



From the Pastor's Desk:

I. For many, the first impression of love experienced in life comes from a mother. If we're fortunate, that love reflects, to a human degree, God's love for us. A mother's love is inclusive; moms tend to welcome, feed and care for everyone their children bring home, from best friends to stray dogs. A mother's love is selfless; writer Victor Hugo says the reason a starving woman fed her children, but denied herself what little food she had was "because she is a mother." And a mother's love is never-ending; witness the concern that mothers show even to sons and daughters who are well into middle age. How glad and grateful we should be that our mothers model God's love for us.

II. Our Parish Fair was a great success. We would like to thank Randy & Isabel Schleeter, Barry & Chris Knight, and of course all our volunteers for a job well done. Your dedication and hard work is deeply appreciated by your pastor and principal. The Parish Fair contributes to the great sense of community that is very much alive in our parish. May this event continue ad multos anos!

Congratulations to all our children who made their First Holy Communion last weekend. A big thank you to all who prepared them.

A Blessed and Joyful Mother's Day, as our special novena of Masses begins today!

Father William



From the Deacon's Desk:

In our Small Faith Community, there is a question from the Scripture Focus that says, "Relate a situation where you were guided by an influence greater than yourself." A second question came up also that asked, "On what occasion have you come to realize that your 'talents' came from beyond yourself?" I'm not slighting You, O Lord, but in both situations Mom came to mind.

I think that it is appropriate that we ask God's special blessings on your moms. In our Catholic Book of Blessings I offer these to you to use this Mother's Day:

All stretch out hands over their mother in a gesture of blessing at home today:


"Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your church. Bless our mother. Let the example of her faith and life shine forth. Grant that we, her family, may honor her always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen."

An alternate prayer: **"May God, the source of life, give you joy in the love, growth, and holiness of your children. Amen."**

Mothers and families, enjoy the peace of Christ this day and always.

Rest In Peace
Died in Christ:

Deacon Miguel Arroyo




Rosary Bowl
At the Rose Bowl
Saturday, May 19

"A World at Prayer is a World at Peace"

Come join members of our archdiocese and pray for peace in our world, our families and our community.

We still have lots of free tickets for the Rosary Bowl and seats available in our van pool. If you would like a free ticket or a ride (first come, first served) call Deacon Don or Tina at 598-5202 or 498-6701.




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Save the Date!
Annual St. Joseph Golf Tournament, Friday October 5.

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER / CONSTANT RENEWAL
UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE SPIRIT



In Gratitude for Mothers
God bless all mothers for brightening our days with their sweet, faithful hearts and warm, loving ways. The kindness and patience you always share show your devotion, goodness and care.

Our Weekly Offering 	Last week: \$9,052 Last year: \$11,571
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Monday Night.....Take a Stress-free Prayer Break.....
Rosary PRO-LIFE SERVICE - Just an HOUR
MONDAY NIGHTS JOIN US TO PRAY for all human rights, from conception to natural death, in a lay rosary and prayer service Monday, 7pm. Bring your special intentions. Call John today, 430-5839, for a free ride!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary Program: No Class today due to Mother's Day. Last class for this school year is Sunday, **May 20**. There will be a **May Crowning and Ice Cream Social** in the hall starting at **11:00 am** for our students and families.

Early Childhood: Our year runs Sept. - April. Sign up NOW for the 2007-2008 school year! Registration forms are in the back of the church to the right of the doors as you walk in. Call Shannon, 430-6840 for more info.

Sunday Nursery: We have caretakers for the 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses, holidays included!

Inquiry Class: This class is for adults interested in learning about the Catholic Faith. Adults who were baptized in the Catholic Church, but have not received other Sacraments are also invited. For more information, please call Olga or Shane Cuda at 493-0541.

Jesus is Lord!! *St. Joseph Bible Study - The Gospel of John* begins with an amazing truth: the Word of God, God the Son, who existed before creation and by which everything was created, became human and lived with us. Come and stay awhile as we dwell in the mystery of our faith. Be transformed by the WORD. Christ in you, the hope of glory. Call Rita 714-761-4376 or the Religion Ed. Office for info.

Vacation Bible Camp

This year's Vacation Bible Camp, The Great Bible Reef, will be held at St. Cornelius from **July 9 through July 13**, 9 am - 12 noon. Registration forms are available from the Religious Education Office or School office. VBC is for Children entering grades Kg. - 6th in the fall. Students in Grades 7 and 8 plus High School are invited to attend as Teen Helpers. Fees, **if paid by June 8**, are **\$25.00** for one child, **\$15.00** for each additional family member. Fees go up to \$30.00 and \$20.00 after June 8. Questions? Please call the Religious Ed Office at 598-0519.

Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests - Special collection next weekend, **May 19-20**. All parishioners are asked to give generously to support this fund. Currently, the fund provides for 145 priests who are retired. Over the next ten years, the number of priests who will reach retirement age will number 353. All of these individuals have committed their lives to serve the spiritual needs of our parish communities. Please reflect on how the priests in your life have guided you, called forth your gifts and provided spiritual guidance in your life. Then, prayerfully determine the amount that you will give in support of them, out of true gratitude for their dedication and service. Thank you to each of you for your generosity.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's readings)

Adult: Where do I recognize a need for peace and how can I build peace by treating others justly & with respect?

Child: How can I share Jesus' gift of peace with others?

Teen: Whom are the people who have helped me believe? Whom do I help?



Senior Group needs new members.

Come join us! Any age.

May 21 - 3rd Monday. Meeting, games etc. Also at 3 pm we will have Montross Travel with more info on cruise.

June 11-14 - San Francisco & Napa Valley - 2 nights in San Francisco, Radisson Hotel at Fisherman's Wharf, 1 night in Napa Valley Wine Country. Includes: 3 wine tastings, Sonoma Plaza, cheese factory, cable car museum, Bistro Boudin bakery, Jelly Belly Factory, lunch at Culinary Academy. We have Carl, our driver, & a casino stop. Some meals included. \$495/person, single sup \$695.

Cruise Info - Fall Foliage, visit Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, & Maine. 9 nights **Oct 12-21** on Royal Caribbean Explorer of the Seas. **Cruise open to all!!!!**

May 21 - Important Note - at 3 pm cruise people will be here with photos and video of Foliage and ports we visit.

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

The Southeastern District of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will have a District Meeting on **Saturday, May 26**, at Our Lady of Refuge Parish, 5195 Stearns St., Long Beach. The day begins at 9:30 am and includes Dominic Berardino speaking on "Angels", Mass, and luncheon, and concludes at 1:30 pm. Charge for the day is \$10. For reservations and/or info, call Alberta Rodrigues, 596-6648, or Redempta Tumliuan, 498-7400 before May 20.

Thank You! Thank You!

Be sure to stop by the grotto for Our Lady and admire the beautiful flowers. Thanks to our 7th and 8th grade Religious Ed. students, we have new flowers planted and a special wreath for Mary. It looked beautiful for our First Communion Sunday! Thanks also to their catechists, Marianna Wescott and Alida Steinhauser.

Small Faith Community

Scripture Focus - Both the reading from Acts and the Gospel tell us that Luke was interested in showing the abiding presence of the Lord with the early Christian community. Both groups involved in the dispute in Acts trusted that the Holy Spirit would guide them to the right decision. In the Gospel Jesus includes a promise and a challenge in his farewell. He promises to "make his dwelling place" with them always. The condition for him to be present with all his heart, however, is that they continue to love him and to take his message seriously. Jesus says the message is not just his but also that of the Father. He is the messenger of the Father. He promises to send the Spirit who will stand at their side and teach them all things.

Life Focus - * Speak of a time when you trusted and experienced true peace. * On what occasion have you come to realize that your "talents" came from beyond yourself? * In what past or present decisions have you needed God's wisdom and guidance?

Congratulations

The following children received First Communion at the Sunday Liturgies last weekend. Congratulations to these children, their parents and the teachers who prepared them:

Monica Arias
 Rachel Basangan
 Ericka Berry
 David Black
 Phillip Brandel
 Audrey Brio
 Patricia Burson
 Jack Calhoun
 Leslie Camus
 Brendan Condon
 Nicolas Escandon
 Elle Faris
 Larissa Fielder
 Ronni Rae Gallegos
 Abby Gallagher
 Joshua Golan
 Avery Haubert
 Hailey Johnson
 Elysse Ladjevic
 Star McCown
 Jourdan Mendoza
 Jack Neton
 Elise Padilla
 Alexis Palazzolo
 Jovanh Pham
 Anne Serrano
 Bailey Sykes
 Dennis Terrebrood
 Harrison Truong
 Daniel Whitmore
 Jack Wilhelm

Kate Baldwin
 Tanner Bennett
 Elizabeth Bigham
 Ashley Bond
 Dylan Brekke
 Timothy Burke
 Jarod Caceres
 Julia Campbell
 Emma Castro
 Abigail Diaz
 Ryan Espeleta
 Melanie Farrell
 Makenna Fisher
 Antonio Garcia
 Dominic Gawel
 Dominik Goldschmidt
 Araceli Hernandez
 Jarod Jones
 Taylor Logan
 Kylie McGuire
 Francisco Narez
 Paul Norman
 Jacob Paguio
 Alessandra Papini
 Michael Schaaf
 Megan Shea
 Sophia Temperilli
 Loyalty Traster-Lee
 Alexis Weiser
 Allie Wilhelm

Safeguard the Children - Fingerprinting

All parish staff, catechists, and volunteers who work with our children are required by the Archdiocese to be fingerprinted. The fingerprinting schedule for May in our region is as follows:

St. Catherine LaBoure, Torrance, May 23. Call 310-323-8900 for an appointment.

