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

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St. Joseph School: 596-6115

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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. Jesus said: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." Matthew 5:14

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 9, 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.

## From the Pastor's desk:

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus says that we are the light of the world and the salt of the earth. What an incredible thought that is. Think of the people who have affected your life and helped you believe in God. These are the peo-

ple who have lit up your life with meaning. These are the people who brought change into your life because they cared for you.

We are here today because the light of God has come into our lives. The only question now is what are we going to do with that light? God asks very little of us. All the Lord wants of us is to become the people that he created us to be. As St. Irenaeus said, "The glory of God is a human being fully alive." All Christ wants is that we follow him and witness to what we believe.

Light isn't to be covered and treasured like some precious object. It is given to us so that people might see what is around them and walk in safety. It is meant to penetrate and overcome darkness. My hope and prayer for each of us is that we come to a fuller understanding that when we are the light of the world, we do the work of God and we proclaim His Gospel without the use of words.



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.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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Sunday:	ls 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5;			
	Mt 5:13-16			
Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;			
	Mk 6:53-56			
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;			
	Mk 7:1-13			
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;			
-	Mk 7:14-23			
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40;			
	Mk 7:24-30			
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19;			
	Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37			
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;			
	Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10			
Sunday:	Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;			
	1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28,			
	33-34a, 37]			

**Regional Vocation Director:** Rev. Francis Ilano St. Athanasius Church, Long Beach, 562-423-7986. Vocation information may be found at: <u>www.lavocations.org</u>. Whew! The Super Bowl is over!! Now we move to "He's the salt of the earth!" They weren't talking of Manning. Right after the Beatitudes Jesus tells His disciples, "You are the salt of the earth." Not the kind in the shaker. In ancient times salt was

very valuable. In the first reading Isaiah speaks of the Lord who says to "share your bread with the hungry, clothe the naked ...do not turn your back on your own. Then the light shall break forth like the dawn."

We often reflect on the readings and the Gospel. But what about the Responsorial Psalm? "The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright." It expands on the reading from Isaiah: "His heart is steadfast; he shall not fear. Lavishly he gives to the poor; his justice shall endure forever; his horn shall be exalted in glory." There is more, I encourage you to read it slowly. "To act as God acts is the deepest meaning of righteous living. Such living shines in the darkness of the world for all to see, the righteous as well as the not so righteous." Taken from the "Living Faith."

**Our Prayer**: Father God, we thank You for You are rich in mercy and for Your abundant love with which You have loved us. Open our eyes and the eyes of our brothers and sisters to see Your wonders of this day. Make us stewards of Your many gifts. We ask this through Jesus, Your Son who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen

**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.

**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. Early Childhood: Regular class today. 5 weeks to RE Congress: there's still time to sign up! Go to www.recongress.org for more info. Next week: regular class and Religious Education Open House after class! Invite family and friends, bring your cameras and camcorders to see the children sing after Mass in the Hall and a display of all of our classes' work and activities for the year. Remember to wear your t-shirts! Thank you to our teachers and aides for all your hard work!

**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.

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

Confirmation | Retreat – Parent /Chaperone Infor-

**mation Meeting** – This Sunday from 10:30-11:30 in the Parish Hall. Come and find out what the retreat is all about and what a Chaperone does! Chaperones actually gather and share faith while the teens are growing in theirs!!! It is a retreat for you, too!!! Come and see!!! **Sunday Nursery:** Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses.

## Adult Faith Formation:



Attention All Adults: We continue our Holy Grounds CAFÉ in the PAC dining room. We 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! From 10:30-11:40am Sunday mornings.



**St. Joseph Book Club** will be reading *Tattoos on the Heart* by Fr. Greg Boyle. We will be selling the books after Masses on Feb 22/23 for \$15. They will also be on

sale at the PAC during business hours – 9:00am-3:30 – Monday – Thursday and Sundays from 9-12:00 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.

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. 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. "Be still and know that I am God."

