



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Office Hours

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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.

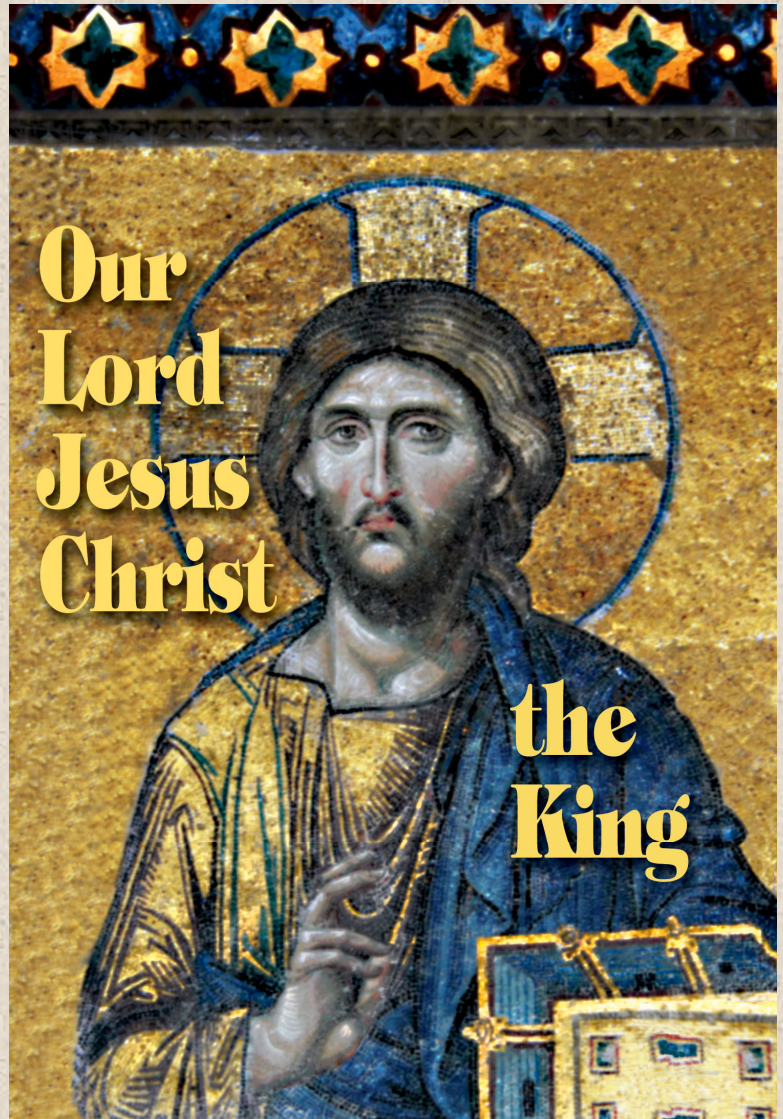
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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

BAPTISM: Fourth Sunday of the month 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 parish office.



Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
November 20, 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 Luke, evangelist and by tradition artist, sends us forth from this Jubilee Year of Mercy with an unforgettable portrait of Christ the King. The setting for Jesus' "royal portrait" is the cross. From this "throne," the crucified "crown prince" welcomes by "executive pardon" the kingdom of mercy's first citizen, a fellow criminal. The "Good Thief" requests neither deliverance nor salvation, or even forgiveness: "Remember me when . . ." (Luke 23:42). "Today you will be with me," King Jesus promises, "in paradise." (23:43). Paradise, even for non-believers, is an image of creation contentedly in harmony with self, fellow creatures, and Creator. Today, we "good thieves" beg Jesus to remember us. We promise to remember that, although Jesus' kingdom will be fulfilled only when Jesus' returns, that kingdom begins today in the paradise that will flower from this Jubilee Year of Mercy. We disciples, having been embraced unconditionally and undeservedly by Jesus' mercy, must now go forth to embrace all others, unconditionally, with that same unfailing mercy.



From Deacon Don's desk:

During His adult life, Jesus was often "put down" because He "welcomed sinners and ate with them." Now He is condemned to die with criminals. The man we have come to know as the good thief turns to Jesus and calls Him simply by name, "Jesus" and begs only to be "remembered." By doing this he acknowledges the inscription on the cross, and that Jesus has a kingdom to enter. The thief gets more than he ever asked for: He will enter paradise on that very day!

In a word, the criminal was saved by Jesus the "savior." The good thief's plea becomes a ray of hope for all, by turning in faith to Him who came as a "Savior."

