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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.

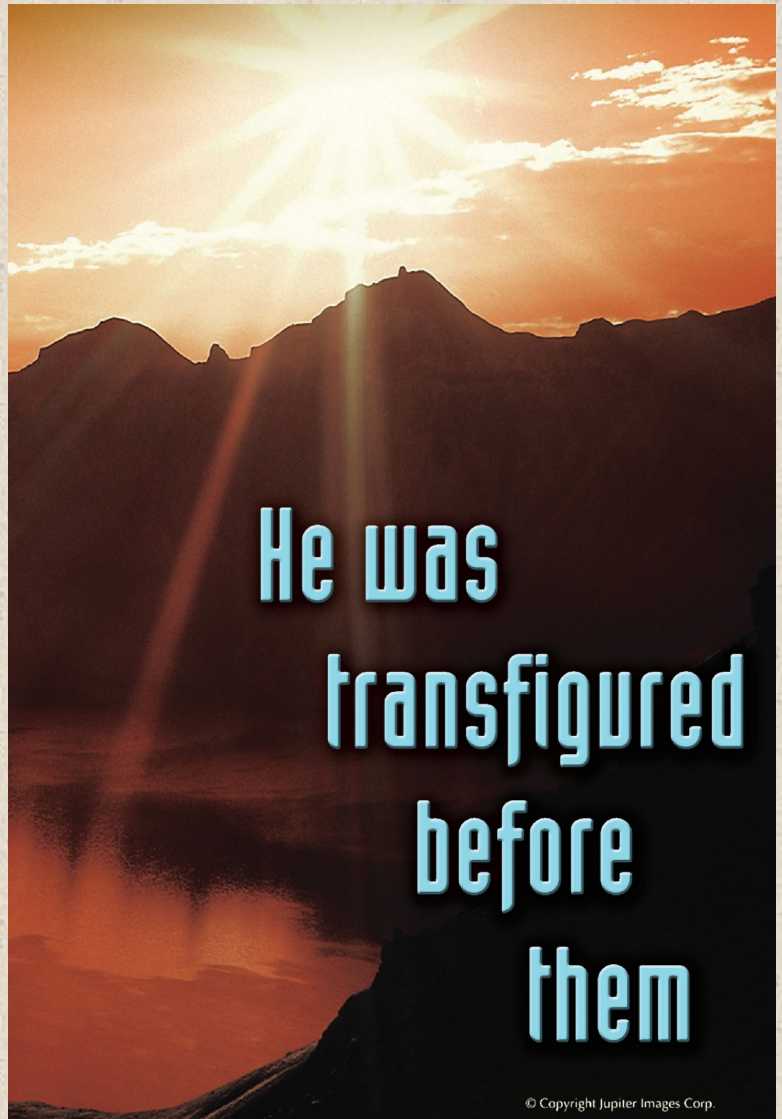
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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.



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The Transfiguration of the Lord
August 6, 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.



From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Parish Family,
It is with great joy on August 16 that we will welcome our new seminarian Sergio to our St. Joseph family. Below is his brief message to

all of us:

"I'm Sergio Sandoval Martínez, a seminarian from St. John's Seminary in Camarillo. I'm the oldest of three brothers; my parents live in L.A. I grew up in Mexico with my grandparents. Three years ago I came to the United States. My home parish is St. Catherine of Siena in Reseda, Ca. My personal devotion is to St. John Paul II, for his example as a missionary and strong delivery of love to everyone."



From Deacon Don's desk:

Reflecting back to the feast of Thomas the Apostle, most noted for his unbelief concerning Jesus' resurrection. Confronted by the risen Lord, his disbelief turns to belief and he proclaims the Easter faith of the Church, "My Lord and my God!"

We know very little except this evidence in the Gospel.

In a Pope St. Gregory the Great's homily: "He (Thomas) was the only disciple absent on Jesus' return to the disciples. When Thomas returned, he refused to believe. When Jesus came a second time, He offered his side for the disbelieving disciple to touch. He held out His hands and showed the scars of His wounds.

