



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.



**The
kingdom
of heaven
is like a treasure
buried
in a field**

**Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
July 27, 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:

Sometimes we get an idea into our heads that we need to buy a certain thing or get something we do not have, and we don't stop until we get it. It is as if we become obsessed with acquiring it. Then once we get these things we forget about them or even lose interest all together and start looking for something else, because we become bored with what we already have.

It seems as if the quest to have something becomes much more important than actually having it. These things satisfy us for a moment, but our yearning returns when we realize we don't think that we have the things that apparently make other people happy.

But imagine how good it would feel if the things we wanted made us feel happy forever. Some may say that it might be finding a sincere, honest and faithful love. Others might say it is having a stable job and a way to provide our family with a better future.

All of these things are good and worthwhile and are a part of God's desire for us, as long as we're not just seeking to satisfy our own personal ambitions. For others, finding happiness means to satisfy a thirst for justice, peace and truth.

That is exactly how the kingdom of God is, according to what Jesus tells us today. The kingdom of God can be passionate, like the man who finds a treasure and leaves everything, or the man who found the pearl and sells all his possessions. This kingdom of justice, truth and peace is what changes the world. There are passionate people who are looking for this and are willing to give up everything to achieve it.

Women's Silent Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House September 5-7

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 429-7939, or Tina Gath at 598-5202 to reserve a room.

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



From Deacon Don's desk:

In our Small Church Community we will have reflected on this Sunday's readings. The "Scripture Focus" is as follows: The Gospel today speaks of true wisdom, a priceless treasure to be sought with all one's heart. In the first comparison Jesus uses, a man discovers a treasure that was so valuable that he "sold all he had and bought the field." In the second comparison a pearl merchant discovers a pearl worth more than all his other possessions. Common to both stories is the marvel of discovering such a prize and giving everything to gain possession of it. The point of both parables is that gaining the treasure of God's saving love is worth any sacrifice. Our challenge is to consider a time when a decision we made seems to be right or wrong or unwise. What made the difference in the decision?

Another question: What in your life now is most valuable to you? How do you find God present in that value?

Patience with God is FAITH. Patience with self is HOPE. Patience with others is LOVE.

Back to what I started and did not finish some months ago re: DIVINEOFFICE.org The LITURGY of the HOURS is basically based on the Psalms. Jesus Himself prayed the Psalms. Saint John Paul II said, "Through this prayer of Christ our day is sanctified, our activities transformed, our actions made holy. We pray the same psalms Jesus prayed and we become even more increasingly one with all the members of His body." It is no longer for the ordained priests, deacons, monks and religious but for ALL of us. OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, teach us how to discern Your will, how to follow it, and how to make it our own in all things, for in this lies true happiness in this world and in the next. Amen

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



*"...In resting in Me you shall be saved;
in quietness and trust shall be your strength."
--Isaiah 30:15*

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

St. Joseph Office/Rector's Summer Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-2pm

Saturday 9am-noon

Closed Sunday

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

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 **Liturgy of the Word Catechists** - Once a month during the 9am Mass. Training provided! **Registration forms for Religious Education** 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:	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]
Monday:	Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:	Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

Youth Ministry**Youth Ministry Presents: Summer Events!**

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

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

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

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

Music Ministry Fall Start-Up

10:30 Choir: It's time to join the choir! Rehearsals resume Wednesdays beginning **Sept. 3**, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the church.

Children's Choir: Open to children entering 2nd- 8th grade. First rehearsal is Sat., **Sept. 6**, 8:00 – 9:15 a.m. Children meet weekly and serve nearly once a month, mostly at the 9:00 Mass. Schedule and Registration forms available at rehearsal.

Sacred Heart World Congress, Oct. 2-5, Irvine - Singles, married, families, religious and clergy are welcome to this life-changing event. Attendees will benefit from an in-depth catechesis about the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart, a special healing service, liturgical services and tracks. Build your house on rock. Register at www.sacredheartapostolate.com or 855-677-4111.

