



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-eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
October 12, 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:

In today's Gospel, God invites sinners and pagans to the wedding feast instead of those who were first invited and rejected the invitation. The last part of the parable is a description of what will happen to those who aren't properly dressed for the occasion.

The wedding garment mentioned in the gospel is not really clothing but it represents the good works that always go hand in hand with our faith. You see, our good works are the result of our faith put into action. Without faith and the good works that flow from our faith, no one is ready for the feast of heaven.

Jesus intended this parable of the wedding feast to persuade his audience and us to be ready to accept his teaching on the kingdom of heaven and not to delay. Because we are human however, each one of us has the potential to decline God's invitation to believe the gospel and put it into practice. All that waits for those who reject the message outright is a self-inflicted unhappiness. This is not the will of Jesus, who offers salvation to all.

My hope and prayer for each of us is that we accept the invitation to the wedding feast because eternal happiness is the gift given to those who believe and accept the Good News and act on it.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]
Monday:	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
Sunday:	Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Capital Campaign for Parish Life Center remodel -

We are well on our way in achieving our goal of renovation. So far, we have \$110,150 pledged, over a third of our goal. There are pledge envelopes in the church and rectory office if you would like to pick one up and add your pledge. Thank you and may God continue to bless all of us as we go forward on our journey of faith.

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



"By waiting and by calm you shall be saved; in quiet and in trust your strength lies."
-Is 30:15b

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



From Deacon Don's desk:

Isaiah's first reading gives us **hope**. "This is the Lord for whom we longed...rejoice and be glad that He has saved us!" He will take away the veil that keeps us from seeing Him. We will recognize Him as "Our God." "He will destroy death forever!"

You all know Psalm 23 (known by the opening "The Lord is my shepherd"). It has been suggested that we should read it and meditate on it.

We come to the Gospel. A priest once said: "Since early days the wedding banquet was a metaphor for two things: "the Eucharist and Eternal life." But the banquet in this Gospel is less concerned with the meal and more about who's **in** and who is **out** and why! So what does this have to do with us today? It's not about how one dressed for Mass or for eternal life. It's about being poor enough to recognize the gift of God in the invitation to **faith** and generous enough to respond completely. For taking care of what we say and do, the values by which we live our lives at home, work and the way we relate to each other **and** how we show that we mean what we profess. It's also how others judge us whether we are genuine about our faith or just an impostor."

Quote of the day: If we put **faith, hope and love** together we can raise positive children in a negative world.

OUR PRAYER: Lord Jesus, let us realize that the **rosary** is a meditation on Your Holy Mysteries in concert with Your Mother, Mary. Help us to recite the Rosary daily during this Month of the Holy Rosary. Amen

PS: We have Rosary every Thursday evening at 7:30 at the Gabe and Jessie Tostado home. The devotion is to Our Lady of Fatima for peace in our world.



Women and Men of St. Joseph Parish

Is your heart on fire for Christ? Is it filled with the Holy Spirit or 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). Contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or OCCursillo.org

"Jesus is Lord" BIBLE STUDY has started again!

Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. and Thursdays at 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

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



Early childhood – 9am – 10am
1st Communion thru 5th Grades -
Sundays 10:30-11:45 am.
Confirmation begins today, Oct 12
at 11:00am through 12:30pm Mass.
Middle School - Tuesdays 7-8pm
Sunday Nursery: Available during
 9:00 & 10:30 Masses. Closed on most holidays.

ANNUAL CROP HUNGER WALK - Once again **St. Joseph Parish** will be participating in the **Long Beach Area Crop Hunger Walk on Sunday, Oct 26**. The start/finish will be at St. Cyprian's, 4714 Clark Ave, Long Beach 90808. Registration: 1-2:30pm. Pep Rally: 2-2:30 pm (our own Marc Leon) and we begin our walk at 2:30pm.

There will be only a 5K walk (3.1 miles) route this year, perfect for all age groups. Charities benefitted include Catholic Charities, Centro Shalom, St. Francis Ctr, Christian Outreach in Action, We Care and Su Casa Family Crisis & Support Ctr. Sponsored by Church World Service and the South Coast Interfaith Council.

