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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:

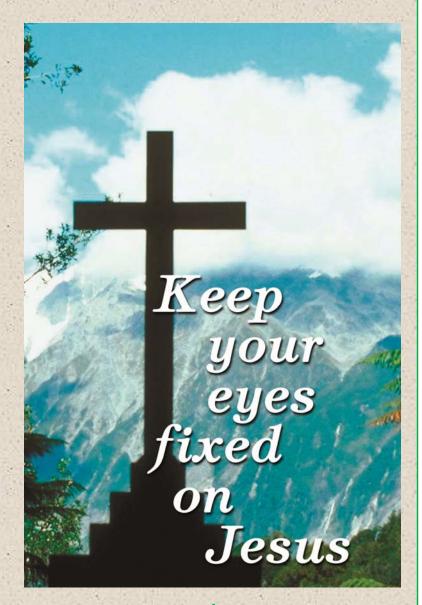
Saturdays: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

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.



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 18, 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:

There has been a view of Jesus that looks on him simply as a man of peace. He was a peacemaker, and he wanted his followers to be peacemakers. This is perfectly correct if properly understood. Jesus tells his disciples

that, "Blessed are the peacemakers, they shall be called children of God."

Throughout Christian history there have been countless examples of holy Christians that love Christ and have distinguished themselves for their sowing of peace and replacing strife with concord.

Jesus did ask us to build peace, but look at what happened in his own life and ministry. One could say, if only he had said nothing, things would have been more peaceful! If only he had remained in Nazareth and let things be! Instead, he fostered opposition from the religious leaders because of his witness to the truth especially about himself. His claims and his doctrine led to his rejection and death. Jesus caused strife.

Jesus told his disciples in an earlier chapter of this Gospel that they were to be builders of peace. Yet, in the Gospel today He tells them, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" He asks, "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." This division was caused by his proclamation of the truth.

Those who love the truth listen to his voice. Here we have the key to the true peace on earth that our mission as Christians is to build up and promote. The path to peace lies in embracing and living in Jesus and in his truth, and in being a witness to it before others, even if in doing so we become a sign of contradiction. Of course, putting this into practice is a complex daily challenge, and that's not always an easy task.

Lay Mission-Helpers was founded in 1955 to train, send and support Catholic laity, singles, married couples and families, in overseas mission dioceses. They serve in a professional capacity such as education and healthcare, sharing their skills and witnessing their faith. Over 700 lay missionaries have served in 36 different countries. Warren & Deanna Bowers, who served in Cameroon, will be speaking on behalf of LMH next weekend.

READ	INGS	FUR	THE 1	WEEK

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Sunday:

Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44;

Mt 19:16-22

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30 Tuesday:

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14 Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Friday:

Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;

Jn 1:45-51

Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13;

Lk 13:22-30

From Deacon Don's desk:

"Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be His own." Sunday's Responsorial Psalm. Last Sunday was a very good day. Catholic Charities will benefit from the parishioners' generous donations of food. The Red Cross benefits from those who lined up to

donate blood - thank you Knights of Columbus. I was blessed to witness Troop 120's Eagle Court of Honor - and provide the invocation. One of our own, Andrew Diharce, the son of Collette and Michael, received the highest rank in Boy Scouts, the rank of Eagle. His Eagle project consisted of constructing shelving for Precious Life Shelter's thrift store.

Fr. Leonard S.J. quoted another author whose name escapes, "We've conquered outer space, not inner space, we've split the atom, but not our prejudice, we've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet our neighbor."

A recent morning's intercession asked the Lord to make our work today benefit our brothers and sisters, that with them we may build an earthly city pleasing to Him. Grant peace and joy to all we meet this day.

Our Prayer: Lord God, direct our minds and bodies through this day, and make us holy. Keep us faithful to Your law in thought, word and deed. Be our Helper now and always. Amen.



Year of Faith - In mid-August, we celebrate the Assumption of Mary, Blessed John Paul II's "Star of the New Evangelization." The Preface for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary extols Mary as the "image of the Church's coming to perfec-

tion." Thankfully, she is also a "sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people," for August's Gospels certainly challenge pilgrims on our journey of faith. How different from Mary's selfless service is the self-absorption of Luke's "rich fool." Though his fortune is the fruit of honest hard work, the "fool" mistakenly defines himself and his life's worth only in terms of his possessions. But Jesus' disciples should have a different, deeper perspective on life, remembering that one day their Master will suddenly return. Being vigilant for that unknown moment will make us diligent in serving Christ as he comes to us daily in the needs of neighbor and stranger, whom we must treat reverently as fellow servants of God. Bearing witness like this, in Jesus' image, is playing with fire. We may have to experience the burning anguish of choosing what is right rather than what is easy, even to the point of redefining our most personal relationships. This being so, how pointless to wonder, "Who will be saved?" Better to ask, "Will I complete my faith journey faithfully?"

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Religious Education Registration Sunday! August 25 after all Masses! Register for Early Childhood (Sunday School for 3 - 5 year olds) through Confirmation! Includes all Sacrament Preparation for Children! Come ask questions! Meet the Team!!!

