



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.

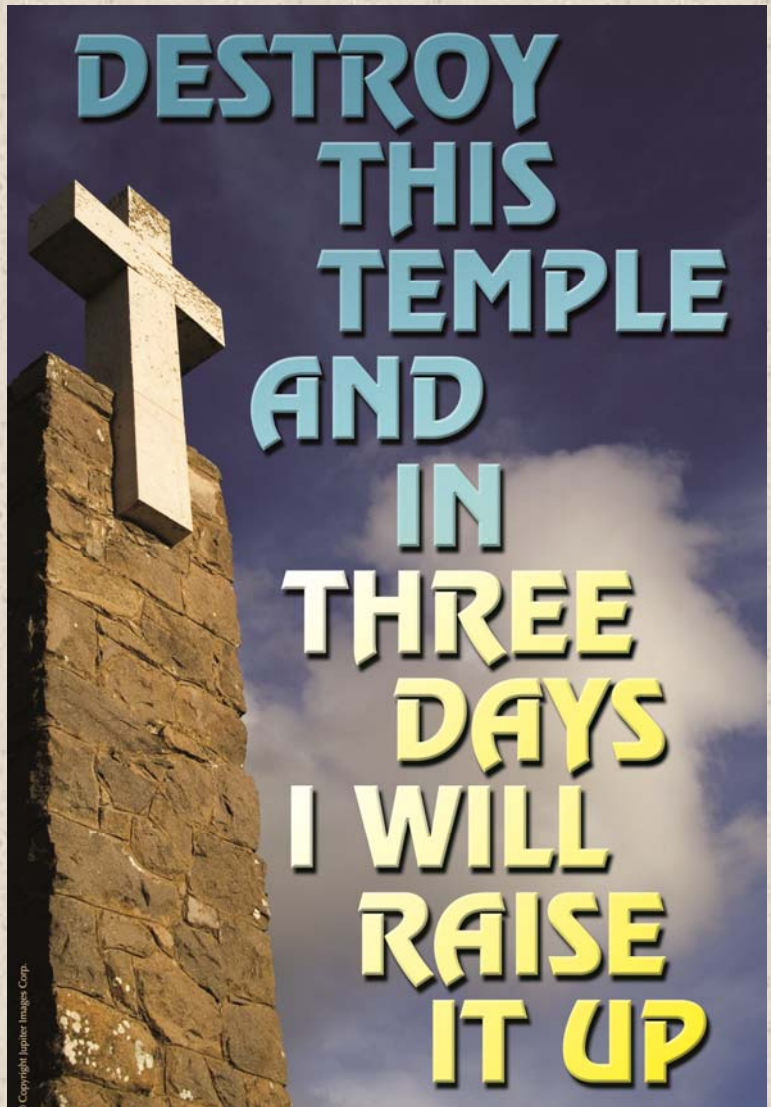
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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 Lent

March 8, 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 John's Gospel, the Messiah's reign begins publicly, with this powerful symbolic act of driving out the moneychangers, and it begins right in the heart of God's house.

On a personal level, we can allow Jesus to overturn and throw out the moneychangers and animal-sellers in our own lives. That means that whatever defiles the dwelling-place of God that is within each of us needs to be rooted out and destroyed.

John places this scene at the beginning of Christ's ministry, but the other Gospels feature it later. John wants to show us that this claim of Jesus of ushering in the messianic age, also connected with the reference to his resurrection, is the key to understanding the whole of the rest of the Gospel.

Jesus' resurrection is proof that His spirit is alive and well, living in people who profess their faith in Him. And that allows each one of us to be signs of hope to those who come into our lives.

Late Night Catechism

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, **March 20**, Fr. Jim is hosting this interactive off Broadway comedy show. Doors open at 6:45 pm and show begins at 7:30 pm. This is a one woman play featuring a hilarious nun who is guaranteed to have you laughing out loud. All proceeds benefit the parish. Tickets - \$30 for General Admission to \$50 front row. On youtube search Late Night Catechism to check out a few minutes of her performance. Look for flyers and info in back of the church. This is a public event so tell a neighbor and spread the word.

Questions: please email kjondle@gmail.com

- VIP tables, available for \$500, seat 8 people. VIP tables come with a meat/cheese platter and a bottle of wine.
- A Knights of Columbus bar will be available throughout the night and desserts available at intermission.



From Deacon Don's desk:

In John's Gospel one of the first things Jesus does as He begins His work is to drive the money-changers out of the temple. His life and His work that follows are summed up in the statement, "Zeal for My Father's house consumes me." Everything Jesus does is based on the loving relationship He has with His Father. Here His actions express His desire to purify the relationship of the children of Israel with the God who called them into covenant. Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus will invite others into the relationship He shares with the Father. And through it all God proves His loyalty to us and gives us His only Son to prove His great love for us. Remember last week's Gospel when God says: "This is my beloved Son **listen** to Him." Only two times do we hear God's voice. The first is when Jesus is in the Jordan river and is baptized by his cousin John.

