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.

Jesus asked them, "Who do you say that T am?"

Peter said to him in reply,

"You are the Christ."

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 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.

RENEWING YOUR WITNESS and THE NEW EVAN-GELIZATION - September 19, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., St. Cornelius Church - 5500 E. Wardlow Road, Long Beach 90808. The speakers include Father Ed Benioff (Director of the Archdiocesan Office of New Evangelization), and Marc Leon (Youth Director from St. Joseph Catholic Church in Long Beach). This is a FREE event. RSVP to the Regional Office by phone at (562) 634-0456, or by email at office@sppr.org

10:30 Choir: It's time to join the choir! Rehearsals have resumed on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in the church. Children's Choir: Open to children entering 2nd-8th grade. We are meeting Saturdays from 8:00 - 9:15 a.m. Children meet weekly and serve nearly once a month, mostly at the 9:00 Mass. Schedule and Registration forms available at rehearsal. Please see Parish Web-site for more details.

Sunday:	ls 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18;
	Mk 8:27-35
Monday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;
	Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6;
	Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday:	1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3;
-	Mk 9:30-37



Women and Men of St. Joseph Parish

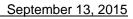
Is your heart on fire for Christ? Is it filled with the Holy Spirit or like a candle in the wind, flickering and barely alive? If you want to experience what the disciples felt on the day of Pentecost, then give yourself the gift of a Cursillo and light your heart on fire! A Cursillo weekend is unlike anything you've ever experienced. Cursillos run from Thursday evening thru Sunday. The next Cursillo weekends begin October 15 (Men), and October 29 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or OCCursillo.org

Capital Campaign for Parish Life Center Update! It has been almost a year since the start of our Capital Campaign. We have had \$232,983 pledged and \$215,853 has been paid! Most have completed their pledge. If you haven't, or if you would still like to make a pledge, there is time! Thank you and God bless you all.

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.



From Deacon Don's desk:

"More important than all else, let's remember that 'the means of grace (note:'grace' that which causes us to love) and the hope of glory' trace back to that 'great Sacrifice Play' - the Good Player, for each of us when the Good Manager so or-

dered placed us in a better scoring position, in a certain 3 hour, gave on a certain Friday, on a certain field named Calvary." ..Red Barber, Hall of Fame radio announcer.

"Everyone judges players differently. I judge a player by what he does for his ball club and **not** by what he does for himself. I believe the name of the game is self-sacrifice." Billy Martin, manager.

In today's second reading, James presents more of his nononsense ethical teaching. Last week we heard his warning against discrimination of any kind based on social, economic or cultural status, among members of the Church. Today he insists that we can't simply talk about care for others of the community, or give verbal assurance to those community members who have physical needs; one must act, in imitation of Jesus. In Mark's Gospel, the Evangelist's portrayal of Jesus's disciples is not flattering: they close their ears of any mention of Jesus's suffering and death. This message is presented to his audience around the year 70 AD. Are you willing to follow? At first Peter seems to respond with accurate faith to Jesus's question about His identity. He affirms that He is the Christ, God's Messiah. Jesus describes the coming rejection, suffering and death. This is too much for Peter who strongly objects; Jesus rebukes Peter.

Ouestion: Are we willing to take up our cross? He says to the crowd and us: "Whoever loses his life for Me and the Gospel will save it."

A priest once reminded me by saying "God loves you, all the time... and there is no end to it!" OUR PRAYER: Lord, as daylight fills the sky, fill us with Your holy light. May our lives mirror our love for You whose wisdom has brought us into being, whose care guides

us on our way. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever Amen.

COME TO THE QUIET

Will resume on September 14, Mondays, 2:30-3:00 p.m., in the Church, except for school holidays. 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 yourself and rest in the Lord. Come to the Quiet to pray, be still, rest in the Lord, let Him love you! Everyone Welcome!!!

Together In Mission

We are getting closer to our Together in Mission goal of \$70,100. So far 227 families have pledged \$67,046. There are pledge envelopes in the church as well as in the rectory office to add yours. Thank you all!

<u>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</u> - 598-0519 It's TIME to Register for Faith Formation Sessions (Religious Education) All Ages – All Families welcome! Registration Forms are available on-line and at the exits of the church

• Early Childhood (Ages 3, 4 & 5) - Come and play, pray and learn more about God's beautiful creations!

• Elementary (grades 1-2) Learn about God and our church while preparing for the Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion.

• Elementary (grades 3-5) – Faith Formation continues even after receiving sacraments – Join our Kids Quest Program to grow in faith and have fun!

• **Middle School (grades 6-8)** – Growing into adolescence knowing and serving God makes all the difference for a young person! Come and learn how to put your faith into Action at school, at home and in the world!

