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# From the Pastor's Desk:

"Who do you think you are? And who do you think I am?" These are the questions God is asking each of us in today's first reading and Gospel. In the second reading, Paul claims that whoever is in Christ is "a new creation," & that

"the old things have passed away," and that "new things have come." However, true though we'd like this to be, we may not have changed all that much. Those first two questions still fit us quite as well as they did Job & the first disciples. Job wanted God to explain himself, and why he seemed to be treating Job so badly. The disciples wanted Jesus to prove himself so they could be sure they were safe. Now, today, how are we trying to second-guess God? Who do we think we are? Who do we think God is?

# **QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: How has experience taught me that Jesus is with

me in stormy times?

Child: How would I have felt if I were with Jesus and the

disciples during the storm?

Teen: What fear would I like the Lord to help me over-

come?

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

Monday: Gn 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17 Wednesday:

Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139; Acts 13:22-26;

Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 [6b-12, 15-16]; Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15: Mt 8:5-17

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30; 2 Cor 8:7, 9,

13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

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





#### From Deacon Don's Desk:

We've gone through the Easter season and what a "high" that is. We settle into the "ordinary" time. This is not "the commonplace," but "ordinary time" means we continue the "ordinal number" of the liturgical year. But June

doesn't quite let us down too hard for we have the celebrations of: Most Holy Trinity (6/7), Body & Blood (6/14), Sacred Heart of Jesus (6/19), Immaculate Heart of Mary (6/20) and the feast of Peter and Paul (6/29) which closes the year of St. Paul.

We now begin the "Jubilee Year of the Priest." It's no coincidence that the year begins on the feast of The Sacred Heart of Jesus. In Persona Christi: Pope Benedict XVI seeks to encourage "spiritual perfection in priests" and for our part to support them in these times of discord. This is where we come in: we need to recognize "the centrality of Christ leads to a correct valuation of ordained ministry; without priestly ministry, there would be no Eucharist, no mission & even no church" the Pope says. If you get to Mass early, pick up the Missal and pray the

"Prayer for Vocations." We will all as church say it after each Mass throughout the "Year of the Priest." And remember we are open to ideas in support of our priests. How about "Adopt-A-Priest"?

Our Prayer: Lord, You ordained Your priests to be ministers of Christ and stewards of Your many gifts. Watch over our priests and fill them with fidelity and wisdom and continue to deepen their love for You. Amen.

#### Happy and Blessed Father's Day to all our fathers!

**Wordnet Productions** presents a Catholic program: The Power of Love with Fr. Mike Manning, SVD, televised every Wednesday at 8:30 am on TBN, Channel 40. June 24 ~ Forgiveness MPowers - Stephen McEveety, Film Producer, the soul-searing impact of his latest film. "The Stoning of Soraya M," which opens June 26.

# **Small Church Community**

Scripture Focus: Today's Gospel tells us something about Mark's audience. He was writing to early Christians in Rome who were being persecuted and whose lives were upset and threatened. This situation is represented by the disciples being tossed about by the storm at sea. The Lord is in the boat, but he sleeps. The storm at sea represents the evil that God conquers. In the creation story in Genesis, God commands and brings order and calm. In the same way, Jesus quiets this storm. Jesus spends a lot of time with his disciples. But, they are a long way from understanding who he is - and a long way from trusting him in storms.

Life Focus: \* How does Jesus "calm the storm" in your personal life or small church community? \* Give an example of how you trusted others in your small church community. How did it affect you? \* What images of Jesus come from your own culture and grassroots experience? \* Tell a contemporary parable of the reign of God that speaks to people in today's world.

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# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Elementary Program & Middle School: Fall registration forms have been mailed to those who were registered this past year & new families who have contacted us. Please complete and return by July 10. For further information, please call the religious education office, 598-0519.

Early Childhood: Our year runs Sept. - April. Sign up NOW for the 2009-10 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.

**Is Your Dad in Heaven?** Father's Day is a special day to celebrate all fathers, including those who are now in heaven. **Say "Happy Father's Day" to your dad in heaven.** Come to the flagpole in the school courtyard, out the west-end doors of the church after Masses on Father's Day. Sign the poster-size <u>Happy Father's Day card</u> and give your dad a heavenly happy Father's Day!

In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. *John 14:2* 

### Vacation Bible Camp

Registration forms are in the school, rectory & religious education office for our Vacation Bible Camp 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. For further information, please call the religious education office, 598-0519.

