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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.

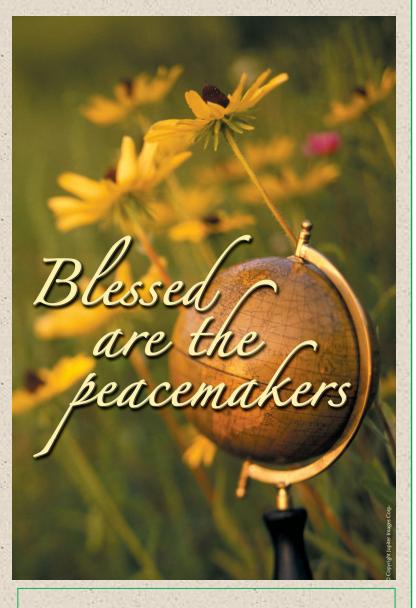
CONFESSION: Saturdays: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

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 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.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2017

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.

Transform your life through the Prayer and Life

Workshop - Registration for the spring Prayer And Life Workshop (PLW) is now open for all adults 18 and over. The workshop will guide you through a series of practical prayer exercises that will greatly enhance your personal relationship with the Lord. Come and discover God's will for your life as you learn to pray effectively and learn how to live a richer spiritual life. This 15-week Bible-based program will introduce you to a new prayer method each week helping you to make prayer a priority in your life. Come and experience how the Holy Spirit gradually transforms you into a more loving and faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

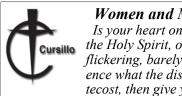
When: Saturdays February 4 to June 4, 9:30 - 11:30 am Where: Parish Life Center Cost: Materials Donation \$12 Open to adults 18 and over – seating is limited to the first 20. Learn more at www.StJosephLB.org, or call George or Susy Zuluaga at (714) 313-8322.

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a;
Mk 6:1-6
Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Mass of Thanksgiving for Bishop Oscar Solis' service to the people of the Archdiocese of L. A. - February 1, 7p.m. at the Cathedral. All are invited. Bishop Solis has been assigned as Bishop of the Salt Lake City diocese. Please keep Bishop Solis in your prayers during this time of transition.

Mass & Anointing of the Sick February 11, 12:30 p.m. at the Cathedral - Through the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the grace of the Holy Spirit comforts and strengthens the sick person. For more information, please contact: Chuck Huebner at CJHuebner@gmail.com.

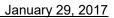
YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry Please join us for donuts and fellowship with others in front of the church after the 7:30, 9:00, & 10:30 Masses. January 29 hosted by the Prayer and Life Workshop February 5 Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast in hall



Women and Men of St. Joseph Parish *Is vour 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 evening.

The next Cursillo weekends will be Apr. 20-23 (Men), and Feb. 2-5 and May 4-7 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com or OCCursillo.org



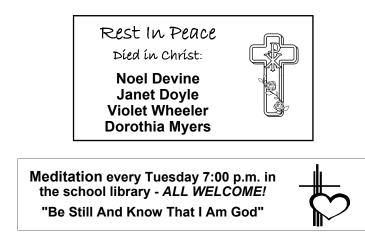
From Deacon Don's desk:

Some say that the "Sermon on the Mount" is one of the greatest sermons ever given. What makes it great is not just the beauty of its language or the hope in its theology. It's great because Jesus preaches to the reality in front of him. Some were

trying to be merciful to their enemies, struggling to find God in the midst of persecution, and attempting to make peace while family and friends were being falsely accused and condemned. As true as it was for Jews of Jesus' time it was more so for earliest Christians whom this Gospel was written.

The Sermon on the Mount is a model for all of us. Jesus says, "Blessed are you." He is not patronizing, glossing over all sorts of tough human realities with, "Well done, keep it up, be happy and we'll fix it all up in heaven." In Hebrew scripture, a blessing is the discovery that God is present in each experience, here and now. God of Beatitudes is a companion with us in every experience we encounter. He is our best friend always beside us. Jesus is interested in our every day events. He is there for us at every moment in life, but He does not barge in. He waits patiently for an invitation. Jesus does not give us old fashioned sermons, but rather meets us where we are to help us find the way forward. Jesus is the greatest Beatitude of all.

OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, help us to realize that You really are a Father to all human beings. Let us never doubt Your overflowing love for us, and let us try to return that love to You. Amen



Catholic Schools Week: January 29 - February 4: "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service" Join us on Sunday, January 29 for St. Joseph Catholic School's Open House and Junior High Science Fair from 10 am - Noon. Applications for the 2017-2018 school year are currently available on-line at: www.sjknights.net

Did You Know? Cell phone apps allow for hiding photos and messages - Some new cell phone text messaging services keep cell phone texting activity increasingly private. In order to protect young people, one must stay current and re-connect with ever changing technology. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Vanishing, Self-Destructing Texting, and Electronic Communication." email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call 213-637-7227.

