



From the Pastor's Desk:

The story of the loaves and the fishes is found in every Gospel, so important was the remembrance of this event to the early Church. Every one of the stories has variations on the Eucharistic actions of Jesus at the Last Supper: took, blessed, broke, gave. In today's Gospel, "Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining" (John 6:11).

The Eucharist we share each Sunday is its own miracle in a way. Jesus nourishes us with his Body and Blood. We're given strength for daily life, no less than the crowds in the field, who were fed with bread & fish.

Father William

Men's Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House - Aug. 11th-13th. This retreat is for any men of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality; a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. To make your reservation, contact Sacred Heart Retreat House at 626-289-1353 ext. 200.

South Coast Interfaith Council - Interfaith Café

What: Small group discussions for laity and youth (9th-12th grade) (clergy and religious leaders are also invited) about how their faith impacts their daily lives and how their faith makes it possible to relate to and appreciate those from other faith traditions. Each session will have the same format, with different participants. You may come to any or all of them.

Why: To foster understanding about different faith traditions; to educate about the SCIC and serving opportunities; to become more relevant and responsive to our membership.

To confirm your attendance or for more info: 983-1665.
August 13, Pacific Unitarian, 5621 Montemalaga Dr., Rancho Palos Verdes

17TH ORDINARY SUNDAY
THE HAND OF THE LORD FEEDS US



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Thursday, August 3, 6-8 pm

From the Deacon's Desk:



"He was totally disconnected from the Web, but totally in touch with the incredible web of life around him. I wonder if there's a lesson here?" A quote taken from Thomas Friedman's (New York columnist) article titled, "The Age of Interruption". He took a trip into the Peruvian Amazon rain forest. He spoke of the "violence of the rain forest as each species struggled for life, 'but with an identifiable purpose: plants and animals demarcating and protecting territory for the survival of their species.' The violence that humans display seems to be without purpose. Species that behave like humans in the rain forest become extinct." He then switched gears and spoke of multitasking our way through the day, "continuously devoting only partial attention to each act or person you encounter". He cited Linda Stone's (former Microsoft exec.) label: "Continuous partial attention." He says as our attention span shrinks this is likened to a potential diagnosis of Attention Deficit Disorder. The Peruvian guide, he noted, had no A.D.D. and heard every chirp, whistle, and crackle and could identify every creature there. He was "totally disconnected from the 'web'". Is there a lesson here? You bet!

Come to ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT and experience a connection and a little of what God has to say and what the Peruvian guide experiences in God's creation. It's this Thursday, 6 pm to 8 pm, culminating with BENEDICTION.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Sebastian Attardo



Services for Sebastian Attardo will be here at St. Joseph:
Vigil - Sunday, July 30, 7:30 pm
Funeral Mass - Monday, July 31, 10:30 am

Liturgy Days October 27-28 at the LA Convention Center. Presenters Jerry Galipeau and Fr. Tim Piasecki will focus on the preparation for the liturgical celebration of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Take a Stress-free Prayer Break.....

Rosary PRO-LIFE SERVICE - Join us for an hour to pray and say a rosary for the PRO-LIFE MOVEMENT. MONDAY NIGHTS at 7:00 pm in the CHURCH. CALL John, 430-5839, FOR A RIDE. JOIN US to fight abortion and for all human rights from conception to natural death in a lay rosary and prayer service.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary & Middle School: Re-registration forms have been mailed. Please return completed form by **August 31** for a reduced registration fee. New families may call the religious education office at **598-0519** to receive a registration form.

Sacrament Program: Preparation for receiving First Reconciliation and First Eucharist is a **two year** program which usually begins at the First Grade level.

Sacrament Program/Older Children: Older children may receive the sacraments through our RCIA for Children Program. Please call the religious education office at **598-0519** for further information.

Early Childhood: Our regular year runs Sep. - Apr. Sign up NOW for the 2006-07 school year! Registration forms can be found in the back of the church to the right of the doors as you walk in. Call Shannon, 430-6840, for info.

Sunday Nursery: The nursery is open on Sundays from 8:45 - 11:30 am, except on holidays.



