

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH 6220 E. Willow Street Long Beach, CA 90815

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RECTORY

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**SUNDAY MASSES** 

Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 a.m.

& 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.

**EUCHARISTIC 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

**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.

The Holy Spirit decended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:22

> The Baptism of the Lord January 13, 2013

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.

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#### From the Pastor's desk:

Today's gospel tells us about the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River and how the spirit of God descended like a dove upon him. We are told that a voice spoke from heaven, and said, "You are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased."

Peter tells us in the second reading that after God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit and with the power, he went about doing good. And Jesus fulfills what Isaiah prophesies in the first reading. "Here is your God! Here comes with power, the Lord God."

Jesus goes through the waters of Baptism for our conversion and comes out with a radical new mission. The mission is for everyone. Peter tells us that God doesn't have favorites.

Jesus' spirit shows itself to be the creative power of God in the world, who calls each of us to the fullness of life. Jesus' experience of the Spirit and his response to that voice can be seen in every following story of the gospel. He is now a man with a mission.

Baptism is the ordination of every follower of Jesus to that same mission. Through our Baptisms, we have the power to pursue peace and justice in the world. But our mission is not one that we undertake alone. We do this within a community of faith, knowing that the presence of the Holy Spirit always inspires and empowers us.

#### A **BIG** thank you!

I want to wish everyone a very Happy New Year and express my gratitude for the wonderful response that our parish community has made in supporting our parish through these financially challenging times.

Our weekly collections have increased steadily over the past month and a half and our Christmas collection was very generous. So once again thank you very much. Our challenge now is to sustain the good work that we have begun.

Over the next couple of weeks the Parish will be reconciling and finalizing the last quarter statistics. The Finance Council will meet at the end of this month to review the report, and after the Finance Council meeting we will post the report for the last quarter in the weekly bulletin.

Wishing all of you an abundance of Blessings.

Fr. Jim

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4,

3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK** 

Thursday: Heb 2:14-10, 1'S 103:1-4, 0-9, 1MK 1:29-03
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11;

Jn 2:1-11

Sunday:

#### St. Joseph School News

# Catholic Schools Week: January 27 - February 1

"Catholic Schools Raise the Standards" Come see how St. Joseph Catholic School raises the standards! Join us on Sunday, January 27 for St. Joseph Catholic School's Open House and Curriculum Fair from 10 am - Noon. Applications for the 2013-2014 school year are currently available on-line at: www.sjknights.net

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-perweek program. Extended daycare available until 5:30 pm.

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

### From Deacon Don's desk:

Before we leave the Christmas time, there's been a story floating around about a fourth Magi. I want to set the record straight. It is true, but here is how it actually went. It was Henry Van Dyke who wrote: His name was Artaban, he was to go with the other

three kings in search of the newborn king. Artaban had a pouch of precious gems as a gift for the baby king. On his way to join the other three he stopped to help a needy person. The delay was just enough to cause him to miss the other wise men. He never did catch them; he kept helping people and giving away all his gems. Artaban ended up a beggar in a faraway city called Jerusalem. One day he saw a criminal being sent to be executed. He felt close to the man and sad he could not help him. As the "criminal" drew near he turned to Artaban and said, "Be not sad, you've been helping Me all your life." Now you know the rest of the story. OUR PRAYER: Father, You revealed Your Son by the guidance of a star. Lead us to Your glory in heaven by the light of Faith. We ask this through Christ, Your Son who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. Amen

## Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Ginny Foglia Elizabeth Nelson Arthur Kautz



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

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519**

Early Childhood: Regular class today. Early Childhood Catechist Spring Planning Meeting after class today in the PAC. Need a mini-retreat? 1, 2, or 3 days? Only 6 weeks to RE Congress: there's still time to sign up! Go to <a href="https://www.recongress.org">www.recongress.org</a> for more info. Next week: No class. <a href="mailto:Sunday Nursery:">Sunday Nursery:</a> Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses.

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 <a href="https://www.RECongress.org">www.RECongress.org</a>. To obtain a registration book, contact our religious ed office, 562-598-0519 or call the congress information line, 213-637-7348.

**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 **Nick Compton Joseph Comfort** Irene Avila Scott Williams **Justin Rav Timothy Ring** Adam Mariano **David Waidelich** Obinna Ugochukwu **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.

"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.

**Adult Confirmation -** There are two adult Confirmation classes starting in January. Mondays starting **Jan. 14** in Lomita, and Sundays starting **Jan. 20** in Norwalk. If you would like to be confirmed, please call our Religious Education office, 598-0519, for information on how to register.



"Change for Youth" is this weekend for our Youth Ministry program. Kids in our program are at each of the church exits with baskets accepting donations. As we are not included in our parish budget, we depend largely on the generosity of our parishioners to sustain our ministry. Thank you so much for your support.

