

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 2, 2011

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

— *Philippians 4:6*

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

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

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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:** 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:

In the beginning of the second reading St. Paul said, "Be anxious about nothing, but bring everything to God, through prayer and supplication united to thanksgiving. And then the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

There certainly seems to be a lot to be anxious about. If you watch any of the cable news networks you would be convinced that the world is going to hell in a hand basket. The economy is tanking. The number of people who want to destroy us seems to be growing exponentially. Life has been devalued at times by a society that considers only immediate pleasures at the expense of debasing or even destroying others.

There is a lot to be anxious about if we think the purpose of life is self-gratification. Self-gratification results in self-destruction.

If we seek happiness where God is present, we do not need to be anxious. We possess Jesus Christ. He is all we will ever need. His is the song we sing with our lives. He is our everything. And the Peace of God, which surpasses all understanding comes upon us, dwells in us, and is our treasure.

My hope and prayer for each of us is that the focus of our lives is all that is true, and honorable, and just, and pure, and lovely, and gracious, and worthy of praise. God is found there. The focus of our lives needs to be our union with God. When we have this, we have everything that we want or need.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday:	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

### "Jesus is Lord"

**New Bible Classes - Tuesdays 9:00 a.m.  
Thursdays 7:30 p.m.**

The Book of Psalms - The Church considers the Psalms her 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 with God. Direct line to God!

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

**Pro Life Corner** - International Pro-Life Youth Conference in L. A. **Nov. 11-13**. Pro-life groups from around the world are making plans to attend and show that the future global leaders support human rights for the unborn and those at the end of life. Call Sylvia Aimerito, 562-429-1965 for info or visit [AudioGirlMinistries.com](http://AudioGirlMinistries.com).



### Knightly News

Well, ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) is finished for another year. The students have just completed two weeks of standardized testing that will enable the teachers to track their academic progress from last year. We receive data that helps us to differentiate instruction for those who need it – whether that differentiation is remedial, as it is for some, or in challenging their scholastic gifts, as it is for others. As a faculty, we also use the results to help guide curriculum. Knowing the classes' strengths and weaknesses enables the teachers to directly address their curriculum needs. St. Joseph students have traditionally done very well on the standardized tests and we are very proud of our students and their capabilities.

Catholic High Schools Information Night is being presented in St. Joseph hall on Thursday, October 13 from 6:30-8:30 in the evening. All parishioners with junior high level students are welcome to attend. Maybe Catholic elementary school did not work out for your family, but a Catholic high school experience might! Hope to see you there.

Principal Hebestreit



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, October 6, 6-8 pm

**Ending Hunger One Step at a Time - Crop Hunger Walk, Oct. 23, 2 p.m.**, starting at Los Altos United Methodist Church, corner of Woodruff and Willow Streets.

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

*(Based on today's Bible readings)*

**Adult:** How do I accept Jesus and the messengers of God in my life?

**Child:** How can I take better care of God's creatures?

**Teen:** What would I do if I found out that a friend had not been loyal to me?

PARISH HEALTH FAIR AND BLOOD DRIVE  
The Knights Of Columbus Council 3629 with the American Red Cross will be sponsoring a FREE Health Fair and Blood Drive, Sunday, **October 16** from **7 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in our hall. The Fair is FREE. To donate blood register online at: [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) Sponsor Code: JosephLB You may also contact Pat Murach, Blood Drive Chairman at: [pmurach@verizon.net](mailto:pmurach@verizon.net)

**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).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519**

**Elementary:** Classes for our Elementary Program have started. Registration is still being accepted. Please call the Religious Ed Office for more info.

**Sacrament Program:** The first workshop for **Year 2** parents and children will take place on Sunday, **October 9** from **2-3:30 p.m.** in the hall. Sr. Kathleen Burns is our guest speaker for the parents. This workshop is for both school and religious education families.

**Middle School:** Classes begin **October 4**, from 7 - 8 p.m. Don't miss out on this faith enriching & fun-filled program and new events for our middle school students. Be watching the bulletin for more important info. Sign up now!!

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

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

**Confirmation News** - Year I & II registration packets have been mailed out. If you are interested in signing up and have not received a packet, please contact the Religious Education office, 598-0519.

