



# 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.

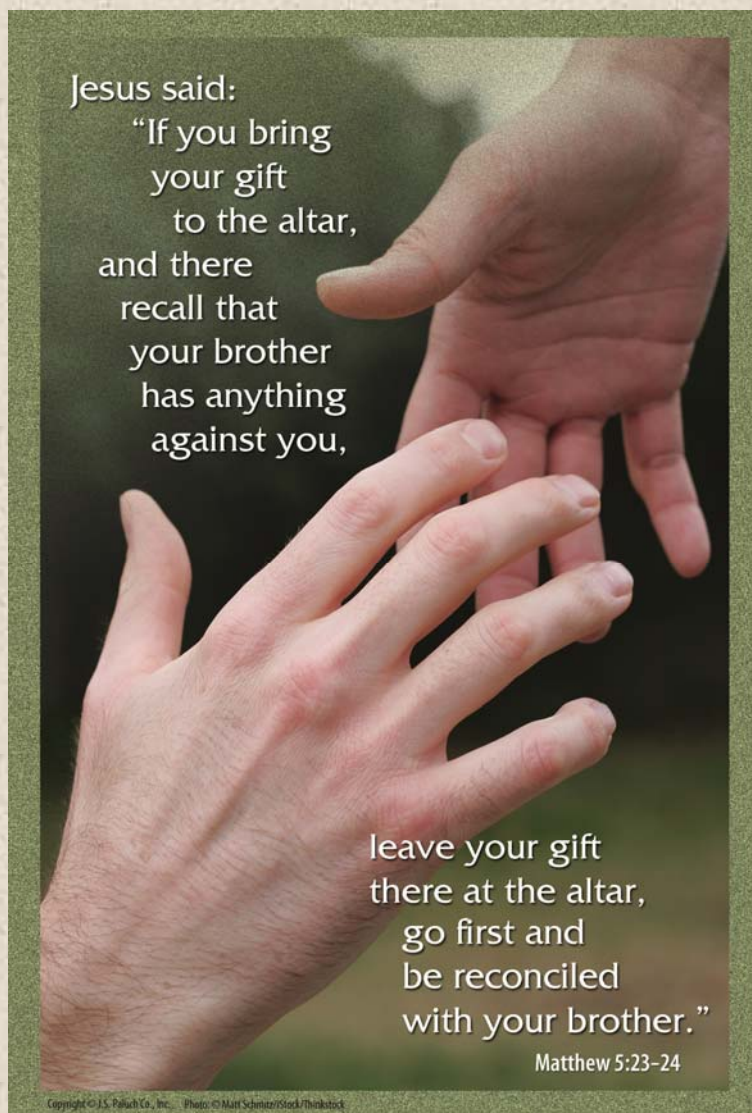
## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

**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.



**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 16, 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 today, Jesus gives us a different concept of freedom. It is a healthy relationship with the people close to us. In other words, it is a right and a healing relationship.

The point is to make decisions knowing that anything we do has consequences for others. And so, choosing should always become a matter of love.

A true freedom to choose is in every person, and that is the greatest strength that we as people have. And this type of freedom is superior to human laws since it is in keeping with a true obedience to the will of God.

It is therefore totally free. It is the will of the human spirit to realize the God given dignity that we were born with. We should strive to always choose true freedom, which is a freedom that is at the service of others and at the service of life. Knowing that when we choose true freedom, we manifest the healing and salvation that comes from Christ himself.

### Together In Mission 2014

"Love your neighbor." —Jesus Christ

In His pastoral letter, "Witness to the New World of Faith," our Archbishop, José H. Gomez, writes: "Through our love for others, we bear witness to the reality of our God who is love. Through our work to make this a society of truth and love, we make God's love for all men and women a reality in our world."

One way we can make love for our neighbors "real" is through our support of Together in Mission. This year's annual appeal will provide essential financial support for 37 parishes and 56 schools in our Archdiocese which would likely have to shut down or sharply limit their operations without this assistance.

Your generous contribution to Together in Mission will make a big difference in the lives of tens of thousands of our brothers and sisters. Because of you, the Church will continue to be a force for human dignity and social justice on our communities.

When you receive your **Together in Mission** pledge form in the mail, please fill it out and mail it back or bring it with you to Mass. At all Masses next weekend, we will also be asking for contributions from those who did not receive pledge forms in the mail.

Archbishop Gomez is asking all of us to pray and reflect on how much we can pledge to this year's campaign. A question that might help in our reflection: How well do I carry out my duty as a Catholic to help those who are in need?

God bless you for your generous gifts to those in need.

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

**Regional Vocation Director:** Rev. Francis Ilano  
St. Athanasius Church, Long Beach, 562-423-7986. Vocation information may be found at: [www.lavocations.org](http://www.lavocations.org).



I thank those who braved the only rain we have had so far this year to visit the Blessed Sacrament and stay for Benediction on the 6th. We actually doubled the attendance from the prior month!

Today's first Reading of Sirach (15:1) "If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you." (Sir 15: 20) "To none does He give license to sin." Responsorial Psalm (PS 119:1) "Blessed are they whose way is blameless." "Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!"

