

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

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RECTORY

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**Office Hours** 

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**SUNDAY MASSES** 

Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 a.m. and 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:** 

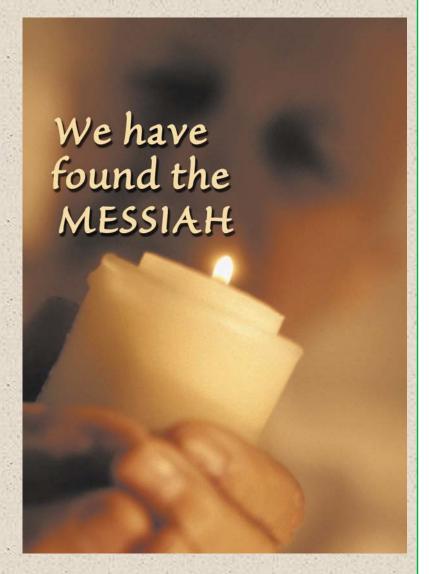
**Saturdays:** 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

**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.



Second Sunday of Ordinary Time January 18, 2015

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:

The idea of staying and remaining with someone occurs forty times in John's Gospel. It is used to express the close relationship between the Father and the Son and also the closeness of Jesus the Son with his followers. It is by be-

ing with the Son that we come to know him, to follow him, to believe in him and to receive the gift of his eternal life.

We all need the experience of staying with Christ to become his true followers. But how can we experience this? We can be with him in his word and in his sacrament. When we listen to the scriptures and receive Him in the Eucharist we are allowing Jesus to speak to us and open our eyes.

The important thing is to have a wider perspective about our life. Some lives may seem humdrum and insignificant, but each life enriches the kingdom of God. When we follow Christ in this way we become who we are called to be, a human being fully alive, and then we show others the glory of God.

#### Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:





#### **WOMEN'S MEDITATION**

Every Monday 2:30-3:00 p.m. **Starting Jan. 26** in the Church

"My sheep hear my voice and I know them and they follow me." --John 10:27

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



"Slow down and enjoy the journey in my presence." --Jesus Calling

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

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42 Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;

Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12, *or* 

any of a number of readings for the Day of

Praver

Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;

Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31;

Mk 1:14-20

## From Deacon Don's desk:



**Eucharistic Adoration** on January 1 gave me a pleasant surprise. It was the first day of the new year! Who would venture out after a day of Rose Parade, football etc.? Well there were eight of us including new faces. It reminds me of the Dan Ra-

ther interview with Blessed Mother Teresa. It went like this: Rather to Mother Teresa: "What do you say to God when you pray?" Blessed Teresa answering quietly, "I listen." Taken aback, Rather tried again, "Well, then, what does God say?" Blessed Teresa smiled and said, "He listens." In the first reading for this Sunday, Samuel receives a revelation when Eli instructs Samuel to respond to God's call. Samuel says, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."

Only John's Gospel includes John the Baptist who points out Jesus and calls Him the "Lamb of God." The first words of Jesus according to John, "What are you looking for?" are a challenge and an invitation to us and the disciples.

Our challenge: C. S. Lewis writes, "The moment you wake up each morning...all your wishes and hopes for the day rush at you like wild animals. The first job of the morning consists in shoving them all back, in listening to that other voice, taking that other point of view, letting that larger, stronger, quieter life come flowing in." Spend time with Him in silence. Many married couples learn the treasure of shared silence without need to fill the air with constant talk. "Be still and know that I am God!"....Ps.46:11

OUR PRAYER: God our Father, You have given us the **Eucharist** as our food for the journey. Help us to partake of it often and so be strengthened for our pilgrimage on earth. Amen



#### 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 weekend is unlike anything you've ever experienced. Cursillos run from Thursday evening thru Sunday. The next Cursillo weekends begin January 22 and April 30 (Women) and April 16 (Men). Contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or OCCursillo.org

#### Capital Campaign for Parish Life Center remodel -

We are well on our way in achieving our goal of renovation. So far, we have \$222,403 pledged, almost two thirds of our goal. There are pledge envelopes in church, and in the rectory office, if you would like to pick one up and add your pledge. Let's make it 100% participation! Thank you and may God continue to bless you all.

