



# 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.

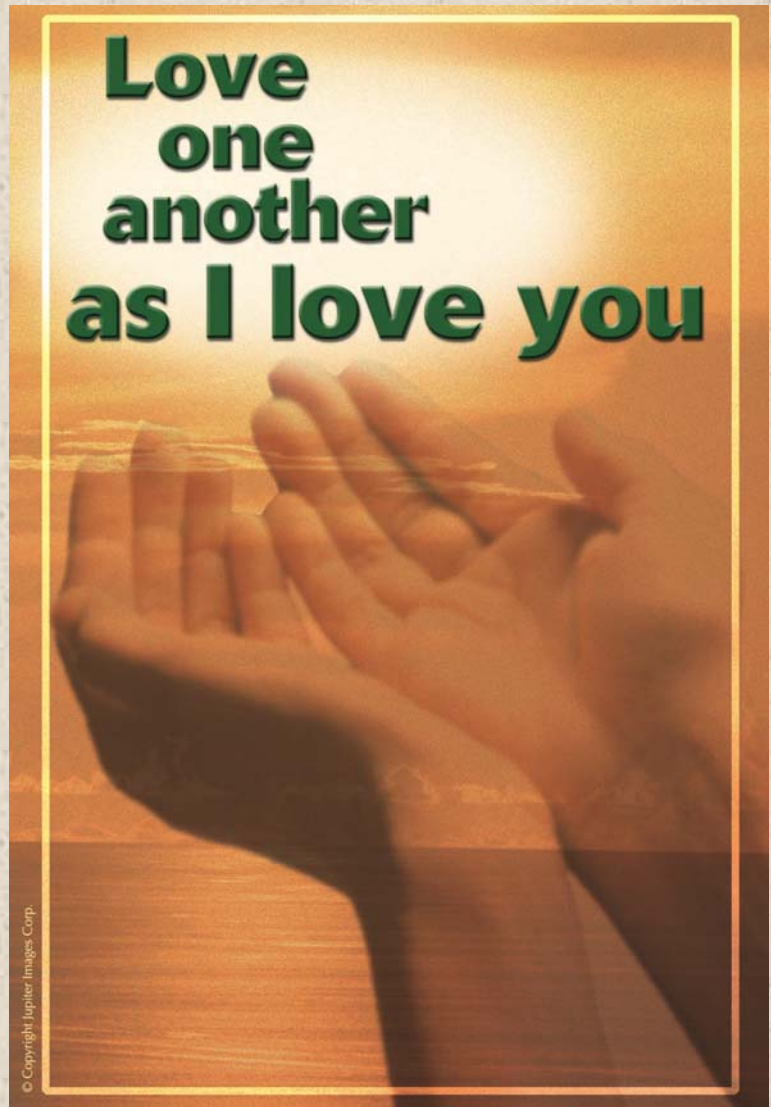
## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

**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.



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 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:

Today's gospel goes straight to the heart of the Christian life. It speaks to us about a commandment, the most important commandment: that we love one another.

Could love truly be a commandment, a law, and an order? Can anyone order us to love? In reality, love is something that comes from the inside, not from an order received from someone else. Jesus knows that this is something different.

Jesus has experienced the love of God. He has experienced that God is love itself. Jesus' presence in our world is the concrete sign of that love of God for each one of us.

God's love is what gives us life. The love of God created this world and keeps it in existence. This is the reason that Jesus speaks about the commandment of love. God loved us first because we are creatures of love.

Today's readings speak to us about the commandment of love. But in reality they invite us to look at the love with which God loves us and cares for us. It is out of that experience that our own capacity to love will spring forth; and give life to those around us.

Today it's up to us to make those who live with and around us know the love with which God loves them. That is what being Christian is all about.

### You Too are Called by the Lord.....

To bring awareness about vocations and God's call for each one of us to live the Gospel and to make a difference, we are going to have a **Vocation Awareness Series on May 17 and 31** at every Mass. We will have different people talk about their vocations and how they use their vocations to serve God and the community.

"I have called you by name, follow me" to live the Gospel, to make the difference.



### Save the Date! June 13

After the 5:00 p.m. Mass  
all are invited to  
Fr. Jim's farewell BBQ hosted by  
the Knights of Columbus.

### Together In Mission

We have made a good start with our Together in Mission pledges toward our **goal of \$70,100**. So far **220 families** have **pledged \$45,606**. There are pledge envelopes in the church as well as in the rectory office. Thank you all!

