



# 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.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28, 2018

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:

The weekend of February 10 - 11, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles will celebrate Together in Mission commitment Sunday. Last year our Parish goal was \$66,700 and your response was over-the-top as we collected 161% of our goal. This year our parish goal has been raised to \$71,646. We can do this!

Together we can make a difference for the 80 parishes and 63 schools that receive funds from Together in Mission. Since it's inception over 24 years ago, Together in Mission as impacted 525,000 families and raised over \$345 million. On behalf of all of the parishes and schools that have benefited from your generosity – thank you!

During the weekend of February 10 and 11, we will all be invited to make a pledge commitment. May I respectfully request that during the next two weeks, your family prayerfully consider your sacrificial gift. We'll fill out the pledge cards together at Mass. Many of you will receive a letter and pledge card in the mail from the Archdiocese, and may I ask that you do not return the card but bring the pledge card to Mass and we'll fill it out and place it in the offertory basket.

This year's theme is "Let us love" so that we may demonstrate our faith and love for those in our local church who need our support.

Thank you for your generous participation in this year's Together in Mission!

Gratefully in Christ,

Msgr. Kevin

**TV Mass for the Homebound** - The Heart of the Nation TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joyful hope in our Savior, who came to share life with us. Sunday TV Mass: KDOC channel 56 at 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass Online Video [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org) For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.



**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 April 19-22 (Men), and February 1-4 (Women).** Contact Dcn. Shane at [sfcuda@yahoo.com](mailto:sfcuda@yahoo.com) or [OCCursillo.org](http://OCCursillo.org)



**From Deacon Don's desk:**

Father Leonard SJ caught my eye when he wrote the following :

Sometimes when we think we are making a little progress in the spiritual life we can become aware of all the destructive things within us. In this regard we are in very good company. Nearly every mystic in the Church's history reports the same pattern: The closer they felt to God, the more aware of sin they became. It stands to figure, doesn't it? The more light there is in a room, the more sharply defined dark corners become. Rather than be discouraged by our growing spiritual awareness, we can see it as a step in the right direction.

In Mark's Gospel the evil spirits regularly recognize who Jesus is before anyone else does. The light highlights the dark. In today's Gospel the unclean asks Jesus an interesting question, "Have you come to destroy us?" We know that this is precisely what Jesus comes to do for us - to destroy the power of evil destruction, and death in our lives. Some Christians are prone these days to doubt the existence of evil. This is a mistake. It follows surely from the Christian belief in free choice, that evil IS a reality and some people can, and do, give themselves to its work.

We don't need to give it undue attention, for we believe that the power of good will win in the end. The reality of evil is the only way I can begin to explain Hitler, Stalin and Pol Pot. And I'm sure there is even destructive behavior much closer to home.

When we were baptized in Christ, on our behalf our parents were asked, "Do you reject Satan and all his works....and his empty promises?"

Most of us are not given over to grand acts evil promises. Evil often promises us greed in place of generosity, envy in place of admiration, revenge in place of forgiveness.

So let's pray that we can work out the patterns of the bad spirit and change them, respond firmly and quickly when we see destructive behavior, and see the task as a lifelong project.

**OUR PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, You have given us the **Eucharist** as our food for heavenly life. Help us to partake of it often and so be strengthened on our pilgrim journey on earth. Amen

Rest In Peace

Died in Christ:

**Lillian Booth**



Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20
Monday:	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 - 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Saturday:	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday:	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39



## Faith Formation

Office will be open Monday to Thursday this week from (9am-1pm).

No Children's Liturgy of the Word today: See you next week.



Adult  
Confirmation

Are you a Catholic adult who has not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Are you seeking to complete your initiation in the Catholic Church?

If you said yes to these two questions, St. Joseph is happy to announce that we will be offering an 8 week Confirmation program for adults on Monday nights starting **February 26**.

### REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a Baptized Catholic adult, 18 years or older, who has celebrated First Holy Communion but lack the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- Must be a registered member of St. Joseph Parish or parent of a current St. Joseph School or Faith Formation student.

For more information or to register we invite you to go to: <https://stjosephlb.org/religious-education/2018-adult-confirmation/>. Completed registrations must be turned into the Parish Life Center (PLC) office on or before Tuesday, **February 20**. Please don't delay since class size is limited to 25 candidates who have turned in completed registrations on a first come, first serve basis. Upon completion of your registration a member of our team will be in contact with you.

