

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



## Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 10, 2011

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice!

— *Psalm 130:1*

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**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:**

It doesn't make any difference how harsh or mild the winter has been, every year we look forward to the springtime. The new season promises us a change in temperatures, new leaves and colorful flowers, more time outdoors, and we generally find people in a better mood. Just the thought of spring can bring a smile to our faces. It is with hope that we welcome the new season because it gives us a new perspective on life, and it promises us better months ahead.

A new perspective and a new future is also what Jesus offers us. In a world where we can be quick to condemn others Jesus asks us to forgive; and in a world where the marginalized are at times disregarded, Christ asks us to embrace them.

In a society where at times people seek vengeance, we are told to call for justice. In a culture where lies sometimes seem to get people ahead, Christ calls us to proclaim the truth. In a culture where hate is acceptable, we are invited to love. And in a world where sin can be seen as appealing, Jesus offers us grace. A universe that reflects Jesus' vision is the reign of God that is already here in our midst. And we are reminded that he brought his vision into the world by his life, death, and resurrection, a vision he wants to share with each of us.

Our lives, as disciples of Jesus, should strive to reflect the Reign of God. It is something that must begin in our own hearts. Lent invites us to look honestly and lovingly into ourselves, and to recognize all the goodness and all the sinfulness that is there. None of us have a perfect heart. But Jesus who is the greatest expression of God's love sees beyond that, and He offers us forgiveness and invites us to start anew. The springtime of the Resurrection awaits us. We need to be prepared to welcome it and celebrate it with a clean heart, and a renewed commitment to build up the Kingdom of God.

**Easter Duty** - All Catholics are obliged to receive Communion during the Easter season, the first Sunday of Lent to Trinity Sunday. In this penitential season of Lent, the faithful are obliged, and encouraged, to confess sacramentally all serious sin in individual confession. **April 12** is our parish Lenten Reconciliation Liturgy at 7 p.m.

**Regional Vocation Director:** Rev. Ed Beniof, RVD, Holy Trinity Parish, San Pedro, 310-548-6535. Vocation information may be found at: [www.lavocations.org](http://www.lavocations.org).

**Together In Mission** - A big thank you to the **246** families who made a pledge to this archdiocesan campaign. So far, we have **\$50,164** pledged toward our parish goal of **\$52,889**, and **\$33,570** already paid. Thank you for your continued generosity. There are envelopes in the church and the rectory 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.

**Knightly News**



Last week I began sharing with you the philosophy of St. Joseph Elementary School. It continues as follows: **Acknowledging parents as the primary educators of their children, we assist by providing an educational program, which nourishes the faith development of all students. This program endeavors to educate the whole person through religious, intellectual, psychological, social, physical, and aesthetic development.**

**We value the shared building of a faith community based on Jesus' command to love one another. Through modeling openness, understanding, acceptance, sensitivity and forgiveness, we hope to inspire the students to become vibrant members of our diverse, multi-cultural society.**

**We foster apostolic Christian service to deepen the student's involvement in social concerns. We declare with John Paul II in his address to American Catholic Educators that this "powerful experience - will enlarge their horizons, challenge their lifestyles, and offer them authentic human fulfillment."**

We realize that the extent to which the Christian message is transmitted through education depends greatly on us, the teachers. Therefore, we strive to be persons who integrate faith and life and who are ever willing to work supportively with parents.

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**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**  
*(Based on today's Bible readings)*  
**Adult:** When have I felt "dead" and then experienced God giving me a resurgence of life?  
**Child:** How does loving Jesus give me a new life?  
**Teen:** How do my actions show that I put my faith and trust in Jesus?

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 - 27:66 [27:11-54]

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion**  
 after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday.

**Pro Life Corner** - A 2011 Goal - We are familiar with partial birth abortion. Laws in many states and on the federal level now **ban that procedure**. But there is another procedure that is just as brutal. It is called a D&E abortion. Priests for Life has a 2011 goal to shine light on what takes place there.  
 Priests for Life, Feb. 2011

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519**

**Elementary:** Our annual portrayal of the Stations of the Cross will take place today in the hall at **11:00 a.m.** Everyone is invited to attend this event.

**No class** on Easter Sunday, **April 24.**

**RCIA for Children Year 2:** A parent/child workshop will take place on Sunday, **April 17,** from **2:00 - 3:30 p.m.** in the PAC for our older children receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time.

**Middle School:** Our Middle School students are hosting "Middle School Madness" in the hall from **6:30-8:00 p.m.** on Tuesday, **April 12.** Students from the school have been invited to attend this "fun" night. We are asking everyone to bring \$3 to cover the cost of pizza. Also, please bring new or "gently used" children's books to be donated to Movement for a Better World and clothing for Catholic Charities. Please **RSVP** to the religious ed office.

**Early Childhood:** Regular class today. Family Easter Baskets items collected today for Movement for a Better World. Next week: Easter Celebration! Remember to sign up for item to bring next week, bring in your 12 filled eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt and wear your Sunday School shirt. Sign up for your shift at the Parish Fair!

