



### From the Pastor's Desk:

With first Communions, confirmations and weddings typically taking place this time of year, some of the more religious of us look to give a gift that symbolizes the faith. Often it's a cross or a Bible or some other token of Christianity. Those things are good reminders of what we believe and they can reveal to others in whom we put our faith. But the words of Jesus in Sunday's Gospel remind us of the most important way that people will know that we are his followers: by the love we have for one another. Showing his love is our first act of faith.

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

*(Based on today's Bible readings)*

**Adult:** In what situation would I find it hard to love someone?

**Child:** What does Jesus teach us about love?

**Teen:** How would the world be different if we followed Jesus' commandment to love one another?



### Centering Prayer

May 4 and 18 - 7:00 pm - In the church

**Together In Mission** - A big **thank you** to the families who have made a pledge to this archdiocesan campaign. So far, we have just barely passed our parish goal of **\$53,667** in pledges. Please be sure to fulfill your pledge. Thank you for your continued generosity. There are envelopes in the church and in the rectory if you would like to make a pledge for this very worthwhile cause. The people of the archdiocesan schools and parishes who receive the help will very much appreciate it.

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
CHRISTIAN JOY TEMPERED BY TRIALS



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
Thursday, May 6, 6-8 pm



### From Deacon Don's Desk:

Congratulations and all of our prayers to our First Communion class! You are now able to join in the most meaningful gift Jesus has given to us, His own Body and Blood. I repeat what I have quoted in the past from the Jerusalem Catecheses: "Do not, then, regard the Eucharistic elements as ordinary bread and wine: they are in fact the Body and Blood of the Lord, as He Himself has declared. Whatever your senses may tell you, be strong in faith!"

And what more fitting Gospel than that of John's Gospel that gives you the 11th Commandment - Jesus' gift, "Love one another as I have loved you." Reflect on the Scripture focus below. "This is the key to eternal happiness." Jesus' death on the cross is the highest expression of His love. In this "Year of the Priest" we encourage you to pray for them as they are the channel in which we are to fully partake of the Body of Christ in communion.

This is the month of May, Mary's month. May 1 is St. Joseph the Worker day, our parish patron saint. This is a special month. We have the tools to be a truly Christian community. With Mary at our side to intercede for us, and her Son, we cannot fail. I ask you to reflect on questions 2 and 3 below.

**Our Prayer:** Oh Jesus, my Redeemer, at each Mass let me thank You for the sacrifice You offered to free me from sin. Help me to be sorry for my sins and to resolve to follow You more closely. Amen.

### Small Church Community

**Scripture Focus:** There are many examples in the Bible of farewell speeches. They always include leaving a farewell gift. Jesus addresses his disciples as "my children," like a father would on his deathbed. Jesus' gift is the commandment to "love one another." This is the key to eternal happiness. "Love your neighbor as yourself" had been around for a long time. There was something new in Jesus' command. They were to love each other as Jesus loves. It is to be a totally selfless love. His death on the cross is the highest expression of his love. It is this *love* which identifies the disciples with Jesus. What we believe, how we behave and worship must be motivated by his command to "love one another" as he loves us. This is the necessary mark of a truly Christian community.

**Life Focus:**

1. In what way is yours a truly Christian community? In what way is it not? Where do you fit in?
2. Describe a time in your life when someone close to you went out of your life. What did that person leave behind for you? How did that person affect your life?
3. How do you love someone who is very difficult to love?
4. Tell when your attempts at love were rebuffed.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Elementary Program:** No Class today - First Communion. No Class next week for Mother's Day. Last class is Sunday, **May 16**. We will celebrate with our annual May Crowning and Ice Cream Social in the hall at 11:00 am.

**Middle School:** Last class is Tuesday, **May 11**.

**Early Childhood:** Congratulations to all those accepting First Eucharist this weekend! To register for Early Childhood Sunday School classes 2010-11, please contact Shannon Carpenter, 430-6840.

**Sunday Nursery:** Our nursery is available during 9:00 and 10:30 Masses. Please do not sign your child in if they are sick. Let's all try and stay healthy!

**First Communion Weekend**

Our children in second year sacrament preparation are receiving First Eucharist at all the Masses, except 7:30, this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

**Save the Date**

The annual **Vacation Bible Camp** will take place this year at St. Cornelius, **July 12** through **July 16** from 9 am to noon. This year's theme is **Galactic Blast!** The Vacation Bible Camp is a cooperative effort of parishes in our area - St. Joseph, St. Cornelius, and St. Maria Goretti.

Adult volunteers are needed: teachers, classroom aides, playground supervisors, nutrition/snack helpers, craft helpers, etc. Please call Virginia or Marianna at the religious education office, 598-0519, for information.

