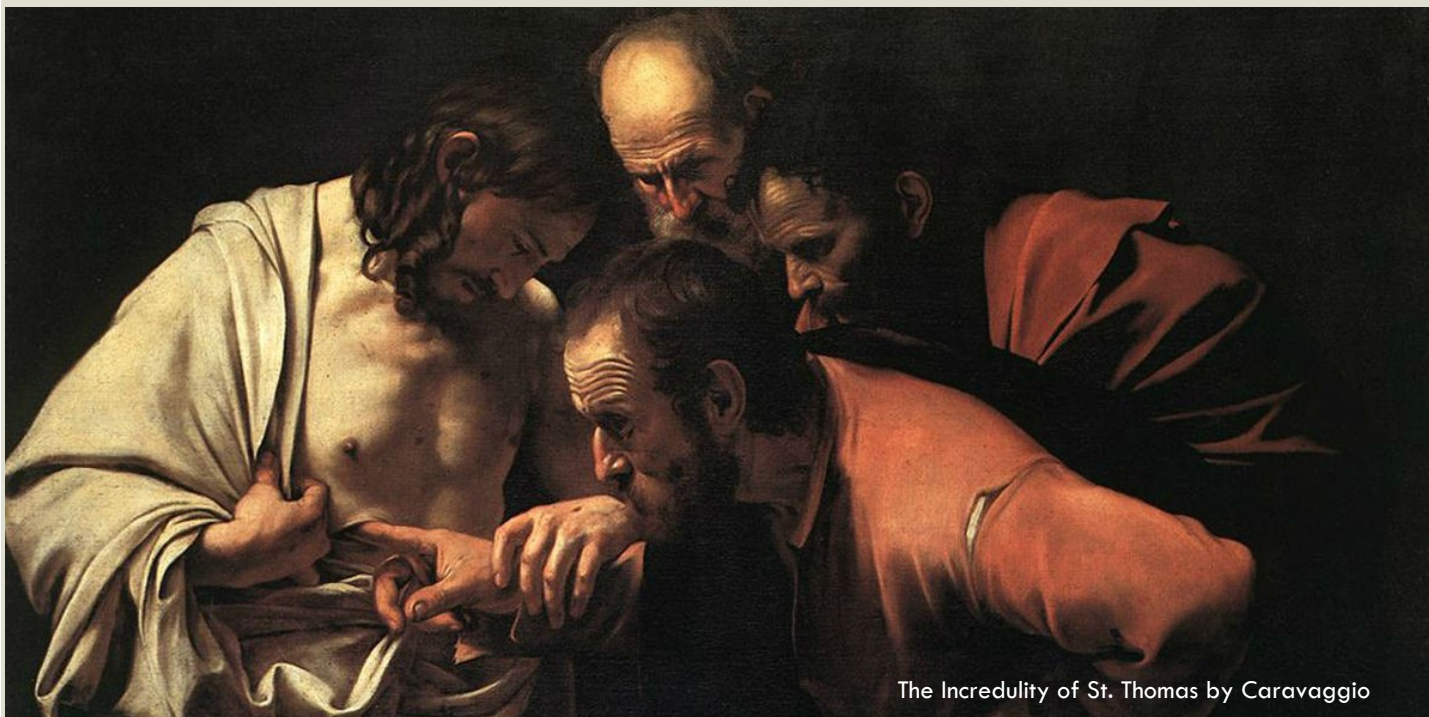


28 April 2019

Second Sunday of Easter

# Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



The Incredulity of St. Thomas by Caravaggio

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**MASSES:** SAT: 5:00 PM; SUN: 8:00, 10:00 AM, 12:00, 4:00 PM; DAILY: 9:00 AM

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## READING

We live with a wealth of possibilities. We can watch TV, listen to the news on the radio, cut the grass, clean the garage, iron clothes, go for a walk, call up a friend, make a pot of coffee or a sandwich. All of those are wonderful—except the ironing—but for me, I like reading. Whether it is the Bible or a novel, poetry or prose, a newspaper article or something that caught my eye in a magazine, I am almost always ready to read it.

