

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

6220 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 25, 2012

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,  
the firstborn of the dead  
and ruler of the kings of the earth.

— Revelation 1:5

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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:

As we stand before Christ the King, we are not asked why we haven't accomplished extraordinary things, we're only asked if we responded to the situations that are put before us in our ordinary daily lives.

Artists and poets have let their imagination run wild sometimes depicting scenes of the Last Judgement, with visions of suffering and eternal damnation. It seems that the human imagination sometimes pictures suffering and misery easier than happiness. And if we take a look around at the world today we can see why that happens.

But what we need to do is to concentrate on the positive message of hope: the hope that in our ordinary lives by loving others we will find the way into God's kingdom. I offer a challenge to each of us to focus on the truth that Christ asks us to recognize Him. Is our commitment to the kingdom of this world, or to the King who said, "My kingdom is not of this world"? My hope and prayer for each of us is that we choose the latter.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion -**  
mandatory meeting **Nov. 27**, 7:00 p.m. in the church.

Rest in Peace

Died in Christ:

**Frankie Weaver**  
**Margaret Vescovi**



**Year of Faith** - The Year of Faith, as the pope envisions it, is an invitation to rekindle the joyful enthusiasm of each disciple's personal encounter with Christ. This personal encounter should prompt us to renew our commitment to a selfless love of neighbor.

For this "journey that lasts a lifetime," as the pope describes it, the Church provides "travel companions," practical resources to inspire and inform. For the "heart" of faith, our personal relationship with Christ, needs also a "mind" well-formed in the truth that Jesus, Friend of our souls and Lord of the Church, has revealed to us. As this Year of Faith begins, each Catholic - individually or as a family - should acquire the Church's official resources, readily available at bookstores or online. If the full Catechism appears too daunting, consider the abridged Compendium of the Catechism featuring artwork selected by Pope Benedict and accompanied by his commentary, with an appendix of basic prayers. The bright yellow YouCat: Youth Catechism, written and designed especially for young people, features a format with contemporary graphics and writing style, as well as a library of quotes from sources ancient and modern, making it popular with the not-so-young, too.

### St. Joseph School News

As we move closer toward the season of Advent, we want to take this time to thank Father Jim and the entire St. Joseph Parish Community for the gift of prayers and support for the school throughout the year. The faculty, staff and students of St. Joseph School sincerely extend warm wishes of gratitude and offer up prayers of thanksgiving for the blessings that we receive. We are privileged to serve as a ministry of this great parish community.



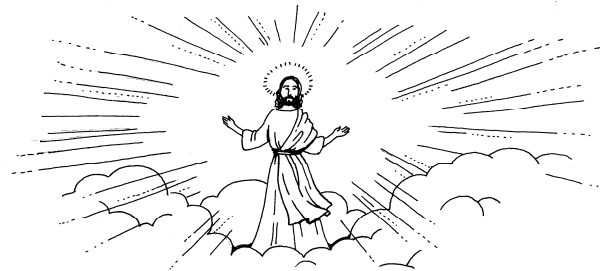
### From Deacon Don's desk:

Here is an Ignatian Reflection that caught my eye: There are three ways a man might become king: he might inherit kingship from his father; or he might become king through victory, defeating an enemy and taking land as his possession. We celebrate Christ the King for both reasons: He was made King by His Father and made sovereign over the whole universe by the One who made it all. He is King as well through victory; He defeated the forces of evil and death through His Cross and Resurrection and freed the universe from Satan's power.

But there is a third way man might become king: through the assent of his people. The people must acclaim him king and follow his command. Though Jesus is King of the Universe, He still works to win the fidelity of His people. He tells Pilate in the Gospel: "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to My voice."

Our challenge is to follow His command and thus belong to the truth and that Kingdom.

OUR PRAYER: Almighty and merciful God, You break the power of evil and make all things new in Your Son, Jesus Christ, the King of the universe. May all in heaven and earth acclaim Your glory and never cease to praise You. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37
Monday:	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28
Friday:	Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
Saturday:	Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519**

**Substitute Teacher Needed:** We are in need of someone who could be a substitute teacher when one of our teachers is unable to be here. Please call Nancy Longo if you could fill this need, 598-0519. Thank you!

**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.



**High School Youth Group:** On Sun., Nov. 25 we're hosting our first INTERFAITH CAFE!!! All high schoolers are invited to come meet and have round-table discussions with teens from other faiths. Find out what they believe, their traditions, religious life, afterlife, and more! Attend 12:30 Mass and then head over to the parish hall for a light lunch, discussions & ice cream bar! RSVP to Shelley at youthministry@stjosephlb.org. Flyers are at all the exits, Religious Ed. office and on our parish website!

## CONGRESS

**Religious Education Congress February 21 (Youth Day), February 22-24** at the Anaheim Convention Center

In this Year of Faith, the Congress theme "Enter the Mystery," bids us to look with "new eyes" and discover God's creative presence woven into the fabric of our rich faith story: our beliefs, our rituals and our great spiritual traditions.