# Women's Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House Sept. 11-13 - Theme: "God Alone Suffices"

This year's retreat is for any woman of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality, a time to rest and be refreshed in God. Now is the time to make your reservations by calling Madeline Majick, 596-6219, Marie Newton, 429-7939, or Tina Gath, 598-5202, to reserve a room.



#### Marriage Encounter

Your wedding was just one day, 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 info, 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 **29** - Regular fun, games and blah, blah, blah.

Laughlin Trip: 3 days, 2 nites, June **30** - July **2**.

Please bring bottled water and remember only 1 suitcase per person - we will be gone only 3 days.

"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.



# **SENIORS' SUMMER SCHEDULE:**

June 29, July 13 & 27, August 3 & 17

**Peter's Pence Collection** - Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection which allows the Holy Father to cast the light of Christ upon the world by providing emergency assistance to those who need it most around the globe. Please be generous once again.

#### **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.

# **Coming Soon - Meditation Prayer Group**

We shall begin a **Meditation** prayer group soon. Fr. Frank Cassidy, who has been practicing & teaching meditation for a long time, will be here to explain the process & give guidance. Fr. Connor and Marie Gemma will be the facilitators. 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 offers a time to be restored by the love of Christ. It is 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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**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.

Safe & Sane Fireworks Sale - The Knights of Columbus will be selling fireworks daily, 10 am to 10 pm starting Wednesday, July 1 - 4. The profits provide for scholarships and many acts of charity for our church, schools, & community. The fireworks stand is located on the corner of Woodruff Ave. and Harvey, just north of the Wienerschnitzel. Bring this announcement for 10% discount.

# The Life and Legacy of Cardinal Timothy Manning

Cardinal Timothy Manning served the Church of southern California for over 55 years. As Auxiliary Bishop and Archbishop of Los Angeles, he ordained 349 priests and confirmed approximately 650,000 people. June 23, 2009, marks the 20th anniversary of the death of this holy and faithful priest and servant of the Gospel.

To mark this occasion, Monsignor Clement Connolly, Pastor of Holy Family Parish and long time secretary for Cardinal Manning, will present a public lecture on the *Life and Legacy of Cardinal Timothy Manning*.

Sponsored by St. John's Seminary, this lecture is scheduled on **Tuesday**, **June 23 at 7:15 pm** in the parish hall at **Holy Family Church**, **South Pasadena**, 1527 Fremont Ave. (Fremont and Rollin Street). All are invited.

For further information, please contact St. John's Seminary Advancement Office at 805-389-2035 or <u>advancement@stjohnsem.edu</u>.

Did You Know? Keeping the Internet Safe for Your

Child - Teen girls who post photos online and teens who create social networking profiles report higher rates of online contact by people unknown to them than boys or teens who do not post photos or maintain social networking profiles. Keeping the Internet safe for your child is an important part of abuse prevention. The L.A. City Attorney's Child Abuse Policy Division staff is available to all public and private schools for presentation of Internet Safety programs. For more information or to request an Internet Safety presentation, please contact the Child Abuse Policy Division at 213-978-8095. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

#### Fingerprinting Schedule

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

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

Happy Father's Day!

Diaper-A-Baby Results!!! We split over 3500 diapers between Catholic Charities & New Life Beginnings. We took 250 to His Nest-



ing Place in North Long Beach. Thanks to our volunteers. We discussed the "new shelter" at our meeting.

Thanks to the volunteers who offered to help shop for lunch bag supplies for those who make over 200 sandwiches every Wednesday morning. Call Diane, 598-3441, or John. *Next* we need a family or group to oversee the Feed-A-Baby collection - only once a year.

Call about your "Tom's Team" donations and questions. Tom: 799-0921. Let's Pay It Forward.

YOUR SKIP-A-MEAL BLUE ENVELOPE donations 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! John & Jan Minter 430-5839.

#### "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.

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. Please RSVP Chris Haddad 510-206-7280, or Diane Cannon Robetcky 951-302-8702 by June 14. Still seeking classmates - can you help us?

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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 #:					
	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.					

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# Mass **Intentions**



SATURDAY, June 20

5:00 PM - † Botelho & Salvate families SUNDAY, June 21

7:30 AM - + John Anselmo

9:00 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 AM - Father's Day Novena 12:30 PM - † Martha Aimone

MONDAY, June 22

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

TUESDAY, June 23

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, June 24

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

THURSDAY, June 25

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

FRIDAY, June 26

8:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

SATURDAY, June 27

5:00 PM - Father's Day Novena

SUNDAY, June 28

7:30 AM - † John Fay

9:00 AM - Father's Day Novena

10:30 AM - † Maria & Dominico Dang

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,

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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