



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.
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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

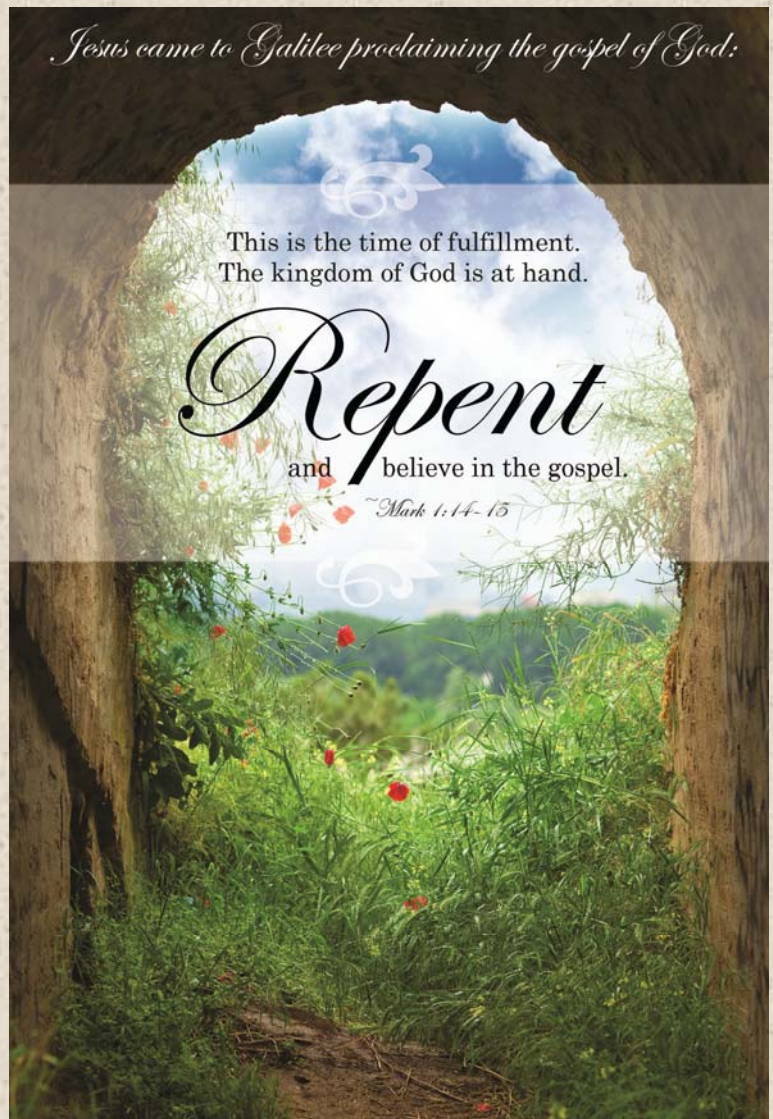
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 25, 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.



From the Pastor's desk:

In his Gospel today, Mark tells us about the calling of Simon and Andrew as apostles. But as we continue to hear Mark's gospel in the following chapters, Mark is not afraid to show us that the twelve disciples, despite their initial enthusiasm, can be selfish, power-hungry, and unwilling to accept Jesus' message of God's unconditional love and forgiveness for all.

They are also unwilling to accept the message of the cross as the cost of discipleship and the way to life. They are weak and fall often, but Jesus never gives up on them. Even though they abandon him to his fate in Gethsemane, after the resurrection Jesus seeks them out again, giving them the opportunity once more to repent and to respond to his call.

As Christians we live in the daily tension between responding to the call of God or returning to the options of selfishness and worldly attitudes. The scriptures offer us hope that God never gives up on us. They remind us that we are in fact called. And that call is personal. Just as Jesus called Simon and Andrew, it is you that the Lord wants, not just people in general.



From Deacon Don's desk:

Quite often this prayer comes to me. I'd like to share it with you. It's called ANIMA CHRISTI:
*Soul of Christ, sanctify me,
 Body of Christ, save me.
 Blood of Christ, inebriate me.*

Water out of the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O Good Jesus, hear me.

Hide me within Your wounds.

Suffer me not to be separated from You.

Defend me from the malignant enemy.

In the hour of my death call me.

And bid me come unto You.

That with Your saints

I may praise You for all eternity. Amen

Though this prayer's origin is uncertain it is attributed to St. Ignatius Loyola, but it dates back to the 14th century and was found in prayer books of that time. If you want to read how it relates to the Passion of Christ go to ourcatholicprayers.com/animachristi

St. John Paul II says, "Prayer is the first expression of our inner fidelity, the first condition of authentic spiritual truth. Prayer gives a meaning to the whole of life, at every moment and in every circumstance."

