



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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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.

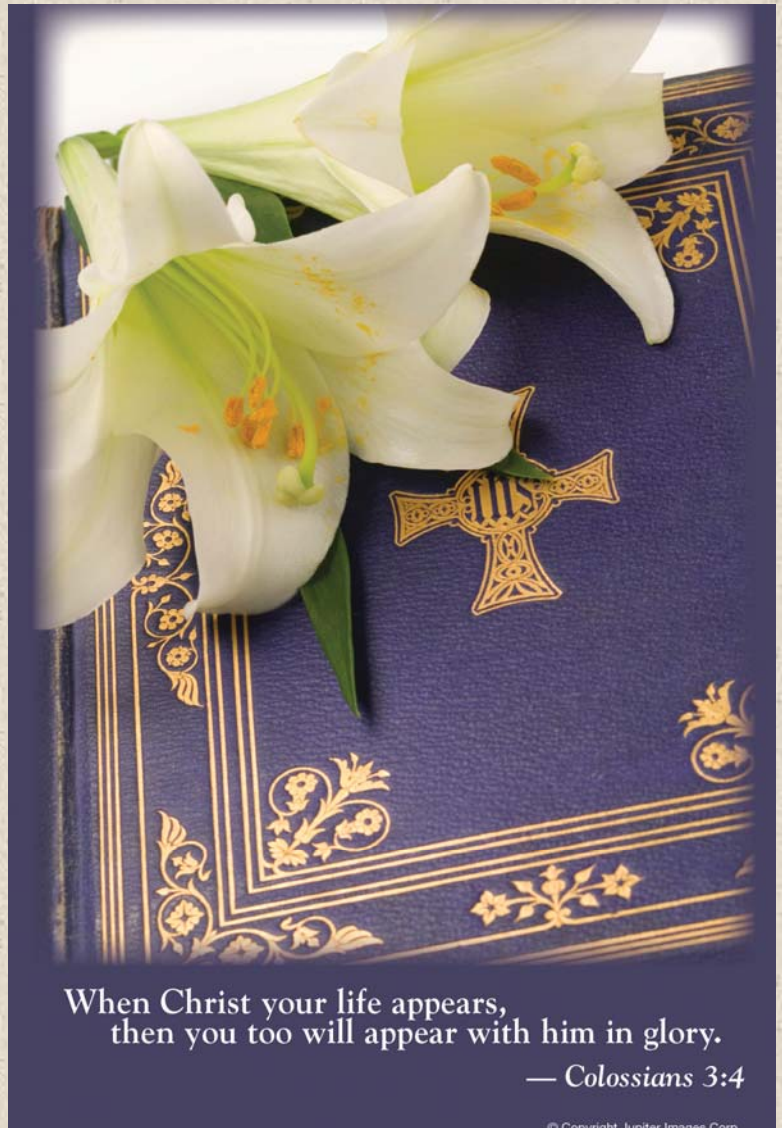
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

7:30 a.m. 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.



When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.

— Colossians 3:4

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Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord

April 16, 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.

Dear Parish family:

Happy Easter! The tomb is empty! It's a joy to celebrate my first Easter with all of you here at St. Joseph's! Thank you for a beautiful and faithful Lenten journey. Thank you for your prayer and support of the Elect who joined us at the Altar for the first time at the Easter vigil! The tomb is empty and like the first women and apostles, we are witnesses to the Risen Christ! This parish family will be remembered in all of the Easter Masses! To those of you who are here returning or visiting, this is your spiritual home and you are most welcome here! I offer my Easter prayers and Blessings to you and your families!

Happy Easter,
Msgr. Kevin



From Deacon Don's desk:

The resurrection is the central fact of human history. Granted that death is inevitable, Our Lord has shown that humanity can conquer it. It commemorates the most glorious event known to man. Easter is naturally the climax of the Church's liturgical cycle. Everything hinges on it. Our Lord's rising from the dead is at the same time His greatest victory and the invincible proof that **He is God**. As such, it is the foundation of our faith. Easter is the solemnity of solemnities. May its blessings be yours in abundance.

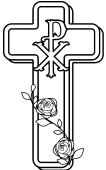
The Resurrection is our only hope, and this glorious Easter morning we turn to Him and profess our utter need of Him and our inability to get along without Him. If we live in the spirit and in truth, eat the Bread of Life, Jesus says, "Amen, Amen, I say to you, he who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has everlasting life, and I will raise him up on the last day." Therefore let us not fail, by frequent Communion, to make our mortal bodies sacred shrines, hallowed tabernacles, temples consecrated by the Real Presence and living love of our Eucharistic King. Therefore we shall rise with our risen Christ; for He Himself will be the Divine pledge and veiled gift of the coming happiness and dawning glory of our own resurrection. Blessed Easter to all.

OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, You are greater than anything we can imagine. Help us to forget self and seek only You in all our thoughts, words and actions. Amen

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Tom Nolan
Rosemary Scott




Parish Fair Opportunity Drawing Winners


- \$500 - Toni-Lynne Langeveld
- \$100 - Melissa Cadorette
- \$100 - Paul Dondero
- \$100 - Kent Smith
- \$100 - Mary Torres
- \$100 - Dora Washington

Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1- 4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

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

"Be Still And Know That I Am God"





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 evening.

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

Faith Formation Office - Hours are Monday - Thursday 9am to 1pm, and Sunday 9am - noon. Email religiosed@stjosephlb.org or 598-0519.

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 Program Year 2: Middle School:

Easter Sunday: No class on **April 16** for Early Childhood and Elementary. No class for Middle School on **April 18**.

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.



St. Joseph Book Club - "A Life of Jesus" a simple and powerful retelling of the life of Christ as seen through the eyes of a Japanese novelist, Susaku Endo. Books are available for purchase in the PLC

for \$15. Discussion will take place Wednesday, **May 10**, at 7:00 pm in the PLC. All welcome!

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.

Protecting God's Children class at St. Barnabas, Long Beach, **April 18**, 6:30. Call 424-8695 to sign up.

Keeping the Promise Alive class at St. Philomena, Carson, **April 27**, 6:30. Call 310-835-7161 x333 to sign up.

Did You Know? Pray for the healing of abuse victims - Each of us, as members of our Catholic community, can contribute to the healing by remembering survivors of abuse in our prayers. The following prayer is from the USCCB (United States of Catholic Conference of Bishops):

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness. Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors. Grant that all harmed by abuse may find justice. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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.

Small Church Community invites you to join us. Each Wednesday morning we read the upcoming Sunday readings plus the "Scripture Focus" as we "break open the word for the coming Sunday Mass" and discuss prepared questions. There are two homes that offer this. One is at 6:30 a.m. at the Gaths' home.

Come join Sr. Eva Tuesdays, 9-10:30 a.m. in the Parish Life Center as she journeys with Bishop Barron to explore the lasting influence of the Pivotal Players in church history. Come, pray, reflect, discuss, & enjoy fellowship. Also Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.

Bereavement Group will meet every first and third Monday from **2:00-3:30pm** in the Parish Life Center.

DIVINE MERCY 2017 CELEBRATION AT ST. DOMINIC SAVIO PARISH, Bellflower - You are invited to the Divine Mercy Celebration. The Novena will begin on Monday, **April 17** to Saturday, **April 22** at 3:00 pm. Confessions on Saturday, **April 22** - 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Divine Mercy Chaplet and Multilingual (English, Spanish, Tagalog) Mass on Sunday, **April 23** at 3:00 pm and reception after Mass. **Jesus, I Trust in You!**

ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

Awareness is one of the keys in fighting the crime of human trafficking. We can help law enforcement and those who are assisting

survivors by keeping our eyes open to identify possible victims. Here are some questions you might ask if you are suspicious of someone being trafficked: 1. Can you come and go as you please? 2. Where do you sleep and eat? 3. Have you or your family been threatened?

Call 911 for immediate help if you suspect that someone is a victim of trafficking. The number for the National Human Trafficking Resource Center is 1-888-373-7888. Esther Ministry continues to help survivors in collaboration with the Long Beach Human Trafficking Task Force, Salvation Army, Homeland Security and many non-profit agencies. If you are interested in being involved in our projects, please email us at estherministry1@gmail.com.





St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY, APRIL 24. JOIN US FOR CARDS, BINGO AND OTHER GAMES FOLLOWING A SHORT MEETING. WE WELCOME ALL OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Please remember to pay your dues of \$10 for 2017. Let's get some new members! Encourage your friends to join us. Meetings are the 2nd & 4th Mondays.

All regular meetings: **11:30 to 2:30**. Bring your 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. 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.

Call Mary Lou 562-431-4385 or Gerry 562-420-32205.

Immigration help - Do you, or someone you know, need immigration help? There is a clinic every Friday from 9 am to noon at 1530 James M. Wood Blvd, Los Angeles, providing legal consultations to analyze each case, answer questions, and identify potential forms of immigration relief. Please visit www.esperanza-la.org or call 213-251-3505 for more information.

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. Donations to hospitality go towards the purchase of the donuts and other supplies.

