



From the Pastor's Desk:

The Holy Spirit has many titles and images. In John 15:26, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as the *Advocate*. This is an image that is more practical than poetic. The Holy Spirit comes as one who speaks on behalf of someone else.

This Spirit will speak words that Jesus could not speak, because the disciples were not yet ready. Jesus tells us the Spirit will speak the truth to us when we are able to bear it. The Holy Spirit does not only speak on behalf of Jesus, but also speaks on our behalf. The Spirit will give us the words we need to use to proclaim Jesus is the Lord and the prayers we need to pray when we find that we do not know how to pray. The church was born the day the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, because only then could the good news be proclaimed, only then could the truth be spoken, only then did they find the words to speak. The church is reborn in us each time we are guided by the Holy Spirit to speak the truth about God's saving love in Christ Jesus.


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Mk 12:1-12
- Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17
- Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Mk 12:28-34
- Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37
- Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44
- Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33; Rom 8:14-17
Mt 28:16-20

***Congratulations to Father Ford
on the occasion of his
60th Anniversary of priesthood!***

PENTECOST SUNDAY
THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE GIFT OF THE FATHER





EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Thursday, June 4, 6-8 pm



From Deacon Don's Desk:

In the priests' "Office" the week before Pentecost, St. Cyril of Jerusalem says, "...why did Christ call the grace of the Spirit water? Because all things are dependent on water; plants and animals have their origin in water. Water comes down from heaven as rain, and though it is always the same in itself, it produces many different effects, one in the palm tree, another in the vine, and so on through all creation. It does not come down, now as one thing, now as another, but remaining essentially the same, it adapts itself to the needs of each creature that receives it. In the same way the Holy Spirit apportions grace to each as he wills. The Spirit makes one a teacher of divine truth, enables another to interpret holy Scripture. The Spirit strengthens self-control and shows another how to help the poor. His action is different in each person, but the Spirit himself is always the same. The Spirit comes with the tenderness of a true friend: to save, heal, strengthen, teach, counsel, and console. All for the common good. The Holy Spirit enables us to see things beyond the range of human vision, things hitherto undreamed of."

Read and re-read this Sunday's 2nd reading, 1 Cor. **Our Prayer:** Lord Jesus, grant us Your Spirit with His gifts of knowledge, love, joy, patience, generosity, faith, mildness and chastity. May these gifts enable me to discern Your teaching and act according to Your will. Amen.

Small Church 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? * *How are we developing together with other laypersons a mission of liberation in our everyday life?* * 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 unfor-giveness or your own. Describe how you felt when you were forgiven or when you could forgive. * *What causes you to lock your "inner door"?*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary Program & Middle School: Our programs are completed for this school year. We wish to thank all the wonderful catechists who have shared their faith these past months. Also, thank you to the parents and youth who have volunteered as aides in the classrooms and helpers with our various community activities.

Fall registration forms will be mailed in the next couple of weeks to those who were registered this past school year and new families who have contacted our office. Please complete and return by **July 10**. For further information, please call the religious education office, **598-0519**.

Early Childhood: Our regular year runs September - April. Sign up NOW for the 2009-2010 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, 430-6840, for more info.

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.

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Just a reminder that every Sunday at the **9:00 am Mass** all children, ages **Kg. through 6th grade**, are invited to our **Liturgy of the Word with Children**. The children are dismissed during the readings and homily with our adult catechists to experience the readings on their level.

We encourage parents to participate as observers and request parental supervision for those younger than the age of 5. Anyone wishing to volunteer as a catechist for this very rewarding ministry, please contact the religious education office, **598-0519**.

Confirmation

Our 2nd Year Candidates will be confirmed today at the **12:30 pm Mass**. The celebrant will be Bishop Oscar Solis.

Adult Confirmation

Classes begin **Sept. 13** at Our Lady of Refuge, Long Beach, and go through December. If you are interested in attending, please contact our religious education department, for requirements and information, 598-0519.

Vacation Bible Camp

Registration forms are now available in the school, rectory & religious education office for our Vacation Bible Camp which takes place here at St. Joseph's the week of **July 6 - 10**. Our theme this year is "Son Rock Kid's Camp" & we meet from **9 am to 12 noon** each day. Children entering K - 6 this Fall are eligible to attend. Students entering grades 7 and 8 and high school may participate as teen helpers. Fee is discounted if received by **June 8**. For further information, please call the religious education office, 598-0519.



St. Joe's Social Seniors Group

Please note - we have 3 meetings in June.

June 1, 15, & 29 - Regular fun, games and blah, blah.

