



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.

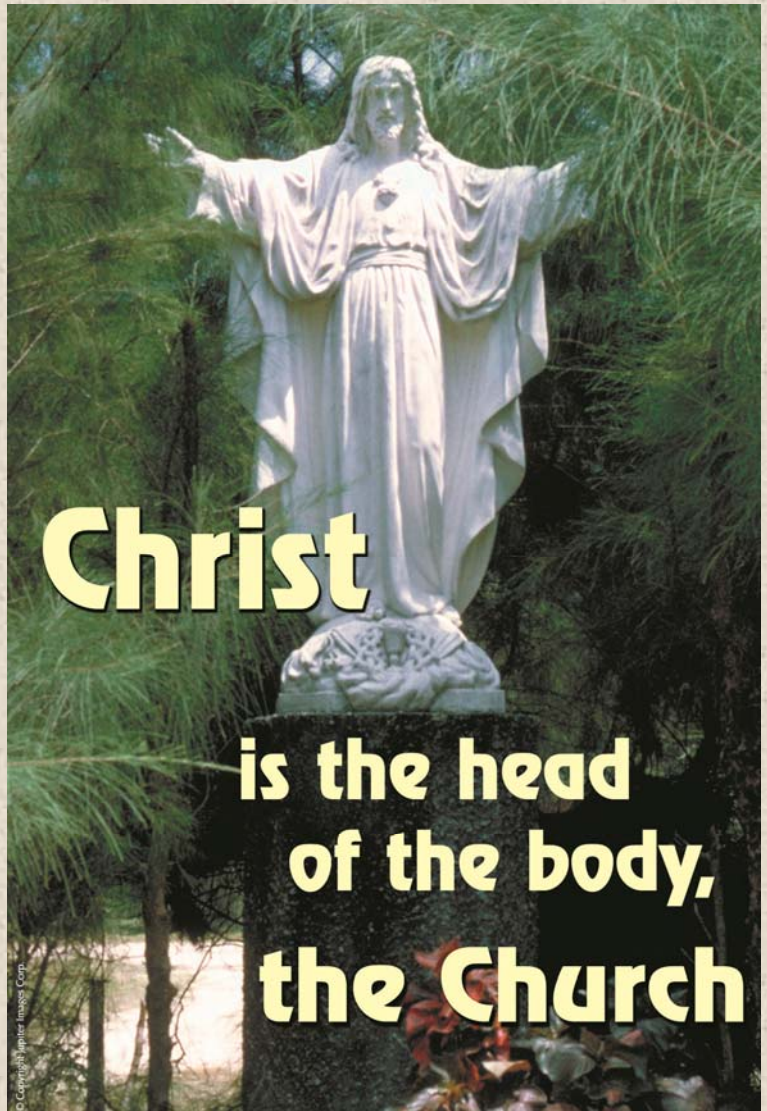
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



*Our Lord, Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
November 24, 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 we celebrate the Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. During the early part of the twentieth century, Christians were persecuted and martyred in many parts of our western hemisphere.

Many examples of this persecution took place in Mexico and other parts of Central and South America. These people were invariably faced with a choice, either abandon their faith or lose their life. They always responded, "Viva Cristo Rey!". Christ the King Lives.

The kingdom of Christ is a very strange kingdom though. Why? Because we have a king who came to serve others. He came to heal, to console the afflicted and to take care of the poorest of the poor. This may seem contradictory to our concept of kings, but this is the king that we serve, and we need to remember that we too are called to emulate him and be of service to others.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43
 Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
 Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:
 Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
 Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
 Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
 Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44



Year of Faith - The Year of Faith's final month opens with All Saints and All Souls. We hope that one day, like Zacchaeus, who tried to see Jesus only to discover that Jesus had come looking for him, we may hear Jesus say, "Today salvation has come to this

house!" November's liturgy and Lectionary bid us reflect on life's end and the judgment that follows. Luke, by tradition an artist, concludes this Year of Faith by presenting a unique portrait of Christ the King. "Enthroned" on the cross, the dying Jesus welcomes his kingdom's first citizen, a criminal who requests neither deliverance from suffering nor forgiveness—not even salvation; only, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus' response promises far more: "Today you will be with me in Paradise": peace and plenty, consolation and contentment, all creation in harmony with itself and its Creator. This is our faith, and the faith of the Church. May it also be our future. Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

