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From the Pastor's Desk:

We're no stranger to the thinking of Simon the Pharisee in today's Gospel. At times, we all find it easy to be judgmental. We look at others and we take their measure. Sometimes such an action is rather innocuous. At other times, we act

much like Simon the Pharisee did. We come up with an assessment that we believe to be an accurate measure of the man or woman. Simon looked at the woman with a critical eye, believing her to be only a sinner, and nothing more. Jesus saw her in an entirely different light - someone who was searching, someone who, as Jesus said, "has shown great love."

When we look at others we can never know all the complexity that is someone's life. Only God can know that. If that is the case, then it might be better for us to err on the side of graciousness, giving someone the benefit of the doubt. Judging someone else is best left to God.

Father William



this Sunday.

In Gratitude for Fathers

Fathers were sent from Heaven above to protect us and guide us with strength, faith and love. We thank you, dear fathers, for always coming through. God bless you and keep you in all that you do!

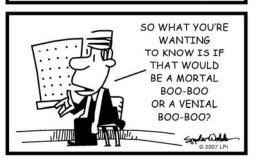
A very happy and blessed Father's Day to all our fathers. Our Father's Day Novena begins

"My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it. —Clarence Budington Kelland

Lectors' Schedules will be emailed to the lectors. If you need your schedule mailed, please call the rectory. Bill Smith's email: bill.smith@presstelegram.com.

11TH ORDINARY SUNDAY LOVE, UNDERSTANDING, FORGIVENESS





From Deacon Don's Desk:



First of all, my sincerest prayers to all you fathers and grandfathers that the Lord will shower you with His choicest blessings this day and always.

"Understanding is the reward of Faith - therefore, seek not to understand that you may believe, but believe that you may understand." ...St. Augustine Here is a great reflection for you:

"O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source." ...St. Thomas Aquinas

"You can never do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late." ..Ralph Waldo Emerson Please pray for more vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life.

Lost and Found - We are cleaning out the church lost and found. If you have lost a red sweater, a pink backpack, a baby bag, keys, glasses, etc., please stop by the rectory office. Things unclaimed will be donated to charity.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: How will I express my love for God this week, knowing that I have been forgiven many times?

Child: How can I show my love for God this week

through my words and actions?

Teen: I am thankful for God's forgiveness. Whom do I

need to forgive?



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.

Rosary PRO-LIFE SERVICE

Call to join when we start up again, John Minter, 430-5839. Call to borrow the special prayer book that was written for this service.

MISSION: To pray for all human rights, from conception to natural death, in a lay rosary and prayer service.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

<u>Elementary & Middle School Program:</u> Registration forms for next Fall will be mailed in June. Please return at your earliest convenience.

<u>Summer Hours:</u> The Religious Education Office will be open Monday through Friday until **July 13**. Our office will be closed from **July 16 to August 13**. You may leave a message on the answering machine as we will be checking phone messages from time to time during the closed session.

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.

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 are \$30 for one and \$20 for each additional family member. Volunteers are needed as teachers, craft, snack, and playground helpers. Questions? Please call the Religious Ed Office at 598-0519.

Hall Closed

July 3-15 for painting, and **August 7-19** for floor work.

Small Faith Community

Scripture Focus - God's Kingdom often is the direct opposite of the world's ways. Today's Gospel shows how differently Jesus acts from what is expected. The Gospel contrasts a respectable man of religion, a Pharisee, with a woman who is a known sinner. The Pharisee keeps his distance from Jesus. The sinner comes close and, in a touching way, offers Jesus extravagant hospitality. Jesus, going against everything considered proper, lets himself be touched intimately and in public by a woman and a sinner. Jesus' story tells why: because her sins are forgiven, she shows great love.

Life Focus - * When have women taught you forgiveness? Love? * Describe things that we see in our community that reveal scorn for weak members. * Relate a situation in which your appreciation and gratitude for a person had to be expressed. * Who in your life has not held your past against you? * Share an experience when you were invited to begin to break the barriers of past hurts. What was your response?



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

<u>June 18</u> - Regular games, etc. We will be collecting money for Casino Trip on July 16.

<u>July 2</u> - Regular meeting, only meeting for July, hall is being painted and floor refinished.

<u>July 16</u> - Monday Casino Trip - probably Fantasy Springs - price announced later.

Aug. 6 & 20 - Regular meetings.

Nov. 7 - Trip to Griffith Park Observatory with admission to Planetarium - includes lunch - more info to follow.

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

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

Attention: The 50+ Singles of St. Pancratius (divorced, single, widowed Catholics), 3519 St. Pancratius Pl., Lkwd, will meet on Sunday, **June 17** at **2 pm** in the conference room (behind the parish hall). Info: Mary, 596-9449.



"Healing in the Eucharist" One day teaching and healing conference with Fr. Lou Cerulli and Dominc Berardino. Topics: power through Christ's Body & Blood; healing your family tree; the transforming peace of Christ; and the sacrament of liberation. Our Lady of Refuge hall, Saturday, June 23, 10 am to 5 pm. Healing Mass included. For more information, call 818-771-1361.

Prayer Retreat in Silence - Deepen Your Spiritual Life "Ask and ye shall receive; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened to you." (Luke 11:9) Open to all Catholics searching for deeper spirituality; involves steps leading to contemplative prayer. "Seeking God in Love," June 25-29, Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside. Mass daily. Ethel (ethelbuntydavis@msn.com) or Eric (ericsaca@hotmail.com or 562-857-5164).

