



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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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.



**Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord**

March 25, 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:

As we enter into the holiest week in Christendom, let us pray that we may continue to be faithful to the promises we made on Ash Wednesday: "Repent and believe in the Gospel!"

During this week, please prayerfully consider your almsgiving gift for Easter, and thank you for your sacrifice and generosity to support the mission of Saint Joseph's!

May you and your family take time to join us and celebrate the beautiful liturgies of the Holy Triduum!

Be assured of my prayers for you and your families during this most Holy Week!

Blessings and Peace,
Msgr. Kevin

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

PALM SUNDAY, March 25 (Regular Sunday schedule)

Monday - Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday - Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

HOLY THURSDAY, March 29

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

(Only Mass on Holy Thursday) Adoration until 11 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30

1:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death

6:40 p.m. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

(No Mass on Good Friday)

EASTER LITURGIES

HOLY SATURDAY, March 31

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

(No confessions or 5 pm Mass on Holy Saturday)

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES, April 1

7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday, March 30.

Abstinence and Fasting

Abstinence from eating meat is to be observed on Good Friday. This applies to all persons 14 & older.

The law of fasting on Good Friday applies to all persons 18 or older and younger than 59. Fasting means that one full meatless meal per day may be eaten. Two other meatless meals may be taken sufficient to maintain strength, but together they should not equal a full meal. Liquids, including milk and fruit juice, may be taken between meals. If health or ability to work are affected, fasting does not oblige.



From Deacon Don's desk:

The entire passion narrative in Mark shows the confusion, bewilderment and misunderstanding that give emphasis of the horrific scene of Jesus' crucifixion. The crowds believe Jesus is calling for Elijah; the chief priests and scribes mock Jesus as one who cannot save himself. Pilot acquiesces to the crowd's demands and participates in a miscarriage of justice. The centurion alone (a Gentile) proclaims, "Truly this man was the Son of God" (Mark 15:39). To be the Christ, the Son of God, necessarily means suffering and death. God's plans are not our own.

Mark's Gospel, more than the other Gospels, shows the human struggle and suffering of Jesus. Jesus seems to feel abandoned at the worst point. Mark's community, undergoing persecution, needed to make sense of the suffering in their lives. They needed to discover who Jesus was as Messiah. Throughout the Gospel, we get hints and glimpses of who Jesus is. Today we come to the story of the Passion itself. Mark finally answers the question of who Jesus is only at the end, with the centurion's proclamation. Jesus' identity as Messiah is only fully revealed when He dies on the cross.

Can you recall a time when you helped someone who was carrying a heavy burden, or a time in your life when someone helped you through a burdensome time?

OUR PRAYER: Heavenly Father, in every Eucharist let us offer You our joys and sorrows in union with Jesus. Grant that with every Eucharist we participate in we will know, love, and live the Mass more fully. Amen

Sunday:	Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession) Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 - 15:47 [15:1-39]
Monday:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13 - 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 - 19:42
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

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.

Faith Formation

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 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.

RCIA - Do you know anyone who would like to hear about the RCIA process of becoming a fully initiated Catholic? Please call Sr. Eva at the parish office, 594-4657.

Bereavement Group

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

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



Filipino Masses at St. Philip Benizi every first Saturday of the month at 7 p.m. St. Philip is located at 235 S. Pine Dr., Fullerton. This invitation is extended to all, but particularly to all Filipino parishioners. The St. Philip Filipino Ministry hopes to see you all there to be united in Christ and in fellowship with one another.

Holy Innocents School, Long Beach 60th Anniversary Gala - April 27, 6:00pm, at The Grand, Long Beach. An evening of entertainment, dinner, silent and live auctions. *21 and over event. Pre-sale tickets (**until April 8** *cost will increase after) 1 person: \$60.00 / Couple \$100.00 / Save: \$500.00 for a table of 10. Contact Vanessa Tamao at (562) 424-1018 or Emily Ayo at (424) 219-2028.

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry

March 25 hosted by Meditation Group
April 1 hosted by Hospitality Ministry

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



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

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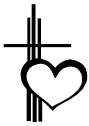
"Beginning Experience" is part of an international ministry for those men or women who have experienced the loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation. A "Beginning Experience" weekend will be held **April 13-15**, at Holy Spirit Retreat Center in Encino. This weekend helps a person move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning with renewed hope. "Beginning Experience" is recognized by the Office of Family Life for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. To register for this weekend or obtain more information, contact: Peg at (818) 767-1007 or Brenda at (818) 352-5265 or Maria (Spanish) at (310) 365-0186. Questions can also be sent by email to: beginningexp.losangeles@gmail.com

St. Joseph Book Club - Our new book is "Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship" by Fr. Gregory Boyle, a moving example of unconditional love in difficult times. You may purchase this book from Amazon or your favorite book store. The discussion will be held on **May 16** at 7pm in the PLC.



Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola - begins week of April 21 - April 26 (Choose: Saturdays 11:00 AM, Sundays 1:30 PM, Wednesdays 7:00PM, or Thursdays 9:15 AM) These 10-Week classes, at St. Peter Chanel, Hawaiian Gardens, will greatly intensify your spiritual life and your desire to go to heaven. This program and all materials provided are FREE. Donations are accepted. Each meeting lasts 2-2.5 hours. Register online at www.spcomv.com, email Mary Martorana at lovegodssavesouls@gmail.com or call Veronica Ayson at (562) 924-7591.

Did You Know? You can help children know they are understood - As parents, educators and volunteers, we want children to know that we are not only authority figures in their lives, but also people they can trust. To foster authentic trust with children, it is important that they know that you understand them. One of the simplest ways to do this is by repeating back what children are telling you. When you do this, you are affirming to the child that they are heard and understood. For a copy of the complete VIRTUS® article "Modeling Good Communication" visit <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

Our next meeting will be on Monday, March 26.

