



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Office Hours

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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.

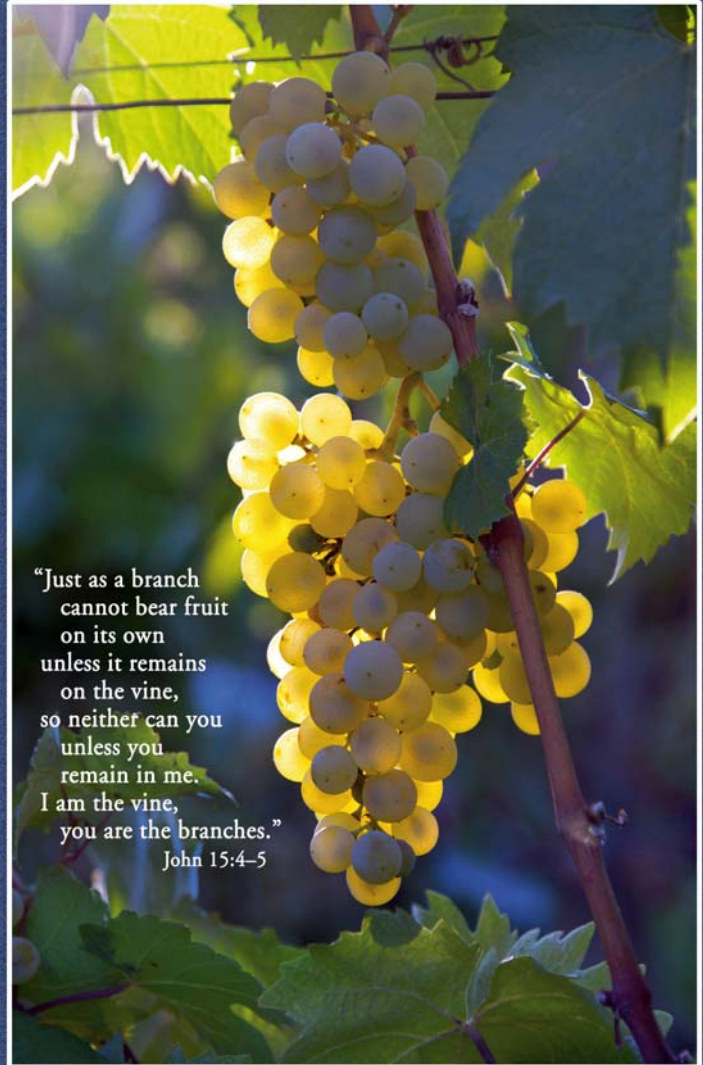
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday before
the first Friday of the month, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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.



"Just as a branch
cannot bear fruit
on its own
unless it remains
on the vine,
so neither can you
unless you
remain in me.
I am the vine,
you are the branches."
John 15:4-5

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 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:

A few items this Fifth Sunday of Easter:

- Thank you to everyone who volunteered or participated in our Parish Fair last weekend.

The fair is an important cornerstone of Parish life, comprised of building community, service and hospitality. St. Joseph's shined! A special thank you to our three co-chairs Connie Frost, Lissette Wilhelm and Tony Burgos and the entire leadership team for their extraordinary hours of generosity and service.

- Next weekend at all of the Masses we will celebrate First Communion Sunday. The families have each signed up for a Sunday Mass to present their child for First Communion. A special welcome to the family members and guests who will be present for this milestone in these young people's lives as they receive the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time.

- Our Easter Sunday collection was almost \$34,000, a 10% increase over last year. Thank you for your extraordinary generosity to your Parish family.

Easter Joy,

Msgr. Kevin

Parish Fair Notice:

The Parish Fair Committee would like to thank St. Joseph parishioners, school parents and all of your family and friends that came out for the Parish Fair last weekend. We want to especially thank those who volunteered this year. Without volunteers we could never be as successful as we were this year. Thank you for all your support. Results of the Parish Fair will be released through the bulletin once all figures have been finalized.

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



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 July 12-15 (Men), and May 3-6 and July 26-29 (Women). Contact Dcn. Shane at sfcuda@yahoo.com or OCCursillo.org



From Deacon Don's desk:

The Resurrection is the central fact of human history, for, granted death is inevitable, Our Lord has shown that humanity can conquer it. Since it commemorates the most glorious event known to man, Easter is naturally the climax of the Church's liturgical cycle. Everything hinges on it.

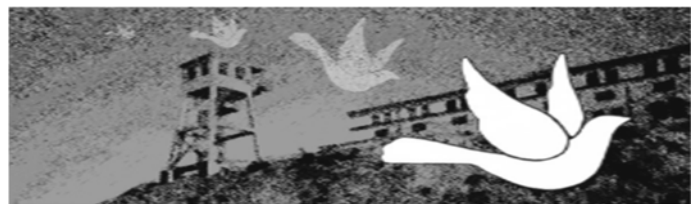
Our Lord's rising from the dead is at the same time His greatest victory and the invincible proof that He is God. As such, it is the foundation of our faith. Truly, Easter is the solemnity of solemnities. May its blessings be yours in abundance.

