

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14, 2011

Observe what is right, do what is just;
for my salvation is about to come,
my justice, about to be revealed.

— Isaiah 56:1

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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.stjosephlb.org

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: Fourth Sunday of the month at 2 p.m.

MARRIAGE: An appointment with priest/deacon
a minimum of six months in advance is required.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: In the event of a
serious illness, please call the rectory.

*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:

Sometimes there are people who judge others as inferior or unworthy of their attention. This also happened during the time of Jesus, when women and children and non-Jews weren't properly valued, and they were considered to be among the lowest echelon of society. Jesus did the unexpected when he encountered the Canaanite woman, and he taught his disciples then, and each one of us today, to expect the unexpected.

Firstly, society of his day said he shouldn't have been speaking to a woman, much less a foreigner. Secondly, there was no expectation from the community that this woman would be capable of having such a deep faith. But she persevered in her conversation with Jesus and demonstrated that faith has no boundaries of race or class. There are times today that people still are victims of prejudice due to a lack of understanding and discrimination.

We need to reject these attempts at minimizing another person. If we are able to act as the Canaanite woman did, with faith and perseverance, then we'll be amazed by the power of our trust and faith in God and truly be on the way to becoming the person that God calls us to be.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
 Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30
 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16
 Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14
 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40
 Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12
 Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is not a holy day of obligation this year as it falls on a Monday. The only Mass on Aug. 15 will be at 8:00 a.m.

Please do not leave valuables in your car. Parishioners at St. Cornelius had four cars broken into recently.

St. Joseph Office/Rectory Summer Hours
 (through August 28)

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Saturday - 9 a.m. - noon
 Sunday - 8:30 a.m. - noon
 If you need to reach Fr. Jim or the office staff after hours, please leave a message. Thank you!

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

From Deacon Don's Desk:

From "A Father that Keeps His Promise" the following: "Here on earth the Church is a field full of both wheat and weeds, as Jesus Himself taught in the parables of the kingdom of heaven (Mt 13:24-30). Through Scripture we must train ourselves to attain a sacrament vision of the Church. Don't ever let the mixed bag that is the Church on earth cause you to leave her or stay out of her. When you allow scandal to make you leave the Church or stay out of the Church, you are not only depriving yourself of the spiritual food of the sacraments, you are spurning Christ's Bride!" Paraphrasing St. Cyprian: "If you will not have the Bride, then you cut yourself off from the Bridegroom."

OUR PRAYER: Almighty Father, You have brought us to the light of a new day. Keep us safe, the whole day through, from every sinful inclination. May all our thoughts, words and actions aim at doing what is pleasing in Your sight. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: When has the faith of someone from another culture enriched my own?

Child: What is one thing I most want Jesus to do for me?

Teen: How do I get along with others who are different from me or who speak a foreign language?

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

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Miles (Mick) Quinn



Natural Family Planning - You are invited to attend a series of classes taught by the Couple to Couple League to learn a method that is safe, effective and morally acceptable. Classes begin **August 18** at 7:30 p.m. For more information or to register, visit www.ccli.org, or contact Beth or Greg at 562-377-5877 or bethandgreg@verizon.net.

Meditation/Centering Prayer
Second & Fourth Tuesdays - 7:00 p.m.
August 23

In the church. All are welcome!



Pro Life Corner - Priests for Life is taking the Gospel of Life to YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter. Millions have watched the videos on YouTube.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Registration Sunday: We will be accepting registration for new and returning students on Sunday, **August 28**, in the Parish Activity Center after the **9:00 and 10:30 a.m.** Masses. Registration forms have been mailed to those who were in our programs last year and new families who have notified us that they would like to receive registration materials. Please return these forms to our office as soon as possible. If you would like additional information, please call our office.

Sacrament Program is a **two-year** program which usually starts at **Grade 1** level. Older children may join our **RCIA for Children Program**.

Early Childhood: Our regular year runs September - April for ages 3, 4 and Kindergarten. Sign up NOW for the 2011-2012 school year! Registration forms can be found in the back of the church to the right of the doors as you walk in. Call Shannon, 598-0519, for more info. We want your family and little ones to know you are welcome and important members of our community. Join us!

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

Virtus Training & Re-Certification

The Virtus child sexual abuse prevention training will be held on Tuesday, **Sept. 13**, from **7-10 p.m.** in the hall. This training is mandated by the Archdiocese for all those who will be working with children of the school or parish. Please register online at virtusonline.org if you wish to attend.

Those who completed the three-hour training **before 2007** must be **re-certified** by attending the "Keeping the Promise Alive" workshop or through the Virtus website. This workshop will be offered on Wednesday, **Sept. 14**, from **7-8:30 p.m.** in the hall. Please call the Religious Education Office, 598-0519, to reserve your spot.

