

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

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RECTORY

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Office Hours

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

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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

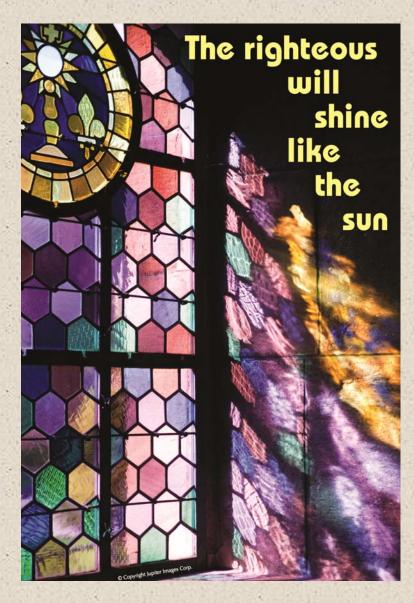
DEVOTION after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday

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.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 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:

In today's second reading, Paul writes to the Roman church and he says, "The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings."

I think this is good news for those of us who know we don't always pray, as we should. The news gets even better. God searches our hearts and He knows our intentions, and He intercedes for us accordingly.

Today's readings conclude with several parables from Matthew's Gospel, among them the parable of the mustard seed. "It is the smallest of all the seeds," he says, "yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches."

A tiny seed can become a strong, robust source of life. It may look small and insignificant, but combined with soil, water and sunlight, a seed can be transformed into something wonderful. Perhaps our good intentions, our longings to be the people God created us to be are like that seed: a tiny kernel of faith that has the potential to become something magnificent.

May we come to know more deeply that our good intentions although they may seem insignificant to us and to others, when they are planted and nourished by the grace of God, those intentions just might be realized.

Women's Silent Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House September 5-7 Theme: "Encounter Christ:

Theme: "Encounter Christ: Who Do You Say That I Am?"

Retreat Master: Rev. James Kubicki, SJ
Jesus says, "Come to me all of you who labor
and are heavily burdened and I will refresh you."
This retreat is for any woman of the parish who
would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility
and spirituality; a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus.
But don't delay, make your reservation today.
Call Madeline Majick at 596-6219, Marie Newton at 4297939, or Tina Gath at 598-5202 to reserve a room.

Interested in becoming Catholic, completing your sacraments, or just learning more about the Catho-

lic Faith? Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic? Are you missing any of your Sacraments (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation)? Do you have burning questions about the Catholic faith? Please contact Olga Cuda in the parish office, 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.

From Deacon Don's desk:



A story that fits the reading from last Sunday of The Parable of the Sower: A young vegetarian woman was never satisfied with the fruits and vegetables she bought. Melons too ripe or not ripe enough. Tomatoes bruised. Cauliflower and broc-

coli too big or too small. She was never happy. Then one day driving down Spring Street she saw a long line of people. She saw a sign that said, "God's Fruit and Vegetable Stand." She thought, "Finally I can get decent vegetables and fruit." After a long wait in line she got to the counter where there was a bright light. God stood behind the counter (she knew it was God because He had a big G on his apron). She told God, "I would like some perfect broccoli, perfect carrots, tomatoes and perfect melons. Oh, and some perfect Brussel sprouts!" Sorry, God said, I only sell seeds here."

In reality God **gives** and doesn't **sell** seeds. The seeds are His **Word**. Our home is a good place to start with a simple daily prayer, one day at a time. Ask one question: What did that prayer say to me?

We are called to be the good soil that is tilled, nourished, and have that seed take root and grow. Our prayer should be for those who have fallen on rocky ground. Remember: the sufferings of the present are nothing compared to the **glory** that is to be revealed to us.

OUR PRAYER: Lord Jesus, all power and authority is given to You. You rule with decrees that are firm and trustworthy. Be with us always so that we may make disciples whose holiness will be worthy of Your House. Amen

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Nicolas D'Amore Raymond Willey



St. Joseph Office/Rectory Summer Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-2pm Saturday 9-am-noon Closed Sunday

If you need to reach Fr. Jim or the office staff after hours, please call and leave a message, 594-4657.

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



"My heart is restless until it rests in you, O God." -- St. Augustine

Newcomers please call Marie Mitchell (310) 490-4012 for directions to the PAC Center.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

It's time to share those gifts from the Holy Spirit! Be an Amazing Catechist! We are looking for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade catechists at this time....but also those who would like to learn how to be a catechist. We are beginning a mentoring program. You would be teamed up with an experienced catechist – so that you could learn the "ropes." Call Nancy if you are interested.

We also need <u>Liturgy of the Word Catechists</u> - Once a month during the 9am Mass. Training provided! <u>Registration forms for Religious Education</u> are available on the Website, at the entrances to the church, at the rectory and the PAC.

