

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16, 2011

Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar,
and to God what belongs to God.

— *Matthew 22:21*

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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 Gospel today, Jesus asks, whose face is on the Roman coin? Obviously, it is the face of the country's leader, Caesar. Therefore, the coin belongs to this world and it belongs to Caesar. The original question by the Pharisees was asked in order to entrap Jesus. If he said the tax should be paid, then he would be in agreement with something illegal in the Jewish religion such as bowing down to a pagan authority, but if he said no, they could accuse him of being rebellious. So he responded with the utmost truth: "Give Caesar what belongs to Caesar."

But how do we determine what belongs to God? It's easy. Who do we look like? Some of us might say that we look like our father or mother, or other relatives. If we dig deeper, we might say that we have a personality similar to someone in the family. But when Jesus asks this question, there is only one answer. We look like God because we are all created in the image of God. Like the coin, if we look like God, if his image is engraved in us, then it means we belong to God. Belonging to God means we were created to love.

We are in God's image when we have patience with our children; when we are capable of forgiving others; and when we are of service to others. Give to each his own. To Caesar we give the coin, which is really worth very little, and to God we give nothing less than our entire being.

Holy Day of Obligation All Saints Day Tuesday, November 1

Vigil, **October 31**, Monday, 7:00 p.m.
Feast day, **November 1**, 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



Hear Ye!
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Parish Town Hall Meeting Monday, November 21 7:00 p.m. In the hall All are welcome!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18; 1 Thes 1:5c-10;
Mt 22:34-40

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



Knightly News

My dear parishioners, thank you for your very warm reception last weekend as I spoke at all the Masses. It was truly wonderful to see and connect with so many of our graduates and their families. I especially enjoy hearing the success stories they tell of their high school and college experiences. You make us very proud of you.

A parishioner stopped me after one of the Masses and reminded me that I didn't mention at all the various opportunities for matching gift funds that companies offer to non-profit organizations. It is true and it hadn't even crossed my mind – so here it is! All you need to do if you are an employee of one of these companies is make a donation to a non-profit organization (like St. Joseph School!), fill out the company paper-work (from companies such as Boeing, United Way, Honda, etc.) and the company will match the contribution usually dollar for dollar. It is that easy. Once again I want to thank the parishioners for their generous support of St. Joseph School. I hope you are as proud of your school as I am!

Principal Hebestreit

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. **Please, no alcohol allowed.** We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 6.

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

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: What can I do this week to bring Christ to everyone that I meet?

Child: How and when do I thank God for all He has given me?

Teen: What is one thing that I can do to show my friends that God loves them?

Pro Life Corner - Pro-Life Youth Conference in L. A. **Nov. 11-13.** Groups from around the world will attend and show that the future global leaders support human rights for the unborn and those at the end of life. Call Sylvia Aimerito, 429-1965 for info or visit AudioGirlMinistries.com.

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 information.

Middle School: Classes have started. We meet on Tuesdays from 7 - 8 p.m. Don't miss out on this faith enriching and fun-filled program.

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 sessions begin this Sunday. Please keep all our Confirmation candidates in your prayers.

Oct. 23 - Rite of Journey for Year 2 candidates and sponsors at the 12:30 Mass.

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.

"Jesus is Lord" - Bible Classes

Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. or Thursdays 7:00 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

Congratulations to Alexis Lewis, Teri Traucht, Julia and Roman Escoto who were honored on Friday, Oct. 7, at the Catholic Charities San Pedro Regional Dinner. Many volunteers were recognized for their outstanding work. Julia and Roman Escoto and Teri Traucht volunteered their time for many years as Baptism Coordinators. Alexis Lewis is our Environment Coordinator for our church festivities.

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday - United with the Catholics of the world at the table of the Lord, we recommit ourselves to our vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries. Our prayers and Eucharistic celebration next Sunday are directed in a special way toward our brothers and sisters throughout the world who are waiting to hear the joyous "Good News" of Jesus. Through our financial gifts, offered in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, we become partners with missionaries who proclaim the Gospel and offer help and hope to the poor in mission countries.

October is Respect Life month and the month of the **Holy Rosary**. Please pray the Rosary.

Catechetical Corner

Do these changes mean that the old translation was not valid and orthodox?

The current translation was approved by the conferences of bishops and confirmed by the Holy See. Until the new text becomes effective, the current translation remains the valid ordinary form of the Liturgy in the Roman Rite. The revised translation attempts to address some inadequacies in the present translation by introducing a more elevated style of language and by retaining many poetic texts and scriptural allusions. The current translation fostered the faith of two generations of Catholics and retains a valid place in church history.



Small Church Community

Scripture Focus: Matthew makes it very clear that two opposing political groups have united to trap Jesus: If he supported paying taxes to Rome, he would be accused of being a traitor to his "own" people. If he refused such payment, he would be charged with acting against the government. Jesus is not fooled. He turns the situation back at them. It is clear that they have accepted Roman rule because they can produce a Roman coin. It belongs to Caesar; it has his image and inscription on it. So Jesus says if it belongs to him give it to him, but "give to God what is God's." He is telling them that there is a Kingdom higher than that of Caesar. All people are made in the image of God. They belong to God, and Jesus calls them to give their lives to God, not to earthly concerns.

