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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.

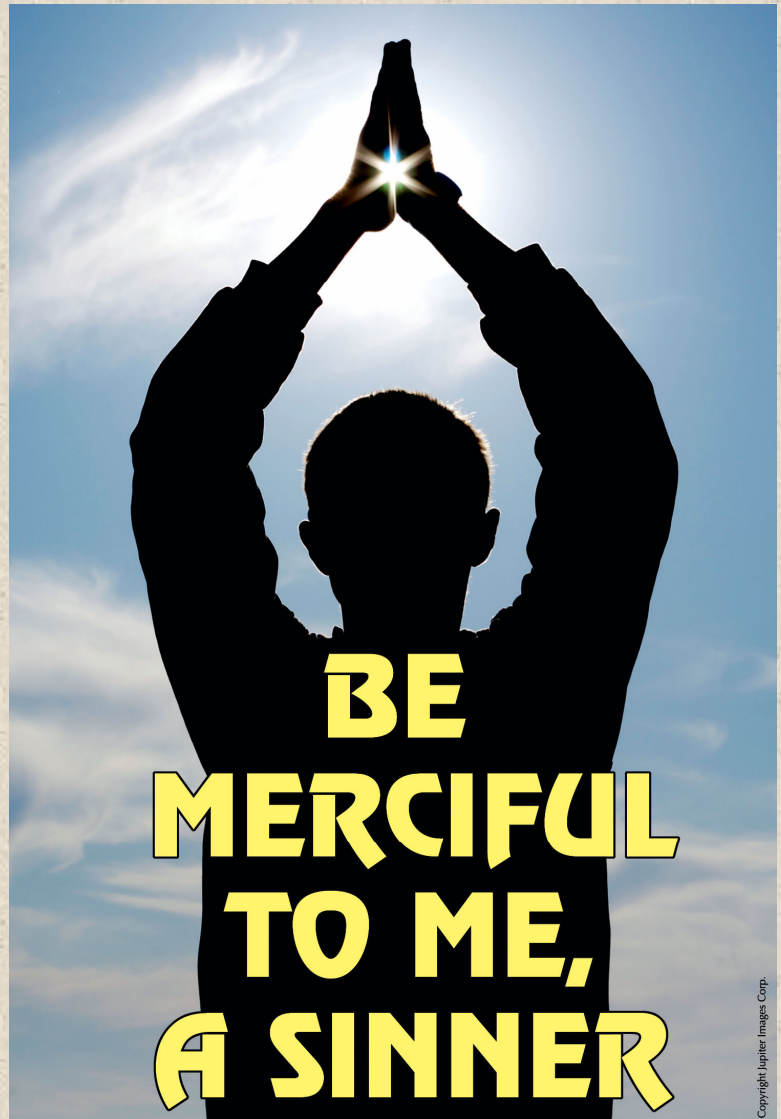
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION
after 8 a.m. Mass every Tuesday

BAPTISM: Fourth Sunday of the month 2 p.m.

MARRIAGE: An appointment with a priest or
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.



**BE
MERCIFUL
TO ME,
A SINNER**

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Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 23, 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.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Today's Gospel graces us with a beautiful prayer that can make every day of our lives a jubilee of mercy: "O God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). Religious Israelites despised the tax collector who prayed it, for collaborating with Gentile occupiers and handling currency that bore the "divine" emperor's graven image. But the Pharisee's long-winded self-congratulation, mixed with self-righteous condemnation, was no "prayer" at all. "The Pharisee . . . spoke this prayer to himself" (18:11, emphasis added). Praying the tax collector's simple, sincere, succinct cry for mercy acknowledges our own sinfulness, and "welcomes" other sinners as brothers and sisters with whom we can identify, even empathize, echoing Pope Francis' famous comment about not being the one to judge. Indeed, the tax collector "went home justified" (18:14), that is, restored to God's friendship, for God's mercy is not prize achieved but gift received. "Let your prayer be brief: for tax collector, prodigal son, and dying thief were all reconciled to God by a single phrase!" (Saint John Climacus, 7th century).



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



From Deacon Don's desk:

You may have heard me say, "Persistence surpasses genius" from Calvin Coolidge. In Luke's Gospel that saying is reinforced. The widow seeks justice out of need: the judge renders justice out of exasperation. She has her day in court and wins.

But this is not the end of the Gospel story. We don't know what happens to the widow after she wins her day in court.

Through persistence in prayer we have a personal relationship with God which continues to deepen as we "pray always." Do you remember the story of a young man named Dan Reuttiger? He stood 5 feet 6 1/2 inches and some say a "physique of an inner tube." He also had this wild eyed dream of playing football at Notre Dame, and twice the school turned him down. He spent most of one night praying at the grotto of Our Lady on campus, and the third time they admitted him. Incredibly, he made the team and went on to hear 59,075 fans scream at the final game of the season. You see, in the last play of the game the coach lets him play, and at the kickoff he sacks the quarterback who was carrying the ball. The crowd erupted yelling, "Reuttie ! Reuttie!" There have been only two men who have been carried off the field in Notre Dame history and one they made a movie about named "Rudy." Now you know the rest of the story. Can we be as tenacious as the widow in the Gospel or Reuttie?

