



From the Pastor's Desk:

Here is an amazing statement: We are God's people, the sheep of his flock. To our ancestors in the desert God said, "You shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people." God speaks those words to us now.

Really. We can hug those words to ourselves and know we are loved.

In an earlier Gospel passage, we heard Jesus call his apostles, choosing them to be his special friends, to follow him, to come and see where he lived. Perhaps they had some time to hug his call to themselves and feel special. However, in today's Gospel they found out what their call involved - they were given authority; they were given orders. Finally, they were given the bottom line: You got everything from God as a free gift. Now you are to give everything you can without expecting anything in return.



From Deacon Don's Desk:

"JOY is the most infallible evidence of the existence of God"Tielhard de Chardin

What joy filled this past weekend! Saturday we celebrated the ordination of 19 new deacons to the LA Archdiocese. You already know our deacon couple, Tom and Pat Halliwell were among them.

There was true joy that day. It did not end there: Tom and Pat's thanksgiving Mass on Sunday at 12:30 saw St. Joseph Church packed. The joy overflowed with the beautiful singing by the youth group. Tom and Pat are not new to the parish but none-the-less a breath of fresh air to our parish in a different way; Tom has already "hit the ground running" by expanding "Tom's Team" - outreach to the disadvantaged. You will hear more about that later.

I was inspired by the number of parishioners that came to the last Eucharistic Adoration. We had easily three times our normal attendance! I encourage all of you who read this message to continue to visit our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. It's the perfect time to be quiet with the Lord. Fr. Scott once said, "Without silence, you keep the door closed to God." Come, He summons you, He beckons you. Be still and let your heart rest in Him. We closed with Benediction - the special blessing at the end of Eucharistic Adoration.

Sunday's Gospel says it all: "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." Mt 10:8

Our Prayer: Lord, be near to all who call upon you in truth and increase the dedication of all priests and deacons and all your people who revere You. Hear our prayer that we may always love and serve you in the disadvantaged. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

Rest In Peace
Died in Christ:
Rosanna Antore
John Rubly



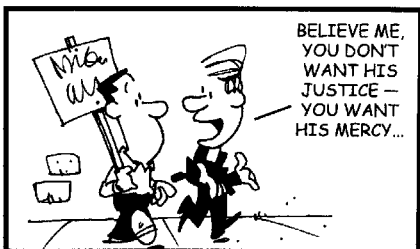
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42
- Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48
- Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15
- Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt 6:19-23
- Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34
- Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

The Ordination and Mass of Thanksgiving were incredibly grace-filled, and the reception after Mass was awesome. Thank you for your prayers, cards and gifts. We are overwhelmed by your outpouring of love and support. We look forward to serving you as a diaconate couple.
Love, Pat and Tom Halliwell

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
(Based on today's Bible readings)
Adult: How do I respond to Christ's call to witness to the world?
Child: This week what will I do to make others feel more cared for and loved?
Teen: How can I continue Jesus' mission and ministry this week?

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Small Church Community

Scripture Focus - In today's Gospel Jesus sends his disciples out and tells them how to act as his messengers. Jesus' response to the crowds in need of shepherding is to authorize his disciples to extend his own healing. Although here they are told not to preach to non-Jews, later in Matthew's Gospel Jesus will commission his disciples to "go and make disciples of all nations" (28:19). But this will not take place until after the Resurrection. In these early sections of the Gospel, the emphasis is on healing rather than teaching.

Life Focus - * Speak of a time when it became clear to you that you could make a difference to another. How did you do it? * *When did you feel overwhelmed by life's demands and didn't know where to seek help?* * Relate an experience when someone helped you to recognize your worth and value.

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.

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. For additional information, please call the religious education office, **598-0519**.

Peter's Pence Collection will be taken up **June 29**. Your generosity helps the Holy Father continue his pastoral care for the Church, share the gospel message throughout the world, and assist victims of disaster. Envelopes are in your envelope packet as well as in the pews.

Mary and Joseph Retreat Center**Private Retreat Opportunities in Silence:**

Week of **July 7-11** and Week of **July 21-25**

During these two weeks of summer, we welcome those who wish to make a silent, private retreat. Come and refresh yourself while enjoying our sacred grounds. For information, call Sydne, 310-377-4867 x 258. Cost: \$80 for each night's stay including three meals.

**Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship:
A Call to Political Responsibility Workshop**

Sponsored by the Office of Justice & Peace, Joan Rosenbauer from the US Bishops' Conference will explain the Bishops' message & ways to promote this statement in the community. **July 2**, 7-9 pm, Blessed Sacrament Church, 6657 W. Sunset, Hollywood. For reservations, please contact Sr. Gail Young, 213-637-7690 or email: srgyoung@la-archdiocese.org. Please RSVP by **June 27**.



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 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 Puerta 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.

Attention: The 50+ Catholic Singles (divorced, separated, single, widowed), will meet on Sunday, **June 22** at **2 pm** in the conference room of St. Pancratius Church, 3519 St. Pancratius Pl., Lakewood. Info: Mary, 596-9449.