The **Diaconate Formation** Office will be hosting an information meeting for all men who are interested in finding out more about becoming a permanent deacon in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Members of the Archdiocesan Diaconate Formation Office will be present to explain the role of the deacon in the Church, to explain the diaconate formation program, and to answer any questions that participants might have. Men must be between the ages of 30 and 60 years to enter the formation program. It is important for men who are married to attend with their wives. The next information meeting will be held on Sunday **January 20**, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., at St. John Chrysostom Parish Church in Inglewood (530 East Florence Ave., Inglewood, CA 90301). For further information or to register, please contact Mrs. Claudia A. Ortiz in the Diaconate Formation Office at (213) 637-7383 or at: mailto:CAOrtiz@la-archdiocese.org.



EAR OF FAITH

**Year of Faith** - The joy of love, the answer to the drama of suffering and pain, the power to forgive offenses, life's victory over death's emptiness: all this finds fulfillment in the mystery of Christ's incarnation, in Jesus becoming human and sharing our hu-

man weakness in order to transform it by the power of his resurrection (see Benedict XVI, Door of Faith, 13).

This Year of Faith has opened wide the "door of faith." The liturgical "door" that opens every calendar year is the solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Her Son is the Prince of Peace, thus her feast fittingly coincides with the World Day of Prayer for Peace, whose theme this year is "Blessed are the peacemakers." Peace, writes the pope, grows from deep within each human soul as God's gift. It flowers whenever we work to build peace in the world. As January unfolds, the Sunday Gospels proclaim Jesus' "manifestations" as Savior of the world: on Epiphany, to the Gentile nations, in the persons of the magi; on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, to the people of Israel listening to John the Baptist at the Jordan; at Cana's wedding feast, to the smaller circle of disciples, as Jesus changes water into wine; finally, in his home-town synagogue, as Jesus inaugurates his public ministry by proclaiming his mission of bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, sight to the blind, freedom to the oppressed.

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# St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

#### We always welcome new members.

Dues now due - \$5 per year.

<u>Jan. 21</u> - Social/game gathering, sign up for Feb. 4 Senior retreat luncheon, \$12 per person.

Feb. 4 - Retreat - more info later

Feb. 18 - Social/game gathering

Mar. 4 & 18 - Social/game gathering

April. 1 & 15 - Social/game gathering

Social/game gatherings 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.

Call Betty 596-8287 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

#### **Attention St. Joseph's Seniors**

Our current leader of the St. Joseph's Senior group, Betty Maligie, is retiring from that position. I want to thank Betty for all her years of service to our Parish Community.

So, the seniors are seeking a new Chairperson for the group. If you or any senior (60+ years) you know is interested in leading the Senior group, please call the rectory at 562 -594-4657.

For those who wish to nominate someone, please keep in mind that the person that they nominate should be willing and possess good leadership and organizational skills. Candidates who have a general knowledge of the groups' current and past activities would be beneficial.

Election of the incoming Chairperson of the Senior Group will be held in February at the annual senior retreat. Please plan to attend and vote for the new Chairperson.

Fr. Jim

#### St. Anthony High School OPEN HOUSE – Jan. 13,

2:00 p.m. - See all that SAHS has to offer students today: Advanced Technology, iPads for every student, Marine Science Academy, Theater Arts with LBCC, Multidimensional Music program, Clubs & Activities, Championship Athletics and 100% of our graduates go on to college! It's a Great Day to be a SAINT! Families and friends welcome.

**The Catholic High School Placement Test** will be held at St. Anthony H.S. on Saturday, **January 26**, at 7:45 a.m. For further details, please call 562-435-4496.

**St. Joseph High School Jester Jubilee Auction and Casino Night, Feb. 2**, 5-10 p.m., \$50/person. For more information, please call 562-925-5073, ext. 151.

**Tax Letter for 2012** - If you would like a letter stating your contributions to St. Joseph Church for 2012, please call the rectory office, 594-4657, and leave your name, phone number and email address.

Blessings and gratitude to our resident seminarian, Luis Estrada, for his moving reflections last weekend on our December 30 visit to Skid Row. Along with two of



Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, and fueled by your donations of hygiene kits and blankets, we were able to serve these plus a substantial meal to over 85 homeless but spirited and sincerely grateful brothers and sisters in desperate need. May we share the magnificence of this ministry with you? Please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Jan. 23: Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. in the PAC

Feb. 9 - 10: Homeless hygiene kit drive

Mar. 2 - 10: Children's book drive

Mar. 23: Easter food and gift distribution Skip-a-Meal donations support our program.

**Blood Drive** - Sunday, **Jan. 27**, 7 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The blood mobile will be in the parking lot by the hall. For information, contact Pat Murach, 562-342-4229.