These trainings will also be offered at St. Cornelius as follows: Virtus - Sunday, Sept. 11, 1:30-4:30 p.m. and re-certification: Tuesday, Aug. 30, 7-8:30 p.m. Please call our Religious Education office for details on registering.

Small Church Community

Scripture Focus: The account in this Gospel passage shows that while in the beginning the Good News was preached only to the Jews, there would come a time when all people would be included. Jesus tells his disciples here that his mission is to "the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But at the end of Matthew's Gospel, the Risen Christ will command the apostles to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of *all nations*." This story is a turning point in Jesus' mission. The woman's humility and "great faith" were not to be denied. Faith in the Lord will bring both Jews and Gentiles to healing and salvation.

Life Focus: * Relate an experience when you felt you were not listened to or felt rejected. * *Relate an experience when you persevered even when you felt ignored.* * Who are the people who don't get your attention and aren't included? * *Relate an experience when your persistence had positive results in a way you did not expect.*

Women's Silent Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House September 9 - 11**Theme - "For Greater Things You Were Born"**

"We need no wings to go in search of God, but have only to find a place where we can be alone and look upon Him present within us." This retreat is for any woman of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality, a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. But don't delay, make your reservation today, rooms are filling up fast. Call Madeline Majick, 596-6219, Tina Gath, 598-5202, or Marie Newton, 429-7939, to reserve a room.

Grief Support Group

Are you grieving: the loss of a loved one, a painful divorce or separation? You do not have to carry this "emotional burden" alone, there is caring help available! A Parish Grief Support Group, sponsored by your St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry, will begin on **Monday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center (PAC) and will run for nine weeks. Practical, emotional, spiritual and social support will be offered free of charge. (Note: There will be a small charge for associated materials.) To register or for further information, please call Olga, 594-4657 (rectory office), or Deacon Shane Cuda, 493-0541.

Confirmation News

We would like to welcome our new Confirmation Coordinator, Melissa Beach. Melissa will be going into her fifth year of being a Confirmation catechist and worked closely with our past coordinator in both planning and catechizing. At this time, we would also like to thank our past coordinator, Marianna Wescott, for her dedication, enthusiasm, and support to our Confirmation program and many other religious education programs throughout her career of being a volunteer and coordinator. We look forward to her continued support in various areas of religious education.

Be looking for further information about our Confirmation Program in the next few weeks. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you may call our office, **598-0519**.

Social Justice Conference - "Empowering, Affirming and Engaging Parish Communities" Saturday, Aug. 20, St. Cyprian Church, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Social Justice Committee of the San Pedro Regional Pastoral Council is organizing a symposium in pursuit of the Synod Initiative to build a strong social justice dimension and raise the consciousness of every parishioner about the Social Teachings of the Church as an important component of our evangelizing mission. Please RSVP by either calling Angelic at 634-0456, or emailing anunez@sppr.org. Fee is \$10 for lunch and refreshments. Send checks payable to **Regional Ministries**, 3555 St. Pancratius Place, Lakewood, CA 90712.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat

God ♥ all

We always welcome new members.

Aug. 22 - Regular meeting.

For trip info call Rosie 425-4162 or Barbara 430-5324.
Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

Gambler's Delight - The Knights of Columbus invite all parish members 21 years and older to a five hour trip to the Barona Resort and Casino near San Diego on Wednesday, **Sept. 21**. Cost is \$15 per person. \$5 free play and 20% discount at the buffet. Call Manny Vieyra, 425-8811, for complete information.

Volunteer Opportunity - Treasure Hunt Thrift Store, 1178 E. Anaheim, Long Beach, which benefits New Life Beginnings mother's home, is looking for adults and teens to commit to one shift a week, Tuesday - Saturday. Contact: 590-1538 or email at nibtreasurehunt@aol.com, website: www.newlb.org.

Tropical Breeze Dance Friday, Aug. 26, Days Inn, 450 W. Pioneer Dr., Glendale. Everyone is invited! Social time 8-8:30, Dance 8:30-midnight. Attire: Hawaiian or business casual. \$16 (\$18 for non members). Tickets at the door. Info: Angelo 818-773-0550, Lina 310-938-6451.

Calling all incoming 3rd grade boys of St. Joseph Parish. The St. Joseph Cub Scout Bear Den has openings for this fall. An information session is being planned for next month. Members of Pack 120 do not have to attend St. Joseph School. For more info contact Pat Murach, 430-6805, email: blackberryrep@yahoo.com

Did You Know? Summertime, Safe Time - All teachers, staff and volunteers in the Archdiocese who work with children must undergo fingerprinting and criminal background checks. Archdiocesan guidelines and abuse prevention training programs in use in the Archdiocese emphasize the importance of parents knowing who has access to their children at school and other church-sponsored activities. Summertime is here, and parents should remain vigilant regarding who is granted access to their children. Make sure camp counselors have undergone criminal background checks. And, make sure you know the camp's "daily routine." In particular, make sure that no camp activity results in a child being left alone with one adult. All activities should be supervised by more than one adult, and the camp should be open to unannounced drop-in visits from parents. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

Finishing our 27th Year

Food from the Heart

August 13 - 14 – Return the FOOD items to Mass to the Rectory Garage.