• **Confirmation (High school)** - All teens are invited to learn more about their faith and how to live it out - as they choose to become fully initiated into our beautiful Catholic faith as Confirmed Catholics!

 Sacrament Preparation (Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist) is available for all young people (ages 7-18) – It's never too late!

If you have questions, please call Nancy Longo at 562-598-0519.

We do need catechists for Early Childhood, Elementary (2nd grade and 3-5th grade), and High School and Liturgy of the Word for Children! 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 or email at religioused@stjosephlb.org).

<u>Youth Ministry</u> – 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



Adult Faith Formation - Our book this quarter is *God Wants you Happy* by Rev. Jonathan Morris. The discussion will be on Wednesday, **October 7** at 7pm. For

further information contact Nancy Longo at the Religious Education office. Books on sale in the Religious Education blue trailer!

Calling All Married Couples - Feel blessed by your marriage in the Church? If so, we would love to have you help us prepare engaged couples for marriage in the Archdiocese of L. A. For information, please contact Candy Metoyer at cmetoyer@la-archdiocese.org or (213) 637-7250. **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, visitwww.lbcya.org or contact Jason Pillon at coordinator@lbcya.org.

RCIA News

Our class for those who are continuing their inquiry will be resume on Thursday, September 10 in the school library, 7-8:30. A big welcome back to those who are moving into the Catechumenate stage of this wonderful process of faith formation.

If you are thinking about being a Catholic or know someone who is, please call Sr. Eva at the parish office, 562-594-4657.

Stephen Ministry News

Now that St. Joseph has become an enrolled "Stephen Ministry Parish," training will commence for those who feel a call to provide one-to-one Christ-centered care to hurting people. A special invitation goes to all our bereavement group, especially those who wish to be involved in a weekly prayer support way.

Our first session for training will be Wednesday, Sept. 30, 7-8:30 p.m.

Adult Confirmation - If you have not received Confirmation, a class will be offered on Sunday mornings from 8:00 to 11:00 at St. John of God, in Norwalk, beginning January 10 and continuing through May. Please call our Religious Education office at 598-0519 to sign up.

Virtus - Protecting God's Children **beginning** course will be on Tuesday, **September 22**, 6:30-9:30. **Virtus** - Keeping the Promise Alive is the **renewal** session which will be held on Tuesday, **September 15**, 6:30-8:30pm. Both are held in the Parish Hall. Sign up with Nancy Longo - 598-0519.

Women's Retreat: You're invited to get away for a weekend of rest and inspiration, **September 25 - 27** at El Carmelo Retreat House on a beautiful hilltop in Redlands, just over an hour from our area. The theme for this year's retreat is "Family: Today and in our Catholic Tradition." Three Carmelite priests will give the conferences with talks about special families like that of the soon-to-be canonized Zelie and Louis Martin, the parents of the Little Flower, St. Therese of Lisieux. Weekend starts with dinner Friday night and ends Sunday after Mass & lunch. Cost for the entire weekend, room with private bath, six meals, all conferences: \$170, double; \$195, single. Call Margaret Lander (562) 429-2897.

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

<u>Sept. 14</u> - Business meeting/games <u>Sept. 28</u> - Meeting/Games & fun <u>Oct. 5</u> - Business meeting/games <u>Oct. 19</u> - Meeting/Games & fun

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

<u>Senior Upcoming Activities</u> More Trips, more casinos (see below) More programs TBA Quarterly meeting (Committee Chairs or committee representative invited) RSVP to Judy please.

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

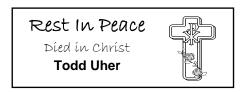
You're invited to join us for fun and games. Bingo, Poker, Mexican Train, Sequence, Bridge & more For information call: Judy Pedneault, (562) 421-6863.

Trips - Trips - Trips

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 bakeries, factories & shops you never knew existed. 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 candy carnival. Lunch is at Tam O'Shanter Restaurant with a wonderful chocolate dessert. Lunch choices are Prime rib or Turkey sandwiches. Payment due August 31.

Mission Inn - Dec. 15 This day trip includes a tour of the historic Mission, view of all the lights, time for shopping, and dinner at the Black Angus restaurant with four entrées to pick from, depart at 2:15PM and return approx. 9PM. Price \$80 due by Nov 2.

There are many more trips coming including a Napa Valley Wine Train trip, Cruises to Alaska and Mexico, Laughlin at the Riverside in Sept and also Dec. Day trips to San Manuel and Pechanga. These Trips are open to the whole parish, friends and family. For more info please call Mary Lou 562-431-4385 or Gerry Seckington 562-420-3220.



Dusting Angels!!