We **still need** a 4th Grade, 5th Grade and 7th Grade Catechist and Aides in the 6th grade class!!! This is your OPPORTUNITY to share your love of God with the young people of St. Joseph! What a blessing for everyone!!! We will train you! We have a great community to work with! There are lots of benefits!

<u>Sunday Nursery:</u> Closed for the summer. Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses beginning September 1.

Precious Life Shelter Annual Charity Golf Tournament, Sept. 18 - It's only once a year! Come golf at the Navy Golf Course in Cypress. New... Women's Flight, Hole in One European Vacation including golf at St. Andrews, and Celebrity Golfers... "Stormin' Norman" Nixon, Ed Ratleff, and Rudy Tomjanovich, Jr.! To sign up please call Precious Life Shelter 431-5025 or Michelle Gath 498-6701.

Women's Silent Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House September 6 - 8 Theme - "Year of Faith"

"It should be obvious that no one is justified in God's sight by the law, for the just man shall live by faith."

This retreat is for any woman of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality; a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. But don't delay, make your reservation today.

Call Madeline Majick, 596-6219, Marie Newton, 429-7939, or Tina Gath, 598-5202, to reserve a room.

Meditation in the Parish Center chapel every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME!



"The invitation to meditate is a simple one. We meditate simply to prepare ourselves to receive that fullness and life and light for which we were created."

The Los Angeles Catholic Prayer Breakfast at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. Event details: Youth Rally with Matthew Kelly, Cathedral Plaza, Monday, **September 16**, 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. Free admission with ticket. Request free tickets at nora.trueblood@allenlund.com

Los Angeles Catholic Prayer Breakfast, Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 - 9:00 a.m., rosary, Mass, breakfast & Matthew Kelly, speaker, 9:00 book signing.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Are you grieving: the loss of a loved one, a painful divorce or separation, a recent job loss/layoff, or an economic related stress? You do not have to carry this "emotional burden" alone, there is caring help available! A parish Grief Support Group, sponsored by your St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry, will begin on Monday, **September 9**, at 7:00 pm in the PAC chapel and will run for nine weeks. Practical, emotional, spiritual and social support will be offered to all parishioners free of charge. (Note: There will be a small charge for associated materials.) To register or for further information please call: Deacon Tom or Pat Halliwell at 799-0921.

Interested in becoming Catholic, or learning more about the Catholic Faith?

Are you missing some or all of your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, 1st Communion or Confirmation)? Do you have burning questions about the Catholic faith? The RCIA Period of Enquiry will begin with two sessions on Tuesday, August 20 and August 27. Come and find out about the RCIA Process for Initiation into the Catholic Church...or just come to find out more about our beautiful faith tradition. All are welcome. Meetings will be held in the PAC Center and will begin at 7:00PM. For more information, please contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com, or Olga Cuda in the parish office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) Needs Your Help!

The process of welcoming new members into our Church is a ministry of the entire parish. In addition to catechizing (instructing) new members in the Catholic faith, RCIA needs faith-filled parishioners; 1) to provide hospitality and welcome new members into our community; 2) to walk with them on their faith journey as sponsors; and 3) to break open the Word and share their faith with them at Sunday dismissal. RCIA is an incredibly rewarding ministry - you truly receive far more than you put into it! If you feel called to participate in this wonderful ministry welcoming new members to our St. Joseph community, or would like more information, please contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com, or Olga Cuda in the parish office.

Have you ever thought about becoming a Sister?

Single Catholic women ages 18 - 40 are invited to a Religious Vocation Discernment Retreat with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul **September 13-15** in Los Altos Hills, California (Bay Area). If you would like to know more about attending this prayerful and reflective discernment retreat, contact Sister Lisa Laguna, D.C. at 650/949-8890, 213-210-9903, or email us at SrLisaDC@aol.com. You can also friend us on Facebook at: Daughters of Charity Vocations U.S., follow us at Twitter.com/DofCharity or read about us on www.DaughtersOfCharity.com.

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St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

<u>Aug. 19</u> - NO SOCIAL/GAME GATHERING - Hall unavailable due to maintenance.

<u>Sept. 9 & 23</u> - (2nd and 4th Mondays due to Labor Day Holiday) Social/game gathering

Oct. 7 and 21 - Social/game gathering

Oct 23 - Day trip to Pala Casino. See below for details.

<u>Nov 4</u> - Social/game gathering. Sign up for Thanksgiving Luncheon. \$12 per person due at sign up.

Nov. 18 - Thanksgiving Luncheon.

<u>Dec. 2</u> - Social/game gathering. Sign up for Christmas Luncheon. \$12 per person due at sign up.

Dec. 11 - 13 - Christmas Party at Laughlin. See below.

<u>Dec. 16</u> - Christmas Luncheon. Gifts - Precious Life Shelter. <u>Membership dues</u> - \$10 due on <u>Jan. 6</u> social/game gathering. To pay, please see Rosie Pili, Membership Chairman. <u>Social/game gatherings 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.</u>

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

Trips - Trips - More Trips

Oct. 23 - Day trip to Pala Casino. \$17 per person. Final payment due at the Oct. 7 social/game gathering. Sign up at Sept. 9 social/game gathering.

