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

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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. Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord April 5, 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.

"Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here." Mark 16:6

#### From the Pastor's desk:

Today is Easter. Today is the day that the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, the past and the future, meet in the present. It is happening right here in this church. It is happening right now here among us.

Today, Christ invites us all to look inside the empty tomb and He promises that the light that he has given each one of us through our Baptism will always be bright enough to transform the darkness.

Today, Christ feeds us at the table. And He asks that we share this Bread with a starving people. We need to be willing to take this bread that we received today and be nourished by it in order to have the strength to feed those who are hurt and are without hope in the world.

Christ is risen! He lives! The tomb is empty. This story of light and this story of bread is now entrusted to us all.

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 after nor
	or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
	Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31



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*!!!

## **Together In Mission**

We have made a good start with our Together in Mission pledges toward our goal of \$70,100. So far 209 families have pledged \$43,471. There are pledge envelopes in the church as well as in the rectory office. Thank you to all!

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



## From Deacon Don's desk:

HAPPY EASTER!! The resurrection is the central fact of human history. Granted, death is inevitable. Our Lord has shown that humanity can conquer it. Easter commemorates the most glorious

event known to man: Easter is naturally the climax of the Church's liturgical cycle. Everything hinges on it. Our Lord's rising from the dead is His greatest victory **and** the invincible proof that HE IS GOD. This is the foundation of our faith. It is the solemnity of solemnities. May its blessings be yours. We are challenged to live in Christ's great prophesy: "Amen, amen I say to you, he that eats My flesh and drinks My blood, has everlasting life, and I will raise him up on the last day." This greeting was taken from 1966 Easter message from St Anthony Church and signed by B.J. Dolan, J. M Sartoris, J.C. Elder in 1966. Some of you may recognize these names.

Jesus invites us to join Him on the journey to the New World. It demands sacrifice and that we reject our old way of life. If we do nothing more in our lives than lead our children to the Lord, then our lives have been a total success and have infinite value.... Fr. Pellegrino.

"Are you not aware that we who were baptized into Jesus Christ, were baptized into His death? Through baptism into His death we were buried with Him so that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life." Romans:3-5

It's not easy being a Catholic, but it's worth the sacrifice!! **OUR PRAYER**: God, You who has proved Your love for us in the Life, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, we give You thanks for this Your greatest gift. Grant that we may always live in memory of Jesus Christ and His eagerness not to be served but to serve; His sympathy with suffering of every kind; not to be ministered to but to minister; and His courage in the face of suffering and death.

St. Augustine: "We are Easter people and alleluia is our song!!"



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

**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

**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 your 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 <u>Revelation Nights (Youth Nights for all teens!)</u> 7:30-8:30 on Wednesdays <u>The Word (Bible Study for Teens)</u> 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

## Human Trafficking Ministry Meeting

Are you interested in finding out more about the issues of human trafficking taking place in our local areas? Please come to our ministry meeting on **April 12 at 11am** (before the 12:30 Mass) in the Parish Life Center. A guest speaker is planned for this meeting to provide more information and ideas on ways we can bring awareness to our community regarding this tragic exploitation of our youth. There are ways we can help through education, prayer, and legislation. For more information you may contact Marianna Wescott at wescottfam@icloud.com.

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.

*"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 scrc.org or call 818-771-1361.

## 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.

# ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

## Come join us. Bring a friend.

## <u>Apr. 6</u> - Business meeting/games etc.

 <u>Apr. 20</u> - <u>No Senior meeting</u>
<u>May 4</u> - <u>Meals on Wheels Presentation</u> Social/game gathering
<u>May 18</u> - Social/game gathering
<u>All meetings 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.</u>
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 motorcoach ride home. Pick up at church parking lot. Cost \$95 includes driver's gratuity. Leave 7:30 am, return ~6:30 pm.

**Healing Rosary for all victims of child abuse** will be held at Incarnation Catholic Churc, 1001 N. Brand Boulevard, Glendale 91202 on Tuesday, **April 14 at 7:00 pm.** We would welcome all of you to join us.

Mark Your Calendars - Knights of Columbus Blood Drive is April 12, 8:15 to 2:30. This blood drive will be located in the blood mobile, in the church parking lot. To register online: redcrossblood.org Code: JosephLB For more info contact Pat Murach: murach4@charter.net "He is not here; for he is risen, as he said." Mt 28:6 <u>Thank You!</u> 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 Easter!



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.

**The Italian Catholic Federation of St. Cornelius** is holding its **Bocce Ball Tournament**, **April 12, 1-4 p.m.** at St. Maria Goretti. Hamburgers and hot dogs provided bring a picnic dish to share. Questions: call Stephanie Hardy, 544-2222 or Steve Dipietro, 225-9447.

**St. Bartholomew Women's Council Annual Fashion Show**, Fantastic Fashions, **April 26 3:00 p.m.** \$35. Fashions courtesy of Draper's & Damon's. Proceeds benefit Harbour Area Halfway Houses for Women. Reservations by April 20: Judy Houston, 434-5011.

#### 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 Apr 4/5 & 11/12 and Before/ After school.

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/





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 MONDAY, April 6 8:00 a.m. - A Cure for Autism **TUESDAY, April 7** 8:00 a.m. - Fr. Thomas Goonan WEDNESDAY, April 8 8:00 a.m. - Velia Galgana **THURSDAY, April 9** 8:00 a.m. - Fr. Jim Halley, Thanksgiving FRIDAY, April 10 8:00 a.m. - † Norm Haddad SATURDAY, April 11 5:00 p.m. - † Jimmy Reinard SUNDAY, April 12 7:30 a.m. - † Luis Hidalgo Sr. 9:00 a.m. - † Reynaldo Dizon 10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners 12:30 p.m. - † Diane Radov

**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 Joseph Comfort Scott Williams Timothy Ring Obinna Ugochukwu Timmy Allison Jason Kaufmann John Landry Dillon Schad Devin Conway 9. Nick Compton Irene Avila Justin Ray Adam Mariano David Waidelich Michael Marchante Nicky Kaufmann Jessica Landry Kyle Shea

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 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, Theresa Stewart, Lois Kearney, Al Soldin, Chris Carrera, Barbara Grochocenski, Robert & Frances Stickney & Bryan Nielson.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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421-3997 431-2495 425-0621 430-0913 422-5430 594-4657 493-2198

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562-596-6115

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