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

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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. Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2014

CALLS

HIS OWN

SHEEP

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:

The gospel today talks about frail sheep. During Jesus' time, shepherds protected their flocks against wolves and other predators with their own bodies. The sheep were placed in a sheep pen at night. A sheep pen was just a

wall of loosely connected rocks with a single entrance. At night the shepherd slept across the entrance so that his body became a protection for the sheep from their own straying or from predators. That's what Jesus the Good Shepherd does for us.

We rely on the Lord to protect us from the difficulties that we inevitably face throughout our lives. Life can be too difficult for us to attempt to make it through safely by ourselves without any help. We need direction. We need protection. We need Jesus Christ.

We call ourselves Christians because we are followers of the Lord. But we are also Christians because the Lord follows after us, helping us to get into line, protecting us from the elements of life that would destroy us.

May we come to a fuller understanding that we are dependent upon the Lord. That's why we pray every day. That's why we come to Church every week. That's why we receive the Eucharist. Jesus is the strength that gives meaning, purpose and direction to our lives. He is the sheep gate who protects us. He is the shepherd who leads us.



Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless the mothers of our parish, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.



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* Resolve now to do something that will forev-

er 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 Men's retreat is **Oct. 23-26**, and the Women's retreat is **Oct. 30-Nov. 2**. For more information, contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com, or call the rectory office at 562-594-4657.

**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>.



As I reflect on last weekend's fair there are so many thank yous that need to be handed out. As I was leaving Sunday evening, a whole bunch of Scouts were getting ready to do a field clean up. Millikan Hi's ensemble was music to my ears. Chris Berry's band was no slouch either.

May 5 reflection from Saint John XXIII: "Oh, if only the **Eucharist** were better understood by Christians and more worthily and more frequently received. How copious would be the fruits of harmony, peace, and spiritual decorum that would flow therefrom for the **Church** and the whole world!"

While we are in thankful mode: You know when you look at the Mass, it cannot happen without a priest. The priest is the one "acting in the person of Jesus Christ." We are blessed to have a pastor who deserves our prayers and thanks. Catholics have had a lot of bad press because of a few "bad apples." This is not new in our church. Jesus had 12 apostles that saw Him perform miracles and feed 5,000; He taught them for 3 years and raised people from the dead. Judas betrayed Him, Peter denied knowing Him, Thomas doubted: 25% of the cream of the crop. Jesus still had faith in them and they "turned the corner" and the Church began to grow stronger. A bishop at the 50th jubilee of his ordination said: "The greatest satisfaction I've known as a priest is acting in the person of Jesus Christ, especially preaching the Word. Then there is the **sacrifice** of the **Mass**. You take the bread and say, in the person of Jesus Christ, "This Is My Body" and know in faith that the substance of bread, even though it looks the same, is **not** bread. It's the Body of Jesus Christ. And the cup of wine, the same thing. A priest is the only one who can do that. It makes it all worthwhile."

As we approach the Altar for communion look for **Him** and give thanks for the great gift of **Himself**, for He has given us the greatest gift of all - **eternal life**, life that lasts forever. Trust that He is there for you!

OUR PRAYER: Lord Jesus, help us to have a better appreciation of the **Eucharist**. Let us receive it with understanding, love, and thanksgiving so that it may bear abundant fruits of Faith, Hope and Love. Amen

**Thank you** to Kraig and Kim Jondle and all their assistants who made this year's fair a huge success. Thank you to each of you who gave of your time, talent and/or treasure to ensure a fun day for all. Special blessings to all who went above and beyond - and with a smile on your face!

**Congratulations** to our opportunity drawing winners: Marlene Carter - \$1,000, Angel Meza - \$500. Jay Kefalas, Pat Mais, the Montagues, Stella Mulgrew, and the Tweet family - \$100 each.

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

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** - 598-0519

**Be an Amazing Catechist!** - If you love God and feel that you are being called to share your gifts: consider becoming a catechist! You will learn new skills, give back to God by serving our young church, make new friends (we have a wonderful team), grow in your own faith (none of us knows everything!) and accomplish something worthwhile – passing on our beautiful Catholic faith! We have openings from Early Childhood through Confirmation! Free training, great resources, wonderful support! Call or email the Religious Education office for more information. Check out our webpage for more information.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP – July 7-11! Gangway to Galilee! Pick up a registration form at the exits of the church or on our webpage! We also need many volunteers – also on the registration form!