**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

Religious Education –1st Communion! Thru 5th Grades, Sundays 10:30-11:45 am.

Confirmation is at 11:00am through 12:30pm Mass. Middle School is on Tuesdays from 7-8pm

#### **Important Religious Education Dates:**

Congratulations to all our children who received their 1st Reconciliation this week! There were 58 children in the school and church who received this beautiful sacrament of God's mercy and love. When was the last time you came to this Sacrament? Let's continue to draw closer to God by turning from sin and asking God for His forgiveness!

**1-18** - 9am Family Mass followed by Community Pot Luck in the Hall!

1-25 – No Classes – School Open House

2-15 – Operation Rice Bowl Begins

**2-22** – Religious Education Open House! Why is on-going Religious Education important for all of us? Find out this weekend!

**Confirmation 2 Youth** will be on their Retreat this weekend and coming back for Rite of Acceptance at 12:30 Mass – Please keep them in your prayers.

**Confirmation 1 Youth** will be on their retreat the weekend of **February 27-March 1**. Please pray for them.

#### **Sacrament Preparation Parent Night**

Monday, **February 9** – for all parents. Do you want to have a better understanding of the Mass? Often we go through the motions at Mass without an appreciation for what has really happened. Fr. Jim will be explaining the behind the scenes of the Mass for us this evening. All are welcome! 6-7:30pm.

**Adult Faith Formation Survey** on-line: Please take a couple of minutes to complete it – so we can offer great opportunities for faith growth for you! Check out our website for the link: http://www.stjosephlb.org/adult-ministry/



# Holy Grounds CAFE – Are you busy? Stressed? Overburdened?

Everyone thinks others have their "faith act" all together! Guess what? We are all in the same boat....none of us has our

faith all together...we are all on a journey - some of us even have sinking boats!!! We need each other to laugh with, to lean on and to grow with. Let's come together in unity to share our prayer for our families and share ways we can help each other and our families grow closer to God! Come and enjoy coffee, donuts and sharing faith with other adults in the Parish Life Center, Sundays **from 10:40 - 11:40**.

Feb 1 Topic: Mom's Prayer Group

Feb 8 Topic: How to Make Sunday Scriptures relevant to

my life

Feb 15 Topic: Preparing for Lent– Ideas for Home

#### Middle School Youth Ministry

On-The-Edge Middle School Youth Ministry Night – Tuesday, January 27 On the Day You Were Born for all 6-7-8<sup>th</sup> graders. Free. Bring your friends. All are welcome! In the PAC!

**High School Youth Ministry** 

XLT – January 22 from 7-8:30pm - Adoration, Music (The Jacob and Matthew Band) and Speaker, Marc Leon. Free - All ages are welcome! From Middle School through 99!

<u>The Word (Bible Study for Teens)</u> on Thursdays from 7:00-8:15pm



Please Join Boy Scout Troop
120 for our Annual Pancake
Breakfast!! Sunday, February 1,
8am – Noon. Ticket Price \$4.00.
Hope to see you there!

Los Angeles Religious Education Congress March 12, (Youth Day), March 13 - 15 Anaheim Convention Center, sponsored by the Office of Religious Education at the Archdiocese of L.A. A variety of opportunities for personal faith enrichment, prayer and entertainment, 310 workshops covering many topics. Enjoy morning praise, evening liturgies and a variety of concerts. Access the book on line and register by visiting www.RECongress.org. To obtain a Registration Guidebook contact our religious education office or call the RECongress information line at (213) 637-7348.

#### "Jesus is Lord" BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Topic: Book of John

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

**We need your help!** We need a small group (4/5) people who can give an hour or two per week to keep our beautiful church looking clean and dusted at all times. It would entail very light cleaning but done on a regular/consistent basis. Can you help? Call Sr. Eva at the parish office, 594-4657.

