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### From the Pastor's Desk:

God is truly with us. God wants to be with us, travels with us, has even become a human being and lived among us. As Moses says in today's first reading: "Did anything so great ever happen before?" The overarching theme and

mood of today's readings is awe. Yet, the awe expressed in the first reading and in the Gospel passage does not send us cowering at a distance from our amazing God. As St. Paul writes to Romans, we do not need to fall back into fear. We are God's adopted children. We can call God "Abba." On this day when we recall that God is three persons, a great mystery, an awesome Being, we none-theless can truly and authentically sing the responsorial psalm: "Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own." So what do *you* think: Did anything so great ever happen to you before?

## Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

#### **Louis Pantuso**



**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.

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

 Monday:
 2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12

 Tuesday:
 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16

 Wednesday:
 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37 Sunday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116; Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26







#### From Deacon Don's Desk:



I never thought a simple "It's nice to be remembered" could be so profound. You could sense that it came for the depths of Fr. Ford's being. But that's the way he prepares his homilies. Last Monday, the seniors, on behalf of St.

Joseph Parish, thanked Fr. Ford as June 1 marked the 20th anniversary of his assignment to your parish. This is one third of his priestly life! You see, he was ordained May 7, 1949. That day passed without fanfare. Betty Maligie, Olga Kocevar, Duane Studer, John Allison and Tim Clark presented him with a proclamation and a donation. Then they followed it up with coffee and cake in the hall. Fr. Will also acknowledged Fr Ford as our mainstay here at St. Joseph. We are blessed to have two priests to celebrate Eucharist for us. Thank you both!

**Our Prayer:** Father all-powerful, Christ Lord and Savior, Spirit of love, You reveal Yourself in the depths of our being. Draw us to share in Your life and Your love and to be near and serve the people formed in Your image. We ask this, Father, Son and Holy Spirit one in being forever and ever. Amen.

#### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: When will I take the time to pause and clearly ask

the Lord what he wants me to do?

Child: When I make the sign of the cross, what do I think

about?

Teen: How is God asking me to help someone in my

family or school?

Parents, please <u>always</u> accompany your children to the restroom during Mass. This is a safety precaution.

#### **Small Church Community**

Scripture Focus: Matthew tells us that the apostles now recognized Jesus in his risen life and they worship him. Jesus drew near to them as he always draws near to humankind. Having formed them as his disciples, he now send them forth in turn to make disciples of *all nations*. They are to baptize people in such a way that they will be seen as sons and daughters of God. The trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - describes an experience of the one, true God who creates, liberates and makes holy. Into this God, a community of persons, we are plunged by our Baptism.

Life Focus: \* How are you answering Jesus' call to be a disciple? \* Christ sends us to all peoples. Where do you find yourself too narrow in your approach to people, too limited by your upbringing? \* Describe a time when you "entertained doubts" about God. \* Tell of an experience when you felt your life was put together well. \* Relate an experience of struggling with something you felt was too much for you. How did you resolve it? \* How has your view about God changed during your lifetime? What caused the change?

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## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

<u>Elementary Program & Middle School:</u> 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. Sigh 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**.

#### **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.

Natural Family Planning - You are invited to attend a series of classes taught by the Couple to Couple League. You'll learn a method of family planning that is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. For more information call Greg and Beth Gath, 562-377-5877 or email at <a href="mailto:bethandgreg@verizon,net">bethandgreg@verizon,net</a>



#### **Marriage Encounter**

Your wedding was just one day in your life, but your marriage is forever. The weekend is a powerful experience for couples who believe that their Sacrament of Matrimony is a sign of love in a world

that hungers for stability and commitment. The next weekend scheduled is **July 17-19**. For more information, call Jacob & Sarah Flores, 562-923-7335 or go online at www.ilovemyspouse.org.

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.



# St. Joseph Senior Group

Please note - we have 3 meetings in June.

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

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.

Bus leaves promptly at 9:00 am. All money 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.

St. Cecilia's Luncheon will be held Tuesday, June 9. Please join us at noon at the El Dorado Golf Course Restaurant. Questions, please call Ruth, 431-0288.

# **Vacation Bible Camp**

Registration forms are now available in the school, rectory and 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.

## 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. We will meet in the church at 7pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month. We hope to begin July 7.

**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.

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## Congratulations

Congratulations to the following youth who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday, May 31:

Miranda Arciaga **Taylor Brodie Nicole Corrales Sydney Czaus Catherine Diego Edward Diego Kelly Donahue Brian Duggan** Kellyn Freire **Patrik Haley** Katie Jackson Alicia Jewell Jacquelyn Lopez Elizabeth Lyon **Catherine Martinez** Alexandra McBride Jake McNeil **Justin Mello** 

**Anneka Meyer Beatriz Ann Morris Rvan Narbutas Dana Nicholson Mallory Oates Zachary Palacios Christopher San Nicolas Brandon Schlack Kyle Shea Taylor Sparks Hugh VanCamp Anthony VanGuyse** Kayla Vanderlinden Julia Wallace **Joshua Ward** Skylar Weinberg **Tyler Wingfield** 

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

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

<u>Summer Day Camp</u> - 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.

#### "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.

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

Meeting June 17 to discuss Project Achieve and 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.

St. Joseph

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 & July 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

July 22 - St. Raymond, Downey, 562-923-4509

July 24 - St. Martha, Huntington Park, 323-585-5776

July 25 - St. John Fisher, Rancho Palos Verdes, 310-377-5571

Did You Know? Working Together to Prevent Child

**Abuse** - A hallmark of the Catholic Church is protection of life and dignity of all human persons. Working to prevent child abuse is what we are called to do as Church. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, please visit <a href="http://www.archdiocese.la/protecting/index.pip">http://www.archdiocese.la/protecting/index.pip</a>. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

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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 #:		
This is	Id like to register s a change of address and/or phone moving out of the parish Id like to learn about becoming a Catholic Id like information about Religious Education	
Please d	rop in the collection basket or rectory mailbox.	

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# Mass Intentions



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

MONDAY, June 8

8:00 AM - Paul, Lisa & Louise Dang, living

**TUESDAY, June 9** 

8:00 AM - † Joseph Pham

WEDNESDAY, June 10

8:00 AM - Lily Dang, Happy Birthday

THURSDAY, June 11

8:00 AM - Manh & Trang Dang family, living

FRIDAY, June 12

8:00 AM - Joseph Dang, Happy Birthday

SATURDAY, June 13

5:00 PM - † Julia Dizon

SUNDAY, June 14

7:30 AM - † Joaquin Reveles 9:00 AM - † Joseph & Maria Vu

10:30 AM - † Pat Murach

12:30 PM - Intentions of 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:

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

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 LaRiccia, 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 & Virail Terry.

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#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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MIDDLE SCHOOL	Virginia Young	598-0519
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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
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PLEASE SUBMIT NOTICES IN WRITING WITH NAME & PHONE