



# 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.

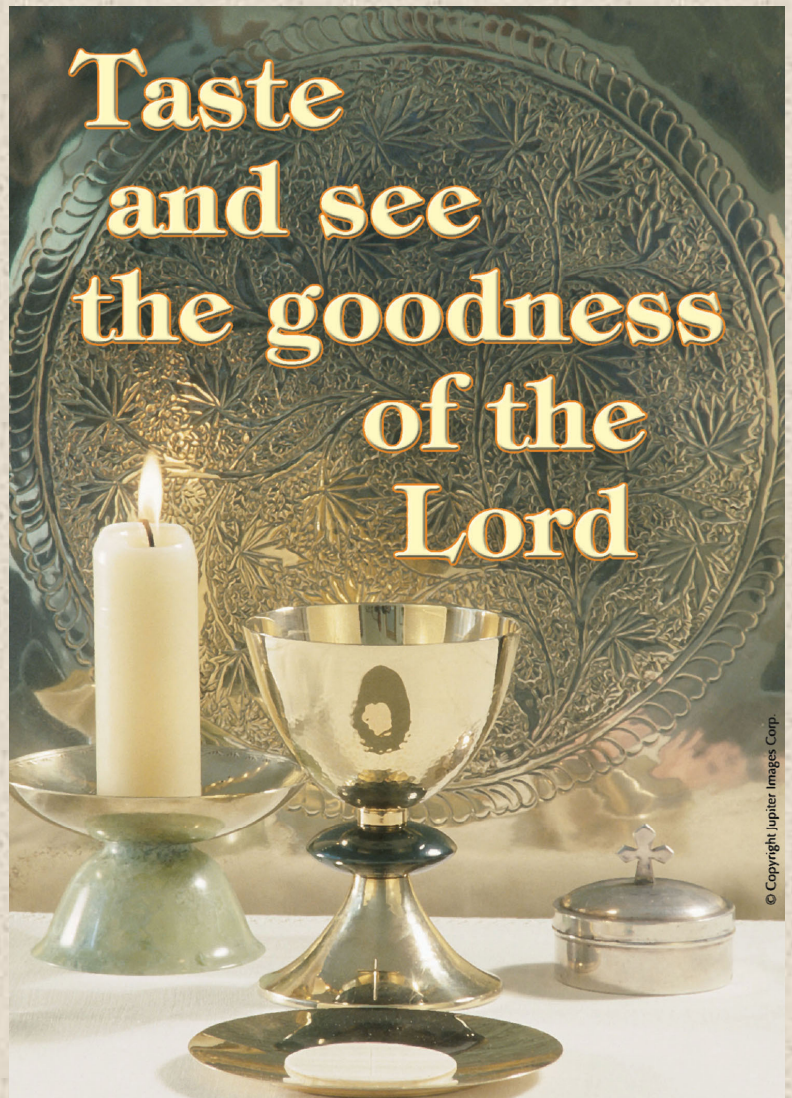
## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

Every Wednesday after 8:00 am Mass

**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.



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Twentieth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
August 19, 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:

This Friday, August 24, I will be going into outpatient surgery for hernia repair. My new Long Beach doctors informed me that I should rest for a few days following the surgery, so my family will be here as I recover in the residence. Thanks for your prayers as I look forward to a quick and full recovery to keep on serving you and proclaiming the Gospel of the Lord!

Peace,  
Msgr. Kevin

**THE ARCHDIOCESE OF OWERRI IN IMO STATE OF NIGERIA. 07/18/2018**

The Archdiocese of Owerri at the Eastern part of Nigeria has a population of 4.3 million people under the leadership of Archbishop Anthony J V. Obinna. The diocese was created in the year 1950 with Most Rev Joseph B. Whelan, C.S.Sp of the blessed memory as the first bishop. There was a civil war between Nigeria and Biafra in 1966-1970, and after the war the expatriate missionaries were expelled from the country by the then Nigerian government who accused the missionaries of supporting and feeding the Biafra people (IGBO PEOPLE) through Catholic Charities and Red Cross International.

