



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

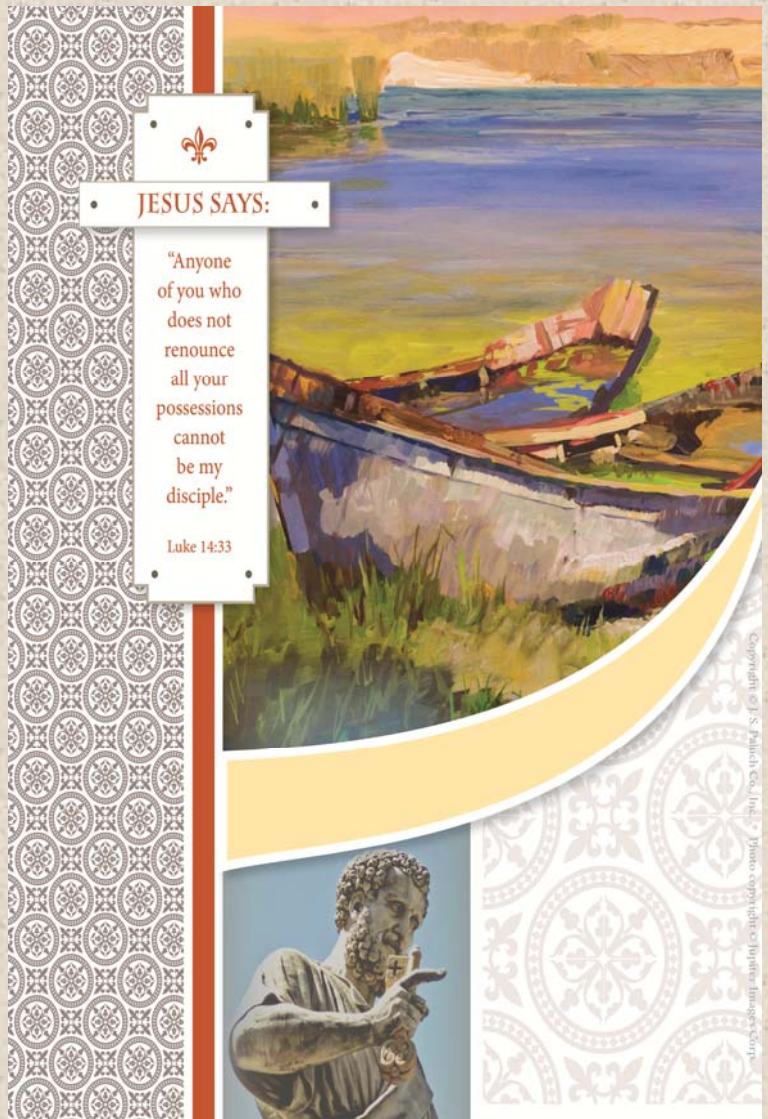
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

DEVOTION after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday

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.



**Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 8, 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.



From the Pastor's desk:

Today the Wisdom of Solomon asks: "Who can know God's counsel or who can conceive what the Lord intends?" In one sense, no one can show us the path. The reading today is significant as we begin a new school year. We need to ask ourselves what is the greatest thing we can teach our young people.

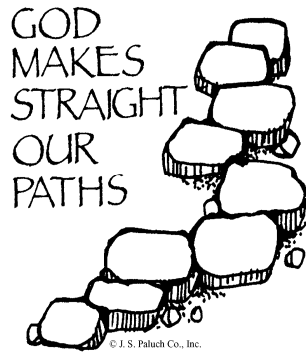
It is not more knowledge. Our young people have facts coming out of their ears. But they are missing something. Our youth need to know how to open themselves to God's plan. We can help them to do that by our own good example. Whether we are called to priesthood or to another path in life, the call itself always depends on God's initiative.

St. Augustine said: "You called, you shouted and you broke through my deafness. You flashed, you shone and you cured my blindness. You breathed your fragrance on me; I drew in breath and now I pant for you." St. Augustine was clear that a person's vocation comes from God's grace.

But, he also understood that others could help people to hear God's call. A good example was his mother, Saint Monica, who always prayed for him. May we come to know more deeply, that through our good example we are able to help our young people to prepare for and to listen for God's call. You and I can have an important role in helping young people hear God's call.

Break Ins

Please do not leave anything in your car. We have had several break ins in the parking lot lately.



Support for our Seminarians

I would like to ask for your support for our St. John's Seminary in Camarillo. It is much more than a graduate school that offers the Master of Divinity and Master of Arts degrees. It is also a house of formation.



