Sometimes he shows up in the presence of others who accompany us. Here at Padre Serra, we have a number of pastoral care ministries in which Jesus is present, accompanying those in difficult, painful situations and very much in need of caring support.

We have a number of support groups, each begun by a parishioner who had a need, saw a need, and wanted to address it. At the Holy Spirit's prompting, each founding leader prayed, surveyed, and stepped out to help others dealing with the same concern. Having had the privilege to sit in on a few support group gatherings, I can tell you that Jesus is present through the gathered community. He is quietly listening as each person processes his or her respective circumstances. He is present in the prayers for courage and strength and in the sharing of practical ways to get through. His presence is palpable.

If you, or someone you know, is dealing with a death, a divorce, a cancer diagnosis, living with chronic pain, or the role of caregiver, please know you are not alone. Come and see our support groups:

Bereavement/Grief ~ 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 10:00 am  
Divorce/Separation ~ 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (Zoom)  
Cancer ~ 2nd Thursday, 6:30 pm  
Chronic Pain ~ 2nd Monday, 10:30 am  
Caregivers ~ 4th Tuesday, 7:00 pm (in person and Zoom)

Visit our website for the details or contact me directly: [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org), 482-6417 x322.

I care. Our parish family cares. Jesus cares and is right here, especially in the unexpected events of our lives and in the unexpected places and people, offering his love and healing.

*Siempre Adelante,*



Teresa Runyon  
Pastoral Associate



## Children

*Age 3 to Grade 8*

### Little Church ~ April 23, 30

Age 3 through Kindergarten. No sessions this week; we resume on April 16. Sunday preschool during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. Children learn so much! From the Sign of the Cross to the Bible stories, songs, and more. Super fun to make friends and be at Church on Sundays! Children must be registered to attend; visit [www.padreserra.org/registration](http://www.padreserra.org/registration). For more information, contact [soraya@padreserra.org](mailto:soraya@padreserra.org)



### Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ April 23, 30

Grades 1 - 5. Children at the 11:00 am Mass are invited to hear the readings and reflection at their level. No registration is required. Parents consider joining this ministry and leading a session. Please contact [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org) for more information.

### Spark! ~ April 24 and 26

Grades 1 - 5. This week children will learn "Jesus is the gate for the sheep." For more information, please get in touch with [jennifer@padreserra.org](mailto:jennifer@padreserra.org) or [christine@padreserra.org](mailto:christine@padreserra.org)

### Three-Sixteen ~ April 26

Middle school ministry ~ Grades 6, 7, and 8. We will gather in Carmel rooms at 6:45 pm. Don't forget your Bible. For more information, contact [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org)

## High School

*Everyone from 14 to 18 is welcome!*

### 4:12

High school teens, join Brett, and the peer leaders, for fun and fellowship. Wednesdays 7:30 in San Juan Capistrano room. [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org)

### Confirmation Y1

The weekly ministry has begun; make sure to sign in every week. If you have not yet signed up, please get in touch with us at [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org) or [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org)

### Confirmation Y2 ~ April 23

Last session of the program year, we will review everything you need to know for the Confirmation sacrament liturgy. Don't miss it!! We will gather at 11:00 am Mass, followed by lunch in SJC and sessions in the Serra Center. \*Please turn in your sponsor information if you have not yet done so. For more information, contact [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org)

## Peer Leaders

*Every confirmed teen and young adult is welcome!*

### Peer Leaders

Peer leaders help engage our youth and Confirmation candidates by

acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We meet Tuesdays at 6:30 pm. If you are confirmed, 14 to 39 years old, and interested in joining, contact [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org). To sign up, scan the QR Code or visit [www.padreserra.org/peer-leaders](http://www.padreserra.org/peer-leaders)



## Adults

### Meditative Movement ~ April 25, 27

Women and men of any age are invited to join instructor Sheila Montgomery for meditative movement: Tai Chi Tuesdays, 2:00 - 2:45 pm \$5/class, and Yoga Thursdays, 2:00 - 2:45 \$10/class. Sheila Montgomery [sheilam274@yahoo.com](mailto:sheilam274@yahoo.com). Visit [www.padreserra.org/meditative-movement](http://www.padreserra.org/meditative-movement)

### Caregivers Support Group ~ April 25

*Caritas* supports those caring for an aging parent, relative, or spouse. Meets fourth Tuesday, 7:00 pm San Fernando room and via Zoom. Contact Patricia [sentclan@gmail.com](mailto:sentclan@gmail.com). Visit [www.padreserra.org/caritas](http://www.padreserra.org/caritas)

### Illuman ~ April 26

Founded in 2012 by the Franciscan mystic and teacher Richard Rohr, *Illuman* exists to help men do their inner, spiritual work to become healthier and more authentic human beings. Our chapter offers personal growth and spiritual transformation opportunities, a liberating environment, support and brotherhood, and contemplative spirituality. Last Wednesday of each month, 7:00 pm, San Miguel room. Contact Dave [dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com](mailto:dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com). Visit [www.padreserra.org/men](http://www.padreserra.org/men)

### Knitting & Crocheting ~ April 27

A fellowship and service ministry where all skill levels of knitting and crocheting are welcome; if you don't know how we would love to teach you. Thursdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Carmel rooms. Donna [healthysneaker7@gmail.com](mailto:healthysneaker7@gmail.com). Visit [www.padreserra.org/knit](http://www.padreserra.org/knit)

### Military Family Ministry

This month we honor military children (youth and adult)! While military members are serving around the world, their children face many challenges and unique experiences as a result of their parent's service. Military families move on average every two to three years, impacting military children through changing schools and support networks. Let us acknowledge and offer heartfelt gratitude to all the children for their own sacrifice and service to our country too. Thank you! Visit [www.padreserra.org/mfm](http://www.padreserra.org/mfm)

## Save the Date

### Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast ~ June 11

Tickets will be sold May 27, 28, and June 3, and 4, after Mass in the courtyard.



