



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Religious Education: 598-0519

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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.

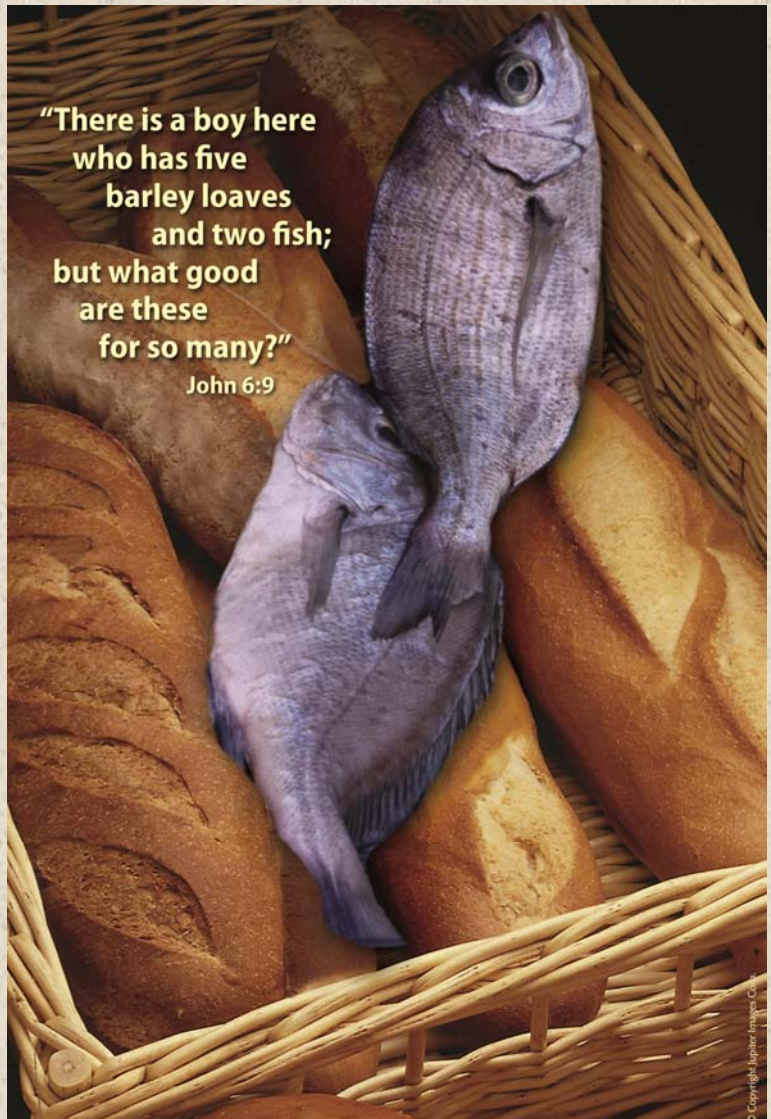
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



**"There is a boy here
who has five
barley loaves
and two fish;
but what good
are these
for so many?"**

John 6:9

**Seventeenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

July 26, 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 desk of Fr. Francis:

It's fascinating that General Electric, Hewlett Packard, IBM and Microsoft all came about during a severe economic downturn. When we look at history, it shouldn't be a surprise that challenging times have served as catalysts for innovation, accomplishment and creativity. Unfortunately, when we are going through difficult moments in our life, it's very tempting to just settle where we are and develop a "survival mentality." I remember talking to a lady who went through a bitter divorce and even though it's been over ten years and she had a great job, each time I asked her how she was doing, she always said, "I'm just surviving. I'm barely making it." But I don't think God wants us to simply survive. He wants us to thrive where we are.