**Confirmation Year II** - Rehearsal Dinner for Confirmation Sunday will be held on Friday, **May 14**, from 7-9. This is for sponsors and candidates only. Confirmation is on Sunday, **May 16**. Our sponsors and candidates will meet here at 12:00 noon.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14  
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a  
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8  
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11  
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17  
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21  
 Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Ps 67;  
 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**Parish Library**

Please visit our parish library in the Parish Activity Center on Sunday mornings & during the week, 10 am - 4 pm.

**Respect Life** - Please join us in praying for the sanctity of life from the moment of conception to natural death. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month, **7:00 pm**, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**St. Joseph Senior Group**

We **really** need some young blood in this group - Join us - we have something for everyone. We meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from noon to 3:00 pm.

**May meetings** - May 3 and 17.

**A Day at Descanso Gardens**, Thursday, June 24. Bus leaves at 8:30 am, returns 3:30 pm. New price of \$45 includes bus driver tip and tram ride. Bring your own lunch and water. Olga has flyers. June is the perfect time to enjoy a "Walk in the World of Roses." We need 42 people to make this trip a "Go." We can use all their picnic grounds and food can be purchased there.

**July 12-14** - Keep dates open! Carl's Country Western Party at Riverside, 3 days, 2 nights, more info to follow. Will be collecting soon.

Call Olga 596-6981 or Betty 596-8287.

**Gambler's Delight** - The Knights of Columbus are taking a two day, one night bus trip to State Line, Nevada, where you can gamble at Whiskey Pete's, Primm Valley, or the Buffalo Bill Resort & Casino. The dates are **June 9-10**. Must be 21 or older. Cost \$60, two people per room. For more information, call Manny Vieyra, 425-8811.

**Jesus is Inviting You!** *Eucharistic Conference and Procession to Commemorate the Close of the Year of the Priest, June 5*, 8 am. Continental breakfast, lunch, holy hour, conferences, confessions, solemn procession and benediction, Mass, and rosary at SS. Peter and Paul Church, Wilmington, 310-834-5215 x23, or [www.sppc.us](http://www.sppc.us) or [sppc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sppc@sbcglobal.net).

**Fingerprinting Schedule**

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children. Please call for an appt:

**May 19** - Holy Family, Artesia, 562-860-5973

**May 21** - St. Maria Goretti, Long Beach, 562-420-1321

**May 22** - Beatitudes of Our Lord, La Mirada, 562-943-5678

**John Michael Talbot** Live in Concert! Free Admission! Anaheim Convention Center Arena, Saturday, **Sept. 4**, 3:30-5:00 pm. Number one Catholic recording artist in the world! For more info, [www.scr.org](http://www.scr.org), or 818-771-1361.

**Mother's Day** cards are in the church. They are marked "living" or "deceased." Please honor your mother by having her remembered in the Mother's Day Novena of Masses or by purchasing an azalea plant to be placed in Mary's' Garden. Forms are available at the church doors.

**St. Joseph Fair Raffle Winners**

**Crowley family, \$1,000**  
**Monica Calvillo, \$500**  
**Florence Jones, Wendy Arano, Aurora Moreno,**  
**Cuda family, and Nancy Aguirre, \$100 each**

**St. Vincent de Paul - Bundle Sunday - May 2**

This Sunday the truck will be in the parking lot, 8:00 am - 1:30 pm. We need your support! Remember to bring any usable items that will help the needy. For large items including furniture and appliances, please phone 323-224-6280 or 800-97-HELP-1 for home pick up.

**St. Joseph High School, 925-5073 x882**

**Summer School:** June 11 - July 9, morning and afternoon sessions, review, enrichment, elective, athletic.

**Middle School Academy:** June 14 - July 8, Math or Language Arts. Sign up for Summer Day Camp and take courses for free.

**Summer Day Camp:** Five sessions, 7:30 am - 3:00 pm.

**St. Anthony High School** class of 1960 reunion  
**Sept. 10.** Please contact marydonvantravel@yahoo.com.

**St. Rose of Lima School's** second annual All Alumni Reunion, Saturday, **May 22**, beginning with Mass at 5:00 pm. Please call Mrs. Salgado, 323-560-3376 or send your contact information to srl\_alumni@hotmail.com.

**Junipero Serra High School** of Gardena is hosting graduates of 1950 - 1959 for a grand reunion. The day begins with Mass at 3 pm followed by a tour of the campus. Included in the festivities are an antique car exhibit and dinner with music from the fifties. For more information, please contact John Brennan, 310-324-6675 x274 or [jbrennan@serrahighschool.com](mailto:jbrennan@serrahighschool.com).

**Are you called to be a monk, nun, or priest?** Take a free online test at [www.vocationsplacement.org](http://www.vocationsplacement.org). For more information, please call 800-221-1807.

