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SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."

- Jn 11:25

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

Mass on the Grass

Outdoors

8:30 a.m.

Indoor Mass

10:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Daily Mass (M-W)

8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays

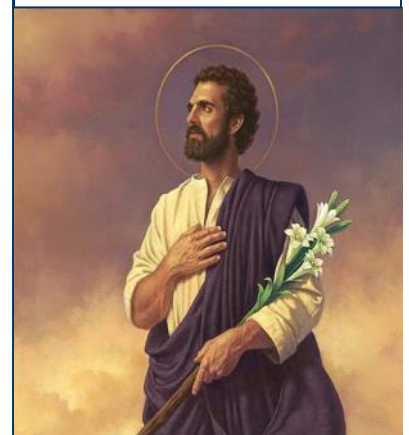
3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I will put my spirit in you that you may live,
and I will settle you upon your land;
thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

Psalms:

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of
redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading:

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead
dwells in you,
the one who raised Christ from the dead
will give life to your mortal bodies also,
through his Spirit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

Gospel:

"I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will
never die." (Jn 11:25-26)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

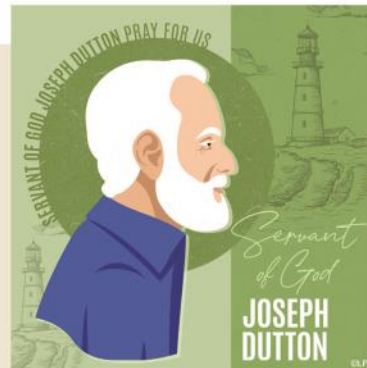
Though weighed down by grief, Martha
rushes out to meet Jesus. She may not
understand why he was absent upon the
death of her brother, but her faithfulness is
undeterred. In the hour of her heartbreak,
she knows her only solace is in the embrace
of the Lord.

Observances for the week of March 26, 2023

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Saturday: April Fools' Day

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord,
Holy Week begins



Saint of the week

Servant of God Joseph Dutton served as a lay missionary alongside Saint Damian and Saint Marianne of Molokai. Upon his 40th birthday he converted to Catholicism, dedicated his life to service, and spent the rest of his days joyfully ministering inside a Hawaiian leper colony.

Prayer

Prayer for Servant of God Joseph Dutton's intercession

God our Father, by the grace of conversion you raised your servant, Joseph Dutton, from the darkness of war, and despair. Wounded by the shock of battle and chained by addiction, he searched for You and found Your abundant mercy. In Joseph Dutton we see Your providence in his conversion from darkness to the light of the Gospel. May his total submission to Your purifying will encourage us on our own way of conversion. Hear our prayer now as we thank You for the gift of his life and the wonder of his witness. If it be for Your glory and the growth of Your Church in holiness, may he be counted among Your saints for all eternity.

Joseph Dutton, please intercede for us and present our requests to God through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.



Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Welcome to the 5th and final full week of Lent. This Sunday, we meet Jesus who raises Lazarus from the dead. It's the only Gospel recording that "Jesus wept"! He lost his good friend and mourned. Please pray for all of those who have lost a loved one and for all those who are participating in our multiple bereavement sessions. Thanks to May Pace and Deacon Tom and Pat Halliwell for leading them through the bereavement process. During the proclamation of the Gospel, our chant refrain is "Roll away the stone and see the Glory of God." May the Lord roll away any sin, burden or hindrance that is preventing you from drawing closer to Jesus Christ.

Join us this Monday night, March 27 at 7:00 PM for our Annual Communal Penance Service. There will be seven priests here to show you the mercy of the Lord!!

Next Sunday we commence Holy Week with Palm Sunday. All indoor Masses will start outside with the Blessing and Distribution of Palms. Then, commemorating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, we'll process into the Church.

Next Saturday we'll bring Easter smiles to over 100 families as we deliver food and books to their homes. If you can help drive, please scroll down this bulletin and sign up! Thanks to all of you who brought books to Mass this weekend!

