

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 8, 2012

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.
— Psalm 118:17

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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.
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before the
first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.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:

Jesus tells us in the Gospel of John, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

At Easter time, in Spanish it is often said, Sí ¡Él vive! (Yes, He lives!)

May the Lord Jesus guide you in all your plans, in all your dreams, and in all that you wish to happen in your life. God bless you all. Happy Easter.



**Alleluia!
Christ
is
risen!**

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Sunday: | Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35 |
| 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 4:32-35; Ps 118; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31 |

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

Pro Life Corner - 31 - the number of babies saved from being aborted so far this year at the Family Planning Associates abortion mill in Long Beach. On Monday, March 12, our sidewalk counselors were there when a woman, six months pregnant, arrived for an abortion. Fortunately, the counselors were able to offer her help now, and promised her we'd be there for her and her baby in the future. We will!! She decided to keep her baby! Please keep her and her unborn child in your prayers.



From Deacon Don's desk:

What a great gift we have in our Catholic Faith. Each time we partake of the **Eucharist** we are made present in that Holy Thursday night when Jesus instituted the Eucharist and gave us a model to follow, "If I therefore, the Master and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet." We traveled with Him thru Gethsemane and Golgotha, but a bright day has dawned, **HE IS RISEN!** Happy Easter to all. My prayer is that when you approach for Communion that you reflect on the **Our Father**, that perfect prayer that Jesus taught us with emphasis on "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Where I have a "hang-up" is that swing word "as" for I cannot expect forgiveness unless I have forgiven others.

A prayer for a worthy Communion: Let not the partaking of Your Body, Lord Jesus, which I, though unworthy, presume to receive, turn to my judgment and condemnation; but through Your goodness, may it become a safeguard and remedy of both soul and body. Amen

PRAYER After COMMUNION: What has passed our lips as food, O Lord, may we possess in purity of heart. That which is given to us in time, be our healing for eternity. May Your Body which we have eaten and Blood which we have drunk cleave to our very souls. Grant that no trace of sin be found in us which these Holy Mysteries have renewed. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Blessed Easter to all.

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

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



Clear your calendars for "CATHOLICISM"

Journey around the world and deep into the Catholic faith with Fr. Robert Barron. Four years in the making, "Catholicism" is a 10-part DVD series which combines rock-solid scholarship and theology with awe-inspiring cinematography from around the globe. The series will be presented at St. Joseph Parish beginning with the first five segments in the Spring, and will commence with the second five segments in the Fall. Meetings will be on Monday evenings: **April 23, May 14 and 28, June 11 and 25.** More details to follow. "The most important media project in the history of the Catholic Church in America. A stimulating and compelling exploration of the spiritual, moral, and intellectual riches of the Catholic world." -George Weigel, Biographer of Blessed John Paul II

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Elementary: No Class today. Easter Blessings! The religious education office will be closed the week of **April 9 through 13**. Parish Fair is **April 27, 28, and 29**. Classes will meet on **April 29**.

Middle School: No Class on **April 10** for Easter Vacation.

Early Childhood: No class today. We wish you a happy and joyous Easter! Please consider becoming a Sunday School Teacher next year. Call Shannon for info, 430-6840. Parish fair in three weeks. Sign up for your shift at the Fair. Next week: Regular class.

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

Confirmation - Thank you for your support and prayers for our candidates as they move through the Confirmation Process. **Confirmation will be on Sunday, April 15 at 3:00 pm in the Church.** All are welcome to join us for this very special Sacrament and Mass.

Youth Ministry – Youth Ministry invites all 6th, 7th & 8th graders to join us on Sunday, **April 22** for some fun on the ice! Join us at Glacial Gardens after our 12:30pm Mass. Skating session runs 1:45pm-3:45pm. Flyers & Permission slips are available at each of the church exits, in the rectory, or can be found on our parish website. RSVP to Shelley at: youthministry@stjosephlb.org. Hope to see ya there~
Be sure and check out what's been going on in our new ministry in the YM Muse newsletter and on the church bulletin board.



Jesus is risen from the dead and he is Lord of all! Invite Jesus in to be Lord, not only of your life, but also your marriage. Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend and allow Him to breathe new life into your sacrament by deepening your communication, strengthening your relationship, and rekindling your romance. The next weekend is **June 29-July 1** in Norwalk. For more information or to apply, go online at www.ilovemypouse.net

St. Dominic Savio humbly invites you to celebrate the **Holy Mass of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 15, 3:00pm**, St. Dominic Savio Parish, 13400 Bellflower Blvd., Bellflower, CA 90706, (562) 920-7769. Dessert reception to follow.