Panama Canal Cruise Oct 23-Nov 2 - OPEN TO EVERYONE Come join us. Information: call Olga K.

Aug 7 - Hopefully we are back on schedule and our regular fun meetings are the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. We will have our regular games, Bingo, Bridge, Poker, Social conversation table etc.

Remember, new members are always welcome!

Aug 8 - Casino Trip to Fantasy Springs. Cost is \$28 per person, you will get a \$20 cash refund when we get there.

Aug 23 - Social meeting, regular games

We are continuing to bring our own lunch.

Desserts, beverages, and snacks will be served.

Any questions - call Olga 596-6981 or Betty 596-8287.

WANTED! Enthusiastic, positive personality to work with the teens in our Confirmation program. We are in need of a few good volunteers to round out our sensational team. We have a variety of flexible schedules to choose from. If you have an interest in sharing your Catholic faith with our parish teens, then we want to hear from YOU! Contact Cindy Rodriguez @ 598-0519 or rodsquad12@msn.com. (YOU won't be sorry!)



As a parish family we welcome with great joy the following new members of our community Baptized July 23:

Riley Jacob Camus

Women's Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House - Sept. 8th-10th: Jesus says "come to me all of you who labor and are heavily burdened and I will refresh you." This retreat is for any woman of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality; a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. But don't delay, make your reservation today, rooms are filling up fast. Call Madeline Majick at 562-596-6219 or Marie Newton at 562-429-7939 to reserve a room.

Apologetics Bible Study Class - The Apologetics Bible Study class will be put on hold for a time while we are on maternity leave. Our baby girl is due to arrive on August 17 and we'll be playing it by ear as to when we may get the class started back up again. Thank you to those who attended and shared your valuable input on the topics affecting our Church today. Keep an eye out in the bulletin for future classes. God bless! Brian & Erin Dau

HOMELESS MINISTRY

After your vacation, if you find yourself with some "hotel size" soaps, lotions, shampoos, etc and don't know what to do with them, donate them to our Homeless Ministry. We have a box in the back of the Church for collection of these items which we will bring to the homeless on the streets. "What you do unto the least of My brothers and sisters you do it for Me."

Small Faith Communities:

Scripture focus: Both the first reading and the Gospel today tell stories of God feeding hungry people through the words and works of prophets. For the next five Sundays, we will hear the Bread of Life teaching from John's Gospel. For John, all of Jesus' acts are "signs" - sacraments - that point to a deeper reality. It is clear that the people do not appreciate the deeper meaning of the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves. The reaction of the crowd showed that they thought wrongly that Jesus was the triumphant and political Messiah. So Jesus goes "back to the mountains alone." The people had indeed misread the sign.

Life focus * Relate a time when you were so engrossed in something important that you forgot to eat. * Describe a time when you were surprised that your limited resources were sufficient. * Relate a time when your prayers were answered on God's terms rather than your own. * Share an experience in the recent past in which you recognized a definite sign of the Lord working in your life. * Describe a time when you experienced abundance in your life. * When have you shared your small amount with another? How did this make a difference in the person's life and/or in yours? * Relate a time in your life when you were refreshed by someone. * When did you get so caught up in the physical needs - just making a living - that there was no time & energy for anything else?

10 MINUTES THAT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!

Do you have high cholesterol? Is your heartbeat irregular? Do you eat fatty foods often? If yes, YOU may want to consider being screened for stroke risk. Life Line Screening screens the carotid arteries as up to 75% of all strokes are linked to plaque build up in the carotid arteries. St. Joseph's is hosting a screening on Wednesday, August 2, here in our hall. The cost of a stroke screening is \$45. Call **1-800-324-1851** for an appointment.

ATTENTION!!!

Whoever borrowed the Church easels, please return them to the church. Thanks! Also, we are missing some tablecloths. Please return them to the rectory.

Please do not touch the light or fan switches. Only the priests and sacristans are authorized to do so.

