



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.

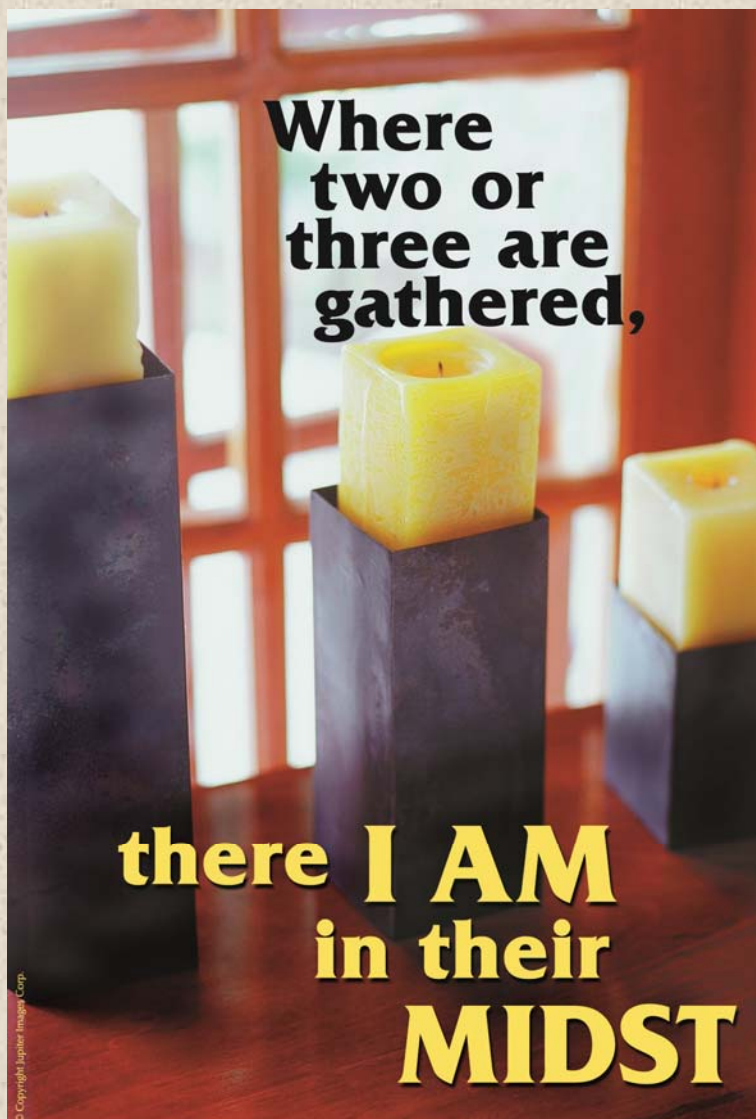
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



**Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 7, 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:

Today's Gospel has sometimes been called the "Community Rule Book." It gives instructions on how people within the family of the Church should relate to one another.

In our passage today we hear Jesus' instructions on how to deal with conflict within the community. The basic principle is to do everything you possibly can to reach a reconciliation, to keep the lines of communication open.

But, if people persist in unresolved conflict after the whole community has rejected their actions, then they are in fact separating themselves from the Church, they are cutting themselves off. And this is acknowledged in the Gospel today. Not to punish them, but to bring them back to the right path. This attitude might seem a little harsh, but the purpose is reconciliation, not vengeance.

Genuine love for neighbor refuses to be in cahoots with wrongdoing through silence or inaction. Deep love requires real courage, because it can be misunderstood and can easily lead to hostility and rejection.

Whether it means opposing individuals or governments, or society's values or sinful economic structures, the challenge of the gospel means that Christians need to love enough to be able to speak uncomfortable truths sometimes, but to speak them in humility and with courage.

And the good news of the Gospel is that when we do that, we know that Christ promises to be there with us.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Monday:	Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

"Jesus is Lord" BIBLE STUDY starting up again!

Sept. 9 Tuesday 9:00 a.m. and **Sept. 11** Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Topic: Book of John – this semester.

Come and learn through the Powerful and Relevant teachings by Fr. Jim Nisbet as he leads us on a journey through this fascinating book. (Great Fellowship, too!)

Information: Rita Smith 562- 533-1243

GOOD GRIEF - Fun and faith-filled Bereavement Team looking for help. We need you! St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry will kick off our (2014/15) season on Thursday, September 4 at 7pm in the PAC. Any questions, call Charlotte 552-999-6725. Please come and join us!