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

**Confirmation** - The sacrament of Confirmation for our **Year 2** candidates will take place **April 13,** at 7 p.m. Bishop Oscar Solis will be the celebrant for this Mass.

A dinner hosted by our Year 1 candidates will take place today at **5:30 p.m.** in the hall. The rehearsal for Confirmation will take place following the dinner. All candidates and sponsors are required to attend.

**Lenten Schedule**

**Lectio Divina** - prayer and scriptural reading intended to promote communion with God and an increase in the knowledge of God's Word, a way of praying with Scripture. In the church **Thursday mornings after the 8 a.m. Mass** and at **7 p.m. Thursday evenings.**

**Stations of the Cross** - **7:00 p.m. Fridays** of Lent.

**Soup Nights** - **Fridays** of Lent, **5:30 - 7:00 p.m.**

**Lenten Reconciliation Liturgy** - **April 12, 7:00 p.m.**

**Holy Week Liturgies:**

Monday - Wednesday, **8:00 a.m.** Mass

Thursday - Saturday, **8:00 a.m.** Morning Prayer

**Holy Thursday 7:30 p.m.** Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday 1:30** Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death  
**7:30** Stations of the Cross

**Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m.** Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday** - regular Sunday Mass schedule

**Fast and Abstinence** - Abstinence from meat on all Fridays of Lent.

Fasting on Good Friday for all who are 18 to 59 years. One full meatless meal, two others to maintain strength but together should not equal a full meal. Liquids may be taken between meals. If health or ability to work are affected, fasting does not oblige.

**From Deacon Don's Desk:**

*Jesus called out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" He came out.* John 11:13-14

Robert Ingersoll, a 19th century agnostic, suggested to an audience of believers that Jesus' words, "Lazarus, come out!" were simply a pre-arranged cue to have Lazarus (who feigned death) strut forth gloriously from the tomb. Emphasizing his point. Ingersoll said, "Why did Jesus say, 'Lazarus, come out!' Why didn't he just say, 'Come out!'" A man in the audience shouted, "Because if my Master had said that, every person in that there cemetery would have come out!"

Hidden or not, the Ingersoll story clarifies the point of the Lazarus story: All the faithful will rise someday.

**Our Prayer:** God of all goodness, through the examples of virtues and works of true Christians, bring us to our heavenly glory. Amen.

**Please pray for our Confirmandi.**

**Catechetical Corner**

As most of you know, beginning this year on the First Sunday of Advent, we will begin using the New Roman Missal.



Below is the new version of the Gloria that will come into use. The current Gloria is also there for your comparison. This is the first one of these changes that I want to highlight for you in this Catechetical Corner column. Since the Gloria is most often sung, it becomes not only a matter of learning the new words but also these new words are being put together with new music as well. We have a lot of learning to do, but we'll learn it together. I would suggest that you keep this bulletin article and read it several times and also read it out loud. Feel free to read it with your families as well. I think this will help all of us as we implement these new translations.

**Current Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**New Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and **on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.** Lord Jesus Christ, **Only Begotten Son,** Lord God, Lamb of God, **Son of the Father,** you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; **you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;** you are seated at the right hand of the Father, **have mercy on us.** For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.



**St. Joseph Senior Group**  
**We always welcome new members.**

**Apr. 18** - Regular meeting.

**May 2 & 23** - Regular meetings.

Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

**Senior Trips - Open to All**

**Valley View Casino**, Thursday, **May 5**, \$26 per person includes driver tip. Each person receives \$15 Moreplay on their player card, bottled water, & chance to win raffle on the bus. Each "new" player will receive one free buffet. Bus leaves church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Reservations will be taken at the April 4 meeting. Checks only, please.

**Western Canada & Rocky Mountaineer, Sep. 27-Oct.6,**

10 days, west from Calgary to Vancouver & Victoria. \$2,699 double occ. to first 20 people includes land, non-stop round trip airfare from LAX, all transfers in Canada, 2 breakfasts and 2 lunches on Rocky Mountaineer.

For trip info, call Rosie, 425-4162, or Barbara, 430-5324.

**St. Cecilia's Luncheon will be held Tuesday, Apr. 12. Please join us at noon at the El Dorado Golf Course Restaurant. Questions, please call Ruth, 431-0288.**

**The Parish Fair - May 13-15**

We still need help. Remember with many hands, the work is light! Please contact Wendy Gentry at gentryrb@aol.com, 754-8546, or Phil Tondreault at patondre@hotmail.com.

**Join us for a scrumptious brunch at the fair, Sunday, May 15, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m.** Adults \$10, children \$5, under two free! Pre sale tickets only - sold after all Masses. For more info call: Nina Escandon, 619-2144, Mary Ellen Ne-ton, 962-1280. VIP pkgs available!