If you have never before attended Congress, you are assured of a wonderful experience. All welcome! Congress offers 280 workshops covering topics from spirituality and personal development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis, as well as morning praise, evening liturgies and a variety of noontime and evening concerts. Come and be renewed! Don't miss out! Register now. You may access the book on line and register by visiting [www.RECongress.org](http://www.RECongress.org). To obtain a registration book, contact our religious ed office, 562-598-0519 or call the congress information line, 213-637-7348.

The Music Department at Mount St. Mary's College presents **Carols of the Season**, featuring the Mount Chorus & Singers. The concert will also feature John Rutter's Dancing Day, a cycle of carols for harp and women's chorus, and traditional carols old and new accompanied by a chamber ensemble. Friday, **November 30** at 8:00 p.m. in Mary Chapel on the Chalon Campus. Tickets are \$5 for seniors and students, \$10 general admission. Directions are available at: <http://www.msmc.la.edu/about-msmc/our-campuses/driving-instructions.asp> Questions can be directed to Sister Therese Fassnacht, Chair of the Music Department, at [tfassnacht@msmc.la](mailto:tfassnacht@msmc.la) or 310-954-4265.

**Sacred Heart Leadership Retreat** - The Sacred Heart Sisters personally invite young women in their junior year in High School or older to enter into the Heart of God to discover His personal love for you, **Dec. 27-30** at Sacred Heart Retreat Camp, Big Bear Lake. The retreat will include communal and private prayer, Eucharist and Reconciliation. Donation: \$75. For information call 909-866-5696 or [www.sacredheartretreatcamp.com](http://www.sacredheartretreatcamp.com) - Events page.

**"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, call Rita Smith, 714-761-4376.

**CALLING ALL MARRIED COUPLES** - Married in the Catholic Church? If so, we would love to have you help us prepare couples for Marriage in the Archdiocese of L. A.. For further info please contact Candy Metoyer, 213-637-7250; [cmetoyer@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:cmetoyer@la-archdiocese.org). We Need You!

## LAS POSADAS

Rancho Los Alamitos Historic Ranch and Gardens' Traditional **Las Posadas Procession and Fiesta**, Sunday, **December 16**, 1:30 - 7:00 p.m. Procession times: 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. Reservations required. Tickets: on-line at [www.rancholosalamitos.org](http://www.rancholosalamitos.org) or 562-431-3541. Adults: \$25, Children: \$15. Discount for groups of ten or more.

Rancho Los Alamitos invites family and friends to come together to participate in the festive celebration of Las Posadas! The lively procession recalls the journey of Mary and Joseph and their search for lodging in Bethlehem. Our visiting boys and girls, adults, actors and mariachi musicians enact the journey, singing traditional Posada songs. Upon reaching the front lawn of the ranch house a fiesta of traditional music and dance will entertain the Posada travelers. Guests are invited to participate in holiday crafts, enjoy refreshments and tour the ranch house and the Nacimientos (nativity scenes) exhibit. Plan approximately two and one half hours.

**Date Night With God - Newlyweds 101: Keeping Your Marriage God-centric.** A marriage enrichment program for couples married 0-5 years, Fridays, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, Mar. 22, Apr. 26, May 31, and June 28 at St. Basil Church, 3611 Wilshire Blvd, L.A., 7-10 p.m. To register contact Candy Metoyer, Office of Family Life, 213-637-7250 or [cmetoyer@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:cmetoyer@la-archdiocese.org)



**St. Joseph's Heartbeat  
God ♥ all**

**We always welcome new members.**

**Dec. 3** - Social/game gathering.

**Dec. 6** - Lawrence Welk Theater Christmas Show - The bus will leave the church parking lot at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday morning, Dec. 6, and return at approximately 6:00 p.m. For trip info, call Rosie, 425-4162, or Barbara, 430-5324.

**Dec. 17** - Christmas Luncheon. \$12/person. Chicken and ham. Please sign up and pay by Dec. 12. Call Mary Lou Clark, (562) 431-4385 to sign up or at Dec. 3rd social gathering. Lunch will be served at noon. Everyone welcome. Bring a friend. Please bring gift for Precious Life.

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

**Cornelia Connelly School Open House Nov. 27**

8:00 - 10:30 a.m. Visit classrooms, meet teachers. RSVP: 714-776-1717 x221 admissions@connellyhs.org

**St. John Bosco High School - Open House, Dec. 2,**

**11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.,** no appointment necessary. For more information, visit [www.BOSCO.org](http://www.BOSCO.org) or contact Jon Lucero, 562-920-1734 ext. 227.

