

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

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RECTORY

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Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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St. Joseph School: 596-6115 Religious Education: 598-0519 email: religioused@stjosephlb.org

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.

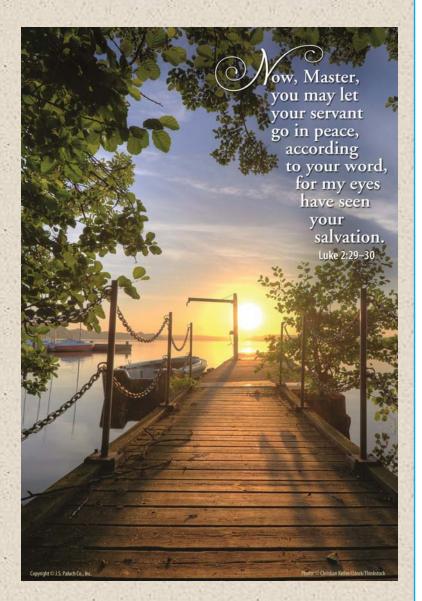
CONFESSION:

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.



The Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2014

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:

We often end up missing God's presence in our lives because God has come to meet us in a different way than we expected or in a different form or in a different place than we expect. It can be so easy for us to end up missing God

in our lives because God's ways are not our ways. And our expectations are different from God's.

We are all aware of the fact that we spend time searching for God, but are we also aware of those times and places where God searches for us to spend time with us? We expect that God's presence will be a very tangible experience.

But in life, we don't always feel these special times and feelings. In the ordinary times when we face trials and tribulations, God is there with us.

May we come to a fuller understanding in our hearts that God meets us in our weakness, in our sadness, in our hunger for salvation, and in our attempts to do what is just and right.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Bruce Jones



St. Joseph Catholic School is now accepting applications for both Kindergarten and our new Transitional Kindergarten (Alpha-K) for the 2014-2015 school year. Applicants for Kindergarten must turn 5 years old by August 31, 2014. Applicants for Alpha-K must turn 4 years old by August 31, 2014.

Alpha-K:

- > Emphasizes developmental readiness skills with a handson approach to curriculum
- > Focuses on Kindergarten readiness
- > Students receive daily instruction in religion and attend Mass weekly
- > Offers a half-day (7:50-11:50 am) or full-day (7:50 am 3:00 pm), 5-days-per-week program
- > Extended daycare is available until 5:30 pm Please call our school office at (562) 596-6115 or send an email to jgianessi@sjknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our school principal.

St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration Mass Mar. 19, 5:30 p.m. followed by a dinner in the hall. Please call the rectory office to R.S.V.P., 594-4657.

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



Today is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. The Lord is presented as an infant into the Temple. The Temple will never again be the same. The presence of God, the Holy of Holies is now transferred from the sanctuary to the child in Simeon's arms. A priest once said: "Every child born and baptized, every one of us, presented to the Lord, carries with-

in him or herself a unique image of the Holy of Holies. We are called to seek that image within us and develop it. We are called to allow God to enter and take over our lives." We recall the song; "Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears from death into life."

This brings me to **Eucharistic Adoration**. Bl. Pope John Paul II says: "The **Eucharist** is a priceless treasure, by not only celebrating it but also by **praying before it** outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very well-spring of grace."

Spending time before the Blessed Sacrament in prayer and devotion is the same as spending time before the living God. We open with a Hymn, incense, then quiet time in silent prayer. Fr. Groeschel says, "Prayers In the presence of Our Lord that can be used appropriately are: praise, thanksgiving, repentance, and trusting intercession." Just prior to Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament we pray Night Prayers (of the Liturgy of Hours).

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us." St. Alphonsus Liguori.

Exposition, from 6 to 8PM, Thursdays before First Fridays. Night Prayers begin about 7:45 pm with closing hymn and Benediction.

OUR PRAYER: Father God, help us to see You in all children as well as in all human beings. Let us work to bring forth **Your Image** and likeness in them. Amen

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;

Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7;

Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3;

Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12;

Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34 Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5;

Mt 5:13-16

Please pray for Brooke Manning, 17 year old former student of our school. She is in need of a heart transplant.

Pro Life Corner - Right to life is the fundamental right of every individual - both born and unborn. We have the power to restore the dignity of the human person.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Early Childhood at 9:00am, Elementary at 10:30am. <u>Early Childhood:</u> Regular class today. Community Helpers Alert! Homeless Kits are being collected this weekend. Six weeks to RE Congress: there's still time to sign up! Go to www.recongress.org for more info. Next week: regular class.