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



From Deacon Don's desk:

We come to the close of the **Year of Faith**. Ever notice how a coincidence occurs? It's God's hand working anonymously! Up came a handout that we received last year on our Lourdes pilgrimage with Bishop Sartoris. It was written by Fr. Richard Rohr titled "**Faith Requires Faith**." Here is an outline: "Faith is never going to be anything other than faith, and it's never going to be easy. The miracle of Lourdes is a miracle of faith. It's a miracle not immediately visible. People are not always healed. Yet we have to believe something deeply life-giving is happening at Lourdes that is God's work. God is creating life on earth. Just keep that in mind. It happens a thousand different ways, and most importantly ways are in the heart. In this place surrounded by holiness we see people who are more deeply able to enter the mystery and say 'yes' and smile and **trust**, that is the miracle of **faith**."

"Obedience means listening. Don't be afraid to be silent and alone, to guard the quality of your speech. Watch your judgments and cynicisms. Keep a childlike, simple heart. We are on an interior journey; the exterior journey is only a symbol. **Faith** requires **faith**."

OUR PRAYER: Almighty Father, help us to show gratitude to You for all the good things You have done for us. Let us also be grateful to all those who help us on our earthly pilgrimage to Your heavenly Kingdom. Amen

Peace - First keep the peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.



Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 a.m. - We are asking St. Joseph parishioners to share their bounty with the less fortunate this Thanksgiving. Please bring your non-perishable food offerings to Mass on Thanksgiving day. All food items will be donated to St.

Francis Center here in Long Beach. You may also bring your Thanksgiving dinner bread to be blessed. We wish each of you a most blessed Thanksgiving Day.

Gratitude is the inward feeling of kindness received. **Thankfulness** is the natural impulse to express that feeling. **Thanksgiving** is the following of that impulse.



Spiritual Bouquet Christmas Cards are available this year for your loved one. With your spiritual bouquet you send the gift of prayer and love during this Christmas Season. Please stop by the rectory office to pick up a card.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Still time to register for Religious Education - Early Childhood at 9:00am, Elementary at 10:30am.

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

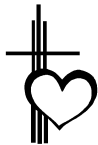
Adult Confirmation - If you have not been confirmed and would like to be, please call our Religious Education Dept., 598-0519, for information on how to sign up.

Classes will be held on Mondays at St. Margaret Mary Church, Lomita, beginning on **Jan. 13**, 7-9 p.m. Another class will be held on Sundays at St. John of God Church, Norwalk, beginning **Jan. 12**, 9:15 a.m. to noon.

“Jesus is Lord”

Standing on the word of God, let us learn together. St. Joseph Bible Study has resumed classes: **Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and/or Thursdays 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.

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



“Be still. There is no longer any need of comment.” Thomas Merton



So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.
2 Corinthians 5:17

Men and women of St. Joseph Parish - 2014 is fast approaching. Don't make a resolution, like dieting, that will be broken before the BCS Bowl is played. Don't buy a treadmill - you will just hang laundry on it anyway.

Resolve this year to do something that will forever change your life! Give yourself the gift of a Cursillo; a retreat unlike anything you've ever experienced. Become the person you've always wanted to be...the New Creation in Christ that St. Paul talks about; become the person God dreamed of when He created you!

Cursillo retreats run from Thursday evening thru Sunday. The next men's Cursillo retreat begins Jan. 2. The women's retreat begins a week later Jan. 9. For more information, contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or call the rectory office. Make 2014 the Best Year of Your Life!

Youth Ministry Announcements and Events

*Change For Youth!!! On Sunday **December 1**, Youth Ministry will be collecting donations for our upcoming events which include: NY Times best-selling author Immaculee Ilibagiza, Youth Day in Anaheim, and Revelation Youth Nights! Please support our youth!