Lots of people do most of their reading online. I prefer a physical presence to a digital one. With a good light and a comfortable chair, I feel the book in my hand, notice the type of font the publisher used, the way I can see the book broken up into chapters, then sections within a chapter separated by empty spaces. Then I see each sentence on its own with a period at the end of it. The story continues with the next sentence. And so on until I have read a paragraph, then another, and then onto a new chapter. Sometimes as I near the end of a really good book, I slow down. I don't want it to end because I fear I will never read anything that is more captivating and evocative as what I am currently reading. Especially when the ending of a book is perfectly well-written, I get to the end of the sentences and wish there were more sentences. I just sit there in silence for a few minutes, savoring the words I have read.

I don't like books that are thick; I am reading a new translation of the Hebrew Bible, which I like a lot, but the book itself takes over my whole lap and I have to

hold it with both hands to keep it on the page I am reading. I should probably get up out of my comfortable chair and set it out on the dining room table to read.

Marilynne Robinson said she talked once with a cab driver who had spent years in prison. He told her that he had no idea that the world was something he could be interested in. "And then he read a book." Reading changed his whole life.



The thing that is magic is when the whole world goes away as I read. I am reading a long novel at the moment. I need to read some of it every day so I don't forget who all the characters are and what each has said and done. On my day off, with no distractions, I can read for two hours or more and not even look up from the pages. A good book captures my whole imagination. The story has gotten

ahold of me; at that moment I am more in the book's complexity than I am sitting in my comfortable chair at home.

Don't get me wrong: I like my work as a priest and your pastor, but I am quite good at not working. As the British actor, Bill Nighy, said, "I use work like everybody else, as a way of structuring my life. But I am quite good at not working. I am quite good at the bits in-between. Loafing. Reading. Listening to music."

Msgr. Mike

## Around our Parish

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### MONTHLY MEETING / MEMBERSHIP

All interested Catholic men are invited to attend our Council meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 6th. For more information, contact Paul Pudenz at 657-245-3722.

*"Help Us Help Those In Need"*

### CRS RICE BOWL

Our church changed lives this Lent and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU!

Please make sure donation checks are made payable to Catholic Relief Services. You may return your Rice Bowl to the Parish Office or place it in the CRS box in the church vestibule.



### WOMEN'S GUILD

#### A SPA FOR YOUR MIND AND SOUL

All women are invited to sign up for "A Spa for Your Mind and Soul." The retreat will be held on Saturday, May 18th from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Claire Frazier-Yzaguirre, M.Div., MFT, licensed therapist, speaker, author, wife and mom will share practical and inspirational ways to live the REAL LIFE that God wants for each of us; a life of balance, love and joy. Come refresh and renew! Please RSVP before May 4th! A \$20 donation payable when you register, or at the door, includes a delicious breakfast and the retreat. To register or for further information, call Monica at 562-761-1527 or email at mbcaliri@gmail.com

#### MEMBERSHIP

General meetings are usually the 4th Monday of each month in the Parish Hall. The next meeting will be held on May 13th. To support our ministries and speakers as a member, please contact Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.

### FAITH FORMATION FOR 19/20

Registration for PreK through 8th grade 2019/2020 Faith Formation classes is now open! Families may call the Faith Formation office at 562-431-0721 x 16 to receive a packet or for more information. Our students participate in the life of the Church by growing to know not only who Jesus is, but growing in love with God.



#### OUR MISSION:

Saint Anne Church exists to help us become disciples of Jesus Christ who connect with God, grow in faith, and serve in love.

### PARISHES IN COLLABORATION

Next weekend, May 4-5, all people of the Diocese of Orange will have the opportunity to donate to the Parishes in Collaboration Collection. This collection is for the purpose of assisting parishes in our Diocese that exhibit ongoing needs that can't be paid for by their ordinary income and have urgent needs (such as repairs and maintenance). All money donated to this collection is put into a restricted fund that is administered by a group consisting of laity and clergy of the diocese. By participating in the Parishes in Collaboration Collection, all of us are helping one another support the works of our parishes that struggle financially.