Maybe sometimes we have been lost. We go to Church every week, and that is a good thing. But sometimes we just go through the motions. We stand and sit and kneel and sing. The hardest times for us are often the quiet times. That is a sure sign that something is wrong. It is hard to hide non-Christian behavior when it is only ourselves and the Lord. Those are times when our consciences are telling us: "I'm lost, maybe I shouldn't be here. **But** we are here; we are in church. Maybe when we walked through the doors of the church we took the first step to see who this Jesus is. Walking through the door of the church is for many like climbing that tree like Zacchaeus.

Fr. Leonard asks, "What's our reward for bringing Christ's kingdom to bear in our world? Simply that Christ will remember us when He comes into His Kingdom.

Our Prayer: Jesus, let me rely always on the power of Your Cross, that I may attain salvation which You won for us by Your Passion and Resurrection. Amen

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Thanksgiving

Please join us in giving thanks at our 9:00 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving day. You are welcome to bring your dinner bread/rolls to be blessed. We have much to be grateful for!

Msgr. Bauler and the parish staff would like to wish each of you a blessed and holy celebration!

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - There will be an information/training meeting on **Nov. 21** at 6:15pm in the church for anyone interested in serving our community in this ministry. Please call the parish office or Bill and Katie Greening 562-421-3997 with questions.

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 pro-life 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.

Did You Know? Online safety for kids - Keeping children safe when using the internet can be challenging. It is important to establish basic guidelines for when your kids can go online, what sites they can visit, and whether they are allowed to use social media or watch videos. For more information on helping kids stay safe when using the internet, while making their experiences fun and productive, visit http://www.missingkids.org/en_US/websiteCampaigns/d-protectingkidsonline.jpg.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ.

Donald Chick

Sunday:	2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43
Monday:	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
<u>Thanksgiving Day (suggested):</u>	
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19	
Friday:	Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday:	Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday:	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Women and Men of St. Joseph Parish

*Is your heart on fire for Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit, or like a candle in the wind, flickering, 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 will be Jan. 19-22 (Men), and Feb. 2-5 (Women).** Contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com or OCCursillo.org*

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 when those who are Virtus trained are available to be there. We are reaching out for more helpers for our Little Saints to fill in on the days they are not available. 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.

No Class on Nov. 22 for Middle School and Nov. 27 for Elementary due to Thanksgiving.

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.

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.

Bible Study - will be starting up again after the holidays.

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

Meditation and Advent

2000 years ago the stillness and silence of Christmas Eve was broken by the cry of a newborn infant named Jesus. The world was transformed with His coming. Won't you join us this Advent season as we listen for that still, small voice to be born anew in our hearts. The stillness and silence of our time together will renew your spirit and prepare your heart to receive the real gift of Christmas which is the mystery of Christ's living presence within. Meditation meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library. ALL ARE WELCOME! No previous experience in Meditation is necessary.



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 **December 5**. 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 - Christmas rehearsals have begun. Children will sing Christmas Eve at the 4:00 pm Mass.
Adult Choir - Interested in joining for Christmas? We will be singing at St. Joseph Hospital mid-December. Christmas Eve our concert will be at 8 pm followed by the 9 pm Mass.

A Ministry for Married Couples - Looking for a way to share the many blessings of married life? **Catholic Engaged Encounter** needs couples to help minister to engaged couples. **No experience necessary** and free training is provided. If you would like to share what you've learned as a married couple and meet a terrific community of married couples, please consider this ministry. For more information, call Paciano and Molly Diaz, 310-729-5890 or visit our website at www.CEEofLA.org Email: mollyandpaciano@gmail.com

New Women's Vocation Discernment Group – Are you open to the possibility that God is calling you to religious life? Want to hang out with a group of faithful women searching for answers? If you answered YES to, consider attending our Vocation Discernment Group for women ages 18+ **First Friday of the every month** – Long Beach – 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Please contact Sr. Val Roxburgh, SND at Email: sistervalsnd@gmail.com, Cell: 805-452-9699.

Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose, Matthew Kelly at the Bren Center at UCI, **Dec. 3**. Are you thriving or just surviving? Are you ready for more energy? A deeper sense of purpose? More joy? A clearer understanding of God's plan for your life? Matthew Kelly has dedicated his life to helping people and organizations become the best-version-of-themselves. Come to this life changing event and be inspired to apply the genius of Catholicism to your everyday life! Call 859.980.7900 to reserve your tickets!



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

Next meeting will be on November 28, 11:30-2:30. Theresa Murphy from Precious Life will be our guest speaker. Please remember to bring your gifts of new baby clothing and robes and gowns for the new mothers. Let's be generous to this wonderful place this year.