Canadian Trip has been cancelled.

New Trip Info: 3 days, 2 nites, **June 30 - July 2**, "Carl's Country Western Party," Riverside Hotel in Laughlin. Package includes 2 breakfast buffets, one buffet of choice, transportation, baggage & room tax, & bus driver tip, PLUS a big Live Country Western Party with music, dancing, western buffet, drawing for great prizes & free trip. Carl's Big Foot-Stomping Great Time Party. Cost **\$92 per person**, double occ or triple occ. \$112 single supplement. We will be collecting at June 1 meeting and all must be in by June 15 meeting. Call Olga for more info & reservations - Checks only please! Thanks.

Any questions on meetings, call Betty 596-8287 or Olga 596-6981.

Opportunity to Serve

Eucharistic Ministers visit our sick patients and bring them Eucharist at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center. This ministry is very rewarding and so beneficial for our very vulnerable Catholic people. We need more volunteers. If you can afford some time, even one hour per month, and you feel a call to this ministry, please call Sister Rita Carroll, 933-1455 (Mon., Tues., Wed.), or send her an email at rcarroll@memorialcare.org. Sister Rita will help you with preparation and find a suitable time for you.

Coming Soon - Meditation Prayer Group

We shall begin a **Meditation** prayer group in the near future. Fr. Frank Cassidy, who has been practicing and teaching meditation for a long time, will be here to explain the process and give guidance. Fr. Connor and Marie Gemma will be the facilitators for the group. Please plan to attend to find out how to become "one with God" and learn how to grow in your spiritual life. We plan to have guest speakers at some of the gatherings. For further information, please call Fr. Will at 594-4657.

Married Couples Retreat - July 10-12 at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center, Sierra Madre. Congregation of Passionists offer a time to be restored by the love of Christ. It's a gift of your time to your spouse, a special quiet time away from the world to rediscover how you are gifts to one another. Contact Deacon Don, 598-5202 for info.

Respect Life - Please join us the **2nd & 4th Monday** of every month @ **7:30pm** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to pray for our leaders and their impact on the future of life.

Blood Drive - The Knights of Columbus invites you to save lives at our Father's Day Blood Drive on Sunday, **June 21**, from 7 am to 1 pm in our St. Joseph hall. To make an appointment, please go to: www.givelife.org, our sponsor code is **St. Josephs**. For more information please contact Pat Murach, Blood Drive Chair, 596-9835.

Class of 1965 - St. Joseph School "44 years after" reunion, **June 27, 3-8 pm**, St. Joseph Church Hall, \$20 at the door includes finger food & soft drinks. Beer and wine also served. Dress casual. RSVP Chris Haddad 510-206-7280, or Diane Cannon Robetcky 951-302-8702 by June 14 please. Still seeking classmates - can you help us?

St. Joseph High School

Summer School - Two sessions, morning and afternoon, **June 22 - July 17**, review, enrichment, elective, athletic, \$225 per class. Please call 562-925-5073 x881.

Summer Day Camp - 5 weekly sessions, \$150 per session, **June 22 - July 24**. Please call 562-925-5073 x882.

**Connelly High School
Summer Information Night**

Tuesday, **June 16**, 6:30 pm. All girls Catholic college-preparatory high school, 2323 W. Broadway, Anaheim, 714-776-1717 ext. 234.

Don Bosco Technical Institute Summer Program!

June 29 - July 31 for all grade levels. For more details please contact Mr. Michael Smith, 626-940-2011 or msmith@boscotech.edu.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: What do I believe the Holy Spirit is calling us to become as Church and what gifts have we received for this mission?

Child: What did I learn about Jesus from today's Gospel?

Teen: When have I heard my inner voice or conscience guiding me to do what is right?

Did You Know? Child Protection is a Priority for the Church

The Catholic Church in the U.S. has made care for minors a key priority, with safe environment programs established in every diocese. Through these programs more than five million minors already have been educated on how to protect themselves from harm, and nearly two million adults have undergone background screening and training on appropriate relationships with youth in their care. To find out how you can help keep children safe, please call the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office, 213-637-7227. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

Diaper-A-Baby on June 6 & 7 for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings.



Special meeting June 17 to discuss Project Achieve and our end of year funds.

We need a volunteer to shop for lunch bag supplies for those who make over 200 sandwiches every Wednesday morning. Call Diane, 598-3441, or John.

YOUR SKIP-A-MEAL BLUE ENVELOPE donations provide for Project Achieve, Feed-A-Baby, Project Concern, weekly sandwiches for the hungry, and Holiday Food Baskets and ARE SO APPRECIATED!! Please **make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: SKIP-A-MEAL**. Thank you for your generosity and all you do and share!

