



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.

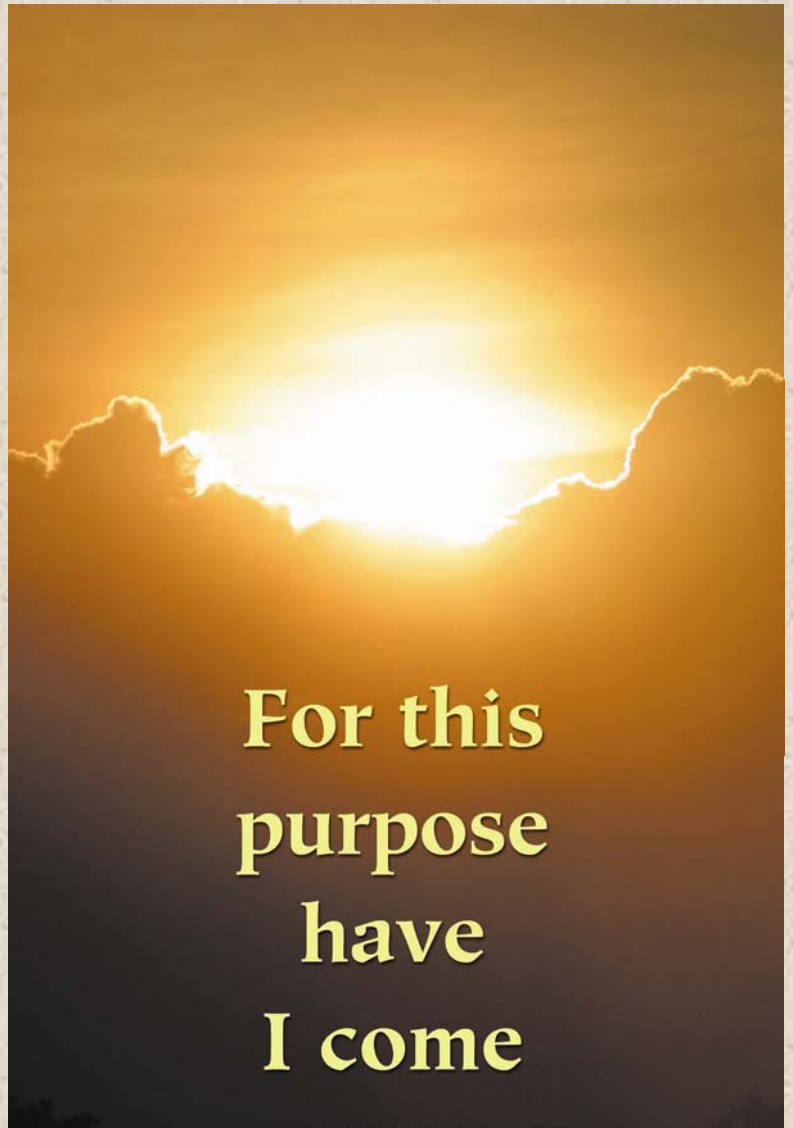
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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.



For this
purpose
have
I come

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 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.



TOGETHER IN MISSION SUNDAY

Dear Parish Family:
Next weekend, 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. On behalf of all of the parishes and schools that have benefited from your generosity – thank you!

Next weekend, February 10 and 11, we will all be invited to make a pledge commitment. May I respectfully request that during this week, 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

LA Religious Education Congress - March 15-18

Not just for Religious Educators - Congress is ready to enrich and revitalize us. All are welcome to an opportunity for personal faith enrichment. Over 300 workshops with topics on spirituality, personal development, biblical studies, theology, catechesis and more. Register now at www.RECongress.org. Don't miss out! Youth day is March 15 for high school age.

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 using our church code: CA717. Thank you for your support of our parish!

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.



From Deacon Don's desk:

It's a little late for New Year's resolutions, but if you need help, here is Archbishop Gomez' offering: #1. Make Jesus the center of your life: set aside a few minutes **every** day to read one passage of the Gospels. Always begin by making a simple prayer from your heart that will put you in the presence of God. Ask Jesus to open the Word for you. Don't ask what the Gospel passage says. Ask **Him**, "What are You saying to me? What in my life must I do to follow You more closely?" Reflect on this during the day. #2. Make life better for others. God wants us to **receive His love** and to **share it**. By our love we change the world. We make it more like heaven. Our road to heaven is paved with our little acts of love, charity and kindness. Love begins with those who make demands on us, those who challenge our selfishness. Speaking practically, we need to have **more patience** and understanding with people in our lives. Avoid negative criticism. #3. **Forgive** others as God forgives. We don't forgive enough; this hurts relationships. He ends with a quote from Pope Francis: "Jesus calls us to follow this path: Be merciful even as Your Father is merciful Think of a person who we annoyed, with whom we are angry, one we don't like Pray for that person and let's be merciful with this person."

