



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.

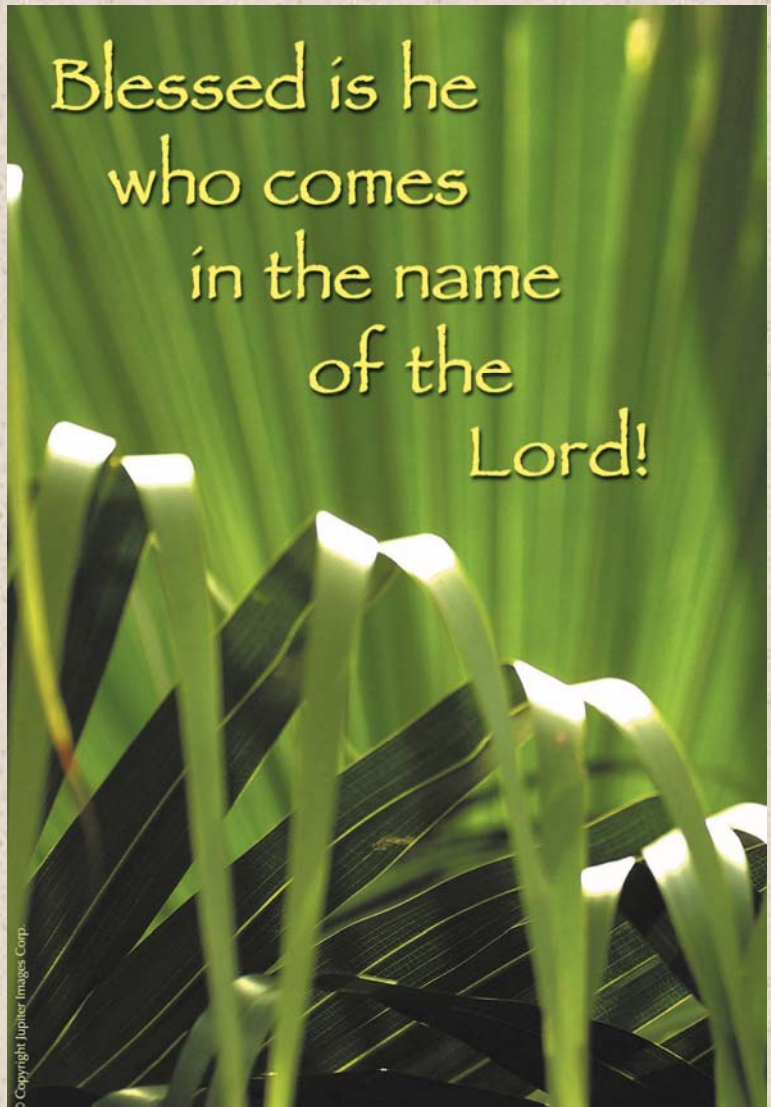
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



**Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord**

March 29, 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:

What this symbol of the palms strives to express outwardly and visibly is victory. What the palms are telling us is that Jesus was already victorious and triumphant when he entered into Jerusalem at the beginning of the first Holy

Week.

Even though it would be a week of passion, suffering and death for him, Jesus' love for each one of us was already victorious over fear and death. In his suffering and death there was already the victory of resurrection and life.

The palms mean that already today, right here and now, even though there is and will be suffering and sickness and death in this world and in our lives, already there is victory over them.

All that is necessary on our part is, simply, to live as fully and positively as we can in whatever situation life determines for us, even if that situation is as bad as that of Jesus on the cross.

When you bring your palms home today and look at them this week and throughout the year, may this symbol of Christ's love give you a firmer faith and an ever stronger hope in the absolute victory that Christ has already won and shares with us even now.




From Deacon Don's desk:

Judas was able to conceal his plan from the others but not from Jesus. This helps us to see how gently God deals with sinners. One of the mysteries of life is the tremendous respect God grants to our free will. God doesn't force us to change. God **invites** us to change, He gives us opportunity upon opportunity to open our hearts to His grace (i.e. that gift that causes us to love). Jesus accorded that same respect to Judas; He reserved a place of honor for him at the Last Supper.