Faith Formation Office - Hours are Monday -Thursday 9am - 1pm, and Sunday 9am - noon. Email religioused@stjosephlb.org or 598-0519. Little Saints Toddler Ministry – Due to a lack of volunteers for our Sunday morning Little Saints ministry, we have been unable to provide child care for our toddlers at the 9 am and 10:30 am Masses. We are looking for adults who are Virtus trained or willing to take the training as well as teens to be helpers. This is a great help to parents who would like to attend Mass and have a positive environment for their youngest children. Please call the RE office if you would like to help in this ministry. Liturgy of the Word for Children is available to children

5 - 11 years 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 materials are provided. **Sacrament Preparation:** The Reconciliation Retreat for our **Year 2** parents and children has been changed from Feb. 5 to Sunday, **March 19**, from **2 - 4 pm**. The First Communion Retreat has also been rescheduled from April 30 to Sunday, **April 9**, from **2 - 4 pm**. Please make these changes on your calendar.

Early Childhood and Elementary - No class today due to School Open House

Confirmation: It is that time of year for our **Confirmation Retreat**! The Year 1 Retreat will take place on **March 31-Apr. 2**. We are in need of snacks and cases of water. If you would like to donate water or snacks for the retreats that would be great! You can drop off any donations to the Parish life Center.

We would also like to ask the parishioners of St. Joseph to keep these wonderful teens in your prayers as they continue their journey of faith and learning through the Confirmation process.

High School Youth Ministry - Revelation for all teens on Wednesdays at 7:30. For more information,

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 A live* class. **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.

Religious Education Congress - Feb. 23-26

Embrace Trust is the theme. Many workshops and liturgies. Be enriched in your faith. To see the workshops offered, go to www.recongress.org. Register and plan to spend a weekend of renewal. If you have questions, please call our Religious Education office at 598-0519, or our parish office at 594-4657. Congress is open to all.



St. Joseph Book Club - **"The Abbey**" by Fr. James Martin. This is a novel with inspiration and spirituality woven into the characters. Books are available for purchase in the PLC for \$15. Discussion will take

place on Wednesday, Feb. 15, in the PLC. All welcome!

Come and join Sr. Eva Tuesdays, 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the Parish Life Center as she journeys with Bishop Barron to explore the lasting influence of the following Pivotal Players in church history:

St. Francis of Assisi, the Reformer St. Thomas Aquinas, the Theologian St. Catherine of Siena, the Mystic St. John Henry Newman, the Convert G.K. Chesterton, the Evangelist Michelangelo, the Artist Come, pray, reflect, discuss, & enjoy fellowship. Also Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.

Call Sr. Eva to order your study guide, 594-4657.

St. Joseph Elementary Book Fair - We will be hosting our book fair on Sunday, **January 29**. The book fair will be open after all of the Masses. Please join us to celebrate Catholic Education.

St. Joseph Catholic School is accepting applications for both Kindergarten and our Transitional Kindergarten (Alpha -K) for the 2017-2018 school year. Applicants for Kindergarten must turn 5 years old by August 31, 2017. Applicants for Alpha-K must turn 4 years old by August 31, 2017. **Alpha-K**:

- * Emphasizes developmental readiness skills with a handson approach to curriculum
- * Focuses on Kindergarten readiness
- * Daily instruction in religion and attend weekly Mass
- * 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

Please call our school office at 596-6115 or email jgianessi@sjknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez, our school principal.

St. Joseph Senior Social Group Join now for a fun 2017

\$10 a year Membership

The next meeting will be on February 13, 11:30-2:30. Please remember to pay your dues of \$10 for 2017. Let's get some new members! Encourage your friends to join us. Just a reminder that meetings are 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 please call: Marilyn North 562-429-8891.

Trips - Trips - Trips

Fallbrook Avocado Festival - April 23, \$38. Once a year the little town of Fallbrook comes alive with their annual festival. With over a 100 venders 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 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. Call Mary Lou 562-431-4385 or Gerry 562-420-32205.

2017 Parish Fair Notices:

Parish Fair is March 31, April 1 & 2

****Lenten Fish Fry at the Fair** - Join us March 31 from 5 pm - 9 pm at the Fair for a fish fry. We ask you to please purchase tickets ahead of time so we can have an idea of how much fish to purchase. Although, you can walk up and buy a fish dinner as well. Fish Fry tickets go on sale the weekend of March 18/19 after all masses.

****Rummage Sale** returns to the Fair - please donate toys, chairs, bedroom furniture and general housewares. Drop off donated goods every Saturday starting **Feb 18 - March 25** from 8 am - 10 am in the parking lot. Rummage sale will take place during the Fair in the hall.

****Volunteers Needed** - can you help with just one 3 hour shift at the Fair? On-line volunteer sign ups to be released **March 4**. Please help!

****Tickets** - purchase food/drink and ride tickets and SAVE MONEY before the Fair starts or pay full price at the Fair. Tickets go on sale **March 18/19** after masses.

****Auto Show** - we're looking for car dealerships to display new cars. Do you have any contacts at dealerships? If so, please contact Liz Eckel at lizeckel5@gmail.com Fair questions or comments please email: sjparishfair@gmail.com

eGiving with Faith Direct - make contributions through direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. Please visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely online. Our parish code is CA717. "True charity requires courage: let us overcome the fear of getting our hands dirty so as to help those in need." Pope Francis

Jan. 29 Homeless Kit Drive:



provide daily necessities to a homeless

person. Shopping lists are on the cross at the back of the church.

