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

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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. Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 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.

"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race."

- Revelation 21:3

From the Pastor's desk:

Sometimes we can tell where a person comes from by the way they talk or dress and sometimes even by their looks and their expressions. These are identifiable signs that people aren't even conscious of. It's just the way it is

sometimes.

Today, Jesus explains in the gospel how to recognize his friends. He says that they will be recognized by the love that they have for one another. "See how they love each other," was sometimes said of the early Christians. We speak of love all the time and it sounds like it is always really beautiful, but this can be a little too romantic or sugary at times. If you ask any group what one of the most important things in life is, they will quickly answer "love."

Love, however, is not just a beautiful and pleasant feeling as some people might think. Sometimes love is difficult, hard and complicated. It doesn't consist so much in feeling good, but in seeking and wishing for the good of others. To seek the good of others, to love, doesn't mean that we will stop disliking some people, or that we will be in perfect harmony with everyone, with all of our different personalities and tastes being in sync with each other. Sometimes love demands a lot of sacrifice, endurance and patience.

The love that Jesus asks of us is not just a sweet and sentimental feeling. It is stronger than death. It is service to the point of giving up one's own life. And it is stronger than hatred, because it seeks the good for one's own enemy. The love that is required of us is like the love that God has for us, unconditional, which does not mean that God likes everything that we do, but that God does not withdraw his love even when we do not behave, as we should. This is the same love that is asked of us.

We don't need to wait until people are good, pleasant or kind, but we need to love them now and always seek their good. This is when we will be truly recognized as followers of Jesus.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a;
	Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday:	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;
	Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
	Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
	or (for memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or
	Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16;
	Mt 13:54-58
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
	Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Francis Ilano St. Athanasius Church, Long Beach, 562-423-7986. Vocation information may be found at: <u>www.lavocations.org</u>.

From Deacon Don's desk:

There's a story about a scheme the devil had to sneak into heaven. The story starts with the early dawn of Easter Sunday. The devil dressed up as the Risen Christ. He had his fallen angels dressed up as angels of light. As he approached the gates of heav-

en he and his mob cried out the words of Psalm 24: "Lift up your heads, O gates of Heaven. Rise up you ancient portals, that the King of glory might enter." The real angels looked down at whom they thought was their King returning in triumph from the dead. So they shouted back in joy the next words of the psalm, "Who is the King of Glory?" The devil then made a fatal mistake. He opened his arms, spread his palms and declared "I am the King of Glory." He did himself in. The angels immediately slammed shut the gates of heaven. They saw right away that there were no nail marks in his palms! He had no wounds of love. He was obviously an impostor.

Sometimes love demands that we accept limitations in our lives, even pain and suffering in order to love as Jesus loved. This Sunday's Gospel recalls what I often refer to as the "11th Commandment." Jesus prepares the disciples for his Crucifixion. He is going to prepare a place for us by laying down His life for us. He gives them a NEW commandment: to love one another , not just as they love themselves, but as Jesus loves them.

OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, look upon us with love as we call upon Christ Your Son, who died and rose again and lives to intercede for us. Send into our hearts the fire of Your Spirit. Keep us in the communion of saints and allow us to live only for Your glory and our neighbor's good. Amen



Year of Faith - April encompasses Easter's Fifty Days, during which Resurrection joy should overflow the hearts of believers to refresh a parched and weary world with the revivifying waters of faith, hope, and abarity. All month at avery Mass, we read

charity. All month, at every Mass, we read Luke's Acts of the Apostles, charting the young church's Spirit-led journey, sometimes peaceful, sometimes persecuted, beset by enemies without and turmoil within. But this young church is always moving onward, from Jerusalem's familiarity to the strangeness of every place between there and Rome; and outward, from an inherited Judaism's comfortable uniformity to the Gentile world's challenging diversity. A week after Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday invites us to renew our personal relationship with Jesus, a principal element of this Year of Faith. On the Third Sunday of Easter, Peter's net is not torn, despite its one hundred fifty-three fish (one of every kind!), an image of the Church's unity-indiversity safeguarded by communion with Peter. On Good Shepherd Sunday, the church prays for priestly and religious vocations. All the while, Acts shows people drawn to the early Church because they had seen the Risen Jesus not in person, but in persons, in disciples who still form Christ's living Body, the Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Please keep St. Joseph families in your prayers as the children make their First Holy Communion this weekend. **Sunday Nursery:** Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses.

