



From the Pastor's Desk:

The excitement and newness of the Easter season and Pentecost quiet down now. Today's readings bring us face to face with our choice: Moses tells us we can choose a blessing or a curse, simply by choosing to obey or to disobey God's law. Jesus tells us we can choose a sturdy house built on a rock or a ruined house built on sand, simply by hearing and acting on his words or by failing to act on them. This is the season of discipleship. We have each been chosen by Jesus, as personally as any apostle was ever chosen. We have celebrated our call in the preceding season. Now it is time to live that call.

Tom Halliwell will be ordained a deacon on June 7. Please join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving on **June 8** at the 12:30 Mass, and keep Tom & Pat in your prayers.

Rest in Peace

Died in Christ:

**Dorothy Borow
Ronald Johnson
Christopher Waugh**



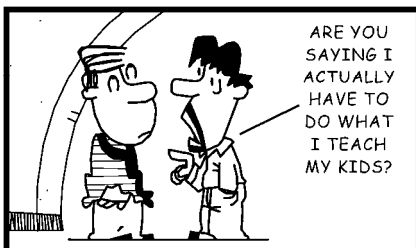
St. Vincent de Paul - Bundle Sunday

Sunday, **June 8**, is Bundle Sunday for our parish. A truck will be here at all weekend Masses to receive your donations. Bring usable clothing, shoes, appliances, household items, linen, books, jewelry, etc. Remember your contributions will be helping the needy. For large items including furniture and large appliances, please phone 323-224-6280 or 800-97-HELP-1 for a special pickup at your home.

Altar Server Training

Tuesday, **June 3**, from **6:30 - 7:30 pm**. For more information, please contact Ann Crowley, 594-7575.

9TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Thursday, June 5, 6-8 pm



From Deacon Don's Desk:

Continuing on prayer: Give God the glory. Last week I used a quote from Blessed Teresa of Calcutta: "Seek Him in the tabernacle. Fix your eyes on Him who is the Light. Until you know deep inside that Jesus thirsts for you..."

At this time we need to bring ourselves before the Blessed Sacrament and earnestly pray for our newly ordained priests, that they will be strengthened and guided by the Holy Spirit in their ministry. They will need all of our prayers. As you saw in last week's Tidings, some will be serving two parishes. Pray for strength that they will be able to serve God's people. Then next week (June 7) the Cardinal will ordain 19 deacons, one of whom will be our own Tom Halliwell. Keep Tom and Pat in your prayers as well.

Eucharistic Adoration will be this Thursday, June 5, beginning at 6 pm. At 7:30 we will have "Evening Prayers" (Liturgy of the Hours). At that time we will incorporate prayers for those who are sick and in distress and in need of our prayers. At 7:45 we will close with Benediction. Adoration outside of Mass is meant to stimulate our appetites for our next Sacred Meal. It is meant to be mostly a silent time between you and Jesus. A time to reflect and let Him in and let Him do the talking.

Our Prayer: Good and gracious God, You have called us through Baptism to discipleship with Your Son, Jesus, and have sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to all people. We pray that you protect our newly ordained priests and deacons. Keep them in Your love, give them strength in temptation, endurance in trial and gratitude in prosperity. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

Small Faith Community

Scripture Focus - Today's reading is the conclusion of the final teaching from the Sermon on the Mount. We must determine God's will for us and **give God glory, seeking no recognition for ourselves**. Jesus is both model and teacher in this. Simply hearing the words of Jesus isn't enough. We must put them into action, build them into the very structure and fiber of our lives. If we do this, then no matter how violent the storms of our lives, we will stand firm on a foundation of God's love and protection. Give God the glory.

Life Focus - * Describe a time when your decision was built on "sandy ground." When was it built on "rock"? * *What event in your life would you like to relive? What would you change about it?* * What would you like to have etched on your tombstone? * *In what areas of your life might Jesus say, "I never knew you"?* * When did you do the "right thing" for the wrong reason? * *How do you recognize God's presence in your everyday life?*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary/Middle School: Registration forms for the Fall will be mailed during the month of June to all families who were registered in our program during the past year or are on our list for new families.

If you would like information regarding our programs or will be new to our program this coming Fall, please call the religious education office at **598-0519**.

Sacrament Program: Preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation is a **two-year process** which usually starts at the first grade level. Older children may receive the sacraments through our **RCIA for Children** program which is also a two-year process.

Early Childhood: Our regular year runs September - April. Sign up NOW for the 2008-2009 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 at 430-6840 for more information.

Sunday Nursery: The nursery will be closed at 10:30 am Mass every other Sunday. If you are interested in helping in the nursery, please contact Shannon, 430-6840.



New members are always welcome - Come join us!

June 17-20: One night stay at Four Queens in Las Vegas, stop at Red Rock Resort Casino, two night stay at Casa Blanca Hotel and Casino in Mesquite. Includes an indoor Cowboy Steak Fry with music and dancing. Stop in St. George, Utah at the Tuacahn Amphitheater where you will enjoy a Dutch Oven dinner of roast beef and chicken, vege, salad, peach cobbler, ice cream, and then enjoy the musical "Les Miserables". Checks only please, cost \$318 per person, \$378 singles, one bag only and one carry on. Bus leaves at 8 am. Olga has flyers. We have 30 people - the trip is a go! Will add new people - so ask your friends.