We will be taking reservations for our Christmas dinner which will be on December 12. Cost is \$15 for paid members and \$20 for guests. This meeting will be the last time you can make reservations, so if you can't be there contact Janet Gallagher at 430-3045 to make your reservation.

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** with lunch at Marie Callender's, three entrees to choose from and pie. Relax and enjoy (no cooking) the great songs including "Dancing Queen," "The Winner Takes All" and more. \$95 **due Oct 17**.

Fallbrook Avocado Festival - **April 23**, \$38. Once a year the little town of Fallbrook comes alive with their annual festival. With over a 100 vendors you will have plenty of time for browsing & sampling every type of product you can imagine. Big attraction is the "Holy Guaco-Moly Guacamole Contest. A great inexpensive getaway, lunch on your own.

Pageant of the Lord - South Bay's only Living Arts Pageant, **April 2**, \$65. If you have ever been to Laguna's Pageant of the Masters you will love this trip. A celebration of the promise and life of Jesus Christ portrayed in living reproductions of great works of art! Music by a 60 voice choir accompanied by a full orchestra. Lunch at Hometown Buffet.

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.

November 20 hosted by **Senior Social Club**
November 27 break for giving thanks!

Concern America Craft Sale - **Thank you** to all who purchased crafts last Sunday. You have helped provide: income to materially poor communities; eco-friendly work patterns; and fair working conditions.

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.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, ... naked and you clothed me."
Mt 25:35-36



Thanksgiving Food Distribution:

Thanks to the parish's outstanding generosity and our DRS Rice Bowl grant, we provided Thanksgiving food and blankets to 94 families last weekend. Thank you! **Drivers: PLEASE make sure to return your family information sheets to the collection basket or the parish office mailbox TODAY.** That information is needed to begin preparing our Christmas Present Drive which begins in two weeks!

Dec. 3-4 Christmas Present Drive: Trees will be in the church with envelopes to purchase a gift for a child of one of our supported families. Presents must be returned to the parish office or to church by 12:30 Dec. 11.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during our holidays. There are *many* opportunities to help, big and small. Please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development provides funding that makes lasting change and uplifts the poor in the U.S. Their grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please make your check to St. Joseph Church and thank you for your generosity.

Volunteer to Tutor a Homeless Child - Just one hour a week can make a difference in the life of a child. School on Wheels is a volunteer organization with the mission of providing educational support for school aged children who live in shelters, motels, in foster group homes and on the street. Would you help a student succeed in school? Or is there another way you could be of help? It is an opportunity for you to encourage a child to learn and for your own life to be enriched. No experience necessary! We provide training! Apply online today - www.schoolonwheels.org

ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

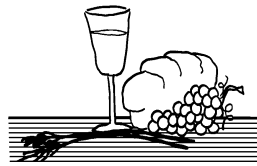
Esther Ministry would like to once again thank all those who helped and supported our "Become a Shepherd" event on

November 4. We would also like to thank those who provided resource tables with valuable information on human trafficking including an opportunity to make survivor bags to be delivered to agencies for the survivors: Cindy Rodriguez, Susan Patterson, Long Beach Human Trafficking Task Force, Gems Uncovered, Long Beach City College Foster Program, Catholic Relief Services, and CAST (Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking).

If you would like to contribute to our cause, you may send a check to St. Joseph Church with a memo to Esther Ministry. All contributions are used to help in the education and awareness of this crime, as well as provide help to the survivors through Homeland Security, the police department, and various shelters who assist in housing and rehabilitation.



Mass Intentions



- SATURDAY, November 19**
 5:00 p.m. - † Louis Laphorne
- SUNDAY, November 20**
 7:30 a.m. - † Salvate & Botelho families
 9:00 a.m. - † Karen Castellana
 10:30 a.m. - † Mary Cole
 12:30 p.m. - † Lydia Linton
- MONDAY, November 21**
 8:00 a.m. - † John DeRuyter
- TUESDAY, November 22**
 8:00 a.m. - † Barbara Decker
- WEDNESDAY, November 23**
 8:00 a.m. - † Duane Studer
- THURSDAY, November 24**
 9:00 a.m. - † Ed and Mary Jane Merk
- FRIDAY, November 25**
 8:00 a.m. - Marriages and families
- SATURDAY, November 26**
 5:00 p.m. - † Romeo Tupas
- SUNDAY, November 27**
 7:30 a.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero
 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. - Cole family
 12:30 p.m. - † Anthony Ursano

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.

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, Brice Gomes, Pat Murach & Frank Stassi.

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	Natalie Alvarez, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak
OFFICE MANAGER	Julie Gianessi

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562-598-0519

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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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MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	431-4385
LONG BEACH CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS	Jason Pillon coordinator@lbcya.org	
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
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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