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From the Desk of Fr. Jim:

I've been out of the office for a pastors' workshop this past week.

Come celebrate the rededicating of Mary's Garden that was refurbished this spring! Join us for an informal blessing and gathering after the 9 a.m. Mass on Oct. 10.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37 Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42 Tuesday: Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4 Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13 Friday: Gal 3:7-14: Lk 11:15-26 Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28 Sunday:

2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98; 2 Tm 2:8-13;

Lk 17:11-19

Liturgy of the Word With Children

Just a reminder that children in grades 1 through 6 are invited to participate in the Liturgy of the Word with Children at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The children are dismissed prior to the readings to listen and discuss the Sunday readings on their level of understanding. The children return to Mass at the presentation of the gifts.

In the next few weeks we will be including the children in the entrance procession with the celebrant. Be listening for more information about this new addition to our 9:00 a.m. Mass.

If you would like to volunteer for this rewarding ministry, please call our religious education office, 598-0519. It only requires that you attend the 9:00 a.m. Mass and prepare for the Sunday readings. All materials and lessons are provided.

Small Church Community

Scripture Focus: The first reading calls for deep trust that God's plan is happening and will soon be completed. In the Gospel reading the disciples ask for an increase in faith. Jesus is saying they do not need to be heroes. An ordinary amount of trust in God's help will help them accomplish great things. Transplanting a sycamore tree into the sea is a highly exaggerated example. It serves, however, to make the point: "What is impossible for human beings is possible for God." Luke 18:27)

Life Focus: * How have you experienced the struggle between doing what God wants and doing what you want? * How have you reacted when asked to do more than what you really wanted to do? * Describe an experience when you received less recognition than you expected. * Relate an experience when God asked "too much" of you. * Describe a recent time when you did something without expecting a reward, or a time when you did not.

14th 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 join with the St. Joseph community for our fourteenth annual Memorial Mass to be celebrated in our church on Sunday, November 7 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 the Mass, there will be a "Potluck" in our parish hall. Please bring a dish (hot or cold) for approximately 6 people. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 7.

For further information, please call Nancy 429-2546, or Pat 798-0978.

School Student Non-discriminatory Policy

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color or national and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, sex or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation, and some archdiocesan schools operate as single sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: In what ways do I, in my service, give witness to the Gospel?

Child: When have I done something extra in my family without being asked?

Teen: How am I keeping my faith alive and growing?

Mark Your Calendars! The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual October blood drive Oct. 17, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish hall. More info to come.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary: Classes have started. Registration is still being accepted. Please call the religious education office, **598-0519**, during the week for registration materials. Forms need to be completed and returned prior to the Sunday class.

Middle School: Classes start Tuesday, Oct. 5, 7-8 p.m. 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: 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.

How Does a Person Become a

RCPA 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.

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.



"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:

The Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the ark? "No" replied Johnny, "how could he with just two worms!"

The same teacher had her class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible, Psalm 23. She gave the students one month to learn it. Little Ricky was excited about the task, but he could not remember the Psalm. After much practice he barely got past the first line. On the day of the recital in front of the congregation, Ricky was very nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the mic and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know!" Wow, stop and think about that. You know the job a shepherd has in tending his flock. Well, Jesus goes above and beyond. Thoughts to ponder.

Baseball season is winding down and our local teams, by the time you read this, will hopefully have played the "spoilers." But different balls will take its place. Have you thought how important hands are in our lives? Reflection: A baseball in my hand is worth about \$10. A baseball in Jeter's hands is worth \$15 million. A basketball in my hands is worth \$20. In Kobe's hands it's worth \$30 million. It depends on whose hands it's in. A sling shot in my hand is a toy, in David's hand is a mighty weapon. It depends on whose hands it's in. Nails in my hands might produce a birdhouse. In Jesus' hands will produce salvation for the whole world. It depends on whose hands it's in. So, put your concerns, worries, fears, hopes and dreams, your families and your relationships in God's hands....It depends whose hands it's in.

Our Prayer: God of all wisdom, You direct the ministry of angels and of human beings. Grant that the angels who always minister to You in heaven may defend us during our life on earth. Amen.

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? Archdiocesan Child Sexual Abuse

Prevention Policies "The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has implemented rigorous policies and procedures to provide safe environments in our parishes and parish schools for all children and young people. These include: 'Zero Tolerance'; Guidelines for Adults Working or Volunteering with Minors; Boundary Guidelines for Junior High and High School Youth Working or Volunteering with Children or Youth; Megan's Law Compliance Procedures. These and other policies are available online at: www.archdiocese.la/protecting." From the pamphlet, "Working Together to prevent Child Sexual Abuse: Keeping Ministerial Relationships Healthy and Holy," published annually by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The 2010 pamphlet is available online at: www.archdiocese.la/ protecting. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

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St. Joseph Senior Group We always welcome new members.

October Meetings: October 4 & 18. Regular meetings. October 7: 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. Seats still available, deadline Oct. 4. Please be sure to complete new medical forms. Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for more info.

Fair - The Office of Restorative Justice of the Archdiocese of L.A. invites you on Saturday, Oct. 9, from 11 a.m.

Faith and Hope: Beyond Prison Walls Benefit Art

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.

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.

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 would like to learn about becoming a Catholic

I would like information about Religious Education

I am moving out of the parish

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.

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.

Calling all Saints and friends of St. Anthony High School - celebrating 90 years of service Oct. 23 with a gala evening in our historic campus courtyard. Please contact SAHS, 562-435-4496 x1222 or x1229.

Parish Directories - Many families have not picked up their copy of the new parish directory. If you took a picture for the family photo section, please stop by the rectory to pick up your free copy. We also have enough extra copies for everyone who has asked to be put on our waiting list so far. Please stop by the rectory to pick it up. These are free of charge to St. Joseph parishioners.

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

Nov. 9 - Maria Regina School, Gardena, 310-323-0030

Nov. 17 - St. Helen, South Gate, 323-563-3522



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 StJoseph-GolfOktoberfest@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 Kaufamann, 627-9264 or StJosephGolfOktoberfest@yahoo.com.

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

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Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, October 2

5:00 PM - † John DeRuyter

SUNDAY, October 3

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

MONDAY. October 4

8:00 a.m. - † Margaret Olsen

TUESDAY, October 5

8:00 a.m. - † Margaret Olsen

WEDNESDAY, October 6

8:00 a.m. - † Diane Gallagher

THURSDAY, October 7

8:00 a.m. - Grace Griffin, living

FRIDAY, October 8

8:00 a.m. - † Wally Hillebrecht

SATURDAY, October 9

5:00 PM - † Tess Keckeisen

SUNDAY, October 10

7:30 a.m. - Intentions of St. Joseph Parishioners

9:00 a.m. - + Sara Sanford 10:30 a.m. - † Sara Sanford

12:30 p.m. - † Judith Calaycay Sison

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, includina:

Glen Warren **Nick Compton** Joseph Comfort Irene Avila Scott Williams **Justin Rav**

Timothy Ring Kenneth Mack McDonald

Adam Mariano **Daniel O'Connell** Obinna Ugochukwu **David Waidelich** 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, Marlena 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, 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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