Christ of the triumphant Resurrection is our hope, our life, our all, and on this glorious Easter time we turn to Him and profess our utter need of Him and our inability to get along without Him.

Live now in the strength of Christ's great triumph that hereafter you may live in the fulfillment of Christ's great prophecy. If we would live in spirit and in truth, eat the Bread of Life. "Amen, Amen, I say to you," says Christ, "he that eats My flesh and drinks My blood, has everlasting life, and I will raise him up on the last day." Wherefore let us not fail, by frequent Communion to make of our mortal bodies sacred shrines, hallowed tabernacles, temples consecrated by the Real Presence and living love of our Eucharistic King. Thus shall we rise with our risen Christ; for He Himself will be the Divine pledge and veiled gift of the coming happiness and dawning glory of our own resurrection.

The above was taken from Saint Anthony Catholic Church's Easter 1966 gift card signed by Father Bernard J. Dolan, Father Joseph M Sartoris and Father William O'Rourke

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS by Cardinal Roger Mahony: Good and gracious God, you have called us through Baptism to discipleship with Your Son, Jesus, and have sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to all peoples. We pray You to grant us more priests, deacons and religious to build up Your Church here within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Inspire our young men and women by the example of Blessed Junipero Serra to give themselves totally to the work of Christ and His Church. Amen



Faith and Hope Art Show - Beyond Prison Walls

The Partnership for Re-Entry Program (PREP) is pleased to be a participant in Hope for Change at St. Joseph Church with this art show **April 28-29** after the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. PREP Website: PREPla.org Contact Sister Mary Sean 323.371.0757. (Sister Mary Sean is the Director of the Partnership for Re-Entry Program (PREP) that serves inmates and parolees, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.)

Faith Formation Office

Hours are Monday – Thursday 9am to 1pm. Phone 562-598-0519 or email: religioused@stjosephlb.org.

Liturgy of the Word for Children is available to all children from 5 – 11 years old at the 9am Mass. 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 are provided.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School (VBS) “May the Faith be with you! Our Star Wars based VBS will take place this year here at St. Joseph from June 18 to 22. Registration paperwork is available in the parish office or on the website. If you have any questions, please see the parish website at <http://www.stjosephlb.org/religious-education/childrens-ministry/vacation-bible-camp/> or call the religious education office at 598-0519.

2018-19 Faith Formation Registration

Registration packets for new students or families are available for pick up in the parish office or online on the parish website. We invite all families who have children or teens ages 3-high school to consider our Faith Formation program starting late September 2018. For preschool and elementary students, Please include 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.

Registration forms for our current faith formation families registering will be available this Sunday during class.

Help Wanted

Are you looking for a way to share your faith, time and talents with others? The Faith Formation department needs you!! Volunteers are needed as catechists (teachers), catechist aides, sacramental preparation, office and resource support, and safety monitors in our early childhood through high school confirmation programs. You don’t have to have a child in our program to volunteer. We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you! All volunteers must be cleared through our Safe Environment program. We will provide training and support along the way. If interested, please contact the Faith Formation office at 562-698-0519.

Bereavement Group

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

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, or call 866-507-8757. Thank you for your support of our parish!



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.

New Bible Study Session: Commencing on Tuesdays, 9-10:30 am, and Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm in the PLC, St. Joseph room. We will be using Bishop Barron’s series on King David! Come enjoy prayer, fellowship and study. Call Sr. Eva if you need a study book, 594-4657.

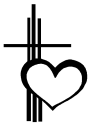
Filipino Masses at St. Philip Benizi are being celebrated at 7 p.m. every first Saturday of the month at at 235 S. Pine Dr., Fullerton. This invitation is extended to all, but particularly all Filipino parishioners. We encourage you to bring your entire family, particularly the children, so they can experience our Filipino culture through the celebration of the Mass in Tagalog. We hope to see you there.

RCIA New Group Commencing - Do you know an adult who is thinking of becoming a Catholic? Please invite them to a come and see, come and hear evening in the PLC, Mother Teresa Room, **May 1** at 7:00 pm.

Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8
Monday:	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 - 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17 or Jn 17:11b-19

Did You Know? 2018 Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse Brochure

- The Office of Safeguard the Children annually publishes the *Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse* brochure, which provides an up-to-date listing of the policies, programs, resources, contact numbers and other important information on how the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is working to prevent child sexual abuse. Copies of the 2018 brochures are available in the church, the parish office and at: www.la-archdiocese.org/protecting/safeguard/pages/capm.aspx.



St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

Our next meeting will be on Monday, April 30.

We are looking forward to the Alpha K and Kindergarten classes singing for us at this gathering. We will also be playing our regular games.

The schedule of the Senior Group meetings for April, May and June are as follows:

April 30, May 14, June 4, and June 25.

After June, we will continue to have our meetings on the 2nd and 4th Mondays. We hope you can 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. There will be other trips planned and some interesting speakers are being lined up.

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.