**Registration forms for Religious Education** will be available June 1. We will begin taking completed forms and registration fees July 1. If you would like a reminder, please check out the St. Joseph website for the link and we will be glad to email you an on-line registration form on June 1!

**Early Childhood:** Happy Mother's Day! Thank you to everyone who helped to make this year's Parish Fair a great success! St. Joseph Sunday School fills very quick-ly-please register for next year's classes NOW! Questions? Call Shannon at 562.598.0519.

<u>Sunday Nursery:</u> Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses. Closed on most holidays.

### Adult Faith Formation:



**St. Joseph Book Club** - Our new book will be **Half the Sky** by Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn. Books are on sale in the PAC for \$15 each. We are open from 8:30-3:30 Monday-Thursday and on Sundays 9-12:00pm.

	READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25;
	Jn 10:1-10
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;
	Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9;
	Jn 14:1-12

Attention, single Catholic men 18-30 years of age: The Knights of the Holy Eucharist, a community of lay brothers faithful to Holy Mother Church and dedicated to fostering reverent devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord, invite you to discern your vocation at their House of Formation, located at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Learn more at their website, www.knights.org. Youth Ministry - <u>Middle School Camp</u> - Whispering Winds – June 6-8 - Come spend an amazing weekend growing closer to Jesus at a beautiful Catholic camp! The cost is just \$185. Please visit the website for more information www.stjosephlb.org/middle-school/

<u>High School</u> - Steubenville Weekend – San Diego – July 25-27. Cost only \$225. Get more details and see the video on our website www.stjosephlb.org/high-school/

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



Meditation opens access to the deeper prayer of our heart where we find "....love of God flooding our inmost heart through the Holy Spirit He has given us." Rom 6:5

**An Eastertide Retreat** to explore our journey with the resurrected Christ through the experience of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, facilitated by the Verbum Dei Missionary Sisters, **May 24**, 10-3, Verbum Dei Spirituality Center, St. Anthony Parish, 600 Olive Ave. Suggested donation \$20 includes refreshments and lunch.

"**Those Feisty Women of the Gospels**" with Kathy Coffey, **June 1**, 11:30 a.m. The Atrium, University Hall, Loyola Marymount University. \$45 per person includes a catered luncheon.

Women were there at every juncture of Jesus' life: from his conception to his resurrection. Over time, they may have been edited out of the gospels, or their roles diminished, so let's resurrect their stories. We can re-imagine their lives, using an ancient Midrash technique. Then we'll make the link to our lives: what do they teach us today? Come for reflection, surprise and a new approach to reading the gospels. For information on how to register, contact Mary Haggerty mhaggerty@ivcusa.org

#### **Fingerprinting Schedule**

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment: **May 16** - Nativity School, Torrance, 310-328-5387 **May 24** - Our Lady of Victory, Compton, 310-631-1831 **May 31** - St. Philip Neri, Lynwood, 310-632-7179

**Did You Know?** Child protection is a priority for the Church - The Catholic Church has made care for minors a priority. More than five million minors have been educated on how to protect themselves from harm, and nearly two million adults have undergone background screening and training on appropriate relationships with youth in their care. To find out how you can keep children safe, please call the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office, 213-637-7227.



June 2 & 16 - Social/game gathering July 7 & 21 - Social/game gathering Aug. 4 & 18 - Social/game gathering Sept. 8 (2nd Monday due to Labor Day) & Sept. 22 (4th Monday) - Social/game gathering Oct. 6 & 20 - Social/game gathering Nov. 3 - Social/game gathering Nov. 17 - Thanksgiving Luncheon Dec. 1 - Social/game gathering Dec. 15 - Christmas Luncheon 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, dinner @ Bucca de Beppo. \$100/person. Boarding bus at 4:15 p.m., departing 4:30 p.m., dinner 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., show at 7:30 p.m., return 10:30 p.m. July 15 - Escorted tour of Coronado Island, Harbor Cruise & lunch at Anthony's Fish Grotto on the water. Browse Hotel Del Coronado. \$85/person. Bus boarding at 7:30, depart at 7:45, return around 5:30. Final payment due June 2. Sept. 28-30 - Trip to Sam's Town, Las Vegas. 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. Final payment due August 4. 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. Final payment Oct. 6. More trips to come. For information/reservations, contact Gerry Seckington 420-3220 or Mary Lou Clark 431-4385.