This deacon asks and even pleads with you to consider even 15 minutes in silence at **Eucharist Adoration** each Thursday before the first Friday of the month, 6pm-8pm. He is there waiting for you. It's a time to be in His presence. **OUR PRAYER:** Holy Father, help us to live constantly in Your presence. Grant that we may possess a spirit of **joy** and gladness because we know You are always with us. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever. Amen

Sunday:	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39
Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1; Mk 1:40-45



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 May 3-6 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com or OCCursillo.org

Faith Formation

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

Children’s Liturgy of the Word: The program is available to all children from 3 – 10 years old 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 provided.



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

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

Adult
Confirmation

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

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!

Are you interested in finding out more about **St. Joseph Elementary School?** If so, please attend the "Future Knights" Parent Information Meeting. When: Wednesday, **February 7,** 7:00 pm Where: Father Martin Hall

St. Joseph Parish Blood Drive, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will take place on **Sunday, Feb. 18, 8:15 AM - 2:15 PM** in the Parish Hall. **Sign up ONLINE** at redcrossblood.org; Sponsor Code: JosephLB **or after 9/10:30 Mass** in front of church on 2/11. For information contact Knight Tony Diaz at BstDad2@msn.com.

In celebration of the 20th Anniversary of its Canonical Establishment, St. Maximilian Kolbe Secular Franciscan Fraternity is hosting a **pre-Lenten Day of Recollection** on Sat. **Feb. 10,** at St. Hedwig Church, 11482 Los Alamitos Blvd., Los Alamitos. The day will begin with Mass at 8:30am in the Church followed by continental breakfast and reflections by Fr. George Reynolds in the hall. Fr. George will talk on Mary at the Foot of the Cross. There will be opportunity for Confession, Lenten prayer experience, and a pot luck lunch. Everyone welcome. For more information or questions, please call Tina Gath, ofs 562 481-2301, Bill Terrie, ofs 562 370-4503 or Clarence Lloyd, ofs 562 665-3007.



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

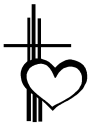
Did You Know? Common tricks used to lure children - Are you familiar with the news show segments testing children's safety knowledge? They often feature "strangers" trying to lure children with offers of ice cream, modeling contracts, or other goodies. They know that while many children are taught to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

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry

February 4 Please join Boy Scout Troop 120 for our **Annual Pancake Breakfast 8:00 - Noon**, in the hall. Tickets \$4. Hope to see you there!!

February 11 hosted by the Cub Scouts

Pancake Breakfast Time



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.

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 -

Our ESTHER Ministry would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful volunteers who

made the YESS (Youth Empowerment Safety Symposium) such a great success. Several hundred people were in attendance on January 27 and were introduced to many community resources as well as fair trade items and workshops on human trafficking and internet safety. ESTHER Ministry provided complimentary fair trade coffee and tea. Thank you everyone and also many thanks to the community groups who provided food, snacks and waters!

Thursday, February 8, is the feast day of St. Josephine Bakhita. St. Josephine is the patron saint of human trafficking. She was born in So. Sudan in 1869 and as a young girl was kidnapped and sold into slavery. Please pray to St. Josephine for strength for those who find themselves enslaved and hopeless for freedom.



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 jgianssi@sjknights.net to receive an application or set up an appointment to speak with Mrs. Alvarez our principal.

Mass Intentions



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

MONDAY, February 5
 8:00 a.m. - St. Joseph School Students

TUESDAY, February 6
 8:00 a.m. - † Frank Aimone

WEDNESDAY, February 7
 8:00 a.m. - Joseph Dang and family

THURSDAY, February 8
 8:00 a.m. - Michelle Stone

FRIDAY, February 9
 8:00 a.m. - † Maria Pham Kheo

SATURDAY, February 10
 5:00 p.m. - † Eleanor Connell

SUNDAY, February 11
 7:30 a.m. - † John Risko
 9:00 a.m. - † Jean Studer
 10:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
 12:30 p.m. - † Rene Almazon

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, 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 Saldumbide, Patrick Steinhauser, Marie Mitchell, Barry Geisert, Gene Adams, Gary Hillebrecht, Celeste Kohnen, Pat Hillebrecht, Diana Craig, Mauricio Heilbron, Maria Bessem, Elizabeth Brown, Marian Steins & David Cerea.

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BULLETIN NOTICES DEADLINE - MONDAY 1:00 PM

Please submit notices, with your name & phone, to the parish office or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org