

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



## Easter Sunday

April 24, 2011

When Christ your life appears,  
then you too will appear with him in glory.

— *Colossians 3:4*

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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](http://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:**

Why do we rejoice today? We rejoice because the story of the suffering and death of Jesus on Good Friday is the story of the triumph of truth. It's a story of injustice over justice and of evil over goodness. Jesus was falsely charged of crimes he did not commit, and unjustly sentenced to a death he did not deserve. He was betrayed, and his companions deserted him.

It is a story of betrayal and lies, dishonesty and meanness, unfaithfulness and wicked violence directed against an innocent and apparently helpless victim.

All this comes to a head on Good Friday when we see Jesus scourged, mocked, led on a death march, nailed to the cross where he dies and is buried in a tomb. If that were the end of the story it would be a bad story.

But death is not the end of the story. There is one more chapter. And it's the most important chapter because the story of Jesus continues and we see him rise from the dead in all glory and majesty. He is vindicated. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains his eternal glory with the Father. He is the Lord who prevails over everything.

Truth triumph! Never give up on Truth. Never give up on Justice. Never give up on doing what is right. True will always be true. Just will always be just. Right will always be right even when the world around us would have it otherwise. Today Christ has won. We have also won. He is risen and we will also rise.



**The Wertz family thanks** everyone who donated or purchased a baked good last Sunday for the Heifer Organization. \$200 was collected for the purchase of a gardener's basket and more.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

*Rest In Peace*

*Died in Christ:*

**Charles Branch**  
**Mary Fosnaugh**  
**Sergio Shelton**  
**Gen Strong**



**Easter Duty** - All Catholics are obliged to receive Communion during the Easter season, which is 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.

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

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**  
*(Based on today's Bible readings)*

**Adult:** Through the waters of Baptism we have new life in Christ. How am I called to live this new life today?

**Child:** How does knowing that Jesus is still with us make me feel?

**Teen:** How can I show this week that I truly believe in the resurrection of Jesus?

**Together In Mission**  
**We have almost made our goal, only \$1,585 to go!**  
A big thank you to the **257** families who made a pledge to this archdiocesan campaign. So far, we have **\$51,304** pledged toward our parish goal of **\$52,889**, and **\$34,650** 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.

**Pro Life Corner** - Please pray daily for all life to be protected, from conception to death.

**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).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519****Elementary: No class** today. Easter Blessings to all!!**Middle School: No Class** on Tuesday, **April 26**, due to Easter vacation.**Early Childhood:** No class today. We wish you a happy and joyous Easter! Last class next week: Children singing and certificate presentation in the hall after class. Wear your t-shirts, invite family and friends, and bring your cameras/camcorders. Sign up for next year if you haven't already registered. Remember to sign up for your shift at the Fair.**Sunday Nursery:** Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses.**Save the Date**

Mark your calendars for our annual **Vacation Bible Camp**. It will be held here at St. Joseph's the week of **July 11-15**. Students entering Kg. through 8th grade in the Fall are invited to attend. The theme this year is "Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street, *Where Jesus Makes a Difference Every Day.*" Registration forms will be available next month. For information, please call the religious ed. office, 598-0519

**First Communion**

First Communion will take place on **May 7 and 8** (Mother's Day) during 5:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Masses. Please keep our children and their families in your prayers as they continue in their preparation for receiving this sacrament.

**Men's Retreat April 29 - May 1****Mother/Daughter Retreat May 6 - 7**

Retreats at the Serra Retreat in Malibu. For more information or registration, call 310-456-6631 or see the website: [www.serraretreat.com](http://www.serraretreat.com)

**Mother Daughter Retreat May 6 - 8** "Embracing the Good in Your Relationship" Share a special Mother's Day weekend at Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside. Take time to explore the many ways God's goodness manifests itself in your life and in your relationship. Register online at [www.sanluisrey.org](http://www.sanluisrey.org) or call 760-757-3659.