**Thank you** to all who supported the 8th grade Flower Sale last weekend. Your generosity will help our school award scholarships to its graduates attending Catholic high schools.

**Did You Know? 2011 'Working Together to Prevent Child Abuse' brochure available now** - Each year, every parish in the Archdiocese receives copies of "Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse: Keeping Ministerial Relationships Healthy and Holy." The brochure is a guide to the sexual abuse prevention policies, programs and resources that have been developed by the Archdiocese of L. A. Please look for the brochure in the vestibule or rectory, read it and keep it some place for easy reference. For free copies of the brochure, please email Tim at [tolsheski@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:tolsheski@la-archdiocese.org). For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

**Our 27<sup>th</sup> year at St. Joseph Parish**  
 MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD  
**Easter Children's Book Drive –**  
**Bring new and 'gently' used children's books by Wednesday to be donated to our Gift Basket Families for EASTER.**



Call John to be on the Drivers' List for the Easter Food Basket delivery. Delivery is April 16, Saturday, 8:30 a.m.

Thanks for all of the "Loaves and Fishes," bread and canned food, for St. Francis Center - over 100 loaves and twice that number of canned food items were received on March 26-27.

POPCORN JOHN says it is time to sign-up for the Faire/Luau Popcorn Booth.

Next meeting: **May 18**, Wednesday, PAC at **7:30 p.m.** All welcome to this final, wrap-up the year, meeting. Thank you for all that you do for our needy brothers/sisters in Long Beach! Call: John/Jan Minter at 430-5839.

**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.

**Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

**Apr. 15** - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, L.A. 323-585-4485

**Apr. 29** - St. Joseph, Hawthorne, 310-679-1139

**May 7** - St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower, 562-920-7796 x247

**May 18** - St. Cyprian, Long Beach, 562-421-9487

**Small Church Community**

**Scripture Focus:** Today's readings marvel at the creative, life-giving power of God. Ezekiel tells us that the God who can transform lifeless bones into vital human beings can restore a nation from the death of exile to a life of freedom. Paul tells the Romans that the power of the Spirit brings our mortal bodies to life through the creative, transforming presence of the Spirit of God dwelling in us. In the Gospel we see a marvelously dramatic example of the power of God to bring life out of death. The essential message for us is Jesus' pronouncement: "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die" (John 11:25).

**Life Focus:** \* Relate a time when you made a decision because of friendship. What were the consequences? Did it mean going along with the crowd or with Christ?

\* Describe an instance when you denied yourself some extravagant want. How did the denial increase your faith?

\* Imagine some of the emotions and feelings that Lazarus might have experienced on "the first day of the rest of his life." Describe a time when you experienced some of those feelings in your life. Did it change you? \* Have you been able to allow God to open any of the graves you dug yourself and heal you? \* What are the small "resurrections" that keep you conscious of God in your life?

# Mass Intentions



**SATURDAY, April 9**

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

**SUNDAY, April 10**

7:30 a.m. - Dolores King, living

9:00 a.m. - † Melinda Gibb

10:30 a.m. - † Cathleen Harrison

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

**MONDAY, April 11**

8:00 a.m. - † Cyril & Bernadette Bastable

**TUESDAY, April 12**

8:00 a.m. - † Peggy Montello

**WEDNESDAY, April 13**

8:00 a.m. - † Marge Davis

**THURSDAY, April 14**

8:00 a.m. - Pat Hillebrecht, living

**FRIDAY, April 15**

8:00 a.m. - † Peggy Montello

**SATURDAY, April 16**

5:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

**SUNDAY, April 17**

7:30 a.m. - † Peggy Montello

9:00 a.m. - † Kellee Murchison Bennett

10:30 a.m. - † Richard Wallace

12:30 p.m. - † John DeRuyter

Please remember in your prayers the men and women of the Armed Forces who are currently serving our country, 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>Adam Mariano</b>        |
| <b>Daniel O'Connell</b> | <b>Obinna Ugochukwu</b>    |
| <b>David Waidelich</b>  | <b>William G. Ouimette</b> |
| <b>Timmy Allison</b>    | <b>Patrick Rea</b>         |
| <b>Patrick Murphy</b>   | <b>Michael Marchante</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, Betty Chappell, Patricia Morand, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, Hugo & Mickey Jorda, Beverly Clinton, Dave Gallagher, Fr. Frank Ferrante, Jeanne Desmond, Robert Maney, Joyce Frugoli, Joe Ainge, Jason McCune, William Cervola, Den Goldberg, Cass Warren, Kennedy Willey, Tatum Gumps, Gerry & Celeste Kohnen, Joe Snider, Stephen Hutchings, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Ginny Kennebeck, Evelyn Sylvia, Teresa Anselmo, Dolores King, Fernando Montoya, Estelle Minter, Gilberto Cerna, John Convey, Mike Dresnick, Kathy June, Betty Klemin, & Chuck Dixon.

**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 annbakercrowley@yahoo.com	594-7575
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 www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm	310-316-3477
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