



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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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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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.

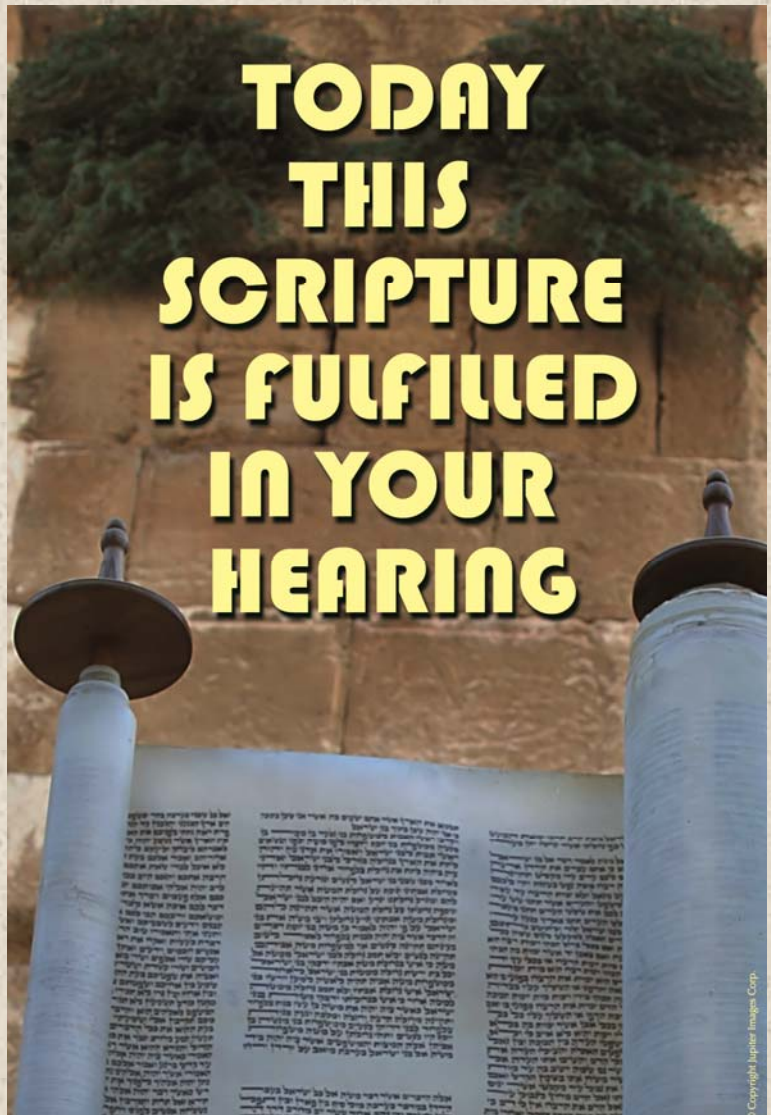
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

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.



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2016

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:

I am grateful for your continued prayers and ministerial and financial support to make St. Joseph a welcoming place to come together as one family and worship God. This Sunday I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have given generously to Together in Mission in the past years. I can assure you that these funds have literally helped not only to provide ministry, but also to keep the doors open at many of our parishes and schools throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles supported by the campaign.

In today's second reading, Paul reminds us that each part of the body is equally important. I remember stubbing my toe a few months ago. It was a small thing but it hurt so bad. I had to make sure that I took care of that toe so I could function most effectively here in this church.

And so it is with the mystical body of Christ, the Church. When some members of our Church are hurting, we realize that it is our responsibility to look after them and to care for them, to love them back to healing so they can encounter God's joy, peace and goodness that He has blessed us with in abundance here at St. Joseph.

When you give to Together in Mission, you are providing for ministry, education, and services in 80 parishes and 63 parish schools. You are, very directly, helping to bring the Good News, the Word of God, to tens of thousands of people. You are enabling our Catholic brothers and sisters to share our faith with us. So as the appointed shepherd of this church, I want to extend my most heartfelt gratitude for your love, dedication, and continued support to our church and to Together in Mission. May God continue to rain down His blessings and favor upon you and your family for many generations to come.

Blessing of our Parish Life Center - On **February 7**, Bishop Oscar Solis will be here to celebrate the 10:30 Mass and then will bless our new center after Mass.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

When he announced this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis highlighted today's Gospel episode, in which Jesus proclaims in his hometown synagogue his Spirit-anointed mission to fulfill the promises of the prophet Isaiah. Jesus' mission then, says Pope Francis, is our mission now as Jesus' disciples this Jubilee Year of Mercy: to bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind, freedom to the oppressed, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord, a year of God's mercy. Pope Francis challenges us to translate Jesus' mission to contemporary needs: to console by word and deed those materially or spiritually poor, to liberate those bound by modern society's new forms of slavery, to open the eyes of those blinded by their own self-interest, and to restore human dignity to all those from whom it has been stolen. To act with mercy in a spirit of joy!