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 <u>throughout</u> the Archdiocese of L. A. Early sign-ups are encouraged, and a \$75 Application fee is required to reserve your spot! Visit <u>www.wwme.org</u> 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.

Happy **"We Believe in Marriage Day"** from Engaged Encounter! The second Sunday of February is officially **World Marriage Day** and a day to celebrate your marriage! Take today to reflect on how you can help engaged couples prepare for the awesome vocation of marriage. Whether you've been married 2 months or 40+ years, **Catholic Engaged Encounter** needs your help. Free training is provided based on your busy lifestyle. Call Paciano & Molly Diaz, 310-729-5890 - we'd love to talk to you, or visit www.ceeofla.org or email us at MollyandPaciano@gmail.com. Happy Valentine's Day, too!

**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.



## St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

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

Feb. 17- Social/game gathering/Business meetingMar. 3 & 17- Social/game gatheringApr. 7 & 21- Social/game gathering/Business meetingSocial/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 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.



Mar. 1 - 2: Feed-a-Baby Drive – collecting

non-perishable baby food and products for the benefit of Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. Would you like to share in the fulfillment of our ministry? Call Tim Clark, 431-4385. Blue Skip-a-Meal envelope donations support our program.

"Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God." Mark 10:14

**Tax Letter for 2013** - If you would like a letter stating your contributions to St. Joseph Church for 2013, please call the rectory office, 594-4657, and leave your name, phone number and email address.

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 <u>stjosephtball@hotmail.com</u> or call Bobby, 562-912-5328. Registration ends February 4 so sign up your little ones today.

## 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 <u>fredlawler@hotmail.com</u>.

**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.

#### **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? Calm is an infectious state of mind -

When a child is out of control, yelling, or hitting, avoid the temptation to react in a similar manner, and instead cultivate composure and respond with a calm, controlled tone of voice. Often the child will mimic your attitude and begin to calm down as well. For a copy of the VIR-TUS® article, "Yelling and hitting --- is there a difference?" email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

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**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 **MONDAY, February 10** 8:00 a.m. - † Paul Gordon **TUESDAY**, February 11 8:00 a.m. - Rita Smith, Thanksgiving WEDNESDAY, February 12 8:00 a.m. - + Bruce Jones **THURSDAY**, February 13 8:00 a.m. - † Don Miller FRIDAY, February 14 8:00 a.m. - + Tom Steiner **SATURDAY, February 15** 5:00 p.m. - + Patty Nisbet SUNDAY, February 16 7:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners 9:00 a.m. - + John Anselmo 10:30 a.m. - + Hugo Jorda 12:30 p.m. - † Michael Brady

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:

**Nick Compton** Irene Avila Justin Ray Adam Mariano **David Waidelich Michael Marchante** Nicky Kaufmann Jessica Landry **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, Bayless Conley, Keith Johnson & Jeff Perry.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGY COMMITTEE Dcn. Shane Cuda EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION LECTORS **Bill Smith** USHERS ALTAR SERVERS **DIRECTOR of MUSIC** ALTAR CARE Rectory CHURCH SACRISTANS

Gene Ensch Marty Vezzetti Dcn. Shane Cuda Vivian Doughty Lily & Joe Dang (sister & brother)

## **ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL**

562-596-6115

PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL OFFICE MANAGER

Margaret Alvarez Sonia Yurak Katie Mais, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak Julie Gianessi

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MEDITATION	Marie Mitchell	310-490-4012
SMALL CHRISTIAN		
COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK**

Ann Crowley

594-7575

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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SENIOR GROUP	Judy Pedneault	421-6863
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause 31	0-316-3477
	www.ceeofla.org/schedule	e.htm
NATURAL FAMILY	5	
PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	377-5877
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN	Monica Munoz & Julie Gr	ay <b>598-0519</b>
PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	598-5202
	Olga Cuda	594-4657
PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER	Michelle Gath	498-6701
CUB SCOUTS	Moses Bass	420-1877
BOY SCOUTS	Tom Lane	496-4223

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