St. Andrew of Crete, bishop, said, "Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives. Today He returns from Bethany of His free will toward His holy and blessed passion, to accomplish the mystery of our salvation....now the crimson stains of our sins will be washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we will become white as wool."

OUR PRAYER: Ever-living and loving God, You have given the human race Jesus Christ, our Savior as a model of humility. He fulfilled Your will by becoming man and giving His life on the cross. Help us to bear witness to You by following His example of suffering and make us worthy to share His resurrection. We ask this in Jesus, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever Amen

Rest In Peace
Died in Christ:
Gladys Rose Noles




Lenten & Easter Schedule

Stations of the Cross - all Fridays of Lent, 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




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*

During Lent:

Give up sin - turn to virtue.

Give up give up gossiping - control your tongue.



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!!!*

Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Francis Ilano
St. Athanasius Church, Long Beach, 562-423-7986. Vocation information may be found at: www.lavocations.org.

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.

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**

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.

**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.

**Bereavement Ministry**

All those interested in any aspect of the Bereavement Ministry are invited to a meeting with Fr. Jim and Sr. Eva on Tuesday, **April 14**, at 7:00 p.m. in the PLC. The training of leaders, facilitating a weekly support group, and preparation for the Memorial Mass in November will be discussed. All those who have participated in any way in this group in the past are also welcome.

Divine Mercy Sunday Mass April 12 3:00 p.m. St. Dominic Savio Parish. Reception following in parish hall. For more info: please call Blanca Galicia, 562-922-9535.

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.

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

***YOUNG ADULTS!** A group of your fellow peers from local Long Beach parishes are making plans to develop activities for people college age to early thirties. If you are a young adult or know of anyone who might be interested, please email Jason Pillon, jtpillon1@verizon.net.*

Monthly Men's Group Speaker Series

at St. Cornelius - 6-9pm Supper Included

April 23 - Deacon Shane Cuda - Faith and Science

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession);
 Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
 Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

Monday:
 Tuesday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
 Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday:
 Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
 Mt 26:14-25

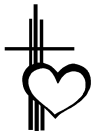
Thursday:
Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
 Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18;
 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday:
 Is 52:13 - 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;
 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

Saturday:
 a) Gn 1:1 - 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps104:1-2, 5-6, 10,
 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
 b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5,
 8-11;
 c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
 d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
 e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
 f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
 g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or
 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
 h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
 Mk 16:1-7

Sunday:
 Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon
 or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

"Praying Divine Mercy on Our Families: Healing the Family Tree" Conference April 11, Holy Family, Glendale, 10-4:30. In-depth teaching and prayer for breakthroughs in healing to take place for your loved ones, both living and deceased. Before Mar. 30, \$25. After, \$35. Register online at src.org or call 818-771-1361.



ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

Come join us. Bring a friend.

Mar. 29 - Senior Hospitality - Join us for donuts and coffee in front of Church after 7:30, 9 and 10:30 Masses.

Apr. 6 - Business meeting/games etc.

Apr. 20 - **No Senior meeting**

May 4 - **Meals on Wheels Presentation**
Social/game gathering

May 18 - Social/game gathering

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

Bring your brown bag lunch. Drinks & Dessert provided.

Note: Re-up or join for 2015. \$10 per person.

Senior Upcoming Presentations

Identity Theft Presentation - TBA

Crime Awareness Seminar - TBA

w/ Byron Walls, Comedian

For group information call: Judy (562) 421-6863.

Trips - Trips - Trips

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.

Apr. 25 - May 2 - Attention on California Cruise!

Change of 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, 420-3220. **Bon Voyage!** Wine country cruise on Princess Cruise Line. Port of departure - L.A. (San Pedro). Fare: \$549 - 2299 + port fees, gov. fees & tax. (Ins. available).

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.