Men's Monthly Speaker Series Sponsored by Men's Group of St. Cornelius Presenter: Father Jim Clarke, Thursday, January 29, 6:00 - 9:00 PM, Taco Bar included, St. Cornelius Large Hall. RSVP by Tuesday Jan. 27 to Kevin O'Keefe at menofstcornelius@gmail.com

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# ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

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

Jan. 19 - Social/game gatherings

Feb. 2 & 16 - Social/game gatherings

Mar. 2 & 16 - Social/game gatherings

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**

Jan. 27 - Warner Brothers Studios - Visit the world of stardom! VIP tour starts with gift shop, Starbucks and gelato on the way to the back lots. Go behind the scenes of film production. Walk onto the set of a hit TV show and much more. Lunch on your own at the Studio Playa Café. Conclude with a stop at Farmer's Market before heading home. Final payment of \$85 due January 19. Bus will leave the church parking lot at 9:00 a.m.

Apr. 25 - May 2 - Bon Voyage! Seven day wine country coastal cruise on Princess Cruise Line. Destination: Santa Barbara, San Francisco, Astoria, Oregon, Victoria B.C. and Vancouver B.C., Canada. Port of departure - L.A. (San Pedro), return from Vancouver by air to Long Beach Airport. Fare: \$549 - 2299 + port fees, gov. fees and tax. (Ins. available) Deposit \$200. Air fare to Long Beach \$100-200. Questions - call Gerry 562-420-3220.

May 11 - Santa Barbara via Amtrak - Day trip. Train Ride via Amtrak to Santa Barbara, lunch at By Roadhouse, city tour with local guide of Santa Barbara. Enjoy scenic motorcoach ride home. \$95/person. Pick up at church parking lot. Leave 7:30 am, return ~6:30 pm. Sign up required by March 10 for Amtrak. Final payment due March 10. Sign up now.

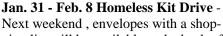
#### **Fingerprinting Schedule**

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment: Jan. 20 - Holy Trinity, San Pedro, 310-548-6535 Jan. 28 - St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower, 562-920-7796

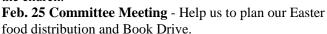
Did You Know? Instagram: Photo and Video Posting

**Dangers for Young People -** Teens and tweens frequently post photos online using their cell phones. One of the most popular mobile applications (apps) for photo sharing is called Instagram. Instagram allows members to digitally edit, upload and share photos and short videos with other members through the Instagram website, email, and other social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Foursquare, Tumbler, and Flickr—all with a single click. The biggest danger for young people is that the photos and videos that they are posting on Instagram are accessible to countless unintended viewers...which means the images can be viewed by anyone in the world. For complete VIRTUS® Article with helpful tips email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

"He who has compassion on the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his good deed." Prov: 20:17



ping list will be available at the back of the church.



St. Joseph

**Skip-a-Meal Donations** - Support our weekly lunches for Catholic Charities and St. Francis Center, and our Easter food and gift distribution. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Want to learn the secret to living your marriage sacrament freely, totally, faithfully and fruitfully? Come learn Natural Family Planning; it's highly effective and can do wonders for your relationship. A new class series starts January 24. To learn more visit www.ccli.org or contact Greg and Beth Gath at bethandgreg@verizon.net or 562-377-5877.

FREE PIZZA TO VOLUNTEERS! Your talent is needed. Please join us at Cirivello's Pizza Jan 21 at 6:30 pm in the private room next to the bar to help plan, organize and lead the 2015 St. Joseph Parish Fair April 17-19. Come learn where your talents are needed. Cirivello's is located at 4115 North Viking Way in Long Beach (Bellflower & Carson). Questions contact siparishfair@gmail.com

Catholic Schools Week: January 25 - 31: "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service" Join us on Sunday, January 25 for St. Joseph Catholic School's Open House and Junior High Science Fair from 10 am - Noon. Applications for the 2015-2016 school year are currently available on-line at: www.sjknights.net