The Virgin of San Juan de Los Lagos at Saint Francis of Assisi Church, 1048 W. Ventura St., Fillmore, **August 15, 16, & 17**. August 15, the Assumption of Mary, Mass at 6pm. Start at the Pastoral Center with Mariachi. Friday and Saturday nights - 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.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

**St. Joseph Seniors support a Catholic education.
All welcome - 55+**

Aug. 4 - Business meeting/social gathering

Aug. 18 - Ice Cream 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. Departs at 9 am sharp and returns around 4 p.m.

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.

A Ministry for Married Couples - Looking for a way to share the many blessings of married life? **Catholic Engaged Encounter** needs couples to help minister to engaged couples. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY and free training is provided! If you would like to share what you've learned as a married couple and meet a terrific community of married couples, please consider this ministry. For information, call Paciano & Molly Diaz, 310-729-5890 or visit our website www.ceeofla.org or email MollyandPaciano@gmail.com.

REUNION: St. Anthony's class of 1972 is planning a "Class of 1972 Turns 60" birthday party on **August 9, 2014**. For information please email saclass1972@aol.com or contact Bill Hanson at (714) 334-9129 or Ray Magana at (310) 600-3013.

"Love your neighbor as yourself." LK 10:27

August 16 -17: Food from the Heart - We will collect non-perishable family food items for Catholic Charities of Long Beach.

Apprentice food purchasing coordinator. Help to coordinate five, faithful St. Joseph servants of God to price-compare and purchase food, three times per year for 85 local families in need.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: These are the main financial support of our ministry. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



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 St. Joseph Parish Blood Drive, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 3629, will take place on Sunday, **August 3** from 8:15 AM to 2:30 PM in the parish hall. Sign ups will be taken today after the 9:00 and 10:30 Masses in front of the church. Also, you can sign up online at redcrossblood.org **Sponsor Code: JosephLB**

SCRC Convention - Aug. 29-31, Anaheim Convention Center. Theme: **"You are the Light of the World."** Guest speaker: Msgr. John Esseff, Blessed Mother Teresa's spiritual director. Over 40 speakers! Spiritually enriching for all ages. Info: 818-771-1361, spirit@scrc.org.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

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? Road to priesthood involves a rigorous formation process - Seminary formation involves more than academic study. Prior to ordination, a candidate goes through a lengthy evaluation period, including an internship during which he lives in a rectory and works with priests, staff and parishioners. During this time, the candidate is judged as to his suitability to be a priest. No one is ordained unless the staff of St. John's Seminary concludes that the candidate has attained an emotional, psychological and sexual maturity appropriate for his age and for the celibate life of a priest. For more information, visit www.lavocations.org or call the Office for Vocations, (213) 637-7248.

Mass Intentions



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

MONDAY, July 28

8:00 a.m. - † John M. Stewart

TUESDAY, July 29

8:00 a.m. - Joyce and Milt Frugoli

WEDNESDAY, July 30

8:00 a.m. - Helen Tyler

THURSDAY, July 31

8:00 a.m. - Margaret Nees

FRIDAY, August 1

8:00 a.m. - Susan Beaubier

SATURDAY, August 2

5:00 p.m. - † Michael Williams

SUNDAY, August 3

7:30 a.m. - † Michael Samuelson

9:00 a.m. - † John Christie, Jr.

10:30 a.m. - † John M. Stewart

12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

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
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 Vaughn, Steve Ferris, Tamara Smith, Alexis Persyko, Evelyn Priddy, Marian O'Donnell, Teresa Stewart, Eloisa Mariano, Laverne Kelly, Billie Lamb, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, Gene Ensich, Mike Brio, Bob Gomez, Bill Pearce, Noel Devine, Cindy Chadwick & Dick Vickers.

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 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		

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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Anne Weaver	498-7008
FINANCE COUNCIL	Moses Bass	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660

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