Catholic Charities is seeking a Regional Director to manage all aspects of the programs in the San Pedro/Long Beach region. Qualifications: Master's degree in social work or related field, experience as a Director, etc. For more information, please email hrjobs@ccharities.org

**Pasta Night** is Back! Please join us on Friday, **Feb 1** from 5-9 in the hall. This is a 7th Grade fundraiser.

Journey into Elderhood - "Old age is a gift...I thank God for it daily." -Fr. John La Farge Make this phrase a reality, emphasizing the values of age and wisdom. Seven Thursdays at Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, Palos Verdes, from 9-11 a.m., including lunch, starting Jan. 24. Cost \$40/person. Call Irma Manley to register, 310-377-4867 ext 234 or email: imanley@maryjoseph.org

#### **Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

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

Feb. 1 - St. Catherine Laboure, Torrance, 310-323-8900

Feb. 2 - St. Gertrude, Bell Gardens, 562-927-4495

Feb. 9 - St. Philip Neri, Lynwood, 310-632-7179

Did You Know? Protect your children from accidental poisoning - Store all medications in a locked cabinet, far from kids' reach. Even items that seem harmless,

net, far from kids' reach. Even items that seem harmless, such as mouthwash, can be extremely dangerous if ingested in large quantities by children. Just because cabinets are up high doesn't mean kids can't get their hands on what's in them. For more tips, please visit the Household Safety section at: www.kidshealth.org. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

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# Mass **Intentions**



**SATURDAY**, January 12

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

SUNDAY, January 13

7:30 a.m. - Doug Houck

9:00 a.m. - † Bob Bentley

10:30 a.m. - † Patrick Devine

12:30 p.m. - † Bruce Haunfelder

MONDAY, January 14

8:00 a.m. - † Robert Herman

**TUESDAY**, January 15

8:00 a.m. - Rita Smith, Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, January 16

8:00 a.m. - † Abelardo De la Cruz

THURSDAY, January 17

8:00 a.m. - Fr. Vincenzio Antolini and all priests

FRIDAY, January 18

8:00 a.m. - Dang family **SATURDAY, January 19** 

5:00 p.m. - † Anthony Ursano

SUNDAY, January 20

7:30 a.m. - † Wally McGolden

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Thomas and Margaret Devine

12:30 p.m. - † Edward Elv

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, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Fernando Montoya, Mike Dresnick, Kathy June, Betty Klemin, John, Spencer, & Helen Baca, Sheri Weber, Jarome Bartolon, Bob Flynn, 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, Nell Virgil, Sheila Corry, Marvey Watkins-King, Gregg Davis, Carol Chick, Gilbert Nevarraz, Jr., Yolanda Zito, Eva Arias, Dora Dominguez, Alice Delgado, Monica Cervola, Dennis Richards, Carrie Collodel, Kennedy & Dawn Willey, Marlene Smith Rothshell, Tom Korman, Kenneth Fong, baby Maddi Arnold, Adrianne Reitz, David Dresnick, Jeanie San Jose, Noel Madrid, Jeremy Bonas, Heather Dean, Larry Lyons, Chuck Almada, Leon Justice, Doug Houck, Karen Weiss & Don and Nancy Miller.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGY COMMITTEE	Dcn. Shane Cuda	594-4657
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS		
of HOLY COMMUNION	Gene Ensch	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
	(sister & brother)	

#### ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL 562-596-6115

**PRINCIPAL** Margaret Alvarez

PTO PRESIDENT

CUB SCOUTS

**BOY SCOUTS** 

ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL Carole Dellavalle, Jaclyn Padgett &

Erin Wright SECRETARY Julie Gianessi

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Javier Munoz

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDU ELEMENTARY,	CATION	Nancy Lo	ngo			
MIDDLE SCHOOL	Nancy Longo		598-0519			
CONFIRMATION	Melissa Beach		598-0519			
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Shannon Carpen	ter	598-0519			
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo		598-0519			
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo		598-0519			
SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpen	ter	430-6840			
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY						
FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser		818-4249			
ADUI T MINISTRY						

#### <u>ADULT MINISTRY</u>

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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

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK**

Ann Crowley 594-7575

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

Shelley Padilla 598-0519

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

420-1877

496-4223

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Margee Infante	537-8210
FINANCE COUNCIL	Randall Ely	430-0142
	rely5@verizon.net	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
Website address:	www.stjosephlb.org	
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	y <b>598-0519</b>
PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	598-5202
	Olga Cuda	594-4657
PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER	Greg Shea	221-8673

#### **BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM** PLEASE SUBMIT NOTICES, WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE, to the rectory or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org

Moses Bass

Tom Lane