Times may be difficult. You may have doubts of how things will work out. But don't forget that in this Sunday's gospel reading, Jesus took five loaves and two fish and multiplied them to feed thousands of people. Not only did He feed them, He fed them in abundance. If He can do that, He can also multiply what you have. He can multiply your talent so you can get more things done. He can multiply your wisdom and help you make more Christ-like decisions. Scripture says in psalm 145: "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs." Just remember that our God is in complete control. So when tough times hit and you're tempted to give into despair, instead have the boldness to say, "I will not just survive. I will thrive. I will trust in God and rise above this challenge knowing that He is holding me in the palm of His hands."

May God bless you and may you never allow anyone to steal your joy!

Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15
Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

The parish hall will be closed Aug. 10-15.

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

THANKS ALOT

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners:

I had hoped to thank everyone of you individually for the cards and gifts that you gave me, but unfortunately during my move, I lost the list of addresses of all of you that were so kind to remember me with gifts and cards. So, please accept this note as a big thank you to each one of you.

I just want to let all of you know that I so enjoyed my time at St. Joseph's and I appreciated all the support, insights, and help you have provided me over the past 5 years. Thank you again from the bottom of my heart for your good wishes. You are all very special to me and I will continue to keep you all in my prayers.

Fr. Jim

Lost! Deacon Don left his father's rosary in the church at Eucharistic Adoration on July 2. It is in a brown pouch. If you have found it, please return in the rectory mail slot.

Together In Mission

We have made a good start with our Together in Mission pledges toward our **goal of \$70,100**. So far **227 families** have **pledged \$47,861**. There are pledge envelopes in the church as well as in the rectory office. Thank you all!

Sunday Hospitality - we need a volunteer to help with our Sunday hospitality. This person would be responsible for scheduling the different parish groups for hosting and also for ordering the donuts each week. Please call the rectory, 594-4657, if you would be able to help. Thanks!

Sunday Nursery/Day Care - We need volunteers to help take care of our little ones during the 9:00 and 10:30 Sunday Masses. If you are being called to this ministry, please call Olga at the rectory, 594-4657. Thank you!



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 October 15 (Men), and July 30 and October 29 (Women).** Contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or OCCursillo.org*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 598-0519

Registration for Religious Education - Registration forms are available on-line and at the church exits.

We do need catechists for Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle School and High School...if you are interested - we will provide **free training** and a wonderful group of people to work with! God will bless you 1000 fold! I always gain more when I share my gifts, I promise you will, too! Please contact Nancy Longo if you have questions: 562-598-0519.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP – A HUGE THANK YOU to VOLUNTEERS and Parents for supporting our VBC this year! It was a great success. We had 137 campers and 52 volunteers! Truly the Body of Christ at work celebrating God’s incredible, faithful, invincible, unconditional and real love! We give glory to God for our Blast to the Past! **Save the dates for next year: July 11-15, 2016!**

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

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

The Word (Bible Study for Teens) is on vacation.

City of Saints – Conference for Teens this Summer at UCLA – **Aug 7-9. \$195 due now.** Great Music, Great Speakers.

Parish Life Center is closed for renovation this summer. You can reach the Religious Education Office at the same number and email.

Long Beach Catholic Young Adults - We welcome all young adults, ages 18-39, to join the Long Beach Catholic Young Adults, a ministry serving Long Beach parishes. LBCYA seeks to reinvigorate the Catholic young adult ministry in faith and love of Jesus Christ through service, spiritual development, and social fellowship. For more information, visit www.lbcya.org or contact Jason Pillon at coordinator@lbcya.org.

Long Beach Catholic Young Adults - All young adults (18-39) are invited to **Theology on Tap!** a speaker series Thursdays **July 30** from 7:00 to 9:30 pm at St. Cornelius (5500 E. Wardlow Rd. Long Beach). The event is free and includes speaker, live music, dinner and drinks! For more information please visit www.lbcya.org/tot



YOU ARE INVITED to our INAUGURAL Tri-PARISH FAMILY FUN FEST
August 22 from 3pm – 7pm.
 Here at St. Joseph. Join us for a family fun day with:
 BBQ Hot dogs, burgers and chips, DJ music, games, prizes
 (**volleyball, basketball and field areas will be available, bring your own equipment). Bring the family, your lawn chairs, EZ ups, and a side dish or dessert to share if you wish. (You can come without!) For more information email us at triparishfamilyfest@gmail.com
 Sponsored by: St. Joseph, St. Cornelius and St. Bartholomew Catholic Churches! **FREE!** Hope to see you there!