*Next Revelation is on Thursday **December 5**, 7 - 8:30 pm in the hall.

*Caroling and Progressive Dinner for “high school” teens and “middle school”! Only a \$5 dollar donation. Please RSVP before November 30. Please contact Marc Leon for details.

Dear Confirmation students! There is no class Dec. 1 for both Confirmation year 1 & 2! Enjoy your Thanksgiving holiday weekend!

Movement for a Better World is looking for volunteers! Teens, what a great opportunity to serve our community and also earn service hours. They will be putting boxes of food together for families on Dec 20 for Christmas in the hall. Please sign up if you are interested with either Marc or Lydia or contact Tim Clark. Remember you will need to do 3 service projects a year, this can be one of them! Confirmation year 2, remember to do your saint report!

Adult Faith Formation

Everyone is invited to join our St. Joseph Book Club!

Book: “Left To Tell” by Immaculee Ilibagiza

Date: **Thurs., Jan. 9** (Moderator, Cindy Rodriguez)

Time: **7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Place: **St. Joseph** (Refreshments will be served)

Stop by our table after all the Masses on Nov. 16 & 17 to purchase a book and sign up for the discussion. Information will also be available for a retreat given by the author on Jan. 31– Feb. 1 at St. Dominic Savio.

Questions: Religious education office, 598-0519.

St. Hedwig Church is hosting Frank Runyeon as he presents a one-man theatrical performance, **Sermon on the Mount** followed by his talk on Hollywood vs. Faith. All are welcome on Monday, **November 25**, 7:00 p.m., St. Hedwig Church. Admission is free. Donations accepted.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development -

The CCHD collection provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the U.S. In the last five years, over 36% of their grants have gone to improving education, supporting economic development, and improving housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and take poverty off the map. Please give generously to the CCHD collection. Please make your checks to St. Joseph Church.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

Dec. 2 - Social/game gathering/Business meeting. 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/Business meeting. To pay, please see Jean Longaberger, 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

Dec. 11-13 - Christmas Party - Laughlin. \$10 deposit/person due now. \$112/person for dbl room. \$132/person for sgl.

Jan. 8 - Lion King at Pantages and lunch at Capital Grille. Deposit of \$10 due now. \$120 per person for trip.

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.

People for Others, St. Cornelius, invite you to their pre-Christmas trip to Riverside Hotel & Resort, Laughlin, **Dec. 2-5**. For info, please call Tom or Alice, 425-2636.

Simbang Gabi and Santo Niño Celebrations - We are planning the traditional Filipino celebrations of Simbang Gabi and Santo Niño to be enjoyed by our entire parish community. If you would like to help in please contact Ms. Cynthia Pagtalunan, 714-527-9487.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Dec. 4 - Holy Family, Artesia, 562-860-5973 x443

Dec. 14 - St. Peter Chanel, 562-924-7591

Did You Know? Winter months are the peak time for sudden infant death - The number of infants who die from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) increases in the winter months, according to the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. Parents often place extra blankets or clothes on infants, hoping to provide them with more warmth. The extra materials may actually increase infants' risk for SIDS. Never let your baby get overheated. Dress your baby in light sleep clothing and keep the room at a temperature that is comfortable for you. Do not bed-share. Place babies on their backs to sleep safely. To learn more about SIDS/Safe Infant Sleep Practices, please visit: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/mch/sids/sids.htm>.

Happy Thanksgiving! - Our sincerest gratitude for the generosity of our parish that is showing the love of Christ and bringing hope to 82 families this holiday season.



Dec. 7 & 8: Christmas Gift Envelopes -

Christmas trees in the church will be decorated by envelopes with information to provide a present for a child of one of our supported families. Please take an envelope the weekend of Dec. 8 and return your gift **by 12:30 Mass, Dec. 15.**

Dec. 21: Christmas Food and Gift Distribution - Can you help us to distribute food and gifts? Please call Amy McKenna at 427-5917.

Fulfilling opportunities to serve our less fortunate brothers and sisters are plentiful during the holidays. Can you help? Call Tim Clark, 431-4385.