"Dearly beloved, what do you see in these events? Do you really believe that it was by chance that this chosen disciple was absent, then came and heard, heard and doubted, doubted and touched, touched and believed? It was not by chance but in God's providence. In a wonderful way God's mercy arranged that the disbelieving disciple, in touching the wounds of his Master's body, should heal our wounds of disbelief. **The disbelief of Thomas has done more for our faith than the faith of the other disciples.** Doubt has been cast aside, and our faith is strengthened.

Thomas cried out, "My Lord and my God." Jesus said, "Because you have seen Me, Thomas, you have believed." St Paul said, "Faith is the guarantee of things hoped for, the evidence of things unseen." Because what he saw and what he believed were different things. God cannot be seen by mortal man. Thomas saw a human being, whom he acknowledged to be God, and said: My Lord and my God. Seeing he believed; looking at one who was true man, he cried out that this was God, the God he could not see. What follows is reason for joy: Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. This is a particular reference to ourselves; we hold in our hearts one we have not seen in the flesh."

OUR PRAYER: St. Augustine says, "In the **Eucharist**, all is love, Jesus comes to us and dwells in us. In doing so, He teaches us how we are to love one another."

Loving Father, grant that every Eucharistic Celebration unite us more closely to Your Divine Son. May it also unite all Christians and help us to show greater love for all. Amen

**Holy Day of Obligation
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday, August 15**

Vigil, August 14, Monday, 7:00 pm
Feast day, August 15, 8:00 am, and 7:00 pm

Prayer And Life Workshop - Prayer is more than how we speak to God, it is also how God speaks to us in moments of deep silence throughout our lives. Allow the Holy Spirit to change your life through a series of prayer methods taught each week. Founded by Fr. Larrañaga OFM, the PLW are taught worldwide and approved by the Holy See as a New Evangelization ministry. Learn how to "Take the Lord's yoke upon you, for He is gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:29
Thursdays, **now - Nov. 16** 7-9 PM, St. Joseph Church, PLC Knights Of Columbus Room. Contact George and Susy Zuluaga, (562) 386-9976, georgeandsusyuluaga@gmail.com

Women's Silent Retreat

Sacred Heart Retreat House - Sept. 8-10

Theme: Streams of Grace & Mercy

Retreat Master: Msgr. Eugene Morris, S.T.L.

"So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help." Heb.4:16

This is for any woman of the parish who would like a weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality; to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. Don't delay, make your reservation today. Call Madeline Majick 562-596-6219, Marie Newton 562-209-1298, or Tina Gath 562-598-5202.



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 October 5-8 (Men), and October 19-22 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com or OCCursillo.org

Sunday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Monday:	Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday:	Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Friday:	Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry

Please join us for coffee, 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.

August 6 hosted by **Bereavement**

August 13 hosted by **Faith Formation**

Faith Formation

Office is closed for the summer. Applications can be submitted at the Parish Life Center (M-F 9-3). If you would like to set up an appointment, please call us at 562-598-0519 ext 31 or email religious@stjosephlb.org.

Liturgy of the Word for Children is available to children **5 - 11 years** at the 9am Mass on **August 6 and 27**. There will be **no** Liturgy of the Word for Children on August 13 and 20. Follow our catechist out with the rest of our children to hear the Word of God on their 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 provided.

2017-18 Faith Formation Registration

We invite all families who have children, ages 3-high school to consider our Faith Formation program starting late September 2017. 2017-18 Registration packets are available in the church vestibule, parish office, and online on the parish website at <http://www.stjosephlb.org/religious-education/family-friendly-registration-form-for-religious-education>. For families registering for 1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Communion, please have a copy of your child's Baptism certificate. For our high school Confirmation students, we will need a copy of the youth's baptism certificate, 1st communion certificate, and sponsor information at registration.

2017-18 Faith Formation Schedules

Early Childhood (ages 3-5) Sundays 10:30-11:30 Sep. - May, **Starts Sept. 24**

Sac Prep 1 & 2 / Quest (Grades 3-5) Sundays 10:30-11:45 Sep. - May, **Starts Sept. 24**

Jr. High Tuesdays 7-8 pm Oct. - May, **Starts Oct. 10**

High School Confirmation 1 & 2 Selected Sundays 11am-1:30pm Oct. - May **Starts Oct. 8.**

Help Wanted

We want to thank all the St. Joseph Parish Family that visited us at the Faith Formation table in June. We are praying that God calls you to say yes to our invitation. For those who are still discerning this call, we still have a need for people to share their faith, time, and talents with our faith community. Volunteers are needed as catechists (teachers), catechist aides, sacramental preparation, office and resource support, and safety monitors in our early childhood through high school confirmation programs. You don't have to have a child in our program to volunteer. We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you! All volunteers must be cleared through our Safe Environment program. We will provide training and support along the way. If interested, please contact the Faith Formation office at 562-598-0519.

