




**From the Pastor's Desk:**

Few of us will be asked to die for our faith as St. Stephen did. But as Christians we still pay the cost of discipleship in other ways. We're asked to love each other - not just our friends and family, but everyone we come in contact with. Such love means avoiding office gossip about a less-than-friendly co-worker, and refusing to give in to road rage when a speeding driver cuts into the lane ahead of us on the freeway. It means reacting with restraint, not anger, when our toddler throws a tantrum in the supermarket, and listening patiently to an elderly aunt's familiar litany of minor aches and pains. These daily small "deaths" of our bad habits can transform us from a "stiff-necked people" into true disciples of our loving Master.

Father William



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**Thursday, May 31, 6-8 pm**



**From Deacon Don's Desk:**


In our Small Faith Community gathering we greet one another, call the Holy Spirit to be with us and have an opening song. After that we ask for "God sightings" from the past week, i.e. something that touched us through the working of the Holy Spirit.

During the past week I was especially moved by one part of the Rosary at the Rose Bowl: at each Hail Mary the first part was said in a different language. There were over 50 languages represented all with the intention of World Peace. Listen to the Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11. We did not have tongues of fire appearing, but we could say, "Aren't all these who are speaking Christians"? Yes! They speak in their own language but we understand. We are all one body, and the gifts we have we are given to share.

Hail Mary, full of grace, pray for us NOW. We pray especially for our Confirmandi who will be receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit next week. We ask you to remember them as they reaffirm and continue their journey of faith. The "gifts" or "fruits" of the Holy Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. These we would do well to practice.


Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, especially those in need of our love.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**  
*(Based on today's readings)*  
**Adult:** When have I experienced the Holy Spirit's help in keeping Jesus' word?  
**Child:** What is one way that I can forgive a friend or classmate this week?  
**Teen:** How can I speak up for what is good and right this week?



**Memorial Day**  
**Memorial Day Mass, May 28, 10 am**  
 All Souls Catholic Cemetery  
 4400 Cherry Ave., 424-8601  
 All are Welcome!  
 Presider: Bishop Alex Salazar

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**  
 Schedules are now available on our website, [www.stjosephparishcommunity.com](http://www.stjosephparishcommunity.com). If you would like to have your schedule mailed to you, please call the rectory.



Our Weekly Offering

Last week: \$11,727  
 Last year: \$13,147

**Parish Offices Closed May 28 - Memorial Day Holiday**

PENTECOST SUNDAY  
 THE HOLY SPIRIT. THE GIFT OF THE FATHER

AT BAPTISM, WE RECEIVE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.



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BUT AS THE YEARS GO BY, MANY OF US CAN'T REMEMBER WHAT WE'VE DONE WITH IT.



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**Confirmation**

Confirmation will take place on Sunday, **June 3**, at the **12:30 pm Mass**. Our celebrant will be Bishop Alex Salazar. Please keep our candidates, their sponsors and parents in your prayers.

**No Rosary Service May 28 due to the holiday.**

**Season Finale: June 4**  
**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 & Middle School Program:** Thank you to all our catechists, parents and student helpers for helping make our programs such a great experience for our students this past school year! **Registration** forms for next Fall will be mailed in June. Please return at your earliest convenience.

**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.

**Help Stop Physician-Assisted Suicide** - Take Action Now! Phone, fax, e-mail or write and urge Assembly Member Betty Karnette to repudiate AB 374. Physician assisted suicide cannot be controlled, victimizes the vulnerable and cause doctors to help kill patients. Assembly Member Betty Karnette, 3711 Long Beach Blvd., Suite 801, Long Beach 90807, 997-0794, fax: 997-0799, e-mail: [Assemblymember.Karnette@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:Assemblymember.Karnette@assembly.ca.gov). Visit Californians Against Assisted Suicide: [www.ca-aas.com](http://www.ca-aas.com).

