



# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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### PARISH OFFICE

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### Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 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.**

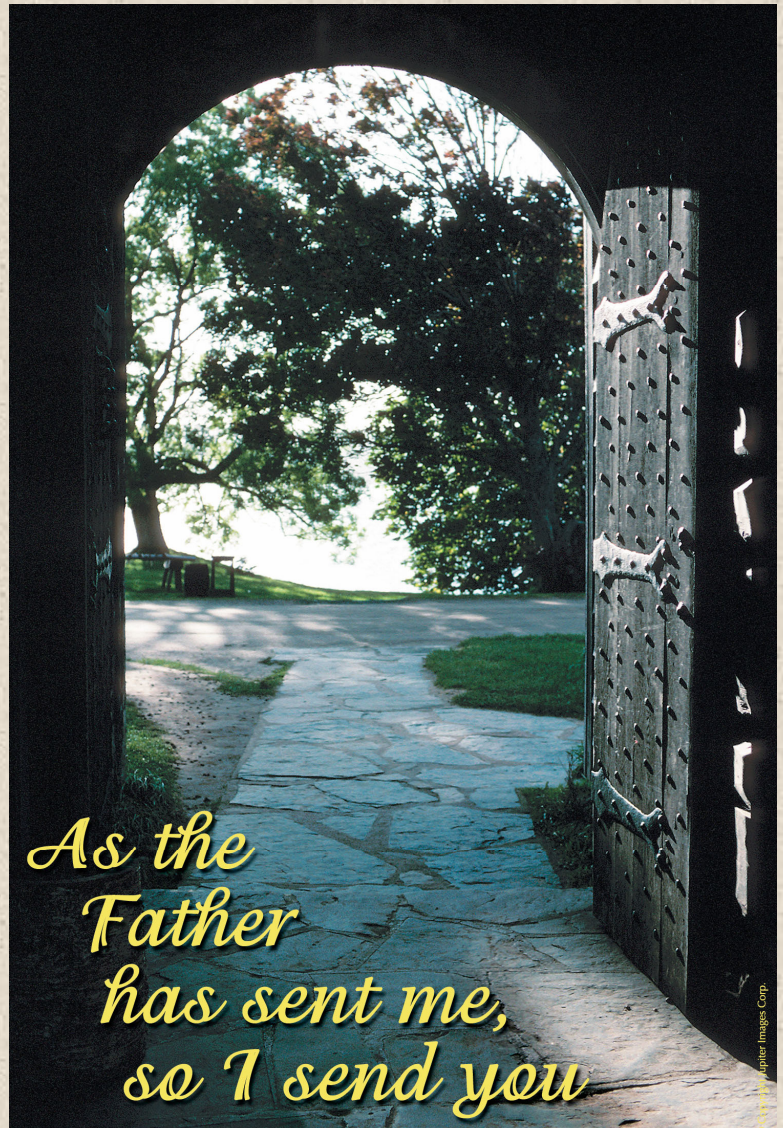
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursday before  
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION**  
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.



*As the  
Father  
has sent me,  
so I send you*

Second Sunday of Easter  
April 23, 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.

We would like to welcome our new, fully-initiated elect of 2017 who were received into the church at the Easter vigil:

**George del Junco**  
**Anicia del Junco**  
**Patrick De Vries**  
**Bryce Barler**  
**Allison Wall**  
**Daryan McGrath**  
**Ethan Reyes**  
**Hayden Hunt**

and **Nada Hestor, Jennifer Semingson, Deborah Delfs and Ted Hall** who received their First Holy Communion and Confirmation on Divine Mercy Sunday. May they all continue to grow in their faith and know they are loved by all at St. Joseph parish.

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**Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity** - Next week we will be taking up this archdiocesan collection for those in crisis situations throughout our archdiocese. Your contribution goes directly toward emergency needs for children, adults and families. You are their hope! Your gift provides one-time emergency help for food, utilities, transportation, medical, housing or funeral expenses. Please make your check to St. Joseph Church. Thank you for your continued generosity.



**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 July 13-16 (Men), and May 4-7, and July 27-30 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane at [sfcuda@yahoo.com](mailto:sfcuda@yahoo.com) or [OCCursillo.org](http://OCCursillo.org)**



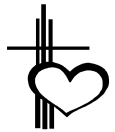
**From Deacon Don's desk:**

Saint Pope John Paul II, Karol Wojtyla, is also known as the "Apostle of Divine Mercy." Though an ordinary man, he was called to have extraordinary faith. He had a very difficult life as a child and teen. His mother died when he was 9 years old. His older brother, a young doctor who he looked up to, died while still in his 20's. His best friends, many who were Jewish, were hunted and killed by the Nazis. He survived and kept working to keep his faith alive. When he decided to be a priest he studied secretly. He and his seminarian friend Jerzy Zachuta risked their lives by assisting at Mass. One day Jerzy did not show up for Mass. The Nazis learned Jerzy was studying to be a priest, and he was executed by them. Karol continued growing in faith because people needed priests more than ever. He knew God would work His wonders through the priests. The war ended, but the Nazis were replaced by the Russians and their Russian Polish puppets. Fr. Wojtyla continued fighting to proclaim the Truth of Jesus Christ. He is the longest reigning Pope in modern history. (Parts taken from Fr. Joe Pellegrino)