All praying sustains and deepens our relationship with God, because praying is to surrender of our self into God's hands. It binds us to the Almighty which deepens our human relationship.

OUR PRAYER: Loving God, You hear and answer the prayers of those who cry out to You. Help us and bring us to the fullness of life. Grant that we may believe what we have learned and practice what we believe. Amen

<p>Holy Day of Obligation - All Saints Day Tuesday, November 1</p>

<p>Vigil, October 31, Monday, 7:00 pm Feast day, November 1, 8:00 am, and 7:00 pm</p>
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20th Annual Memorial Service

The month of November has always been a special time for remembering in prayer our loved ones who have died. As this time approaches, we would like to support those who have experienced the loss of a loved one this year.

We invite you, your family and friends to join with our St. Joseph community on **November 12** at our 5:00 p.m. Mass. At the end of Mass we will have our candlelight ceremony where our parishioners who died this year will be remembered in a special way.

Please take a slip from the easel at the door, fill it out and return to the parish office **by Nov. 6**. The name of your loved one will be inscribed on our Scroll and in our "Book of Life," and each will remain on display, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, for the month of November.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to have a potluck afterwards this year. We look forward to seeing you on November 12. For more information, please call Sr. Eva at 594-4657 or Charlotte at 439-7733.

Did You Know? Healthy suspicion can protect those vulnerable to abuse

- When it comes to fighting abuse, prevention is the first step. For adults who work with kids, it's important to recognize the signs of those who could be vulnerable to predators or abuse. Using healthy suspicion can help prevent access to these kids as well. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article Awareness and Education Empower Adults to Better Protect Minors, email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call 213-637-7227.

All Souls Day Mass Nov. 2 10:00 a.m. All Souls Catholic Cemetery, 4400 Cherry Ave., Long Beach. Principal celebrant will be Bishop Joseph Sartoris. All are welcome!

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 : **Share Christ's gift with others** - Christ has given us :
 : the gift of the Holy Eucharist. Serving as a minister of Ho- :
 : ly Communion is a way to thank God for this gift. If you :
 : faithfully participate in the Sunday Eucharist and have re- :
 : ceived Confirmation, you can serve in this ministry. We :
 : are currently in need of more ministers and would really :
 : appreciate it if you would prayerfully consider serving our :
 : parish in this way. There will be an information/training :
 : session for those interested on **October 27** at 7pm in the :
 : church. For more information, please call Bill or Katie :
 : Greening at 562-421-3997, or our parish office. :
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Sunday:	Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14
Monday:	Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday:	Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday:	Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday:	Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Saturday:	Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday:	Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

Faith Formation Office - Hours are Monday - Thursday 9am - 1pm, and Sunday 9am - noon.

Email religiosed@stjosephlb.org or 598-0519.

Little Saints Toddler Ministry – Little Saints is available at the 9am and 10:30 am Masses in the daycare room for those under the age of 5. We are reaching out for more helpers for our Little Saints. This is a great opportunity for any high school youth who need service hours. This can be on a rotating basis. Call the RE office if interested.

Liturgy of the Word for Children is available to all children from 4 - 11 years old at the 9am Mass. Follow our Catechist out with the rest of our children to hear the Word of God on your level. Please feel free to join your child if you would like. Additional catechists are needed. If you feel called to share the Word with our children during the 9am Mass, please call our office. All material are provided.

Early Childhood: Thank you God for animals Parade on October 30 with our 3/s, 4/s and kindergarteners!

Elementary: All Saints and All Souls Day Celebration on **October 30.**

Sacrament Preparation: Parent meeting on Monday, **November 14.** First year meets from 6-7 pm, second year from 7-8 in the hall.

Registration for Middle School: Religious Ed for our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students has started. Registration is still being accepted for these grades. Classes meet on Tuesday evenings from 7-8 pm, in the Parish Life Center. Our middle schoolers learn about their faith, socialize with friends, and participate in activities serving others.

Confirmation classes have begun.

High School Youth Ministry - Revelation for all teens on Wednesdays at 7:30. For more information, contact Marc Leon, 598-0519, or marc@stjosephlb.org.

Bible Study has begun, Tuesday mornings, 9-10:30 am. and Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm. Subject: **The Prophets.**

Bereavement Group will meet every first and third Monday evening, 7 p.m. in the Parish Life Center.