Movement for a Better World

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Mt. 25:40



May 19-20 Feed-a-Baby Food Drive:

Collecting non-perishable baby food for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

Special Needs Ministry: The Movement has an active ministry of providing essential living needs (refrigerators, stoves, beds, etc.) to families in need. May we add you to our email distribution for news about donations needed? Can you help (time or vehicle) to transfer items from donation locations to families in need? Please call Tim Clark 562-431-4385.

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Skip a meal each week to share your blessings with those in need. These are the primary source of our ministry support.

St. Joseph Parish Blood Drive, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will take place on **Sunday, May 6, 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 April 29. For information contact Knight Tony Diaz at bstdad2@msn.com.

Pray Long Beach - National Day of Prayer Eve Wednesday, May 2 6:30-8:30 pm at Long Beach Poly Auditorium, 1600 Atlantic Ave, Long Beach.

"Make ever effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." Eph 4:3

YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry
April 29 hosted by Parish Council
May 6 hosted by Knights of Columbus

ESTHER MINISTRY -

End Slavery and Trafficking of Humans and Effect Rescue -

Thank you to all those who volunteered to help with the coffee service at the Parish Fair Pancake Breakfast. ESTHER Ministry was happy to donate the delicious fair trade coffee from Catholic Relief Services through Equal Exchange. Fair trade items guarantee that the farmers and laborers live and work in dignity and receive stable prices for their products. There are many other fair trade items available including sugar, tea, and chocolate. Look for some of these items when you are shopping at your local stores. Many of them carry Fair Trade items.

If you would like to purchase items through Equal Exchange, just go to shop.equalexchange.coop. Catholic Relief Services is a partner with this organization and receives funding from them to further the development of fair trade in the United States and overseas. Join our email list and receive information on our future projects. Just go to estherministry1@gmail.com.



St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School Golf Tournament May 18

- Includes a fun day of golf with friends, family and community members at Lakewood Country Club, 3101 E Carson, Lakewood. This tournament is open to the public, so please share this information.



Lunch at noon, shotgun start at 1:30 and a lot of fun! Silent auction items and sponsorships accepted. For more information, please contact: PatrickNelke1965@gmail.com 562-714-9446.

Urge Your Assembly Member to Oppose SB 320

SB 320 would create a fund for UCs and CSUs to provide medical abortions in their student health centers. We oppose this bill knowing that abortion ends the life of a developing child in the womb and leaves psychological scars for the mother. And our college students do not want abortion! Instead of abortion, the legislature should focus on serving the 26% of college students who are parenting to achieve their educational dreams. Student parents need to know their Title IX rights and receive the housing, childcare and flexible schedules to help them complete their education. California students deserve better than abortion. Tell your legislator to oppose SB 320 at archla.org/parent

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, April 28

5:00 p.m. - † Maria and Dominico Dang

SUNDAY, April 29

7:30 a.m. - † John Hogan

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

10:30 a.m. - † Lupe DuMontier

12:30 p.m. - † Marita Fuller

MONDAY, April 30

8:00 a.m. - † Anthony McWeeney

TUESDAY, May 1

8:00 a.m. - St. Joseph School Community

WEDNESDAY, May 2

8:00 a.m. - Deacon Shane Cuda, Healing

THURSDAY, May 3

8:00 a.m. - † Jean Studer

FRIDAY, May 4

8:00 a.m. - † Richard Veloz

SATURDAY, May 5

5:00 p.m. - † Botelho and Salvate families

SUNDAY, May 6

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

9:00 a.m. - † Dr. Patrick Mitchell

10:30 a.m. - † Lupe DuMontier

12:30 p.m. - † Kathleen Boyle

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.

Lost and Found - Please come to the parish office to claim your items left in the church or the hall before we donate them - earrings, glasses, hats, gloves, etc.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . . Fernando Montoya, Tim Ginnett, Kim Agee, Eileen Bentley, Nina Escandon, Dennis Cuda, Odete Salvate, Mike & Colette DiHarce, Gabriel Mafi, Frank Stassi, Christopher Aguirre, Finn Krueger, Jesus Serrano Sr., Patrick Steinhauer, Marie Mitchell, Barry Geisert, Gene Adams, Gary Hillebrecht, Celeste Kohnen, Pat Hillebrecht, Mauricio Heilbron, Marian Steins, David Cerda, Ronnie Galvan, Jack Paluska, Patty Freund, Pat Murach, Teresa Smith, Iva Vasjl, Bernie Voigt, Pat Wolfe, Bill Vaughn, David Mosier, Z. Chetkowski, Julianne Fries, Dolores King & Gerald Savellano.

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.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

of HOLY COMMUNION	Tom Shaheen	429-5999
LECTORS	Steve Koppenheffer	714-299-6644
USHERS	Marty Vezzetti	425-0621
ALTAR SERVERS	Deacon Shane & Olga	594-4657
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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LONG BEACH CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS	Tim Clark	431-4385
	Jason Pillon coordinator@lbcya.org	
SENIOR GROUP	Marilyn North	429-8891
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Ron Steiner	431-7703
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NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	Greg & Beth Gath	377-5877
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PARISH FAIR	sjparishfair@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 parish office or to bulletin@stjosephlb.org