



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.

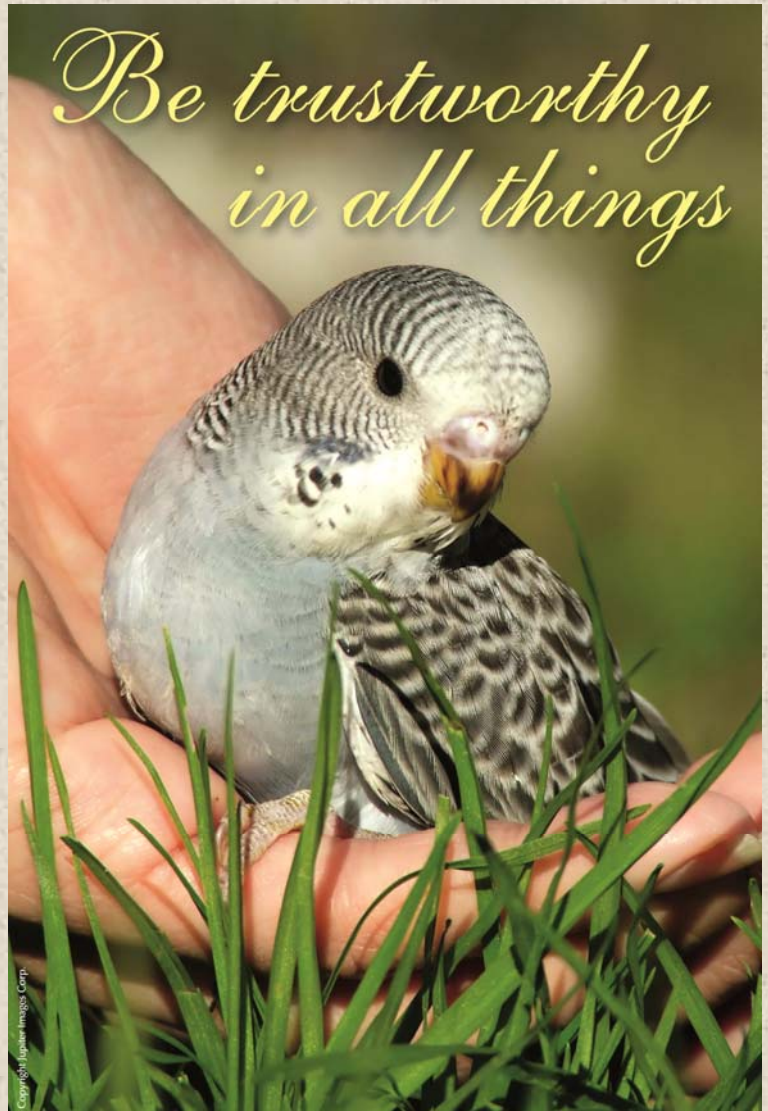
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 22, 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:

The Gospel tells us that the use of money is necessary for Christians, but our main focus should be on the relationships that we have, with God and each other. And so Jesus tells us so clearly and simply: "You cannot give yourselves to God and money."

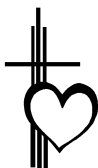
That doesn't mean that we can't have both God and money in our lives. But it does mean that either one or the other has priority, the one in service to the other. Jesus is telling us that we have to use money and material possessions ultimately in service to God. And the way we do that is through service to others, service to our family, service to our neighbor, service to the poor and needy, service to the common good.

Our true self worth comes from an inherent dignity that we have because we are made in God's image. It doesn't come from the amount of money and power that one has. As a Christian community, may we continue to be a community who feels responsible for others in a way that is consistent with the teachings of Jesus.

Thank you to everyone for the wonderful birthday wishes. I appreciate all that you do for me. Fr. Jim

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

*Meditation is a process of growing
more spiritually aware.*



Join Fr. Joseph Parathanal of Holy Family Church, South Pasadena, to Pilgrimages to: **Grand Marian Pilgrimage**-Medjugorje, Fatima, Lourdes, Spain, & Italy (May 2014). **Royal Tour to India**-St. Thomas, Mother Teresa (Sept. 2014). Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com or call (323-344-1548 or 323-547-6618).