Attention Parents and All Adults: We are starting a six week series in the PAC – Holy Grounds CAFÉ. Holy Grounds Cafe is a place where we can open up Scripture and the Catechism and share our faith as parents, adults and children of God in a relaxed "coffee house" atmosphere. Bring your Bible if you have one, I have extra if you need one! Flyers are at the exits of the church!

Religious Education Open House: February 16 — Come to the Hall to see what is going on for our parish from Early Childhood to Adults! From 9am – noon.

Sacrament Preparation Parent Workshop – February 10 – 1st Year from 6-7pm and 2nd Year from 7-8pm in the Parish Hall

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

"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.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Feb. 12 - St. Paul of the Cross, La Mirada, 562-921-4911

Feb. 19 - Sagrado Corazon, Compton, 310-635-5436

Did You Know? Be aware of hints provided by

abused children - Although it has been widely researched that many children do not disclose abuse to anyone until they are adults, researchers have discovered that some children send out "test balloons" to see how their information will be received before they fully disclose. An example of a child's "test balloon" would be the sudden questioning if "I have to go to uncle's?" when their parents are getting ready to leave for the evening and will leave the child under the uncle's care. In every case, the child is looking for a response from parents that indicate an opening for further discussion. As a guardian, be aware of these hints from children. For a copy of the article, "The right reaction can make a difference", email: ivienna@la-archdiocese.org.

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



Meditation is a gentle opening of our inward eye.

"I pray that your inward eye may be illumined." St. Paul

BREAKAWAY DAY – FOR FAITH - Need a break? Stop in for faith! Breakaway day for young men & women dive into your faith through sharing, adoration, fellowship. For additional information please email sdshnov@verizon.net Saturday, February 22, 10AM to 4PM with Lunch, Sacred Heart Sisters, 10480 Winnetka Ave, Chatsworth, CA 91311, 818-831-9710.

Married Couples! What is your New Year's resolution in the area of your relationship? Make a commitment in 2014 to improve your marriage! *Make your good marriage GREAT -- attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!* A series of presentations, made by married couples and a priest, teach valuable communication tools and much more! Benefits are togetherness, romance and deeper communication. We have many upcoming WWME weekends throughout the Archdiocese of L. A. Early sign-ups are encouraged, and a \$75 Application fee is required to reserve your spot! Visit www.wwme.org to pick a weekend near you or call 424-777-WWME (9963).

Natural Family Planning

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-the-love.org or contact Greg and Beth Gath at bethandgreg@verizon.net or 562-377-5877.

Married? Great! You are just who we are looking for to help Catholic Engaged Encounter prepare engaged couples for marriage. Whether you have been married two months or forty plus years, we need your help. What better way to start 2014 than with a resolution to share your sacrament of matrimony! Catholic Engaged Encounter provides free training based upon your busy lifestyle. Call Paciano and Molly Diaz, 310-729-5890, visit our website at www.CEEofLA.org or email us at: MollyandPaciano@gmail.com

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St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

Happy New Year! 2014 dues \$10/person are due, please see Jean Longaberger.

Feb. 3 & 17 - Social/game gathering/Business meeting

Mar. 3 & 17 - Social/game gathering

Apr. 7 & 21 - Social/game gathering/Business meeting 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

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, final payment due in April. More trips to come. For information/reservations, contact Gerry Seckington 420-3220 or Mary Lou Clark 431-4385. **July 15** - Escorted tour of Coronado Island with a Harbor Cruise plus lunch at Anthony's Fish Grotto on the water. Browse Hotel Del Coronado. Day trip, \$85 per person. Depart at 7:45 a.m., return around 5:30 p.m. Sign up now. October 23 - Apple season in Oak Glen with Tour of the Graber Olive House. Free apple pie. Lunch provided with pie a la mode for dessert. Must choose entre upon sign-up: Meat loaf, ham or chicken. Depart 8:30 a.m., return around 6 p.m. \$60 per person. Sign up now.

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

You are invited to join Fr. Joseph Parathanal of Holy Family Church, South Pasadena, Pilgrimages to:

May 2014-Grand European Marian Pilgrimage-Medjugorje, Portugal, France, Spain & Italy.

Sept. 2014-St. Thomas, Mother Teresa, St. Alphonsa-Grand Tour to India

Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com or call (323-344-1548 or 323-547-6618).

Italy and the Canonization of Popes John Paul II and John XXIII with Fr. Carl Bell - Join Father Carl Bell for this "once in a lifetime opportunity." Come and see our new Holy Father Pope Francis on this historic occasion, where our beloved popes will be canonized. This 13 day pilgrimage throughout Italy and at Rome for the canonization will be April 18-30, 2014. For more information and reservations, please contact Ronald Haller at ronaldhallertravel@gmail.com or (714)746-4199 or Claudia Venegas at claudiatravelholyland@gmail.com or (714)414-2038.