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 **\$228,193** 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.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, . . . naked and you clothed me."
MT 25:35-36



Thank You! For your generous contribution of time, talent, and treasure in support of 66 community-supported, and 16 family adoptions this year for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and for our very successful Easter distribution yesterday!

May 16-17: Feed-a-Baby Drive - collecting non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

Skip-a-Meal Donations support our program such as weekly lunches for St. Francis Center and Catholic Charities. For many fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

2015 Summer Camps - Staffed by Sacred Heart Sisters, camps offer an enjoyable camping experience in a wholesome Christian atmosphere and a delightful loving spirit.

FAMILY CAMP: June 18-21 or June 25-28

GIRLS' CAMP: July 12-18 or July 26-August 1

For information www.sacredheartretreatcamp.com - Events page or call 909-866-5696. Spaces are limited. Donations are needed to help sponsor a child or family to camp. Please help! Contributions can be sent to: Sacred Heart Retreat Camp, P.O. Box 1795, Big Bear Lake 92315.

PARISH FAIR APRIL 17, 18, & 19

Visit the Parish Fair website for all info and forms at: <http://www.stjosephlb.org/fair/>

DISCOUNT ticket sales schedule as follows:

***After weekend Masses on Mar 28/29, Apr 4/5 & 11/12 and Before/After school beginning Mar 30.**

Why purchase BEFORE the fair begins? Because YOU SAVE MONEY and PARISH RECEIVES MORE MONEY FROM RIDE COMPANY! Sunday, April 19 is all you can ride bracelet day for \$30 if purchased before the fair begins.

Rummage Sale: Sat & Sun of the Fair in Fr. Martin Hall. Sat 8am-6pm & Sun 8am - 7 pm

*If you have items to donate we are accepting most quality items such as clothes, toys, household goods & more.

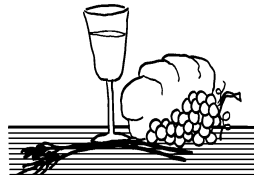
No drop off on Saturday, April 4 due to Easter. **DROP OFF DONATED ITEMS ALL DAY IN THE HALL APRIL 17.**

Sponsorship: Promote your business/family/remember a deceased loved one for only \$100 with professional signs. Live bands each night at the Fair. Fri 7 Sat at 8 pm and Sunday beginning at 4:30 pm.

Parishioners with no children in St. Joseph school, please consider volunteering for one shift at the Fair. The fair supports all ministries in the parish, maintenance of the church, parking lot, decoration, etc. We need volunteers to be successful.

Please visit the Fair website for volunteer website sign ups <http://www.stjosephlb.org/fair/>

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, March 28**
 5:00 p.m. - † Domingo and Maria Dang
- SUNDAY, March 29**
 7:30 a.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero
 9:00 a.m. - † Gerry Kohnen
 10:30 a.m. - † Kenneth Miller
 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
- MONDAY, March 30**
 8:00 a.m. - Thanksgiving to St. Joseph
- TUESDAY, March 31**
 8:00 a.m. - † Nicholas D'Amore
- WEDNESDAY, April 1**
 8:00 a.m. - Dennis Cuda
- THURSDAY, April 2**
 7:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
- FRIDAY, April 3 - no Mass today**
- SATURDAY, April 4**
 7:30 p.m. - RCIA Elect
- SUNDAY, April 5**
 7:30 a.m. - Gregg Pericich
 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero
 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:

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, Chris Carrera, Barbara Grochocenski, Robert & Frances Stickney & Bryan Nielson.

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	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

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Anne Weaver	498-7008
FINANCE COUNCIL	Moses Bass	420-1877
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
	www.stjosephlb.org	
MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	431-4385
SENIOR GROUP	Judy Pedneault	421-6863
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Paciano & Molly Diaz	310-729-5890
	ktmr@sbcglobal.net	
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	377-5877
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN	Monica Muñoz & Julie Gray	598-0519
PARISH FAIR	sjarishfair@gmail.com	
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	Brian Moskovitz	506-7817

BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM
 Please submit notices, with your name & phone,
 to the rectory or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org