In Dr. Jampolsky's book: "Love is Letting Go of Fear" he wrote: "Everything we think or say or do reacts on us like a boomerang. When we send our judgment in the form of criticism, fury or other attack-thoughts, they come back to us. When we send out only love, it comes back to us." He suggests that one day this week we suspend all judgments and spend one day of acceptance and see if Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.

I offer this Poem:

**Don't look for flaws** as you go through life  
It's easy enough to find them.  
It is **wise** to be **kind** and sometimes blind  
and **look** for the **virtues** behind them. Anon.

**OUR PRAYER:** God our Father, keep Your family safe with unflinching care, that relying on the hope of heavenly grace we may be defended by Your protection. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever 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 hands-on 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](mailto:jgianessi@sjknights.net) to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our school principal.

**Pro Life Corner** - The U.S. House of Representatives has passed the Unborn Child Protection Act which aims to protect children from abortion after 20 weeks, fetal age. Senator Lindsey Graham and colleagues have introduced the same bill in the U.S. Senate. We will keep praying.

Priests for Life

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519**

Early Childhood at 9:00am, Elementary at 10:30am.

**Early Childhood:** Regular class today and Religious Education Open House after class! Please join us after Mass in the hall for children singing and a display of all of our classes' work and activities for the year. Thank you to our teachers and aides for all your hard work! Please register your incoming 3, 4 or 5 year old for Sunday School year 2014-2015 today. Consider joining our program as a teacher, too...Parents, Relatives, Godparents, all are welcome...get involved...You are being called!

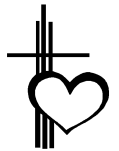
It's President's Day Weekend: Please pray for our President to follow the tenets of the Constitution of the United States of America and for all leaders to make good decisions for their citizens and all those around the world. Next week: regular class.

Four weeks to Religious Education Congress in Anaheim! Go to [www.recongress.org](http://www.recongress.org) for more info and to sign up. Hope to see you there! Next week: regular class.

**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.

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

**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 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](http://www.wwme.org) to pick a weekend near you or call 424-777-WWME (9963).

**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 — 9:00-3:30 — Monday — Thursday and Sundays from 9-12:00 noon.

**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](http://www.live-the-love.org) or contact Greg and Beth Gath at [bethandgreg@verizon.net](mailto:bethandgreg@verizon.net) or 562-377-5877.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

**Ray Bielman  
Frances Esposito**



**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**

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]
Monday:	Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
Saturday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

**"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.

**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](mailto: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

**Feb. 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.

**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.

More trips to come. For information/reservations, contact Gerry Seckington 420-3220 or Mary Lou Clark 431-4385.

**Thank you** for all the support - prayers, meals, transportation, etc. these past two years. My family and I are very grateful. Don died January 14 - peacefully at home with family. Vigil service on February 21 at 7 p.m. Holy Mass February 22 at 11 a.m., all at St. Joseph Church.

Nancy Miller

### **Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

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

### **Did You Know? The right pet for your child's age -**

Kids and pets—a natural fit, right? Indeed, raising a child and pet together can be a lot of fun for the whole family. If you're thinking of adding a pet to the family, make sure you are bringing home an animal that is appropriate for your child's age. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) offers helpful tips to teach young members of the family to care for and 'play nice' with their pets, helping to foster humane habits and a lifelong bond. For more information, please visit the ASPCA website and click on "For Parents": [www.asPCA.org](http://www.asPCA.org)

**Thanks** to all who supported our recent homeless kit drive! We collected kits to provide for two outings by our Homeless Ministry.



**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.

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

**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](mailto:sjparishfair@gmail.com)

**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.

### **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 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](mailto:fredlawler@hotmail.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.

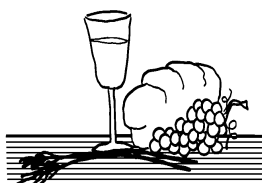
**Sept. 2014**-St. Thomas, Mother Teresa, St. Alphonsa-Grand Tour to India

Contact Bernadette at [bcorp1114@hotmail.com](mailto: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 [ronaldhaller-travel@gmail.com](mailto:ronaldhaller-travel@gmail.com) or (714)746-4199 or Claudia Venegas at [claudiatravelholylnd@gmail.com](mailto:claudiatravelholylnd@gmail.com) or (714)414-2038.

## Mass Intentions



### 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

### MONDAY, February 17

8:00 a.m. - † Don Miller

### TUESDAY, February 18

8:00 a.m. - † Frank Hainley

### WEDNESDAY, February 19

8:00 a.m. - † Sheila Buterbaugh

### THURSDAY, February 20

8:00 a.m. - Laverne Kelly, Happy Birthday

### FRIDAY, February 21

8:00 a.m. - † Paul Vadasz

### SATURDAY, February 22

5:00 p.m. - † John De Ruyter

### SUNDAY, February 23

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

9:00 a.m. - † Ann Vezzetti

10:30 a.m. - † Don Miller

12:30 p.m. - † Frank Hainley

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
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, 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 & Eileen Bentley.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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

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	594-4657
	sfcuda@yahoo.com	
BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	714-761-4376
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Dave Desmond	429-3316
MEDITATION	Marie Mitchell	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	Moses Bass	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
	www.stjosephlb.org	
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	310-316-3477
	www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm	
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	Michelle Gath	498-6701
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](mailto:bulletin@stjosephlb.org)