Sr. Eva meets with some generous women on the first Tuesday of every month, 1-2 p.m. If you are free, come along and dust/light clean the church with us. "You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God." 2 Cor 9:11. For many opportunities to serve our local brothers and sisters in need, please call Tim Clark 431-4385. **Sept. 26-27**: Feed-a-Baby. Skip-a-Meal Donations support our ministry inc

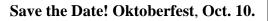


Skip-a-Meal Donations support our ministry including sandwiches weekly, for St. Francis Center & Catholic Charities.

Children's Bureau Family Foster Care and Adoptions -

Caring, Compassionate, Committed, Child-focused, Concerned and Comforting. Is this how you "C" yourself? Help children of all ages by becoming a Resource Parent. Discover if you have the willingness, ability and resources to take on the challenge! Information meeting: **Oct. 10**, 800-730-3933 or all4kids.org

Operation Walk - Kate and Blake need your help. Do you want to rid your closets/garages of unwanted **walkers, canes and crutches**? Please donate them to Operation Walk. The team is going to Cuba and they need your help. Last year, we collected over 50 pieces, so let's try for 60 this year! Please, no wheelchairs. You may drop them off **until September 13**, or we can pick up if you prefer. Any donation is much appreciated! Please ask your friends and neighbors for donations too. Thank you and God bless you. Kate Baldwin 562 760 5827 or 562 900 4417.



Companion Hospice Care, Downey, is recruiting volunteers for training program. Train to become a needed friend to someone during the last part of their journey, or just come help with the office. Call Yovana Lopez, 562-944-2711 or email ylopez@companionhospice.com

Interested in learning about the **Italian Catholic Federation** of St. Cornelius Church? Join us for our monthly meeting, **Sept. 13**, 1:30-4:30 in the large Hall. Questions contact surferwall@aol.com

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 tells you that a friend is being left out, you might ask: "Is anything you can do help him/her feel included?" If your child comes to you for money for social activities, you might prompt them to consider ways that they could earn money on their own. You are helping a child find a solution to an immediate situation, and to grow in wisdom and prudence. For complete VIRTUS® Article and more communication tips, email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 12 5:00 p.m. - + Botelho and Salvati families SUNDAY, September 13 7:30 a.m. - † Joe Lozano 9:00 a.m. - † Sheila Dolan 10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners 12:30 p.m. - † Danny Lim **MONDAY, September 14** 8:00 a.m. - + Lawrence Smith **TUESDAY, September 15** 8:00 a.m. - † Duane Studer WEDNESDAY, September 16 8:00 a.m. - † Duane Studer **THURSDAY, September 17** 8:00 a.m. - † Michael Cincola FRIDAY, September 18 8:00 a.m. - † John McNaughton SATURDAY, September 19 5:00 p.m. - † John DeRuyter SUNDAY, September 20 7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault 9:00 a.m. -† Joseph Vezzetti **†** Nicholas D'Amore 10:30 a.m. -

Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Francis Ilano

12:30 p.m. - † Walter E. Lamp

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

Have You Remembered your Parish or School in your will or trust? For information, please contact the Planned Giving Office, (213) 637-7504 / www.ADLALegacy.org / PlannedGiving@LA-Archdiocese.org

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, Eileen Bentley, Laverne Kelly, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, Gene Ensch, Mike Brio, Noel Devine, Janeen Higbee, Patricia Berry, Jay Kefalas, Stacey Marcus, Shirlev Morasse, Magali & Wendy Sapien, Bill Whitt, Anna Osorio, Kathy June, Jordynn Seckington, Theresa Stewart, Lois Kearney, Al Soldin, Chris Carrera, Robert & Frances Stickney, Bryan Nielson, Joel Stephesen, Georgiana (Peggy) Schad, Eloisa Mariano, Angela Gibbons, Luis Arroyo, Michael Dresnick, Jack Comfort, Margarete Wareham, Larry Luckey, Ramona Pedroza, Mary DeRuyter, Albert Rodriguez, Tony Olivar, Lisa Dang, Nina Escandon, Chris Belcher, Janet Bernardo, Regina Jurado, Pat Mitchell & Dennis Cuda.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION LECTORS USHERS ALTAR SERVERS DIRECTOR of MUSIC ALTAR CARE CHURCH SACRISTANS

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562-596-6115

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MIDDLE SCHOOL	Nancy Longo	598-0519	
YOUTH MINISTRY/ CONFIRMATION	Marc Leon	598-0519	
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LITURGY/CHILDREN	Nancy Longo	598-0519	
RCIC (Children)	Nancy Longo	598-0519	
SUNDAY NURSERY	Closed		
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY			
FOR CHILDREN			

ADULT MINISTRY

RCIA	Sister Eva	594-4657
BIBLE STUDY	Rita Smith	533-1243
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BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Sr. Eva	594-4657
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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 <u>bulletin@stjosephlb.org</u>