Together in Mission

Parish Goal: \$55,734
Pledged: 50,299
Paid: 34,726

Out of our 1256 parish families, 209 have participated.

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: * When has the funeral or wake of a friend or relative had an impact on your life? * *When have you blamed someone and found you had wrongly accused that person? What did you do then?* * When were your first impressions of a person or a situation proved to be wrong? * *Have you seen a sign, a hint of the Resurrection in your life? In your family? Your community? The world?* * Relate a time when you had a stone (barrier) in your faith life removed.

Expectant Mothers Retreat - Pregnant and adoptive moms-to-be, gather for a day of rest and reflection, nurturing your soul and discovering your spirituality of motherhood. Whether or not this is your first child, come enrich our community! Sat., **April 21**, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM, \$45 includes lunch, \$35 without lunch.
Holy Spirit Retreat Center, 4316 Lanai Road, Encino, CA 91346 www.hsrcenter.com 818-784-4515.

Choices of the Heart Retreat - All single Catholic women 18-40 years of age are invited to participate in a Vocation Discernment Retreat with the Daughters of Charity **April 13-15** in Los Altos Hills, California. For reservations or more information, contact Sister Lisa Laguna, D.C., 650-949-8890, 213-210-9903, SrLisaDC@aol.com, or call Sr. Marianne Olives, 213-500-0115, SrMarianneDC@aol.com.

“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



**St. Joseph's Heartbeat
God ♥ all**

We always welcome new members.

Apr. 16 - Regular meeting

May 7 and 21 - Regular meetings

Jun. 4 and 18 - 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.

St. Anthony H.S. Annual 5K Run/Walk - Saturday, **April 28** - Join hundreds of runners/walkers of all ages as we gather at the foot of Belmont Pier for our 3rd ANNUAL SAINTS RUN.

Register online at www.LongBeachSaints.org or contact Sheila O'Rourke at 562 435-4496 x1229 or Sheila.Orourke@LongBeachSaints.org

St. Anthony High School class of 1962 will be celebrating their 50th class reunion this year and are looking for classmates. The Reunion will take place on **September 15** at Long Beach Yacht Club. For more information please visit our website: sasaints62.com or call Joan Gordon Ingram at 714-775-7139.

Attention Catholic Singles - Interested in joining an excellent Catholic singles organization? The Catholic Alumni Club International has a group in the Los Angeles area dedicated to social, cultural, civic and spiritual relationships in a Catholic setting. For more information, please check out the following sites or contact Steve at valksr@yahoo.com, www.caci.org, www.cacintlphotos.shutterfly.com

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
- Joseph Comfort
- Scott Williams
- Timothy Ring
- Daniel O'Connell
- David Waidelich
- Patrick Rea
- Jason Kaufmann
- John Landry

- Nick Compton
- Irene Avila
- Justin Ray
- Adam Mariano
- Obinna Ugochukwu
- Timmy Allison
- Michael Marchante
- Nicky Kaufmann
- Jessica Landry

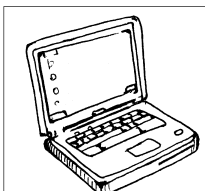
We would like to have a framed picture to display in the back of the church. Please include a number so we can contact you. To add a name to the list, please call the rectory, 594-4657.

Happy Easter! Please join our committee meeting, **April 18 at 7:30 p.m.** in the PAC. Our activities offer many fulfilling ways to share your gifts with those of our community in need. Please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



Weekly sack lunches for St. Francis Center and Catholic Charities
 Holiday Food and Gift Distributions
 Blanket and Christmas Gift Drives
 Baby Food and Diaper Drives
 Food Drives for the St. Francis Center
 Homeless Kit Drives
 Blue Skip-a-Meal envelope donations support our program.
 Thank you!
 "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Matt 25:40

St. Bartholomew Church Annual Fashion Show
April 22, 3 p.m. Reservations \$35 per person includes fashion show, lunch, prizes, raffle and an auction. Fashions courtesy of Drapers and Damons. Lunch catered by Olga and Ken Rausch. Proceeds benefit Harbour Area Halfway Houses for Women. **RSVP by April 15** to Judy Houston, 280 Claremont Ave, Long Beach 90803. More info: Eleanor Holland, 438-3774.



