



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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RECTORY

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Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Closed noon - 1:00 for lunch

Closed Saturday and Sunday

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Religious Education: 598-0519

email: religioused@stjosephlb.org

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.

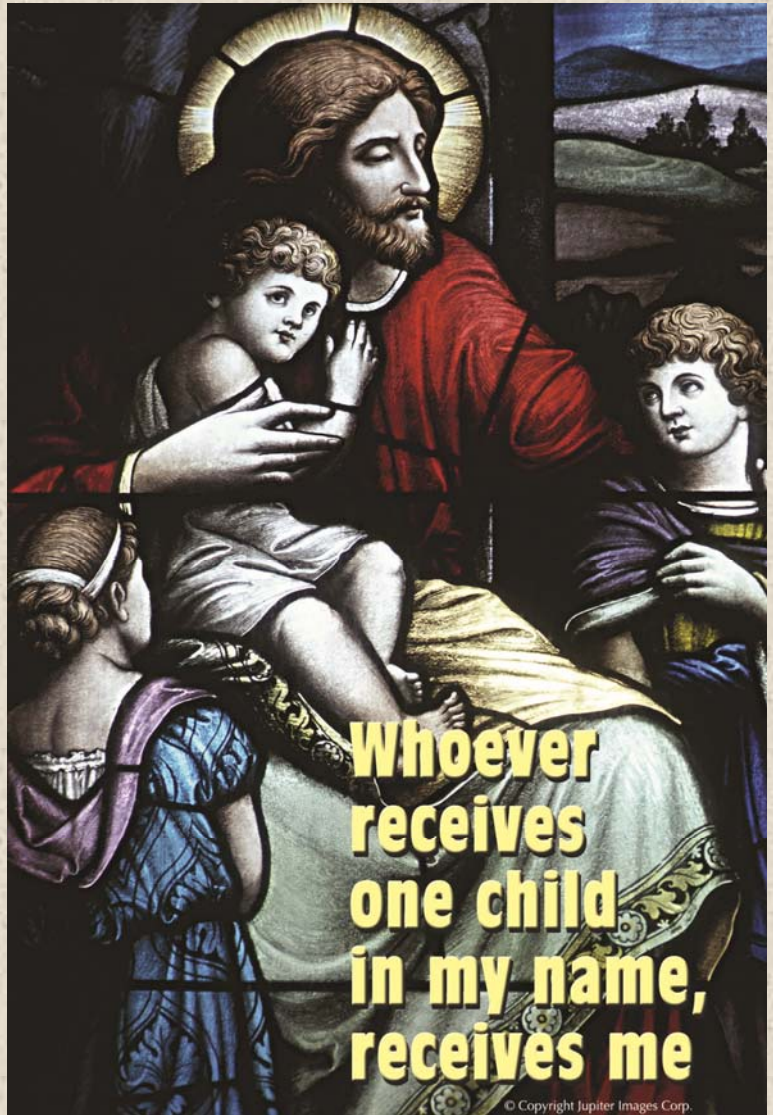
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



Twenty-fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

September 20, 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.



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*

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:	Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30-37
Monday:	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ

Evelyn Kane



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 **\$217,223** 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.

Together In Mission

We are getting closer to our Together in Mission goal of **\$70,100**. So far **227 families** have pledged **\$67,296**. There are pledge envelopes in the church as well as in the rectory office to add yours. Thank you all!



From Deacon Don's desk:

Last Monday (the 14th) we celebrated the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**. In the 5th century, on the feast of the dedication of the basilica of the Resurrection (Sept 13, 335 AD) the wood of the Holy Cross was shown to the people. It gave rise to this feast celebrated in all the Eastern Rites and accepted at Rome in the 7th century.

In the First reading for this Sunday, the book of Wisdom, written about a half century before Jesus' time, speaks of plotting to kill the "just one." It's noted that this may be the earliest interpretation of Jesus's death and resurrection which applies to His title as "Righteous One." "Let us condemn Him to a shameful death, according to his words, God will take care of Him." Wisdom 2:20

James' letter reminds his hearers of wisdom of Jewish tradition embodied in Christ, attitudes of peace, gentleness and mercy to others.

In today's Gospel He teaches in unmistakable terms that He will soon be handed over to those who will kill Him. The Jews hoped for a king to reestablish an independent kingdom. The disciples again show that they don't understand Jesus' teaching. They argue about who is most important!

Jesus's message is simple: to receive a child in His name one must accept poverty and lack of status i.e. be a servant of God.

"Deprive yourself of some part of your substance, and give it wholeheartedly to the poor. God will restore it to you not only in the next life but even in the present one. Love the poor, be happy to associate with them of-ten."St Francis de Sales.

OUR PRAYER: Lord Jesus, impress upon us that without a cross on earth there will be no crown in heaven. Help us to bear our cross daily for You as You bore Yours for us. Amen

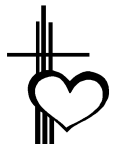


COME TO THE QUIET

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!!!*

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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 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 religiously@stjosephlb.org).