The government forcefully took over the mission schools. Recently, after long persuasions, the government returned all the Catholic schools to our Archdiocese as the rightful owner and classified all the schools as private schools thereby refusing all funding from the government.

This situation has been overwhelming for our local churches. It has been very difficult for the Archdiocese of Owerri to keep all the schools and the majority of the schools are located in rural areas supporting peasant farmers and their children's education. Considering closing down those schools will be dangerous for the future of the children. Many of the schools handed back to the church are also in terrible condition and require urgent help. It has been very difficult to manage all the Catholic schools without funding from the government.

We need help towards school projects in the Archdiocese of Owerri. Thank You.

Yours in Christ, Rev Fr. Anselm Nwakuna

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



**Sr. Eva Needs Help!** We are trying to build a roster of people who could be called upon to meet families and help them prepare the liturgy (Mass) for their loved one who has passed away. Come to an evening of see and hear what this ministry of consolation is all about. Meeting in the PLC Tuesday, **August 28**, 7-8 pm.

**RCIA** - All those interested in helping Sr. Eva with this process of adult faith journey, come to an evening of "see and hear" what this ministry entails and the area where your strengths and talents might be used. August 21, 7-8 pm in the PLC.

**Women's Silent Retreat**

**Sacred Heart Retreat House Sept. 7-9**

**Theme: "In You, all find their home" PS 87:7**

**Retreat Master: Rev. John Trigilio**

This retreat is for any woman of the parish who would like a quiet weekend of peace, tranquility and spirituality, a time to rest and be refreshed in Jesus. But don't delay, make your reservation today.

Call Madeline Majick 562-596-6219, Marie Newton 562-209-1298, Tina Gath 562-598-5202 or Deborah Rollinger 562-537-3457 to reserve a room.

**Question of the Week:**

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Gospel: John 6:51-58

Adults: Does the promise of eternal life affect the way I live today?

Children: Does the promise of living in heaven with Jesus make a difference in the choices I make?

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58  
Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22  
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30  
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16  
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14  
Friday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51  
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7a; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12  
Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69



**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 October 4-7 (Men), and October 18-21 (Women). Contact Deacon Shane at [sfcuda@yahoo.com](mailto:sfcuda@yahoo.com) or [OCCursillo.org](http://OCCursillo.org)**



## Faith Formation Office

Hours are Monday – Thursday 9am to 1pm. Phone 562-598-0519 or email: [religiously@stjosephlb.org](mailto:religiously@stjosephlb.org).

**No Liturgy of the Word for Children this week.**

### 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 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.

### Help Wanted

Are you looking 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 provide training and support. If interested, please contact the Faith Formation office at 562-598-0519.



**St. Joseph Book Club** - Our next book is Anthony Ray Hinton's "**The Sun Does Shine, How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row**" (a story of hope, love, justice and faith by a man who spent thirty years on death row for a crime he didn't com-

mit). The book can be purchased on Amazon. We will meet on Wednesday, **October 10** at 7pm in the PLC. Hope to see you there!

### **Rooted in Diversity, We Grow in Unity, August 25**

Day of enrichment for those in liturgical ministry. Keynote followed by breakout groups. Inspiring and enjoyable day to lift our spirits and send us back to the parish with new enthusiasm for our ministry. American Martyrs Church, 1431 Deegan Pl., Manhattan Bch. \$25 before Aug. 15.

Please register online: <http://archla.org/ofwliturgyday>  
For more information, please call 213-637-7262, or email at [ofwmailbox@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:ofwmailbox@la-archdiocese.org)

**YOU ARE INVITED by St Joseph Hospitality Ministry**  
**August 19** hosted by **Faith Formation**  
**August 26** hosted by **Faith Formation**

**Lost and Found** - Items will be put out on our hospitality table Sunday mornings.

## **St. Joseph Bible Study**

**Matthew: The King and His Kingdom** is a Catholic Bible study that brings the history of Christ to life through Matthew's Gospel. You will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven.