Our seminarians, good men like our own intern Luis Estrada, learn to live more intensively as disciples of Jesus Christ and to grow in holiness while preparing for priestly ministry in our Catholic Church.

Over the next couple of weeks there will be special envelopes in the pews specifically for the purpose of supporting our seminarians. Tuition and fees alone amount to over \$16,000 a year per seminarian and that doesn't include room and board. Obviously many of our seminarians, like Luis, do not have that amount of money to pay on their own.

I thank you in advance as you prayerfully consider giving whatever amount that you can in supporting our seminarians studying for the priesthood. Just return your envelope in the regular collection and mark "For Seminary" in the memo section of your check.

St. Joseph parishioners have always been very generous in supporting our parish and our church at large, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your generosity.

Wishing you many blessings, Fr. Jim

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Mary Beers



Year of Faith - The parish's "Year of Programs" revs up just as the Church's "Year of Faith" winds down. But faith, as Pope Benedict has reminded us, is a journey that lasts a lifetime. September's first two Sunday Gospels bid us embrace humility, the non-

negotiable prerequisite for communion with God in prayer and with our neighbor in self-sacrificing service (Catechism, 2559, 2631), and to let nothing deter us from following Jesus. Mid-September's "Lost and Found Sunday" asks: Is Jesus' picture of God mine--that is, a shepherd risking all to save one lost sheep, a woman scouring the house to find one lost coin, a father forgetting past wrongs to welcome home a lost son? If so, has this Year of Faith made me "look" any more like that God? On September's final Sundays, Amos, Israel's "Prophet of Justice," joins Jesus in warning us about the dangers of wealth. Are we "children of light" as eager to serve others as "children of the world" are to serve themselves? Nor is it sufficient simply to "do no harm." In Jesus' parable, the wealthy man did nothing hurtful to Lazarus; his sin was doing nothing at all!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33
Monday:	Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

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

Don't forget to register for Religious Education! Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle School and Confirmation! Please register by 9/8 so we can have all the materials in place for your children! Thank you!

We still need a 7th Grade Catechist on Tuesday nights from 7-8pm. This is a great opportunity to share your faith with our young church and grow in yours too!!!

Sunday Nursery: Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses.

Virtus Training for those who work with our children but have not taken the **Safeguard the Children** classes or who need to renew. All teachers, catechists, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers, etc. need to take the class as mandated by the archdiocese.

Protecting God's Children, for those who have never taken the class, **Sept. 17, 6:30-9:30 p.m.**

Keeping the Promise Alive, for those who need to be recertified, **Sept. 18, 6:30-8:00 p.m.**

Is the Holy Spirit calling you to the Catholic faith?

Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic? Are you missing some of your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, 1st Communion or Confirmation)? The RCIA Process (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is just getting underway at St. Joseph, so there is still time to get on board. All are welcome. Meetings are held each Tuesday night in the PAC and begin at 7:00PM. For more information, please contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com, or Olga Cuda in the parish office.

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.

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.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend for **Healing after Abortion** for men and women struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The retreat is designed to help participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, nonjudgmental setting and come to acceptance, healing, and hope for the future. Developed in the Roman Catholic tradition, it utilizes spiritual exercises and rituals to help grieve the loss of unborn children and to accept God's forgiveness. All inquiries and registrations are confidential. **Oct. 11-13**, Duarte, \$215 per person. For registration or more information please call: 866-272-2435.

What is a CURSILLO?

CURSILLO (Spanish for 'short-course') is an intensive three-day experience of living Christianity. CURSILLO is a Catholic movement which began in Spain in 1939 following the Spanish Civil War, as a means to restore Christian values to their country. The movement came to the US in 1957, and spread rapidly to every major city/diocese in the country. While everyone experiences something different by the retreat weekend, most participants define the experience as life-changing.

The purpose of Cursillo is to:

Enable people to live what is fundamental to being a Christian, and to live it together.

Help people discover and fulfill their personal vocations.

Promote the creation of core groups of Christians who leaven their environments with the Gospel.

Restore pride in being a Catholic Christian.

The next Men's Cursillo weekend is October 3-6. The next Women's Cursillo weekend is October 24-27.

Please contact Deacon Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com for more information.

The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women

will have a District Meeting **Sept. 26**, beginning at 9:30 a.m., including Mass, Lunch, and concluding at 1:30 p.m., \$11 per person. Make check to St. Albert the Great Altar Society and mail to Flora Belle Jones, 953 W. Myrrh St., Compton, 90220 before Sept. 23. For information, call Flora Belle, 310-635-8443 or Catherine, 310-604-8381. Every Catholic woman is a member.