We are in a "friendly" competition with St. Cyprian to raise the most money! Please help us out by becoming a Walker.

The information on the CROP Walk Envelopes is to be completed before you come to the Walk. If you need help, please see Nancy Longo or Marc Leon. They are at the exits of the church with the information flyers. More information on our website.

Virtus Training for those who work with our children but have not taken the **Safeguard the Children** classes or who need to renew. All teachers, catechists, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers, etc. need to take the class as mandated by the archdiocese. Please call our Religious Ed office to sign up, 598-0519.

Protecting God's Children, for those who have never taken the class, **Oct. 15, 6:30-9:30 p.m.** in the hall.

Keeping the Promise Alive, for those who need to be recertified, **Oct. 14, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** in the hall.

Virtus at Our Lady of Refuge - for those who have not yet had training, Sunday, **Oct. 26, 1:30 - 4:30**, or Thursday, **Oct. 30, 6:00 - 9:00**. Both will be held in the auditorium. Please call 562-597-3102 to register.

Requiem Mass For Children Lost to Miscarriage and Stillbirth Oct. 25, 10:00 a.m., St. Therese Church, Alhambra, 91801. Whether you and your family have suffered the loss recently or long ago, please join us for this special Mass where we will honor your family members that have been lost to miscarriage and stillbirth. For information call: Catherine Contreras 213.435.3942 or Katrina Crow 626.733.2297. Light refreshments will be provided in the church hall after the Mass.

18th Annual Memorial Mass

The month of November has always been a special time for remembering in prayer our loved ones who have died. As this time approaches, we would like to support those who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

We invite you, your family and friends to join with our Saint Joseph community for the eighteenth annual Memorial Mass to be celebrated in our church on Sunday, November 2 at 4:00 p.m.

The name of your loved one will be inscribed on our Scroll and in our parish "Book of Life" and each will remain on display, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, for the month of November.

Following Mass, there will be a "potluck" in our parish hall. Please bring a dish (hot or cold) for approximately six people. We look forward to seeing you on Nov. 2.

For further information please call Charlotte 439-7733 or Dave 429-3316.

Middle School Youth Ministry -

Kickoff – Friday, Oct 17 - \$20. Get information on the St. Joseph Website.

On-The-Edge Middle School Youth Ministry Night – Tuesday, **Oct 28** in the hall. Open for all 6-7-8th graders. Free. Bring your friends. All are welcome!

High School Youth Ministry –

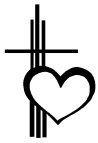
Revelation Night – Wednesday, Oct 15 from 7:30-8:30 in the Parish Hall. Open for all high school teens. Free. Bring your friends.

The Word (Teen Bible Study) Thursday, Oct 16 from 7-8:15 in the PAC. Open for all high school teens. Come and study the Word of God together.

Inspiration – Magic Mountain – Saturday, November 8 – We leave St. Joseph at 9am. We will return to the St. Joe Parking Lot at 10:15. \$50 for full park access and \$15 for chaperones who won't ride on the rides, but will attend the Inspiration Mass and Event.

Our parish is in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Have you felt a calling to provide service to your parish community? You may want to consider serving your community by sharing the love of Jesus with others. If this is a calling that you have felt, then please consider the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion ministry, sharing the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ with your fellow parishioners.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and be current with regards to VIRTUS training. Ministers may choose at which Mass they would prefer to serve and how often. There will be a training session for new ministers on Monday evening, October 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Please call Bill or Katie Greening, 562-421-3997, or the rectory, 562-594-4657, if you have any questions.



ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

**We support a Catholic education.
Come join us!! Bring a friend!!**

Oct. 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

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.
November 11 - Day trip to Pechanga Indian Casino, \$30 per person (\$20 back in slot play). Departs at 8 am, returns at around 6 pm. Payment due latest Oct. 20 or when signing up.

In the Spring, a cruise up the California, Oregon and Washington coast to Vancouver Canada. More info to follow. . .