Join us for **Matthew: The King and His Kingdom** in the PLC Tuesday mornings 9:00-10:30am or Thursday Nights 7:00-8:30pm. The study begins **Sep. 4** (Tuesdays) and **Sep. 6** (Thursdays) and runs through March 2019.

Registration is online <https://ascensionpress.com> or call Sr. Eva at 562-594-4657 or email: [sreva@stjosephlb.org](mailto:sreva@stjosephlb.org). Cost for the study guide and online access to the lesson videos is \$25 per person, paid to Sr. Eva.

All those who hope to join Sr. Eva for Bible Study class Sept. 4, please email your name and email address to her at [sreva@stjosephlb.org](mailto:sreva@stjosephlb.org) so all can be registered with Ascension Press. This will allow you to access the videos at your convenience.

## **Music Ministry**

### **Children's Choir**

Rehearsals resume Saturday, **September 8**, from 8:00 to 9:15am in the church.

All parishioner children welcome, Grades 2-6.

### **10:30 Choir**

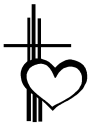
Looking for a respite from your everyday world? Try singing. Our choir is so welcoming. Only requirement is that you are able to carry a tune, all other training is provided. Wednesday night rehearsals resume on **September 5** (7 - 8:30pm) in the church.

### **The Archdiocesan Celebration of Our Cultures Mass -**

Please save the date! **Sept. 15**, 3:30 pm, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. We hope you will be able to attend.

**Saint Bartholomew Church** in Long Beach has formed a group called "We Remember When" to research the many gaps in the parish's long history. A gathering, with light refreshments, is scheduled in the church hall on August 19, anytime between 2 and 4, for any church neighbors, parishioners, or school attendees from the 1930's through the 1980's. Just show up! Tell your friends! The purpose is to gather artifacts, oral history, and photos from that time frame. Please call our 24-hour message line at 562 434-4279 for more information about the gathering or to make arrangements to share your story or photos with us at another time. You can also contact Father Reardon at [Michael.Reardon@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:Michael.Reardon@la-archdiocese.org)

We are hoping to have this project finished and presented to the community by the end of 2018.



## St. Joseph Senior Social Group

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

Our next meeting will be Monday, Aug. 27 at 11:30.

This will be a day of games and friendship. 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.

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.

### Bereavement Group

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

**Oppose SB 320** - California legislators are considering a bill to **require** public university health centers to offer abortion by medication. This bill is making its way through the committees and so far is being approved.

Take Action: Visit [archla.org/parent](http://archla.org/parent) to urge your Assembly Member to oppose SB 320.

### ESTHER MINISTRY

End Slavery and Trafficking of  
Humans and Effect Rescue -

Human trafficking is the fastest-growing crime in the world today.

It affects 20 to 30 million people all over the world including the United States and our own neighborhoods. It affects people of all genders, ethnic backgrounds, ages, and social backgrounds. Some victims live among us and may be in the food and clothing industry, nail salons, or helping to build electronic devices.

You can help fight this crime by being aware of the signs, donating to causes that help victims, or being a prayer warrior. There are many websites with information starting with [www.sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://www.sistersagainstrafficking.org). Join our email group at [estherministry1@gmail.com](mailto:estherministry1@gmail.com) to find out what our parish ministry is doing to join the fight and assist victims.



**Did You Know? Ongoing child sexual abuse prevention training** - Since 2002, the Archdiocese has trained 329,000 adults to *proactively* protect children from sexual abuse, and has empowered more than 1.4 million children to protect themselves from child sexual abuse. For more information, visit: [www.archla.org/protecting/](http://www.archla.org/protecting/).

### Movement for a Better World

"True charity requires courage: let us overcome the fear of getting our hands dirty so as to help those in need."