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.

Just a reminder that our meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Mondays. Remember to pay your dues of \$10 for 2018.

All regular meetings: **11:30 to 2:30.** Bring your brown bag lunch. Drinks & dessert provided. Free bakery items. Join us for fun and games and fellowship.

For information please call: Marilyn North 562-429-8891.

ESTHER MINISTRY -

End **S**lavery and **T**rafficking of
Humans and **E**ffect **R**escue -

The world of technology has enabled the crime of sex trafficking to include our youngest and most vulnerable children. Traffickers are able to research victims and are able to relate and build trust very quickly. They use social networking apps and sites. Internet safety is important for protecting our youth from those who wish to do them harm.

Please continue to pray for those who are working hard to abolish human trafficking and for the victims' hope and strength to live one more day. If you would like to learn more about our ministry and be on our email contact list, just email us at estherministry1@gmail.com.



Parish Fair Volunteer On-Line Sign Ups

Pre – Sale Ticket Sales:

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/APC4B>

Thursday, April 19:

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/H3JT9>

Friday, April 20:

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/AX9MX>

Saturday, April 21:

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/FW98D>

Sunday, April 22 :

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/3H79C>

Monday, April 23:

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/THB8E>

Parishioners, can you do one 3 hour volunteer shift? Please help by volunteering.

All Fair information and forms can be found at:

<http://www.stjosephlb.org/fair/>

Questions on volunteering: email Heather at

cmgcrew@gmail.com or Sedelia at sedelia9@hotmail.com

Movement for a Better World

"You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God." 2 Cor 9:11



Holiday Food and Gift Distribu-

tion: Our sincerest gratitude to over 250 parishioners who helped with, and many more that contributed financially to the support of families in need for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter! We supported 69 families as a parish community and an additional 36 through our Family Adoption Program.

Our outreach was blessed in a special way by the generous support of our school. Offerings at their weekly school Masses included highly successful food drives in October and March, blankets in November, and books in February. *Go Knights!*

May 19-20 Feed-a-Baby Food Drive: Collecting non-perishable baby food for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Skip a meal each week to share your blessings with those in need. Can you assist our mission to help those in need in the Long Beach area? Please call Tim Clark 562-431-4385.

Father Luis Estrada, who served as our Seminarian Intern here at St. Joseph Parish, is taking an administrative leave from his assignment to address priestly conduct and personal issues. This is a result of recent dialogue between him and the Archdiocese related to adult relationships. Anyone with information or concerns is asked to please contact the Office of the Vicar for Clergy at 213-637-7284 or Victims Assistance Ministry at 213-637-7650. Please keep everyone impacted by this matter in your prayers.

2018 Parish Fair News: Fair is April 20 - 22.

****Bingo Saturday April 21, Noon-4:30pm:** \$5 per card unlimited play, \$10 for 3 cards, 18 and older

****Gift Cards: if you have random \$10-\$20 gift cards** you would like to donate to the fair please drop them off at the Parish life Center.

****Donations:** please check the website for food/Smart&Final donations.

****Volunteers Needed** - Parishioners, can you help with just one three hour shift at the Fair? Just one three hour shift? On-line volunteer sign ups to be released March 17. Please volunteer.

****Tickets** - SAVE MONEY; purchase food/drink and ride tickets before the fair starts. Tickets will be full price if purchased at the fair. Tickets go on sale April 7/8 after Masses or order through office and pick up at Will Call.

****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 kerrybweiss@gmail.com

****Pancake Breakfast- Sunday April 22, 8am-11:30am:** bring family/friends, get pre-sale tickets

****Opportunity Tickets** will be mailed March 12; look for them in the mail and please return to the Parish Life Center.

Grand Prize \$5,000 this Year!!

Fair questions or comments email: sjparishfair@gmail.com

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, March 24
 5:00 p.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero

SUNDAY, March 25
 7:30 a.m. - † Zenaida Tupas
 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. - † Vincent Nolan
 12:30 p.m. - † Nancy Grgas

MONDAY, March 26
 8:00 a.m. - † Maria Pham Kheo

TUESDAY, March 27
 8:00 a.m. - St. Joseph School children

WEDNESDAY, March 28
 8:00 a.m. - † Jose Jacson

THURSDAY, March 29
 8:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer
 7:00 p.m. - Mass of Our Lord's Supper

FRIDAY, March 30
 8:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer
 1:30 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY, March 31
 8:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer
 8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, April 1
 7:30 a.m. - † John DeRuyter
 9:00 a.m. - † Romeo Tupas
 10:30 a.m. - † Edward and Mary Dondero
 12:30 p.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Kim Agee, Eileen Bentley, 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 Dasanayake, 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, 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 Cerda, Andy Mardesich, Carol Magarino, Ronnie Galvan, Richard Dana, Jack Paluska, Patty Freund, Pat Murach, Teresa Smith, Iva Vasjl, Bernie Voigt, Pat Wolfe, Bill Vaughn, David Mosier, Margarete Wareham & Z. Chetkowski.

In order to keep our prayer list up to date, names will remain on the list for four weeks. If you would like to resubmit a name after the four weeks, please contact Katie at bulletin@stjosephlb.org or Olga at 562-594-4657.

Please pray for the members of our Armed Services that they may feel God's love, peace and joy at all times.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 of HOLY COMMUNION Tom Shaheen 429-5999
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 CHURCH SACRISTANS Lily & Joe Dang 493-2198
 (sister & brother)

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

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 MINISTERS TO THE SICK Olga Cuda 594-4657

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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