Thank you for your generosity. We will be sending a check to the seminary for over \$7,000!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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]
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



From Deacon Don's desk:

Two boys found a purse in a parking lot. It belonged to an elderly lady who had driven away. The purse contained the lady's name, address and a ten-dollar bill. One of the boys said, "It's not right to keep the purse and the money. But before we return it, let's change the ten-dollar bill into ten ones." Why are some of us shrewder in handling worldly affairs than in handling heavenly affairs?

The Catholic Church has been criticized for preaching justice yet is one of the "world's wealthiest multinationals." At the same time, the accusers should be reminded of three realities: 1. In commercial terms the church is asset rich and cash poor. Our real estate is our only collateral for borrowing and done so to improve services to the people of God; 2. Catholic families' commitment to the poor is greater than any comparable organization outside the U.N. and governments. Catholicism is the world's largest provider of education, health care, welfare, personal aid and third world development; 3. The greatest asset we have is YOU--Christ's faithful people who witness day in and day out to the power of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus asks, "What does it profit you to gain the entire world, but to lose your very soul?" and "Those to whom much has been given, much will be required."

OUR PRAYER: May the Eucharist, the meal of God's poor, enable us to join in and be proud of the Church's mission to alleviate poverty and promote justice. We ask this of our Master who sets captives free and fills the just desires of our hearts. Amen.



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!

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

Today, Sunday, September 22 is Opening Day for Religious Education - Early childhood begins at 9:00am and Elementary begins at 10:30am. There is still time to register. Just come to the hall for a registration form!

Middle School Religious Education Classes begin Tuesday, October 8, at 7 p.m.

Confirmation Orientation for parents/teens is today, Sept. 22 or Sept. 29 at 10:30. If you are not pre-registered, it's not too late! Just come to the orientation!

Middle School Youth Ministry - Our annual **CSULB Cosmic Bowling and Billiards** event is **Friday, Oct. 18**, so mark your calendars!

High School Youth Ministry - Our Annual Bolsa Chica **Beach day and bonfire kick-off** is Saturday, **October 5, 5-10 p.m.** at lifeguard station 26. Come join us for sand volleyball, dogs over the fire, s'mores, surf and sun! Flyers and permission slips are in the back of the church, in the rectory and on the website. Please RSVP by **October 1** to Marc Leon or Lydia Tovar **via email (youthministry@stjosephlb.org) or phone (562) 598-0519**. See you at the BEACH!

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

Are You Being Called to be a Deacon? Information Meeting for Men Interested in the Permanent Diaconate, Sunday October 27 - The Diaconate Formation Office will be hosting an information meeting for men interested in finding out about becoming a permanent deacon in the Archdiocese of L. A. Members of the 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, October 27, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Incarnation Church, 214 West Fairview Avenue, Glendale 91202.

"Jesus is Lord"

Standing on the word of God, let us learn together. St. Joseph Bible Study will resume classes: **Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 9 a.m. and/or Thursday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m.** "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13
To register, please call Rita Smith, 562-533-1243.

You're invited to **St. Matthew Church** (corner of 7th St. and Temple) Fri. **Oct. 4 at 7:00p.m.** Fr. Felix Just, S.J. will present **"What is Love Really? A Look at the Teachings of the New Testament."** Jesus tells us to love God, our neighbor, our enemies, and ourselves, but how do these all fit together in a Christian's life? Come to be inspired, enlightened and maybe challenged by what the Bible really says about Love!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat - Healing after Abortion for men and women struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. Designed to help participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, non-judgmental 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/person. For registration or information please call 866-272-2435.

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 getting underway at St. Joseph, so there is 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.

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.