Virtus Classes for those volunteering at our parish: Go to the following website to find a class in our area: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0 At the “**Select Your Organization**” box, click on the down arrow and choose **Los Angeles - San Pedro Region**, then click on **Select**. For those who have never attended a class, look for the *Protecting God’s Children* class. If you need to renew, you want the *Keeping the Promise Alive* class.

Our Lady of Refuge is offering the *Protecting God’s Children* Class on **Nov. 3** from 6-9 pm, and **Nov. 6**, from 1-4pm. Call 562-597-3102 to sign up.

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.

Women's Prayer, Study and Fellowship Group - We meet once a month. Next meeting will be at 7:00 at Parish Life Center on October 24. We will be studying Fr. Michael Gaitley's book, *The Second Greatest Story Ever Told*. For more information call Chris Serrano at 562-243-6959, cserrano5@msn.com or just come and join us!

Music Ministry

Children’s Choir / Drama - Rehearsals have resumed on Saturdays, 8 - 9:15am in the church. Grades 2 - 6 welcome. (Children must be able to read.)

10:30 Choir - Looking for a respite from your everyday world? Try singing. Wednesday night rehearsals (7 - 8:30) in the church. We are working on new Christmas music (some for our hospital caroling) and the Rutter Requiem. Join us!



St. Joseph Book Club - Our next book is “**I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban.**” The book, \$15, will be available in the Faith Formation office. The discussion will take place on **November 16** at 7pm in the PLC. All are welcome!

App for LIFE - Will you pray to save lives? Download App for LIFE from App store, appforlife.org, or Google Play. Search “Options United App for LIFE.” Register your info. Affiliate with your parish, pregnancy center, school or prolife.org. Alerts will be sent daily for women who need help and resources. Commit yourself to prayer for each alert - you could save a life every time! Promote Life in your family by praying daily for women making pregnancy decisions and by inviting others to use the App for LIFE.

Journeying in Grief through the Holidays - Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, **Nov. 5**, 9am - 3pm, Laura Gormley, SSL. Journeying through our grief for the loss of a loved one is difficult. The thought of facing the holidays can be a burden. Consider ways of preparing for and participating in these occasions while honoring the memory of our loved one. Reflect on our everyday experience of grief, its various dimensions and ways that may help us. Sr. Laura has been trained and involved in retreats and spiritual direction for years. She has worked extensively in bereavement ministry. Cost: \$50 (\$45 if paid in full by October 28). Lunch included. Call Marlene Velazquez at 310.377.4867 x234 for reservations or information. Online Registration is available at www.maryjoseph.org



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

Join now for a fun 2017
\$10 a year Membership

Next meeting will be on October 24, 11:30-2:30.

Come to meet old friends, make new ones, and have fun playing games. We will break for lunch, "travel talk" and 50/50 drawing, and then more games. Bring your lunch and invite a friend to come along.

You can make your reservation for the Thanksgiving Dinner which will be held on November 14 at our regular meeting time. There will be a Patriotic Program presented by Alpha K, 1st and 2nd graders following the dinner.

Cost is \$15 for paid members and \$20 for all others.

Reservations to attend the Thanksgiving Dinner must be made by the October 24 meeting.

Just a reminder, our meetings are now on the 2nd & 4th Mondays.

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

Mama Mia - Segerstrom Hall **Nov 25**, (day after Thanksgiving) with lunch at Marie Callender's with three entrees to choose from and of course pie for dessert. Relax and enjoy (no cooking) the great songs including "Dancing Queen," "The Winner Takes All" and more. \$95 **due Oct 17.**

Yosemite National Park - This fabulous package includes: 4 days & 3 nights - the stunning Chukchansi Resort & Casino, baggage portorage, \$30 Casino play & \$30 Food credit at Chukchansi, narrated tour of the magnificent Yosemite Valley, driver gratuity, chilled bottled water throughout the trip. Tour the redwoods & Sequoias via the historic Sugar Pine Railroad followed by a barbecue lunch. Cost for all this is only \$365 per person, double occ. \$455 Single Occ. Dates are: **Nov.1-4.** Come see the "Fall Fashion Show" of seasonal color in Yosemite. **Bonus time: just added side**

trips: Sunshine Raisin Market and Ninini Winery. Please contact Mary Lou 431-4385 or Gerry 420-3220.

ESTHER MINISTRY -
End Slavery and Trafficking of
Humans and Effect Rescue -

ESTHER Ministry of St. Joseph Church and Long Beach Human Trafficking Task Force invite you to: **BECOME a**

SHEPHERD - Stop Human Trafficking and Exploitation Friday, **November 4**, 6:30pm-8:30pm, St. Joseph Church Special Guest Speaker: Los Angeles County Sheriff Jim McDonnell

Register at: become-a-shepherd.eventbrite.com
Free Admission / Donations Welcome / Refreshments / Resource Tables / Sponsorship Opportunities
Questions: estherministry1@gmail.com



"Happiness is a warm blanket."
Charlie Brown

Next Weekend - Blanket Drive: Collecting new blankets for our Thanksgiving food and blanket distribution.

