



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

Website: www.stjosephlb.org
email: stjoseph@stjosephlb.org

St. Joseph School: 596-6115

Faith Formation: 598-0519
email: religoused@stjosephlb.org

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.

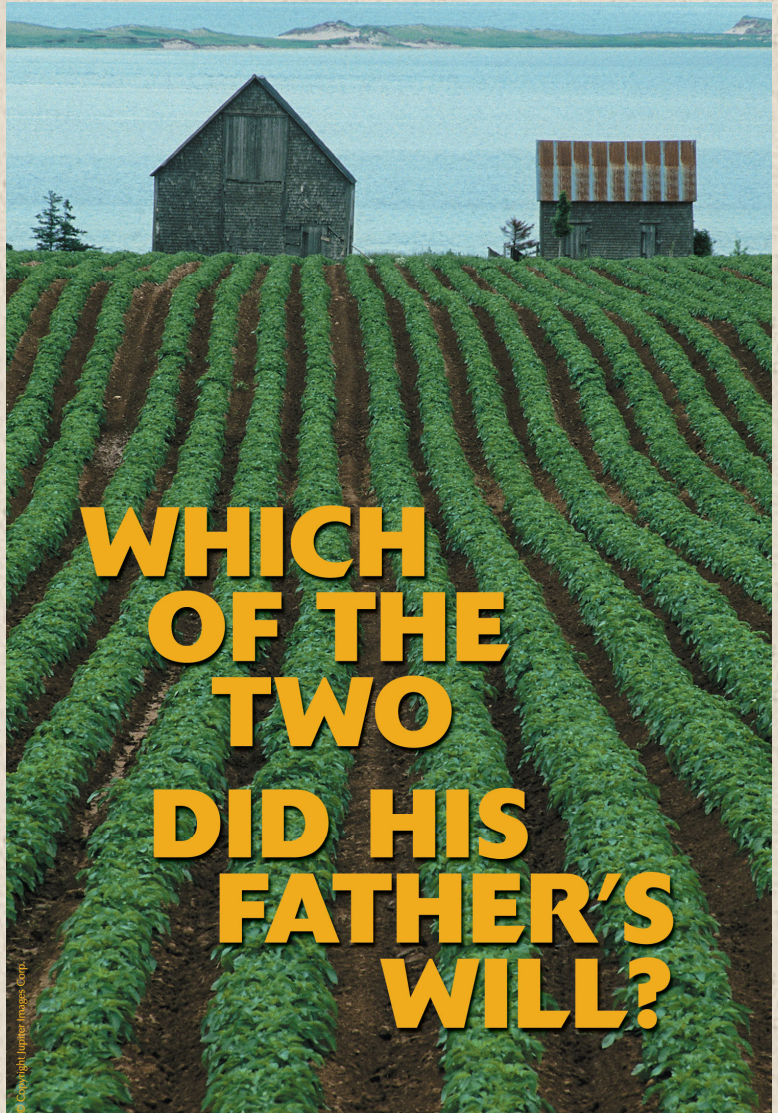
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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.



WHICH OF THE TWO DID HIS FATHER'S WILL?

Twenty-sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

October 1, 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:
 Here is the collection report for the month of August:
 Envelopes: \$54,387.68
 Loose cash and coins: \$8,388.50
 Total: \$62,776.18

As you have seen your health insurance premiums rise, so has St. Joseph's for our employees. This year our health insurance bill is \$70,000.00. Thank you for your continued generosity and stewardship.

Gratefully, Msgr. Kevin

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| Sunday: | Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32 |
| Monday: | Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10 |
| Tuesday: | Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56 |
| Wednesday: | Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62 |
| Thursday: | Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12 |
| Friday: | Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16 |
| Saturday: | Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24 |
| Sunday: | Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43 |

Mary and Joseph Retreat Center - enrich your faith and your life. See what's coming at www.maryjoseph.org. All events at the Mary & Joseph Retreat Center, 5300 Crest Road, Rancho Palos Verdes. Call Marlene Velazquez at 310.377.4867 x234 reservations/information.
Awake & Aware III - Human Trafficking ~ Kathleen Bryant, RSC, **Nov. 11**, 9am - 4pm. Time for prayerful reflection & education on an invisible issue eating away at our humanity. Pope Francis said, "One of the most troubling of open wounds in the world is the trade in human beings, a modern form of slavery." He has called on each of us to help eradicate human trafficking by 2020. How do you recognize this wound in your neighborhood? We can be healers, simple activists, and grow in our spiritual and social consciousness. It takes courage to see and not turn away from the suffering Christ in our world today. We will also look at the resilience emerging in survivors. Lunch included. Cost: \$45 (\$40 if paid in full by Nov. 3).

