

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 21, 2012

Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.

— *Isaiah 53:11b*

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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.
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION:
after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday
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 Pastor's desk:

In the Gospel today, Jesus doesn't discourage his disciples who want to be leaders. He simply explains to them what true leadership is all about, which is service. He places all his energies at the service of the total liberation of the people. This means a total surrender, renouncing a search for honors or privileges, or advantages or comfort for themselves.

Those who were chosen before us, to lead their people to lands of new promise knew about suffering and bitterness. Whether it is announcing the reign of God, or if it is denouncing the injustices that prevent it from being fully a reality, as leaders we can shape the world according to the Gospel.

My hope and prayer for each of us is that we come to a better understanding of leadership and to also understand that God's promise to always be at our side is the source of our hope and encouragement as we live out our call.

Catholicism Series - Oct. 30, 7 p.m. in the hall. Episode IX: "THE FIRE OF HIS LOVE: PRAYER AND THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT" - In this lesson, Father Barron explores Catholic spirituality, which is centered on prayer. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "Prayer is the lifting up of the mind and the heart to God."

On pilgrimage to the places where the great saints and spiritual masters lived, Father Barron explores the different types of prayer: contemplation, adoration, petition, and intercession. In telling the stories of Catholics like Thomas Merton, St. Theresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross, Fr. Barron demonstrates how the human person can be transformed through prayer that manifests a deep, spiritual commitment centered in Christ.

Last session - **Nov. 13.**



Year of Faith - From October 11 through the solemnity of Christ the King in November 2013, Pope Benedict invites us to celebrate a "Year of Faith." This Year challenges us, disciples baptized into Christ and his Church, to move beyond routine to relationship; to "re-image" our Catholic faith not as an intellectual exercise, but as a personal encounter with Christ, an encounter that blossoms into a living friendship with Jesus and a loving relationship with our neighbor. Important as official teachings are - and this year we should rediscover these, too - the pope suggests that we begin this Year by looking at faith as a lifelong journey undertaken with a joy that inevitably attracts others. As examples of a personal faith whose authenticity and enthusiasm have an impact on others, Pope Benedict will canonize two saints with American significance on World Mission Sunday, October 21: Native American Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680), whose short life was a journey of selfless love; and Mother Marianne Cope (1838-1918), whose love for Christ led her to share Father Damien's ministry to those afflicted with Hansen's disease.

St. Joseph School News

St. Joseph Catholic School is now accepting applications for Kindergarten and our new Transitional Kindergarten (Alpha-K) for the 2013-2014 year. Applicants for Kindergarten must turn 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2013. Applicants for Alpha-K must turn 4 years old by Aug. 31, 2013.

Alpha-K:

Emphasizes developmental readiness skills with a hands-on approach to curriculum

Focuses on Kindergarten readiness

Students receive daily instruction in religion and attend Mass weekly

Offers a half-day (7:50-11:50 am) or full-day (7:50 am - 3:00 pm), 5-days-per-week program

Extended daycare is available until 5:30 pm

Please call our school office, 596-6115, or send an email to vgianessi@sjknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment with Mrs. Alvarez, our school principal.



From Deacon Don's desk:

Have you checked the marquee? We are in the **Year of Faith**. What is **faith**? Hebrews Ch 11 begins with, "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen." Others say, "Faith is believing the **real** world behind the **material** world around us." I was drawn to the footnotes in Hebrews Chapter 11. Part of it: "This chapter draws on people and events of the Old Testament to paint an inspiring portrait of religious faith, firm and unyielding in the face of obstacles that confront it. These pages rank among the most eloquent and lofty to be found in the Bible. The material of this chapter is chronological and draws on the first 9 chapters of Genesis - on the time of Moses, history of judges, prophets and Maccabean martyrs. It describes what authentic faith does, not of what it is in itself." You want a "Cliff notes" version? Pick up Hebrews but don't leave out the footnotes. It's a roadmap to understand true **faith**. Some link trust and **faith**. It's been said that "trust is earned but **faith** is given." OUR PRAYER: Holy Spirit aware of our sinfulness but aware of Your great mercy, we come to You, remain with us, guide us, unite us to be faithful to all that is true. Help us to be faithful servants in tempering justice with mercy and love so all we do may reflect God's great love for all.

All Souls Novena begins on Nov. 2, the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. It is traditional during November that we pray for family members who have passed away. If you wish to have your loved ones remembered in our Novena of nine Masses, please write their names on the envelopes in the pews. Submit completed envelopes at the church office or in the collection.

Respect Life Corner - Pro Life Party on the field of Dodger Stadium Go2bat4life on Sunday, November 18, 1:00-4:30 PM. Pro life speakers, live music, food trucks, zipline, games and prizes. Tickets are available online for \$10 or at the door for \$20. All kids 10 and under are free. Visit go2bat4LIFE.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Your Help Is Still Needed! Jesus calls us to share His great love with others, especially little children!