"There is no better way to complete the spiritual life than to ever beginning it over again each day." - St. Francis de Sales

OUR PRAYER: Lord Jesus, make us realize that every day is a new opportunity for grace. Help us to make the most of all our opportunities--to begin anew each day. Amen

**Meditation every Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
 in the school library - ALL WELCOME!  
 "Be Still And Know That I Am God"**



**Office of Immigration Affairs** - The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has a long history of concern and advocacy for the immigrant community. As we work with and minister to our parishes and schools we recognize that Church of immigrants, so we take seriously the Gospel call to welcome the stranger among us.

To bring focus and continue to strengthen this important ministry, Archbishop José H. Gomez has created the Office of Immigration Affairs, which will be dedicated to this work. Archbishop Gomez has appointed Jaime Huerta, formerly associate director of the Office of Life, Justice and Peace, as director of the new office. You can contact the Office at 213-637-7820 or by email at: [immigration@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:immigration@la-archdiocese.org).

To further support the work being done by parishes, a supply of "Know Your Rights Cards" has been sent to every parish and school community. For more information and to view or download the 'Know Your Rights' card, go to the Archdiocesan website: [archla.org/immigration](http://archla.org/immigration).

A recent pastoral reflection of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) states that "Hope in the next generation is how the nation will realize its founding motto, 'out of many, one.' In doing so, we will also realize God's hope for all His children: that we see each other as valued sisters and brothers regardless of race, religion or national origin."<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>"Living as a People of God in Unsettled Times," Pastoral Reflection, USCCB, March 22, 2017

**Faith Formation Office - Hours are Monday - Thursday 9am to 1pm, and Sunday 9am - noon. Email [religiosed@stjosephlb.org](mailto: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.

**Easter Sunday:** No class today for Early Childhood and Elementary. Have a blessed Easter! No class for Middle School on **April 18.**

**First Communion:** First Communion takes place **May 6 and 7** at the 5pm, 9am, 10:30am, and 12:30 pm Masses.

**Final Class:** Our last class for the year is **April 30.** Elementary will celebrate with a community gathering in the hall for a rosary and ice cream social. Last class for **Middle School** is Tuesday, **May 9.**

**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](mailto:marc@stjosephlb.org).

**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](http://www.lbcya.org) or contact Jason Pillon: [coordinator@lbcya.org](mailto: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.



**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!

**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!**

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

**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 23** hosted by **Knights of Columbus**  
**April 30** hosted by **Parish Council**

**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](mailto: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.

## 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.

## 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](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.

### Keeping the Promise Alive:

St. Philomena, Carson, **April 27 and May 16**, 6:30. Call 310-835-7161 x333 to sign up.

St. Pancratius, Lakewood, **May 31**, 6:30. Call 562-634-6111 to sign up.

## Did You Know? New abuse prevention brochure

**available** - April, National Child Abuse Prevention Month, is a time to recognize that we all play an important role in protecting our children and young people. Each year, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles publishes the Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse brochure, which provides a listing of policies, programs, resources and other information on how the Catholic Church is working to help prevent child sexual abuse. Copies of the 2017 brochure are available in the parish vestibule or visit <http://www.laarchdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Pages/CAPM.aspx>.

**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](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: CA717. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

"*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.

**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!

**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](http://www.esperanza-la.org) or call 213-251-3505 for more information.

**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 [janettee@companionhospice.com](mailto:janettee@companionhospice.com)

## Mass Intentions



### 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

### MONDAY, April 24

8:00 a.m. - † Duane Studer

### TUESDAY, April 25

8:00 a.m. - † Romeo Tupas

### WEDNESDAY, April 26

8:00 a.m. - † Vincent Thomas Nolan

### THURSDAY, April 27

8:00 a.m. - † Maria Cuc Vu & Dominico Ho Dang

### FRIDAY, April 28

8:00 a.m. - † Frank Aimone

### SATURDAY, April 29

5:00 p.m. - † John DeRuyter

### SUNDAY, April 30

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

9:00 a.m. - † Louis Laphorne

10:30 a.m. - † Helmut Ratzoll

12:30 p.m. - † Msgr. Douglas Saunders

### Regional Vocation Director: Rev. Francis Ilano

St. Athanasius Church, Long Beach, 562-423-7986. Vocation information may be found at: [www.lavocations.org](http://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, Jordynn 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 & Dr. Francis Thornton.

## 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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MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD	Tim Clark	431-4385
LONG BEACH CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS	Jason Pillon coordinator@lbcya.org	
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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](mailto:bulletin@stjosephlb.org)