



From the Desk of Fr. Jim:

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells his followers a parable about a rich man and a poor beggar named Lazarus. The rich man ignored the beggar outside his door. When the rich man died, he was punished for his cruelty, while

when Lazarus died he "rested in the bosom of Abraham."

The rich man begs Abraham for mercy, but Abraham reminds him how he ignored Lazarus' pleas for kindness. So the rich man asks Abraham to send a messenger to his brothers who are still living, to warn them to be generous instead of stingy, and to be compassionate instead of judgmental.

Jesus reminds us in this story that we will be judged on how we live and behave, not on how we think. It is easy for us to say we believe in the Good News of the Gospel. It is a far different thing to live these beliefs --- to care for the needy, to be generous and not greedy, to be compassionate and not judgmental. This is the beauty and the tremendous challenge of the Christian faith. Christianity is, after all, not a religion of theory but of practice. Jesus calls us not just to think differently, but to live differently.

My hope for all of us is that we become better at doing these works of Christian virtue rather than just thinking about them.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51
Thursday:	Jb 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12
Friday:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Sunday:	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Altar Servers Needed

Any boy or girl, 4th grade and above, please come to Altar Server Training: Wednesday, September 29, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. and Thursday, September 30, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the church. Please RSVP to Ann Crowley, 594-7575, or call if you have any questions.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: What choices have I made to balance my own life with those who are homeless, poor, and in need of assistance for daily living?

Child: What is one thing I could do with my family this week to help those who are poor or sick?

Teen: How am I currently reaching out to those in need? What more could I do?

Pro Life Corner - What is the Life at Conception Act? A federal act that would stop the slaughter of 1.6 million babies every year by using Congress' power to define life as beginning at the moment of conception.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, Sept. 30, 6-8 pm

Catechetical Corner

Why do we genuflect and when is it appropriate? A genuflection is the action in which a worshiper moves his or her right foot back a step, drops the right knee briefly to the floor, and then stands upright again. Most people naturally bow their head while performing this action; some make the sign of the cross. Some hold onto a nearby pew for physical support. The purpose of genuflection is for the worshiper to honor Jesus Christ present in the Eucharist.

The priest genuflects three times at Mass. During the Eucharistic prayer he genuflects after showing the Eucharistic bread and after showing the cup to the people. He genuflects again before announcing, 'This is the Lamb of God.' Taken together, his genuflections affirm the central belief about the Mass. During the Eucharistic prayer, the Holy Spirit changes the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ; that food then becomes communion for the faithful.

Additional genuflections should be made in churches where a tabernacle containing the Blessed Sacrament is in the sanctuary. In those cases, the priest genuflects before and after Mass, and anyone passing in front of the tabernacle also genuflects to it. Since a tabernacle containing the Blessed Sacrament is commonly found in sanctuaries of Catholic churches, the faithful typically make a genuflection toward the tabernacle before entering and after leaving their place.

In churches where the tabernacle is not in the sanctuary, but is in a different area of the church, the faithful should bow to the altar before and after the service instead. Genuflection is directed not toward the altar, not toward the cross, not towards one's proximity to a pew, but to the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

Formerly it was customary to make a genuflection before a bishop and a double genuflection, both knees to the ground, when the Blessed Sacrament was exposed for adoration. These practices have been eliminated. A single genuflection is always appropriate before the Blessed Sacrament whether it is in the tabernacle or exposed in a monstrance; however, you may bow to a bishop if you wish, but it is not customary.

2010 Hunger Walk

Come support our parish and the Confirmation candidates at the 35th annual Hunger Walk on Sunday, **October 24**. The walk starts and finishes at Los Altos United Methodist Church at Woodruff and Willow. Registration begins at 1:00 p.m., walk begins at 2:00 p.m. For more information, contact Mariana, 598-0519.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary and Middle School: WELCOME EVERY-ONE!! Classes begin today for Early Childhood and Elementary. Middle School will start on Tuesday, **Oct. 5**. Due to insurance requirements, **only those registered will be allowed to attend** class. Please call our office, **598-0519**, for registration information.

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.

Sacrament Workshop: The first workshop for our **Year 2** families will take place on Sunday, **October 10**, from **2:00-3:30 p.m.** in the hall. This workshop is for both school and religious education parents and children. Our guest speaker is Sr. Kathleen Burns.

Confirmation: Year I - Welcome to the Year I Confirmation Discernment Process.

Year II - Welcome back. Please check schedules and think about what night will be best for meetings in your Catechist's home, 7-9 p.m. Retreat **Nov. 6 & 7**.