- St. Joseph Catholic School is accepting applications for Kindergarten and our new Transitional Kindergarten (Alpha-K) for the 2015-2016 school year. Applicants for Kindergarten must turn 5 years old by August 31, 2015. Applicants for Alpha-K must turn 4 years old by August 31, 2015. Alpha-K:
- Emphasizes developmental readiness skills with a handson approach to curriculum
- Focuses on Kindergarten readiness
- Students receive daily instruction in religion and attend Mass weekly
- Offers a half-day (7:50-11:50 am) or full-day (7:50 am 3:00 pm), 5-days-per-week program
- Extended daycare is available until 5:30 pm

Please call our school office at 596-6115 or send an email to igianessi@siknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our principal.

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# Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, January 17

5:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

SUNDAY, January 18

7:30 a.m. - † Ray Litzinger

9:00 a.m. - † Patricia Nesvold

10:30 a.m. - † Karin VanDerwood

12:30 p.m. - † Dixie Carner

MONDAY, January 12

8:00 a.m. - † Warren Flinn

TUESDAY, January 13

8:00 a.m. - † Paul Lavoie

WEDNESDAY, January 14

8:00 a.m. - † Paul Lavoie

THURSDAY, January 15

8:00 a.m. - † John De Ruyter

FRIDAY, January 16

8:00 a.m. - † Bernie Hodowski SATURDAY, January 17

5:00 p.m. - † Ronnie Lowen

SUNDAY, January 18

7:30 a.m. - Duane & Jean Studer 65th Anniversary

9:00 a.m. - † Edward Beardsley 10:30 a.m. -† Nicholas D'Amore

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 Rav 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.

Help support our school by clipping "Box Tops for Education" and "Labels for Education" labels. Collection boxes are in the back of the Church. Thank you!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .** Eugene Dryer, Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Kim Agee, Marlene Sargeant, Mary Jane McCormick, Sheila Corry, Gary Hillebrecht, Karen Muccino, Olga Kocevar, Eileen Bentley, Laverne Kelly, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, Gene Ensch, Mike Brio, Noel Devine, Duane Studer, Janeen Higbee, Patricia Berry, Jay Kefalas, Marian Steins, Stacey Marcus, Shirley Morasse, Magali & Wendy Sapien, Bill Whitt, Anna Osorio Kathy June, Jordynn Seckington & Butch LaBash.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** 

of HOLY COMMUNION Bill & Katie Greening 421-3997 LECTORS Bill Smith 431-2495 **USHERS** Marty Vezzetti 425-0621 **ALTAR SERVERS** 430-0913 Stan Lawrence **DIRECTOR of MUSIC** Vivian Doughty 422-5430 ALTAR CARE 594-4657 Rectory **CHURCH SACRISTANS** Lily & Joe Dang 493-2198 (sister & brother)

#### 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 598-0519 Marc Leon **EARLY CHILDHOOD** 598-0519 **Shannon Carpenter** LITURGY/CHILDREN Nancy Longo 598-0519 RCIC (Children) 598-0519 Nancy Longo SUNDAY NURŚERY 430-6840 **Shannon Carpenter** BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

FOR CHILDREN

#### ADULT MINISTRY

**RCIA** Sister Eva 594-4657 **BIBLE STUDY** Rita Smith 533-1243 **BAPTISM PREPARATION** Olga Cuda 594-4657 BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY Dave Desmond 429-3316 Charlotte Morrison 439-7733 **MEDITATION** Marie Mitchell 310-490-4012 SMALL CHRISTIAN **COMMUNITIES** Dcn. Don & Tina Gath 598-5202

MINISTERS TO THE SICK 594-4657

#### **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

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PROJECT ACHIEVE Tina Gath

Olga Cuda 594-4657 PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER Michelle Gath 498-6701 **CUB SCOUTS** Moses Bass 420-1877 496-4223 **BOY SCOUTS** Tom Lane

#### **BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM**

Please submit notices, with your name & phone, to the rectory or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org