## Becoming Catholic

### Congratulations to Our New Members!

The baptismal font is where our lives as Catholic Christians begin. On Holy Saturday evening at the Easter Vigil liturgy, the font was the focus of much of the night's activity. At this year's Easter Vigil, fourteen people were immersed in the waters of baptism. Those who were old enough were also confirmed and received Eucharist for the first time. It is with great joy that we congratulate Danielle Andrade, Skye Andrade, Jaxson Bruce, Owen Bruce, Jordan Banola-Castillo, Daniel Chimenti-Zylak, Sophie Hoefliger, Aiden Hofteig, Adrian Ortega, Brendan Ortega, Marlene Ortiz, Jaxon Ramirez, Joseph Ramirez, and Victoria Rico. Our parish community will be enriched and renewed by their gifts as together we strive to carry on Christ's mission to build God's kingdom. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, please contact Mary Huebner at (805) 482-6417 x321 or [becomingcatholic@padreserra.org](mailto:becomingcatholic@padreserra.org). Visit [www.padreserra.org/becoming-catholic](http://www.padreserra.org/becoming-catholic)

## Funerals

- **David Murphy** ~ April 22, 10:00 am
- **Donald Michael Atwater** ~ April 25, 11:00 am
- **Raul & Juanita Contreras** ~ April 26, 11:00 am
- **Karena Gutierrez** ~ May 13, 10:00 am
- **Linda Madden Hapgood** ~ June 17, 10:00 am

For more information about Funeral & Memorial announcements, visit [www.padreserra.org/funerals](http://www.padreserra.org/funerals)

## Giving



### Together in Mission 'Shine His Light'

Goal: \$143,830

Year to Date: \$26,363 donated by 88 households

Gap: \$117,467 to reach our goal

Together in Mission exclusively supports the most impoverished parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. This annual appeal is an opportunity for us to join in action — as one united Catholic family to share Christ's light, love, and hope with everyone. We prayerfully ask for your support. Envelopes are in the church lobby, or visit [www.padreserra.org/tim](http://www.padreserra.org/tim)

"The gift of the Holy Spirit has been bestowed in abundance so that we may live lives of genuine faith and active charity." – Pope Francis



## Faith Sharing Question

*Reflection questions for every gathering around any table*

### **Luke 24:13-35** ~ When we share meals, Jesus sits among us.

A stranger joins the disciples as they journey to Emmaus. When they invite him to a meal, they finally recognize Jesus in the breaking of bread. How have you experienced Jesus at Mass, in the breaking of the Eucharistic bread? How have you experienced Jesus at meals and with friends and family?

## Prayer Life

### Pray for Our Sick

Olga Arellano, James Biggs, Erlinda Boral, Mary Butler, Carlos Calvo, Theresa Clemons, Catherine Doles, Ben Fisco, Jeanne Gaffney, Dorothy Gilmore, Tim Graf, Braidyn Haff, Jessica Haff, Arlene Harris, Leticia Heiter, Mark Jackson, Frank Legrove, Fr. Bill Lowe, Dave McDonnell, Carole Mingay, David Minkin, Bonnie Jo Moeller, Mary Mullen, Catherine Pierce, Derrick Rosal, Eric Sams, Dorothy Simmons, Jessica Slagel and Hugo Viveros. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

### Remember Our Dead

*Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:*

Belinda Peres, RIP

*May she enjoy peace in her life with Christ Jesus.*

## In the Community

### St. Phoebe Prayer Service ~ May 3

At the Resurrection, Jesus told the women "Go and Tell," and we have been sharing the Good News ever since! Please join a virtual prayer service as we celebrate Easter hope and joy with women disciples past and present, especially the first-century female deacon Phoebe. Wednesday 4:00 pm. Zoom registration is required; visit [discerningdeacons.org/event/st-phoebe-prayer-for-a-synodal-church-%e2%80%96-monthly-prayer-service](https://discerningdeacons.org/event/st-phoebe-prayer-for-a-synodal-church-%e2%80%96-monthly-prayer-service)

## Other Notes

### Gluten-Free

If you are having problems with gluten that affect your ability to receive the Body of Christ in Communion, contact Sr. Lana, (805) 482-6417 x325 or [srlana@padreserra.org](mailto:srlana@padreserra.org) and give her your name and the Mass you usually attend.

### Need a Helping Hand?

If you or someone you love struggles to get from the parking lot to the church or have any difficulties with seating in the church, contact Teresa (805) 482-6417 x322 or [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

### Lost and Found

Have you lost a pair of glasses, a sweater, or maybe car keys? The Lost and Found basket is located on the east side of the main church doors, or please stop by the office to inquire.

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