June 2 - Regular meeting & games

June 16 - Montross Travel Co will be here between 2:30 & 3:00 to take sign ups for our Mexican Riviera Cruise, Nov 1-8. Prices per person, double occ: Inside \$823, Outside \$1068, Balcony \$1138. Includes all port charges, taxes & fees. Fuel supplement and full ins. from Princess. Ports of call are Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, & Cabo San Lucas. Remember no flying, leaves from San Pedro sailing on Princess' Sapphire Princess. The Princess line has a lot bigger rooms. Olga has flyers. Please join us to see what's going on & bring your friends.

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

Congratulations to our RCIA children who received First Eucharist on May 18:

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| Daisy Aguirre | Marisa Evans |
| Kimberly Hebert | Julia Jaynes |
| Noah Lovold | Kobe Nettles |

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Thank you to all the catechists who share their faith each Sunday with our children during the 9:00 am Mass. This ministry has been a part of our community for over ten years! If you would like to be a part of this team, feel free to observe any Sunday when the children are dismissed and talk with the catechists present. You may also call the religious education office at **598-0519** for more information.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12
- Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17
- Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34
- Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37
- Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44
- Sunday: Hos 6:3-6; Ps 50; Rom 4:18-25; Mt 9:9-13

Vacation Bible Camp - Registration forms are available in the school, rectory and religious education office for our Vacation Bible Camp which takes place **July 7 to 11**. This year **St. Maria Goretti Parish**, 3954 Palo Verde Ave., will be hosting our VBC. This camp is for children entering grades K - 6. Students in grades 7 and 8 and high school may participate as teen helpers. Fee before **June 6** is **\$25.00** for one child and **\$15.00** for each additional family member. For additional information, please call the religious education office, **598-0519**.

Long time parishioner, **Christopher (Chris) Waugh**, passed away May 23. If you would like to send a condolence card to his wife, Evelyn Waugh, her address is 53180 Avienda Juarez, La Quinta, CA 92253. The Waughs were active in Movement for a Better World, lecturing and supportive in many ways.

Gambler's Delight Bus Trip - The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a bus trip to Pala Resort and Casino, on Wednesday, **June 11**. The bus will leave at 8 am and return at 5:30 pm the same day. Cost is \$15 per person. The Casino will return \$5 to start your winnings. For more information, call Manny Vieyra, 425-8811.

God and the Universe - Fr. William Stoeger, SJ, astrophysicist at the Vatican Observatory, extraordinary background in cosmology and the relationship of religion and science, Monday, **June 2**, 7 pm, St. Matthew Church parish hall, 7th and Temple, Long Beach. Free will donation.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: What teaching of Jesus do I find is most important for me to follow?

Child: What is one good deed that I can do this week to make me a better follower of Jesus?

Teen: What can I do this week to show my faith in my actions more fully to others?

The 'Class of 1965' St. Joseph Grammar School is searching for missing classmates for rendezvous 6-21-08 in Long Beach, to plan class reunion for 2009. Seeking any information on classes two years above and below class of 1965. Contact: Diane Cannon Robetcky, 951-302-8702, Chris Haddad, 925-680-7280, or Dan Meylor - 562-429-2077.

Connelly High School - Summer Information Night, Tuesday, **June 10, 6:30 pm.** all girls Catholic college preparatory high school, 2323 W. Broadway, Anaheim, 714-776-1717 ext. 234.

Coed Basketball Camp at St. John Bosco High School Gym, **June 16 - 19, 6:00 - 8:30 pm,** for students entering grades 4 - 8. For camp information or brochure, please contact Jeanne Pantuso, 252-6469 or 920-1734 ext. 250.

A Family Retreat: C.S. Lewis - July 25-27, St. Andrew's Benedictine Abbey in Valyermo. Includes Bible study for families, hearing the stories of C.S. Lewis, face painting, prayer, and other activities. Some activities will be for the whole family together, others will be for specific age groups. Children should be at least 5 years old, teen program as well. Singles, those without children, and grandparents welcome! For more information, please call Victoria Dendinger, 949-219-1408.

Camp Mariastella, a residential camp for girls in Wrightwood, in the San Gabriel Mountains, is accepting applications for campers, girls ages 7-15, who would love to have a really great week at Summer Camp. Also recruiting young women, at least 17, to work as summer camp counselors. Looking for nurses too who would like to volunteer for one week. Please call for more information, 818-285-1555 or campmariastella@aol.com.



Larger sizes are preferred for the **Diaper-A-Baby** weekend. Please bring diapers to the tables outside of church. **HELP NEEDED!** We need volunteers to shop for food items the Move-

ment uses to make sandwiches and lunches for St. Francis Center and Catholic Charities. This is a rotating position, not every week. Please call for more details.