Pope Francis



**Feed-a-Baby Food Drive:** *Thank you* for your generous support of last weekend's Feed-a-Baby food drive! We contributed 12 thirteen gallon bags of baby food and other baby products and \$1,403 at the donation tables. With cash donations, we purchased additional baby food and baby products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

**Sept 12 7:00 PM - Committee Meeting** - (One of four per year) As we begin our 32nd year of channeling the generosity of St. Joseph Parish to the poor of the Long Beach area, please join us to plan our upcoming activities. Can you help? 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 support.

**Precious Life Shelter** is offering a fun-filled day of golf, fellowship and good food! Please join us for our annual Golf Tournament to support our women and their babies, at El Dorado Golf Course, on **September 12**. Go to [www.preciousliveshelter.org](http://www.preciousliveshelter.org) for details and registration.

**All parish/school volunteers, teachers, and staff**, who work in any capacity with or around children, are required to participate in the **VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children** Awareness Session for Adults. St. Joseph Parish will offer this program on the following dates:

**Monday, September 10**, (6:30-9:30pm) – Martin Hall

**Sunday, January 6, 2019** (2-5pm) – Martin Hall

In order to register, individuals must create an account through VIRTUS online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Click on the menu item Please select your Archdiocese/Diocese/Religious Organization and select Los Angeles—San Pedro Region (Archdiocese). Then choose which session to attend.

**VIRTUS® Re-Certification** is required every four years. This may be done by taking the 1½ hr. **VIRTUS® Keeping the Promise Alive** program. St. Joseph Parish will offer this program on the following dates:

**Monday, Sept. 17**, (7-8:30pm) – PLC/St. Joseph Room

**Monday, Jan. 7, 2019** (7-8:30pm) – PLC/St. Joseph Room

In order to register for a Protecting God's Children Workshop individuals must have an active account through VIRTUS online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

**Faith Direct** - Christ's disciples are called to go forth and spread the good news. Our parish's many ministries are examples of 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, or call 866-507-8757. Thank you for your support of our parish!

## Mass Intentions



**SATURDAY, August 18**  
 5:00 p.m. - † Donald and Nancy Leggat  
**SUNDAY, August 19**  
 7:30 a.m. - † Jean Libby  
 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners  
 10:30 a.m. - Pat Morrison - Thanksgiving  
 12:30 p.m. - † Mary Smith  
**MONDAY, August 20**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Bob Donlan  
**TUESDAY, August 21**  
 8:00 a.m. - Bernie Voigt  
**WEDNESDAY, August 22**  
 8:00 a.m. - † Danny Lim  
**THURSDAY, August 23**  
 8:00 a.m. - Edward Bryan  
**FRIDAY, August 24**  
 8:00 a.m. - Kevin Greening, Happy Birthday  
**SATURDAY, August 25**  
 5:00 p.m. - † Matthew Hall  
**SUNDAY, August 26**  
 7:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parishioners  
 9:00 a.m. - † Bob Donlan  
 10:30 a.m. - † Sheila and John Buterbaugh  
 12:30 p.m. - † Donald Ashcraft

**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 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, Odete Salvate, Mike & Colette DiHarce, Gabriel Mafi, Frank Stasi, 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, Bernie Voigt, Pat Wolfe, Bill Vaughn, David Mosier, Z. Chetkowski, Julianne Fries, Dolores King, Gerald Savelano, Nancy and Richard Gallegos, Jose Lopez Garcia, Mary Ann Swan, Charlotte McGowan, Tanner Gillen, Jim and Jean Hodge, Georgette Cerrutti, Gene Cooper, Patty Lopez, Pat Clark, Abbey DeRuyter & Jeff Bigham.

In order to keep our prayer list up to date, names will remain on the list for a limited time.  
 If you would like to resubmit a name, please contact Katie at: [bulletin@stjosephlb.org](mailto: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 493-2198  
 (sister & brother)

### ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

562-596-6115

PRINCIPAL Margaret Alvarez  
 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL Sonia Yurak  
 ADMISTRATIVE COUNCIL 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

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 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

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Please submit notices, with your name & phone, to the parish office or to [bulletin@stjosephlb.org](mailto:bulletin@stjosephlb.org)