Call about your "Tom's Team" donations and questions.

Tom: 799-0921. Let's Pay It Forward.

John & Jan Minter 430-5839.

Fingerprinting Schedule

The following dates are for the June fingerprinting schedule in the San Pedro Region for those who volunteer with our parish children. Please call for appointment:

June 10 - St. Philomena, Carson, 310-830-6180

June 12 - St. Philip Neri, Lynwood, 310-632-7179

June 13 - St. Bartholomew, Long Beach, 562-438-3826

"Till Death Do Us Part, Late Nite Catechism 3"

The Pastoral Care Department of Memorial Medical Center announces this hilarious interactive comedy, the latest, all-new sequel in the *Late Nite* series.

Hailed as the best yet, this evening of fun and laughter will be Saturday, **June 27**, at **7:30 pm** in Houssels Forum. Free parking, an opportunity drawing, and oh, lots of laughs. Tickets are available at **562-933-1460**. Act now and save \$5 per ticket at the special pre-event price.

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.

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, May 30**
 5:00 PM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
- SUNDAY, May 31**
 7:30 AM - † John Fay
 9:00 AM - † Annette Haddad
 10:30 AM - † Al & Marg Day
 12:30 PM - † Joseph McDonald
- MONDAY, June 1**
 8:00 AM - Cinthia Corella, living
- TUESDAY, June 2**
 8:00 AM - † Tina Correa
- WEDNESDAY, June 3**
 8:00 AM - † Parm Evans
- THURSDAY, June 4**
 8:00 AM - Yvonne Uehlin and family, living
- FRIDAY, June 5**
 8:00 AM - St. Joseph School Graduating Class
- SATURDAY, June 6**
 5:00 PM - † Mary P. Allen
- SUNDAY, June 7**
 7:30 AM - † Sr. Pete Claiver
 9:00 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 AM - † Cliff Lowen
 12:30 PM - † Matena Correa

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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| Amy Mann | Glen Warren |
| Nick Compton | Joseph Comfort |
| Irene Avila | Scott Williams |
| Justin Ray | Timothy Ring |
| Kenneth Mack McDonald | Adam Mariano |
| Chris Shaw | SSg. Rob Beckwell |
| Vincent Vezzetti | Kimberly Allen |
| Daniel O'Connell | Matthew Underwood |

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, Hugo Jorda, Joy Mann, Richard Parent, Marlene Muccino, Aurel Demian, Daniele Pieters, Josephine Keller, David Dresnick, Bobby Knight, Conrado Uyan, Skyler Weinberg, Tracey Rossello, Kristen Tuasonand, Alexi, Karl Parize, Elijha Carbonell, Kit Escoto VanWyk, Arin Zack, Msgr. Marc Trudeau, Stormy Leiva, Bobby Rubly, Betty Chappell, Elizabeth Jackson, Justin Ferriese, Virginia Souza, Jon Zack, Betty Galaz, Jean Boolish, Patricia Morand, Gayle Buol, Nicole Pisula-Stanton, Rosemary Doran, Marge Hamilton, Michelle Smith, Johnny & Cody LaRiccica, Barbara Hook, Christopher Moore, Merinda Bradshaw, Melody Schatz, Don Wassmuth, Marlene Sergeant, Leslie Day, Logan Pipler, Msgr. Tseu, Tony Schember, Javier Salinas, Tess Keckeisen & Danielle Carmody.

LITURGY

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| 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

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| PRINCIPAL | Brid Considine |
| VICE-PRINCIPAL | Carole Dellavalle |
| SECRETARIES | Bridget Paluska & Julie Gianessi |
| 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 |
| | Teri 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 | Tim Clark | 431-4385 |
| 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 | 922-5065 |
| SENIOR GROUP | Betty Maligie | 596-8287 |
| TOGETHER IN MISSION | Victoria Higgins | 597-6979 |
| KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS | Ron Steiner | 431-7703 |
| ENGAGED ENCOUNTER | Tom & Diane Krause | 310-316-4857 |
| | www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm | |
| MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER | Tom & Pat Halliwell | 799-0921 |
| NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING | Greg & Beth Gath | 377-5877 |
| SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN | Monica Munoz & Julie Gray | 598-0519 |
| PROJECT ACHIEVE | Tina Gath | 598-5202 |
| | Olga Cuda | 594-4657 |
| PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER | Greg Shea | 221-8673 |
| 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