April 16 hosted by **Hospitality Ministry**
April 23 hosted by **Knights of Columbus**

Tax Letters: If you would like a letter stating your contributions to St. Joseph Church for 2016, please call the office and leave your name, phone and email address. Those who have contributed through Faith Direct can request that information from them.

Faith Direct - The Lord is risen! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Joseph with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can sign up online by visiting www.faithdirect.net using our church code: CA717. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Movement for a Better World

"You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God." 2 Cor 9:11



Easter Food and Book Distribution-

Many grateful thanks to over 300 people who helped with, and to many more that contributed to, our Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter food and gift distributions! We personally visited and were able to aid and bring hope to 68 community supported and 28 adopted families this holiday season. We also provided or repaired 26 kitchen, laundry, and other furniture items.

Skip-a-Meal Donations- support our ministry including sandwiches weekly for St. Francis Center and Catholic Charities of Long Beach. For these and many other opportunities to help our brothers and sisters in need, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Foster or Adopt a Child - Resource Parent (foster & foster-adoptive) information meeting **May 6**, 10 am - noon, Children's Bureau, 460 E. Carson Plaza Dr., Suite 102, Carson, 800-730-3933 or 213-342-0162. Every child deserves to laugh, play, dream, learn & grow!

Annual Fashion Show & Luncheon - Sponsored by St. Bartholomew Women's Council, Saturday, **April 22**, 11:30am to 2:30pm, at the Long Beach Yacht Club, 6201 Appian Way, Long Beach. Price: \$45. Proceeds help support Harbour Area Halfway House for Women. Fashions courtesy of Bungalow Bay. Please call Judy Huston (562) 434 5011 for reservations. Reservation deadline is April 17.

"*A Night Under the Stars*" 4th Annual Gala benefitting the students of Holy Innocents School, Long Beach, **April 28**, 6:00pm. This spectacular event will be held at **The Grand**, Long Beach. Come enjoy an evening of entertainment, dinner, dancing, silent and live auction. You don't want to miss the fun! Contact Vanessa Tamayo at Holy Innocents School, (562) 424-1018, a TK-8th school serving the community of Long Beach, administered by the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart.

Companion Hospice Care is now recruiting volunteers for our upcoming training program. Volunteers can become a needed friend to someone during the last part of their journey. Volunteers can also relieve tired caregivers for short periods of time, or help with errands and shopping. Assignments will be in **your** geographical area. Become a member of our team, whose goal is to promote quality of life and comfort measures. Each applicant will receive 16 hours of orientation and training from our professional team. Call today to make a real **difference** in someone's life! We also need help in the office which does not require attending the training. To learn more, call Janeete, volunteer coordinator, 562-944-2711 or email janeete@companionhospice.com

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, April 15

8:00 p.m. - Holy Saturday

SUNDAY, April 16

7:30 a.m. - † John Risko

9:00 a.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero

10:30 a.m. - † Mary Jane and Ed Merk

12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

MONDAY, April 17

8:00 a.m. - † Msgr. Douglas Saunders

TUESDAY, April 18

8:00 a.m. - † David Willett

WEDNESDAY, April 19

8:00 a.m. - † Vincent Thomas Nolan

THURSDAY, April 20

8:00 a.m. - † Vincent Thomas Nolan

FRIDAY, April 21

8:00 a.m. - † Thomas Steiner

SATURDAY, April 22

5:00 p.m. - † Annette Haddad

SUNDAY, April 23

7:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

9:00 a.m. - Long Tran & Bros. & Sylvia Dang

10:30 a.m. - † Kellee Murchison Bennett

12:30 p.m. - † Bob Montague

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

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, Jordyn Seckington, 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, Gene Cooper, John Hogan, Nancy Mulry, Jack Lopez, Jesse Perez, Brice Gomes, Pat Murach, Frank Stassi, Patrick Mandich, Bernie Rollinger, Christopher Aguirre, Alfredo Flores, Cameron Yip, Finn Krueger, Colombia Villagomez, Martha Lopez, Jesus Serrano Sr., Kathleen O'Connell/Dostalek & Jim Hodge.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

of HOLY COMMUNION	Tom Shaheen	429-5999
LECTORS	Bill Smith	355-6194
USHERS	Marty Vezzetti	425-0621
ALTAR SERVERS	Stan Lawrence	430-0913
DIRECTOR of MUSIC	Vivian Doughty	594-4657
ALTAR CARE	Parish Office	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

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	Frank McKown	310-633-1744
SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES	Dcn. Don & Tina Gath	598-5202
MINISTERS TO THE SICK	Olga Cuda	594-4657

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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Website address:	John/Deborah Rollinger	537-3457
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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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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