**Year I & II sponsor workshop Oct. 10**, 7 p.m. in the hall.

**Youth Ministry "Kick Off" Event**

For 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, Sunday, **Oct. 9**, 2-4 p.m. at El Dorado Park West, Willow Grove picnic area. BBQ, live band, games, raffles & more! Registration packets will be available in the R.E. Office. Questions? Contact Melissa Beach 562-598-0519 or [confirmation@stjosephlb.org](mailto:confirmation@stjosephlb.org).

**Virtus Training & Re-Certification**

We will be presenting the Virtus Training for those who will be working with children of the school or parish on Wednesday, **October 26, 7-10 p.m.** in the Parish Activity Center.

The re-certification training for those who have already completed the 3 hour training **before 2007** will take place on Thursday, **October 27**, from **7-8:30 p.m.** in the Parish Activity Center. Please call the Religious Education Office, 598-0519, to sign up for these sessions.

**Small Church Community**

**Scripture Focus:** In this parable of the vineyard, each element of the story has another meaning. The property owner represents God. The first group of slaves represents the prophets. They were sent by God to the people before the exile. The second group represents the prophets sent after the exile. Neither group had any good effect upon the people. Rather they were beaten, killed and stoned. When the owner sent his son (Jesus), they dragged him outside the vineyard (Jerusalem) and killed him also. The listeners to the parable were led to judge the tenants (themselves). Because Jesus had been rejected by the religious authorities, the Kingdom would now be given also to the Gentiles.

**Life Focus:** \* What or who has helped you during a period of rejection? \* *How might you miss or reject the good God sends each day?*

**Catechetical Corner**

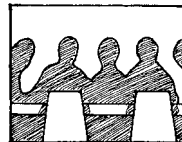
**What will the new *Missal* mean in my parish?**



In the months before the revised translation is implemented, parishes will have to do many things. The parish will have to replace liturgical books and participation aids. Priests will practice proclaiming the new texts and will prepare homilies helping the faithful to understand the new translation and to deepen their appreciation for the Liturgy. The music ministers and the people will learn new musical settings for the parts of the Mass (such as the *Gloria* and the *Sanctus*). Catechists and teachers will help parishioners learn the new prayers.

**Save this Date** - The Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold their annual conference meeting and luncheon on Tuesday, **Nov. 8**, at the Wilshire Grand Hotel in Los Angeles. Guest speaker will be Archbishop Jose Gomez. All Catholic ladies are invited.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**



The Adult Initiation sessions will meet every Wednesday, 7 - 9 p.m., in the PAC. Please call Peter Baine, 598-4130, if you are interested in learning more about our

Adult Initiation process. You are welcome to drop in on one of our regular Wednesday gatherings to learn more.

**WHO IS THE RCIA FOR?** RCIA is designed for adults 18 years and older who fall within the following criteria:

- Those who have never been baptized.
- Those who have been baptized in other Christian faiths.
- Those who have been baptized Catholic but have not received Confirmation and First Communion.

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

**15th Annual Memorial Mass**

The month of November has always been a special time for remembering in prayer our loved ones who have died. As this time approaches, we would like to support those who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

We invite you, your family and friends to join with the St. Joseph community for our fifteenth annual Memorial Mass to be celebrated in our church on Sunday, **November 6 at 4:00 p.m.** The name of your loved one will be inscribed on our Scroll and in our Parish "Book of Life" and each will remain on display, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, for the month of November.

Following the Mass, there will be a "Potluck" in our parish hall. Please bring a dish (hot or cold) for approximately 6 people. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 6.

For further information, please call Nancy 429-2546, or Dave 429-3316.



## St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

We always welcome new members.

**Oct. 10 and 24** - Regular meetings

**Nov. 7** - Regular meeting

**Nov. 21** - Thanksgiving Lunch

**Dec. 5** - Regular meeting

**Dec. 19** - Christmas Lunch

**Pechanga Casino Oct. 27** \$11/person, \$10 returned on Pechanga player card. All must carry a legal photo I.D. Player card # or birth date required. Sign ups taken at Sept. & Oct. meetings or call for info. Checks only, please. Bus departs church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and returns approximately 5:30 p.m.