### PARISH MEMBER UPDATES

Please update any changes to your personal information including: phone number, email address, mailing address, deceased loved one, etc. To update your information, or if you have been inactive but want to remain a parish member, please email office@stannesealbeach.org.

### ADORATION

Adoration will be held on Friday, May 3rd from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to sign up for an hour or more on the sign-up sheets located in the vestibule and by the side entrance to the church.

### CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

The Diocese of Orange continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families. In April, National Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Diocese wants to reiterate that it remains committed to helping survivors, and their families, heal and find peace. If you believe that you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual abuse by a church employee, volunteer, or clergy member, please contact the Diocesan Assistance Minister Coordinator at 800-364-3064.

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## Around the Diocese

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### SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

The spring session of classes on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola begin the week of May 4–9th. The ten classes are offered at St. Peter Chanel on Saturdays at 11:00 AM, Sundays at 1:30 PM, Wednesdays at 7:00 PM OR Thursdays at 9:15 AM. The program and all materials provided are free. Donations are accepted. Each class last 2-2.5 hours. To register go to [www.spcomv.com](http://www.spcomv.com) or call Veronica at 562-924-7591.

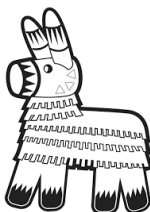
### MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST



Joan Jacoby, Administrative Director for the Magis Institute, will be the featured speaker for the Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, May 4th from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the Embassy Suites Anaheim-South in Garden Grove. Registration by mail must be postmarked by April 29th and mailed to Magnificat Ministry, P.O. box 4381, Orange, 92863. Your donation of \$28 per person includes a full plated breakfast as well as the speaker's program.

### ST. ISIDORE FIESTA

St. Isidore Historical Plaza will hold a Cinco de Mayo Community Fiesta on Sunday, May 5th from Noon to 6:00 p.m. There will be live entertainment, crafts and a piñata for all to enjoy. Food, desserts and drinks will be available for purchase. For more information call 562-596-9918.

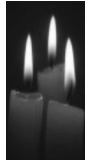


### WHAT THE CHURCH SAYS ABOUT

All are invited to attend a series of speakers addressing current/moral issues. On Thursday, May 16th, the presentation is "Gender Issues" at the Christ Cathedral Cultural Center, 3rd floor. There is a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed at 7:00 p.m. with the program by Peter Cataldo, Senior Vice President, Providence St. Joseph Health. Please RSVP to Norah at [ndopudja@christcathedralca.org](mailto:ndopudja@christcathedralca.org).

## 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

4/29 †Hap Pudewa  
 4/30 †Sean Lee  
 5/1 †Virginia Porter  
 5/2 †Andrew Kiely  
 5/3 Seminarians  
 5/4 Tom Conway  
 (†Rest in God's love and peace)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR



Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Brenda Malloy, Ken Hammond, Kathy Purcell, Aurora Lavadia, Mike Pendleton, Julia Poirier, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Steven Lang, Linda Bolt, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Jean Barbazette, Pat Giacomi, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, Mary Kiely, John Barnes, Katherine Irwin, Dcn. Gary Mucho, L. Tanguay, Madeline Watkins

\*If you would like to have your name added or removed from this list, please call the parish office.

"Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth; and God has placed in the human heart a desire to know the truth—in a word, to know himself—so that, by knowing and loving God, men and women may also come to the fullness of truth about themselves."

— Pope St. John Paul II

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Contact the Parish Office to arrange for baptism. Baptisms are usually celebrated the first Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Baptism preparation classes for parents and Godparents are held once a month on a Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m.

**PreK-8 Faith Formation:** For information and/or enrollment in faith formation programs, please contact [faithformation@stannesealbeach.org](mailto:faithformation@stannesealbeach.org).

**Confirmation:** Students typically begin the Confirmation process as a freshman in high school and complete the process at the end of their sophomore year.

**Marriage:** An appointment with one of our priests to begin marriage preparation must be made at least 6 months before the wedding celebration.

**Funeral:** Contact the parish office to arrange funerals.

**Pastoral Care:** If you, or someone you know, wishes to have their name placed on our prayer net, or a visit and/or Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** In case of serious illness, contact the parish office.