We need adults (all ages) to help serve our community by teaching our little ones our beautiful faith and to teach them how much they are loved by God! We would like to start an RCIA for Children Team. (I would like a team of two or three to help start this.)

If you are feeling a tug in your heart, that's God calling you. *You can do this!* We are aiming for team teaching, so that you are not alone! The commitment is on Sundays from 10:15 a.m. until noon (that includes set up and clean up!) for the school year from September through May. Call Nancy Longo if you have questions, 598-0519.

Early Childhood: Registration forms for ages 3, 4, & K are 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.

Youth Ministry: Next week we will have "Change for Youth" after all Masses. We will be asking for your loose change (and bills) to help us make a change for our ministry here at St. Joe's. We continue to see our ministry grow, but your help is needed. What a great investment...the future of our parish...our kids!!! Thank you for your generosity.

High School Youth Group: Grab a friend and head to the "Bowling Bash" on Sun., **Oct. 28**, 4:00-5:30pm at Cal Bowl in Lakewood. RSVP's are due TODAY, Oct. 21 to secure your spot. Only \$12 gets you pizza, soda, shoe rental and 1hr. bowling! After today, teens are welcome to attend for \$17 at the door. Flyers/Permission slips available at church exits, Religious Ed. office or on our parish website. RSVP to Shelley at youthministry@stjosephlb.org

Ignite! Come Join Us In Praise, Adoration & Fellowship 4th Thurs. of the month, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Next Ignite! October 25 here @ St. Joseph Catholic Church. Long Beach Young Adult Ministry (Long Beach ALIVE!) longbeachyam@gmail.com

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for listening last weekend to our appeal for supporting the needs of our parish and the stewardship program that we have begun. Thank you also for your kind support and the commitment that many of you have already made since last weekend.

For those of you who were not here last week we want to let you know that we have been struggling with our regular monthly bills and have asked our parishioners to pray about the situation and also invite you to make a commitment or recommitment to support our parish not only through your time and talent but also through your treasure.

One of our main goals in our stewardship program is to increase our offering to the parish but also to make the commitment to have a regular weekly or monthly donation. I have signed up to have automatic bill payment through my bank. It is a simple, free and easy way to ensure that my donation comes to the parish. I don't have to worry about writing checks or forgetting my wallet. As many of you may know, I can be forgetful. I would encourage you to look into this option.

We have put a copy of the commitment card below that you can fill out. These can be placed either in the collection basket or brought to the rectory during the week. The yellow commitment cards are also available by the exit doors of the church. Thank you again for your support.

May God's blessings descend upon you and remain with you and your family.

Fr. Jim

You can use the Offertory Commitment Card below to change or establish your weekly pledge amount. Bring the completed form to the Rectory Office or place it in the collection basket.

**Offertory Commitment Card
Commitment of Treasure**

"Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and He will give back to you sevenfold." Sirach 35:9-10

I understand that St. Joseph Church is asking all parishioners to review the amount that they give to the parish offertory and to determine whether that amount is enough, too much, or not enough. My/Our new average commitment per week for the next 12 months is:

- \$150.00 \$125.00 \$100.00 \$75.00 \$50.00 \$40.00 \$35.00 \$30.00 \$25.00 \$20.00 \$15.00
- Other \$ _____

Name: _____ **Address:** _____

Apartment number (if any): _____ **City/State/Zip:** _____

Telephone: _____ **E-mail Address:** _____



**St. Joseph's Heartbeat
God ♥ all**

We always welcome new members.

Nov. 5 - Social/game gathering.

Nov. 19 - **Thanksgiving Luncheon.** \$12/person. Turkey & trimmings. (Chicken available). Please sign up and pay by Nov. 14. Lunch will be served at noon. Everyone welcome.

Dec. 3 - Social/game gathering.

Dec. 6 - **Christmas Show at the Lawrence Welk Theater**

Price **\$95** includes transportation, buffet lunch and show ticket. To sign up or for more info call Rosie or Barbara. For trip info, call Rosie, 425-4162, or Barbara, 430-5324.

Dec. 17 - Christmas Luncheon. More details later.

Change: Social/game gatherings 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.
Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33; Heb 4:14-16;
Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]
Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Flower Sale This Weekend (Sunday) Fall bedding plants will be for sale after Sunday Masses this weekend in the parking lot. Please stop by and see the beautiful selection and support the 6th graders earning money for their educational trip to Washington DC. If you pre-ordered flower bowls (thank you!), please pick them up at the flower sale. There is still time to order Poinsettias, pick up an order form at the sale. If you have questions, please contact Dana Moler, 522-5832 or danamoler@verizon.net. Thank you for supporting our kids!

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 | Timmy Allison |
| Michael Marchante | Jason Kaufmann |
| Nicky Kaufmann | John Landry |
| 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.

"And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me." Mt 18:5

THANK YOU to all who contributed to another successful Feed-a-Baby drive last weekend! We donated 10 thirteen gallon bags of baby food and products and \$1,160 in cash for purchasing more baby food.



