



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.

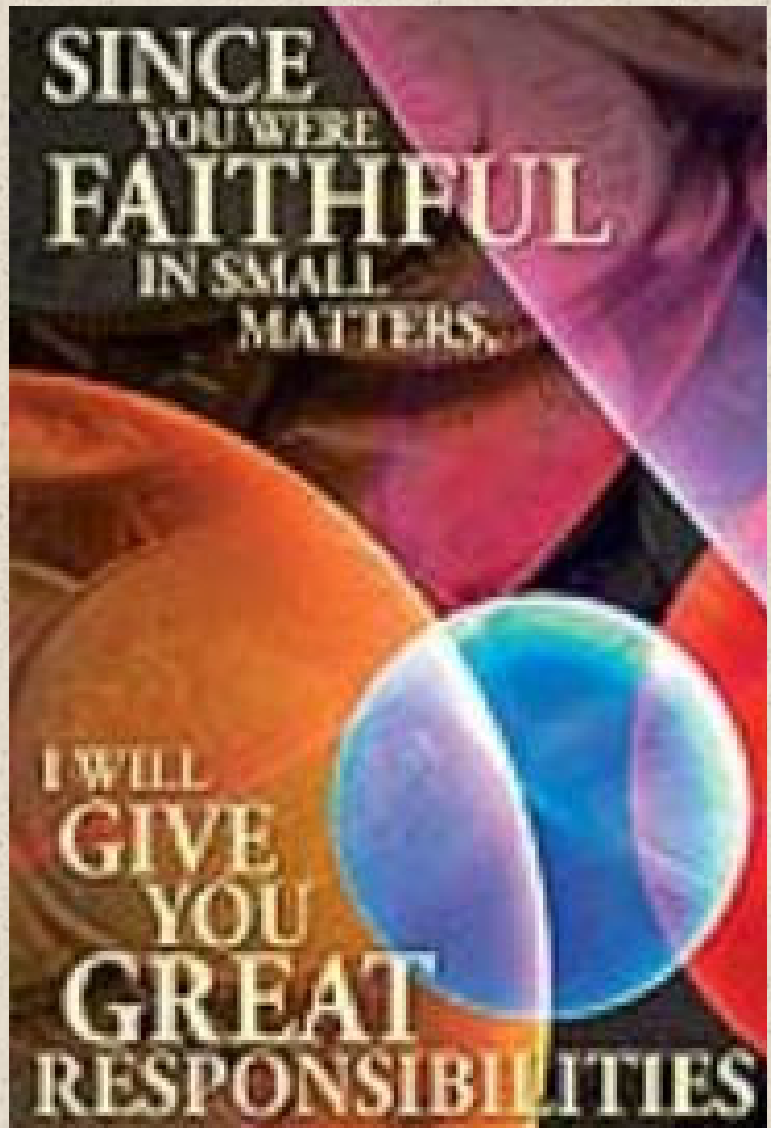
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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.



Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
November 19, 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:

As we enter into this Thanksgiving week, all of us have some reasons to give thanks! As I celebrate my first Thanksgiving Day Mass with you (Thursday at 9:00 AM) I give thanks that God has sent me to shepherd all of you in this beautiful corner of Long Beach. As we gather around our family tables to give thanks, let us remember all of the families whose lives were impacted by the hurricanes in Houston and Florida and the wildfires in Northern California. How often we heard these families express that they lost everything through floods and fires, but they have their families! Be assured of my prayers for you and your families as we pause and give thanks to God!

In Thanksgiving, Msgr. Kevin

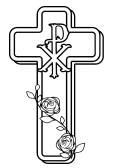
Happy Thanksgiving!

We wish each of you a very blessed Thanksgiving Day as you celebrate with your family and friends. Our Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 9:00 am. Please come to first give thanks to our God for His many blessings. You are welcome to bring the bread you will be serving during your celebration for Msgr. Kevin to bless.

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

**Gayle Buol
Hector Gutierrez**



Campaign for Human Development - Please be generous in this week's second collection. In the U.S., one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.



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 un-

like anything you've ever experienced. Cursillos run from Thursday evening thru Sunday evening.

The next Cursillo weekends will be January 18-21 (Men), and February 1-4 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com or OCCursillo.org



From Deacon Don's desk:

On November 9, we celebrated the Feast of the Dedication of Saint John Lateran Basilica. So what is important about the Basilica of St. John Lateran? It is the first major Church of Christianity.

Emperor Constantine declared, by the edict of Milan, that Christianity would no longer be persecuted. He commissioned the building of St. John Lateran which took 20 years to build. It is the Cathedral of Rome **and** the parish of the Popes. It is dedicated to Our Lord and St. John the Baptist. Four Ecumenical Councils were held here. Over 25 popes are buried here. Each Holy Thursday, the Pope celebrates the Mass of the Last Supper (not at St. Peter's) as he is the Pastor of St. John Lateran, the Mother Church of Christianity. If you look for the cathedra, the chair of the pope, you won't find it at St. Peter's, it's at St. John Lateran Basilica.

