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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.

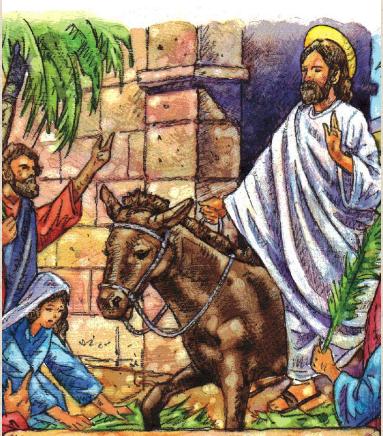
WEEKDAY MASS: Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m.

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.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Palm Sunday April 13, 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,

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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 special and very specific symbol of today's liturgy is, of course, the palm. What the palm symbolizes is victory. What the palms are telling us is that Jesus was already victorious and triumphant when he entered into Jerusa-

lem at the beginning of the first Holy Week.

Even though it would be a week of passion, suffering and death for him, Jesus' love for each one of us was already victorious over fear and death. The palms are telling us that the reality of God's saving presence was always with Jesus, and it is with us also.

The palms mean that right here and now, even though there is and will be suffering and sickness and death in this world and in our lives, already there is victory over them. May we come to know more fully, on this Palm Sunday that this symbol of the palm truly means victory.

When you bring your palms home today and look at them this week and throughout the year, may this symbol of Christ's love give you a firmer faith and an ever stronger hope in the absolute victory over death that Christ has already won and shares with us.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK				
Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11 (procession);			
	ls 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;			
	Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]			
Monday:	ls 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11			
Tuesday:	ls 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38			
Wednesday:	ls 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;			
	Mt 26:14-25			
Thursday:	Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;			
	Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1			
	Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15			
Friday:	ls 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17,			
	25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42			
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6,			
	10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-			
	22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5,			
	8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;			
	d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;			
	e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;			
	f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;			
	g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or			
	Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;			
	h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;			
	Mt 28:1-10			
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;			
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	Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10			
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Together in Mission - Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge to the Together in Mission campaign this year. **Our goal for this year is \$67,850.23**. So far, we have pledges amounting to \$50,430.

Pro Life Corner - Priests for Life has entered a lawsuit in the Court of Appeals of the Supreme Court in order to protect religious freedom. <u>Please pray for success</u>. Priests for Life, Feb. 2014

Speaking of earthquakes! Huh? OK, deacon, you can move away from the doorway! It's time to get serious. There is a reflection that I found interesting. It's not Golgotha but the Temple. It's 3:00 pm at the moment that Jesus died. There was an earthquake and the curtain in the temple was torn in two. Why is this significant? The curtain was a barrier between the Holy of Holies where God dwelt and the rest of the temple area. It signified the place of major sacrifices. Jesus' sacrifice now rendered these sacrifices meaningless. Even the temple was not needed. The people of God united to Jesus would be the Temple. We may feel sorry for Jesus in his suffering, but He does not want our sympathy: He wants our union with Him to transform the world by His sacrificial love. Glorify the Lord by your life. The Fruit of Silence is Prayer Fruit of Prayer is Faith Fruit of Faith is Love Fruit of Love is Service Fruit of Service is Peace......Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Our Blessings go out to you and your families during this Holy Week.

OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, send into our hearts the spirit of the Gospel that we may walk in the way of Your commandments now and always. We ask this in Your Son's name who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever. Amen.



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

Women of St. Joseph Parish

Resolve now to do something that will forever change your life!

Give yourself the gift of a *Cursillo* and become the person you've always wanted to be...the New Creation in Christ that St. Paul talks about.

A *Cursillo* is a retreat unlike anything you've ever experienced...a three-day experience of living Christianity. Cursillo retreats run from Thursday evening thru Sunday evening.

The next Women's retreat begins on May 8. For more information, contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com, or call the rectory office at 562-594-4657.

Lenten & Easter Schedule

Morning Prayer - April 17, 18, and 19, 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Supper - April 17, 7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death - Apr 18, 1:30pm Stations of the Cross - Good Friday, 7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 19, 7:30 p.m. Easter Sunday Masses - 7:30, 9 & 10:30 am, 12:30 pm

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>.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Early Childhood at 9:00am, Elementary at 10:30am. Early Childhood: No class today. We wish you a happy and joyous Easter! Please consider becoming a Sunday School Teacher next year. Call Shannon for info at 562.598.0519. Parish Fair in 2 weeks. Sign up for your shift at the Fair. Next week: last class: Children singing and certificate presentation in the Hall after class. Wear your t-shirts, invite family and friends, and bring your cameras/camcorders.