Our Holy Week and Easter Sunday Schedule is printed below. Join your St. Joseph's family as we commemorate the most important events in the life of our Lord Jesus Christ!!

A Blessed Week of Lent,
Msgr. Kevin



St. Joseph Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday April 1st & 2nd

5:00 pm Saturday	Mass Indoors
8:30 am Sunday	Mass on the Grass (Please Bring Your Own Lawn Chairs)
10:30 am Sunday	Mass Indoors
12:30 pm Sunday	Mass Indoors

Holy Thursday April 6th

8:00 am	Morning Prayer – Indoors
7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper – Indoors

Good Friday April 7th

8:00 am	Morning Prayer – Indoors
1:30 pm	Passion Liturgy – Indoors

Holy Saturday April 8th

9:00 am	Morning Prayer - Indoors
8:00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass – Indoors

Easter Sunday April 9th

7:00 am	Easter Mass Indoors
8:30 am	Easter Mass on the Grass (Please Bring Your Own Lawn Chairs)
10:30 am	Easter Mass Indoors
12:30 am	Easter Mass Indoors



How to Make a Gift to the Annual Fund for St. Joseph LB

If you'd like to make a gift online, or want to learn more ways to make a gift, you can go to <https://sjknights.net/ways-to-give>

If you'd like to send a check, please make checks payable to St. Joseph Catholic School. Be sure to indicate that your contribution is towards The Annual Fund for St. Joseph School LB.

Checks can be sent by mail to:

St. Joseph Catholic School

Attn: Advancement Department

6200 E Willow Street

Long Beach, CA 90815

If you have questions regarding donations, please call Meghan MacRae at (562) 596-6115.

Thank you and God bless!



Annual Fund Update

Thank you for your participation in our Day of Giving this week! As of Wednesday, March 22nd, we have raised \$58,408.05 in donations for The Annual Fund for St. Joseph School LB.

Thanks to you we are so much closer to reaching our goal of \$75,000!



Thank you for all the prayers, love and support you give to St. Joseph Catholic School.

St. Joseph PARISH FAIR

April 28th - 30th, 2023

WHERE FRIENDS AND FAMILY COME TO PLAY

SAVE THE DATE!
St. Joseph Parish Fair
April 28-30, 2023
More details at: stjosephlb.org/fair

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ALL DAY LONG

Fundraiser

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Date: Wednesday, March 29th, 2023
Time: 11:00am-8:00pm
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RCIA



Charlie



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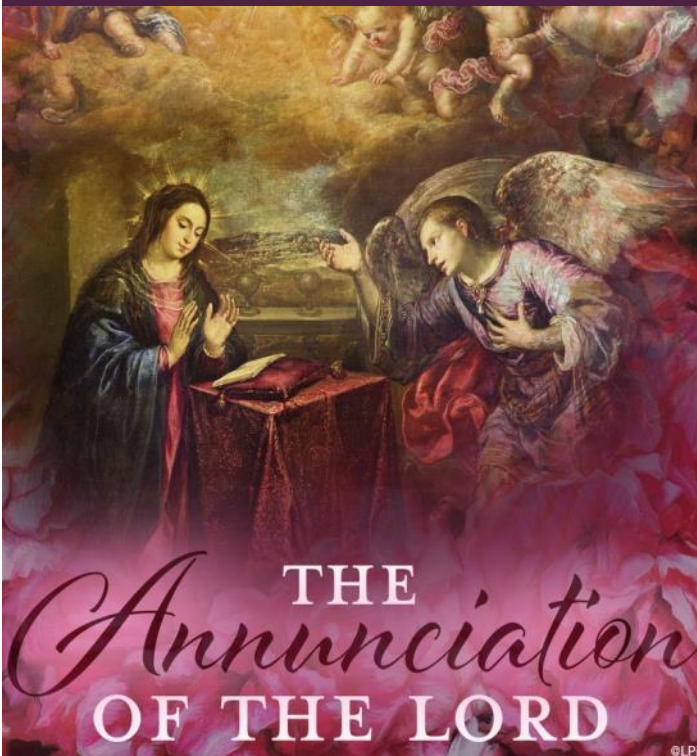


Michelle

Pray for Our Candidates and Elects!