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

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.

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.

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.

Virtus - Protecting God's Children **beginning** course will be on Tuesday, **September 22**, 6:30-9:30, in the Parish Hall. Sign up with Nancy Longo - 598-0519.

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.

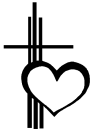
Women's Retreat: You're invited to a weekend of rest and inspiration, **September 25 - 27** at El Carmelo Retreat House on a beautiful hilltop in Redlands. The theme is "Family: Today and in our Catholic Tradition." Three Carmelite priests will give the conferences with talks about special families like that of the soon-to-be canonized Zelig 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.



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

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

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.



ST. JOSEPH SENIORS

Come join us. Bring a friend.

Sept. 28 - Meeting/Games & fun

Oct. 5 - Business meeting/games

Oct. 19 - Meeting/Games & fun

Note: Meeting start time, 11:00 a.m. until Oct. 5.

Starting Oct. 5: Meeting time 11:30 to 2:30

Senior Upcoming Activities

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.

Save the Date! Oktoberfest, Oct. 10.

"Coming Home" September 27, 3 - 6 p.m., Holy Innocents School in Long Beach hosts its 3rd annual alumni dinner. Don't miss out on this free event for H.I.S. alumni friends and family. More info www.holyinnocentsschlb.org For reservation email Maria Josefina Semense-Mayberry at: his.lb.alumni@gmail.com

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

Sept. 23 – Committee Meeting 7:00

p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come share ideas and help us coordinate our 29th year of ministry to our brothers and sisters in need in the Long Beach area. We are moving into our busiest season of the year. For many opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Sept. 26-27 – Feed-a-Baby food drive. Donations will benefit Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Our holiday support of 65 local families, is just around the corner! Please be particularly mindful of your support during the holiday season.



I am Blake Baldwin and I am a member of **Operation Walk**. Thank you very much for your donations. Last year we collected over 50 pieces of equipment, but this year we received over 80 pieces of equipment! Without your help, this organization would not be able to succeed. Once again, thank you and God bless you.

St. Cornelius Annual Fiesta - You are invited! Please join us for fun, food, and fellowship at our annual school Fiesta! Games, entertainment, great food, desserts and prizes – win \$2,000! Dates: Friday, **Sept 25** (5-10p), Saturday, **Sept 26** (3-10p) and Sunday, **Sept 27** (1-7p), at the corner of Bellflower and Wardlow. See the school website for more details: www.stcornelius.net/fiesta

Children's Bureau Family Foster Care and Adoptions - Caring, Compassionate, Committed, Child-focused, Concerned and Comforting. Is this how you "C" yourself? Help children by becoming a Resource Parent. Information meeting: **Oct. 10**, 800-730-3933 or all4kids.org

All ladies are invited to a very interesting and informative **ACCW Meeting**, Mass and luncheon on **Sept. 24** from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., St. Barnabas hall, 3955 Orange Ave., Long Beach. Rev. George Reynolds will be our main speaker. Luncheon reservations for \$10 and further information can be obtained from Verna Hammer, 562 633 2503. Looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Did You Know? Helping children problem solve through communication - Often the easiest response to complicated conversations is a generic one, but these can be opportunities to help children grow. For example, if a child tells you that a friend is being left out, you might ask: "Anything you can do to help him/her feel included?" You are helping a child find a solution, and to grow in wisdom and prudence. For complete VIRTUS® Article and more communication tips, email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 19

5:00 p.m. - † John DeRuyter

SUNDAY, September 20

7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault

9:00 a.m. - † Joseph Vezzetti

10:30 a.m. - † Nicholas D'Amore

12:30 p.m. - † Walter E. Lamp

MONDAY, September 21

8:00 a.m. - † John Norris

TUESDAY, September 22

8:00 a.m. - † Chris Fort

WEDNESDAY, September 23

8:00 a.m. - † Wally Hillebrecht

THURSDAY, September 24

8:00 a.m. - † Dr. Rudy Flores

FRIDAY, September 25

8:00 a.m. - John Christie

SATURDAY, September 26

5:00 p.m. - † Antonietta Gigliotti

SUNDAY, September 27

7:30 a.m. - † Joe Lozano

9:00 a.m. - † Bob White

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

12:30 p.m. - † Donald Ashcraft

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

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 Enschede, 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, 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, Jim Klodt, Barbara Baine & Mark Ham.

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
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNSEL	Katie Boller, 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	Kris Dominguez	598-0519
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
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Sr. Eva	594-4657
MEDITATION	Marie Mitchell	310-490-4012
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202
MINISTERS TO THE SICK		594-4657

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PROJECT ACHIEVE	Tina Gath	598-5202
PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER	Cynthia San Jose	884-9589
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