

St. Joseph Parish

JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED,
PREACHING IN THE DESERT OF JUDEA
AND SAYING, "REPENT,
FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND!"
MATTHEW 3:1



SECOND SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
DECEMBER 8, 2019

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Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30 am & 12:30 pm

Holy Days

Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:00 am &
7:00 pm

Daily Mass (M-F)

8:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturdays

4:00-4:45pm

Eucharistic Adoration

No Adoration till
further notice due to church
being closed for
construction.

OLPH Devotion

Every Wednesday
after 8:00 am Mass

Bulletin Notices Deadline
Monday 1:00 p.m. Please submit
your request with your name &
phone # to the parish office to
Tricia at *bulletin@stjosephlb.org*.

Parish Life

Welcome



Dear Parish Family:

Blessings upon you as we celebrate the second Sunday of Advent. A few items:

Our annual Advent Penance Service will be on Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00 PM in the hall/gym. I will have six visiting priests, so all sinners are welcome to come and be reconciled with the Lord in your spiritual preparation for Christmas. **Let's have a great assembly of people to keep the priests busy.**

This past week we did major cleaning of the church floors and carpets. The installation of the new pews commences this Tuesday and will continue for 8 to 10 days.

We'll be back in the Church starting with the Saturday 5 o'clock Vigil Mass on December 21 and all Sunday Masses on Sunday, December 22 will be in the church. Thanks for your patience.

Thanks for supporting Movement for a Better **World's Christmas Present Drive this weekend. You'll bring a smile to a needy child and family.**

All ushers and those who would like to serve as ministers of hospitality are invited to a meeting next **Saturday, December 14 at 9:00 AM o'clock a.m. in the hall/gym.** I look forward to meeting with all of you and discussing the offertory procedures as we move back into the church.

Have a blessed week,
Msgr. Kevin

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Monday, December 9th
Is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation**

Weekly Readings

- Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday:** Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38
- Friday:** Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday:** Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Hospitality

**Please Join Us For Coffee & Donuts
12/8: School
12/15: Knights of Columbus**

Did you Know?

As part of our long-standing commitment to provide pastoral care and to support the healing process for victim-survivors, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, along with five other dioceses in California, is participating in the Independent Compensation Program for Victim-Survivors of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests (ICP). The ICP is administered independently of the Church by Kenneth Feinberg and Camille Biros, widely recognized as premier dispute resolution administrators in the country.

The program is accepting registrations from any person who has been sexually abused as a minor by diocesan priests of the participating dioceses, no matter when that abuse might have occurred. Funding for the program in our Archdiocese will come from self-insured reserves, monies set aside for this purpose. We pray that this new program might provide another avenue toward healing and hope. For more information on the ICP, please visit www.californiadiocesesicp.com.

Liturgy, Worship & Prayer

Mass Intentions

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>December 07</u>
5:00 p.m.	† John Deruyter
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>December 08</u>
7:30 a.m. -	† Gintaras Oslapes
9:00 a.m. -	Munda Reyes Families
10:30 a.m. -	Parishioners
12:30 p.m.	† Mary Carmen Arms
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>December 09</u>
8:00 a.m. -	† Botelho & Salvate Family
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>December 10</u>
8:00 a.m.	† Robert & Julianne Vehlin
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>December 11</u>
8:00 a.m.	† Mary Lou Clark
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>December 12</u>
9:00 a.m.	Vinh Tran & Brothers & Sylvia Dang
<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>December 13</u>
8:00 a.m.	† Matthew Morgan
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>December 14</u>
5:00 p.m.	† Hope Lubrano & Parents
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>December 15</u>
7:30 a.m. -	Parishioners
9:00 a.m. -	† Dr. Pat Mitchell
10:30 a.m. -	† Bob Maney
12:30 p.m.	† Kevin Jondle
	†-Prayers for the Deceased

Usher/Ministry Meeting

All current ushers and anyone new who would like to serve are invited to a meeting on Saturday, December 14 at 9:00 AM in the hall/gym. Whether you would like to pass the offertory basket or greet and welcome people as they arrive for Eucharist – your presence is needed to help.

We will also review a new collection procedure. Thanks for serving St. Joseph.



Lord Hear Our Prayers

Pray For The Sick . . . Fernando Montoya ~ Ana Reveles ~ Tim Ginnett ~ Eileen Bentley ~ Nina Escandon ~ Margarita Santos de Jesus ~ Odete Salvate ~Bernie Voigt ~ Patricia Hanson ~ Thomas Barrett ~ Gary Hillebrecht ~ Pat Murach ~ Gilbert Martinez ~ Antoinette Hansen ~ Michael Hansen ~ Linda Mangio~ Mickey Jorda ~ Aurora Moreno ~ Don DeRuyter ~ Anita Beudo ~ Steve Aguilar ~ Mike & Collette Diharce~ JoAnne Miya ~ Mela Larwood ~ Robert Doty ~ Beth Dobberpuhl ~ Allison Longo ~ Delfina Schmit ~Mark Alchorn~ Anthony Vasquez~ Nancy Bush~ Al Pule~ Maria Cevallos ~ Fr. Michael Meyer ~ Chester Gottfried ~ Donovan Nelson ~ Kathleen Pillon ~ Erin Dau ~ Laslie Kaye ~ Miriam Kang ~ Danny Petrov ~ Holvia Espinoza and Wendy Claire Smith.