St. Lawrence Martyr, Redondo Beach, May 24. Call 310-540-0329.

St. John of God, Norwalk, May 30. Call 562-863-5721.

Sunday Catholic TV Mass - Sunday mornings at 9 am on KDOC, Channel 56. Also check cable listings for KDOC. Tell a relative or friend in need.

The History of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Come to the rectory to see this beautiful hardcover book filled with colorful pictures. We have many copies available for sale at only \$40 each. As Cardinal Mahony states, this book is "the most extensive, comprehensive and elegant of any of its kind yet published in our nation."



Bring your questions about our upcoming schedule to the meeting.

John/Jan 430-5839

May 10 - Meeting in PAC 7:30pm

June 2 & 3 - Diaper-A-Baby

L.B. Project Achieve....Call us or Tina Gath for details. Can you help us once a month???

Please keep using the BLUE "Skip-a-Meal" Envelopes. Make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: Skip-A-Meal. *The 21st year for your Movement for a Better World!*

Blood Drive - June 10, 8 am to 2 pm, St. Joseph Parish Hall, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #3629. Contact Mark Smith at msmith@uces.csulb.edu or Cheryl Berlow at donatebloodforlbmmc@yahoo.com.

Music Ministry News

Children's Choir: Mark your calendars for our year-end celebration. We will finally have our Pajama Party! Event will be held in the Parish Activity Center at 8:00 am on Saturday, May 19. Event is open to all children who have participated in Choir at any time since September of 2006. Choir rehearsals will resume in September of 2007. Children's Choir is open to all children of the parish/school, grades two through five.

MusicFest 2007 News! Many thanks, once again, to all those who participated in this year's marvelous MusicFest. It was truly a celebration of music with great food, friends, family and excitement. We were able to save another chunk of money toward sound system upgrades. We are meeting soon with a variety of experts to help steer the church in the right direction. We'll keep you apprised of our progress.

Room/Sublet needed: for Catholic college student interning at Universal this June/July. Please call Cynthia McGarity, 421-7551 for information about available space in L.A./North Hollywood area.

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, May 12

5:00 PM - † Botelho Salvati family

SUNDAY, May 13

7:30 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

9:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena

10:30 AM - † Edna Figueroa

12:30 PM - Kidney donor for Cora Tinio

MONDAY, May 14

8:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena

TUESDAY, May 15

8:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, May 16

8:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena

THURSDAY, May 17

8:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena

FRIDAY, May 18

8:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena

SATURDAY, May 19

5:00 PM - Mother's Day Novena

SUNDAY, May 20

7:30 AM - Mother's Day Novena

9:00 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 AM - † Bernard Connell

12:30 PM - † Edna Figueroa

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:

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| Vincent Vezzetti | Amy Mann |
| Glen Warren | Nick Compton |
| Joseph LaRiccica | Joseph Comfort |
| Irene Avila | Peter LuPiba |
| Scott Williams | Justin Ray |
| Rob Black | Justin Christopherson |

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene & Marjorie Dryer, Toni Morrison, Irene Risko, Stacey Cormier, Dorthea Bradley, Mary Lovelace, Jeanne Sexton, Christina Knight, Benjamin Gentry, Vicky Munda, Bert Willis, John Barycki, Alexander Crook, Phil McCafferty, Honey Weinstein, Mary Mariano, Anna Sharples, Paul Halliburton, Lydia Simpson, Susan Meicht, Elizabeth Rouse, David Sudakou, Jesse Torres, Helen Belli, Dick Ingalls, Cletus Schmidt, Tony Bernardo, David Dresnick, Margaret DeRuyter, Christopher Moore, Lala Rocha, Diane Stowers, Hugo Jorda, Bobby Lovett, Katie Hofkenschaid, Jim Carrera, Lucille Heilman, Jovencio Banares, Mary Wiegand, Sharon Conroy, Frank Thornton, William Worthy, Cletus Schmidt, Mary White, Joe Cody, Chuck Dixon, Kathleen Miller, Cliff Lowen, Tanya Chvedine, Jim & Bev Clinton, Jeffrey Waldron, & Adra Martz.

LITURGY

DIRECTOR of LITURGY	Fr. William	594-4657
ALTAR CARE	Mary Jelnick	429-2529
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ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

562-596-6115

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Virginia Young
SECRETARY	Veronica Gibb

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

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RCIA	Peter Baine	598-4130
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	Terri Traucht	
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Nancy Miller	429-2546
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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SENIOR GROUP	Betty Maligie	596-8287
TOGETHER IN MISSION	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
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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