



From the Pastor's Desk:

We all love honors. In first grade it was the gold star that gave rise to a feeling of pride and accomplishment. Later, it might have been a trophy or a certificate. When we entered the workforce a promotion and a raise were the honors that suggested we were doing well. In a way, James and John were seeking a promotion. They come to Jesus knowing that they've been with him from the beginning (they were half of the first four). They witnessed his first preaching and his earliest miracles. With his commission they were sent out to preach in his name. And, along with Peter (Andrew gets left out) they had just witnessed Jesus' transfiguration. It's no wonder that James and John believe that they're on the inside track to greatness. But greatness with Jesus is not what we expect. The honor is to serve the needs of all.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9
 Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

October - Month of the Holy Rosary

The Tostado family invites you on Thursdays at 7:30 pm, 2604 Vuelta Grande Ave., to pray the Rosary for world peace led by Deacon Don. Respect Life says the Rosary every 2nd and 4th Monday in the church at 7:30 pm.

Altar Servers Needed

Calling all boys and girls fifth grade and above to Altar Server Ministry. If you are interested in serving at Mass, please contact Ann Crowley, 594-7575, or annbakercrowley@yahoo.com. Thank you!



Centering Prayer

Tuesday, October 20
 7:00 pm
 In the church



From Deacon Don's Desk:

I was surprised and humbled by this award. It's an award not for my accomplishments but reflects the **Christian** effort that brought about this defining moment. I do not feel that I deserved to be in the company of such true winners. It's shared by those most deserving of this award.

I mean the St. Joseph Golf Classic. Our foursome won first place. The likes of **Christian** Mesa who sank four straight putts to keep us in the "birdie" column. And dad, Tony, Ray Gallegos and Steve Mendoza could not have hit their drives any straighter. Maybe it was "lean times" as far as making a profit for the school but priceless when it came to weather, camaraderie and overall enjoyment. And we didn't need all of my mulligans!

Leftovers from last week's homily research: Thou shall not kill or steal; both of these can be meant to avoid evil talk. Evil talk or gossip can steal one's dignity or destroy one's character. Read Ephesians 4:29-32. Here is part of it: "Never let evil talk pass your lips; say only the good things one needs to hear, things that will help them. Do nothing that will sadden the Holy Spirit with whom you were sealed against the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, all passion and anger, harsh words, slander, and malice of every kind. In place of these be kind to one another, compassionate, and mutually forgiving, just as God has forgiven you in Christ."

Our Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, grant Your priests may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example as men of prayer who ponder Your word and follow Your will. O Mary, Mother of Christ, increase in our priests profound faith in the sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us. Amen.

Small Church Community

Scripture Focus: Today Jesus predicts his suffering, rejection & resurrection for the third time. The pattern is always the same: Jesus predicts his suffering; the disciples fail to understand; Jesus then teaches clearly about himself & about what following him means. In his third prediction of suffering, Jesus describes how he will be handed over to his own people's religious leaders and to the Gentiles and will be spit upon and mocked. James and John, Jesus' inner circle of followers, get caught on the glory promised. They argue for first place. But Jesus points out to them that true greatness is serving the real needs of others - not what the masses of people or the ones in power want. Jesus is that obedient servant of God.

Life Focus: * Speak of a time when you took the rap for someone else or when someone took the rap for you. * *When has suffering in your life caused you to see things differently?* * Describe an experience when you were required to do something you didn't want to do.

29TH ORDINARY SUNDAY / BEING OF SERVICE



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary Program: Elementary class sessions have started. Registration is still being accepted.

Middle School classes have started on Tuesday evenings. Please call the religious education office if you would like to register.

Sacrament Program: The first workshop for our **Year 1** students and parents takes place on **November 8** from 2:00 - 3:30 pm in the hall. The topic of this workshop is "Growing in Our Faith."

Early Childhood: Regular class today. Next week - Halloween Animal Parade at the end of class on the field! Remember: no costumes. We have a few spots available in our classes. Please call Shannon for info, 430-6840. Next week - Parish-wide picnic on the field at 11:30! Bring your sunscreen, chairs, umbrellas, pop ups, sports equipment, drinks and sides or a dessert. Fun for the whole family (and a bounce house!) and hamburgers (\$2) and hot dogs (\$1) with all the fixin's grilled by the Knights! No FUNdraising....just FUN!

Sunday Nursery: The nursery is open during 9 & 10:30 Masses every Sunday. Drop in children of all ages, first come - first served. If you are interested in helping in the nursery, please contact Shannon, 598-0519.

Virtus Training

The **re-certification** training for those who were trained in 2004 to 2006 will be held on Wednesday, **November 4**, from **7:00 to 8:30 pm** in the hall. There will also be a training held for the basic three-hour "**Protecting God's Children**" session on Monday, **November 16**, from **7:00-10:00 pm** in the hall. All those who work with children must be current with these sessions.