As impressive as all church buildings are in Rome none is more important than the people who attend them. In the reading of St. Paul he says: "Do you not know that **you** are the temple of God and that the spirit of God dwells in you?" My good people **You Are the Church!**

Do you realize that each time you come to communion you hold in your own hand the **Body of Christ**? How awesome is that?!

Like St. Francis of Assisi, we are called to the building of the Church. How will **you** build the Church?
OUR PRAYER: All powerful and generous God, help us to avoid all sorts of greed for goods of this world. Teach us to cultivate spiritual riches which will ensure unending life with You in heaven. Amen

Prayer and Fellowship meeting for women - We gather to pray, discuss a spiritual book, and to fellowship together. **November 20** at 7:00 pm at Parish Life Center. Please come join us.

Bereavement Group

meets every Monday, 2:00-3:30 in the PLC

- Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]
- Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44 Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
- Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40
- Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Faith Formation

**Office will be open Monday - Thursday this week
9am-1pm.**

No Liturgy of the Word for Children today.

Faith Formation Fundraiser - Help support our Faith Formation Families in need by attending our fundraiser on **November 19 from 4-9 pm at Avenue 3 Pizza & Subs, 2226 Palo Verde Ave, Long Beach.**

Help Wanted - Children's Liturgy of the Word has been an important ministry at the 9am Mass for many years at St. Joseph Church. Giving children the experience of the Liturgy of the Word in their own environment, we are allowing them to hear the same readings the rest of the community hears but on their own level, and to engage in a dialogue about those readings to make connections to their own life.

We are always on the lookout for volunteers. The wonderful thing about volunteering for this ministry is that it is an easy commitment. Our leaders are young adults, grandparents, moms and dads.

We are all busy, but this is one ministry that is so important for our children. Once the schedule is made, you and a team of two other adults will lead a session every 4 weeks or so. The materials will be provided for you: video of the gospel reading, script for what to say with reflective questions, and a gospel activity. You can sign up to partner with a friend. If you can carry on a conversation with your own children, and you love the Lord, He will give you the courage and the faith to help the children of St. Joseph grow in theirs.

Contact Joe Voigt for more information at joe@stjosephlb.org. A hands on demonstration of the program will be held on Sunday, December 10, at the 9am Mass.

2017-18 Faith Formation Registration - Early Childhood, Elementary (Grades 1-5), Junior High (Grades 6-9) and High School Confirmation registrations have officially closed.

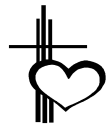
High School Youth Ministry - Revelation for all teens on **Wednesdays at 7:30**. For more information, contact Marc Leon, 598-0519, or marc@stjosephlb.org.

Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites all women to a day of prayer and fellowship. **Every Catholic woman is a member and there are no dues.** The next gathering will be **Nov. 30**, at St. Pancratius Church, 3519 St. Pancratius Pl., Lakewood, beginning at 9:30 am with speaker Rev. George Reynolds speaking on "Advent", lunch and Mass. For reservation, please mail \$12 check payable to Verna Engfer-Hammer, 3202 Wolfe St, Lakewood, 90712 **before Nov. 27**. For information please contact Verna, 562-633-2503 or vernaengfere@sbcglobal.net.

Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe Dec. 3, hosted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Theme of the 86th annual celebration: "Our Lady of Guadalupe: Encounter with Jesus." Begins at 10:30 at the corner of Cesar Chavez Ave. and Ford Blvd. Procession features floats and Aztec and Matachines dance groups. Concludes at East Los Angeles College Stadium with Mass at 1:00 presided by Archbishop Gomez. All are welcome!

Passion & Purpose for Marriage featuring author and speaker Dr. Allen Hunt, **Feb. 10**, 9:00-1:30, at Our Lady of Refuge Church. Buy your tickets now, before the event sells out. It's easy to purchase tickets, order online at DynamicCatholic.com or call 859-980-7900. Give a gift that can change lives this Christmas! Questions please call Silvana 562 290 2400.

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



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. Linus, Norwalk, Nov. 21, 6-9 pm, please call 562-921-5179 to sign up.

St. Joseph, Long Beach, Jan. 8, 6:30-9, in the parish hall, please call 598-0519 to sign up.

Keeping the Promise Alive

St. Joseph, Long Beach, 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? Family travel safety rules - If you're traveling to spend Thanksgiving with friends or family, it's important that everyone in your group is up to speed on travel safety, and this starts at home. Make sure you have plans in place that let friends and family know where you're headed, and set up your house to look "lived-in" when you're on the road. Teach kids to pack smart - avoid bringing unneeded valuables and carry only the necessary ID cards and money in the event of an emergency. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Family Travel and Vacation Safety,": <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx> or call (213) 637-7508.