OUR PRAYER: Lord help us in this Lenten journey to listen more frequently to Your Word so we can celebrate this Easter solemnity with greater love for Christ. By Your Holy Spirit teach and encourage us, especially those in doubt and error to follow what is true and good. Amen

Lenten & Easter Schedule

Stations of the Cross - all Fridays of Lent, 7:00 p.m.
Reconciliation Service - Tuesday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.
Morning Prayer - April 2, 3, and 4, 8:00 a.m.
Liturgy of the Lord's Supper - April 2, 7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death - Apr 3, 1:30pm
Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 4, 7:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday Masses - 7:30, 9 & 10:30 am, 12:30 pm

During Lent:

Give up negativism - be positive.
 Give up anger - be more patient.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11;
 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
 Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;
 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
 Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]
 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;
 Mt. 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;
 Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;
 Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
 Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6;
 Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
 Alternate readings (Year A):
 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
 Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]



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*

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:

Sacrament Preparation Parent Nights
 March 9 - Yr I – 6-7pm, Yr 2 – 7-8pm
 April 26 - 1st Eucharist Retreat for Child/Parent will be
 from 2:30 – 5pm



Holy Grounds CAFE – Come and enjoy coffee, donuts and sharing faith with other adults in the Parish Life Center, Sundays from 10:40 - 11:40.



Our book this quarter is “7 Secrets of Confession” by Vinny Flynn. Book Club Discussion will be on **March 10** at 7pm in the PAC.

Don't Give Up Chocolate for Lent!!!

Treat yourself to a spiritual banquet for Lent! Choose one or many! Bring a friend for free! **Dive-in Adult Faith Formation** – Embracing God's Love and Forgiveness seminars offered at parishes in the South Bay, **March 2 - 19**. (We have two here at St. Joe's) See Flyers at all exits! Tickets are \$5/presenter or a \$25 pass for as many speakers as you want.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:
Rolando Castillo
William Neal
Willis Kerr
Frank Szechy
Katherine Joseph



Did You Know? Start a discussion with your child about Internet safety - Use the following discussion starters to get an Internet safety conversation going. The more often you talk to them, the easier it will get, so don't get discouraged if they don't respond immediately!

- Could you show me your online profile(s)?
- Do you use your real name or age when communicating with others online?
- What kinds of things do you post on your page?
- How do you decide who to add as a friend?
- Would you feel comfortable if I checked your profile?

For more information, visit: <http://www.netsmartz.org/SocialNetworking>.

Middle School Youth Ministry

On-The-Edge Middle School Youth Ministry Night – March 10 - Lenten Prayer Service. For all 6-7-8th graders. Free. Bring your friends. All are welcome! In the hall!

High School Youth Ministry

Revelation Nights (Youth Nights for all teens!) 7:30-8:30 on Wednesdays

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

Youth Day – Thursday, **March 12** – At Anaheim Convention Center – Cost is \$35 – See Marc Leon for tickets.

Human Experience – A Service project for all Confirmation Teens from Saturday, **3/21** (begins with 5pm Mass) and ends at 7am on Sun, 3/22. Come learn about homelessness and hunger! Invite your friends. Permission slip and information on the Website under Youth Ministry.

Monthly Men's Group Speaker Series

at St. Cornelius - 6-9pm Supper Included

March 26 - Fr. Alexei Smith - Pope Francis & Ecumenism

April 23 - Deacon Shane Cuda - Faith and Science

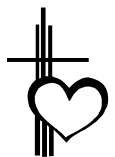


COME TO THE QUIET

Mondays, 2:30-3:00 p.m., in the Church
 Take some time out of your busy lives to come and visit with the Lord. "Come to me And I will give you rest."

This is a great opportunity for you to take some time for yourselves before you pick up your children from school and rest in the Lord. Come to the Quiet to pray, Be Still, Rest in the Lord, let Him love you! *Everyone is Welcome!!!*

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



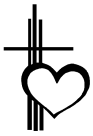
"Be Still And Know That I Am God"

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



Married Couples - prepare for Easter in a special way! Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Couples return with a refreshed relationship, full of hope and joy. Renew your sacrament and love 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 valuable communication tools and more! **Our next weekend is March 20-22 in Torrance.** Apply online at www.ilovemyspouse.net or contact Sarah and Jacob Flores, 562-923-7335.



ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

Come join us!! Bring a friend!!

Mar. 16 - Social/game gatherings

Mar. 29 - Senior Hospitality - Donuts and coffee for Parish in front of Church after 7:30, 9 and 10:30 Masses. Please sign up.

Apr. 6 - Business meeting/games etc.

Apr. 20 Social/game gatherings

All meetings 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.

Bring your brown bag lunch. Drinks & Dessert provided.

Note: Re-up or join for 21015. \$10 per person.

Senior Upcoming Presentations

L.B. Fire Ambassadors Safety Tips

Meals on Wheels Update

Identity Theft Presentation

Call Judy 421-6863 or Mary Lou 431-4385 for group info.