Please call the religious ed office, **598-0519**, to sign up for either of these sessions or for further information.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: How can I be a servant to others during the coming week?

Child: Who are the people I help and what do I do?

Teen: Am I willing to do a good deed even if no one knows that I did it? Why?

Autumn Festival & Barbecue - Mark your calendars for **October 25** for our annual Autumn picnic on the field from **11:30 am to 2:30 pm**. All are invited to enjoy an afternoon of food, fun activities for the kids, & a relaxing time with friends. For additional information call the religious education office, **598-0519**, or check the parish website.

Confirmation Year I - program starts **Oct. 25**. We will meet at the front of the church on Willow to have the Candidates pick up their name tags before Mass with their families. All Sunday sessions end at 3:30 sharp. Please pick Candidate up in the inner courtyard parking lot.

Confirmation Year II - program starts **Nov. 1**. Group lists and session locations will go out in the mail by Oct. 19.



St. Joseph Senior Group

Oct 19 - Collecting for a trip to San Diego called Buon Natale Tour with lunch in Little Italy. Olga has fliers with all stops. Cost is \$63 including lunch, beverages, dessert and gratuity. Checks only, bus leaves at 10 am sharp.

Nov. 8-22 - Cruise trip is full.

Special Note: Anyone who took pictures at the Getty Villa or Lawry's please give copies to Olga, we will pay you for the prints. Thanks!

Meetings for November:

Nov. 2 - Regular fun and games.

Nov. 16 - More fun and games!

Call Olga 596-6981 or Betty 596-8287.

Stopping "along the way" of the Mass - Fr. Ken and the Confirmation Class invite you to come to the 12:30 Mass **Nov. 1** to celebrate our unique "Eucharistic Journey" while stopping along the way to get our footing, take a rest, take in the view and stop for direction.

13th 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 our thirteenth annual Memorial Mass to be celebrated on Sunday, November 1 (All Saints Day) at 4:00 pm.

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 Mass there will be a "Potluck" in our parish hall. Please bring a dish (hot or cold) for approximately six people. We look forward to seeing you November 1.

For further information, please call Nancy 562-429-2546 or Pat 562-598-0978.

An Invitation If you are a non-Catholic who is interested or even curious about the Catholic faith, we cordially invite you to join us in an exposition of the Catholic faith. You will learn all those things about the Catholic Church you wanted to know but were afraid to ask! Our meeting times are flexible. If you are interested, please call Peter Baine, 598-4130.

Respect Life means protecting life from conception to a natural death. It also includes the right to health care as called for by our bishops, minus abortion and euthanasia. Please join us to pray for reverence and respect for life on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month, 7:30 pm, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the church.



Parish Directory

The St. Joseph Parish Directory Committee is excited to announce we are going to be creating a new Parish Directory of our wonderful church family. The directory will help us connect

names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach tool and will capture the history of our current church congregation.

Due to popular demand, another week of photo sessions has been arranged. This week is ideally suited for family members home from college for Thanksgiving. The following dates are now available: Nov. 10, 11, 12, 13, 24, 25, and Saturday Nov. 28. Times are 1-8 pm on weekdays and 9-5 on Saturday. If you haven't signed up yet, we will have sign ups after Masses this weekend. You may also go online and sign up at our parish website, www.stjosephparishcommunity.com.

We look forward to seeing everyone in the directory. Our new Parish Directory just won't be complete without you!

Parish Library - Are you looking for an opportunity to nurture your faith life? Please visit our parish library. There are many books available on spirituality, scripture, lives of the saints, contemporary issues, etc.

We also have many CD's and tapes, talks given by exceptional speakers from many religious education congresses, that you can pop in your car.

The library is open Sunday mornings and during religious education office hours Monday - Friday.

Safeguard the Children - Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Oct. 21 - St. Cyprian, Long Beach, 562-421-9487

Oct. 23 - St. Lucy, Long Beach, 562-424-9051

Oct. 24 - St. Linus, Norwalk, 562-921-6649

Nov. 13 - St. Margaret Mary, Lomita, 310-326-3364

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.



Last week was Movement for a Better World weekend. Study the Blue Sheet! Thanks to all who visited with us after Mass and thanks to Tim for setting up our "Showcase."

If you drove for the Thanksgiving Gift Basket delivery last year, you are on the list for this year. If you would like to be added to the list, give Patty Brio a call, 425-5964. Delivery will be Nov. 21; arrive at 8:30 am.