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.

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.

Children's Choir

St. Joseph children's choir will resume on **September 9**. Rehearsals are Saturday mornings, 8 - 9:15 and are open to all children in the School/Parish/Religious Education, grades 2-6. Please visit the music area in church for a flyer!



Why should I enroll my child in the choir? Follow us over the summer to find out!

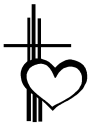
REASON #4: Learn Some Latin! Choristers not only learn how to sing in English, but also in Latin and other languages as well. Latin is the building block of many modern languages; and, at a time when people from different parts of the world interact and come together more frequently, it is important that young Catholics have a basic understanding of Latin. The study of Latin has also been shown to be successful in increasing test scores, expanding vocabulary, and helping young people understand grammatical structures in other languages.



St. Joseph Book Club - "A Book of Joy" by Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu. You may purchase the book through Amazon or at the local bookstore. Discussion will take place Thursday, **Aug. 17**, at 7:00 pm in the PLC. All welcome!

46th annual **SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention September 1-3** - Anaheim Convention Center. Theme: **"Aflame with the Spirit."** Over 50 Catholic speakers and 70 presentations! Spiritually enriching for all! Guest speakers: Bishop Robert Barron, Bishop David O'Connell, Fr. Jose Antonio Fortea, Fr. Michael Barry, SSCC, Sr. Regina Marie Gorman, OCD, Fr. John Farao, OFM Conv, ... and more For brochure/info, contact 818-771-1361. Online info & registration: spirt@scrc.org

Faith Direct - As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news. Our parish's many ministries are examples of an answer to that call and they require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider electronic donations through Faith Direct. Sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: CA717. Thank you for support of our parish!



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

Our next meeting will be on Monday, August 14. Come and bring your friends to have a fun time at the poker table, our tables of Mexican Train, Bridge, Sequence, other fun games, and of course, Bingo. It is a great time to get to know your fellow parishioners and friends from other churches.

Please remember to pay your dues of \$10 for 2017. Just a reminder that meetings are on the 2nd & 4th Mondays.

All regular meetings: 11:30 to 2:30. Bring your lunch. Drinks & dessert provided. Free bakery items. Join us for fun and games and fellowship.
For information please call: Marilyn North 562-429-8891.

Trips! - PLEASE NOTE: All gratuities are included in the trips unless otherwise noted. For more information please call: Mary Lou 431-4385 or Gerry 562-420-3220.

Valley of the Mist - A Temecula Adventure Oct. 12, \$68, visit to wineries, guided tour of Temecula Valley Museum, lunch at Claim Jumper, explore "Old Town," visit "Granny's Attic" with over 200 shops.

Shops and Slots in the Desert - Save the Date Nov. 30, \$46. Come join us on a great trip to Palm Springs where you will try your luck on the slots at the **Morongo Casino**. Enjoy lunch on your own at Potrero Canyon Buffet. Afterwards enjoy shopping at the Desert Hills Premium Outlets. A final stop at Hadley's for a **free date shake** for the ride home.

Great trip for holiday shopping!!!! Depart at 9:00am/ return approx 6:30.

Mission Inn Dec 12, \$81, guided tour of historic Mission Inn, view beautiful Christmas lights, shopping (of course), dinner at Black Angus with several entrees to choose from.

Havasu Balloon Fest Jan 20-23, D\$308, S\$385, T\$300, 1 night in Havasu & 2 nights in Laughlin, Morning Balloon "Mass Ascension" at festival in Havasu, evening witness the "Balloon Glow." All breakfasts & 1 dinner included, shopping along the waterfront by London Bridge, docent tour of Mohave Museum, visit to "Route 66 Museum in Kingman. **Anyone interested in a balloon ride, please contact Mary Lou or Gerry for details.**

Meditation every Tuesday 7:00 p.m. in
the Parish Life Center - ALL WELCOME!

