



From the Pastor's Desk:

For many years, and sometimes even now, people have called this the feast of the *Poor Souls in Purgatory*. Nothing wrong with the word purgatory - it is a church doctrine that souls of the dead who are not yet ready for

heaven, but are not condemned to hell, experience a time of purgation before they reach heaven. Emphasizing purgatory as a place of punishment and deprivation led us to call the souls waiting there "poor."

But these faithful departed souls are not poor at all! Read the Scriptures for this feast day! The faithful departed are "in the hand of God ... they are in peace." Jesus himself assures us, "I will not reject anyone who comes to me." Rejoice with these faithful departed and continue to pray that they will soon complete their journey to heaven!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Thursday, November 6, 6-8 pm



From Deacon Don's Desk:

Deacon Don and Tina will be back when you read this and they ask that you mark your calendar for **November 6** for EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION. The Missionaries of Charity give up so much of their lives for service to the poorest of the poor. We will focus our **intentions** that night for the safety of all missionaries as they bring the Good News of God's love to the suffering & hungry children of the world.

Our Prayer: Father, direct our elected leaders according to Your will and help them to keep us in peace. Direct all the world leaders not to give attention solely to the needs of their own nation but give them, above all, a respect and deep concern for all people **including** those just conceived. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Alicia Attardo



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14
- Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24
- Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10
- Friday: Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Lk 16:1-8
- Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15
- Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

ProLife Prayer Group Mondays, 7:30 pm, in the church. For questions or info, please call Michelle 714-618-1743.

Concern America will be here next week, Nov. 9, selling their free trade goods. Get a head start on Christmas!

Salvation History
Mark your calendars for Wednesday, **November 5** for Scott Hahn's overview of the Hebrew Scripture. The time is **7 pm** in the PAC and there will be refreshments. This series will help you to enter more fully into the liturgical worship of the Church, in other words, help us appreciate the preparation for the coming of Christ in the Eucharist.



Altar Servers

Altar Server Training - Nov. 13, 6-7:30 pm in the church. For more information please call Ann Crowley 594-7575.



VOTE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
7:00 AM TO 8:00 PM

10 Great Dates - Remember: We will be meeting next Sunday, **November 9** at **3 pm** in the PAC for Date/Chapter 3. New couples are welcome to join us anytime. Contact Wendy Thomas, 429-0161, for more information.

ALL SOULS



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
(Based on today's Bible readings)
Adult: How has my developing faith impacted my understanding of death?
Child: What are my favorite stories about the saints?
Teen: What comfort do I find in Jesus' promise to lose no one the Father has given him and to raise up all who believe in him?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacrament Program: The first Parent/Child Workshop for our **Year 1** families will be held on Sunday, **Nov. 16**, from **2 - 3:30 pm** in the hall.

Middle School: There will be **no class** on Tuesday, **November 11**, due to Veteran's Day.

Confirmation: Next session is Sunday, **November 9** starting with the **12:30 pm Mass**. Candidates will go to the hall at 1:30 until 3:30pm.

Year 2: Rite of Commitment will take place on Sunday, **November 16**, at the **12:30 Mass**. Candidates and sponsors are required to attend this liturgy.

Early Childhood: Sign up NOW for the 2008-2009 year! Registration forms are 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.

Thank You!! Thank You!!

Thanks to all those who participated in the Autumn Festival & Barbecue last weekend. Everyone had a great time and the weather was perfect! Special thanks to those who were our cooks, servers, and clean-up crew. Our first year Confirmation candidates did a great job with games and cleaning up. Thanks to those who purchased items and gave donations. We were able to cover the costs of food and other items with a little left over for the religious education fundraiser account.

In preparation for Advent and the Holidays, St. Bernard Church, Bellflower, is inviting everyone to attend a three night Parish Mission, **Nov. 17-19, 7 pm**. The theme for the mission is "Forgiveness in Christ" presented by Fr. Jack Gibson from St. Dominic Savio. For more information, please call St. Bernard Church, 867-2337.

Marriage Encounter Movement of California invites married couples to a spiritually-filled and Christ centered marriage encounter weekend, at The Holy Spirit Retreat Center, Encino, CA, **Nov. 7-9**. For more information, please contact Tony/Guing Ramos, 213-627-7330.

Catholic Apologetics Class - Have you been confronted at work or at school by friends or other well meaning people who want to know "have you been saved?" Or maybe, why do you pray to Mary, call priests "Father," or believe you need to confess your sins to a priest? Come join us in the PAC as we learn how to defend these and many more challenges to our faith. Evening classes will be offered on every other Tuesday starting **Nov. 4, 7 pm**, morning classes will be on every other Monday starting **Nov. 10, 9:30 am**. Bring your bible and your questions. Maybe we will learn a little more about our faith along the way. Questions? Contact Richard Dana, 420-9976.