St. Joseph Elementary School will hold their annual Fall Fundraiser starting Friday, **October 18** with **"Golftoberfest"** at El Dorado Golf Course. \$125 per player inclusive of player gifts and dinner. Shotgun start 1 pm. **Oktoberfest** will occur Saturday, **October 19** at 5:30pm. Come and enjoy dinner, prepared by head chef of Gladstone's Long Beach, Chef Pete Lehmar, drinks, live music and great auction items. Bring friends for a fun night out! Tickets \$35 per person available through the school starting 10/7. For tickets or more information, call: Tera Kaufmann 562-212-8429, Tyler Luckey 562-254-1325 or Jeff Machan 562-619-3504.

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment:
Oct. 4 - St. John Fisher, Rancho Palos Verdes, 310-377-4573
Oct. 12 - Holy Trinity, San Pedro, 310-548-6535 x324

Did You Know? Resources to help keep kids safe - 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.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

Sept. 23 - 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.

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.

Women's Retreat - a weekend of rest and encouragement at El Carmelo Retreat House, on a beautiful hilltop in Redlands, **Sept. 27-29**. Three Discalced Carmelite Friars will give talks about St. Teresa of Avila, the amazing mystic. Cost \$170 double, \$190 single. Call Margaret Lander, 562-429-2897.

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 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.

Sept. 25 – 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.



Oct. 5-6 - Feed-a-Baby Food Drive - We will be collecting non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

Family Adoptions for the Holidays - Would you like to adopt a family in need for the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter holidays? We will be contacting our referral organizations soon to identify the families we will support this year. Questions? Please call Tim Clark, 431-4385.

Blue Skip-a-Meal envelope donations support our program. *He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. Luke 4:18*

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.

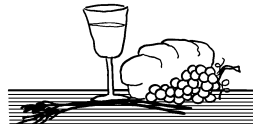
Performance Opportunity & Fundraiser for Saint Joseph School!! A performance workshop with The Young Americans at Millikan, **October 4-6!** Learn a show in the first two days and perform it for your friends and family on the third day! Contact Colleen McGarity at colleenmcgarity@yahoo.com for more information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

St. Bernard's Annual Festival - A weekend of good food, fun, fellowship, games, a Chinese auction, live entertainment, and much more. A variety of ethnic foods and traditional American favorites to choose from! **October 5**, from noon to 9 p.m., and **October 6**, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Free Admission & Free Parking! For additional information, you can visit the St. Bernard website at: www.stbernard-bellflower.com, or call the Rectory at 562-867-2337.

Cornelia Connelly School, a Catholic independent high school for girls, 2323 W. Broadway, Anaheim, 714-776-1717, www.connellyhs.org
HSPT Diagnostic Exam, **Oct. 27**, 1-4:30 pm.
Fall Open House, **Nov. 17**, 12-3 pm

St. John Bosco, Information Night in the home of Cynthia & Martin Howard, 1475 La Perla, Long Beach, for families interested in learning more. Please join us for a presentation from faculty and administration, as well as parents and students. Come experience why St. John Bosco is a leader in Catholic high school education. RSVP to Cynthia Howard, 562-961-9300 or email choward@howardcdm.com You may also contact Jon Lucero, Admission Coordinator, 562-920-1734 ext. 227.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 21

5:00 p.m. - † Paul Vadasz

SUNDAY, September 22

7:30 a.m. - Arkadiusz Kopec

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

10:30 a.m. - † William Carroll

12:30 p.m. - † Frank, Jean & Pat Flaherty

MONDAY, September 23

8:00 a.m. - Martin Miller and family

TUESDAY, September 24

8:00 a.m. - † DK & Kay Rigby

WEDNESDAY, September 25

8:00 a.m. - † Wallace Hillebrecht

THURSDAY, September 26

8:00 a.m. - † John Christie

FRIDAY, September 27

8:00 a.m. - † Antonietta Gigliotti

SATURDAY, September 28

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

SUNDAY, September 29

7:30 a.m. - † Albert Padilla

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

10:30 a.m. - † Rubaen Romero Jr.

12:30 p.m. - † Teresa Anselmo

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Albert Padilla
Marjorie Bonzer



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
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	Sonia Yurak
ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL	Katie Mais, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak
OFFICE MANAGER	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 Mitchell 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
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