**Small Faith Community**

**Scripture Focus** - Our readings today give us two accounts of the Pentecost event. In Luke's account "a driving wind" is heard. In John's, the Lord "breathes" upon his disciples. The apostles, even though they have been gathered together in the upper room out of fear, are now given the power of the Holy Spirit, the life-giving heart of the Church. **They are also to do what Jesus did: forgive sins, heal divisions, bring about reconciliation and joy to all.** All Christians are commissioned and given power to carry on this mission.

**Life Focus** - \* Describe how some person has inspired courage in you. \* What gifts of the Spirit can you identify in yourself that could help transform your world? \* Which gifts of the Spirit can you identify in our community? Joy? Forgiveness? Hope? \* Relate a time when you wanted to (or did) shut yourself off from life around you. Who brought you out again? \* What do the words "I'm sending you" call you to do this week? \* Think about a time when you felt bound by someone's unforgiveness or your own. Describe how you felt when you were forgiven or when you could forgive.



**Senior Group needs new members.**  
**Come join us! Any age.**

**June 4** - Regular announcements and games.

**June 18** - Games, conversation, etc.

**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.

**Bus will leave promptly at 8:00 am.**

**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!!!!**

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

**Blood Drive** - Thank you so much for your past blood donations. Our February 18 blood drive netted 49 usable pints which have benefited 147 people!

If you donated in February (and even if you didn't) you are now eligible to give again and Knights of Columbus Council 3629 hopes we can count on you!

Date: **June 10**

Time: **8 am to 2 pm**

Place: St. Joseph Parish Hall

Sponsor: Knights of Columbus Council #3629

Contact: Mark Smith at [msmith@uces.csulb.edu](mailto:msmith@uces.csulb.edu) or Cheryl Berlow at [donatebloodforlbmmc@yahoo.com](mailto:donatebloodforlbmmc@yahoo.com) to schedule your appointment.

Everyone who donates will receive a t-shirt or ice cream coupon. Thanks!



**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Take a vacation from the world and learn what God's plan is for your marriage. Make a Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next one is **July 20-22**. For more information, call Jacob & Sarah Flores, 923-7335 or sign up online at [www.geocities.com/melawest](http://www.geocities.com/melawest).

**Vacation Bible Camp**

This year's Vacation Bible Camp, The Great Bible Reef, will be held at St. Cornelius from **July 9 - July 13**, 9 am - 12 noon. Registration forms are available from the Religious Education Office, School office or rectory. VBC is for children entering grades Kg. - 6th in the fall. Students in Grades 7 & 8 plus High School are invited to attend as Teen Helpers. Fees, **if paid by June 8**, are **\$25** for one child, **\$15** for each additional family member. Fees go up to \$30 and \$20 after June 8. **Volunteers** are needed as teachers, craft, snack, and playground helpers. Questions? Please call the Religious Ed Office at 598-0519.

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

**Why is it so important to register in the parish?**

1. In the situation of the death of a family member, it is important that either the deceased or the family member of the deceased is registered in the parish so that there is the capability of making contact with the family. It is very difficult if there is no registration information or even the knowledge of the family or the deceased loved one. If there has been a serious illness or if there has been confinement at home for a long time, we as a parish family should be notified so that the sacraments of penance, Eucharist, and the anointing of the sick might be available to them. It is important that the contact should be made at the Rectory Office.
2. Very frequently we get requests for letters of recommendation to be a Godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation. If the parties involved are not registered it is difficult to make a recommendation as to whether they are practicing Catholics or not. If a letter of recommendation is being requested, some background is needed before the letter can be written.
3. St. Joseph Parish is a wonderful place to be married. We welcome our young couples preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony. It is important to register in the parish so that we do have Canonical Jurisdiction for your marriage. We are delighted to help you prepare for marriage.
4. We welcome all of your children to come to know our Lord through Religious Education which our parish offers. However, it is also very important that you are registered and participating in the parish as we seek to educate your children. That includes Sunday Mass and taking advantage of our Liturgy of the Word for children at the 9:00 am Mass. It is obvious that many of you do take advantage of that and you are to be commended.