From Deacon Don's desk:

Ten Secrets to Happiness, continued:

#6 Find Innovative Ways to Create Dignified Jobs for Youth: If you want to bless a young person, don't just tell that person he or she is wonderful. Don't just admire youthful beauty and energy.

Give a young person your job! Or, at least, work actively to help him or her to find meaningful work. This will help to bless that person and bring a special happiness to your own life.

#7 Respect and Take Care of Nature: The air we breathe out is the air we will re-inhale. This is true spirituality, psychologically and ecologically. We can't be whole and happy when Mother Earth is stripped of her wholeness. Christ came to save the world **not** just the people in it. Our salvation, like our happiness, is tied to the way we treat the earth. It is immoral to slap another person in the face, and so it is immoral too to throw our trash into the face of Mother Earth.

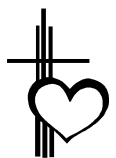
#8 Stop Being Negative: Needing to talk badly about others indicates low self-esteem. **Negative thoughts feed unhappiness** and bad self-image. **Positive** thoughts feed happiness and healthy self-esteem.

#9. Don't Attempt to Convert Another's Belief: Respect other's beliefs. What we cherish and put our faith into grows "by attraction, **not** by proselytizing." Beauty is the one thing no one can argue with. Cherish your values, but always act towards others with graciousness, charity and respect.

#10 Work for Peace: Peace is more than absence of war, and working for peace means more than **not** causing disharmony. Peace like war must be waged actively by working for justice, equality and an ever-wider inclusivity in what makes up our family. Waging peace is a perennial struggle to stretch hearts, ours and others, to accept that in God's house **there are many rooms and that all faiths**, not the least **our own**, are meant to be a **house of prayer for all peoples**.

OUR PRAYER: Lord Jesus, true light of the world, You guide all people to salvation. Give us the courage, strength and grace to build a work of justice and peace, ready for the coming of the kingdom, where You live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

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



**"You are a dwelling place for the
source of all life."**

-Macrina Wiedirkehr

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

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 register for 1st Communion! For Confirmation! For Religious Education – grades 1 – 8! Registration forms for Religious Education are available on the Website, www.stjosephlb.org/religious-education at the entrances to the

church, at the rectory and the PAC. Classes begin **September 28!** Confirmation Parent Orientation is **October 5.** Middle School begins Tuesday, **October 7.** It would be great if you could register by September 8 – to make sure we have enough resources!

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.



St. Joseph Book Club - Our book this quarter is "My Life with the Saints" by Father James Martin, S.J. Fr. Martin doesn't just give the ordinary biography, rather he introduces the saints to the reader as one might

introduce a friend or companion. He shares both aspirations and frustrations held in common with each. Our discussion will be held on Wednesday, **Oct. 1** at 7pm in the PAC. We will be selling the books for \$15 in the PAC. For further information you may contact Nancy Longo at the Religious Education office or e-mail Virginia Young at ginny67@gmail.com or check out the Adult Faith Formation page on our St. Joseph Website.

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.

Adult Confirmation - If you have not been confirmed and would like to be, please call the rectory office for information on classes available.

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.

Music Ministry Fall Start-Up

10:30 Choir: It's time to join the choir! Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in the church.

Children's Choir: Open to children entering 2nd - 8th grade. Rehearsals Saturdays 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 at rehearsal.



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

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

**Martin Rothschild
Donald Ashcraft**



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Are you grieving: the loss of a loved one, a painful divorce or separation, a recent job loss / layoff, or an economic related stress? You do not have to carry this "emotional burden" alone, there is caring help available! A Parish Grief Support Group, sponsored by your St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry, will begin on Monday, **September 15** at 7:00 pm in the PAC Chapel and will run for nine weeks. Practical, emotional, spiritual and social support will be offered to all parishioners free of charge. (Note: There will be a small charge for associated materials.) To register or for further information please call: Deacon Tom or Pat Halliwell at (562) 799-0921.

A Ministry for Married Couples - Looking for a way to share the many blessings of married life? **Catholic Engaged Encounter** needs married couples to help minister to engaged couples. **No experience necessary** and free training is provided! For more information, please call Paciano & Molly Diaz, 310-729-5890, or visit our website www.cceofla.org or email MollyandPaciano@gmail.com.



St. Joseph's Heartbeat God ♥ all

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

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.

"Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet." Jn 13:5

Sept. 20-21 - Ministry Fair – Please stop by our table to learn about MANY fulfilling opportunities to serve those of our community in need.

Sept. 25 – Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the PAC.

Come share ideas and help us coordinate our 28th year of ministry.