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

Join now for a fun 2018
\$10 a year Membership

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 27. Theresa Murphy from Precious Life will be here to give us an update on what is going on at their home. **Be sure to bring your donation of new baby clothes which will be delivered to Precious Life in early December. Also, be sure to make your reservation for our Christmas tri-tip dinner from StoneFire Grill which will be on Monday, Dec. 11. Cost: \$15 for members and \$20 for guests. Come bring your friends to have fun at the tables of poker, 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. 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! - All gratuities are included unless otherwise noted. For information please call: Mary Lou 431-4385.

Shops and Slots in the Desert - Canceled.

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.**

A special "Thank you" to our parish members who donated blood on Nov. 5. We collected 37 units which will save 111 lives! Our next Blood Drive will be on February 18, 2018 in the Parish Hall. We exceeded our goal of 33 units. St. Joseph continues to give more. Tony Diaz, Knights of Columbus.

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. **November 19** hosted by **Meditation**
November 26 off for the Thanksgiving holiday

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!

Movement for a Better World

"True power is service. We must serve all people, especially the poor, the weak and the vulnerable."

Pope Francis



Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution: Many thanks to all who helped to bless the lives and Thanksgivings of 104 families in need this weekend! **Drivers, please return your family information sheets to the Parish Office right away so that we can begin preparations for our Christmas Present Drive.**

Dec. 2-3 Christmas Present Drive: Trees will be in the church with envelopes to purchase a gift for a child of one of our supported families. **Presents must be returned to the parish office or to church by 12:30 PM, Dec. 10.**

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 562-431-4385.

Advent Retreat for Adults Look for the Lord; He is near! Sunday, **December 10**, 10am - 3pm at the Heart of Jesus Retreat Center, 2927 S. Greenville St., Santa Ana. Mass and lunch included, freewill offering appreciated. *Space is limited.* Please **RSVP by Dec. 4**, 714-557-4538 or retreatcenter@sacredheartsisters.com

Healing the Family Tree: Praying for Loved Ones, Living and Deceased Nov. 25, 10-4, St. Denis, Diamond Bar, \$25 by Nov. 20. Information at scrc.org, 818-771-1361 or spirit@scrc.org

ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

Would you like to help in the fight against human trafficking?

Here are two things you can participate in taking a stand against sex and labor trafficking.

Every 3rd Friday of each month men (and women, too) meet from 6:30 to 8:30 at the intersection of PCH and Long Beach Blvd. to peacefully protest this crime. The group is called Men Standing Against Human Trafficking.

The labor trafficking of humans (including children) takes place all over the world. We can help combat this crime through using fair trade items. On November 19 from 1-5pm you can help make a difference by purchasing items at the Conscious Christmas event held at 237 Long Beach Blvd. Items available for purchase are local, sustainable, and fair trade. Consider doing some of your Christmas shopping at this event and support those dealing in ethical treatment of workers. For more information on either of these events, email the Esther Ministry at estherministry1@gmail.com.



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, November 18
 5:00 p.m. - † Charles Griffin
SUNDAY, November 19
 7:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
 9:00 a.m. - † Tim Johnson
 10:30 a.m. - † Louis Laphorne
 12:30 p.m. - † Candace A. Soden
MONDAY, November 20
 8:00 a.m. - † William (Bill) Jenkins
TUESDAY, November 21
 8:00 a.m. - Melonie Lln
WEDNESDAY, November 22
 8:00 a.m. - † Virginia Morelli
THURSDAY, November 23
 9:00 a.m. - † Mary Jane and Ed Merk
FRIDAY, November 24
 8:00 a.m. - † Mercedes Cervantes
SATURDAY, November 25
 5:00 p.m. - † Virginia Molinaro
SUNDAY, November 26
 7:30 a.m. - † Donald Pedneault
 9:00 a.m. - † Romeo Tupaz
 10:30 a.m. - † Cesar Oseguera
 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

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, 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 Stephesen, Georgiana (Peggy) Schad, Eloisa Mariano, Angela Gibbons, Luis Arroyo, Michael Dresnick, 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, Pam Williams, baby Gabriel Mafi, Thelma Gouchenour, Josephine Ryan, Gene Cooper, John Hogan, Nancy Mulry, Jack Lopez, Jesse Perez, Brice Gomes, Frank Stassi, 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, Paul Campbell, Rigoberto Gonzalez, Tanner Lopez, Valerie Lugo, Alexander Diaz, Ramona Saldumbide, Patrick Steinhauser, Jean Studer, Marie Mitchell & Barry Geisert.

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