**Servite Open House - December 2, Noon to 4:00 p.m.**

All welcome to attend and learn about the opportunities for your son at Servite. Innovative Leadership Formation Program, the only one of its kind in the nation; Superior Academic Curriculum, 99% of the Class of 2012 graduates attend college, and 94% qualified for a four-year college; Average class size is 19 students, 29 Honors and 16 AP classes offered; Award winning music and arts programs; 2-to-1 Tablet PC Program, the most advanced high school technology program in OC; Championship Athletic Program. There is no need to RSVP. For questions please feel free to email admissions@servitehs.org or call (714) 774-7575 x1170.

**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>Timmy Allison</b>    |
| <b>Michael Marchante</b> | <b>Jason Kaufmann</b>   |
| <b>Nicky Kaufmann</b>    | <b>John Landry</b>      |
| <b>Jessica Landry</b>    |                         |

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.

*It's the most wonderful time of the year!*

**Next Weekend** our Holiday Help for local families in need changes to thoughts of Christmas! The Terry Tibor Memorial Christmas Trees will adorn the church. Please take an envelope with information to provide a present for a child of one of our supported families. **Then please return your gift to the church, no later than 12:30 p.m. the following weekend, December 9.**

**Dec. 15** - Christmas food and gift distribution, 8:30 a.m. in the parish hall. There are many fulfilling opportunities to serve. Please call Tim Clark 431-4385. Skip-a-Meal donations support our program.



**Catholic Charities' Family Holiday Party Dec. 11 -**

New, unwrapped toys for children, baby clothing, or small gifts for homebound elderly are needed. Contact Jon-Mike Reed, jreed@ccharities.org or 562-591-1641.

**Volunteer nurses needed** at the Pregnancy Help Center, four hours per month. RNs and NPs to perform pregnancy and STD testing. California license must be current. No experience needed, training will be provided. Qualifications: caring, compassionate, desire to support mothers who choose life for their unborn. Contact Victoria Koh, 310-320-8976. [www.phctorrance.org](http://www.phctorrance.org)

**Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

- Dec. 1** - Holy Family, Wilmington, 310-834-6333
- Dec. 7** - St. Philomena, Carson, 310-835-7161
- Dec. 12** - Beatitudes of Our Lord, La Mirada, 562-943-5678
- Jan. 16** - St. Joseph, Long Beach, 562-598-0519
- Jan. 26** - St. Philip Neri, Lynwood, 310-632-7179
- Jan. 30** - St. Paul of the Cross, La Mirada, 562-921-4911

**Did You Know? Shopping mall safety tips** - It's easy for kids to get sidetracked with all the sights, sounds, and smells at holiday time. It is especially important to monitor your children when taking them through the mall during the Christmas season. If children become separated from you, teach them to look for a "safe stranger" who can help them. For example, a mom with kids or the cash register person can help a child who is lost. Avoid telling children to go to the "manager." Any adult in a suit, who looks important, can look like the manager to a child. Children must be told never to leave the mall or store to go looking for you in the parking lot. Let them know that you would never go outside or leave until you are reunited -- no matter what anyone else tells them. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213)637-7650.

# Mass Intentions



**SATURDAY, November 24**  
 5:00 p.m. - Charles and Anna Sees, Thanksgiving

**SUNDAY, November 25**  
 7:30 a.m. - † Don Pedneault  
 9:00 a.m. - † Charles Thrash & daughter Paulette  
 10:30 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom and all priests  
 12:30 p.m. - † Betty Galaz

**MONDAY, November 26**  
 8:00 a.m. - Eddie and Anna Monique Herrera

**TUESDAY, November 27**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Dan O'Donnell

**WEDNESDAY, November 28**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Maria and Dominico Dang

**THURSDAY, November 29**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Mary Vanderslice

**FRIDAY, November 30**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Mary Wiegand

**SATURDAY, December 1**  
 5:00 p.m. - † Mary and Edward Dondero

**SUNDAY, December 2**  
 7:30 a.m. - † Mary and Edward Dondero  
 9:00 a.m. - Fr. Larry Darnell and all priests  
 10:30 a.m. - † Charles Thrash & daughter Paulette  
 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

**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).

**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 Kohonen, Joe Snider, Stephen Hutchings, Daylinda Om poc 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, Adrienne Reitz, David Dresnick, Jeanie San Jose, Noel Madrid, Jeremy Bonas & Heather Dean.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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

## 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	<b>598-0519</b>
CONFIRMATION	Melissa Beach	<b>598-0519</b>
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Shannon Carpenter	<b>598-0519</b>
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo	<b>598-0519</b>
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo	<b>598-0519</b>
SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpenter	<b>430-6840</b>
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser	<b>818-4249</b>

## ADULT MINISTRY

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

Ann Crowley	<b>594-7575</b>
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## YOUTH MINISTRY

Shelley Padilla	<b>598-0519</b>
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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Margee Infante	<b>537-8210</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	
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, WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE, to the rectory or to [bulletin@stjosephlb.org](mailto:bulletin@stjosephlb.org)