**Did You Know? Who are the Perpetrators?** - According to data provided by the L.A. City Attorney's Office, parents constitute 84% of child abuse perpetrators, while caregivers, relatives, foster parents, & babysitters constitute the rest. Sixty percent of perpetrators are female, whose median age is 31 years. Forty percent are male, whose median age is 34 years. The L.A. City Attorney's Office maintains a webpage of information on child safety. To access the page, go to: <http://www.lacity.org/atty/> and click on "Safeguarding Our Children and Schools." For particular help, call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

**We need people to make phone calls for the Gift Basket Program. Please call.**



Our wrap-up meeting will be Wednesday, **May 19** at 7:30 pm. All are invited. What would you like to do? Find out about our activities in the coming year.

Thanks to all the volunteers who collected for babies, donated the homeless kits, donated books for our Easter Gift Baskets, and assembled and delivered those baskets. We delivered **71 gift baskets** of food for Easter.

**Help!!** We need a family or group to oversee the **Feed-A-Baby collection - once per year. Joy is in helping.**

**Diaper-a-Baby** will be in **June**.

YOUR SKIP-A-MEAL BLUE ENVELOPE donations are so appreciated!! Please **make checks to St. Joseph Church, memo: SKIP-A-MEAL.** Thank you for all you share with our needy brothers & sisters! John & Jan Minter 430-5839.

**"We want to give our children what we didn't have; but let's make sure we give them what we DID have, our faith."** Anon.

**South Coast Interfaith Council** 2010 Interfaith Cafes are small group discussions for laity, youth (9-12 graders) and religious leaders about how faith impacts their daily lives and allows them to relate to & appreciate those from other faith traditions. Each session consists of the same format, but with different participants. You are welcome to attend any and/or all of them! New addition - WeBelieve2, a board game produced by Pastor Duane Moret.  
 Sundays: **May 23, June 13, July 11, August 8, 2-5 pm.**  
 RSVP and for information, please call 562-983-1665.

The **May 23** meeting will be here at St. Joseph Church.

**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 1**  
 5:00 PM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
- SUNDAY, May 2**  
 7:30 AM - † Mary Whitlock  
 9:00 AM - † Manuel Reyna  
 10:30 AM - † Richard Parent  
 12:30 PM - Karen Camacho, living
- MONDAY, May 3**  
 8:00 AM - † Jairo Botelho
- TUESDAY, May 4**  
 8:00 AM - † King Lamadora
- WEDNESDAY, May 5**  
 8:00 AM - † Frank Anselmo
- THURSDAY, May 6**  
 8:00 AM - † Thomas Goonan
- FRIDAY, May 7**  
 8:00 AM - † Joseph Gianessi
- SATURDAY, May 8**  
 5:00 PM - † Bernadette and Fermin Lopez
- SUNDAY, May 9**  
 7:30 AM - † Richard Parent  
 9:00 AM - Mother's Day Novena  
 10:30 AM - Don & Nancy Miller, 60th Anniversary  
 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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| <b>Glen Warren</b>         | <b>Nick Compton</b>          |
| <b>Joseph Comfort</b>      | <b>Irene Avila</b>           |
| <b>Scott Williams</b>      | <b>Justin Ray</b>            |
| <b>Timothy Ring</b>        | <b>Kenneth Mack McDonald</b> |
| <b>Adam Mariano</b>        | <b>Vincent Vezzetti</b>      |
| <b>Daniel O'Connell</b>    | <b>Obinna Ugochukwu</b>      |
| <b>David Waidelich</b>     | <b>Dave Hoyt</b>             |
| <b>William G. Ouimette</b> |                              |

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, Bert Willis, Mary Mariano, Conrado Uyan, Kristen Tuasonand, Elijha Carbonell, Stormy Leiva, Bobby Rubly, Betty Chappell, Elizabeth Jackson, Betty Galaz, Patricia Morand, Gayle Buol, Rosemary Doran, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, Melody Schatz, Marlana Sargeant, Leslie Day, Logan Pipler, Danielle Carmody, Virgil Terry, Seth Davis, Patricia Santy, Hugo & Mickey Jorda, Beverly Clinton, Patti Nolan, Gregory Freez, Diana Norton, Rebecca Clinton, Karen Kindell, Peggy Montello, Steve Christmans, Michael Raspudic, Patricia Langlios, Carlos Franco, John Fortier, Dave Gallagher, John Flaherty, Fr. Frank Ferrante, Justin Wolsey, Jeanne Desmond, Juanita Herrera, Robert Maney, Joyce Frugoli, Betty Adams, Arlene Morales, Joe Ainge & Marianne Latham.

## 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	Marty Vezzetti	425-0621
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	Ava Baldwin

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Virginia Young
SECRETARY	Marianna Wescott

## 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	
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Dave Desmond	429-3316
CENTERING PRAYER	Fr. Will	594-4657
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Ann Crowley	594-7575
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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Robert Madura	594-4811
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
RESPECT LIFE COUNCIL	Michelle Needham	922-5065
SENIOR GROUP	Betty Maligie	596-8287
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause	310-316-3477
	www.ceofla.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	Moses Bass	420-1877
BOY SCOUTS	Tom Lane	496-4223

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