Please contact Tricia at bulletin@stjosephlb.org or call the PLC office to add or delete names from the above list.

Faith Formation

Thanksgiving Donation for Movement for a Better World



I would like to once again thank our Faith Formation Families for their generosity during the Thanksgiving collection with a special thanks to the Tetangco Family who will be personally delivery these Thanksgiving items.

This Sunday we will have signups at your child's classroom for what to bring for our Christmas Movement for a Better World collection. To make it easier, we ask you to bring the same item you donated for Thanksgiving. If you would like to sign up for something different or if you didn't get a chance to last time, we will

have the original list at your child class on December 8. That item will need to be brought to class on **Sunday, December 15, 2019**. Please email us if you have any questions.



Children Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Children Liturgy of the Word is available to all children from age 3 – 9 years old.

12/08/19 - 9am Mass—Team 2

12/15/19 - 9am Mass—Teams 1 (ages 3-5) & 3 (Grades 1-3)

12/22/19 - NO CLOW

12/29/19 - NO CLOW



2019-20 Faith Formation Registration



FAITH FORMATION

What do you need to do to Register your child for Faith Formation?

2019-20 Faith Formation classes have started, but it is not too late to register for non Sacramento Prep classes. Registration forms for Early Childhood (Ages 3-5), Elementary (Grades 3-5 only) and Junior High (Grades 6-8) can be picked up at the parish office or downloaded from the parish website (see Faith Formation tab). **Register today!**

2020 LOS ANGELES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS

February 20, 2020 (Youth Day) & February 21-23, 2020 (Adult Days)
www.recongress.org

2nd Sunday of Advent

Source of Everlasting Hope

Father, you are the source of everlasting hope.
In this holy season,
help us to heed the cry of John the Baptist
to prepare a way for the Lord.
As we await him,
may peace and harmony abide in your holy Church
and in your holy creation.
Direct our lives in good works.
With strengthened hearts
and lamps bright with expectation,
may we be a sign of your love
and be made ready for the Lord who is to come,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Events & School News

Retirement Fund for Religious



"Live with good humor and just do the Lord's work," says Franciscan Sister de Lourdes Okoniewski (left), 87. She and Sister Florence Kruczek, 91, have been doing the Lord's work for some 70 years each. "My batteries are still running," says Sister Florence. "I get up each morning and say, 'O Lord, thank you for the gift of another day.'"

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

For Sisters de Lourdes and Florence—and 30,000 other senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who benefit from the Retirement Fund for Religious—service is a way of life. Most ministered in Catholic schools, hospitals, parishes, and social services, usually for little or no pay.

Today, hundreds of religious communities lack enough savings for retirement and eldercare. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious offers vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care. Please be generous.

Roughly 94 percent of donations directly aid senior religious.

Please give at your local parish.

To donate by mail:
National Religious Retirement Office
3211 4th Street NE
Washington DC 20017-1194
Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.

retiredreligious.org

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Community/Ministries

Movement for a Better World

"This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."
Jn 13:35.

This Weekend- Christmas Present Drive: Trees are available with envelopes to purchase a gift for a child of one of our supported families. **PLEASE, presents must be returned to the parish office or church by 12:30 pm, Dec. 15!**

Dec. 16, 9:00 AM- Coffee in the Park: Provide breakfast and encouragement to the patrons of the Long Beach Multi-Services Center. *We would welcome 3 or 4 additional regulars to support this important and meaningful outreach!*

Dec. 21 8:30 AM- Christmas Food and Present Distribution: As a parish community, we will support 72 families for Christmas.

Can you help us deliver?

Please contact Marie Newton (562) 209-1298
or tnewton111307@yahoo.com.
Very meaningful for the whole family!

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please be especially mindful during the holiday season when our needs are greatest.

For many fulfilling ways to serve
please call Tim Clark (562) 431-4385.

Faith Direct~ Thank you, for being a part of our St. Joseph family! Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA717

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.
God Bless You! Msgr. Kevin

St. Joseph Seniors Club

ST. JOSEPH SENIOR SOCIAL GROUP
INVITES YOU!

\$10 a year membership. You can now pay your dues for 2020.

Our last meeting of 2019
will be on Monday, December 9.

This will be our annual Holiday Dinner which will be catered by Deli News. Reservations are required. We will be entertained by the Alpha K and Kindergarten classes, and there will be a drawing for some nice gifts.

If you haven't already done so, you may bring your donation of baby clothes for Precious Life. They will be delivered to Precious Life after the meeting.

Hope to see you there.
All regular meetings: 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.
Come early because the games begin at 11:30.
Bring your Brown Bag Lunch.
Drinks & Desert provided.
Free bakery items
Join us for fun and games and fellowship.

For information call:
Marilyn North (562)429-8891

Meditation

Be Still
AND KNOW THAT
I AM GOD...

Christian Meditation

Every Tuesday – 7:00PM
School Math Lab