"Be Still And Know That I Am God"



Did You Know? Back to school safety tips - It's important to remember to talk about safety. These are a few tips: (1) meet all of your child's teachers, (2) discuss school bathroom behavior (no one should go into a stall with a child for any reason), (3) occasionally walk your child to their class instead of using the carpool line. To request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done" email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call (213) 637-7227.

Movement for a Better World

"And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me." Mt. 18:5

Aug. 12-13 Feed-a-Baby Food Drive:

Collecting non-perishable baby food for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. Can you help? For this and many other opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.

Community Resources: Great information about Long Beach area community resources is available in the vestibule of the church. Please distribute to those who ask you for help! This is also on the Movement for a Better World page of the parish website - <http://www.stjosephlb.org/>

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please, skip a meal each week to share your bounty with those in need. This is the primary source income for our ministry!



ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

Interested in hearing more about the Esther Ministry and how we are helping to increase

awareness and assist in prevention of Human Trafficking? A meeting for all those interested in learning more about our ministry and our projects will be held on Sunday, **August 27**, at 11:30am in the PLC. The meeting will last for about an hour and our guest speaker is Margaret Dennis. Margaret recently attended a 3-day workshop in Ireland organized by the Daughters of Mary and Joseph relating to Human Trafficking in the world. Margaret will share her insights on this wonderful experience.

If you would like to be on our email list to receive further information about our ministry and various projects, just email us at estherministry1@gmail.com.



Virtus Training

For **anyone** volunteering at our parish, catechists, ushers, lectors, ministers of Holy Communion, etc., you must be Virtus certified. We have classes coming up, scheduled here at our parish. Please be sure to take advantage of these.

For those who have never attended a class, or if it has been over a year since you took a class, you will need to sign up for the **Protecting God's Children** class. If you need to renew, you can attend the **Keeping the Promise Alive** class.

Protecting God's Children

St. Joseph, Long Beach, Oct. 15 from 2-5, in the parish hall, please call 598-0519 to sign up. This will also be offered on **Jan. 8** from 6:30-9.

Keeping the Promise Alive

St. Joseph, Long Beach, Oct. 16, 2-3:30 in the hall, and **Jan. 7,** 7-8:30 in the PLC, please call 598-0519 to sign up.

You may also find a class in our area at: 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**.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, August 5
5:00 p.m. - † Donna Halligan

SUNDAY, August 6
7:30 a.m. - † Harriet Jelnick
9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
10:30 a.m. - † Olivia Santos
12:30 p.m. - † Maria Stewart

MONDAY, August 7
8:00 a.m. - † Doug Houck

TUESDAY, August 8
8:00 a.m. - Alfonso and Leonor Dubovzet

WEDNESDAY, August 9
8:00 a.m. - † John Risko

THURSDAY, August 10
8:00 a.m. - † Stephen Stewart

FRIDAY, August 11
8:00 a.m. - † Barbara Baine

SATURDAY, August 12
5:00 p.m. - † Gene Ensch

SUNDAY, August 13
7:30 a.m. - † Jean Libby
9:00 a.m. - Charles Balamaze, Thanksgiving
10:30 a.m. - † Donald Dryer
12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

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, Jordynn Seckington, Robert & Frances Stickney, Bryan Nielson, Joel Stephesen, Georgiana (Peggy) Schad, Eloisa Mariano, Angela Gibbons, Luis Arroyo, Michael Dresnick, Larry Luckey, Ramona Pedroza, Albert Rodriguez, Tony Olivar, Lisa Dang, Nina Escandon, Chris Belcher, Janet Bernardo, Regina Jurado, Marie Mitchell, Dennis Cuda, Mark Ham, Odete Salvate, Joan Aimerito, June Kukahiko, Scott Reinard, Valerie Karner, Graciella Griffin, Cynthia Hogan, Bella Dasanayake, 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, Martha Lopez, Jesus Serrano Sr., Jim Hodge, Dr. Francis Thornton, Mary Gay Cappelletti, Bob Lovold, Julita Sinco, Agop Gocoglu, Bob Teran, Teresita Palomo, David Mosier & Paul Campbell.

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ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL Natalia Alvarez, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak
OFFICE MANAGER Julie Gianessi

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