#### From the Desk of Fr. Jim:

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This may seem silly but the only thing we really have is the present moment. The only thing we truly have is the moment we are currently living.

Life is our greatest treasure. That's why we should take advantage of each and every minute. We should enjoy our life and have fun, so we don't miss out on anything that happens or that we can make happen.

What is it that we can't miss out on or that we shouldn't miss for any reason? The answer is the loving relationships that we have with others.

To live in a worthwhile manner only has one true meaning for Jesus: to build up the family of God. Only then will we be able to have true happiness.

This is the faith that is referred to in the second reading. To believe in Jesus is to believe that he is in the midst of us, building up his Kingdom and creating brothers and sisters.

To the extent that we are capable of seeing in those around us the faces of a brother or a sister, that is the extent that our heart will be capable of loving. And to love is to live. This is the type of life that Jesus wants for us. This is the type of life that is worthwhile and needs to be paid attention to. Everything else is just a waste of our time and a waste of our life.

#### Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday:

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26 Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20 Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21 — 19:1 Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12 Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15 Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

**Women's Silent Retreat - Sept. 10-12** in the beautiful and serene grounds of the Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra. Retreat master: Rev. Gregory Wilson, theme: *"God Is Love."* Reservation and payment deadline, Aug. 10. For more info, please contact Madeline Majick, 596-6219, Marie Newton, 429-7939, or Tina Gath, 598-5202.



**Travelers Prayer:** All-powerful & merciful God, be our companion & our strength on our journey & our refuge in trials. Lead us O Lord so that we will reach our destination in safety & happily return to our homes refreshed & willing to do Your will. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

## **Catechetical Corner**

This is a new column for our bulletin. My hope is that it will be informative and spiritual. As most of you know,



beginning with Advent 2011, which is only a little more than a year away, there will be some major changes in the Mass. There will be some changes in the responses for the people and there will be some changes for the priest as well.

We'll use the column to address the upcoming changes. My intention is that we as a parish community will also provide opportunities to get together to learn more about the upcoming changes. Having these special sessions will help us to implement the new changes in a seamless and timely manner. The end of summer 2011 will probably be a good time to begin these sessions.

In the meantime, this "Catechetical Corner" is a good opportunity for us to learn more about our faith and also learn more about the What's, the How's and the Why's of the things we do. I invite you to send me your comments and questions about issues that you would like to see addressed in this column. Check in next week to see what we'll be discussing.

## **QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

(Based on today's Bible readings) Adult: How am I called to live, given God's promises to me?

**Child:** How do I feel when I hear Jesus tell us to be ready for him?

**Teen:** Where and when have I said "Yes" to live my life centered in God?

## **Small Church Community**

Scripture Focus: The theme of constant and confident waiting comes up again and again in Luke's Gospel: "Do not live in fear, little flock." The kingdom is theirs, and their treasure lies not in amassed possessions but in what they share with the unfortunate. Their watchword must be vigilance. The Lord's coming is certain; only its time is undetermined. It could happen any time, so don't get careless. The beautiful figure of the master putting on an apron and waiting on his faithful servants will be repeated in Luke's Last Supper scene, when Jesus identifies himself in these terms: "I am among you as the one who serves." It is also a serious reminder that we must be faithful during the master's "absence." Those in positions of leadership - in answer to Peter's guestion - have to be especially careful. They must not turn leadership into selfserving domination. "More will be asked of a person to whom more has been entrusted."

**Life Focus:** \* What helps to keep you "vigilant"? How do you pay attention to the Lord? \* *What have you done so far with what "has been entrusted to you"*? \* Relate a time when the search for wealth resulted in the loss of much greater joy. \* *Describe an incident when faith allowed you to attempt something that common sense alone would have cautioned against.* 

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Elementary & Middle School Programs:** Registration paperwork for our Fall classes has been mailed to all returning families and those who have previously contacted our office. Please complete and return as soon as possible so that we may have an accurate account for ordering books and supplies. For additional information or if you did not receive your registration paperwork, please call the religious education office, **598-0519**.

Sacrament Program: Preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation is a **two-year process** which usually starts at the first grade level. Older children may receive the sacraments through our **RCIA for Children Program** which is also a two-year process. Please call our R.E. office, **598-0519**, for further information. <u>Summer Office Hours:</u> Our office will be closed until

**Aug. 15**. However, you may leave a message on the answering machine as we will be checking messages during this time.

**Early Childhood:** To register for Early Childhood (ages 3 - kindergarten) Sunday School classes 2010-11, please contact Shannon Carpenter, 430-6840.