Feb. 15 7:00 PM Committee Meeting: Help us coordinate our activities to aid and bring hope to our poor and marginalized brothers and sisters in the Long Beach area. Share your ideas to help us fulfill that mission.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during our holiday food and gift distributions. There are <u>many</u> opportunities to help, big and small. Please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Parish Blood Drive, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Sunday, **Feb. 12**, 8:15 AM to 2:15 PM in the Bloodmobile outside the Parish Hall. You can sign up online at redcrossblood.org. Sponsor Code: JosephLB. For more information contact Tony Diaz at bstdad2@msn.com

Pregnancy Help Center - part-time position, Database Specialist/Executive Assistant. Fundraising and donor database experience required. Resume: agross@phctorrance.org

Lectors - Become a Powerful Proclaimer! - The Archdiocese of L. A. is offering a 90-minute workshop for lectors. Lector coach Steve Domier will show you how to proclaim the Word with clarity and conviction. Attend and learn the "5 Things to Become a Powerful Proclaimer." You'll improve your public speaking skills, and discover simple tips to deliver the Word in a more effective way.

Steve Domier is a graduate of LMU with a degree in Communication Arts, and has created the website: yourlectorcoach.com to assist all Ministers of the Word. **Lector Ministry Renewal Evening February 7** - Saint Dominic Savio Church, Bellflower. Cost: \$15 (Please call the office if there is a financial hardship). To register for this workshop please call 213-637-7262 or go to http://store.la-archdiocese.org/office-for-worship.

ESTHER MINISTRY -End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -Many victims of human traffick-

ing may look like someone you may see every day. Here are some signs to help identify victims: per-



son seems to be under control of another, cannot move or leave a job, bruises or other signs of injury, no passport or identification, isolation from family members.

This crime is taking place in our own community. Stay alert, raise awareness with friends and neighbors, and support organizations that take care of those most likely to become victims (runaways, foster children, immigrants). If you would like to be a part of our Esther Ministry, please email us at estherministry1@gmail.com.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, January 28 5:00 p.m. - † Martha Morelli SUNDAY, January 29 7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault 9:00 a.m. - Cameron Yip 10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners 12:30 p.m. - + Martha Aimone **MONDAY, January 30** 8:00 a.m. - † Adelaida Gatdula **TUESDAY**, January 31 8:00 a.m. - † Olimpio Pili WEDNESDAY, February 1 8:00 a.m. - + Roland Ellingson THURSDAY, February 2 8:00 a.m. - † John Juszko FRIDAY, February 3 8:00 a.m. - † Eddie Munda SATURDAY, February 4 5:00 p.m. - † Mary Ellen Acree SUNDAY, February 5 7:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners 9:00 a.m. - † Timothy Burnside, Sr. 10:30 a.m. - † Don Miller 12:30 p.m. - + Joseph Steinhauser

Please continue to pray for 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: <u>www.lavocations.org</u>. 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, 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 Golan, Jovie Diaz, David Dresnick, Christine Cooper, Pam Williams, Thelma Gouchenour, baby Gabriel Mafi, Josephine Ryan, Kim Rotondo, Gene Cooper, John Hogan, Nancy Mulry, Debbie Leveque, Jack Lopez, Jesse Perez, Brice Gomes, Pat Murach, Frank Stassi, Patrick Mandich, Bernie Rollinger, Christopher Aguirre, Alfredo Flores, Cameron Yip, Finn Krueger, Tom Nolan & Colombia Villagomez.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

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

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RCIA	Sister Eva	594-4657
BIBLE STUDY	Sister Eva	594-4657
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Olga Cuda	594-4657
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY	Sister Eva	594-4657
MEDITATION	Frank McKown	310-633-1744
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES MINISTERS TO THE SICK	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath Olga Cuda	598-5202 594-4657

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SENIOR GROUP KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ENGAGED ENCOUNTER	Marilyn North Ron Steiner	429-8891 431-7703 0-729-5890
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BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM Please submit notices, with your name & phone, to the rectory or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org



PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS coming February 4th

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:28-29

Learn To Pray – Learn To Live

Register to attend a life-changing prayer workshop where you will:

- Learn how to receive God's Love, Peace and His Grace.
- Overcome fear and anxiety through practical prayer exercises
- Be transformed by the Holy Spirit through prayerful reading of God's Word
- Become more certain of God's will for your life
- Grow in your faith and become a prayer warrior that changes your world
- Become an enthusiastic messenger of the Lord's Kingdom
- > Fall deeper in love with our Lord Jesus as He molds you into his disciple

When:Saturday February 4 – Sat. June 3, 2017Time:9:30 am – 11:30 amLocation:Parish Life CenterSt. Joseph Catholic Church6180 E. Willow St., Long Beach, CA 90815Materials Fee: \$12

Contact George & Susy Zuluaga (714) 313-8322 georgeandsusyzuluaga@gmail.com

www.plwStJoseph.com