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 |
| 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.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

Sept. 9 & 23 - (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.

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

Nov. 18 - Thanksgiving Luncheon.

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

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

Dec. 16 - Christmas Luncheon. Gifts - Precious Life Shelter.

Membership dues - \$10 due on **Jan. 6** social/game gathering. To pay, please see Rosie Pili, Membership Chairman.

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

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 - Laughlin. \$10 deposit/person due now. \$112/person for double room. \$132/person for single room. 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.

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? Resources to help keep kids safe - In addition to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' website, www.la-archdiocese.org, and www.virtus.org, the website of a child safety training program utilized throughout the archdiocese, the website of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children offers dozens of well-produced informational brochures covering a broad range of child safety topics. Go to www.ncmec.org to find helpful information about child safety. For particular help you may call Suzanne Healy, director of Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

"Love your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27

Sept. 7 to 15 Homeless Hygiene Kit Drive

- Shopping needs information will be on the cross at the back of the church.



Sept. 25 - (*Date Change*) Committee

Meeting - 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.

Apprentice Food Purchasing Coordinator - 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.

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.

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.

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

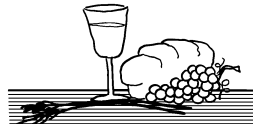


"We do not know how to pray, but the Spirit himself prays within us." Romans 8:26

Mount Orchestra Concerto Competition, Sept. 28, 8:30am - 9:00pm. Open students grades 9-12, pianists, instrumentalists, and singers. Grand Prize: \$500. Application due no later than noon Sept. 13. Please direct questions to Therese Fassnacht at tfassnacht@msmc.la.edu

Performance Opportunity & Fundraiser for Saint Joseph School!! A performance workshop with The Young Americans at Millikan, October 4-6! Learn a show in the first two days and perform it for your friends and family on the third day! Contact Colleen McGarity at colleenmcgarity@yahoo.com for more information and to sign up now!

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 7

5:00 p.m. - † Bunny Eckholdt

SUNDAY, September 8

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

9:00 a.m. - Mass for Immigration Reform

10:30 a.m. - † Thomas Goonan

12:30 p.m. - † Jerry Van Deudekom

MONDAY, September 9

8:00 a.m. - Olga Kocevar, Special Intention

TUESDAY, September 10

8:00 a.m. - † Florence Boyd

WEDNESDAY, September 11

8:00 a.m. - Dcn. Don & Tina Gath, Special Intention

THURSDAY, September 12

8:00 a.m. - Fr. Vincenzo Antolini & all priests

FRIDAY, September 13

8:00 a.m. - Dcn Tom & Pat Halliwell, Special Intention

SATURDAY, September 14

5:00 p.m. - † Bernard McCune

SUNDAY, September 15

7:30 a.m. - Karen Dumeduk

9:00 a.m. - † Eleanore Connell

10:30 a.m. - † Connie Bruno

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

New St. Joseph Office/Rectory hours:

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm (Closed noon - 1:00 for lunch)

Saturday 9-12noon

Closed on Sunday.

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 Kohonen, Joe Snider, Daylinda Ompoc Cuizon, Fernando Montoya, Mike Dresnick, Betty Klemm, John, Spencer, & Helen Baca, Jarome Bartolon, Tim Ginnett, Gary Skrehot, Mirna Pilarczyk, J. Christopher Clise, Janette Linares, Martha Rushing, Clara Lee Radtke, Mark Wynne, 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, Adrienne 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, Kris Bednarz, Marlene Sargeant, Donald Wilkinson, Charlotte Morrison, Karen Muccino, Adelaide Rocha, Marian O'Donnell, Mary Jane McCormick, Elise Peltzer, Pat Corry & Dr. Cyril McNulty.

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	Rectory	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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Nancy Longo	
ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL	Nancy Longo	598-0519
YOUTH MINISTRY/ CONFIRMATION	Marc Leon & Lydia Tovar	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	Shane Cuda sfcuda@yahoo.com	594-4657
BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	714-761-4376
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Dave Desmond	429-3316
MEDITATION	Marie Gemma Fr. Will Connor	310-490-4012
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Ann Crowley	594-7575
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Margee Infante	537-8210
FINANCE COUNCIL	Randall Ely rely5@verizon.net	430-0142
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy msanty@verizon.net www.stjosephlb.org	799-0660
Website address: MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	431-4385
SENIOR GROUP	Judy Pedneault	421-6863
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm	310-316-3477
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