Trips - Trips - Trips

Apr. 25 - May 2 - Attention! Change on itinerary, Santa Barbara cancelled due to port traffic. Will stop in Catalina and increase our stay to an overnight in San Francisco. We no longer have a direct flight from Vancouver to Long Beach. We will have to divert to LAX and use the shuttle service. Any questions please call Gerry Seckington, 420-3220. **Bon Voyage!** Seven day wine country cruise on Princess Cruise Line. Port of departure - L.A. (San Pedro). Fare: \$549 - 2299 + port fees, gov. fees & tax. (Ins. available) Deposit \$200.

May 11 - Santa Barbara via Amtrak - Day trip. Train Ride via Amtrak to Santa Barbara, lunch at By Roadhouse, city tour with local guide from Santa Barbara. Scenic motor-coach ride home. Pick up at church parking lot. Cost \$95 includes driver's gratuity. Leave 7:30 am, return ~6:30 pm. Payment due March 10.

April 15 - Chocolate covered L.A. tour! Start off with a chocolate churro and Mexican hot chocolate. Venture to bakeries, factories and shops you never knew existed. Some stops are: Japanese sweet shop, gourmet soda store, and a monastery for hand dipped chocolates. End the day stepping off the musical stairway into 28,000 square feet of carnivality. Lunch at Tam O'Shanter Restaurant and you guessed it, a chocolate dessert. Come join us - we will diet on another tour. Driver's gratuity included. Cost \$86 due March 18.

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!

Capital Campaign for Parish Life Center remodel - We are well on our way to achieving our goal of renovation. We have **\$225,693** pledged, over 75% of our goal! There are pledge envelopes in church, and in the rectory office, for you to add your pledge. Let's make it 100% participation! Thank you and may God bless you all.

"He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." LK 4:18

Mar. 14-22 Book Drive - collecting new and gently used children and teen reading books for our Easter Food and Gift distribution.

Mar. 28 Easter Food and Gift Distribution - 8:30 a.m. in the hall. So meaningful to kids! Drivers needed! Please call Amy, 427-5917.

Skip-a-Meal Donations - Urgent need to support our Easter food distribution. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance hosted by the Knights of Columbus, **March 14**, 7 pm dinner, live band and door prizes, Canoga Park Council Hall, 21433 Strathern St., Canoga Park. \$25/person. Reservations: Angelo, 818-577-6719.

Precious Life Shelter's Affair of the Heart Gala "Sea" Hope Happening, March 21, 6pm to 11pm, at The Waterfront Hilton Resort, Huntington Beach. Come join us for a night of fun with The Elm Street Band, Silent and Live Auction, Dinner and more. Tickets are \$80 per person or \$150 per Couple or \$1400 per table of 10. To register please go to: Conta.cc/1Cn8xR2 or call 562-431-5025.

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. We will get them sent out after we return from our pilgrimage.

Save the Date.... March 28 - St. Joseph School Texas **Hold'em Tournamant**, 5 PM in Father Martin Hall. Registration can be completed through the school office or contact Lisa Powell 562-481-8646 for assistance. \$30 pre-registration or \$40 at the door. Food and drinks available for purchase.

PARISH FAIR NEWS

*Fair will be **April 17, 18, 19.**

***Rummage Sale** April 17 & 18 in Fr. Martin Hall.

**If you have items to donate we are accepting all goods such as clothes, electronics that work, toys, household goods and more. Drop off every Sat 8am-10am at front gate.

*Vendor Boutique Fair April 18 & 19 during fair hours.

*Live bands each night including The Elm St Band Saturday at 8 pm

*Sponsor the Fair - forms available at any exit of the church.

*Buy ride tickets before the fair starts. Ride tickets are full price during the fair, if you purchase before the fair starts you get a discount. **SAVE MONEY!**

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, March 7**
5:00 p.m. - † Gerry Kohnen
- SUNDAY, March 8**
7:30 a.m. - † Bernie Hodowski
9:00 a.m. - Men and Women discerning a call to religious life
10:30 a.m. - † Sgt. Michael J. Tetreault, Jr.
12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
- MONDAY, March 9**
8:00 a.m. - Gregg Pericich
- TUESDAY, March 10**
8:00 a.m. - † Dolores Flores de Jurado
- WEDNESDAY, March 11**
8:00 a.m. - Deacon Don and Tina Gath
- THURSDAY, March 12**
8:00 a.m. - Deacon Tom and Pat Halliwell
- FRIDAY, March 13**
8:00 a.m. - Deacon Shane and Olga Cuda
- SATURDAY, March 14**
5:00 p.m. - † Tim Spellicy
- SUNDAY, March 15**
7:30 a.m. - Fernando Montoya
9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
10:30 a.m. - † Nicholas D'Amore, Jr.
12:30 p.m. - † Joseph Steinhauser

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene Dryer, Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Kim Agee, Marlene Sargeant, Mary Jane McCormick, Sheila Corry, Gary Hillebrecht, Karen Muccino, Olga Kocovar, 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, Theresa Stewart, Lois Kearney, Al Soldin, Larry Smith, Chris Carrera & Barbara Grochocenski.

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

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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

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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**
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SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES Dcn. Don & Tina Gath **598-5202**
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BOY SCOUTS Brian Moskovitz **506-7817**

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