



# St. Pancratius

## CHURCH

MAY 5, 2024 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Pastor:** Fr. Andrew Chung  
**Associate Pastor:** Msgr. John Woolway  
**Transitional Deacon:** Deacon Miguel A. Cabrera  
**Deacon Couples:** Romeo and Priscilla (Baby) Ligot,  
Sam and Teresa Montoya

### Rectory

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Lakewood, CA 90712  
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### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Saturday Closed  
Sunday 8:30am - 12:00pm

### Office of Family Ministries (Faith Formation)

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### St. Pancratius Elementary School

**Phone** 562-634-6310  
**Principal** Ms. Melina Ramirez  
**Website:** [www.stpanschool.org](http://www.stpanschool.org)

### Mass Schedule

**Weekdays:** 6:30am  
**Saturday:** 8am, 4:30pm (Vigil)  
**Sunday:** 6:30am, 8am, 9:30am (*Español*) & 11am

**Confessions** Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm  
**Adoration** Monday-Friday 5:00pm-7:15pm  
**Rosary** Monday-Friday 6:15pm



Congratulations to the youth of our parish who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 28th.

*Felicitaciones a los jóvenes de nuestra parroquia que recibieron el Sacramento de la Confirmación el 28 de abril.*



## Stewardship of Treasure

### WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection	Church	School	Family Ministries
April 7	\$11,007.42	\$35.00	\$414.00
April 14	\$11,537.37	\$27.00	\$47.00
April 21	\$12,075.67	\$920.00	\$635.00
April 28	\$9,638.47	\$145.00	\$70.00
Faith Direct April 4	\$10,736.00	\$395.00	\$215.00
Faith Direct April 15	\$7,958.00	\$254.00	\$98.00
Total Offertory	\$62,952.93	\$1,776.00	\$1,479.00
April Goals	\$80,690.00	\$1,608.00	\$1,621.00

**Thank you for your generosity**

We also thank all those who contributed to this week's flower fund! Anyone interested in contributing to the flowers, please contact Susan Martin.



### Called to Renew Campaign Update

(as of 5/1/24):

**Parish Goal:** \$670,000.00  
**Total Pledged:** \$1,802,410.00  
**Total Paid:** \$517,928.98

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### Bullying and disabilities

A child with a disability, such as hearing loss, language impairment, learning disabilities, or physical disabilities, is often at increased risk for bullying. Children who struggle to understand social cues or control impulsive physical behaviors are also at increased risk, as bullies may see this behavior as aggressive, prompting an aggressive response. Children with learning disabilities are also sometimes easy targets for theft and vandalism. In schools, teachers and volunteers should be aware of these extra risks and watch for red flags. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

Read the VIRTUS® article "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" [here](#).

### ¿SABÍA USTED?

#### Bullying o acoso y discapacidades

Un niño con una discapacidad, como pérdida de audición, problemas de lenguaje, problemas de aprendizaje o discapacidades físicas, a menudo corre mayor riesgo de sufrir acoso. Los niños que tienen dificultades de entender las señales sociales o el control de comportamientos físicos impulsivos también corren un mayor riesgo, ya que los acosadores pueden ver este comportamiento como agresivo, lo que provoca una respuesta agresiva. Los niños con problemas de aprendizaje también son a veces blancos fáciles de robo y vandalismo. En las escuelas, los profesores y los voluntarios deben ser conscientes de estos riesgos adicionales y estar atentos a las señales de alerta. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® "Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization" (Niños que viven con discapacidades y riesgo de maltrato y victimización infantil) en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

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In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you...You are my friends if you do what I command you."

By your gift to the Society of St.Vincent de Paul you fulfill this commandment.



Dear St. Pancratius Family,

Growing up as a Chinese Catholic, the notion that "God is love" is both foundational and challenging. In a cultural environment that may not always be receptive to Christianity, misconceptions about God can easily arise. These misunderstandings often manifest in conversations with fellow Chinese individuals who might harbor inaccurate perceptions of God, which they then project onto us as believers. One of the images they have of God is that God is a watchmaker who finished His work and just let it run by itself.