Sister Adeline O'Donaghue will present a workshop on centering prayer on Sunday, July 1, from 1 to 4 pm, at St. Mary Medical Center. Topic will be: Life in God's Presence: Centering Ourselves in a Multi-tasking Culture. Registration: send \$5 payable to "St. Mary Foundation" by June 24, to Don Carlos, 3745 Parkview Dr., Lakewood, 90712. Information: 429-7830.

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Blood Drive - We collected **51 pints** at our blood drive last Sunday. These pints will save the lives or otherwise benefit 153 people! Fitting on the Feast of Corpus Christi. Thank you to all who donated and helped, especially Mark Smith, Marty Vezzetti, Dick Pillon, Ritchie Murach, and Ron Steiner.

St. Joseph High School Summer School - June 25 - July 24. Review, enrichment, elective, athletic courses offered. For more information, please call 925-5073 x881.

St. Joseph High School Summer Day Camp for children in grades K-8, from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. Camp Little Jesters offers academic opportunities, arts and crafts, sports activities, pool time, and field trips. For more information, please call 925-5073 x 882.

Coed Junior High Summer Camp at St. John Bosco High School for students entering the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades in the fall. Camps in leadership, athletics, computers, math/science, athletics, and writing skills. For info, please contact Jeanne Pantuso, 920-1734 x250.

Summer Dance & Mixer for Single Catholics - L.A. Catholic Alumni Club Singles, June 22, 8 pm to midnight, Burbank Holiday Inn, Christian DJ, 200+ usually attend, all ages (most 35-55). Info: 818-759-1545.

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 contact with the family can be made. 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. 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 your children to come to know our Lord through Religious Education. 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.



Thank you very much for your generous donations to our latest Diaper-A-Baby weekend. We collected 2,397 diapers and \$976 in cash donations. Your donations are greatly appreci-

ated at Catholic Charities.

Please mark your calendars for our next project in August - FOOD-FROM-THE-HEART.

Please keep using the <u>BLUE "Skip-a-Meal" Envelopes</u>. Your contributions are so appreciated!!! Make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: Skip-A-Meal.

Project Achieve... Any extra funds will also help us with new programs like Project Achieve. Call us or Tina Gath to see what you can do to help with this worthwhile endeavor. Many volunteers can split up the work, a real labor of love. The project aids those who need a little help getting back on their feet, while working and/or studying. If you can help us purchase, prepare or deliver dinner and breakfast to these adults, please call.

Thank you for all you do!! John & Jan Minter 430-5839.

St. Anthony High School Reunions

The 30 year reunion for the **class of 1977** is being planned for July (details TBD). If you were in this class, please contact Kate Mais at katemais@verizon.net.

The 25 year reunion for the **class of 1982** is being planned for Saturday, July 28 (details to follow). If you were in this class please contact Kerri Pelonis Fox at kerri_fox@yahoo.com.

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

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."

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| | Welcome to St. Joseph Parish Whether you are a long-time resident, newly ar- rived, 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 registerThis is a change of address and/or phoneI am moving out of the parish |
| ı | Please drop in the collection basket or rectory mailbox |

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Mass **Intentions**



SATURDAY, June 16

5:00 PM - † Harold Cavallaro

SUNDAY, June 17

7:30 AM - † John Anselmo

9:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

10:30 AM - † Robert Preston

12:30 PM - † Julia Dizon

MONDAY, June 18

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

TUESDAY, June 19

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, June 20

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

THURSDAY, June 21

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

FRIDAY, June 22

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

SATURDAY, June 23

5:00 PM - Father's Day Novena

SUNDAY, June 24

7:30 AM - † Jerry Jelnick

9:00 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 AM - Criston Lowen, living

12:30 PM - Father's Day Novena

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 Amy Mann Glen Warren **Nick Compton** Joseph Comfort Irene Avila Peter LuPiba **Scott Williams** Justin Rav **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, 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, Katie Hofkenscheid, Jim Correira, 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 & Tracy Rossello.

| <u>LITURGY</u> | | | | | |
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| DIRECTOR of LITURGY | Fr. William | 594-4657 | | | |
| ALTAR CARE | Mary Jelnick | 429-2529 | | | |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS | 8 | | | | |
| of HOLY COMMUNION | Gene Ensch | 421-0147 | | | |
| LECTORS | Bill Smith | 431-2495 | | | |
| USHERS | Ron Steiner | 431-7703 | | | |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Ann Crowley | 594-7575 | | | |
| | annbakercrowley@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

Vera Feliciani & Bridget Paluska SECRETARIES

PTO PRESIDENT Linda Smith

EL ENAENITA DIA

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 |
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| RCIA | Peter Baine | 598-4130 |
| BIBLE STUDY | Rita Smith | 714-761-4376 |
| BAPTISM PREPARATION | Roman & Julia Escoto | 425-4834 |
| 1 | Terri Traucht | |

SMALL CHRISTIAN

COMMUNITIES 598-5202 Don & Tina Gath

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Nancy Miller 429-2546

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

| PASTORAL COUNCIL FINANCE COUNCIL | Bob Schallmann Randall Ely rely5@verizon.net | 594-0917 430-0143 |
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| WEBSITE COORDINATOR | Mike Santy | 799-0660 |
| FAMILY ROUND TABLE | msanty@verizon.net Marianne Schaeffer | 594-8678 |
| 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 | Mimi Bloeser | 597-0785 |
| 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