Food from your HEART to our neighbors. We need a family to handle ONE of these activities for us. Many hands make light work... aid to our neighbors at the same time!

We are looking for a new chairman for Movement for a Better World, or chair-couple. Tremendous rewards! Call for details.

Read the BLUE Sheet. Call for a copy! We do a lot of wonderful things for OTHERS!

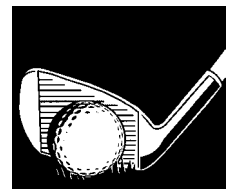
Thank you for your "SKIP-a-MEAL" donations. They support the Movement helping our needy brothers/sisters in Long Beach! Call: John/Jan Minter, 430-5839.



The San Pedro Region of Catholic Charities wants to thank you, the parishioners of St. Joseph parish for your generous assistance given to us during the past year. We were especially grateful for your parish participating in Project Achieve's Guest Chef Program, your food drives, your Feed-a-Baby Sunday collections, the family holiday programs, preparing and delivering weekly sandwiches to be distributed, and for your help making a difference in the lives of so many. With all the challenges we faced during these hard economic times last year Catholic Charities was able to serve over 27,500 persons with food, rent, utilities, shelter and other basic needs. We could not have done this without your assistance! Thank you for spreading the Good News to the poor.

Golfers! We need you!

Precious Life Shelter's Annual Golf Tournament, **Sept. 21**, at the Navy Golf Course, Cypress. Tournament fees include green fees, cart, driving range, tee prizes and dinner. To sign up, volunteer, donate, or for questions, please call Amelia Nunez, 889-0380, email at am-nunez@charter.net, or call Precious Life Shelter, 431-5025, or Don Gath, 498-6701.



Calling all Saints! The Class of 1961 at St. Anthony High School is celebrating its **50th Class Reunion**. The weekend of **Sept. 23-25** is packed full of activities with the major event on Saturday at the Long Beach Yacht Club. Hopefully you have received your invitation in the mail, but if not please go to our website www.saints61.org or contact Karen Eckholdt Pickett 714-310-7856. Check the website often to see who will be joining the fun.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Sept. 14 - St. Bartholomew, Long Beach, 562-438-3826

Sept. 21 - St. Francis Xavier, Pico Rivera, 562-699-8526

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, August 13

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

SUNDAY, August 14

7:30 a.m. - † Dick Kocevar

9:00 a.m. - † Fortunato Constantino

10:30 a.m. - † John Fortier

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

MONDAY, August 15

8:00 a.m. - † Stella Congdon

TUESDAY, August 16

8:00 a.m. - † Phil Pryor

WEDNESDAY, August 17

8:00 a.m. - † Hector Hinojosa

THURSDAY, August 18

8:00 a.m. - † Sandra R. Soriano

FRIDAY, August 19

8:00 a.m. - † Chuck Dixon

SATURDAY, August 20

5:00 p.m. - † Charles Branch

SUNDAY, August 21

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

9:00 a.m. - Deacon Shane Cuda

10:30 a.m. - † Haydee Koppenheffer

12:30 p.m. - † Helen Klinski-Dupuis

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:

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
Patrick Murphy	Michael Marchante
Jason Kaufmann	Nicky Kaufmann

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 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, William Cervola, Den Goldberg, Kennedy Willey, Tatum Gumps, Gerry & Celeste Kohlen, Joe Snider, Stephen Hutchings, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Ginny Kennebeck, Evelyn Sylvia, Teresa Anselmo, Fernando Montoya, Mike Dresnick, Kathy June, Betty Klemin, Johnson-Ziehl family, Christopherson-Ziehl family, John, Spencer & Helen Baca, Dorothy Custer, Ronald Willy, Andy Troncale, Sheri Weber, Jarome Bartolon, Kenneth Davis, Mary Lou Clark, Bob Flynn, Al Correa, Joanna Springer, Nicolas Ramirez, Mary Harding & Tim Ginnett.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGY COMMITTEE	Dcn. Shane Cuda	594-4657
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
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DIRECTOR of MUSIC	Avian 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	Michele Grubbs

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Virginia Young
SECRETARY	Veronica Gibb

ELEMENTARY,		
MIDDLE SCHOOL	Virginia Young	598-0519
CONFIRMATION	Virginia Young	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	Olga Cuda	594-4657
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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Website address:		
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.ceeofa.org/schedule.htm	
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