However, we are called to embrace and live out the truth that God is love. This isn't merely a platitude or a passive belief but a profound reality that demands active application in our daily lives. It means embodying love in our interactions, decisions, and attitudes, even when faced with skepticism or opposition. Living out the truth that God is love requires patience, humility, and perseverance. It means extending compassion to those who misunderstand or reject our faith, demonstrating through our actions the transformative power of divine love. It means forgiving those who wrong us, and seeking reconciliation and understanding instead of perpetuating division or resentment. Through these actions, we can be witnesses for others to see who God is. Just like St. Paul VI said, "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses."

In essence, as members of the Catholic faith, we are called to be ambassadors of God's love in a world that often misunderstands or resists it. By consistently embodying love in our thoughts, words, and deeds, we not only reflect the essence of our faith but also invite others to encounter the transformative reality of God's boundless love.

In Christ,

*Shengda Zhu*

*Querida Familia de San Pancracio,*

*Al crecer como católico chino, la noción de que "Dios es amor" es a la vez fundamental y desafiante. En un entorno cultural que tal vez no siempre sea receptivo al cristianismo, pueden fácilmente surgir conceptos erróneos sobre Dios. Estos malentendidos a menudo se manifiestan en conversaciones con compañeros chinos que podrían albergar percepciones inexactas de Dios, que luego se proyectan sobre nosotros como creyentes. Una de las imágenes que tienen de Dios es que Dios es un relojero que termina Su obra y simplemente la deja funcionar por sí sola.*

*Sin embargo, estamos llamados a abrazar y vivir la verdad de que Dios es amor. Esto no es simplemente una creencia pasiva, sino una realidad profunda que exige una aplicación activa en nuestra vida diaria. Significa encarnar el amor en nuestras interacciones, decisiones y actitudes, incluso cuando nos enfrentamos al escepticismo o la oposición. Vivir la verdad de que Dios es amor requiere paciencia, humildad y perseverancia. Significa extender compasión a aquellos que malinterpretan o rechazan nuestra fe, demostrando a través de nuestras acciones el poder transformador del amor divino. Significa perdonar a quienes nos hacen daño y buscar la reconciliación y la comprensión en lugar de perpetuar la división o el resentimiento. A través de estas acciones, podemos ser testigos para que otros vean quién es Dios. Tal como dijo San Pablo VI: "El hombre moderno escucha con más facilidad a los testigos que a los maestros, y si escucha a los maestros es porque son testigos".*

*En esencia, como miembros de la fe católica, estamos llamados a ser embajadores del amor de Dios en un mundo que a menudo lo malinterpreta o se resiste. Al encarnar constantemente el amor en nuestros pensamientos, palabras y acciones, no sólo reflejamos la esencia de nuestra fe, sino que también invitamos a otros a encontrar la realidad transformadora del amor ilimitado de Dios.*

*En Cristo,*

*Shengda Zhu*



## May Crowning

All St Pancratius community members, family and friends are invited to our Parish May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

It will be held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Come and join us as we honor our Blessed Mother for her love, prayers and intercession for all of us.

## Mother's Day Cards

Cards will be available at the church entrances and rectory starting May 4<sup>th</sup>. The names inscribed on the remembrance envelopes will be placed on the altar and remembered in prayers throughout the month of May.

## Tarjetas Día de la Madre

*Las tarjetas estarán disponibles en las entradas de la iglesia y en la rectoría a partir del 4 de mayo. Los nombres inscritos en los sobres conmemorativos se colocarán en el altar y se recordarán en oraciones durante todo el mes de mayo.*



## Pro Life Rosary

Join us!

**Tuesday, May 7, 2024**

Every first Tuesday of the month we pray a special Pro-Life rosary to promote the culture of life. The rosary takes place at 6:15 p.m. during Adoration.