Feb 1 - 9: Homeless Kit Drive - Please support our St. Joseph Homeless Ministry, the sisters of Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, and most especially, our most vulnerable brothers and sisters in Christ. Enve-



lopes with instructions are on the cross at the back of the church. Please return the items to church next week.

Feb 19, 7:00p.m. –Committee meeting in the PAC. Come help us guide and plan our ministry to those in need of the Long Beach area.

Questions? Call Tim Clark, 431-4385. Blue Skip-a-Meal envelope donations support our program.

"He who has compassion on the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his good deed." Prov: 20:17

IT'S ALMOST T-BALL TIME - Your 3 to 6 year-olds are invited to join us for another fun-filled season of St. Joe's T-Ball. The season runs from March 1 to mid-May. For more information email stjosephtball@hotmail.com or call Bobby, 562-912-5328. Registration ends February 4 so sign up your little ones today.



Boy Scout Troop 120 Annual Pancake Breakfast!!

Sunday, February 2 8 a.m. - Noon In the hall. Ticket Price \$4. Hope to see you there!

Italian Catholic Federation is hosting a self defense seminar with Don Howell at St Cornelius church (in the small hall) on February 9 at 1:30. Join us for great safety and self defense information, fellowship, and refreshments. Contact Stephanie Hardy with any questions 562-544-2222.

Angels of Glory, Angels of Gloom with Dominic Berardino, Feb. 15, 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at St. Barnabas parish, 3955 Orange Ave., Long Beach. Registration before Feb. 10 is \$20, Mass & lunch included. For more info and registration: www.scrc.org or call 818-771-1361.

Catholic Co-ed Softball Players Wanted!

The Greater South Bay/Long Beach/West Orange County Catholic Co-ed Slo-Pitch Spring Adult (Ages 18+) Softball League seeks players for their exciting 2014 season! Games are held on Sunday afternoons from March thru June in Torrance. Singles and couples welcome; female players especially needed! If interested, please contact: Fred Lawler, 714-369-9516 or fredlawler@hotmail.com.

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Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, February 1

5:00 p.m. - † Merlene Perez

SUNDAY, February 2

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

9:00 a.m. - † John Christie, Sr.

10:30 a.m. - † Sgt. Michael J. Tetreault, Jr.

12:30 p.m. - † Fr. Rolly Jardiniano

MONDAY, February 3

8:00 a.m. - † Eddie Munda

TUESDAY, February 4

8:00 a.m. - † Robert Young

WEDNESDAY, February 5

8:00 a.m. - † Don Miller

THURSDAY, February 6

8:00 a.m. - † Frank Aimone

FRIDAY, February 7

8:00 a.m. - † Michael Meylor

SATURDAY, February 8

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

SUNDAY, February 9

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

9:00 a.m. - † Eleanor Connell

10:30 a.m. - † Ernest & Eileen Kujak

12:30 p.m. - † Evangelina Avendano

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 David Waidelich** Obinna Ugochukwu **Timmy Allison Michael Marchante** Jason Kaufmann **Nicky Kaufmann** John Landry Jessica Landry **Dillon Schad** Kyle Shea

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, Vinny Petronio, Autumn Majors, Gary Hillebrecht, Gene Adam, Carlito Siagon, Nelson Molina, Adam Duntze, Karen Muccino, Charles Schad, Claudia Reasoner, Olga Kocevar, Brooke Manning. Joanne Rossello, Ray Willey, Robert Taylor, baby Enzo Esparza, Mary Clair Preasant, Phil Gray, George Frank, Karen Grice & Ged Hay.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGY COMMITTEE	Dcn. Shane Cuda	594-4657
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER		
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	493-2198
	(sister & brother)	

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		
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CONFIRMATION	Marc Leon & Lydia Tov	ar 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		
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BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Y Dave Desmond	429-3316
MEDITATION	Marie Mitchell	310-490-4012
SMALL CHRISTIAN		
COMMUNITIES	Don Don & Tina Gath	EQQ E202

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Ann Crowley 594-7575

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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ARD THE CHILDREN Monica Munoz & Julie Gray **598-0519**T ACHIEVE Tina Gath **598-5202**Olga Cuda **594-4657**

498-6701

420-1877

496-4223

PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER Michelle Gath
CUB SCOUTS Moses Bass
BOY SCOUTS Tom Lane

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to the rectory or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org