The **Italian Catholic Federation** of St. Cornelius Catholic Church invites you to its monthly meeting and ice cream social. Come for fellowship and fun, **August 2** from 1-4:30, in the Small Hall of St. Cornelius. RSVP, or questions, to surferwall@aol.com

SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention Sept. 4-6 at the Anaheim Convention Center. This year's theme is **Rejoice and Be Glad**. For info contact 818-771-1361, spirit@scrc.org. Online info and registration: scrc.org
 Over 70 presentations. Spiritually enriching for all ages!

Women’s Silent Retreat at Sacred Heart Retreat House - Sept. 11-13
 Theme: “I Was Born For You” - St. Teresa of Avila.
 Retreat Master: Rev. Phillip DeVous
 “We need no wings to go in search of God, but have only to find a place where we can be alone and look upon Him present within us.” This retreat is for any woman of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality; a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. But don’t delay, make your reservation today. Call Madeline Majick 562-596-6219, Marie Newton 562-429-7939, or Tina Gath 598-5202 to reserve a room.

Fingerprinting Schedule

San Pedro Region fingerprinting schedule for volunteers with our parish children, please call for an appointment:
Aug. 4 - St. Helen, South Gate, 323-563-3522 x 110
Aug. 8 - St. Dominic Savio, Bellflower, 562-920-7796
Aug. 15 - Our Lady of Guadalupe, Hermosa Bch, 310-372-7077

Did You Know? Helping children problem solve through communication - Often the easiest response to complicated conversations is a generic one, but these moments can be opportunities to help children grow. For example, if a child comes to you and tells you that a friend is being left out of social activities, you might respond with a question: “Do you think there is anything you can do help him/her feel more included?” Or if your child comes to you for money for social activities, instead of offering a solution, you might prompt them to consider ways that they could earn money or fundraise on their own. In this way, you are not only helping a child find a solution to an immediate situation, but also helping them to grow in wisdom and prudence. For complete VIRTUS® Article and more communication tips, email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org



ST. JOSEPH SENIORS
Come join us. Bring a friend.

- Aug. 3** - Business meeting/games
- Aug. 17** - Meeting/Games & fun
- Sept. 14** - Business meeting/games
- Sept. 28** - Meeting/Games & fun

Senior Upcoming Activities

More Trips, more casinos (see below)
 More programs TBA

**Note: Meeting start time, 11:00 a.m. until Oct. 5,
 Then meeting time 11:30 to 2:30**

Bring your brown bag lunch. Drinks & Dessert provided.
 Free bakery items to members

You're invited to join us for
 Bingo, Poker, Mexican Train, Sequence, Bridge & more
 For information call: Judy Pedneault, (562) 421-6863.

"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." JN 13:35.



Thank you! Thanks for the great turnout and to Fr. Francis for joining us July 15 to recap our 2014-2015 program year and to decide our goals for our upcoming, 29th year of service.

Aug 15-16 - Food from the Heart family food drive to benefit Catholic Charities of Long Beach

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

Hawaiian Summer Dance hosted by Knights of Columbus **Aug. 1, 7-midnight** at the Canoga Park Council Hall, 21433 Strathern St. \$15 donation per person. Hawaiian attire, live band, free parking, all welcome. Info: Angelo 818-577-6719.