The Community of St Joseph welcomes you!



**St. Joseph Book Club** - Our new book is "The Power of Silence Against the Dictatorship of Noise" by Robert Cardinal Sarah, a bold book about the strength of silence. The discussion will be held on **Feb. 21**, 7pm in the PLC.

### Bereavement Group

meets every Monday, 2:00-3:30 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.  
**January 28** St. Joseph School  
**February 4** Come to the Pancake Breakfast in the hall!

**Passion & Purpose for Marriage** featuring with Dr. Allen Hunt, **Feb. 10**, 9:00-1:30, Our Lady of Refuge Church. Order tickets online at [DynamicCatholic.com](http://DynamicCatholic.com) or call 859-980-7900. Questions, please call Silvana 562 290 2400.

The **St. Joseph Church Senior Group** will be having a **Lenten Retreat** on Monday, **February 26**. The retreat will be from 9:00 to 12:30 in the Hall with Mass at 11:00. Msgr. Jim Halley will conduct the retreat. The cost of the retreat is \$10 which includes a box lunch. Please call Marilyn North 429-8891 or Judy Pedneault 421-6863 for more information and to make a reservation. Reservations must be made by **February 18**. All are welcome!

### Virtus Training

For all volunteers at our parish: catechists, ushers, lectors, ministers of Holy Communion, etc., you must be certified.

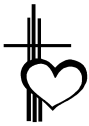
For those who have never attended a class, or if it has been over a year since you took a class, you will need to sign up for the **Protecting God's Children** class. If you need to re-new, you can attend the **Keeping the Promise Alive** class.

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

**Did You Know? Common tricks strangers use to lure children** - Are you familiar with the news show segments testing children's safety knowledge? They often feature "strangers" trying to lure children with offers of ice cream, modeling contracts, or other goodies. They know that while many children are taught to avoid strangers, they may not be taught to recognize abduction tactics. For more information on common tricks predators may use to lure children from The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, visit <http://www.kidsmartz.org/CommonTricks>.

**Tax Letters:** If you would like a letter stating your contributions to St. Joseph Church for 2017, please call the office, 562-594-4657, and leave your name, phone and email address. Those who have contributed through Faith Direct will need to contact them for tax information.

**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 gifts of time and talent, as well as financial help. Please prayerfully consider electronic donations through Faith Direct. Sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: CA717. Thank you for your support of our parish!



## St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

**Our next meeting will be on Monday, February 12.**  
**We will have a sign-up for our Lenten Retreat which will be on February 26. Msgr. Jim Halley will conduct the retreat and it will be from 9:00 to 12:30 with Mass at 11:00. Cost is \$10 which includes a box lunch. You must have a reservation.**

*For our regular meetings, come and bring your friends to have a fun time at the poker table, 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. We have some very nice trips planned and some interesting speakers lined up. We would love to have you join us.*

**Meetings are on the 2nd & 4th Mondays. Dues for 2018 will be collected at the January meetings. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU. Have a happy, healthy 2018.**

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.

**Meditation every Tuesday 7:00 p.m. in the School Library - ALL WELCOME!**

**"Be Still And Know That I Am God"**



## **2018 Parish Fair April 20 - 22**

**The Parish fair is in need of the following:**

**Captain for the Rice/Teriyaki Bowl Food Booth - NEW this year.**

If you would like to be part of the fair committee, please contact Conny Frost: 562-673-4610, connyf@internationalaero.com

**Refrigeration Truck-** please contact us if you know someone who owns a truck or can give us a discount.

- \*\*BINGO Saturday April 21 Noon-5pm in Fr. Martin Hall
  - \*\*Pancake Breakfast returns to the Fair - Sunday, April 22 8am - 11:30am in Fr. Walter Martin Hall. Discount Pre-sale tickets will be available for sale before and after Masses.
  - \*\*Volunteers Needed - can you help with just one 3 hour shift at the Fair? On-line volunteer sign ups to be released in March. Please help!
  - \*\*Tickets - purchase Discount Pre-sale food/drink and ride tickets and SAVE MONEY before the Fair starts or pay full price at the Fair. Tickets go on sale April 7/8 after Masses or purchase through school office
  - \*\*Auto Show - we're looking for car dealerships to display new cars at the Fair. Do you have any contacts at dealerships? If so, please contact Kerry Weiss at kerryweiss@gmail.com
- Fair questions or comments please email: sjparishfair@gmail.com

## Movement for a Better World

"Only in heaven will we see how much we owe to the poor for helping us to love God better because of them." St. Teresa of Calcutta



**Feb. 21 7:00 pm Committee Meeting:** Help us coordinate our outreach to bring hope to our marginalized brothers and sisters in need in the Long Beach area. Share your ideas to help us fulfill that mission.