Help Needed: We need a family or group to oversee the **Feed-A-Baby collection** - only once per year. We help with the planning! **Joy is in the giving.**

Watch this corner for furniture needs of our local families. Thanks for all of the donations. Call about your "Tom's Team" donations and questions. Deacon 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.

Did You Know? Getting To and From School Safely

If your child walks to school, walk the route with him/her to identify landmarks & safe places to go if he/she is being followed or needs help. Create a map with your child showing acceptable routes to and from school using main roads and avoiding shortcuts and isolated areas. Make sure young children are properly supervised going to and from school, whether it is by you as a parent/guardian, an older sibling or another trusted adult. Remind older children to always take a friend when walking or riding their bikes to and from school. For a back-to-school child safety checklist, please visit: www.missingkids.com and click on "Back to School Safety." For particular help you may call Assistance Ministry at 213-637-7650.

Grief Support Group - Are you grieving: the loss of a loved one, a painful divorce or separation, a recent job loss/layoff, or an economic related stress? You do not have to carry this "emotional burden" alone, there is caring help available! A Parish Grief Support Group, sponsored by your St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry, will begin on Monday, **November 2**, at 7:00 pm in the PAC and will run for nine weeks. Practical, emotional, spiritual and social support offered free of charge. (Note: There will be a small charge for associated materials.) To register or for further information, please call, Olga Cuda 594-4657 (rectory office) or Dave Desmond 429-3316.

St. Anthony High School Admissions Info Nights

Oct. 28, & Nov. 12, 6:30 pm. Open to 7th & 8th grade parents & students. St. Anthony is accepting only 130 students for the freshman class next fall. Come & hear about the school, get admissions information, learn about financial aid, and meet the principal. For more info, please visit www.longbeachsaints.org or call 435-4496 x1218.

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, October 17**
 5:00 PM - † Martha Aimone
- SUNDAY, October 18**
 7:30 AM - Bob & Joan Fitzpatrick, 50th Anniversary
 9:00 AM - Munda-Abaloyan family
 10:30 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
 12:30 PM - † Frank Hollick
- MONDAY, October 19**
 8:00 AM - † Duc & Sen Vu
- TUESDAY, October 20**
 8:00 AM - Hung Hoang, living
- WEDNESDAY, October 21**
 8:00 AM - Mary Jane Mulick, Happy Birthday
- THURSDAY, October 22**
 8:00 AM - Marian O'Donnell, living
- FRIDAY, October 23**
 8:00 AM - Our Parish Ushers
- SATURDAY, October 24**
 5:00 PM - † John Fay
- SUNDAY, October 25**
 7:30 AM - † Alexander Shinar
 9:00 AM - Our Parish Music Ministry Participants
 10:30 AM - † Mary Jane Merk
 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:

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| Glenn Warren | Justin Christopher |
| Nick Compton | Joseph Comfort |
| Irene Avila | Scott Williams |
| Justin Ray | Timothy Ring |
| Kenneth Mack McDonald | Adam Mariano |
| SSg. Rob Beckwell | Vincent Vezzetti |
| Daniel O'Connell | Obinna Ugochukwu |
| David Waidelich | |

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, Joy Mann, Richard Parent, Marlene Muccino, Daniele Pieters, Josephine Keller, David Dresnick, Conrado Uyan, Skyler Weinberg, Tracey Rossello, Kristen Tuasonand, Alexi, Karl Parize, Elijah Carbonell, Kit Escoto VanWyk, Msgr. Marc Trudeau, Stormy Leiva, Bobby Rubly, Betty Chappell, Elizabeth Jackson, Justin Ferriese, Virginia Souza, Betty Galaz, Jean Bulicz, Patricia Morand, Gayle Buol, Nicole Pisula-Stanton, Rosemary Doran, Michelle Smith, Johnny & Cody LaRiccia, Barbara Hook, Christopher Moore, Merinda Bradshaw, Melody Schatz, Don Wassmuth, Marlana Sargeant, Leslie Day, Logan Pipler, Tony Schember, Javier Salinas, Tess Keckeisen, Danielle Carmody, Virgil Terry, Seth Davis, Patricia Santy, Patrick Farrell, Louise Turner, Hugo & Mickey Jorda, Beverly Clinton, Patti Nolan, Gregory Freez, Diana Norton, Luisa Parada, Rebecca Clinton & Karen Kindell.

LITURGY

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

PRINCIPAL	Cheryl Hebestreit
VICE-PRINCIPAL	Erin Wright
SECRETARY	Julie Gianessi
PTO PRESIDENT	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Virginia Young
SECRETARY	Veronica Gibb

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

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

Nancy Miller	429-2546
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Tim Clark	431-4385
FINANCE COUNCIL	Randall Ely	430-0142
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WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
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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	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	Tom Lane	496-4223

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