Interfaith Cafes Sundays, 2 - 5 pm:

June 22, St. Margaret Mary Catholic, 25511 Eshelman Ave., Lomita (co-host, South Bay Islamic Center)

July 20, Grace First Presbyterian, 3955 Studebaker Rd. Long Beach (co-host, Temple Israel)

August 17, Pacific Unitarian, 5621 Montemalaga Dr., Rancho Palos Verde (co-host Vedanta Society of L.A.)

These are opportunities for lay people and youth to learn from one another about how their faith impacts their daily life and about basic beliefs, celebrations, and values of different faith traditions. These conversations, over refreshments, enhance the ability to understand, respect and appreciate other religions. Come to one or all of them! Bring your friends and family.

National Catholic Singles Conference - Come join hundreds of Catholic single adults in San Diego, **June 27-29**. Nationally known speakers, live praise and worship, mixers, Mass, adoration, beach excursions, Saturday night dance social, and finding peace and strength in living the single life. For more information and to register, go to www.nationalcatholicsingles.com or call 858-490-8260.

Virtus Training will be held on **July 28** from **6-9pm** in the Parish Center for all volunteers including Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors and Sacristans. Please call the rectory office to sign up, 594-4657.

The **'Class of 1965'** St. Joseph Grammar School is searching for classmates for rendezvous 6-21-08 in Long Beach, to plan class reunion for 2009. Seeking 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.

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.

St. John Bosco Summer Camps June 23 - July 3 & July 7 - 17, 8 am to noon, 562-920-1734 x250. Wide variety of subjects in a fun atmosphere.

Summer Camp at Don Bosco Tech begins **June 30**. Boys and girls currently in 6, 7, or 8 grade may choose from a variety of courses. For information call 626-940-2011 or visit their website at www.boscotech.edu.

Come join the fun at St. Joseph High School's Nationally Accredited Summer Day Camp for children grades K-8, **June 23 through July 25**, 7:30 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday, \$150 per session due on first day of each session, or \$650 for all 5 sessions. Extended day care offered for additional fee from 3 to 5 pm. Academic opportunities, tutoring in various subjects, arts and crafts, a variety of sports activities. Fun filled trips, snacks, drinks and a T-shirt. For info and application please call 562-925-5073 ext 882. **Camp is where lives are changed!!**

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.



What a weekend our parish had last week! Our new deacon couple was ordained on Saturday, Deacon Tom's first Mass on Sunday, and the Diaper drive for Catholic Charities and New

Life Beginnings. The coincidence ... Tom and Pat helped found the Movement for a Better World about 20 1/2 years ago. Thanks for your leadership and thanks for joining our parish now as our new deacon!

Results of the Diaper-A-Baby Drive on June 8: \$936.60 cash donations, 2,611 diapers donated, three 13 gallon bags of miscellaneous baby products collected, all thanks to the generosity of the St. Joseph Parishioners!!!

Please join Tom's Team: Deacon Tom has an email list of people who are interested in providing furniture or other assistance to those who otherwise would not be able to afford it. If you would like to join Tom's Team, please email Tom at patandtom@charter.net.

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

We are looking for your comments: call 430-5839 or email: pakengr@verizon.net. Have a safe summer, at home or not.

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.

Did You Know? Most people who hold positions of trust in Catholic institutions are mandated by California state law to report child abuse. Teachers, teacher's aides and counselors in our schools, therapists and social workers in our counseling agencies, nurses and doctors in hospitals, and clergy in parishes or other ministries all have the obligation to report the reasonable suspicion of child abuse to the local police or to child protective services. When any of these people know of or have reasonable suspicion of abuse, they report it to the appropriate police or protective agency. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

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, June 14

5:00 PM - † Mary Jane Merk

SUNDAY, June 15

7:30 AM - † John Anselmo
 9:00 AM - St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 AM - Father's Day Novena
 12:30 PM - † Julia C. Dizon

MONDAY, June 16

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

TUESDAY, June 17

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, June 18

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

THURSDAY, June 19

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

FRIDAY, June 20

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

SATURDAY, June 21

5:00 PM - Father's Day Novena

SUNDAY, June 22

7:30 AM - Bernie & Chris Hodowski, Anniversary
 9:00 AM - Father's Day Novena
 10:30 AM - † David Gould
 12:30 PM - St. Joseph Parishioners

Respect Life is looking for your talents, skills, and time. If you would like to become a member of the Respect Life Committee please contact Michelle Needham, 714-618-1743.

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 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.

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 Kocevar, Conrado Uyan, Skyler Weinberg, Joanne Wilson, Haydee Koppenheffer, Jake DeRuyter, Maria Luisa Garcia, Don Miller, Tracey Rossello, Kristen Tuasonand, Alexi, Karl Parize, Marty Vezzetti, Eljha Carbonell, Kit Escoto VanWyk and Maureen McDonough.

LITURGY

DIRECTOR of LITURGY	Fr. William	594-4657
ALTAR CARE	Mary Jelnick	429-2529
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USHERS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
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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

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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	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

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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