**Palm Springs Follies Show "Hot, Hot, Hot" Dec. 9** matinee, guest starring John Davidson. It will be a music and dance-filled special Yuletide celebration - follies style. Remember the New York Rocketts? This show will bring back some of those great memories. All welcome. Join us and invite your family and friends. For **trip info** call Rosie 425-4162 or Barbara 430-5324. Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

**St. Joseph Elementary Catholic High School Information Night** on **October 13** from **6:30 to 8:30** in the parish hall. Catholic high schools from the Long Beach area and nearby Orange County will be here to give a short presentation of their school and have information available for parents to read. If you have a child going into high school next year, you do not want to miss this opportunity to learn more about the great Catholic high schools that are available.

**OKTOBERFEST** at St. Joseph Elementary School, Saturday, **Oct. 15, 5:30-11 p.m.** German dinner, Knights of Columbus beer garden, music, auctions, and opportunity drawings. Tickets \$25. Contact Tera Kaufmann, 562-212-8429, Bill Walton, 562-212-7248, or [StJosephGolfOktoberfest@yahoo.com](mailto:StJosephGolfOktoberfest@yahoo.com) **Sponsorship opportunities** available for Oktoberfest. Please contact Staci Kennebeck 562-430-3912 or Sheila Vail 562-497-1783.

**Did You Know? Office of Assistance Ministry assists victims** - This office was created in 2002 to deal with allegations of past or current sexual abuse by clergy, religious and any lay person working or volunteering for the archdiocese. The office was charged with creating a safe and compassionate environment for victims to come forward, while ensuring that civil authorities are notified and victims are provided counseling and other assistance in the healing process. To contact this office, please call Suzanne Healy, director, 213-637-7650. The hotline number to report sexual abuse is 800-355-2545. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

"Love your neighbor as yourself."  
Luke 10:27. Welcome to several parishioners who have recently responded to this call by way of participation in Movement for a Better World activities. All levels of commitment are useful and fulfilling.



**Oct. 9 & 16** – Homeless kit drive. Donation bags and instructions will be on a cross at the back of the church.

**Nov. 5 & 6** – New blanket drive

**Nov. 19** – Thanksgiving food and blanket deliveries. Delivery helpers needed.

Blue Skip-a-Meal donation envelopes in the pews support our ministry. *"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."* Matthew 26:40.  
Call Tim Clark, 431-4385.

**Pennies from Heaven** - This Sunday is "Pennies from Heaven" Sunday! We'll be handing out baby bottles after every Mass. Please take one and fill it with your pennies, dimes, nickels and dollars. Your generous donation will go to the Precious Life Shelter and AudioGirl Ministries so both pro-life charities can continue their life saving work.

**Precious Life Shelter** provides a safe, loving environment for the woman who has no place to have her child and chooses to work toward self-reliance for herself and her baby.

**AudioGirl Ministries** raises funds for ultra sound machines for pro-life pregnancy centers, and supplies diapers and baby items to those moms-in-need who have chosen life for their unborn child.

**Help Wanted** - Would you like to make a difference in the lives of our parish youth? We are in need of volunteers to help form the faith of our 9th & 10th grade Confirmation candidates. Class sessions and activities take place on Sunday afternoons. We use a team approach for this position to allow for busy schedules. **Qualifications needed:** love of your faith, desire to share your faith with others, enjoy working with this age group, and a joyful, loving spirit. **Benefits provided:** resources and training as needed, personal spiritual growth, opportunity to meet new people and be a part of an enriching and rewarding ministry. To apply for this position or for more information, please contact our Religious Education Office, **598-0519**.

**Meditation/Centering Prayer**  
**Every Tuesday - 7:00 p.m.**

In the church. All are welcome!



### **Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

**Oct. 5** - St. John Fisher, Rancho Palos Verdes, 310-377-5571

**Oct. 7** - Holy Angels Church of the Deaf, Vernon, 323-587-2096

**Oct. 8** - Our Lady of Refuge, Long Beach, 562-597-3102

# Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, October 1**  
 5:00 p.m. - † Bernard McCune
- SUNDAY, October 2**  
 7:30 a.m. - † Marie Bielman  
 9:00 a.m. - Frank Patonai, living  
 10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners  
 12:30 p.m. - † Joseph Pilarczyk
- MONDAY, October 3**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Marie Bielman
- TUESDAY, October 4**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Juanita Magdadara
- WEDNESDAY, October 5**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Sabina Abella
- THURSDAY, October 6**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Rosella Villahermosa
- FRIDAY, October 7**  
 8:00 a.m. - Zigmund Huss, living (90th Birthday)
- SATURDAY, October 8**  
 5:00 p.m. - † Ed Ritscher
- SUNDAY, October 9**  
 7:30 a.m. - † Jim Sharp  
 9:00 a.m. - Barbara Christie, living  
 10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners  
 12:30 p.m. - † Richard Malone