**Joy With No End**

Now let the heav'ns be joyful, and earth her song begin, the whole world keep high triumph and all that is therein; let all things in creation their notes of gladness blend, for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.

John Mason Neale

**From Deacon Don's Desk:**

"Never let anything fill you with sorrow as to make you forget the joy of the risen Christ."

....Blessed Teresa of Calcutta.

"For some the power of the risen Christ is a stumbling block. Many see the Church only on its human side: weak, frail, something to be ignored. They make the same mistake Mary Magdalene made the first Easter morning, she mistook the risen Savior for the gardener. The world also sees the risen Christ in the Mystical Body, the Church, and takes it to be the 'gardener.' But divinity is there as it was in the garden the first Easter, only that same divinity can give hope to a hopeless world."

....Meditations by Bishop Sheen

**OUR PRAYER:** May the risen Lord breathe on our minds and open our eyes that we may know Him in the breaking of Bread and follow Him in His risen life. Amen.

WISHING ALL A BLESSED and HAPPY EASTER from our house to yours.

**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](mailto:gentryrb@aol.com), 754-8546, or Phil Tondreault at [patondre@hotmail.com](mailto: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!

**Walk for Life 2011 - May 7** at Veterans Park in Redondo Beach. Event for Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance, a non-profit resource center for women in crisis pregnancies. Sign up at [www.firstgiving.com/phctorrance](http://www.firstgiving.com/phctorrance) or call 310-320-8976. Thank you!

**Mass with a Healing Service - April 25**, St. Cornelius Church, 7:30 p.m. with Fr. George Reynolds, associate pastor of St. Barnabas Church, a charismatic priest with the gift of healing. Come experience the healing power of the Holy Spirit.

**Experience God's Mercy** - Special Divine Mercy Novena of Holy Masses beginning Monday, April 24, until Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1, (7:00 p.m. weekdays and 5:00 p.m. weekends) at SS. Peter and Paul Church, 515 W. Opp St., Wilmington. Guest preachers will celebrate Mass every night. Confessions will be available. Benediction and blessing of the relic of St. Faustina on Divine Mercy Sunday. For more information, please call 310-834-5215 x 23 or email at [sppc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sppc@sbcglobal.net).

**SENIORS**

**St. Joseph's Heartbeat**  
God ♥ all

*We always welcome new members.*

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

**May 5 - Valley View Casino** \$26 per person includes driver tip. Each person receives \$15 back on their player card & chance to win raffle on the bus. Each "new" player will receive one free buffet. Seats still available. Bus leaves church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Checks only, please. Call for reservations: Rosie, 425-4162 or Barbara, 430-5324.

**June 6 and 20** - Regular meetings.

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

10 days, west from Calgary to Vancouver & Victoria. \$2,699 double occ. includes land travel, non-stop round trip airfare from LAX, all transfers in Canada, 2 breakfasts and 2 lunches on Rocky Mountaineer. Rosie, 425-4162 or Barbara, 430-5324.  
Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

**St. Joseph High School**

**18th Annual Golf Classic May 16**, Recreation Golf Course, 1:00 p.m. Please contact Dennis Blas 825-5073 x 162 for information.

**Summer School June 17 - July 15**

**Middle School Summer Academy June 20-July 14**

**Summer Day Camp K-8 June 20 - July 22**

Please call 562-925-5073 for information.

**St. Anthony High School** Class of 1971, 40th class reunion **June 24**, 5-9 p.m., O'Malleys on Main, Seal Beach. **June 25**, 6-12 p.m. Golden Sails, Long Beach, reservations only. Please help us contact '71 grads. Contact Ed Lamouteux ell@bradley.edu, 309-672-5878.

**Lenten Soup Nights** - Thank you to all who participated in our Lenten soup nights: Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Choir, and Religious Education, as well as all of you who came for the soup. They were enjoyable evenings with lots of choices of delicious soups.