Early Childhood: Our regular year runs September – April for ages 3, 4 and Kindergarten. Sign up NOW for the 2014-2015 school year! Registration forms can be found in the back of the church to the right of the doors as you walk in. Call Shannon at 562.598.0519 for more info. We want your family and little ones to know you are welcome and important members of our community. Join us! Sunday Nursery: Available during 9:00 & 10:30 Masses. Closed on most holidays.



The disciples were gathered for Pentecost in the upper room, and suddenly... tongues as of fire appeared and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit! Acts 2:1-4

Women and Men of St. Joseph Parish - Is your heart on fire for Christ? Is it filled with the Holy Spirit? Or is your heart like a candle in the wind, flickering and barely alive?

If you want to experience what the disciples felt on the day of Pentecost, then give yourself the gift of a Cursillo and light your heart on fire!

A Cursillo is a 3-day retreat unlike anything you've ever experienced. Cursillo retreats run from Thursday evening thru Sunday. The next Cursillo weekends begin 10/23 (Men) and 10/30 (Women). For more information, contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or go to OCCursillo.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16;

Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Jn 20:1-2,11-18

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17;

Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11;

Mt 13:10-17

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30 Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46] **Youth Ministry**

Youth Ministry Presents: Summer Events!

July 23: Relay Races (time to be determined)

July 30: Movie at the Theaters (time to be determined)

Aug. 8: Get Air (like Sky High) in Huntington 6 - 9pm

Aug 13: Luau Pot Luck (time to be determined)

We will have flyers at the church entrances and more information posted on the website http://www.stjosephlb.org/high-school/ or contact Marc Leon or Lydia Tovar at: Youthministry@stjosephlb.org or 598-0519.

Calling all young adults between 18 and 39!

Theology on Tap, the annual summer speaker series for young adults, is a great way to meet other young adults for fun, networking, and an opportunity to talk about faith. Enjoy a soda or a beer (with ID) while you get straight talk and honest answers to your questions from expert speakers on faith, love, work, and other real life experiences. This event is open to all young adults, ages 18 to 39, singles and couples. Admission, food, and drinks are all free! Theology on Tap will happen at TWO locations in the San Pedro region this summer. Doors open at 7pm; program starts at 7:30pm.

St. Philomena, Carson, 21900 South Main Street

Jul 24: God & Your Brain: Working Together for Healthy Relationships – Tammy Ichinotsubo-Ezzi, PhD

Jul 31: Mystics and Saints in America? In the Americas? – Brett C. Hoover

St. Mary of the Assumption, Whittier, 7215 Newlin Ave.

Jul 25: Who wants \$20? - Vanessa Gallardo

Aug 1: The Bible: Definitely Better than the Movie – Fr. Chris Bazyouros

For more information on all the TOT sites throughout the archdiocese, go to http://archla.org/tot.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

July 23 - St. John of God, Norwalk, 562-863-5721 x232

July 30 - St. Anthony of Padua, Gardena, 310-323-0860

Aug. 1 - St. Emydius, Lynwood, 310-639-1249 x29

Aug. 9 - St. John of God, Norwalk, 562-863-5721 x232

Aug. 13 - St. Philomena, Carson, 310-830-6180

Aug. 22 - St. Philip Neri, Lynwood, 310-632-7179

Did You Know? Gather the most information possi-

ble about your children's whereabouts - The best rule for child safety is to have as much information as possible and replace blind trust with knowledge and healthy suspicion. That means asking questions: "Where are you going? What will you do there? Who will be with you? When will you return? Which adults will be present?" Then evaluate the situation and determine if it is safe for your child. And, don't be afraid to say "No." When you and your children think safety, summer is filled with fun opportunities for children to enjoy. For a copy of "Summer Safety Tips can help prevent Sexual Abuse" contact: Brenda Melendez, Office of Safeguard the Children: bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org

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St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

July 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

August 28 - "Money Tour" with lunch. Come along on a day trip, 1 1/2 hour tour of Federal Reserve Bank of L.A. with lunch at Philippe's, then a stop at the Well's Fargo Museum to see how banking was done back in the gold rush days. **MUST** have State issued ID to enter Bank. Only \$55 per person. Payment due July 21. Departs at 9 am sharp and returns around 4 p.m. Sign up now.

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.

Mass in Recognition of Immigrants - Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, July 20, 3:30 p.m. Join Archbishop Gomez and celebrate the contribution of immigrants to our nation and Church. We will be praying in a special way for immigration reform & for the reunification of families divided by our current immigration policies.

Eugenics and Ethics Conference - **July 26**, 8-5 at the Cathedral, \$40/person. Topic: "*Designer Babies - Whose Design.*" Register at la-archdiocese.org

San Pedro Region dinner for Vocations to the Priesthood - Young men interested in the seminary are invited to St. Pancratius on July 27, 5:00 p.m. Please call Angelic Nunez, 562-634-0456.