**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 \$53,505**.

June 16 - 31st Annual St. Anthony High Monsignor

**Gualderon Golf Classic** at El Dorado Park Golf Course. Registration: 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 www.renee.salvador@longbeachsaints.org or 562-435-4496 ext.1241. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on the course to benefit St. Anthony Athletics! May 24-25: Feed-a-Baby Drive – collecting non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. Skip-A-Meal Donations - These are the



financial support of our ministry. A shortfall in donations this year has impacted our ability to serve compared to recent years. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, call Tim Clark 431-4385.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Mt 25:40

Walk for Life - Every Step Matters - May 17, Veterans Park, Redondo Beach, 8:30 a.m., music, food, fun and raffle prizes. Help Pregnancy Help Center protect the unborn. Call 310-320-8976 or email info@phctorrance.org for info. Register: www.ministrysync.com/event/?e=6079

**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.

## St. Gregory's Annual Rummage Sale, May 17,

**8a.m.,** 6201 E. Willow St. Come check out the goodies. The Long Beach Garden Club will join us with all things "garden." The Men's Fellowship will be serving up burgers and dogs off the grill or simply enjoy some coffee and donuts while you shop. Proceeds to fund our Youth Group's mission trip to Nicaragua this summer. If you are interested in making a donation please contact the office via email at info@stgregoryschurch.com or via phone at 420.1311.

**Partner with Precious Life Shelter** - Sign up for the Sugartown Challenge 5K run, **June 7**, at www.sugarbeetfestival.com

"A Night Under the Stars" Holy Innocents School's 1st Annual Silent Auction & Fundraising Gala, May 30 at The Grand at 6p.m.! Come enjoy a night out; an opportunity to enjoy, relax, unwind and build fellowship within the community; and entertainment throughout the night, including "special" live operatic and piano performances, and dj Manu concluding the night to a fusion of genres: Latin, oldies, soft rock, R&B and a whole lot more. Enjoy wine tasting, a fabulous variety of silent auction items, live auction family package getaway, dinner and dancing!!! Don't wait. Reserve your spot now \$75/pp or \$700/per table of 10. Please visit our website: www.holyinnocentsschlb.org or contact Maria Rocha @ 562- 424-1018.

Wishing upon a star to help us realize our goals!!!

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# Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, May 10

5:00 p.m. - + Botelho and Salvate families SUNDAY, May 11 7:30 a.m. -**†** Teresa Castro 9:00 a.m. -Mother's Day Novena 10:30 a.m. - † Maereen Williams 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners MONDAY, May 12 8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena **TUESDAY, May 13** 8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena WEDNESDAY, May 14 8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena THURSDAY, May 15 8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena FRIDAY, May 16 8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena SATURDAY, May 17 5:00 p.m. - Mother's Day Novena SUNDAY, May 18 7:30 a.m. - + Hugh Campbell 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners 10:30 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena 12:30 p.m. - † Diane Ravod

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 Devin Conway** 

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, 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, Marian O'Donnell, Louie Rubio, Teresa Stewart, Eloisa Mariano, Laverne Kelly, Billie Lamb, Marilyn North & Delia Nix.

#### 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)

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LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo	598-0519			
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo	598-0519			
SUNDAY NURSERY BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Shannon Carpenter	430-6840			
FOR CHILDREN	Mimi Bloeser	818-4249			
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	BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	533-1243
	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
Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick			594-4657

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL FINANCE COUNCIL	Margee Infante Moses Bass	537-8210
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MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	424 4205
		431-4385
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause 310	
	www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm	
NATURAL FAMILY		
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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

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