

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 23, 2011

Wait for the Lord with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord.
— *Psalm 27:14*

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Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Website: www.stjosephparishcommunity.com

St. Joseph School: 596-6115

Religious Education: 598-0519

SUNDAY MASSES:

Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

HOLY DAYS:

Vigil Mass: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Day: 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSION: Saturdays: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

BAPTISM: By appointment, preparation class is required.

MARRIAGE: A minimum of six months notice is required.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: In the event of a serious illness, please contact Fr. James Halley.

St. Joseph Parish is a community of believers who uphold the teachings of the Gospel and the traditions of the Roman Catholic Church, foster the formation and enrichment of parishioners in spirituality, worship and education, providing a welcoming environment to all.

We live Christian lives by praying together, caring for our diverse community, encouraging and sharing of ourselves in service to others.



From the Desk of Fr. Jim:

In the Gospel this week Jesus called Peter and Andrew and John and James to be his disciples, and to share in his public ministry. He wanted them to share in the very same work that He came to do and to share that same work with others.

And what that means to us is that if we are truly his disciples, then this is the one and only reason that we have been called to be Christian. We are called primarily to share in the ministry of Jesus and to work diligently to continue His mission proclaiming God's love for all of us.

In the day-to-day life of the Christian community, there will always be the potential for differences and disagreements. Yet, even with these differences, we are called to continue to build our parish community into a place where Jesus is clearly the focus and His good news continues to be proclaimed.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: How has my relationship to Christ been a source of light in my life?

Child: How do I follow Jesus?

Teen: How have I experienced the call to follow Jesus? How did I respond?

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion

after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday:	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

Meditation/Centering Prayer

First, Third and Fifth Tuesdays
February 1 & 15 - 7:00 p.m.
In the church. All are welcome!



Pro Life Corner - "It was appalling to me that seven men, non-elected and appointed for life, could change the course of history (through Roe v. Wade)", said Carmen Trujillo, long active in right-to-life efforts. She is spearheading the work to bring as many pro-life colleagues as possible to Washington D.C. and to Sacramento. The March for Life to Washington is on Jan. 24. On Jan. 26 activists will gather at the state capitol in Sacramento.



From Deacon Don's Desk:

Matthew writes to the Jewish-Christian community. He connects the first reading from Isaiah by saying Jesus is the fulfillment, the prophet like the ancient ones of Israel. Jesus is the "light" that Isaiah prophesized about. We

are now to take up that mantle and continue Christ's mission of service. Service with a smile. Proverbs 17:22 says, "A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones."

There was a man, a dedicated Christian who championed the cause of the Jesus film for Campus Crusade even to his dying day. He had an overarching fast-ball that deceived the batters. His arms were so long, when he came over the top, he explained, "Not only did I occasionally touch the mound with my pitching hand, and sometimes I would actually knock the ball out of my hand before I could deliver the pitch!" "Vinegar Bend" Mizell often laughed at himself. We need to laugh at ourselves once in a while. When we drop something, giggle and say to yourself, "Well I was testing gravity." Tripping over a crack in the sidewalk is cause for a chuckle at the chuck-hole! A cheerful heart is good medicine. It all turns out good in the end. Jesus wins. Our enemy is defeated, our sins are forgiven, our tears are wiped away. "Repent, the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Mt 4:23

Our Prayer: Heavenly Father, Your love exceeds the furthest expression of our human longing, for You are greater than the human heart. Direct each effort of our lives so our limits of faults and weaknesses do not obscure the vision of Your glory that gives us the peace You promised. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen

Small Church Community

Scripture Focus: In today's Gospel Jesus begins his public ministry in Capernaum, a seacoast town in Galilee. There, the light of God's saving action begins to shine. Matthew also tells the story of the call of the first disciples. They seem to answer right away and leave everything behind.

Life Focus: * What did you let go of in your life in order to bring light and healing into the life of another recently? * Describe a time this week when you made an effort to change. Share an experience when you were asked to make a change in your life. * Describe your struggle when asked to do something that took you from familiar surroundings or routine. * Name an experience, difficult or pleasant, when you noted God drawing your attention. * Describe the specific areas or activities in your life that are obstacles to following the Lord. * Describe a time when you moved from a sense of gloom and confusion to a sense of peace. How did you get there? * Describe an experience when you were having a bad day, and someone else brightened your day.

Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Ed Beniof, RVD, Holy Trinity Parish, San Pedro, 310-548-6535. Vocation information may be found at: www.lavocations.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Elementary: The Religious Ed annual **Family Mass and Potluck Brunch** will take place on **Sunday, January 30**. Families will attend the **9 a.m.** Mass followed by a potluck brunch in the hall.