Life Focus: * Relate an experience when you felt pressured into making a decision contrary to your principles. * *Describe an experience of being caught in a no-win situation with family, at work, or in society.* * What belongs only to God in your life?

Holy Hour of Taize Prayer

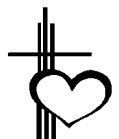
Come rest awhile before the Blessed Sacrament in a contemplative atmosphere. St. Cornelius Church will host an hour of prayer on Thursday, October 20, from 7-8 p.m. For more information please contact Sr. Kathleen, 496-3224.

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.

Centering Prayer will be meeting in the Parish Center chapel every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.





St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

We always welcome new members.

Oct. 24 - Regular meeting

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. Sign up at the Oct. 24 meeting. Cost: \$88

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

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.

PARISH HEALTH FAIR AND BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights Of Columbus Council 3629 with the American Red Cross are sponsoring a FREE Health Fair and Blood Drive, this Sunday from **7 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in our hall.

Did You Know? Fighting elder abuse - The District Attorney's Offices of Santa Barbara, Ventura and L. A. counties each fight elder abuse. The L. A. County District Attorney's Elder Abuse Section has specially trained prosecutors and victim advocates working closely with law enforcement and service providers to stop elder abuse and hold abusers accountable. The advocates also help rebuild lives and prevent further harm to elders and dependent adults suffering from physical abuse and neglect, and financial abuse. The Los Angeles County D.A. has a helpful brochure about elder abuse available online: <http://da.lacounty.gov/pdf/elderabuseadvocacy.pdf>. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, . . . naked and you clothed me."

Homeless Kit Drive - Please take an envelope from the cross at the back of the church. It contains a list of necessities to comfort a homeless brother or sister, and a storage bag to return them to church next week.

Nov. 6 - New blanket drive

Nov. 19 - Thanksgiving food and blanket deliveries. Delivery helpers needed!

Committee meeting, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m. in the PAC. Come learn about and help plan our ongoing activities. Share opportunities to improve our ministry to the needy.

Thank you for your support by way of the blue Skip-a-Meal envelopes in the pews. Tim Clark 431-4385.



From Deacon Don's desk:

"Pennies From Heaven" - A sincere **thank you** to all who participated in the fund drive. It exceeded our expectations. An unofficial count shows slightly over \$3,050. A letter from AudioGirl Ministries and Precious Life Shelter will be forthcoming. This does not include the various Canadian coins, Euro coins, Mexican Pesos, Sacred Heart Medal, batting cage token, one golf ball marker, watch battery, slug and one luggage-lock key. On Monday we delivered all monies and bottles to Ms. Aimerito (AudioGirl) who was equally overwhelmed at St. Joseph's generosity. Remember, **God** is never outdone in generosity.

I just got word Tuesday that the So. Ca. Chapter of the Knights of Columbus is seeking funds from its councils to buy an ultrasound machine. The word is spreading about how effective the machine has been in convincing mothers-to-be to carry their child to term and not to abort the child - it's 85% effective!!

Our Prayer: Lord, our help and guide, make Your love the foundation of our lives. May our love for You express itself in our eagerness to do good for others. Grant this through Christ, Your Son who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen

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

St. Joseph hall is not available for private functions - funeral or wedding receptions, etc. Thank you.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Nov. 1 - St. Hilary, Pico Rivera, 562-942-7300 ext. 227

Nov. 2 - St. Anthony, El Segundo, 310-322-4392 ext. 450

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, October 15**
5:00 p.m. - † Salvate & Botelho families
- SUNDAY, October 16**
7:30 a.m. - † Pat McGovern
9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
10:30 a.m. - † Jim Keataing
12:30 p.m. - † Helen Harris
- MONDAY, October 17**
8:00 a.m. - † Alice Costello
- TUESDAY, October 18**
8:00 a.m. - † Fred Cabuntala
- WEDNESDAY, October 19**
8:00 a.m. - † Virgil Terry
- THURSDAY, October 20**
8:00 a.m. - † Jim O'Donnell
- FRIDAY, October 21**
8:00 a.m. - † Mark Baker
- SATURDAY, October 22**
5:00 p.m. - † Charles Branch
- SUNDAY, October 23**
7:30 a.m. - † Barbara Paluska Masters
9:00 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom & all priests, living
10:30 a.m. - † Barbara Paluska Masters
12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

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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| 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, 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, Pat Lowen, Janette Linares & Florence Jones.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGY COMMITTEE	Dcn. Shane Cuda	594-4657
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PRINCIPAL	Cheryl Hebestreit
VICE-PRINCIPAL	Erin Wright
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PTO PRESIDENT	Michele Grubbs

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DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Virginia Young

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SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840
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BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Dave Desmond	429-3316
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SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

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Ann Crowley **594-7575**

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause	310-316-3477
	www.ceeofla.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