Come join Italian Catholic Federation for October

Fest! Saturday October 25 at St Cornelius in the Large Hall. Dinner served at 6pm and entertainment continues until 10pm. Tickets: \$10 adults and \$5 children under 12. All proceeds to benefit the seminarians in Los Angeles Diocese. Please contact Stephanie Hardy to RSVP or with questions, 562-544-2222 or hardy_s@msn.com

Calling all Married Couples - If you are married and enjoy being Catholic, how would you and your spouse like to share your Sacrament of Matrimony with engaged couples preparing for marriage? No experience necessary and free training provided based on your busy lifestyle. Please call Paciano & Molly Diaz, 310-729-5890 or visit www.CEEofLA.org or email MollyandPaciano@gmail.com

Our Lady of Guadalupe and Mexico Pilgrimage

Nov. 17-23 - Join Fr. Agustin Barco, Fr. Carl Bell and our group of pilgrims to honor Our Blessed Mother on her apparition anniversary. For detailed itinerary and reservation, please contact Claudia Venegas at claudia@holysitetours.com or (714)414-2038 and/or Ronald Haller at ronaldhallertravel@gmail.com or (714)746-4199.

"And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me."

MT 18:5

Feed-a-Baby food drive. Thanks to all who generously supported last weekend's Feed-a-Baby Food

Drive! Parishioners donated eight thirteen gallon bags of baby food and other baby products and \$1,170. Cash donations were used to buy additional baby food and products as requested by Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of L.B.

Nov. 1-9 - Blanket Drive for our Thanksgiving Food and Gift distribution

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during our holiday support of 65 local families. A shortfall last year limited our ability to provide our normal level of support. Would you like to share in our ministry? Please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



World Mission Sunday - next weekend we are invited to reach out and help build local churches throughout the Missions, in the most remote areas across our world. Through the work of these churches, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love, mercy, hope and peace. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and give generously. For more information, please visit www.missionsla.org

St. Joseph High School Fright Festival Oct. 18, 10a.m. - 10p.m., 5825 Woodruff Ave., Lakewood - classic car show, pumpkin patch, jumpers, games prizes, delicious food, live entertainment and beer and wine garden.



Kids are back to school - is the juggling act wearing you down? Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and return home with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Renew your sacrament now!

Weekends take place in a local hotel and all sharing is private with your spouse. Presentations made by married couples and a priest teach communication tools and more! Next weekend is **Nov. 7-9**. To learn more, visit www.ilovemyspouse.net or call Sarah & Jacob Flores, 562-923-7335.

Did You Know? Learn to stop inappropriate activity before it happens

- Teach your child to respect the word "stop!" Teach your preschooler that "stop" means "stop," and that your child has the right to stop people from touching his or her body. Obviously, exceptions will have to be made for doctors and parents, but even parents must listen when a child doesn't want to be tickled or hugged anymore. Reinforcing this excellent lesson gives your child the power to recognize -- and to stop -- "bad touching" by others if it should happen.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, October 11

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

SUNDAY, October 12

7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault

9:00 a.m. - † Mimi Bloeser

10:30 a.m. - † Don Miller

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

MONDAY, October 13

8:00 a.m. - † Dorothy Buskey

TUESDAY, October 14

8:00 a.m. - † Bob Miller

WEDNESDAY, October 15

8:00 a.m. - † Lannie Fiamengo

THURSDAY, October 16

8:00 a.m. - † Eileen O'Leary

FRIDAY, October 17

8:00 a.m. - † Michael Alomia

SATURDAY, October 18

5:00 p.m. - † Zdzislaw Hauser

SUNDAY, October 19

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

9:00 a.m. - Patricia Berry

10:30 a.m. - † Clara Ayala

12:30 p.m. - † Arlie Padias

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, Eileen Bentley, Linda Vaughn, Steve Ferris, Alexis Persyko, 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, Lydia Tovar, Nadia Garcia, Estella Exacoustos, Carrie Collodel, Jack Davis, Dennis Richards, John Cuneen, Jean Laybourne, Duane Studer, Janeen Higbee, Patricia Berry, Jay Kefalas & Marian Steins.

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	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:

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

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