**Did You Know? Support Archdiocese's 'Keep Kids**

**Safe' Campaign** - April is national Child Abuse Prevention Month and "Keep Kids Safe" month in the Los Angeles Archdiocese. It is most appropriate that these events take place during the Easter Season, since there is no better time to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God - our children. During this week, children in Catholic schools and Religious Education programs in the Archdiocese will wear bright blue ribbon shaped stickers that say, "Keep Kids Safe." The stickers are part of a campaign to highlight the Archdiocese's extensive abuse prevention and education programs for children and adults. 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

**Alleluia!** Great BIG Thank you for all of the Children's Books for Easter. Our volunteers delivered the books to our 70 Gift Basket Families last week, with 2 boxes of food, each.



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.

**Employment Opportunity** Our Lady of Refuge School is accepting applications for the position of principal for the 2011-12 school year. Job description and requirements can be found at [la.archdiocese.org](http://la.archdiocese.org), (select Schools then Employment). Send resumes to [pastor@olrs.org](mailto:pastor@olrs.org) by April 30.

**Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

**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:** All the Gospels agree that women were the first to come to the tomb. Mary Magdalene is always mentioned among them. The scene symbolizes a new creation brought about by the Resurrection of the Light of the world. The darkness suggests the darkness that covered the abyss before light first appeared. When Mary Magdalene sees the stone removed from the entrance, she runs to the disciples with the news that "the Lord has been taken from the tomb!" She saw him die a few days ago, and that prevents her from drawing any other conclusion. The two disciples run side by side to the tomb. Peter sees the burial cloth and the cloth that covered Jesus' head, but he doesn't know how to interpret what he sees. The other disciple, the one Jesus loved and the source of this account, is the first to understand the significance of the empty tomb: "The Lord has risen." For John, all those who came to believe would be loved by Jesus and would love in return.

**Life Focus:** \* Recount an experience that left you feeling like an "empty tomb," as if the Lord had been taken away from you. How did you try to find the Lord again later?

\* *The other disciple enters the tomb. What he saw there made such an impression on him so that he believed at once. Describe a similar experience when you felt strong convictions despite the lack of external evidence.* \* Recall an experience when you took the role of the "beloved disciple." \* *What in your life keeps people from seeing Jesus in you?* \* Recall an experience in your life when your trust in Jesus was shaken. How did you recover?

# Mass Intentions



**SATURDAY, April 23**

8:00 p.m. - Vigil of Easter

**SUNDAY, April 24**

7:30 a.m. - † Peggy Montello

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Mary Jane Thomas

12:30 p.m. - † Jamie Ollinger-Mesa

**MONDAY, April 25**

8:00 a.m. - † Marge Davis

**TUESDAY, April 26**

8:00 a.m. - † Tim Houts

**WEDNESDAY, April 27**

8:00 a.m. - † Peggy Montello

**THURSDAY, April 28**

8:00 a.m. - † Peggy Montello

**FRIDAY, April 29**

8:00 a.m. - † Patrick and Rosaleen Branigan

**SATURDAY, April 30**

5:00 p.m. - Fr. Edward Broom and all priests

**SUNDAY, June 1**

7:30 a.m. - † Curtis Whitmore

9:00 a.m. - Msgr. Doug Saunders

46th Anniversary of Ordination

10:30 a.m. - Jake & Judy DeRuyter, 50th Anniversary

12:30 p.m. - † Jeanne Klein

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 Kohlen, 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 Ensch 421-0147  
LECTORS Bill Smith 431-2495  
USHERS Marty Vezzetti 425-0621  
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ALTAR CARE Mary Jelnick 429-2529  
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562-596-6115

- PRINCIPAL Cheryl Hebestreit  
VICE-PRINCIPAL Erin Wright  
SECRETARY Julie Gianessi  
PTO PRESIDENT Dana Moler

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
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- DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Virginia Young  
SECRETARY Veronica Gibb

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

- ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL Virginia Young 598-0519  
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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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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