Child Abuse Prevention: On **February 6** our catechists in grades 1, 4 and 5 will be presenting age appropriate lessons to the students on child abuse prevention. On **February 13** grades 2 and 3 will receive this instruction. We are mandated by the Archdiocese to include this very important information in our curriculum.

Sacrament Program: The second workshop for our **Year 1** families will be held today from **2:00 - 3:30 p.m.** in the hall. This workshop is for parents and children. Child care will be provided for siblings.

Early Childhood: Regular class today. Early Childhood Catechist Spring Planning Meeting after class today in the PAC. REMEMBER: No class next week; please join us for the Family Mass at 9 a.m. and the potluck brunch in the hall immediately following!

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

Confirmation - Year 1 meets today at noon in the hall with Mass at 12:30 p.m. and a session until 3:00 p.m. Last session for this track is the retreat which will be held on Saturday, **February 5**.

The Rite of Affirmation will take place on Sunday, **January 30**, at the 12:30 p.m. Mass for our **Year 2** candidates & sponsors. A luncheon and speaker will follow in the hall.

**How Does a Person Become a**

Catholic? Are you or someone you know curious about Catholicism? It is our greatest joy and our mission, to 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 individuals to "come and see" what living a life as a committed Catholic Christian can mean. Meeting times are flexible. For more info, please call Peter Baine, 598-4130.

L. A. Religious Education Congress - Mar. 17 - 20

The Congress in Anaheim is ready to enrich and revitalize us. There will be 308 workshops available, covering a range of topics and interests from spirituality and personal development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis. The Congress focuses on the theme **Hold firm... Trust!** Participants will enjoy morning praise, workshops, evening liturgies and a variety of worship. Concerts offer additional opportunities for praise and worship - delightful experiences which engage and renew participants! Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! For more info or to register call our parish rel. ed. office, 598-0519, for a guide book, or call the RECongress info line, 213-637-7348. Or register online at www.RECongress.org.

Knightly News

Have you ever thought about putting your child in the parish Catholic school? Now is the time to consider that option. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2011-2012 school year. We have some openings still for next year's kindergarten class and a few openings left in some of the other grades. If you would like to know more about St. Joseph School, visit our website at www.sjknights.net. Also please consider joining us at our open house on Tuesday, **February 1** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. during Catholic Schools Week. We would love for you to come and see what your parish school is all about!

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**St. Joseph School Casino Night is Back Again!!**

St. Joseph School will be hosting a Casino Night fundraiser Saturday, **February 12** from **6 - 11 p.m.** Included with your \$25 ticket purchase will be a fabulous dinner, \$100 of chips to be used at various gaming tables and many chances to win amazing prizes! Tickets must be purchased in advance of the event and will be sold after all Masses on 1/30 and 2/6, or you can call Stacy Bass, 310-347-7056. Please support your parish school and join us for a fun-filled evening Vegas style!

Feast of St. Joseph and Parish Appreciation

Please mark your calendars to join our parish celebration and feast of St. Joseph, **March 12 & 13**. We will honor our parish patron saint and show appreciation of our wonderful parish community and ministries. At each Mass the weekend of March 12 and 13, a special blessing and recommissioning of our parish ministers will take place. There will be a Ministry Fair after all Masses to learn more about opportunities of service here at St. Joseph Parish. A parish appreciation pasta dinner, open to all, will follow the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Wine, beer and soft drinks will be provided by the Knights of Columbus. Please, no outside alcohol will be allowed.

Mary and Joseph Retreat Center**Walk the Walk - Breathe the Prayer Jan. 25, 9:30-1:00**

Ecumenical mini-retreat especially for older adults. Seek to deepen awareness of the Lord's healing presence by breathing short prayers, walking in the silence and listening for the Spirit's whispered word. Includes lunch. Cost \$20 (\$17 by Jan. 18).

Symbolism of the Mass Jan. 29 2-6 p.m. The divine element of ritual, including symbolisms, is ever present, hidden in ancient gestures that stir feelings within us. Retreat concludes with Mass. Cost: \$20 (\$15 by Jan. 21).

For information about events at the retreat center, visit their website: www.maryjoseph.org. Registration forms and directions are available there as well.



St. Joseph Senior Group
We always welcome new members.

2011 - Happy New Year

Sign-up for Las Vegas trip. Checks only please.

Feb. 7 & 21 - regular meetings

Feb. 15 - 17 - 3 days, 2 nights at Golden Nugget, downtown; dbl. \$130/person for total trip; single \$190 for total trip. Price includes transportation, baggage service, 2 nights at the Golden Nugget; \$250 Golden Value coupon book per room which includes breakfast or lunch buffets, many discounts on food, drinks, cocktails, Spa Service, car rentals, slot plays, match plays, etc. Checks only. For info on the trip call Rosie 562-425-4162 or Barbara 562-430-5324. 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, **Jan. 23** at **2 pm** in the conference room of St. Pancratius, 3519 St. Pancratius Pl., Lakewood. Info: Winnie Butler, 809-3206.