Trips - Trips - Trips

Viejas Casino Aug 4-5 overnight includes \$25 Free play/\$10/Dining/ \$10 shopping. \$105 dbl/\$155 single/ \$95 triple
Riverside Hotel Laughlin -Sept 23-25 Two free breakfast buffets, one free buffet of choice. \$105pp/dbl. \$125 single
Chocolate LA Tour Sept 30 \$85 pp Step-on guide to take you to bakeries, factories & shops you never knew existed. You will be given a treat to take home from each shop. Some stops are a Japanese sweet shop, a classic soda store, plus a Monastery for hand dipped chocolate. We will end our day at a 28,000 square feet of a candy carnival. Lunch is at Tam O'Shanter Restaurant with a wonderful chocolate dessert. Lunch choices are Prime rib or Turkey sandwiches.
For more information contact Mary Lou @ 562-431-4385 or Gerry @ 562-420-3220

Take Action

California is considering legalizing assisted suicide through the proposed bill, SB 128. This legislation has dangerous implications for our state, especially for the poor and the most vulnerable. Call and Email your Assembly person today. Easily find your legislator info at: <http://ahardpill.org/you-can-help/>

Lay Mission Helpers and Mission Doctors Associations - Have you ever felt called to share your gifts and live your faith in another country? Teachers, nurses, accountants, administrators, and other professionals are invited to contact Lay Mission helpers, 213-368-1873 or www.laymissionhelpers.org. Physicians and dentists can contact 213-368-1875 or www.missiondoctors.org.

You are invited to join Fr. Joseph Parathanal's Pilgrimages to: Holy Land: (Oct. 2015), Eastern Europe: (Apr. 2016), India: (Sept. 2016). Contact Bernadette at 323-344-1548 or 323-547-6618 or at bcorp1114@hotmail.com.

Pilgrimage to Jordan and the Holy Land - Feb 16-28, 2016 - Join us for a pilgrimage. Fr. Angelo Beda, Franciscan priest and well known expert tour guide (there are numerous sites/articles about him online) will be our Good Shepherd. Our All-Inclusive Custom Tour includes airfare from LAX, deluxe first class hotels, air-conditioned motor coach, daily Mass & spiritual direction, etc. For more information, please contact Claudia Venegas (714) 414-2038 or email at claudiatravelholyland@gmail.com.

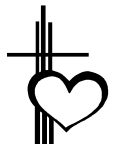


COME TO THE QUIET

We are now on summer vacation and will start up again in the fall. Stay tuned!

Meditation in the school library 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.



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, July 25

5:00 p.m. - † Erma Reicharat

SUNDAY, July 26

7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault

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

10:30 a.m. - † Ed and Mary Jane Merk

12:30 p.m. - † Jeanne Sexton

MONDAY, July 27

8:00 a.m. - † Agnes Tengerian

TUESDAY, July 28

8:00 a.m. - † Marcosa Yergara Estrada

WEDNESDAY, July 29

8:00 a.m. - † Joseph Madugno

THURSDAY, July 30

8:00 a.m. - † Margaret Nees

FRIDAY, July 31

8:00 a.m. - † Salvador Subia

SATURDAY, August 1

5:00 p.m. - † Vera Bodensteiner

SUNDAY, August 2

7:30 a.m. - Special Intentions

9:00 a.m. - Mitchell Weust, Thanksgiving

10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

12:30 p.m. - † Joseph Lozano

Rest in Peace
Died in Christ:



Ligia Almada

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.

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, 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, Angela Gibbons, Luis Arroyo, Michael Dresnick, Jack Comfort, Margarete Wareham, Larry Luckey, Duane Studer, Ramona Pedroza, Mary DeRuyter, Donna Halligan, Albert Rodriguez & Tony Olivar.

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 Boller, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak
OFFICE MANAGER	Julie Gianessi

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

562-598-0519

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ELEMENTARY,		
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LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo	598-0519
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo	598-0519
SUNDAY NURSERY	Closed	
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN		

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BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	533-1243
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Sr. Eva	594-4657
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	ktmr@sbcglobal.net	
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	377-5877
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PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	598-5202
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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