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>   |
| <b>Jason Kaufmann</b>   | <b>Nicky Kaufmann</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 Dryer, 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, Nicolas Ramirez, Mary Harding, Tim Ginnett, Lois Kearney, Gary Skrehot, Mirna Pilarczyk & J. Christopher Clise.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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|---|---------------------------|-----------------|
| LITURGY COMMITTEE                         | Dcn. Shane Cuda           | <b>594-4657</b> |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION | Gene Ensich               | <b>421-0147</b> |
| LECTORS                                   | Bill Smith                | <b>431-2495</b> |
| USHERS                                    | Marty Vezzetti            | <b>425-0621</b> |
| ALTAR SERVERS                             | Ann Crowley               | <b>594-7575</b> |
|   | annbakercrowley@yahoo.com |                 |
| DIRECTOR of MUSIC                         | Vivian Doughty            | <b>422-5430</b> |
| ALTAR CARE                                | Mary Jelnick              | <b>429-2529</b> |
| CHURCH SACRISTANS                         | Lily & Joe Dang           | <b>493-2198</b> |

## ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

562-596-6115

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| PRINCIPAL      | Cheryl Hebestreit |
| VICE-PRINCIPAL | Erin Wright       |
| SECRETARY      | Julie Gianessi    |
| PTO PRESIDENT  | Michele Grubbs    |

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

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| DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION | Virginia Young |
| SECRETARY                       | Veronica Gibb  |

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| ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL         | Virginia Young    | <b>598-0519</b> |
| CONFIRMATION                      | Melissa Beach     | <b>598-0519</b> |
| EARLY CHILDHOOD                   | Shannon Carpenter | <b>430-6840</b> |
| LITURGY/CHILDREN                  | Virginia Young    | <b>598-0519</b> |
| RCIC (Children)                   | Virginia Young    | <b>598-0519</b> |
| SUNDAY NURSERY                    | Shannon Carpenter | <b>430-6840</b> |
| BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN | Mimi Bloeser      | <b>597-0785</b> |

## ADULT MINISTRY

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|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| RCIA                        | Peter Baine          | <b>598-4130</b>     |
| BIBLE STUDY                 | Rita Smith           | <b>714-761-4376</b> |
| BAPTISM PREPARATION         | Olga Cuda            | <b>594-4657</b>     |
| BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY        | Dave Desmond         | <b>429-3316</b>     |
| CENTERING PRAYER            | Fr. Will             | <b>594-4657</b>     |
| SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES | Dcn. Don & Tina Gath | <b>598-5202</b>     |

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

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| Ann Crowley | <b>594-7575</b> |
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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| PASTORAL COUNCIL            | Mark Smith                   | <b>425-7811</b>     |
| FINANCE COUNCIL             | Randall Ely                  | <b>430-0142</b>     |
|                             | rely5@verizon.net            |                     |
| WEBSITE COORDINATOR         | Mike Santy                   | <b>799-0660</b>     |
|                             | msanty@verizon.net           |                     |
|                             | www.stjosephlb.org           |                     |
| Website address:            |                              |                     |
| MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD | Tim Clark                    | <b>431-4385</b>     |
| SENIOR GROUP                | Betty Maligie                | <b>596-8287</b>     |
| KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS         | Ron Steiner                  | <b>431-7703</b>     |
| ENGAGED ENCOUNTER           | Tom & Diane Krause           | <b>310-316-3477</b> |
|                             | www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm |                     |
| NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING     | Greg & Beth Gath             | <b>377-5877</b>     |
| SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN      | Monica Munoz & Julie Gray    | <b>598-0519</b>     |
| PROJECT ACHIEVE             | Tina Gath                    | <b>598-5202</b>     |
|                             | Olga Cuda                    | <b>594-4657</b>     |
| PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER       | Greg Shea                    | <b>221-8673</b>     |
| CUB SCOUTS                  | Moses Bass                   | <b>420-1877</b>     |
| BOY SCOUTS                  | Tom Lane                     | <b>496-4223</b>     |

**BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM**  
 PLEASE SUBMIT NOTICES IN WRITING WITH NAME & PHONE