

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 12, 2023**

314 Marine Ave.
Balboa Island, CA
92662

St. John Vianney Chapel

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday (Sunday Vigil).....5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Monday through Friday.....7:45 a.m.
Holy Days.....7:45 a.m.
Eucharistic Adoration: Usually the fourth day of every month.
Check the bulletin for confirmation of date.
RosaryMonday through Friday 7:15 a.m.

For Mass times while traveling, visit: www.masstimes.org

Parish Administration

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Celebrations and Sacraments

Please call or email the parish office for details regarding:
Weddings, Funerals, and Baptisms (advance preparation required.)



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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
February 13 through February 19**

**THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS OF
SAINTS AND OTHER
OBSERVANCES**

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
 Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
 Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
 Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
 Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
 Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day;
Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
 Tuesday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius;
Valentine's Day
 Friday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



STATUE OF OUR LADY

The Chapel's blessed Statue of Our Lady is being shared with families in our parish.

Jenni Samuel hosted our Lady this week.

Would you like to host our Blessed Mother in your home for a week and commit to pray at least one decade of the Rosary for the intentions of our priests and Chapel?

Text **ADRIANA FARFAN** at (949) 400-9136.

Mark your calendar...

- February 22 - Ash Wednesday, Distribution of Ashes at 7:45 am Mass & 12 noon Liturgy of the Word
- February 23 - Day of Lenten Reflection at the Chapel
- February 24 - Stations of the Cross at the Chapel 7:00 PM
- March 14 - Balboa Island Concert Series



WOMEN'S RETREAT

All ladies are invited to a retreat **next week-end, February 17-19** with the **Carmelite Sisters** at the **Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra.**

Please register on line at: www.sacredheartretreathouse.com

For more information contact Jill Wondries at:

wonjill8@yahoo.com



**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY
THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYING
TOGETHER AS A COUPLE**

Does Prayer Matter in Marriage? "FamilyLife" has surveyed thousands of Christian couples and found that less than 8% pray together on a regular basis. That is a shockingly low percentage.

However, the statistics show that of Christian couples who actively pray together, the divorce rate is **less than one percent.**

This begs the question: How often do you pray with your spouse? Don't include the mealtime blessing, that doesn't count. The response to the question is enlightening because most couples very rarely pray together, with the exception of the mealtime blessing.

So why don't we pray with our spouses? Probably because couples just don't realize the importance of prayer to their marital relationship. Most people acknowledge that prayer is very important to them but they simply fail to do it on any regular basis. The fact of the matter is that if we don't pray very much, then prayer is really not very important to us.



**St. John Vianney
Annual Retreat at
St. Michael's Abbey
Wednesday, March 15, 2023
8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Cost: \$40.00**

A wonderful opportunity for all women to attend a one day Lenten Retreat at St. Michael's Abbey in beautiful Silverado Canyon.

Morning refreshments provided along with coffee, tea, and water throughout the day. **Please bring your own lunch. Please make your reservation by sending your check to:**

**Nancy Bushell
98 White Cap Lane,
Newport Coast, CA 92657**

Carpooling is encouraged. For directions and any questions please call Nancy Bushell at (949) 233-3061 or Carole Crowley at (949) 230-1219.



The 50/50 Raffle is back!

Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses at St. John Vianney beginning the weekend after Ash Wednesday, February 25 and 26.

Only 200 tickets are sold at \$100 per ticket, with the winner receiving \$10,000 (less taxes) and \$10,000 benefiting parochial schools in our area.

Your participation is what makes this fundraiser work! The winning number will be drawn on Palm Sunday. You do not need to be present to win.

GIVE THE "GIFT" OF A MASS

When a priest offers Holy **Mass**, he has three intentions: First, to offer the Mass reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church. Second, to offer the Mass in union with the whole Church and for the good of the whole Church. Third, to offer the Mass for a particular intention, such as the (1) the repose of the soul of a deceased person, (2) the intentions of living persons in need, for example: an upcoming surgery; (3) upon the occasion of a birthday or anniversary, and (4) in thanksgiving for blessings received.

An offering is traditionally included with the request for Mass intentions, and Mass cards are available to give to the persons for whom the Mass is offered or to their family. For more information, contact the Chapel office.

**Day of Recollection at
St. John Vianney Chapel
Thursday, February 23**

All are invited to a morning of Lenten Reflection with Rev. Michael Rizzo from Sts. Simon and Jude Church speaking on the value of the daily Examen Prayer, particularly during this Lenten season.

We will begin with **Mass at 7:45 am, followed by light refreshments before Fr. Rizzo's presentation at 8:45 am.**

The morning will conclude with an opportunity for individual Confession. For any questions, please call Karen Nedza at (949) 640-7197.

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

On February 17 we honor the seven founding saints of the Order of the Servants of the Virgin Mary. Bonfiliius, Alexis, Manettus, Amideus, Hugh, Sostene and Buonagiunta were a group of merchants of Florence who, upon experiencing an apparition of the Blessed Virgin in 1233, renounced their businesses, left what was necessary for their families, and distributed the rest among the poor. They then dedicated themselves entirely to the veneration of the Virgin Mary, going to live on an Italian mountain, each assuming the life of a hermit—prayer, extreme fasting and penance. Sometime later, at the request of the pope's delegate, all but one were ordained priests. Brother Alexis, considering himself unworthy of the priesthood, decided to remain as a brother. They were all canonized in 1888. Their feast day, originally February 11, now falls on the 17th, the date of the death of the last of the seven founders. Brother Alexis died at the age of 110.



**Save the date for Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's
St. Patrick's Party
Saturday evening, March 11**

This annual event hosted by the **Knights of Columbus** features a delicious Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner, beer, wine, dancers, live band, raffle and hopefully a joke from Father Sean. **\$20 for adults, \$10 for children ages 4-13, 3 and under free.**

Tickets are being sold electronically online through **Johncpgleason@gmail.com**, or text **949-981-3867**. You can also pay online at **www.kofcbalboa.com**

THE GLORY OF THE DIVINE WAY

Today's readings draw us into ageless, vibrant depths. Followers of God's law, we belong to ancient traditions. Children of God, we marvel at the freshness of creation. The Old Testament readings, from Sirach and the Psalms, celebrate the rich blessings we receive when we observe God's commands—not because we are slaves to the law, but because the law gives life in abundance. Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians confirms the glory of divine law, but warns that God's ways tend to be unpopular and misunderstood in this world. Paul speaks of the ancient wisdom of God, which is mysteriously both "hidden" and "revealed." God does not have secret codes that we earthly mortals cannot understand; in love, God reveals the glory of the divine way in Jesus. Saint Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the importance of living in God's law, enlivened by a deep and personal relationship with Jesus.