

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 21, 2011

Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

— Matthew 16:19

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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](http://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:**

We like it when people tell us what they think about us when their opinion is positive. We're glad when people have a good image of us, because it says a lot about who we are as people and how we live our lives. When Jesus asked his friends, "Who do people say that I am," Peter expressed his opinion of who Jesus is. He said, "You are the Son of the living God."

When Jesus asked them this question, He wasn't just asking them what other people thought of him, He was also allowing Peter to verbalize his faith for the first time. In addition, He gave Peter and the other disciples the ability to realize a wonderful truth for the first time. That truth was that they came to know who they were, brothers and sisters in Christ.

For Peter to say that Jesus is the Son of God is something like a mirror that reflects an image back at us. And so, the good news of the gospel this week is the truth that if Jesus is the Son of the living God, then as his brothers and sisters, we are also children of God, and therefore we have an enormous dignity that can never be taken away from us.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51
- Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

**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!

Rest In Peace  
Died in Christ:  
**Jean Libby**



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

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

**Catechetical Corner**  
**Why is there a need for a new translation?**



Pope John Paul II issued the third edition of the *Missale Romanum* (the Latin text of the *Roman Missal*) during the Jubilee Year in 2000. This new edition included many new texts requiring translation. In addition, the experience of the years after the Second Vatican Council gave rise to a desire for more formal and literal translations of the original Latin texts. This new translation will employ the best of what we have learned about translation and liturgical language in two generations of celebrating the Liturgy in the vernacular. It will provide an opportunity to reflect ever more deeply on the Eucharistic celebration that lies at the heart of the Church's life.

**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.

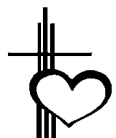
**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion**  
after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

*(Based on today's Bible readings)*

- Adult:** How would I answer the question, "Who do you say I am?"
- Child:** What are three things I know about Jesus?
- Teen:** How would I explain who Jesus is to someone who had never heard of him?

**Meditation/Centering Prayer**  
**Second & Fourth Tuesdays - 7:00 p.m.**  
**August 23, September 13 & 27**  
In the church. All are welcome!



**Pro Life Corner** - One way to help the cause for Life is to donate a used car, truck or other vehicle. It may make you eligible for a tax deduction. Call 1-800-924-2490.

**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.

**“Jesus is Lord”**

**New Bible Classes - Sept. 13, Tuesdays 9:00 a.m.**  
or **Sept. 15, Thursdays 7:30 p.m.**

The Book of Psalms - The Church always considered the Psalms her most perfect prayer book. The Psalms contain in themselves all of the Old Testament and New Testament, the whole mystery of Christ.

When we pray Psalms we deal with our human emotions, glad, sad, mad, scared, anxious, confused, hurt, all our problems with God, Himself. Direct line to God!

Information: Rita Smith, 714-761-4376, 562-533-1243

**Small Church Community**

**Scripture Focus:** Matthew is the only evangelist to use the term “Church.” Church is an earthly experience of the Kingdom of God. Because Jesus is always with us, the Church can never fail. The keys symbolize opening up doors to truth and wisdom. Giving the “keys of the kingdom” means that authority is being given to teach and make decisions for the Church community, although the extent of that authority is not clear. Authority exists only for the sake of the Church community and its work of proclaiming the Kingdom.

**Life Focus:** \* When have you felt overwhelmed by responsibility? What did you do about it? \* *When has being part of the Church helped you see life more clearly and act with courage? When has the Church been an obstacle?* \* Relate an experience when you were a “rock” of strength for another person. \* *What qualities do you see in yourself that Jesus saw in Peter?* \* Describe an experience when responsibility was entrusted to you. \* *In your experience, what is it like to be entrusted with a set of keys (to a car, a house, an office or a store)?* \* When did you exercise authority that helped someone open a door to a fuller life?



**From Deacon Don's Desk:**

“I really didn't day everything I said.”

The tying and winning runs were on base. Stengel and Yogi met on the mound and Casey called for Satchel to pitch. Casey says, “Everyone line up alphabetically by height.” Yogi said, “He means pair up in threes.” Satchel said, “Don't look back. Someone might be gaining on you.” Casey said, “Good pitching will always stop good hitting and vice versa.” Yogi answered, “It's déjà vu all over again!”