Quote from Tradition

God beholds, as from a mountain - that is, from his high and divinely worthy foreknowledge - those who by good faith and zeal seek him, according to what was said by Paul, *For those whom he foreknew and predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, he also called.* Christ, then, *lifts up his eyes*, showing that those who love him are worthy of the divine gaze, just as it was said in blessing to Israel, *The Lord let his face shine upon you & give you peace.* But his grace towards those that honor him does not stop in merely looking upon them; the blessed Evangelist adds that the Lord was not unmindful of the multitudes, but well prepared for their food and refreshment. So, you may understand here again what was said in Proverbs, *The Lord does not permit the just to hunger.* For he sets himself before them, as bread from heaven, and will nourish the souls of those that fear him; and he prepares everything needed for their sustenance, as he says in the Psalms, *You have prepared their food, for such is your providence.* And Christ himself says somewhere, *Amen, amen, I say to you, he who comes to me will never hunger.* For, as we said before, he will give food from heaven, and will richly bestow the manifold grace of the Spirit. What is more, he prepares to give food to those who come to him without even waiting for them to ask. *For we do not know how to pray as we ought*, but he comes before us by reaching out with those things which preserve us for eternal life.

St. Cyril of Alexandria, Commentary on John, 3.4 d. 444 A.D.

Please remember in your prayers the men and women of the Armed Forces who are currently serving our country in the Middle East and elsewhere, especially those of our parish families, including:

Vincent Vezzetti	Todd Risk
Drew Melvin	Rudy Espinoza
Raul Carranza	Christopher Ward
William T. Worthy, Jr.	Amy Mann
Glen Warren	Nick Compton
Joseph LaRiccia	Ian Bobbitt
Joseph Comfort	Mike Carmody
Irene Avila	Peter LuPiba
Kevin Roberts	

We would like to have a framed picture of your loved one serving in the Service to display in the back of the church. Please include a number so we can contact you.

To add a name to the list, please call the rectory, 594-4657.

**Upcoming Event:**

Food From the Heart - August 5th and 6th. Please remember to pick up the Food from the Heart coupons next week for our annual food drive for Catholic Charities. The food items

should then be returned the following week at the rectory garage. Thank you for your support.

L. B. Project Achieve... Call us or Tina Gath if you can help buy, prepare, deliver, and/or serve dinner for about 60 adults on the **4th Monday** of the month. Many volunteers split up the work, a real labor of love. The project helps people get back on their feet while working and/or studying.

Please keep using the **BLUE "Skip-a-Meal" Envelopes** to help us. Make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: Skip-A-Meal. Your **blue envelope donations** are soooo appreciated!

If you have any questions, new ideas, would like to help with a project or would like to learn more about Movement For a Better world, please call John or Jan at 430-5839.

Theology On Tap - For Singles and Couples in their 20's or 30's held at Holy Family Church, 18708 S. Clarkdale Ave., Artesia, **Tuesdays 7 pm.** Donations Accepted.

Aug. 1 - Catholicism 101: Christian or Catholic? Fr.

David Loftus

Aug. 8 - De-Coding the DaVinci Code Fr. Edward

Owens

For more information, please call, Joe Hall, 235-6397, or Bettyrae Reyes, 630-2111.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - First Congregational Church's Drop In Center for homeless, on Cedar Avenue in Long Beach, on Sundays. A safe place for homeless to get a drink of water, use a restroom, get out of the heat or cold, or get something to eat. Help is needed to set up & monitor activity at food, game and movie stations. Volunteers with computer skills are needed to help those using the computer lab to look for jobs, prepare résumés and send emails to family. Please contact Janet Rhodes, 590-9520, or email at janet_rhodes@yahoo.com if you can help.

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish

Whether you are a long-time resident, newly arrived, or a visitor, we wish you the Peace, Joy and Love of Christ.