**Sunday Nursery:** Our nursery is available during 9:00 and 10:30 Masses.



#### "Jesus is Lord"

Spirit Alive! Activate the power of the Holy Spirit in your life just as Jesus promised you. Acts 1:8

**Bible Fellowship Classes** start **September 14**, Tuesdays, at 9:00 am and 7:30 pm. For more information, please call Rita Smith, 714-761-4376.

Adult Faith Formation: RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is for unbaptized adults who seek initiation into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. RCIA is also for baptized adults, Catholic or not, who seek full initiation into the church. All are welcome! Come to learn more about our faith! Meeting times are flexible. Please call Peter Baine, 598-4130.



Meditation/Centering Prayer First, Third & Fifth Tuesdays August 17 and 21 - 7:00 pm In the church All are welcome!

Adult Confirmation Course starting September 12 through December, 9-11:15 am, at Our Lady of Refuge. Confirmation will be 7 pm, December 14 at St. Matthias Church, Huntington Park. Please call our religious education office, **598-0519**, to sign up or for more information.

**Respect Life** - Monday prayer meetings have been canceled for now. Please continue to pray for the sanctity of life from the moment of conception to natural death.



Wednesday was the feast of St. John Vianney, patron saint of parish priests. He's my kind of guy; studying did not come easy. He could not comprehend Latin lectures, so he had to drop out. He had to overcome obstacles that seemed

insurmountable. He wanted to become a priest in the worst way but had meager schooling. A priest urged him to seek private tutoring. After the "battle with books" he was ordained. Here is a paragraph from his catechism: "My children, reflect on these words: the Christians' treasure is not on earth but in heaven. Our thoughts ought to be directed to where our treasure is. This is the glorious duty of man: to pray and to love. If you pray and love, that is where your happiness lies. Prayer is nothing else but union with God. This union of God with a tiny creature is a lovely thing. It is a happiness beyond understanding. God in His goodness allows us to speak to Him. Through prayer we receive a foretaste of heaven and something of paradise comes down upon us. It is the honey that flows into the soul and makes all things sweet. When we pray properly, sorrows disappears like snow before the sun."

This Sunday has a few "themes" one is of **Faith** and another of **Persistence**. Speaking of "faith," my son sent me a Times interview with Andre Ethier. Q: You don't hide the fact that your Catholic faith is important in your life. A: I think faith has played an important part in my development ever since I was young. Q: So going to Mass regularly is a big part of faith for you? A: Oh, yeah, not only the aspect of giving some type of discipline, but it's also a great time to be able to clear your mind and think of where you are. Sometimes things get out of perspective pretty quickly. So no matter what happens, good or bad, you gotta keep steady in faith. Way to go Andre! That's a message for all of us: Keep the **Faith** and **Pray**.

**Our Prayer:** Father of mercy, You made St. John Vianney outstanding in zeal and concern for all people. By his example and prayers, help us to win our brothers and sisters to the love of Christ and come with them to eternal glory. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

Please visit our website, <u>stjosephparishcommunity.com</u> to read the letters sent to all parishes by our new Archbishop, Jose Gomez.

**Mass With a Healing Service Aug. 23, 7:30 pm** St. Cornelius Church, Long Beach. Celebrant: Msgr. Joe Brennan, pastor Holy Trinity Church, San Pedro. Come, bring your family and friends, and experience the Pentecostal healing power of the Holy Spirit.

SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention - "Stand Firm in the Faith" Sept. 3-5 at the Anaheim Convention Center. Free John Michael Talbot Concert Sept. 4, 3:30 pm in the Arena. Fr. Stan Fortuna, CFR will be performing and speaking throughout the weekend. Something for the entire family. Online registration available at <u>www.scrc.org</u>. For more info/brochure, contact SCRC 818-771-1361.



St. Joseph Senior Group We always welcome new members.

<u>August Meeting</u>: August 16 <u>September Meetings</u>: September 13 & 27. Note: 2nd and 4th Mondays due to the Labor Day holiday. **Branson, MO** trip is canceled. No trip until further notice. Call Betty 596-8287, Mary Lou 431-4385 or Olga 596-6981

St. Cecilia's Luncheon will be held Tuesday, Aug. 10. Please join us at noon at the El Dorado Golf Course Restaurant. Questions, please call Ruth, 431-0288.