**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.



### From Deacon Don's desk:

Interested in a good story? We all need good stories, and good friends, especially when life is unkind to us. A friend is "the first person who comes in when the whole world has gone out." A good definition. Do you have a friend who will lift you

when you fall? Jesus says something very intriguing in the Gospel: "No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard of My Father, I have made known to you."

How do we know that Jesus is our friend? Two ways: The cross tells us He is our friend. "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." We are Christ's friends. Why was Christ willing to make this sacrifice? Because He thinks we are worth it. That's the message of the Cross. But there is a second way we know we are Christ's friends. The Church is the greatest gift Christ gave us besides the gift of eternal life. This gift is also a membership in a family. He gave us community. He gave us friends. Christ says "You did not choose me, but I chose you." Before we were born, Christ chose us to be part of His family. They will be there when you are sick. They will be there to comfort when you are dying. You don't ever have to be alone. That is where we find ourselves this day - among friends. He made us part of His family - the Church. I must confess - this is part of a homily Fr. Harold Ford gave May 1, 1997. I was in deacon formation when he gave me a copy. Our prayers are with all of our priests that have graced St Joseph Church. They have fed us with the finest wheat.

"Long to see God, fear losing God, and find joy in whatever leads to God. Do this and you will find great peace." Saint Teresa of Avila.

**OUR PRAYER:** God our Father, look upon us with love. You redeem us and make us your children in Christ. Give us true freedom and bring us to the inheritance You promised. We ask this through Jesus Christ Your Son who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. 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 July 16 (Men) and July 30 (Women).** Contact Dcn. Shane @ [sfcuda@yahoo.com](mailto:sfcuda@yahoo.com), or [OCCursillo.org](http://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](http://www.lavocations.org).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519****Important Religious Education Class Dates for end of year:**

**Elementary- May 17** (Last Class is May Crowning - Ice Cream Social) No Classes on **May 3 or May 10**

**Confirmation: May 17** – Last Class

**Youth Ministry** – See Website for more information (Flyers at exits of the Church)

**Middle School Retreat** – **June 12-14** at Whispering Winds!

**High School - Lock In – May 15** – See Website for Permission slip and more information

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

**The Word (Bible Study for Teens) has been cancelled until further notice**

**City of Saints** – Conference for Teens this Summer – **Aug 7-9. \$50 deposit due by May 15.** Only \$220. Held at UCLA. Great Music, Great Speakers.

**Come Celebrate the Sacraments with our Young People!**

**April 26** – 2:30-5pm – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Eucharist Retreat for Parents and child begins in the Hall.

**Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, May 31 at 3pm.** Bishop Solis will be Celebrating the Sacrament with us.

**Rehearsal for Year 2 Confirmation Students and Sponsors** – **Tuesday, May 26** at 7pm in the Church

**VBS-July 13-17** at St. Maria Goretti for Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. High School Youth can be Peer Leaders. 9am-12 noon. \$25 per child.

**Virtus Classes: Keeping the Promise Alive,** (recertification) - Monday, May 11, 6:30–8:00.

**Protecting God's Children,** (if you have never been) - Wednesday, May 27, 6:30-9:30.

Both classes will be in the hall. RSVP: 562-598-0519.

**Fingerprinting Schedule**

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

**May 15** - St. Bartholomew, Long Beach, 562-438-3826

**May 30** - Beatitudes of our Lord, La Mirada, 562-943-3218

**Did You Know? The Continuing Commitment to Protect Children and Young People** - As part of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles continuing commitment to protect children and young people, this past year, the Office of Safeguard the Children trained 30,514 adults and 166,850 children in the VIRTUS® Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Programs. In addition the Fingerprinting Department completed background checks on approximately 10,000 new clergy, employees and volunteers. For information about the VIRTUS® Programs contact: [jvienna@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org) or go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

**A Mission Appeal for the Missionary Diocese of Kumbakonam, India May 9/10** - There are 200 diocesan and 45 religious priests, 501 nuns, 25 trained lay catechists, and more than 120 catechists in training who are doing God's work in the diocese. The mission diocese celebrated its centenary in 1999 by setting goals for a New Evangelization. The diocese has been trying to materialize these missionary goals. The mission and spiritual prospects of Kumbakonam diocese are bright but its needs are great. Your generosity is our strength. **My home diocese is in dire and desperate need of financial help to help the starving, the poor, the sick, the homeless, and especially to feed the poor kids in orphanages and for their education.** I humbly request your prayers and generous donation from your heart for my home diocese. A very big thanks to you in advance for your great generosity! God bless!