FAMILY ADOPTION - Can you support a family for Thanksgiving, Christmas, & Easter? We will support you and coincide with our annual Holiday Distributions. Please let us know **by Oct. 21**.

NEW BLANKET DRIVE – **Nov. 3-11**. Blankets will be provided with our Thanksgiving food and gift distributions to less fortunate Long Beach families. Please call Tim Clark 431-4385. Skip-a-Meal donations support our program.

16th 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 Saint Joseph community, for our sixteenth annual Memorial Mass to be celebrated in our church on Sunday, November 4 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 Mass, there will be a "potluck" in our hall. Please bring a dish (hot or cold) for approx. 6 people. We look forward to seeing you on Nov. 4. For further information please call Charlotte 439-7733 or Nancy 429-2546.

"Jesus is Lord" Standing on the word of God, let us learn together. St. Joseph Bible Study has resumed classes: **Tuesdays 9 a.m. and Thursdays 7 p.m.**

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."
Philippians 4:13

To register, please call Rita Smith, 714-761-4376.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

- Oct. 23** - Our Lady of Guadalupe, Hermosa Bch, 310-372-7077
- Nov. 9** - St. Pancratius, Lakewood, 562-634-6111

Did You Know? Background checks and screening "In the L. A. Archdiocese, all clergy, paid parish/school personnel and volunteers who work regularly with children or youth must be fingerprinted. For info call: (213) 637-7411." From the pamphlet, "Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse: Keeping Ministerial Relationships Healthy & Holy," published by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The pamphlet is available in the parish in English and Spanish, and online at: <http://archla.org/protecting>. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213)637-7650.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, October 20

5:00 p.m. - † James Sullivan O'Donnell

SUNDAY, October 21

7:30 a.m. - † Daniel O'Donnell

9:00 a.m. - † Charles Thrash & daughter Paulette

10:30 a.m. - Luis Estrada, Thanksgiving

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

MONDAY, October 22

8:00 a.m. - † Dan Frink

TUESDAY, October 23

8:00 a.m. - † Bill Keckeisen

WEDNESDAY, October 24

8:00 a.m. - † Hilda Del Castillo

THURSDAY, October 25

8:00 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom and all priests

FRIDAY, October 26

8:00 a.m. - † John and Teresa Anselmo

SATURDAY, October 27

5:00 p.m. - † George Longaberger

SUNDAY, October 28

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

9:00 a.m. - † Maria and Dominico Dang

10:30 a.m. - † Charles Thrash & daughter Paulette

12:30 p.m. - † Daniel O'Donnell

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 meets in the Parish Center chapel every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.



PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene Dryer, Mary Mariano, Betty Chappell, Patricia Morand, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, Hugo & Mickey Jorda, Dave Gallagher, Fr. Frank Ferrante, Milton & Joyce Frugoli, William Cervola, Tatum Gumps, Gerry & Celeste Kohnen, Joe Snider, Stephen Hutchings, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Fernando Montoya, Mike Dresnick, Kathy June, Betty Klemin, 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, Clara Lee Radtke, Mark Wynne, Chester Lizak, Barbara Gormly, Frances Esposito, Madelyne McCarthy, Gary Lyman, Alfredo Tan, Pauline Diaz, Josephine Rosello, Robert Burt, Kimberley Wilkinson, Kim Agee, Luis Arroyo, Aaron Richardt, Rosemary Stolinski, Dr. John Messenger, Ginny Foglia, Nell Virgil, Sheila Corry, Marvey Watkins-King, Gregg Davis, Ed Madrid, Carol Chick, Gilbert Nevarraz, Jr., Yolanda Zito, Eva Arias, Dora Dominguez, Alice Delgado, Monica Cervola, Dennis Richards, Carrie Colodel, Larry Shaw, Kennedy & Dawn Willey, Marlene Smith Rothshell, Tom Korman, Kenneth Fong & baby Maddi Arnold.

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	Dcn. Shane Cuda	594-4657
DIRECTOR of MUSIC	Vivian Doughty	422-5430
ALTAR CARE		594-4657
CHURCH SACRISTANS	Lily & Joe Dang (sister & brother)	493-2198

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
562-596-6115

PRINCIPAL	Margaret Alvarez
ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL	Carole Dellavalle, Jaclyn Padgett & Erin Wright
SECRETARY	Julie Gianessi
PTO PRESIDENT	Javier Munoz

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Nancy Longo	
ELEMENTARY,		
MIDDLE SCHOOL	Nancy Longo	598-0519
CONFIRMATION	Melissa Beach	598-0519
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Shannon Carpenter	598-0519
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo	598-0519
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo	598-0519
SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser	818-4249

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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YOUTH MINISTRY

Shelley Padilla	598-0519
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Margee Infante	537-8210
FINANCE COUNCIL	Randall Ely	430-0142
	rely5@verizon.net	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
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Website address:		
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	
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