Thank you for the prayers and cards during my recent bereavement. *Eileen Bentley*

Eucharistic Adoration Taize Prayer Service

Come join us for an hour of meditative prayer before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. This will be a time of quiet, reflective prayer in an atmosphere of peace and calm. St. Cornelius Church, Tuesday, **Jan. 25**, from 7-8 p.m. For more information please contact Sr. Kathleen, 496-3224.

Tax Time - If you would like a letter stating your contributions to St. Joseph Church for 2010, please call the rectory and leave your name and phone number.

Changes - Tuesday nights, Jan. 25 - Mar. 8. Changes combines a unique team of grief professionals and volunteers to help children and teens realize that their experiences are normal. Family members get support from peers, and learn tools and strategies to cope with the changes that come after a loved one dies. Groups for school-aged young people and groups for children and teens. A parent/primary caregiver group meets at the same time to talk about their own loss and to learn how better to parent grieving children and teens. Pathways is a community supported agency; services are **free of charge**. Registration is required. Call 562-531-3031.

Beginning Experience Grief Recovery Workshop

Feb. 4 - 6 - Widowed/divorced/separated are invited through this guided healing & growth process at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center, Encino. Registration & cost: (\$250, \$225 in advance) bel2011-30@hotmail.com. Call Maria, 310-365-0186. Website: www.beginningexperience.org.

Our 27th year at St. Joseph Parish
 MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD



Thanks to those who joined us at our January meeting. Your help and presence help guide our service to our brothers and sisters in need.

Call John to be on the list for Easter. If you did not drive at Christmas, we missed you – call John/Jan. 68 Gift Basket Families are being helped by your donations of food, money and time at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter.

Thank you again for all that you do and share with our needy brothers/sisters in Long Beach! Call: John/Jan Minter, 562-430-5839.

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment:

Jan. 28 - St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower, 562-920-7796 ext 247

Feb. 25 - St. Margaret Mary, Lomita, 310-326-3364

Feb. 26 - St. Catherine LaBoure, Torrance, 310-323-8900

Did You Know? Internet Spammers Target Kids, Too

Does your child know what to do when he or she gets an e-mail from an unknown person? If you are allowing your children to communicate with others online, be aware that they will be exposed to spam. The easiest way to avoid spam is to make sure that your children do not give out their personal information or e-mail address to anyone they do not know. Adjust the security settings on their e-mail account to filter or block unwanted messages. Encourage your children to delete any messages they get from anyone they don't know. Even when your children get e-mail or instant messages from people they know, make sure that they scan everything they are downloading for viruses first. Make sure that you have your anti-virus software up to date. For more information, please visit: www.netSMART.org/safety/safetytips.htm.

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

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, January 22

5:00 p.m. - † Salvate & Botelho families

SUNDAY, January 23

7:30 a.m. - Betty Maligie, living

9:00 a.m. - † Vicente Ong

10:30 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom and all priests

12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

MONDAY, January 24

8:00 a.m. - Timmy Ginnett, living

TUESDAY, January 25

8:00 a.m. - † Bernie Hodowski

WEDNESDAY, January 26

8:00 a.m. - Marianna Wescott, living

THURSDAY, January 27

8:00 a.m. - Mort and Liz Kier, 60th Anniversary

FRIDAY, January 28

8:00 a.m. - Dolores King, living

SATURDAY, January 29

5:00 p.m. - † Martha Aimone

SUNDAY, January 30

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

9:00 a.m. - † Paterno Garcia

10:30 a.m. - † John DeRuyter

12:30 p.m. - † Daniel O'Connell

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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| Glen Warren | Nick Compton |
| Joseph Comfort | Irene Avila |
| Scott Williams | Justin Ray |
| Timothy Ring | Adam Mariano |
| Daniel O'Connell | Obinna Ugochukwu |
| David Waidelich | William G. Ouimette |
| Timmy Allison | Patrick Rea |

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, Leslie Day, Logan Pipler, Danielle Carmody, Hugo & Mickey Jorda, Beverly Clinton, Patti Nolan, Gregory Freez, Diana Norton, Rebecca Clinton, Peggy Montello, Michael Raspudic, Patricia Langlios, Carlos Franco, Dave Gallagher, Fr. Frank Ferrante, Jeanne Desmond, 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, Ginny Kennebeck, Evelyn Sylvia, Teresa Anselmo, Fr. Rolly Jardiniانو, Carissa Cherpes, Dolores King & Cathleen Harrison.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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
ALTAR CARE	Mary Jelnick	429-2529
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	Dana Moler

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	
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

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MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	John & Jan Minter	430-5839
SENIOR GROUP	Betty Maligie	596-8287
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause	310-316-3477
	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	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