Early Childhood: Classes start today! If you have not yet registered your 3 & 4 year olds or your kindergartner for Sunday School, call Shannon today, 430-6840.

Sunday Nursery: Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses.

Grief Support Group - Are you grieving the loss of a loved one, a painful divorce or separation? A Parish Grief Support Group, sponsored by your St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry, Tuesdays at **7 p.m.** in the PAC and will run for nine weeks - practical, emotional, spiritual and social support. (Note: There will be a small charge for associated materials.) To register or for further information, please call: Olga Cuda 594-4654 (rectory office) or Dave Desmond 429-3316.



How Does a Person Become a Catholic? Are you or someone you know curious about Catholicism? It is our greatest joy as well as our mission, to

continually welcome new members. "Inquiry" is the first step in the four step process of faith formation and education known as the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**. We encourage and invite interested individuals to "come and see" what living a life as a committed Catholic Christian can mean for you. Meeting times are flexible. For more information, please call Peter Baine, 598-4130.



"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 Tuesdays, at 9:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call Rita Smith, 714-761-4376.



From Deacon Don's Desk:

Last Sunday's Gospel told of the servant that was resourceful and clever in saving his skin. Jesus says, "You have intelligence, use it. Use it to fulfill the mission you are called to by your baptism. Be resourceful in the ways of God as you are in ways of commerce and politics. Be ingenious for the sake of God's reign."

Last Monday I was privileged to attend a Knights of Columbus "First Degree." I was reminded that their "first order of business is **charity**." Aug. 3, Supreme Knight Anderson announced the Board of Directors voted to provide every child who had lost an arm or leg in the Haitian earthquake a prosthetic device. They also award scholarships totaling over \$1.44 million, some of which goes to seminarians in the U.S. and Canada. Congratulations to our parish members who entered the Order in September. Thank you Brother Ron, you are a true servant of the Lord.

Point to ponder: A mystery believed without the message lived in our hearts makes for an empty celebration."Fr. Wm. J. Martin, Toledo, OH.

Our Prayer: Father, help me to see the Gospel as Your word to me today. Grant me the grace to meditate on it daily and to live my life in accord with its teachings. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

Have you been challenged about being Catholic?

Have you been asked, have you been saved? Or, why do you pray to Mary, call priests "Father," or believe you need to confess your sins to a priest? A **Catholic apologetics Class** will be starting to help answer those and other challenges using Scripture and the Fathers of the Church. We will meet in the PAC starting Wednesday, **Oct. 13**, 9:30-11:30 a.m. or Thursday, **Oct. 14**, 7-9 p.m. For information, contact Richard Dana, 420-9976.

Meditation/Centering Prayer

First, Third and Fifth Tuesdays
October 5 and 19 - 7:00 p.m.
In the church. All are welcome!



Did You Know? Reporting Child Abuse

"Priests, deacons, school faculty and administrators and other staff members in our parishes and schools have been designated as mandated reporters under California law. When one of these persons receives information leading to a 'reasonable suspicion' that a child is being abused or neglected, he or she must make a report to the appropriate child protection or law enforcement agency." From the 2010 pamphlet, "Working Together to prevent Child Sexual Abuse: Keeping Ministerial Relationships Healthy and Holy," published annually by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The pamphlet is available online at: www.archdiocese.la/protecting. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.



St. Joseph Senior Group
We always welcome new members.

September 27: Regular meeting.
October Meetings: October 4 & 18. Regular meetings.
October 7: Thursday casino trip to Harrahs. Cost \$6 includes driver's tip. Bus departs parking lot 8 a.m. sharp; return approx. 6 p.m. Reservations: call Rosie, 425-4162, or Barbara, 430-5324.
 Please be sure to complete new medical forms.
 Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for more info.

Attention: The 50+ Catholic Singles (widowed, single, divorced, separated), will meet on Sunday, **Sept. 26 at 2 pm** in the conference room of St. Pancratius, 3519 St. Pancratius Pl., Lakewood. Info: Winnie Butler, 809-3206.

YLI St. Pius X - #211 is a Catholic Women's charitable organization with members from the parishes of Long Beach and Lakewood. Our purpose is to help our church and our community, and support our seminarians through prayer, volunteer work, fundraising and social events. *Come join the fun and see what we are all about.* We meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Please call Ann, 425-5387, or Elizabeth, 421-0870 with questions.