Free app: 365 days of mercy at www.osv.com/yom



From Deacon Don's desk:

Question: Have you ever noticed the ladies after the Tuesday 8AM Mass that gather near the 9th and or 10th Station of the Cross? They are praying to the Blessed mother aka Mother of Perpetual Help. They invite you to be with them for about 10 minutes or so. What do they accomplish during that short time? They pray for us to reach out to those in need! Is that all? Not by a long shot! They pray to the Blessed Mother to help us to recognize Jesus in those we meet especially the poor and the lonely, the sick and elderly, and to be mindful that whatever we do to the least of our brothers and sisters we do to her loving Son. They pray for us to be "open to God's Word" and to help us be attentive to His message. They ask (on our behalf) that the Holy Spirit enlighten our understanding. They pray for our leaders: from Pope Francis, Archbishop Gomez, our priest Fr. Francis, Deacons and leaders of our nation, state and community!

They pray for young people to respond generously to the call of the Holy Spirit in deepening their faith in choosing their vocation in life. They look at the picture of our Mother of Perpetual Help calling to mind that we must carry our cross as Jesus did. Finally, they pray for Mary to watch over all families with her motherly love, and that the sacrament of marriage bring husbands and wives ever closer together to be always faithful and love each other and their children as Christ loves us. In closing they ask that the Holy Spirit come and fill our hearts with joy, peace and love with His constant presence within us.

THEIR PRAYER FOR US: Through the prayers of our patron, St. Alphonsus, and the intercession of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and through the merits of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, present in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar, may the blessing of almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit descend upon you and remain forever. Amen

Grief Support - If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, come and join us every other Monday, Jan. 25, Feb. 8 and 22, Mar. 7 and 21, Apr. 4 and 18, May 2 and 16, in the PLC from 7-8:30 pm.

Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday:	Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday:	2 Tm 1:1-18 or 9:1-22; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday:	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

Tax Letter: If you would like a statement of your donations for 2015, please call the rectory, 594-4657.

Faith Formation/Religious Education News

Classes have begun for 3 years to 5th Grade at 10:30am

LITTLE SAINTS Toddler Ministry – Do you have a wiggly or restless toddler? We take care of your “Little Saints” during the 9am & 10:30am Masses in the Daycare room at the school (behind the parish hall). FREE! We are looking for volunteers to help out for the 12:30pm Mass!

Liturgy of the Word for Children is available to all children from 4 - 11 years old during the 9am Mass. Follow our Catechist out with the rest of our children to hear the Word of God explained so that you will understand! Parents, you are welcome to join us! We could always use more adults to help with this wonderful ministry. Training and materials are provided.

Activities for Faith Formation and Confirmation:

Faith Formation/Religious Education - Sundays: 10:30 - no class 1/24, return 1/31

Middle School - Tuesdays 7-8 pm

Jan. 26 - On the Edge - Service project: On the Day you were born (wrapping birthday presents for poor children who never get presents on their birthday)

Confirmation - No class Year 1 & 2 on 1/24. No class Year 1 - 1/31.

Confirmation 2 Retreat Jan. 29-31 - Please pray for our young people and we ask for your generosity for snack donations: bottled water, chips, cookies, fruit etc. Please keep our team, teens and families in your prayers.

High School Youth Ministry –

Revelation on Wednesdays from 7:30-8:30pm.

Long Beach Catholic Young Adults - Welcome young adults, 18-39, to 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 information, visit www.lbcya.org or contact Jason Pillon: coordinator@lbcya.org.

Catholic Schools Week: January 24 - 30: "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service" - Join us on Sunday, January 24 for St. Joseph Catholic School's Open House and Junior High Science and Engineering Fair from **10 am - Noon**. Applications for the 2016-2017 school year are currently available on-line at: www.sjknights.net

St. Joseph Catholic School is accepting applications for Kindergarten and our Transitional Kindergarten (Alpha-K) for the 2016-2017 school year. Applicants for Kindergarten must turn 5 years old by August 31, 2016. Applicants for Alpha-K must turn 4 years old by August 31, 2016.