**Mar. 3-11:** Collecting new and gently used reading books for the children of our 104 supported families for our Easter food distribution.

**Skip-a-Meal Donations:** Please be especially mindful during our holiday food and gift distributions. There are many opportunities to help, big and small. Please call Tim Clark 562-431-4385.

## ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

Awareness and knowledge are important factors in combating the crime of human trafficking.

Here are some facts from the Polaris Project: "The U.S. Dept. of Labor has identified 139 goods from 75 countries made by forced and child labor. In 2016, an estimated 1 out of 6 endangered runaways reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children were likely child sex trafficking victims."

As we continue the National Human Trafficking month, we ask for your prayers and support for those who are working to end this tragic crime. Be a responsible consumer and purchase items that are fair trade whenever possible. If you would like to be on our email list to receive information on our projects and future events, just send us an email at estherministry1@gmail.com.



**St. Joseph School** is accepting applications for Kindergarten and our Transitional Kindergarten (Alpha-K) for the 2018-2019 school year. Applicants for Kindergarten must turn 5 years old by August 31, 2018. Applicants for Alpha-K must turn 4 years old by August 31, 2018.

Alpha-K:

- \*\*Emphasizes developmental readiness skills with a hands-on approach to curriculum
  - \*\*Focuses on Kindergarten readiness
  - \*\*Students receive daily instruction in religion and attend Mass weekly
  - \*\*Offers a half-day (7:50-11:50 am) or full-day (7:50 am – 3:00 pm), 5-days-per-week program
  - \*\*Extended daycare is available until 5:30 pm
- Please call our school office, 562-596-6115 or email jgiansessi@sjknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our principal.

## Mass Intentions



### SATURDAY, January 27

5:00 p.m. - † Virginia Molinaro

### SUNDAY, January 28

7:30 a.m. - † Maria and Dominic Dang

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Elaine Laughin

12:30 p.m. - † Frances Carner

### MONDAY, January 29

8:00 a.m. - † Martha Aimone

### TUESDAY, January 30

8:00 a.m. - † Joe Lozano

### WEDNESDAY, January 31

8:00 a.m. - † Olimpio Pili

### THURSDAY, February 1

8:00 a.m. - † Mario Barrameda

### FRIDAY, February 2

8:00 a.m. - † Louvic Cabrera

### SATURDAY, February 3

5:00 p.m. - † John DeRuyter

### SUNDAY, February 4

7:30 a.m. - Rachel Mason

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - † Sarah Laurita

12:30 p.m. - † Joseph Steinhauser

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](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 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, 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, Jovie Diaz, David Dresnick, Pam Williams, baby Gabriel Mafi, Thelma Gouchenour, Josephine Ryan, Gene Cooper, John Hogan, Nancy Mulry, Jack Lopez, Frank Stassi, Christopher Aguirre, Alfredo Flores, Cameron Yip, Finn Krueger, Martha Lopez, Jesus Serrano Sr., Mary Gay Cappelletti, Julita Sinco, Agop Gocoglu, Bob Teran, Paul Campbell, Rigoberto Gonzalez, Tanner Lopez, Valerie Lugo, Alexander Diaz, Ramona Sal-dumbide, Patrick Steinhauser, Marie Mitchell, Barry Geisert, Gene Adams, Gary Hillebrecht, Celeste Kohnen, Pat Hillebrecht, Diana Craig, Mauricio Heilbron, Maria Bessem, Elizabeth Brown & Marian Steins.

## 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

## FAITH FORMATION

562-598-0519

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

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:		
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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
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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 parish office or to [bulletin@stjosephlb.org](mailto:bulletin@stjosephlb.org)