Fingerprinting Schedule


San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment:
Oct. 6 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, L.A., 323-585-4485
Oct. 15 - Sagrado Corazon, Compton, 310-635-5436
Oct. 29 - Holy Trinity, San Pedro, 310-548-6535
Oct. 30 - St. Athanasius, Long Beach, 562-423-7986

Welcome! We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you, celebrating here with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in our parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you wish to become part of our Faith Community, please fill out this form. We will send you a Registration Form; please return it so that you will be fully registered. The Registration Form may be dropped in the collection basket, left at the rectory, or mailed. Thank You!

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

Starting our 27th Year Meeting...thanks for coming! We added some volunteers. Thanks!
 Can you help a little?? Many "littles" is one "BIG"! Help call drivers to deliver the food baskets.
 Thank you again for all that you do & share with our needy brothers/sisters in Long Beach! John/Jan Minter 430-5839.



Are you between 18 and 35? Are you interested in connecting with other young Catholic adults? Then: **Come and See** what we have to offer! **October 2**, Our Lady Queen of the Angels, 2046 Mar Vista Dr., Newport Beach, 92660, **7-9:30 p.m.** Music, liturgy, fellowship and food! Sponsored by St. Francis Region, Secular Franciscan Order. Hosted by **My God My All** secular Franciscan emerging community. For information contact Edith Brito, 714-598-6856.

St. Cornelius Fiesta, Sept. 25-26, live entertainment, Saturday Silent Auction, car show, craft fair, food, etc. Hours: Saturday 2:30-10 p.m., and Sunday 1-8 p.m. For information call 425-7813.

Faith and Hope: Beyond Prison Walls Benefit Art Fair - The Office of Restorative Justice of the Archdiocese of L.A. invites you on Saturday, **Oct. 9**, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. to **Homeboy Industries**, 130 W. Bruno St., L.A. 90012. The Office of Restorative Justice offers pastoral care to the victims of violent crime, assists the families of the incarcerated and provides re-entry services for inmates and parolees. The art fair will exhibit works for sale from various artists who are currently in prisons and jails throughout California. Proceeds will go to benefit our ministries. Please contact Dustin Halliwell, 221-0712, for donations, or make checks payable to: Office of Restorative Justice, 2049 S. Santa Fe Ave., L.A., 90021. Thank you for your generosity.



Attention Golfers: St. Joseph's Annual Golf Classic, Friday, **Oct. 15**, Recreation Golf Course, \$175 includes registration, lunch, putting contest, mulligans, Oktoberfest dinner, & raffle tickets. Contact Dave Stankavich, 795-5767, or StJosephGolfOktoberfest@yahoo.com.

Oktoberfest at St. Joseph School, Friday, **Oct. 15**, 6-11 p.m. German diner, Knights of Columbus beer garden, music, auctions, & opportunity drawings. Tickets \$25. Contact Tera Kaufmann, 627-9264 or StJosephGolfOktoberfest@yahoo.com.

Sponsorship opportunities available. Contact Javier Munoz, 310-993-9618 or StJosephGolfOktoberfest@yahoo.com.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 25
 5:00 PM - † Bernard McCune

SUNDAY, September 26
 7:30 a.m. - † Mary Ann Smuda
 9:00 a.m. - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. - † Bill Bradshaw
 12:30 p.m. - † Susan J. Paul

MONDAY, September 26
 8:00 a.m. - Dolores Devine, living

TUESDAY, September 27
 8:00 a.m. - † Maria and Dominico Dang

WEDNESDAY, September 28
 8:00 a.m. - † Mel and Mary Jo Devine

THURSDAY, September 29
 8:00 a.m. - † Brendan and Maureen Wynne

FRIDAY, September 30
 8:00 a.m. - † Thomas & Margaret Devine & family

SATURDAY, October 1
 5:00 PM - † John DeRuyter

SUNDAY, October 2
 7:30 a.m. - † Tess Keckeisen
 9:00 a.m. - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. - † John Fortier
 12:30 p.m. - † Richard Parent

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	Nick Compton
Joseph Comfort	Irene Avila
Scott Williams	Justin Ray
Timothy Ring	Kenneth Mack McDonald
Adam Mariano	Daniel O'Connell
Obinna Ugochukwu	David Waidelich
Dave Hoyt	William G. Ouimette
Timmy Allison	

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, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, Melody Schatz, Marlana Sargeant, Leslie Day, Logan Pipler, Danielle Carmody, Virgil Terry, 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, Joe Snider, Stephen Hutchings, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon & Grace Griffin.

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 PLEASE SUBMIT NOTICES IN WRITING WITH NAME & PHONE