Faith Direct is looking to add an experienced California based **Customer Service Account Representative** to their team to help them continue to provide excellent customer service to parishioners! This is a work-from-home position that gives an opportunity to join a growing business. If you are interested and would like more information, please email: hr@faithdirect.net

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!



From Deacon Don's desk:

A Quick reminder: **Eucharistic Adoration this Thursday, October 5.** It's your opportunity to visit with the Lord. As Saint Teresa has said when asked what do you do at the Eucharistic Adoration? She said, "I look at Him, and He looks at me." In other words we don't have to say anything, just be present with Him. A rosary or a reading from one of the books that Tina brings and places by the predella (foot of the altar) is available. Pope Paul VI said, "A visit to the Blessed Sacrament draws us into an ever deeper participation in the Paschal (Easter) Mystery."

We live in a society which loves to "get things done." We are great doers. But we are not good at reflecting, at meditation. Without a life of reflecting prayer, we will never be able to celebrate Mass fully, consciously or actively. Adoration of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament nourishes our souls and kindles a hunger for the Eucharistic celebration with the Lord.... Fr. James Moroney.

October 1, Scripture focus: Today's Gospel emphasizes the theme of personal responsibility and accountability. Not only are we to respond with a "yes" to God's call, but we are to carry out the tasks that go with that yes. The parable is set within a series of conflicts Jesus has with the religious authorities. It is Jesus' last week in Jerusalem. The parable is another way of saying, "Not everyone who says to me 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven." Our actions and lives must demonstrate that we truly follow Christ and the message of the Gospel.

OUR PRAYER: Lord of heavenly hosts, let Your angels ever watch over us in this life. Grant that they may also bring our prayers before You and confer Your grace upon us. Amen

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

Dave Desmond
Joseph McGan
Dennis Castro

Memorial Mass for Mary Lou Jondle - **Oct. 7** 11:00 am



Cursillo

Women and Men of St. Joseph Parish
Is your heart on fire for Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit? 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

Faith Formation

Office will be open Tuesday - Thursday this week 9am-1pm. Applications can be submitted at the Parish Life Center (M-F 9am-4pm).

Liturgy of the Word for Children: will be returning today, **Oct. 1** at the **9am Mass**. The program is available to children from **5 - 11 years**. 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 - Time is running out to register for 2017-18 Faith Formation. We invite all families who have children, ages 3-high school to consider our Faith Formation program. 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

Jr. High Tuesdays 7-8 pm Oct. - May, **Starts Oct. 10**
High School Confirmation Years 1 & 2 Selected Sundays
 11am-1:30pm Oct. - May, **Starts Oct. 8.**
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.

Attention Confirmation parents - there is a parent orientation meeting Sunday **Oct. 1**, 2 pm in Martin Hall. There will also be a make up parent orientation meeting Monday, **Oct. 2**, 7-8 pm, in Martin Hall.



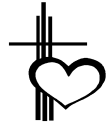
St. Joseph Book Club - Our new book is "Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus" by Nabeel Qureshi, a true story about a Muslim led from Islam to Christianity. A few books will be available at the PLC for \$12. The discussion will be held on **Nov. 15**, 7pm in the PLC.

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry

Please join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship in front of the church after the 7:30, 9:00, & 10:30 Masses. Donations go towards the purchase of the donuts and supplies. **October 1** hosted by **Eucharistic Ministers**
October 8 hosted by **Cub Scouts**

Bible Study - Come join others in opening the Scriptures **Tuesdays 9-10:30** in the PLC. Our new series is a 24 week "The Story of Salvation." Come, pray, socialize, and tune in to the adventure of our salvation. Also offered on **Thursday evenings, 7-8:30** in the PLC.

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



Women's Prayer and Fellowship group is resuming monthly meetings in the Parish Life Center, beginning on **October 9** at 7:00. Come join us in prayer and for spiritual reading and discussion.