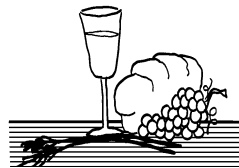
If you would like to receive parish information via email (Soup Nights, retreats, etc.), please call the rectory office, 594-4657, with your email address.

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment:
April 27 - Sts. Peter & Paul School, Wilmington, 310-834-5574

Did You Know? What is elder abuse? Elder abuse is the mistreatment of an elder by someone known to the senior. This includes financial, physical, and emotional abuse, and neglect. Elder abuse happens everywhere – in any income households. It is a problem that has no demographic or ethnic boundaries. Because family members or close friends of the senior are often the culprits, this abuse is often difficult to discover and to accept. For more information on the types and nature of elder abuse, please visit the Los Angeles County District Attorney's website: <http://da.lacounty.gov/> seniors. For more information, please call the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children office: (213) 637-7227.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, April 7

7:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, April 8

7:30 a.m. - Santorum family

9:00 a.m. - Link Hinsley

10:30 a.m. - Betty Chappell - Happy Birthday

12:30 p.m. - Elaine Walker - Happy Birthday

MONDAY, April 9

8:00 a.m. - † Charles Branch

TUESDAY, April 10

8:00 a.m. - † John Deh Blecourt

WEDNESDAY, April 11

8:00 a.m. - † Edward Pentridge

THURSDAY, April 12

8:00 a.m. - Tom Fischer family

FRIDAY, April 13

8:00 a.m. - Donna Lucerne

SATURDAY, April 14

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

SUNDAY, April 15

7:30 a.m. - † Monica Scharfen

9:00 a.m. - † Betty Galaz

10:30 a.m. - Jose Colina

12:30 p.m. - † Andrew and Eve Devine

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

(Based on today's Bible readings)

Adult: How can I bear witness to Jesus' passage through death to Resurrection this week?

Child: How will I celebrate the new life of Easter this week?

Teen: What do I do when I am frightened? Do I realize that praying to Jesus will surround me with his love?

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, Joyce Frugoli, William Cervola, Den Goldberg, Tatum Gumps, Gerry & Celeste Kohonen, Joe Snider, Stephen Hutchings, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Evelyn Sylvia, Fernando Montoya, Mike Dresnick, Kathy June, Betty Klemm, John, Spencer, & Helen Baca, Sheri Weber, Jarome Bartolon, Mary Lou Clark, Bob Flynn, Nicolas Ramirez, Tim Ginnett, Lois Kearney, Gary Skrehot, Mirna Pilarczyk, J. Christopher Clise, Janette Linares, Carol Manion, Martha Rushing, Tillie Burke, Clara Lee Radtke, Mark Wynne, Domingo Vallejo, Chester Lizak, Barbara Gormly, Arnold & Frances Esposito, Madelyne McCarthy, Gary Lyman, Alfredo Tan, Pauline Diaz, Josephine Rosello, Robert Burt, Kimberley Wilkinson, Kim Agee, Rosemary Doran, Luis Arroyo, Aaron Richardt & Rosemary Stolinski.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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| LITURGY COMMITTEE | Dcn. Shane Cuda | 594-4657 |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION | Gene Enschede | 421-0147 |
| LECTORS | Bill Smith | 431-2495 |
| USHERS | Marty Vezzetti | 425-0621 |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Dcn. Shane Cuda | 594-4657 |
| DIRECTOR of MUSIC | Vivian Doughty | 422-5430 |
| ALTAR CARE | | 594-4657 |
| CHURCH SACRISTANS | Lily & Joe Dang | 493-2198 |

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 | |
| 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

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| 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

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| Ann Crowley | 594-7575 |
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YOUTH MINISTRY

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| Shelley Padilla | 594-4657 |
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| PASTORAL COUNCIL | Margee Infante | 537-8210 |
| FINANCE COUNCIL | Randall Ely | 430-0142 |
| | rely5@verizon.net | |
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| | www.stjosephlb.org | |

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| MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD | Tim Clark | 431-4385 |
| 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 | |

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| 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, WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE, to the rectory or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org