**Long Beach Catholic Young Adults** - invites those 18-39 to a Kick-Off Mass and dinner, Saturday, May 16, 5 to 8:00 pm at St Joseph Parish (6220 East Willow St., Long Beach.). Join us for 5 pm Mass followed by dinner and fellowship. For more info and to RSVP, visit [lbcya.org](http://lbcya.org).

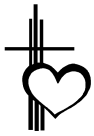
**Capital Campaign for Parish Life Center remodel** - We have **\$231,209** pledged! There are pledge envelopes in church and in the rectory office for you to add your pledge. Let's make it 100% participation! Thank you and may God bless you all.

**Adult Faith Formation**

Our book this quarter is "What are We Doing on Earth for Christ's Sake" by Rev. Richard Leonard.

The discussion will be on Wednesday, **June 3** at 7pm. For further information you may contact Nancy Longo at the Religious Education office.

Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8
Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 - 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20



## ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

Come join us. Bring a friend.

**May 18** - Social/game gathering

**June 1** - Business meeting/games - Alpha K performance

**June 15** - Social/game gathering

### Senior Upcoming Presentations

July 6 - Ice Cream Social (Bring a friend)

TBA - Identity Theft Presentation

**Note: New meeting start time, 11:00 a.m.**

Bring your brown bag lunch. Drinks & Dessert provided.

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

### **Trips - Trips - Trips**

**June 29 - July 1** - Laughlin NV. We will join the Cypress Sunshine Tours. Two free breakfast buffets plus one free buffet of your choice. Double \$124. Single \$150. Western party with \$1000 in prizes and Western style buffet with Champagne. Call Mary Lou 4314385 or Gerry 420-3220.

**More trips to follow.**

The **50's Plus Catholic Seniors Singles Club** invites you to join them on **May 24** at 2 p.m. in the Conference Room at St. Pancratius Parish. For information please call Winnie Butler at 562 809 3206 or Verna Hammer at 562 633 2503. Looking forward to having you join our social group.



### COME TO THE QUIET

Mondays, 2:30-3:00 p.m., in the Church  
Take 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 time for yourselves and rest in the Lord. Come to the Quiet to pray, Be Still, Rest in the Lord, let Him love you! *Everyone Welcome!!!*

**Mini-conference on Human Trafficking** - Susan Patterson will be speaking at St. Louise Catholic Church, Covina, **May 17**, at 2 p.m.

**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](http://www.sacredheartretreatcamp.com) - Events page or call 909-866-5696. Spaces limited. Donations needed to sponsor. Contributions can be sent to: Sacred Heart Retreat Camp, P.O. Box 1795, Big Bear Lake 92315.

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me." Mt 18:5

**Next Weekend: Feed-a-Baby Drive** – non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. Can you tend a donation table at a Mass or buy baby products from Skip-a-Meal donations?

**June 20-28: Homeless Kit Drive** – provide daily necessities to a homeless person. Can you assemble envelopes for parishioners or coordinate our donation table at church?

**Skip-a-Meal Donations** support our ministry including weekly sandwiches for St. Francis Center & Catholic Charities. For these and many other opportunities to help our brothers and sisters in need, call Tim Clark 431-4385.



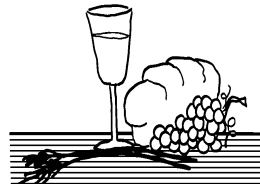
The L. A. Archdiocese and Missionary Childhood Association's "Children Helping Children" would like your participation in "**Join Hands for Nepal**" prayer and donation fundraiser for the humanitarian relief needed. We invite you to join hands in prayer for the children and their families in Nepal and to make a donation payable to: Missionary Childhood Association – Nepal Emergency Relief Fund, ATTN: Rev. Msgr. Terrance Fleming, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, 3424 Wilshire Boulevard – 3rd Floor, Los Angeles 90010.

**"A Night Under the Stars"** All Welcome!! Holy Innocents Parish School's 2nd Annual Fundraising Gala, May 15 at the Grand Event Center, 6p.m. Come enjoy an unforgettable and joy-filled evening. Sneak peek of our Live Auction will be a Cabo San Lucas getaway, Lake Nacimiento weekend, and Fiesta Dinner with the Sisters! Don't wait. Reserve your spot! \$75/pp or \$700/per table of 10. Please contact school office @ (562) 424-1018 for details.

**Our Lady of Refuge Golf Tournament - May 18**, Recreation Park, 5001 Deukmejian Way, Long Beach. Proceeds benefit Our Lady of Refuge church and school. For details contact Mike Krantz at [Krantzwp@yahoo.com](mailto:Krantzwp@yahoo.com) or Janis Krantz at [Jkmediapr@ol.com](mailto:Jkmediapr@ol.com).