Dec. 11-13 - Christmas Party in Laughlin. \$10 deposit per person due now. \$112 person for double room. \$132 per person for single room. Final payment due at Oct. 7 social/game gathering.

Jan. 8 - Lion King at Pantages and lunch at Capital Grille. Deposit of \$10 due now. \$120 per person for trip. Final payment due at social/game gathering on Oct. 21.

June 26 - The Jersey Boys at Segerstrom Center for the Arts in Costa Mesa with dinner @ Bucca de Beppo. \$100 per person. \$5 deposit due now.

More trips to come. For information/reservations, contact Gerry Seckington 420-3220 or Mary Lou Clark 431-4385.

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** 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. "You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God." 2 Cor 9:11

Food from the Heart Food Drive A sincere

thank you to all who generously supported last weekend's Food from the Heart family food drive. We provided 20 shopping carts of much needed food to Catholic Charities of Long Beach.

<u>Sept. 11 – Committee meeting</u> 7:00 p.m. in the PAC. Come share ideas and help us plan our 27th year of ministry to families in need in our local community.

<u>Apprentice food purchasing coordinator</u> Help to coordinate five, faithful St. Joseph servants of God to price-compare and purchase food, three times per year for 85 local families in need.

For this or other fulfilling opportunities, big and small, to serve the less fortunate, please call Tim Clark, 431-4385. Blue Skip-a-Meal envelope donations support our program.

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 appreciated. Please contact Olga Cuda, 594-4657.

The 42nd Annual SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention will take place Aug. 30-Sept. 1 at the Anaheim Convention Center. Over 40 Speakers! Spiritually enriching for all ages! FREE John Michael Talbot arena concert Aug. 31. For info, contact spirit@scrc.org or 818-771-1361. Online info and registration: www.scrc.org

Welcome Back to School Pasta Night on Friday, September 6, 6-9 pm in the hall. This is an 8th Grade fundraiser. Hope you can all make it!

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment: Sept. 18 - St. Lucy, Long Beach, 562-997-0511

Did You Know? Internet filter software is no substitute for parental monitoring - There is a lot on the Internet inappropriate for children. Filtering software does not guarantee that children will not be exposed; a filter will never be a substitute for parents' presence. Monitor your child's online behavior. Keep your family computer in a highly visible, common area, like the family room or the kitchen. Ask your children to show you what sites they go to, and be open and willing to discuss the inappropriate material they might come across. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry, 213-637-7650.

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Mass **Intentions**



SATURDAY, August 17

5:00 p.m. - † Walter E. Goodwin, Jr.

SUNDAY, August 18

7:30 a.m. - Rebeca Meza

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

10:30 a.m. - † Connie Bruno

12:30 p.m. - † Mari Cobb

MONDAY, August 19

8:00 a.m. - † Thelma Kohnen

TUESDAY, August 20

8:00 a.m. - Patrick Corry

WEDNESDAY, August 21

8:00 a.m. - Josefina Freijanes

THURSDAY, August 22

8:00 a.m. - Rebeca Meza

FRIDAY, August 23

8:00 a.m. - Gerry & Celeste Kohnen, Anniversary

SATURDAY, August 24

5:00 p.m. - † Barbara McBride

SUNDAY, August 25

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

9:00 a.m. - † Jose & Amador Cardenas & Cesar

Osequera

10:30 a.m. - † Haydee Koppenheffer

12:30 p.m. - † Al Maligie

St. Joseph Office/Rectory summer hours:

Monday-Friday 9am-3pm and Saturday 9-12noon.

The church hall will be closed from August 12-25.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene Dryer, Mary Mariano, Patricia Morand, Michelle Smith, Merinda Bradshaw, Dave Gallagher, Fr. Frank Ferrante, Milton & Joyce Frugoli, William Cervola, Tatum Gumps, Gerry & Celeste Kohnen, Joe Snider, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Fernando Montoya, Mike Dresnick, Betty Klemin, John, Spencer, & Helen Baca, Jarome Bartolon, Tim Ginnett, Gary Skrehot, Mirna Pilarczyk, J. Christopher Clise, Janette Linares, 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, 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, Heather Dean, Mary Beers, Kris Bednarz, Marlene Sargeant, Donald Wilkinson, Charlotte Morrison, Karen Muccino, Adelaide Rocha, Marian O'Donnell, Mary Jane McCormick, Elise Peltzer & Pat Corry.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGY COMMITTEE	Dcn. Shane Cuda	594-4657
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of HOLY COMMUNION	Gene Ensch	421-0147
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USHERS	Marty Vezzetti	425-0621
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ALTAR CARE	Rectory	594-4657
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ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL 562-596-6115

PRINCIPAL Margaret Alvarez

ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL Carole Dellavalle, Jaclyn Padgett &

Erin Wright

SECRETARY Julie Gianessi

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

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LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo		598-0519	
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BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	•			
FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser		818-4249	

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		Fr. Will Connor	

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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

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