OUR PRAYER: Almighty Father, let us realize that prayer is the breath of the divine life. Let us make use of it every day of our lives. Amen

**WOMEN'S MEDITATION
 COME TO THE QUIET**

Every **Monday** from **2:30-3:00 p.m.**

Starting Jan. 26 in the Church

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Join us in spending some quiet time with the Lord.

Mothers, take some time for yourselves

before picking up your children from school and

"Slow down and enjoy the journey in my presence."

--Jesus Calling

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



**"Be still before the Lord and wait in
 patience."** -- Ps. 37

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20
- Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
- Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



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 April 16 (Men) and April 30 (Women).** 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 **\$225,073** pledged, over 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:

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 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.

RCIA - Another opportunity for adults who are thinking of becoming a Catholic or completing their initiation, i.e. receiving Holy Communion and Confirmation, will be **January 28, 7-8:30 p.m.** in the school library. Come and see, come and hear, you may want to start on a faith journey that will enrich your spiritual life! Contact Sr. Eva at the parish office, 594-4657.

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.

**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 6-7-8th graders. Free. Bring your friends. All are welcome! In the PAC!

High School Youth Ministry

The Word (Bible Study for Teens) 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!

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/>

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.

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.

“Jesus is Lord” BIBLE STUDY

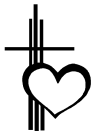
Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

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

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



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 - 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 motor-coach 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.

Tax Letter for 2014 - If you would like a letter stating your contributions to St. Joseph Church for 2014, please call the rectory office, 594-4657, and leave your name, phone number and email address.

Fingerprinting Schedule

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

Jan. 28 - St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower, 562-920-7796

Did You Know? Learn the basics of Internet safety -

Children use a variety of online services, and each of these services can have different safety concerns. However, there are some basic tips which you can employ no matter how your children use the Internet: Keep the computer in a high-traffic area of your home; establish limits for which online sites children may visit and for how long; remember that Internet technology can be mobile, so make sure to monitor cell phones, gaming devices, and laptops; surf the Internet with your children and let them show you what they like to do online; know who is connecting with your children online and set rules for social networking, instant messaging, emailing, online gaming, and using webcams. For more information visit: <http://www.netsmartz.org/InternetSafety>.

"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." JN 13:35 For fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



Jan. 31 - Feb. 8 Homeless Kit Drive -

Please take an envelope containing a shopping list from the cross at the back of the church. Purchase those items and return to the church or rectory next week.

Feb. 25 Committee Meeting - Help us to plan our Easter food distribution and Book Drive.

Skip-a-Meal Donations - Support our weekly lunches for Catholic Charities and St. Francis Center, and our Easter food and gift distribution.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

William Holmes



Thriving Marriages Valentine's Mini-Retreat - St. Bruno Church Special Event for every couple! **Feb. 8**, 1-4 pm \$10/person, 15740 Citrustree Rd., Whittier 90603. Walk-ins welcome & child-care provided, but must notify us with # and ages of children. Registration taken at the door on the day of the event. For further information and to call to reserve for child-care, please contact: Gabe & Maria Teresa Saavedra at (562) 693-7896 or e-mail at mariateresasaaavedra@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 hands-on 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 jgianessi@sjknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our principal.

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, January 24**
 5:00 p.m. - † Ronnie Lowen
- SUNDAY, January 25**
 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
- MONDAY, January 26**
 8:00 a.m. - † Frances Carner
- TUESDAY, January 27**
 8:00 a.m. - Matthew Hall
- WEDNESDAY, January 28**
 8:00 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault
- THURSDAY, January 29**
 8:00 a.m. - † Martha Aimone
- FRIDAY, January 30**
 8:00 a.m. - † Janice Strasser
- SATURDAY, January 31**
 5:00 p.m. - † Olimpio Pili
- SUNDAY, February 1**
 7:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
 9:00 a.m. - † Celia Delgado
 10:30 a.m. - † Don Miller
 12:30 p.m. - † Edward Beardsley

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:

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| 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.

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 Cory, Gary Hillebrecht, Karen Muccino, Olga Kocevar, Eileen Bentley, Laverne Kelly, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, Gene Ensich, 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 Stan Lawrence **430-0913**
 DIRECTOR of MUSIC Vivian Doughty **422-5430**
 ALTAR CARE Rectory **594-4657**
 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 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 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**
 Marie Mitchell **310-490-4012**
 MEDITATION
 SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES Dcn. Don & Tina Gath **598-5202**
 MINISTERS TO THE SICK **594-4657**

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 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