**Save the Date – June 22, 32nd Annual St. Anthony High School Monsignor Gualderon Golf Classic.** The tournament will be at El Dorado Park Golf Course and proceeds will benefit SAHS Athletics. Online registration at [www.LongBeachSaints.org](http://www.LongBeachSaints.org), space is limited. For more information or to inquire about sponsorship opportunities or donations, please contact Renee Salvador at (562)435-4496 ext.1241 or [www.Renee.Salvador@LongBeachSaints.org](mailto:www.Renee.Salvador@LongBeachSaints.org) Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on the course!

# Mass Intentions



**SATURDAY, May 9**

5:00 p.m. - † Ronnie Lowen

**SUNDAY, May 10**

7:30 a.m. - † Marie Haddad

9:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena

10:30 a.m. - † Nicholas D'Amore

12:30 p.m. - Diane Radov

**MONDAY, May 11**

8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena

**TUESDAY, May 12**

8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena

**WEDNESDAY, May 13**

8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena

**THURSDAY, May 14**

8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena

**FRIDAY, May 15**

8:00 a.m. - Mother's Day Novena

**SATURDAY, May 16**

5:00 p.m. - Botelho & Salvate families

**SUNDAY, May 17**

7:30 a.m. - † Arch Forster

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Gerry Kohnen

12:30 p.m. - Mother's Day Novena

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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| <b>Glen Warren</b>      | <b>Nick Compton</b>      |
| <b>Joseph Comfort</b>   | <b>Irene Avila</b>       |
| <b>Scott Williams</b>   | <b>Justin Ray</b>        |
| <b>Timothy Ring</b>     | <b>Adam Mariano</b>      |
| <b>Obinna Ugochukwu</b> | <b>David Waidelich</b>   |
| <b>Timmy Allison</b>    | <b>Michael Marchante</b> |
| <b>Jason Kaufmann</b>   | <b>Nicky Kaufmann</b>    |
| <b>John Landry</b>      | <b>Jessica Landry</b>    |
| <b>Dillon Schad</b>     | <b>Kyle Shea</b>         |
| <b>Devin Conway</b>     |                          |

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 Ensich, Mike Brio, Noel Devine, Duane Studer, Janeen Higbee, Patricia Berry, Jay Kefalas, Stacey Marcus, Shirley Morasse, Magali & Wendy Sapien, Bill Whitt, Anna Osorio, Kathy June, Jordynn Seckington, Theresa Stewart, Lois Kearney, Al Soldin, Chris Carrera, Barbara Grochocenski, Robert & Frances Stickney, Bryan Nielson, Joel Stephesen, Georgiana (Peggy) Schad & Eloisa Mariano.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

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

## 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	<b>598-0519</b>
YOUTH MINISTRY/ CONFIRMATION	Marc Leon	<b>598-0519</b>
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Kris Dominguez	<b>598-0519</b>
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo	<b>598-0519</b>
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo	<b>598-0519</b>
SUNDAY NURSERY	Shannon Carpenter	<b>430-6840</b>
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN		

## ADULT MINISTRY

RCIA	Sister Eva	<b>594-4657</b>
BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	<b>533-1243</b>
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	<b>594-4657</b>
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Sr. Eva Bryan	<b>594-4657</b>
MEDITATION	Marie Mitchell	<b>310-490-4012</b>
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	<b>598-5202</b>
MINISTERS TO THE SICK		<b>594-4657</b>

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Anne Weaver	<b>498-7008</b>
FINANCE COUNCIL	Moses Bass	<b>420-1877</b>
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Website address: MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	<b>431-4385</b>
LONG BEACH CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS	Jason Pillon coordinator@lbcya.org	
SENIOR GROUP	Judy Pedneault	<b>421-6863</b>
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	<b>431-7703</b>
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Paciano & Molly Diaz ktrm@sbcglobal.net	<b>310-729-5890</b>
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	<b>377-5877</b>
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN	Monica Muñoz & Julie Gray	<b>598-0519</b>
PARISH FAIR	sparishfair@gmail.com	
PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	<b>598-5202</b>
	Olga Cuda	<b>594-4657</b>
PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER	Michelle Gath	<b>498-6701</b>
CUB SCOUTS	Moses Bass	<b>420-1877</b>
BOY SCOUTS	Brian Moskovitz	<b>506-7817</b>

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

Please submit notices, with your name & phone, to the rectory or to [bulletin@stjosephlb.org](mailto:bulletin@stjosephlb.org)