*Thanks to our board of directors for guiding us to disperse our surplus funds per our bylaws. Our bylaws require that monies in our account over \$3,000 should be donated to recognized charities at the end of our fiscal year. We will be sending vouchers to the parish office to send checks to Catholic Charities, St. Athanasius, St. Francis Center, Project Achieve, and a shelter in Long Beach. It is important to be at the last meeting of the fiscal year. We ask our Lord to care for our volunteers. We will be working on our new calendar this summer. Bring your questions about our schedule to John/Jan 430-5839.*

**June 2 & 3 - Diaper-A-Baby** - Bring diapers to the tables outside of church. Please call if you'd like to help.

**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!**

**Connelly High School Summer Information Night**

Tuesday, **June 5, 7 pm**. Connelly is an all girls Catholic college preparatory high school at 2323 W. Broadway, Anaheim. Questions: 714-776-1717 ext. 34.

**Save the Date!**

**Annual St. Joseph Golf Tournament, Friday October 5.**

**Young Adult Eucharistic Adoration** - All young adults are invited for a night of prayer with Eucharistic Adoration, inspirational talk by Fr. Mike Sears, praise and worship with Trevor Thomson and fellowship, on Friday June 1, 7:15 pm. Please come and bring a friend for a night to experience. For more information please contact Adam Cortez, 483-3636.

**St. Lucy School Casino Nite - June 2, 6-11 pm.** For more info, please phone 424-9062. All proceeds to benefit PTA and school projects. Thank you for your support, we hope to see you there!

**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.

**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."

**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 26**  
 5:00 PM - † Mary Jane Merk
- SUNDAY, May 27**  
 7:30 AM - † Joe Rullo  
 9:00 AM - † Evelyn Thies  
 10:30 AM - † Sgt. Michael J. Tetreault, Jr.  
 12:30 PM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
- MONDAY, May 28**  
 8:00 AM - Evan Consineau, living
- TUESDAY, May 29**  
 8:00 AM - † Patricia Martinez
- WEDNESDAY, May 30**  
 8:00 AM - † Jane Mais
- THURSDAY, May 31**  
 8:00 AM - † Betty Kerr
- FRIDAY, June 1**  
 8:00 AM - † Thomas & Margaret Devine
- SATURDAY, June 2**  
 5:00 PM - † Botelho Salvati family
- SUNDAY, June 3**  
 7:30 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners  
 9:00 AM - † Joaquin Reveles  
 10:30 AM - † Steven Sprague  
 12:30 PM - † Virginia Addotta

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 LaRiccia       | Joseph Comfort |
| Irene Avila           | Peter LuPiba   |
| Scott Williams        | Justin Ray     |
| 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, Dortha Bradley, Mary Lovelace, Jeanne Sexton, Christina Knight, Benjamin Gentry, Vicky Munda, Bert Willis, John Barycki, 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 Hofkenschied, 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, Jun Piol Cuevas, Rudy Maligaya, John Swanson, Jack Williams & Gilberto Cerna.

## LITURGY

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| 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

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

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

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| DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION | Virginia Young |
| SECRETARY                       | Veronica Gibb  |

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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| 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

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|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| 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     |
|                     | Terri Traucht        |              |

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| SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES | Don & Tina Gath | 598-5202 |
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## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

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| Nancy Miller | 429-2546 |
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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| PASTORAL COUNCIL            | Bob Schallmann       | 594-0917 |
| FINANCE COUNCIL             | Randall Ely          | 430-0143 |
|                             | rely5@verizon.net    |          |
| WEBSITE COORDINATOR         | Mike Santy           | 799-0660 |
|                             | msanty@verizon.net   |          |
| FAMILY ROUND TABLE          | Marianne Schaeffer   | 594-8678 |
| 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 |
| 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 |
| 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