St. Joe's Social Seniors Group

We need new blood! Come join us.

Everyone is welcome - any age.

November 3 - Some of us will be cruising, but our games and fun will go on.

Come one, come all to the 10th anniversary of our group on Nov. 17. We are extremely honored to have Bishop J. Sartoris officiate at a Mass for us at 11 am, with Fr. Will concelebrating. After Mass we will have a small lunch at noon and continue with our regular games. Cost of lunch is \$5. This money will be collected at the Nov. 3 social.

Special Note: Anyone who took photos at our party please get copies to Olga for our book. Give us a bill and we will pay you. Thanks!

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

A.C.C.W.

Just a reminder, our 61st annual conference, "Going Forward with Faith, Hope & Love," will be held in the City of Industry on Monday, **Nov. 3**. A bus will be leaving from St. Dominic Savio Church. The keynote speaker will be Father George Reynolds, associate pastor of St. Barnabas Church, Long Beach. He is currently serving as Moderator of the Southeastern District of A.C.C.W. For more information, contact Virginia Souza, 596-6048.

CASINO TRIP to Harrah's Rincon casino sponsored by St. Pius X, Y.L.I. Friday, **Nov. 14, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm**. Donation \$16. Reservations: Mary Brown, 562-598-0842.

A Ministry for Married Couples - Looking for a way to share the many blessings of married life? Engaged Encounter needs couples to help minister to engaged couples. **No experience necessary** and free training is provided! If you would like to share what you have learned as a married couple and meet a terrific community of married couples, please consider this ministry. For more information, please call Tom and Diane Krause, 310-316-4857 or visit our website, www.CEEofLA.org.

Protecting God's Children

Adult Awareness Session/Creating Safe Environments
Virtus Training is mandated by the Archdiocese for all volunteers including Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors and Sacristans. For those who missed the previous sessions, Virtus Training will be held again on **November 17** from **7 - 10 pm** in the Parish Center. Please call the rectory office to sign up, 594-4657.

12th Annual Memorial Mass

The month of November has always been a special time for remembering in prayer our loved ones who have died. As this time approaches, we would like to support those who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

We invite you, your family and friends to join with the St. Joseph community for our twelfth annual Memorial Mass to be celebrated in our church on Sunday, **November 2 at 4:00 pm** (All Souls Day). The name of your loved one will be inscribed on our Scroll and in our Parish "Book of Life" and each will remain on display in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for the month of November.

Following the Mass, there will be a "Potluck" in our parish hall. Please bring a dish (hot or cold) for approximately 6 people. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 2. For further information, please call Nancy 429-2546, or Pat 799-0921.

St. Anthony High School, the only Catholic, co-educational, college preparatory high school in Long Beach will be holding their Admissions Info Night on Wednesday **Nov. 5** at 6:30 pm. Open Houses will be on Sunday **Nov. 23** and **Jan. 11**. For info: 562-435-4496 or www.longbeachsaints.org.

What Happens After Death & Why It Matters Today! With Dominic Berardino, Saturday, **November 8, 10 am - 3:30 pm**, Visitation parish hall, 6561 W. 88th St., L.A. For info, call SCRC, 818-771-1361 or visit www.scrc.org.

Comments, Suggestions, etc. - We are interested in what you have to say. Do you have comments, suggestions, praise, or constructive criticism? Would you like to volunteer in one of our ministries? You may contact the Parish Council chair listed in the bulletin, drop us a note in the suggestion box located in the hallway between the church and the school, or send us an email via our website: www.stjosephparishcommunity.com.

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
- I would like to learn about becoming a Catholic
- I would like information about Religious Education

Please drop in the collection basket or rectory mailbox.



Homeless Kits - Envelopes will be on the cross in the back of church. Fill the bag in the envelope with items from the list enclosed and return to church.

Mark Your Calendars:

Nov. 1 & 2: Return the Homeless Kits back to church.

Nov. 5: MBW meeting in the PAC, 7:30 pm. If you need a ride, give us a call! All are welcome. Bring your ideas!

Nov. 8 & 9: NEW Blanket Drive, deliver to church.

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New Life Beginnings in Long Beach - they have been helping young women and their babies for 24 years! Unfortunately, the pipes leaked and the damage repair has already cost \$120,000. Call us for information on how to help them. Please, the bills are coming in!

Please join "Tom's Team." Deacon Tom has a list of people who are interested in providing furniture and other assistance to those who cannot afford it. Email Deacon Tom at patandtom@charter.net, or call Tim, 431-4385 or John/Jan.