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

Concern America - November 24 - Purchase gifts for special events, holidays, or to brighten your home. Many new crafts, beautifully crafted textiles, ceramics and wood products honor indigenous traditions. When a Concern America product is purchased we are providing a source of income to materially poor communities; promoting human scale endeavors; eco-friendly work patterns; and fair working conditions. Concern America is an international development and refugee aid organization based in Santa Ana, (714) 953-8575. You may view a selection of their crafts at: www.concernamerica.org

SAVE THE DATE: The Parish Fair will be **May 2-4**.

Rides, games, food, live bands, craft faire – do we need to go on?! Save the date. If you're interested in helping to plan/organize the Fair, please contact sjparishfair@gmail.com

Stealth Euthanasia Symposium - Is your loved one dying . . . or being killed? What is stealth euthanasia? Can it really be happening here? Learn how to protect your loved ones and yourself. National and international experts discuss healthcare, hospice, palliative sedation, assisted suicide, advance directives, and end-of-life issues.

WHEN: 8 am to 5 pm, Saturday, **Nov. 23**

WHERE: Biola University, 13800 Biola Ave., La Mirada

COST: \$35 -- Includes lunch, parking, materials, & CEU's
\$25 -- Students or persons with disabilities
\$45 -- At the door

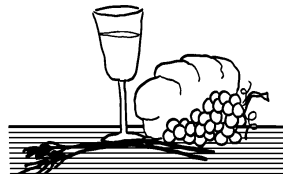
REGISTER: On line: www.InternationalLiifeServices.org

By mail: Checks payable to Scholl Institute of Bioethics
18030 Brookhurst St., PMB 372, Fountain Valley 92708
Questions? 714-963-4753 or Info@SchollBioethics.org

St. Joseph High School

Open House - Come visit and have all your admissions questions answered! Tours and information sessions begin at 5:00 p.m., Monday, **November 25**, 5825 N. Woodruff Ave., Lakewood, 562-925-5073.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, November 23

5:00 p.m. - † Paul Laureta

SUNDAY, November 24

7:30 a.m. - † Jean Libby

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

10:30 a.m. - † Paul Vadasz

12:30 p.m. - † Valerie Christine Gutierrez

MONDAY, November 25

8:00 a.m. - † Paul Vadasz

TUESDAY, November 26

8:00 a.m. - † Lorenzo Sr. and Antonietta Gigliotti

WEDNESDAY, November 27

8:00 a.m. - † Maria and Dominico Dang

THURSDAY, November 28

9:00 a.m. - † Amparo Ituralda

FRIDAY, November 29

8:00 a.m. - † Primitivo Chingcuangco

SATURDAY, November 30

5:00 p.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero

SUNDAY, December 1

7:30 a.m. - † Mary Dondero

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

10:30 a.m. - Fr. Edward Broom and all priests

12:30 p.m. - Fr. Vincenzo Antolini and all priests

Together in Mission

Parish Goal: \$54,990
 Pledged: 48,982
 Paid: 48,292

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene Dryer, Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Frances Esposito, Kim Agee, Marlene Sargeant, Mary Jane McCormick, Elise Peltzer, Pat & Sheila Corry, Dr. Cyril McNulty, Shelley O'Neil, Karen Weiss, Vinny Petronio, Autumn Majors, Gary Hillebrecht, Suzanne Wilhelm, Gene Adam, Carlito Siagon, Robert Young, Nelson Molina, Adam Duntze, Margaret Reily & Karen Muccino.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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| LITURGY COMMITTEE | Dcn. Shane Cuda | 594-4657 |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION | Gene Ensich | 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

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| PRINCIPAL | Margaret Alvarez |
| ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL | Sonia Yurak |
| ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL | Katie Mais, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak |
| OFFICE MANAGER | Julie Gianessi |

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

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| 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

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| 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**

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| PASTORAL COUNCIL | Margee Infante | 537-8210 |
| FINANCE COUNCIL | Moses Bass | |
| 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