Adult Confirmation - Classes will be at St. Raymond Church, Downey, **Oct. 12 - Dec. 21**, 7-9 pm. To sign up, please contact our Faith Formation Office, 562-598-0519.

Virtus Training

For all volunteers 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. Cyprian, Long Beach, Oct. 21 9 am 562-421-6487
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.

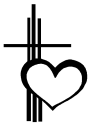
Keeping the Promise Alive

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**.

Did You Know? Pay attention to surroundings to prevent child abuse

- As a caring adult, you scope out potential dangers in the areas where a child may be for school, birthday parties, etc. Another danger is the potential for a child to be lured away into a private area by a predator. Abuse can happen anywhere, even in public places, and parents should be aware of any secluded spots that a predator might use. Avoid spaces where a predator could take action - turn on lights, check empty rooms, and patrol sleeping or playing spaces. To receive a copy of the VIRTUS® online article "Premises Safety...Always a High Priority," email jvivena@la-archdiocese.org or call (213) 637-7227.



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

Our next meeting will be on Monday, October 9. Come and hear our special guest, Sr. Gretchen Hailer, who will inspire us and entertain us with a workshop dealing with Aging with Grace. It will be from 10-noon. Please read the notice below for details.

Please remember to pay your dues of \$10 for 2017. 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.

An Invitation To All Parishioners - The St. Joseph Senior Social Group is pleased to announce that we will be hosting a morning workshop with Sr. Gretchen Hailer. The workshop will be held in the Fr. Martin Hall at St. Joseph Church on Monday, **October 9** from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. Sr. Gretchen is a much sought after speaker in the LA Archdiocese. Her topic will be Aging with Grace, and in addition to good advice it will be sprinkled with humor. You are invited to join us for this informative, entertaining presentation by Sr. Gretchen. There is no charge for this workshop. You can call Marilyn North (429-8891) or Judy DeRuyter (596-0122) to let us know if you plan to attend. We hope to see you then. Oh, and there will be bingo and other games from 12:30 to 2:30. If you would like to stay, bring your lunch and join us.

Trips! - All gratuities are included unless otherwise noted. For information please call: Mary Lou 431-4385.

Temecula Adventure ~~Cancelled~~

Shops and Slots in the Desert - Save the Date **Nov. 30**, \$46. 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 and 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 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 for details.**

Bereavement Group

meets Mondays, 2:00-3:30 in the PLC

Movement for a Better World

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth."

1 John 3:18



Holiday Family Adoptions: Last year 26 generous St. Joseph families each adopted to provide food and gifts to a Long Beach family in need for Thanksgiving, Christmas & Easter. Can you for the coming holidays? Please call Donna Luciene at (562) 421-4993 or e-mail amyford6331@yahoo.com

Oct. 4, 7 pm - Committee Meeting: Come help us fulfill our mission of service to the most vulnerable of our community.

Oct. 7-8, Feed-a-Baby Food Drive: Collecting non-perishable baby food for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

Nov. 18 - Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution: We will support 68 families for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Can you help us deliver? VERY meaningful for the whole family! Please call Amy McKenna 562-427-5917.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during our holiday support of Long Beach families in need. For many opportunities to serve, please call Tim Clark 431-4385.



13th Annual Oktoberfest - October 14

5-11pm, Dinner, Silent Auction, Live Auction, Live Band, DJ, and Dancing
Purchase Tickets and look through Silent Auction Items at:

<http://SJSFest17.gesture.com>

*tickets also sold at the door

If there is anything you can donate for our auction it would be greatly appreciated...ANYTHING helps!

Please contact Dana Soule at danasoule@hotmail.com

ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

One of the goals of the Esther Ministry is to promote awareness of human trafficking through education. Knowledge is empowering. On Saturday, November 11, Sr. Kathleen Bryant will be presenting a day of prayerful reflection and education on how each one of us can help eliminate the crime of human trafficking. This day will take place at the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in Rancho Palos Verdes from 9am to 4pm with lunch included. The cost is \$45.00 (\$40.00 if paid by November 3). It promises to be a very powerful and insightful day! You may register online at www.maryjoseph.org.

Check out the St. Joseph website for an update on our ministry. Just go to <http://www.stjosephlb.org/ministries/esther-ministry>. If you would like to be on our email list for more information on future projects, you may email us at estherministry1@gmail.com.