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

Position Available: Sunday Nursery Caretaker! We are looking for a person, at least 18 years old, Virtus trained (we'll provide the training) and fingerprinted (we also provide the fingerprinting through the Archdiocese), who is available on Sunday mornings during the 9 AM and 10:30 AM Masses to watch our parish's littlest ones. Hours are 8:45-11:45, every Sunday. Holidays off if desired, or if you'd like more hours, you may work the holidays. Please contact Shannon Carpenter at 562.598.0519 for inquiries, more information, or to apply. Thank you!

Lenten Faith and Fatherhood

Come out and join other St. Joseph fathers for some faith and fellowship. Sundays – April 13 from 4:00 – 5:00 PM *Ecco's Pizza,* 2123 N Bellflower Blvd. Contact: Jim Crofut, jamescrofut@gmail.com 234-1432.

"Jesus is Lord"

Standing on the word of God, let us learn together. St. Joseph Bible Study 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.

Easter Mission - "A Walk To Emmaus - Our New

Evangelization.'' St. Bernard Catholic Church in Bellflower would like to invite you to attend a four day Easter Mission, Monday, **April 28**, through Thursday, **May 1**, presented by a well-known speaker and author, Deacon Alex Jones. Deacon Alex Jones was an "on-fire" Pentecostal minister in Detroit, and a completely dedicated shepherd of his flock. Alex and his wife Donna began a two-year journey into the Catholic Church that ended with 54 members of his previous congregation, including 14 family members, entering the Catholic Church. Since his conversion to the Catholic Faith in 2001, Deacon Alex Jones has been called to minister to God's people through preaching the Gospel at Retreats, Missions, Conferences, as well as leading worship services, and fulfilling his duties as Deacon.

The Mission will begin at 7 p.m. Hospitality will follow.

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



God is love and He lives in our hearts. We need only to respond to His infinite love. "You have made us for yourself, oh Lord and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." St. Augustine

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 Joseph Comfort Scott Williams Timothy Ring Obinna Ugochukwu Timmy Allison Jason Kaufmann John Landry Dillon Schad 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.

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. A new class series starts **April 26**. To learn more, visit www.live-the-love.org or contact Greg and Beth Gath at bethandgreg@verizon.net or 562-377-5877.

Parish Fair News

*The Fair is May 2-4

* Discounted ride/food tickets to be sold after Masses on April 12/13, 26/27 also before and after school beginning April 14.

* Parish makes more money if you buy ride tickets <u>BE-FORE</u> Fair starts than during the Fair.

*Please consider sponsoring as a family, business or remembering a loved one. Forms at each exit of church.

*We need parishioners to volunteer. Parents with kids at St. Joseph School have to volunteer, we need volunteers who don't have children in school. There is a job for everyone, young and experienced.

*Day care will be provided for children of volunteers during their shift.

*\$6 Yummy Pancake breakfast Sunday, May 4 in Fr. Martin Hall

*Come enjoy the live bands Friday evening from 5-10pm, Saturday 1-10 pm. Sunday is Children's Lip Sync at 1 pm, the L.B. Millikan Jazz Band on stage from 3-5 pm, and Chris Berry's band The Ghostriders from 5:45 to 7:45.



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. <u>Final payment due</u> April 7 social/game gathering. July 15 - Escorted tour of Coronado Island & Harbor Cruise plus lunch at Anthony's Fish Grotto on the water. Browse Hotel Del Coronado. \$85/person. Sign up now. Bus boarding at 7:30, depart at 7:45, return around 5:30.

Sept. - Trip to Sam's Town in Las Vegas. Package includes: 3 days/2 nights at Sam's Town. \$130/person double occ. or \$168/person single. Boarding 7:45, depart 8:00, return Sept. 30 about 6:00 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.

A Retreat for Those Experiencing Infertility, Miscarriage or Stillbirth - May 24, 9am-6pm. St. Therese Catholic Church, 510 N. El Molino St., Alhambra. \$40 per couple includes meals. If cost is an issue please contact Katrina Crow. For more info or to register, please contact Katrina Crow: 626-292-1906; Katrina.fcp@gmail.com

Ignatian Volunteer Corps - There are schools and other local non-profits serving the poor and marginalized in the San Pedro Region that will benefit from your knowledge, skills & compassion. This Jesuit affiliated ministry invites you to assist those in need, work for a more just society and grow deeper in your Christian faith. For more info, contact Anne Hansen at ahansen@ivcusa.org or call 310-338-2358. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, . . naked and you clothed me." MT 25:35-36



Thank You! For all your generous con-

tribution of time, talent, and treasure in support of 66 community-supported, and 19 family adoptions this year for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and for our very successful Easter distribution yesterday!