Oct. 4-5 – Feed-a-Baby food drive. Donations will benefit Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Our holiday support of 65 local families is just around the corner! Skip-a-Meal donations support our ministry. A shortfall in donations affected our level of support last year.

Questions? Please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



Trips - Trips - More Trips

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.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Bundle Sunday -

On **Sept. 28** please bring your *usable* clothing and *usable* household items. Please help assist the needy. They are in great need of furniture and large appliances. Please phone 323-224-6280 for free pick up of large items.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Sept. 17 - Ss. Peter & Paul, Wilmington, 310-834-5574

Sept. 20 - St. Margaret Mary Alacoeque, Lomita, 310-326-3364

Sept. 30 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, L.A. 323-585-4485

Did You Know? There are easy-to-use child safety resources to help protect children - Nearly 800,000 children are reported missing each year. By working together we can help reduce the incidents of missing and exploited children across the United States. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children offers easy-to-use safety resources in English and Spanish to help parents and guardians protect children. For more information, visit the NCMEC website: www.missingkids.com. For particular help, please call the Victims Assistance Ministry, (213) 637-7650.

Fourth Annual Grand Marian Procession and Votive Mass for Our Lady of the Angels - All are invited to the procession in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary on **September 13** to celebrate the 233rd Anniversary of the City of Los Angeles, which is named after our Blessed Mother, Our Lady Queen of Angels. Join Archbishop José H. Gomez and the Queen of Angels Foundation starting at 3pm for a blessing and invocation at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church at La Placita Olvera, followed by a processional parade highlighted with banners, flags, color guards and bagpipers. The procession will conclude with a Rosary and Votive Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels celebrated by Archbishop Gomez. For more information, please call (213) 687-2645, visit: www.thequeenofangels.com or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/queenofangelsfoundation

Human trafficking: Human Trafficking is the fastest growing crime in the United States and its effects are being felt in every community. According to the Center for Missing and Exploited Children, over 100,000 kids under the age of 18 will become victims this year in the U.S. Long Beach has been named as one of the top cities in the U.S. for Trafficking. On the weekend of **Sept. 27 & 28**, Susan Patterson, author of the book "How You Can Fight Human Trafficking" will be speaking after all the Masses letting us know how to protect the most likely victims which are homeless teens and foster kids. Pope Francis has expressed to Catholics that the trafficking of persons is a "crime against humanity and must be stopped." In order to stop it, we need to understand this issue, so we know what actions to take. There will be a presentation by Susan Patterson for all those interested in finding out more regarding what one can do to fight human trafficking. Included in the meeting will be a section on how to protect our own children from becoming victims. Given how clever the Traffickers are at tricking kids, it is important that every parent be there. This meeting is for adults and teens 16 and older.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 6

5:00 p.m. - † William and Dorothy Burfield

SUNDAY, September 7

7:30 a.m. - † Grace Henning

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Nick D'Amore

12:30 p.m. - † Mimi Bloeser

MONDAY, September 8

8:00 a.m. - Naurida Neder, Thanksgiving

TUESDAY, September 9

8:00 a.m. - † Susan Wilhelm

WEDNESDAY, September 10

8:00 a.m. - Zeny Tupas

THURSDAY, September 11

8:00 a.m. - † Patricia Garland

FRIDAY, September 12

8:00 a.m. - † Edmund Cortez

SATURDAY, September 13

5:00 p.m. - † Botelho & Salvate families

SUNDAY, September 14

7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Nicholas D'Amore

12:30 p.m. - Kara & Chris Cobb

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, Vinny Petronio, Autumn Majors, Gary Hillebrecht, Gene Adam, Nelson Molina, Adam Duntze, Charles Schad, Karen Muccino, Claudia Reasoner, Olga Kocovar, Joanne Rossello, Robert Taylor, baby Enzo Esparza, Mary Clair Preasant, Phil Gray, George Frank, Karen Grice, Ged Hay, Eileen Bentley, Linda Vaughn, Steve Ferris, Alexis Persyko, Marian O'Donnell, Teresa Stewart, Eloisa Mariano, Laverne Kelly, Billie Lamb, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, Gene Ensch, Mike Brio, Bob Gomez, Bill Pearce, Noel Devine, Cindy Chadwick, Dick Vickers, Lydia Tovar, Nadia Garcia, Estella Exacoustos, Carrie Collodel, Jack Davis, Dennis Richards & John Cuneen.

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
ADMINISTRATIVE 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	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	420-1877
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 Muñoz & 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