Long Beach ALIVE! A young adult ministry serving couples & singles ages 18-39 yrs. old. We invite all young adults to our upcoming events in this "Year of Faith":
May 13 - 8:00 pm: Social Night-Pub Quiz @ Auld Dubliner 71 S. Pine Ave. Long Beach
May 24 - 7:00 pm: Movie Night "Les Miserables" - Meet in the Holy Family Room
June 2 - 7:00 pm: St. Cornelius Parish Concert
June 8 - 7:00 pm: Hike @ Eaton Canyon Falls, Pasadena
June 28 - 7:00 pm: IGNITE
July - Theology on Tap - Summer Speaker Series

Invite a friend, relative, or spouse!

Meditation in the Parish Center chapel every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Information: Marie Gemma 310-490-4012

We are not just an extreme of body and an extreme of mind co-existing. We have a principle of unity within our being, in the centre of our being, and it is this - our SPIRIT, which is the image of God within us. Fr. John Main, OSB

Want to learn the secret to living your marriage sacrament freely, totally, faithfully and fruitfully? Come learn **Natural Family Planning**; it's highly effective and can do wonders for your relationship. To learn more, visit www.live-thelove.org or contact Greg and Beth Gath at 562-377-5877 or bethandgreg@verizon.net.

CALLING ALL MARRIED COUPLES - Feel blessed by your marriage in the Church? If so, we would love to have you help us prepare engaged couples for marriage in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. For further information please contact Candy Metoyer at cmetoyer@la-archdiocese.org or 213.637.7250. We Need You!

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
Obinna Ugochukwu
Timmy Allison
Jason Kaufmann
John Landry

Nick Compton Irene Avila Justin Ray Adam Mariano David Waidelich 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.

T Youth Ministry

<u>Middle School</u> - All 6th, 7th & 8th graders are invited to join us for "Movie Night" Friday, May 3, in St. Joe's Parish Hall 7-10pm. Bring your comfiest clothing and pillow or chair. Kick back with your friends and enjoy the show! RSVP to Shelley by May 1 for \$7 or it's \$10 at the door. Free snack bar will be open for your munching pleasure~ RSVP to: youthministry@stjosephlb.org today!

Whispering Winds Catholic Camp registration packets are due by May 1 with camp payment (\$185). Transportation will be charged separately. Dates of the camp are May **31-June 2** and reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. Packets can be turned into the Religious Ed. Office. Packets are available on our parish website or at the church exits.

Responsibility, Leadership, and Change: The Challenges of an Adult Church - The Dean of the St. John School of Theology and Seminary in Collegeville, Minnesota, will be giving a FREE presentation on Saturday, **May 11**, 9:00-12pm, at St. John Vianney Church, 1345 Turnbull Canyon Rd., Hacienda Heights. Join Dr. William J. Cahoy as we explore what it means to be an adult in today's church and some challenges we face to remain Christ's children. How do we heed Christ's call to become like children so we may enter the kingdom of heaven - and yet live like an adult. The event is free but registration is required: www.csbsju.edu/ sot, 320-363-3570 or sot-sem@csbsju.edu

You are invited to join Fr. Jose Parathanal of Holy Family Church, South Pasadena for Pilgrimages to: Our Lady of Guadalupe-Mexico: May 20 - 25, 2013 Footsteps of St. Paul-Turkey & Greece: Oct 3 - 15, 2013 Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com or call (323-344-1548 or 323-547-6618).

Save the Date! Matthew Kelly is coming to St. Lawrence Martyr, Saturday, May 11, 9am to 1:30pm, 1900 S. Prospect, Redondo Beach. Tickets are \$39 and are available at the St. Lawrence Martyr office or online at www.dynamiccatholic.com. Passion & Purpose Live is the inspiring yet practical experience of dynamic teaching and application of the genius of Catholicism to every aspect of your life, including prayer & spirituality, work, dating & marriage, personal finances, health & well-being, parenting, and community involvement. Matthew Kelly and worship leader and musician, Eliot Morris, prepare a unique message inspired by God and the teachings of the Church. There are a series of conferences (4) throughout the day led by Matthew, as well as some incredible worship led by the amazing musician, Eliot Morris. The cost includes refreshments and materials (program, pen, Mass journal, book, and CD). We hope you can join us. Call (310) 540-0329 with any questions.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

We always welcome new members.

May 6 & 20 - Social/game gathering

May 15 - Day trip to Barona Casino and Spa. Leaving at 8 am from St. Joseph parking lot. \$5/ person includes tip for driver. Return from Barona around 3:30 pm. 20% discount on buffet. Sign up at 5/6 meeting or call Gerry (562) 420-3220 or Mary Lou at (562) 431-4385. ALL are welcome. June 3 & 17 - Social/game gathering

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

Call Judy 421-6863 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

What a Successful Fair Weekend!

I wish to thank everyone for the wonderful fair that we had this past weekend. Thanks to Kraig and Kim Jondle for their leadership and to all those folks that volunteered their time working at the fair. Big thanks also to all our sponsors who donated to the fair.