It's kind of like Pentecost when tongues of fire appear on the Apostles and they spoke in foreign languages but all could understand. God **does** work in mysterious ways. We sometimes change our minds to suit our feelings. For example in the Angels vs. the Twins two weeks ago, Vernon Wells comes to bat for the first time against his old team where he played for ten years. The Twins fans gave him a standing ovation. He humbly bowed and doffed his cap, then promptly hit the first pitch for a home run. As he rounded the bases the mood changes and he is given a chorus of boos! Thank goodness that God is not like us. He is constant in His love for us even when we falter. “If we are unfaithful, He will remain faithful for He cannot deny Himself.” Tim. 2:13

**Our Prayer:** Father God, make me realize that the Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's action that freed us of our sins. Help us to participate devoutly in every Eucharist so as to obtain the grace to avoid sin. Amen.

**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](http://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.

**Liturgy of the Word with Children**

There will be no Liturgy of the Word with Children during the 9 a.m. Mass for the months of July and August. This ministry will start again on Sunday, **September 11**.

We are currently recruiting volunteers to help in this ministry. A love of your faith and a desire to share your faith with children are the main requirements. Lessons are provided and you need to only be committed once a month (or more) to attending the 9 a.m. Mass. If you would like to learn more about how you can serve our parish children in this very rewarding ministry, please call the religious education office, **598-0519**.



## St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

**We always welcome new members.**

**Aug. 22** - Regular meeting.

**Sept. 12 & 26** - Regular meetings.

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 [nltreasurehunt@aol.com](mailto:nltreasurehunt@aol.com), website: [www.newlb.org](http://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](mailto:blackberryrep@yahoo.com)

**Did You Know? Listen to Your Children** - This summer, when your children are out of school, on different schedules, are meeting new people and going to new places, make sure that you talk to them often about their experiences and the people they've met. Listen carefully to your children. If possible, observe and get to know the other children and adults who are part of your children's summertime fun. Above all, communicate your safety concerns to your children. Make sure they know that they can come to you with any concerns they may have about the people they interact with. And, if you hear of or observe behaviors that may be inappropriate, make sure to communicate your feelings to people who are in a position to intervene. Communication is key to creating and maintaining a safe environment all year round. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

### Finishing our 27<sup>th</sup> Year

Thank you for the healthy donations to Food from the Heart. Truly it was Food from your HEART to our neighbors.



We need a family to handle ONE of the yearly 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.

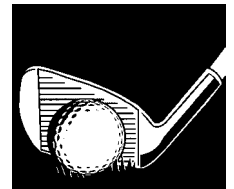
Read the BLUE Sheet. Call for a copy! We do a lot of wonderful things for OTHERS!

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.

**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](http://www.saints61.org) or contact Karen Eckholdt Pickett 714-310-7856. Check the website often to see who will be joining the fun.

### 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](mailto:am-nunez@charter.net), or call Precious Life Shelter, 431-5025, or Don Gath, 498-6701.



### 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.

### 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 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

### MONDAY, August 22

8:00 a.m. - † Chuck Dixon

### TUESDAY, August 23

8:00 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom & all priests, living

### WEDNESDAY, August 24

8:00 a.m. - † Al Maligie

### THURSDAY, August 25

8:00 a.m. - Nicolas Ramirez, living

### FRIDAY, August 26

8:00 a.m. - † Chuck Dixon

### SATURDAY, August 27

5:00 p.m. - † Charles Branch

### SUNDAY, August 28

7:30 a.m. - † Mary Schmitt

9:00 a.m. - † Catherine Garipay

10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

12:30 p.m. - † Phil Pryor

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 Kohonen, 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 & Lois Kearney.

## 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
	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	Michele Grubbs

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Virginia Young
SECRETARY	Veronica Gibb

ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL	Virginia Young	598-0519
CONFIRMATION	Melissa Beach	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	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Ann Crowley	594-7575
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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Mark Smith	425-7811
FINANCE COUNCIL	Randall Ely	430-0142
	rely5@verizon.net	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
	www.stjosephlb.org	
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