Nov. 19 - Thanksgiving Food and

Blanket Distribution: We will support 68 families through three holidays this season. Can you help us deliver? VERY meaningful for the whole family! Please call Amy McKenna 427-5917.

Holiday Family Adoption: Can you adopt a family for our three holiday food and gift distributions: Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter? As soon as possible, please call Donna Luciene 421-4993

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



St. Joseph Parish Blood Drive, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, **Sunday, Nov. 6** from 8:15 AM to 2:15 PM in the Parish Hall. You can sign up online at **redcrossblood.org**. Sponsor Code: JosephLB. For more information contact Tony Diaz at bstdad2@msn.com.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

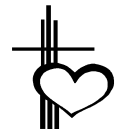
Jose Williams
Philip Runnoe



Proposition 62 - The California bishops have chosen Proposition 62, which would abolish the death penalty in California and in its place give a sentence of life without the possibility of parole, as their top priority. Popes St. John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Francis have all stated there is no need for the death penalty in our community.

Meditation every Tuesday 7:00 p.m. in the school library - ALL WELCOME!

"Be Still And Know That I Am God"



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.

October 23 hosted by **Parish Council**

October 30 hosted by **Altar Servers**

eGiving with Faith Direct - make contributions through direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. Apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings as you may now use it to make your other payments. Please visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely online. Our parish code is CA717.

Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, October 22**
 5:00 p.m. - † Salvate & Botelho families
- SUNDAY, October 23**
 7:30 a.m. - † Jody Delarosa
 9:00 a.m. - † Lee and Mary Laboranti
 10:30 a.m. - † Ed and Mary Jane Merk
 12:30 p.m. - † Margaret Allen
- MONDAY, October 24**
 8:00 a.m. - † Ray Ballista
- TUESDAY, October 25**
 8:00 a.m. - † Joshua Owen
- WEDNESDAY, October 26**
 8:00 a.m. - † Helen Solis
- THURSDAY, October 27**
 8:00 a.m. - † David Rose
- FRIDAY, October 28**
 8:00 a.m. - † Maria and Dominico Dang
- SATURDAY, October 29**
 5:00 p.m. - † Gerry Kohnen
- SUNDAY, October 30**
 7:30 a.m. - † Anthony and Mildred Vicino
 9:00 a.m. - † Alexander Shinar
 10:30 a.m. - † Bill Clark
 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

Please continue to pray for the men and women in our Armed Services that they may feel God's love, peace and joy at all times.

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

Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Francis Ilano
 St. Athanasius Church, Long Beach, 562-423-7986. Vocation information may be found at: www.lavocations.org. A group to discern a vocation to the priesthood meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30, St. Gertrude Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Kim Agee, Mary Jane McCormick, Gary Hillebrecht, Eileen Bentley, Delia Nix, Mike Brio, Noel Devine, Janeen Higbee, Jay Kefalas, Stacey Marcus, Shirley Morasse, Magali & Wendy Sapien, Kathy June, Jordynn Seckington, Lois Kearney, 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, Marie Mitchell, Dennis Cuda, Barbara Baine, Mark Ham, Odete Salvate, Joan Aimerito, June Kukahiko, Scott Reinard, Valerie Karner, Graciella Griffin, Cynthia Hogan, Bella Dassanayake, Mike & Colette DiHarce, Ellie Jacob, Josh Goulant, Jovie Diaz, David Dresnick, Christine Cooper, Pam Williams, Thelma Gouchenour, baby Gabriel Mafi, Josephine Ryan, Kim Rotondo, Gene Cooper, John Hogan, Nancy Mulry, Roland Fraga, Debbie Leveque, Jack Lopez, Nancy Jeffreys, Jesse Perez & Barbara Baine.

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	Virginia Young	
ELEMENTARY,		
MIDDLE SCHOOL	Virginia Young	598-0519
YOUTH MINISTRY/		
CONFIRMATION	Marc Leon	598-0519
EARLY CHILDHOOD	Gina Mascaro	598-0519
LITURGY/CHILDREN	Virginia Young	598-0519
RCIC (Children)	Virginia Young	598-0519
SUNDAY NURSERY		

ADULT MINISTRY

RCIA	Sister Eva	594-4657
BIBLE STUDY	Sister Eva	594-4657
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Sister Eva	594-4657
MEDITATION	Marie Mitchell	310-490-4012
SMALL CHRISTIAN		
COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202
MINISTERS TO THE SICK	Olga Cuda	594-4657

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	www.stjosephlb.org	
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BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	431-4385
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YOUNG ADULTS	Jason Pillon coordinator@lbcya.org	
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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