We also need to thank all of our parishioners, school families and all the friends of St. Joseph who came and enjoyed the fair. Thanks to our Knights of Columbus for quenching our thirst and all the bands that provided us with great entertainment. Thanks to those who provided us with the wonderful brunch on Sunday morning.

I hope that I haven't forgotten to thank anyone, but if I have, please know that I am grateful to all of you. We don't have any final financial numbers on the fair yet, but I am confident that it was probably the most successful year that we've had to date.

Blessings to all of you. Fr. Jim

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500	Jill Salinaz			
100	Van Camp family			
100	Eileen Dennis			
100	Elizabeth McClinick			
100	Edward Loftus			
100	Virgilio Yumul			
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62nd Annual National Day of Prayer - PRAY FOR AMERICA Thursday, May 2. "In His name the nations will put their hope." Matthew 12:21

Project Achieve - Like to cook? Want to serve? We need your help! Project Achieve is a homeless shelter in Long Beach administered by Catholic Charities. Twice per month we prepare and serve dinner to the residents. Pay It Forward and be part of our team. All talents or donations appreciated. Please contact Olga Cuda, 594-4657.

And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me. Mt 18:5 May 1: Committee Meeting, 7pm in PAC May 18 –19: Feed-a-Baby Food Drive



Donations will benefit Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings women's family shelter of Long Beach.

Our program activities offer vital and fulfilling opportunities to benefit and bring hope to the less fortunate of our community. Can you help? Call Tim Clark,431-4385. Blue Skip-a-Meal envelope donations support our program.

Bundle Sunday - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's truck will be here May 5, 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Please bring usable items to help needy individuals. For large items, please call 323-224-6280 for pick up at your home.

Spring Boutique at Our Lady of Refuge, May 4 9 - 5, and May 5 8:30-2:30. There will be a variety of vendors offering quality items, hand made jewelry, Tupperware, Scentsy, Cookie Lee, Mary Kay, etc. Food items for sale also. Please call 597-3102 for questions.

Dear St. Joseph Parish Community: The PTO and children of St. Joseph Elementary School would like to send out their heartfelt gratitude for your generosity and support of our Annual FIT-A-THON held March 1. The technology and educational materials purchased with the revenues will have a lasting effect on our children by improving their knowledge and skills.

Part of our school and shared Catholic mission is "... to build community through service to each other and the extended community." We truly recognize the importance of your support and the relationship we share with St. Joseph church and its parishioners. We thank you for your support.

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment: May 8 - Mary Star of the Sea, San Pedro, 310-833-3541 x. 221 May 11 - St. Philip Neri, Lynwood, 310-632-7179 May 15 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Los Angeles, 323-585-4485

Did You Know? Text Messaging: Understanding the

Codes - Monitoring a child's Internet browsing and cell phone use are important and challenging aspects of being a parent and "Keeping Kids Safe." In keeping track of your child's text messaging, with its dizzying array of coded abbreviations and symbols, there are some codes that every parent should keep his/her eyes open for. These are codes that kids use to warn others that their parents are around or that they use to talk about sex, drugs, or to arrange a meeting. For a "Glossary of Text Messaging Abbreviations" and other related resources contact: Office of Safeguard the Children: bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, April 27 5:00 p.m. - † John DeRuyter SUNDAY, April 28 7:30 a.m. - Special Intentions 9:00 a.m. - + Maria Dang 10:30 a.m. - + Francisco Valenzuela 12:30 p.m. - † Venus Rodriguez MONDAY, April 29 8:00 a.m. - Josephine Rossello, birthday TUESDAY, April 30 8:00 a.m. - Msgr. Doug Saunders, anniversary WEDNESDAY, May 1 8:00 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom and all priests THURSDAY, May 2 8:00 a.m. - Fr. Larry Darnell and all priests FRIDAY, May 3 8:00 a.m. - Fr. Vincenzio Antolini and all priests SATURDAY. May 4 5:00 p.m. - + John DeRuyter SUNDAY, May 5 7:30 a.m. - + D K Rigby 9:00 a.m. - + Antonietta Gigliotti 10:30 a.m. - + Mel and Mary Jo Deanne 12:30 p.m. - + Frank Anselmo



PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene Dryer, Mary Mariano, Patricia Morand, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, 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, 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, Tom Korman, Kenneth Fong, baby Maddi Arnold, Adrianne Reitz, David Dresnick, Jeanie San Jose, Noel Madrid, Jeremy Bonas, Larry Lyons, Chuck Almada, Leon Justice, Doug Houck, Karen Weiss, Don & Nancy Miller, Dr. Messenger, Helen E. Tyler, Colton Dorich, Val Raspudic, Frances Rollinger, Heather Dean, Mary Beers & Ron Hill.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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