June 7 - We are gaining a **Deacon** today - Tom Halliwell. A BIG St. Joe welcome!

June 7-8 - Diaper-A-Baby Weekend for Catholic Charities

July - Wrap up meeting with board, date to be announced.

We are looking for your comments: call 430-5839 or email: pakengr@verizon.net.

Please keep using the **BLUE** "Skip-a-Meal" Envelopes. Your donations are **so appreciated**, they fund our programs! Make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: Skip-A-Meal.

Thank you again for all you do and share with our needy brothers/sisters in LB!! John and Jan Minter 430-5839.

Hospice Touch is searching for volunteers 18+

Are you searching for a place to share your care & compassion? Hospice volunteers provide emotional and social support to those with a limited life expectancy through friendly visits, or by making gifts such as blankets, pretty pillow cases, pillows, night gowns or slippers. Bilingual volunteers are in great need to support our patients. Free training is scheduled on four Wednesdays, **June 4 - 25**, from **9 am - noon** at Talbert Medical Group, 2929 Palo Verde Ave. When training is completed, assignments are made within 15 miles from the volunteer's home. For information, or to register, please call Ginger Askew, 866-553-5553 or email gaskew@hospicetouch.com.

Pathways Volunteer Hospice training, four Tuesdays, **June 10 - July 1, 6:45 - 8:30 pm**, 3300 South St, Suite 206, Long Beach. Pathways provides compassionate care to those living with an illness or loss. We invite you to be a part of our mission in one or all of the following areas: Care Giver, Bereavement, and/or Hospice Programs. To sign up for training or for more information, please contact Donna Baranyay, 562-531-3031.

Interfaith Cafes Sundays, 2 - 5 pm:

June 22, St. Margaret Mary Catholic, 25511 Eshelman Ave., Lomita
July 20, Grace First Presbyterian, 3955 Studebaker Rd. Long Beach
August 17, Pacific Unitarian, 5621 Montemalaga Dr., Rancho Palos Verde.

Safeguard the Children - Fingerprinting Schedule

For all those who still need to be fingerprinted for volunteering with our parish children, here is the list of sites in our San Pedro Region. Please call for an appointment:
June 6 - St. Barnabas, Long Beach, 562-988-6855
June 13 - Ss. Peter & Paul, Wilmington, 310-834-5574

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 31

5:00 PM - † Emil DeHoff

SUNDAY, June 1

7:30 AM - † Patrick McIntyre

9:00 AM - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 AM - Cliff Lowen, living

12:30 PM - † Robert Ramstead

MONDAY, June 2

8:00 AM - † Joe Eno

TUESDAY, June 3

8:00 AM - † Joe Peterson

WEDNESDAY, June 4

8:00 AM - † Joaquin Reveles

THURSDAY, June 5

8:00 AM - † Rita DePasse

FRIDAY, June 6

8:00 AM - † Mary P. Allen

SATURDAY, June 7

5:00 PM - † Botelho Salvati families

SUNDAY, June 8

7:30 AM - † Jerry Jelnick

9:00 AM - Thea & Jack Johnson, living

10:30 AM - Cliff Lowen, living

12:30 PM - St. Joseph Parishioners

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
Scott Williams	Justin Ray
Timothy Ring	Hoang-Long Tran
Chris Shaw	Kenneth Mack McDonald

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.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive - Sunday, June 1, from 7:30 - 2. Please stop by and help someone in need. For more information, please call Pat Murach, 342-4238.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene & Marjorie Dryer, Stacey Cormier, Jeanne Sexton, Bert Willis, Mary Mariano, Margaret DeRuyter, Hugo Jorda, Jim Correira, Sharon Conroy, Cliff Lowen, Joy Mann, Ginny Kennebeck, Nancy Vandrosek, Richard Parent, Marlene Muccino, James Clinton, Aurel Demian, Daniele Pieters, Josephine Keller, David Dresnick, Lainie Probst, Bobby Knight, Dick Kocivar, Conrado Uyan, Skyler Weinberg, Joanne Wilson, Haydee Koppenheffer, Jake DeRuyter, Maria Luisa Garcia, Rosanna Antore, Don Miller, Tracey Rossello, Kristen Tuasonand, Alexi, Karl Parize, Marty Vezzetti, Elijha Carbonell and Kit Escoto VanWyk.

LITURGY

DIRECTOR of LITURGY	Fr. William	594-4657
ALTAR CARE	Mary Jelnick	429-2529
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION	Gene Ensich	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
SECRETARIES	Vera Feliciani & Bridget Paluska
PTO PRESIDENT	Nancy Gallegos

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	Marianna Wescott	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
	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

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Phil Gray	425-4301
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WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
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FAMILY ROUND TABLE	Marianne Schaeffer	594-8678
MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	John & Jan Minter	430-5839
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Dave Desmond	429-3316
RESPECT LIFE COUNCIL	Michelle Needham	714-618-1743
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
CUB SCOUTS	Douglas Alchorn	594-9407
BOY SCOUTS	Bill Higbee	425-6124

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