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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.

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 27, 2015

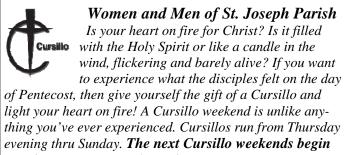
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foster the formation and enrichment of parishioners in spirituality, worship and education, providing a welcoming environment to all.

We live Christian lives by praying together, caring for our diverse community, encouraging and sharing of ourselves in service to others.

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

<u>10:30 Choir</u>: It's time to join the choir! Rehearsals have resumed on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in the church. **<u>Children's Choir</u>**: 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:	Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Monday:	Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
	Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
	Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday:	Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;
	Lk 10:1-12
Friday:	Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday:	Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday:	Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;
	Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]



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!

Capital Campaign for Parish Life Center Our Capital Campaign is coming to a close. We have had **\$233,233 pledged** and **\$218,073** has been **paid**! Most everyone has completed their pledge. If you haven't, or if you would still like to make a pledge, there is still time! Thank you and God bless you all.



From Deacon Don's desk:

Jesus was a skilled and powerful communicator. Like all great teachers He used metaphor and exaggeration to make His point. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus takes evil very seriously. He is always conscious of it around Him and is aware that it comes

from within us, and outside us. Jesus teaches us today to stop doing the destructive things that prevent us from loving God, others and ourselves. Sinful behavior comes in two categories of human activity: habitual and compulsive. There are good habits like saying "please" and "thank you." Others start out well intentioned but end up being obsessions, like caring for one's physical fitness. Compulsive behavior is a different order: gambling, drinking, smoking, violence, drugs, pornography.

We need to regularly examine ourselves to see who, when, how we are most likely to walk away from God's love, and we can work out why we do things. Excerpt from Fr Leonard SJ

A reflection taken from our Small Church Community (SCC) scripture focus: There is always a temptation in Church communities to control and possess all the ways God works and not give credit to anyone who is not of our kind. In today's Gospel the apostles forbid a man from casting out demons because he is not one of the followers of Jesus. The narrowness is found in the First reading: Joshua complains that two Israelites are speaking for God with the power of God's spirit. They were not part of the 70 helpers at the special ceremony. Moses answers like Jesus. The disciples are told they belong to Christ. The phrase is literally, "in the name of Christ." This name has power enough not only to cast out demons but to gather people into the person of Christ. God will appreciate things done by those who belong to Christ. Anything done to hurt or stand in the way of one who belongs to Christ deserves punishment. Any sacrifice is worth the effort to belong to Christ.

"God is eternal discovery and eternal growth. The more we think we understand God, the more God reveals Himself as other. The more we think we hold God, the further God withdraws drawing us into the depths of Himself."Teihard de Chardin.

OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, teach me to appreciate the value of silence in my life. Let me set aside a few silent moments each day for thinking about You and speaking with You. Amen



COME TO THE QUIET

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!!!*

Religious Education/Faith Formation News Opening Day - September 27, 10:30 a.m.

• 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 learn about how to live out faith at home, school and with friends.

Opening Day - October 6, 7:00 p.m.

• 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! Opening Day - October 4, 11:00 a.m.

• **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!

Parent only orientation, Sept. 27, 11:45 a.m. • Sacrament Preparation (Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist) is available for all young people (ages 7-18) – It's never too late!

Little Saints Toddler Ministry - Now Open - Do you have a wiggly or restless toddler? We take care of your little saint during the 9 and 10:30 a.m. Mass in the day care room at the school (behind the parish hall). Free! If you have questions, please call Nancy Longo at 562-598-0519. Thank you to all our amazing catechists who are working hard to serve St. Joseph families!

<u>Youth Ministry</u> – See Website for more information. **Revelation Nights** (Youth Nights for all teens!) **Opening Night October 7**, 7:30-8:30pm every Wednesday.

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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 Edu-

cation 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. **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 has resumed on Thursdays 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.

Long Beach Life Chain

Stand and be counted with thousands supporting life! **October 4**, 2:30-4:00 at the corner of Bellflower Blvd. and Del Amo Blvd, Lakewood. Please bring the whole family and join with over 1800 Life Chains nationwide and be a light in the world.

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry Please join us for donuts and fellowship with others in our community in front of the church after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 Masses.

Sunday September 27 hosted by Meditation Group Sunday October 4 hosted by Altar Servers

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.

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.



Introducing... St. Joseph Social Club Your host: St. Joseph Senior Group

Come join us. Bring a friend.

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

Oct. 19 - Meeting/Games & fun

<u>Nov. 2</u> - Business meeting/games. 2016 slate of officers presented to membership*

*voting and installation in December **Nov. 16** - Thanksgiving celebration and luncheon

> Note: September meeting start time, 11:00 a.m. Starting October 5: Meeting time 11:30 to 2:30

Join now (\$10) and enjoy membership and social activities for this year and all of 2016.

Senior Upcoming Activities

More Trips, more casinos (see below) <u>Nov. 16</u> Thanksgiving Celebration Luncheon no charge for paid members. \$15 for guests. More programs TBA

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

You're invited to join us for fun and games, including 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. "And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me." Mt 18:5 **This Weekend – Feed-a-Baby** food drive. Donations will benefit Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings.



Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during our holiday support of 65 local families.

Committee Meeting - Many thanks to those who shared ideas and offered to help coordinate our 29th year of ministry. Our next committee meeting will be Oct. 14. <u>We are into our busiest season of the year</u>. For <u>many</u> opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Meals on Wheels needs volunteers (drivers and friendly visitors) to deliver meals to the homebound. Only two hours, one morning a week. Bring a friend and work as a team! Apply online at www.mowlb.org or call Adriana, 562 -439-5000.

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: 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

Pilgrimage to Jordan and the Holy Land, Feb 16 -

28, 2016. Join Fr. Angelo Beda, Franciscan priest and well known tour guide, for an all-inclusive custom tour including 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 at claudiatravelholyland@gmail.com

Fingerprinting here at St. Joseph, **Oct. 6**, noon - 3:40 and 5-7:20. Call 598-0519 to make your appointment.

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 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 **MONDAY, September 28** 8:00 a.m. - † William Carrola **TUESDAY, September 29** 8:00 a.m. - † Betty Maligie WEDNESDAY, September 30 8:00 a.m. - † Duane Studer THURSDAY, October 1 8:00 a.m. - † Madalyne and Anthony Ursano FRIDAY, October 2 8:00 a.m. - + Anna and Dick Greco SATURDAY, October 3 5:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners SUNDAY, October 4 7:30 a.m. - † Duane Studer 9:00 a.m. -**†** Anthony Neder 10:30 a.m. - † Nicolas D'Amore 12:30 p.m. - † John DeRuyter

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>.

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, Barbara Baine, Mark Ham & Nelson family.

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