May 24-25: Feed-a-Baby Drive – collecting non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Save the Date – June 16, 31st Annual St. Anthony High Monsignor Gualderon Golf Classic at El Dorado Park Golf Course and all proceeds will benefit St. Anthony HS Athletics. Online registration at www.LongBeachSaints.org has begun and space is limited. For more information or to inquire about sponsorship opportunities or donations, please contact Renee Salvador at (562)435-4496 ext.1241 or www.renee.salvador@longbeachsaints.org. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on the course!

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-

Woods, Ind., join them in their mission of love, mercy and justice in service among God's people. Applications are now being accepted for the Providence Associate relationship, women and men of diverse faith traditions. Spend time meeting with a sister or another associate to reflect on and learn about the spirituality of the Sisters of Providence before making year-long renewable commitments. No cost to become an associate. Applications accepted through June 30. Contact Debbie Dillow, assistant director of Providence Associates, at 317-994-6821 or ddillow@spsmw.org for an application. Learn more at ProvidenceAssociates.org

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment: **April 16** - Sagrado Corazon, Cudahy, 323-562-3356 **April 23** - St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower, 532-920-7796 **April 30** - San Miguel, Los Angeles, 323-567-6892

Did You Know? Why "gut feelings" have value when preventing child abuse - Once a caregiver is selected, the family should be alert to any changes in the child's behavior. A child, who suddenly becomes withdrawn, clingy, or reluctant to be with their caregiver, may be experiencing abuse. Talk with your children and encourage them to be open about their feelings. Keep in mind the abuse may be verbal, physical, or involve neglect. For more information or to request the article, "Family dog nabs child abuser. Why 'gut feelings' have value when preventing child abuse," email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org

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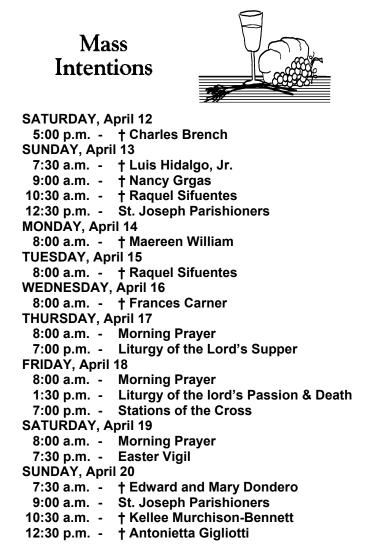
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The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral April 14, 7 p.m. This is our annual celebration, with the gathered local church, of the priesthood of Jesus-the-anointed-bythe-Spirit. His priesthood is shared by the Baptized and the ordained, and is exercised in the sacraments, especially those most closely associated with the Eucharist, the Sacraments of Initiation, of Orders, and the Sacrament of the Sick.

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, 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, Eileen Bentley, Linda Vaugh, Steve Ferris, Tamara Smith, Alexis Persyko, Evelyn Priddy, Edward Merk, Marian O'Donnell, Louie Rubio, Teresa Stewart, & Eloisa Mariano.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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

Gene Ensch Bill Smith Marty Vezzetti Dcn. Shane Cuda Vivian Doughty Rectory 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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DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS ED	UCATION Nar	Nancy Longo		
MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY/	Nancy Longo	598-0519		
CONFIRMATION EARLY CHILDHOOD	Marc Leon & Lydia To Shannon Carpenter	ovar 598-0519 598-0519		
LITURGY/CHILDREN RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo Nancy Longo	598-0519 598-0519		
SUNDAY NURSERY BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840		
FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser	818-4249		
ADULT MINISTRY				
RCIA	Shane Cuda sfcuda@yahoo.com	594-4657		
BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	714-761-4376		

Olga Cuda	594-4657	
Dave Desmond	429-3316	
Marie Mitchell	310-490-4012	
Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202	
Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick		
	Dave Desmond Marie Mitchell Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL FINANCE COUNCIL	Margee Infante Moses Bass	537-8210
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
Website address:	www.stjosephlb.org	
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 Grag	y 598-0519
PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	598-5202
	Olga Cuda	594-4657
PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER	Michelle Gath	498-6701
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BOY SCOUTS	Tom Lane	496-4223

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