## Anniversary Shirts

On sale at the Parish Center  
\$20.00 each  
Front Design: STPANFAM  
Back Design: 70th Anniversary Logo

## Camisas de Aniversario

A la venta en la Rectoría  
\$20.00 cada una  
Diseño frontal: STPANFAM  
Diseño de espalda: Logo del 70 aniversario

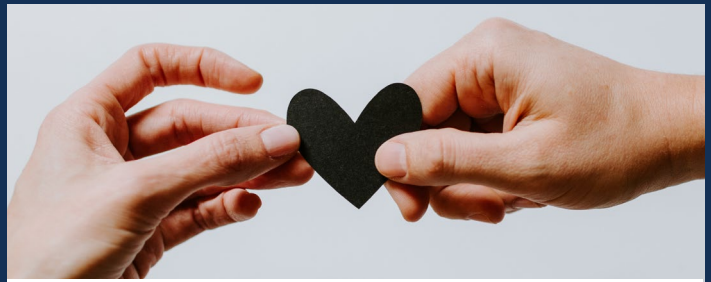
## Helping the Homeless

We will be providing food and clothing to our homeless brothers and sisters in Downtown LA on **Sunday, May 19** (Please note date change for the month of May). If you would like to join us, please meet behind the rectory garage at 1:30 pm. If you have any questions, please contact George McCurdy 562-477-0485 or Mary McCurdy 562-477-7494

The Feed the Homeless Ministry at St. Pancratius is very grateful for all your support and kind donations each month.

### FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, WE ONLY NEED DONATIONS OF:

- Hygiene Supplies
- Socks
- Towels
- Blankets
- Only Men's Jeans



## Serious Illness Group

**Join us on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm!**

We meet the second Monday of every month. All are welcome (including spouses, care-givers, friends & relatives). We encourage you to bring a poem, scripture reading or anything that brings you comfort.

These faith-based meetings are held at the Tanner Residence:  
5530 Wagner Ave, Lakewood.

Please Contact Diane if you have any questions: 562-896-2405.



ST. PANCRATIUS  
PARISH SCHOOL



S M M E R  
SCHOOL

and/or



TK-8th Grade

June 17th-August 2nd

For more information call

(562) 634- 6310

Summer Program Applications  
due by May 1st

3601 St. Pancratius Place Lakewood, CA 90712

**We are now accepting applications  
for the 2024 -2025 school year.**

Please call the school office at  
(562) 634-6310 if you are interested in  
enrollment or a campus tour.

Small Class Sizes

Spanish, Music, PE

Christ Centered Curriculum

Financial Aid Available



Voted Lakewood's Best Elementary  
School!



# 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

JOIN US!  
 Saturday, May 18, 2024  
 4:30 p.m. Outdoor Mass and Reception to Follow

[CLICK HERE  
 TO TELL US  
 YOUR ST. PAN  
 STORY](#)



CELEBRATING OUR PARISH & SCHOOL COMMUNITY

## THE DO FAMILY

### WHAT IS YOUR ST. PAN STORY?

St. Pancratius Church was an important factor in our decision to purchase a home in the Westgate community when we moved to Lakewood over a decade ago. We wanted to live near a parish school where our children can receive a quality Catholic education and live a faith based life. Over the years, we have visited several nearby churches but St. Pancratius is where we feel at home. We will never forget the warmth and love we felt upon entering St. Pancratius church for the first time. The friendly smiles and warm welcomes from parishioners gave us a sense of belonging. St. Pancratius continues to be a growing and thriving community thanks to a very dedicated parish staff and empowering leadership.



### HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A PARISHIONER OF ST. PANCRATIUS?

We have been parishioners at St. Pancratius for 14 years.

### TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY

We moved to Lakewood from Woodland Hills fourteen years ago and have been parishioners at St. Pan since we established our home in the Westgate community. Our children attend St. Pan Parish School where they serve on Student Council and participate in various sports. They are also dedicated altar servers.



### WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT ST. PANCRATIUS?

What makes St. Pancratius special is the friendliness of its diverse community. You will not feel out of place here because people literally embrace you with open arms. From the various church groups to a myriad of faith based activities, there is always something for everyone.

### HOW HAS BEING PART OF THE PARISH ENRICHED YOUR FAITH?

We love attending family prayer nights in church where we sit quietly in the presence of Jesus and connect with Him as a family with beautiful music in the background. We feel closer to God and to each other after a night of prayer and worship.