YOUR BLUE ENVELOPES ARE SO APPRECIATED as they fund our giving programs. **Make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: SKIP-A-MEAL.** Call us to get involved for our 22nd year! Thank you again for all you do and share with our needy brothers and sisters in Long Beach.

John and Jan Minter 430-5839.

Did You Know? Test your knowledge of abuse prevention. True or false. It is common for both child & adult victims of sexual assault to wait some time before telling someone about the abuse. **True.** When the person was assaulted as a child, he or she may wait years. The reasons for this are numerous: victims may want to deny the fact that someone they trusted could do this to them; they may want to just put it behind them; they may believe the myth that they caused the assault by their behavior; or they may fear how people will react to the truth. For information on learning how you can help ensure the safety of children. Please visit: www.la-archdiocese.org. For particular help, call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

The Weekend College at Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles will be hosting a Spring Semester Information Session, **Nov. 15, 10:30 am to noon**, 10 Chester Place, Los Angeles, for working adults wishing to return to college and complete their degree. Eight bachelor's degrees are offered. For information or to make a reservation, please call Malika Gary, 213-477-2866, or visit www.weekendcollege.org.

Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of St. Paul - Italy, Greece, Turkey & a 3 day cruise of the Greek Islands, Mar. 12-25, 2009. Chaplain, Fr. Michael Philen, CMF. Cost: \$4678 includes taxes, tips, meals and a shore excursion in Patmos. Please call Janice Herlihy, 594-6357 or Blaine Kramer, 598-4551, for more information.

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, November 1**
 5:00 PM - All Souls Novena
- SUNDAY, November 2**
 7:30 AM - St. Joseph Parishioners
 9:00 AM - † Deceased members of Munda & Reyes families
 10:30 AM - All Souls Novena
 12:30 PM - † John DeRuyter
- MONDAY, November 3**
 8:00 AM - All Souls Novena
- TUESDAY, November 4**
 8:00 AM - All Souls Novena
- WEDNESDAY, November 5**
 8:00 AM - All Souls Novena
- THURSDAY, November 6**
 8:00 AM - All Souls Novena
- FRIDAY, November 7**
 8:00 AM - All Souls Novena
- SATURDAY, November 8**
 5:00 PM - All Souls Novena
- SUNDAY, November 9**
 7:30 AM - All Souls Novena
 9:00 AM - † Magdalena Calderon
 10:30 AM - St. Joseph Parishioners
 12:30 PM - † Celia Ponce

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 | Chris Shaw |
| Kenneth Mack McDonald | Adam Mariano |
| Lynne Norris | |

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.

WEEKLY OFFERING



Last Sunday: \$10,112

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene & Marjorie Dryer, Stacey Cormier, Jeanne Sexton, Bert Willis, Mary Mariano, Hugo Jorda, Jim Correira, Sharon Conroy, Joy Mann, Nancy Vandrosek, Richard Parent, Marlene Muccino, James Clinton, Aurel Demian, Daniele Pieters, Josephine Keller, David Dresnick, Bobby Knight, Conrado Uyan, Skyler Weinberg, Haydee Koppenheffer, Maria Luisa Garcia, Tracey Rossello, Kristen Tuasonand, Alexi, Karl Parize, Elijha Carbonell, Kit Escoto VanWyk, Maureen McDonough, Arin Zack, Msgr. Marc Trudeau, Mike Santy, Stormy Leiva, Gloria Castaneda, Tom Burke, Bobby Rubly, Betty Chappell, Mary Harding, Phyllis Hernandez, Elizabeth Jackson, Justin Ferriese, Paul Gordon, Elizabeth Jackson, Virginia Souza, Jon Zack, Betty Galaz and Gloria Gonzales.

LITURGY

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| DIRECTOR of LITURGY | Fr. William | 594-4657 |
| ALTAR CARE | Mary Jelnic | 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

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| PRINCIPAL | Brid Considine |
| VICE-PRINCIPAL | Carole Dellavalle |
| SECRETARIES | Bridget Paluska |
| PTO PRESIDENT | Nancy Gallegos |

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 | 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

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| 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

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| Nancy Miller | 429-2546 |
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| PASTORAL COUNCIL | Phil Gray | 425-4301 |
| FINANCE COUNCIL | Randall Ely | 430-0142 |
| | rely5@verizon.net | |
| WEBSITE COORDINATOR | Mike Santy | 799-0660 |
| | msanty@verizon.net | |
| | www.stjosephparishcommunity.com | |
| 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 | Tom Neton | 429-2030 |
| BOY SCOUTS | Bill Higbee | 425-6124 |

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