Alpha-K: - Emphasizes developmental readiness skills with a hands-on approach to curriculum

- Focuses on Kindergarten readiness
- Daily instruction in religion and weekly Mass attendance
- Offers a half-day (7:50-11:50 am) or full-day (7:50 am – 3:00 pm), 5-days-per-week program
- Extended daycare is available until 5:30 pm

Space is limited and classes will fill up quickly. If you are interested in taking a tour, please call our school office at 596-6115 or send an email to jgianessi@sjknights.net to set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our principal.



Our next book is: "Soul Centered" by Fr. Jim Clarke. Our Book Club discussion will be **February 3**, in the new PLC. Everyone is welcome!

Fr. Jim Clarke - February 5, 7:30-9:00 to kick off our Lenten Speaker Series - only \$5. **Topic: Spiritual Maturity**

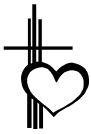
Did You Know? Setting boundaries fosters healthy relationships - We create boundaries to keep our lives in order, for example many adults separate personal and professional relationships. Trusted adults can help teach children to do the same. Boundaries are essential in the foundation of relationships, and children should be comfortable expressing where they draw their own lines. “No means no” is easy to say in theory, but it should be respected in practice by your kids and their friends, teachers and other adults. Teach your kids how to explore their own comfort zones and give them time to tell you about their experiences. Open communication helps them understand that setting boundaries is part of life. For a copy of the Virtus® article “Good Boundaries Yield Healthy Relationships” email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

Prayer and Life Workshop, Saturday January 30, 9 - 11 am. If you've made a new year's resolution to build your spiritual muscles and lose the weight of anxiety, suffering and uncertainty in your life, perhaps the best thing you can do is to turbo-charge your prayer life. The Prayer And Life Workshop will guide you through series of practical prayer methods and exercises that will help you find liberation and healing as you discover God's will for your life. Visit www.plwStJoseph.com to learn more.



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 Apr. 14 (Men), and Feb. 4 and Apr. 28 (Women).** Contact Dcn. Shane @ sfcuda@yahoo.com, or OCCursillo.org*



St. Joseph Social Club
 Hosted by the **St. Joseph Senior Group**
 Time to "sign up" or "re-up" for a fun 2016
 \$10 a year Membership

Feb. 1 - Senior Group Lenten Retreat. 9 am gathering in Fr. Martin Hall. \$10 includes box lunch.

All are welcome. Reservations required. 562-429-8891.

Feb. 7 - Hospitality hosted by Senior Group at the Dedication of the new Parish Life Center - 10:30

Feb. 15 - Regular meeting with games & fun 11:30-2:30

All regular meetings: **11:30 to 2:30**. Bring your brown bag lunch. Drinks & dessert provided, Free bakery items to members. Join us for fun and games, including Bingo, Poker, Mexican Train, Sequence, Bridge and much more.
 For information call: Marilyn North 562-429-8891

Trips - Trips - Trips

Vatican Splendors - Reagan Library. Docent tour of Vatican art & history, & 25,000 gifts the Reagan's received while in office. Visit Air Force One and more including a "WHITE love HOUSE" luncheon complete with china, linens, table flowers and professional wait staff. **April 8.** \$90

Future trips: Little Italy (San Diego day trip), Doctors TV Show, Reno/Lake Tahoe and more including casino trips. Please contact Mary Lou 431-4385 or Gerry 420-3220.

New Evangelization Series - Come and explore the Church's mission within the challenges of contemporary culture. This documentary, hosted by Bishop Robert Barron, focuses on the cultural obstacles the church faces today such as the emergence of "the new atheism," and relativistic attitudes towards questions of faith and morality. Catholicism taught us what the Church believes and why, the New Evangelization shows us how to put our faith into action. Come join us in the school library on Tuesdays from 9-10:30 am.

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.



eGiving with Faith Direct

Faith Direct enables you to make contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. You can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings as you may now use it to make your mortgage or tuition payments.

Please visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely online. Our parish code is CA717.

"True power is service. We must serve all people, especially the poor, the weak and the vulnerable." Pope Francis



Jan. 23-31 Homeless Kit Drive - provide daily necessities to a homeless person. Shopping lists will be available on the cross at the back of the church. Please purchase and return next week.

Feb. 17 - Committee Meeting - join us to plan our upcoming Book Drive and Easter Food and Gift Distribution

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during our holiday support of families in need. For fulfilling opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Annual Pancake Breakfast - Please Join Boy Scout Troop 120 Sunday, **January 31**, 8 am - Noon. Tickets \$4. Hope to see you there!!