Everyone 18 years and older is invited to register and become a member of our parish community. If we can help you in any way, please call us at **562-594-4657**.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

☐ I would like to register

☐ This is a change of address and/or phone

☐ I am moving out of the parish

Please drop in the collection basket or rectory mailbox.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, July 29

5:00 PM - Sonia Hanson, living, request of Bob & Toni Hanson

SUNDAY, July 30

7:30 AM - † Jack Snow, request of Tom & Sandra Walsh

9:00 AM - † Ramon Borigsay, request of Munda-Reyes family

10:30 AM - † Sgt. Michael Tetreault, request of Grandma B & family

12:30 PM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

MONDAY, July 31

8:00 AM - † Marney Poxen, request of Litzinger family

TUESDAY, August 1

8:00 AM - † Maria & Dominico Dang, request of Dang family

WEDNESDAY, August 2

8:00 AM - † Katharina Blaum, request of Joseph Peterson

THURSDAY, August 3

8:00 AM - † Irene Martinez, request of Mary & Joe Spinelli

FRIDAY, August 4

8:00 AM - † Agnes Jenkins, request of Gerry & Celeste Kohnen

SATURDAY, August 5

5:00 PM - † Botelho & Salvati family, request of family

SUNDAY, August 6

7:30 AM - † Edward Dondero, request of Dondero family

9:00 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 AM - † Sgt. Michael Tetreault, request of Grandma B & family

12:30 PM - † Juana Cendeno, request of Cora Tinio

The way we dress for church reflects the reverence we have for Christ who is present in the Mass, our fellow parishioners, & ourselves. Please be respectfully modest.



Last week: \$8,093
Last year: \$8,290

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene & Marjorie Dryer, Toni Morrison, Irene Risko, Stacey Cormier, Dorthea Bradley, Mary Lovelace, Jeanne Sexton, Christina Knight, Benjamin Gentry, Vicky Munda, Bernard & Jan Carpenter, Bert Willis, John & Nellie Barycki, Alexander Crook, Becky Fremgen, Phil McCafferty, Honey Weinstein, Mary Mariano, Anna Sharples, Paul Halliburton, Heather Choppin, Lydia Simpson, Susan Meicht, Elizabeth Rouse, David Sudakou, Jesse Torres, Mike Lowen, Helen Belli, Dick Ingalls, Cletus Schmidt, Tony Bernardo & David Dresnick.

LITURGY

DIRECTOR of LITURGY	Fr. William	594-4657
ALTAR CARE	Mary Jelnick	429-2529
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION	Gene Ensch	421-0147
LECTORS	Bill Smith	431-2495
USHERS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ALTAR SERVERS	Craig Lawrence	430-0913
	craigslawrence@yahoo.com	
DIRECTOR of MUSIC	Vivian Doughty	422-5430
CHURCH SACRISTANS	Lily & Joe Dang	493-2198

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

562-596-6115

PRINCIPAL	Brid Considine
VICE-PRINCIPAL	Carole Dellavalle
SECRETARIES	Vera Feliciani & Bridget Paluska
PTO PRESIDENT	Linda Smith

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Virginia Young
SECRETARY	Veronica Gibb

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL	Virginia Young	598-0519
CONFIRMATION	Cindy Rodriguez	598-0519
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Virginia Young	598-0519
RCIC (Children)	Virginia Young	598-0519
SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser	597-0785

ADULT MINISTRY

RCIA INQUIRY	Shane & Olga Cuda	594-4657
RCIA	Peter Baine	598-4130
BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	714-761-4376
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Roman & Julia Escoto	425-4834
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Nancy Miller	429-2546
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Peter Baine	598-4130
FINANCE COUNCIL	Randall Ely	430-0143
	rely5@verizon.net	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	Mike.santy@charter.net	
	Marianne Schaeffer	594-8678
FAMILY ROUND TABLE		
MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	John & Jan Minter	430-5839
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Nancy Miller	429-2546
RESPECT LIFE COUNCIL	Michelle Parize	477-3647
SENIOR GROUP	Betty Maligie	596-8287
PARISH HALL	Victoria Higgins	597-6979
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Jim & Theresa Murphy	431-5025
MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER	Tom & Pat Halliwell	799-0921
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	377-5877
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840
GIRL SCOUTS	Cynthia Stabelfeldt	421-8492
CAMP FIRE GIRLS	Cyndy Diaz	421-2006
CUB SCOUTS	Douglas Alchorn	594-9407
BOY SCOUTS	Tom Zofrea	493-2940

BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM
PLEASE SUBMIT NOTICES IN WRITING WITH NAME & PHONE