#### **Fingerprinting Schedule**

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children. Please call for an appointment: **Aug. 10** - St. James the Less, La Crescenta, 818-248-3442 **Aug. 13** - St. Joseph the Worker, Winnetka, 818-341-6634 **Aug. 14** - St. Euphrasia, Granada Hills, 818-363-5515

#### Did You Know? Report inappropriate or illegal con-

tent on the Internet - One of the main reasons that children do not report the inappropriate content they find online is fear of punishment from parents. If you let them know that it is not their fault if they come across an inappropriate site, they will be more willing to come to you when it happens. If your children ever show you a site that contains illegal behavior, such as pornographic images of children, contact your Internet Service Provider and the CyberTipline at: www.cybertipline.com. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

# 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.

Finishing our 26th year of Movement for a Better World of St. Joseph Parish.

Food From the Heart - Mark your calendar for Aug. 7 & 8 - we will be



passing out the food coupons for non-perishable food items and **Aug. 14 & 15** will be the collection of these food items. If you would like to help out with the passing out of the coupons or collecting the food at tables by church, please call John/Jan. The food is donated to Catholic Charities to feed the families in need.

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.

Pregnancy Help Center seeking part-time nurse

**practitioner** with furnishing license. Send resume to <u>agross@phctorrance.org</u> or call 310-320-8976.



Attention Golfers - You are invited to participate in the *Precious Life Shelter Golf Tournament* on **Sept. 22** at the Navy Golf Course in Cypress. The shel-

ter strives to help our homeless women in crisis. Call Deacon Don, 498-6701 or 598-5202, for a registration form. If you are unable to participate by golfing, you can be a sponsor. There is something for every pocketbook! Deacon Don looks forward to your assistance.

**St. Joseph Cub Scout Pack 120** will have a sign up and information table on Sunday, Aug. 8, after the 9:00 and 10:30 Masses, outside the hall. All boys entering first to fifth grade are eligible. Enrollment in St. Joseph Elementary School is not required.

## St. Joseph/St. John Bosco Class of 1990

Twenty year reunion, **Oct. 16**. Please send us your current info or the info of any fellow classmates to: josephbosco90reunion@gmail.com.

#### **Summer Rectory Hours**

Monday through Friday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm Saturday: 9:00 am - Noon, Sunday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

#### "Can I Do Wrong and Get Away With It?" Rev.

Brain Mullady, O.P., a specialist in Moral Theology and on questions of nature and grace, will teach on making moral decisions, **Aug. 10, 7:30 pm**, at the Sacred Heart Retreat House, Alhambra. Free will offering accepted. For more information, please call 626-289-1353 ext. 302.

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# Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, August 7 5:00 PM - + Botelho & Salvate families SUNDAY, August 8 7:30 AM - † Tess Keckeisen 9:00 AM - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners 10:30 AM - + Tess Keckeisen 12:30 PM - + Juana Centeno MONDAY, August 9 8:00 AM - + Faye Welter **TUESDAY, August 10** 8:00 AM - † Lawrence Smith WEDNESDAY, August 11 8:00 AM - Mary Laureta, Thanksgiving Mass **THURSDAY, August 12** 8:00 AM - † Barbara Nescot FRIDAY, August 13 8:00 AM - + Adolph Frengs SATURDAY, August 14 5:00 PM - † Dick Kocevar SUNDAY, August 15 7:30 AM - + Richard Parent 9:00 AM -Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners 10:30 AM -**†** Robert Sylvia 12:30 PM -**†** Michael George Manz

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:

**Glen Warren** Joseph Comfort Scott Williams **Timothy Ring** Adam Mariano **Obinna Ugochukwu** Dave Hoyt **Timmy Allison** 

Nick Compton Irene Avila Justin Rav Kenneth Mack McDonald Daniel O'Connell **David Waidelich** William G. Ouimette

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, Bobby Rubly, Betty Chappell, Elizabeth Jackson, Betty Galaz, Patricia Morand, Gayle Buol, Rosemary Doran, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, Melody Schatz, Marlena 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, Dave Gallagher, John Flaherty, Fr. Frank Ferrante, Justin Wolsey, Jeanne Desmond, Juanita Herrera, Robert Maney, Joyce Frugoli, Betty Adams, Joe Ainge, Marianne Latham, Jason McCune, William Cervola, Den Goldberg, Cass Warren, Kennedy Willey, Tatum Gumps, Gerry & Celeste Kohnen, & Chuck Greening.

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