"The bread of charity is life itself for the needy." Sir 35:21

Homeless Kit Drive – Thank you to all who contributed to our homeless kit drive the past two weekends and to Peter Baine



and Pia Peralta for coordinating the drive for us. These, along with a substantial supply of food, will be distributed to the homeless by our St. Joseph Homeless Ministry, August 31. Would you like to help with that activity? Please contact Tina Gath at 598-5202.

August 16 -17: Food from the Heart – We will collect non -perishable food items for Catholic Charities of Long Beach. **Skip-a-Meal Donations**: These are the main financial support of our ministry. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Operation Walk

Operation Walk & Kate Baldwin need your help. Do you want to rid your closets/garages of unwanted walkers, canes and crutches? Please donate them to Operation Walk. The team is going to Vietnam and they need our help. Last year we collected over 50 pieces, so let's try for 60 this year! A box will be outside the church after all Masses on **July 19** and **20**. Or you may drop them off at the rectory (don't forget summertime hours 9-2pm) or we can pick up if you prefer. Any donation is much appreciated! Please ask your friends and neighbors for donations too. Thank you and God bless you. Kate Baldwin 562-760-5827 or 562-494-2035.

SHOP FOR A CAUSE - pick up a \$5 voucher at **Precious Life**. On **Aug. 23**, take your voucher to Macy's and save 25% all day. Savings on regular, sale and clearance items - even most brands usually excluded. **Plus** - you will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 Macy's gift certificate. **The** \$5 stays with Precious Life to support the women and their babies! Questions - 431-5025.

The Virgin of San Juan de Los Lagos will be at Saint Francis of Assisi Church, 1048 W. Ventura St., Fillmore, August 15, 16, & 17. Bring your special petitions to Our Lady of San Juan. Friday, August 15, the Assumption of Mary, Mass at 6pm. We start at the Pastoral Center with Mariachi. Friday and Saturday nights there will be music and food starting at 6PM. Candlelight procession Friday and Saturday at 8PM. Sunday - Fiesta from 10am - 4pm. We say goodbye to our lady at 3pm.

Separated, Divorced & Widowed Ministry - Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels: July 26, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. Mass, tour of the cathedral, lunch & workshop: "Lord, How Can I Know the Way?" by Fr. Patrick Hill, aimed at exploring the struggle to decide whether the path I follow is the one the Lord wants or is it just what I want. Cost \$25; RSVP by July 21. Contact: Julie Auzenne (213) 637-7249 or jmonell@la-archdiocese.org for registration form.

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Mass **Intentions**



SATURDAY, July 19

5:00 p.m. - † Maureen Arnold

SUNDAY, July 20

7:30 a.m. - † Cesar Oseguera

9:00 a.m. - † Katharine M. Lavoie

10:30 a.m. - † Don Miller 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

MONDAY, July 21

8:00 a.m. - † Martha Aimone

TUESDAY, July 22

8:00 a.m. - † John and Annie McEvilly

WEDNESDAY, July 23

8:00 a.m. - † Conrado del Rosario

THURSDAY. July 24

8:00 a.m. - † Carherine D. Vinci

FRIDAY, July 25

8:00 a.m. - † Anna Leah Cuatico

SATURDAY, July 26

5:00 p.m. - † Louie Camus

SUNDAY, July 27

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

9:00 a.m. - Paul A. Lavoie

10:30 a.m. - † Ed Merk

12:30 p.m. - † Asisclo Castaneda

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** Adam Mariano **Timothy Ring** Obinna Ugochukwu **David Waidelich** Timmy Allison **Michael Marchante** Jason Kaufmann Nicky Kaufmann Jessica Landry John Landry **Dillon Schad Kyle Shea Devin Conway**

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, 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, 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, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, Gene Ensch, Mike Brio, Bob Gomez, Bill Pearce, Noel Devine & Cindy Chadwick.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

of HOLY COMMUNION	Bill & Katie Greening	421-3997
LECTORS	Bill Smith	431-2495
USHERS	Marty Vezzetti	425-0621
ALTAR SERVERS	Stan Lawrence	430-0913
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 ED	UCATION	Nancy Lo	ongo
ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL	Nongylongo		E00 0E40
YOUTH MINISTRY/	Nancy Longo		598-0519
CONFIRMATION	Marc Leon & Lydia	a Tovar	598-0519
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Shannon Carpent	er	598-0519
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo		598-0519
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo		598-0519
SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpent	er	430-6840
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY			
FOR CHILDREN			

ADULT MINISTRY

RCIA	Rectory	594-4657
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
MINISTERS TO THE SICK		594-4657

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Anne Weaver

498-7008

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Tom & Diane Krause	310-316-3477
	www.ceeofla.org/schedule.htm	
NATURAL FAMILY		
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PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	598-5202
	Olga Cuda	594-4657
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