Seminarian Charles Fundraiser - Pasta dinner fundraiser **Jan 29** in Fr. Martin Hall, 5:30 - 8:30. Donation at the door. Charles, our Seminarian in Training who was at St. Joseph for over a year will be ordained a Deacon in August here in Los Angeles. He would very much like for his mother, Goretii Lule Namukwaya to be present when he is ordained, but the family can't afford to send her from Uganda to Los Angeles. Proceeds will go directly to her travel & Visa costs. In addition to pasta, meatballs, salad and bread, the Knights of Columbus will have a bar where liquor, wine, beer and soda will be available for purchase. Please come support Charles and his mother Goretii Lule. Questions contact Kraig/Kim Jondle, Marty Vezzetti or Chris Berry.

ESTHER MINISTRY - End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue - We are excited to announce a \$1,500 CRS Rice Bowl Grant. This grant will help finance our humanitarian bags that are given to various agencies that help victims of human trafficking. So far, we have supplied the LBPD, Homeland Security, and shelters for victims with these bags.



The Youth Exploitation Safety Symposium will be held next month, **February 20**, 10am to 3pm. The Y.E.S.S event will be focusing on building healthy relationships as the best prevention. It is for parents, educators, and middle to high school students. Anyone interested in this topic is encouraged to attend. You may go to the website at <https://yess2016.eventbrite.com> to sign up.

For information about the Esther Ministry you may email Marianna Wescott at: wescottfam@yahoo.com

RCIA - If you know anyone or are interested yourself in learning more about being a Catholic, please call Sr. Eva at the parish office, 594-4657.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, January 23

5:00 p.m. - † Gerry Kohnen

SUNDAY, January 24

7:30 a.m. - Carlos and Sandy Delgado

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

10:30 a.m. - † Gene Enschede

12:30 p.m. - † Frances Carner

MONDAY, January 25

8:00 a.m. - † Dennis Papini

TUESDAY, January 26

8:00 a.m. - Tran brothers and Sylvia Dang

WEDNESDAY, January 27

8:00 a.m. - † Maria and Domingo Dang

THURSDAY, January 28

8:00 a.m. - † Duane Studer

FRIDAY, January 29

8:00 a.m. - † Martha Aimone

SATURDAY, January 30

5:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

SUNDAY, January 31

7:30 a.m. - † Gene Enschede

9:00 a.m. - † Olimpio Pili

10:30 a.m. - † Sgt. Michael J. Tetreault, Jr.

12:30 p.m. - † Joseph Steinhauser

Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Francis Ilano

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

Immaculate Heart Radio, 930 on the am dial, a 24 hour Catholic radio station. 888-887-7120 or www.ihradio.com

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry

Please join us for donuts and fellowship with others in front of the church after the 7:30, 9:00, & 10:30 Masses. Sunday **Jan. 24** hosted by St. Joseph School Sunday **Jan. 31** no coffee & donuts - pancake breakfast

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Eugene Dryer, Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Kim Agee, Mary Jane McCormick, Gary Hillebrecht, Karen Muccino, Eileen Bentley, Delia Nix, Fr. Ford, 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, Robert & Frances Stickney, Bryan Nielson, Joel Stephesen, Georgiana (Peggy) Schad, Eloisa Mariano, Angela Gibbons, Luis Arroyo, Michael Dresnick, Larry Luckey, Ramona Pedroza, Mary DeRuyter, Albert Rodriguez, Tony Olivar, Lisa Dang, Nina Escandon, Chris Belcher, Janet Bernardo, Regina Jurado, Pat & Marie Mitchell, Dennis Cuda, Barbara Baine, Mark Ham, Odete Salvate, Joan Aimerito, Bob Becker, June Kukahiko, Scott Reinard, Valerie Karner, Graciella Griffin, Joe Hamamoto, Cynthia Hogan, Lou Teran, Rita Smith, Zita Roehrig & Bella Dassanayake.

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

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		
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN		

ADULT MINISTRY

RCIA	Sister Eva	594-4657
BIBLE STUDY	Sr. Eva	594-4657
	Rita Smith	
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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL	Anne Weaver	498-7008
FINANCE COUNCIL	Mike Roide	
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Mike Santy	799-0660
	msanty@verizon.net	
	www.stjosephlb.org	
HOSPITALITY MINISTRY	John/Deborah Rollinger	537-3457
MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	431-4385
LONG BEACH CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS	Jason Pillon	
	coordinator@lbcya.org	
SENIOR GROUP	Marilyn North	429-8891
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
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	ktmr@sbcglobal.net	
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	377-5877
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN	Monica Muñoz & Julie Gray	598-0519
PARISH FAIR	sjarishfair@gmail.com	
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