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, September 30

5:00 p.m. - † Virginia Molinaro

SUNDAY, October 1

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

9:00 a.m. - † Keith Cooper

10:30 a.m. - † Doug Houck

12:30 p.m. - † Cesar Oseguera

MONDAY, October 2

8:00 a.m. - † Alfonso Santillan

TUESDAY, October 3

8:00 a.m. - † Catherine Allen

WEDNESDAY, October 4

8:00 a.m. - † Tim Rook

THURSDAY, October 5

8:00 a.m. - Jay and Carol Kefalas

FRIDAY, October 6

8:00 a.m. - † Walfredo Zaballero Mariano

SATURDAY, October 7

5:00 p.m. - Nancy Houck - Birthday

SUNDAY, October 8

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

9:00 a.m. - † Sotero Sandoval

10:30 a.m. - † Erick Eklund

12:30 p.m. - Sutton Family

Please continue to pray for the members of 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, Janeen Higbee, Jay Kefalas, Stacey Marcus, Shirley Morasse, Magali & Wendy Sapien, Jordynn Seckington, Robert & Frances Stickney, Bryan Nielson, Joel Stephes, 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, Dennis Cuda, Mark Ham, Odete Salvate, Joan Aimerito, June Kukahiko, Scott Reinard, Valerie Karner, Cynthia Hogan, Bella Dassanayake, Mike & Colette DiHarce, Ellie Jacob, Josh Golan, Jovie Diaz, David Dresnick, Christine Cooper, Pam Williams, baby Gabriel Mafi, Thelma Gouchenour, Josephine Ryan, Gene Cooper, John Hogan, Nancy Mulry, Jack Lopez, Jesse Perez, Brice Gomes, Frank Stassi, Bernie Rollinger, Christopher Aguirre, Alfredo Flores, Cameron Yip, Finn Krueger, Martha Lopez, Jesus Serrano Sr., Dr. Francis Thornton, Mary Gay Cappelletti, Bob Lovold, Julita Sinco, Agop Gocoglu, Bob Teran, David Mosier, Paul Campbell, Rigoberto Gonzalez, Tanner Lopez, Valerie Lugo, Alexander Diaz, Ramona Saldumbide & Patrick Steinhauer.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

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| 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

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| PRINCIPAL | Margaret Alvarez |
| ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL | Sonia Yurak |
| ADMISTRATIVE COUNSEL | Natalie Alvarez, Erin Wright & Sonia Yurak |
| OFFICE MANAGER | Julie Gianessi |

FAITH FORMATION

562-598-0519

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| DIRECTOR of FAITH FORMATION | Joe Voigt | |
| ELEMENTARY, | | |
| MIDDLE SCHOOL | Joe Voigt | 598-0519 |
| YOUTH MINISTRY/ CONFIRMATION | Marc Leon | 598-0519 |
| EARLY CHILDHOOD | | |
| LITURGY/CHILDREN | Joe Voigt | 598-0519 |
| RCIC (Children) | Joe Voigt | 598-0519 |

ADULT MINISTRY

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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 | Dcn. Don & Tina Gath | 598-5202 |
| MINISTERS TO THE SICK | Olga Cuda | 594-4657 |

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| PASTORAL COUNCIL | Anne Weaver | 252-5123 |
| FINANCE COUNCIL | Moses Bass | 420-1877 |
| WEBSITE COORDINATOR | Mike Santy msanty@verizon.net www.stjosephlb.org | 370-0769 |
| Website address: | | |
| HOSPITALITY MINISTRY | John/Deborah Rollinger | 537-3457 |
| MOVEMENT FOR A BETTER WORLD | Tim Clark | 431-4385 |
| LONG BEACH CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS | Jason Pillon coordinator@lbcya.org | |
| SENIOR GROUP | Marilyn North | 429-8891 |
| KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS | Ron Steiner | 431-7703 |
| ENGAGED ENCOUNTER | Paciano & Molly Diaz ktrm@sbcglobl.net | 310-729-5890 |
| NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING | Greg & Beth Gath | 377-5877 |
| SAFEGUARD the CHILDREN | Tony Burgos | 276-3108 |
| PARISH FAIR | sparishfair@gmail.com | |
| PROJECT ACHIEVE | Tina Gath | 598-5202 |
| PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER | Cynthia San Jose | 884-9589 |
| CUB SCOUTS | Brian Erdman | 310-984-4900 |
| 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