RCIA Prayer

Lord, we pray for those in the RCIA process who journey to you. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts on



March 26, 2023

Book Club



Our next Zoom meeting is Wednesday, April 12 at 7pm.

We will discuss:
See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love
by Valarie Kaur.

Valarie Kaur—renowned Sikh activist, filmmaker, and civil rights lawyer—describes revolutionary love as the call of our time: a radical, joyful practice that can transform a relationship, a community, a culture, even a nation.

All are welcome!

For more info, email agoodlife@msn.com

Seniors Group



The next St. Joseph Senior Group meeting will be on Monday, March 27.

This will be our Lenten Retreat with Msgr. Kevin Kostelnik.

Reservations had to be made by March 15th.

The retreat will begin promptly at 10:30 am with coffee, followed by Msgr. Kevin's talk.

Box lunches have been ordered for those registered for the retreat.

Please be on time and be ready for

an inspiring morning.

Hope to see you there!



Safeguard The Children

Abuse prevention includes sports

All coaches who serve in archdiocesan Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are required to undergo a multi-hour VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children for Adults Training.” They are also required to participate in the Play Like a Champion Today program, a national program that works with sports organizations at the youth and high school level to educate ethically responsible coaches. For more information about coaching requirements in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, visit playlikeachampion.org and handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-4/topic-9-4-3.



Movement for a Better World

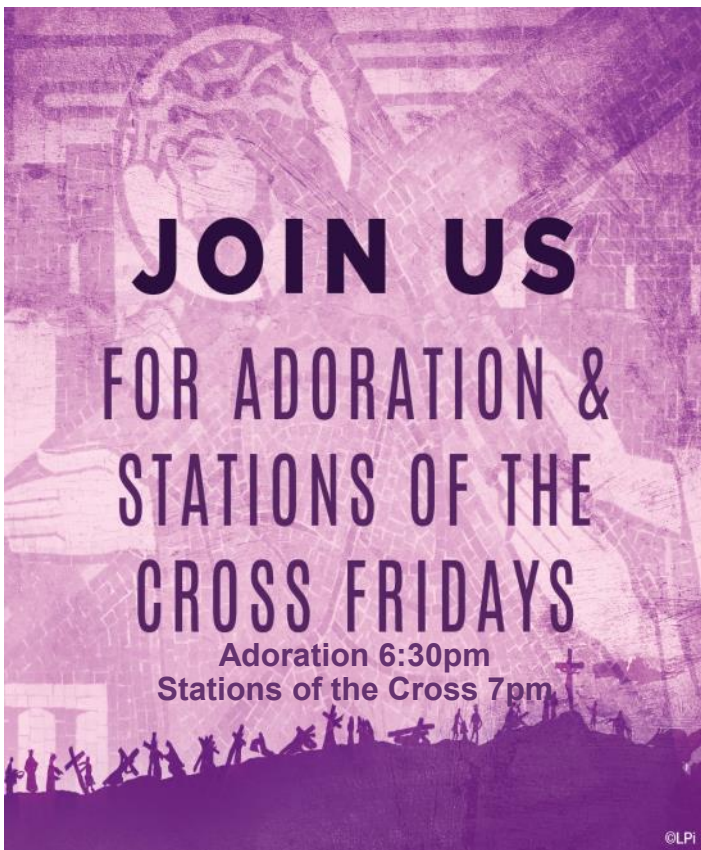
“The things we pray for Lord, give us the grace to labor for.” St. Thomas More

This Weekend – Book Drive: Collecting new and gently used reading books for the children of our supported families for Easter.

April 1 - Easter Food and Book Distribution: As a parish community, we will support 68 families for Easter. Easter is our most challenging holiday to enlist delivery support!! To help, please contact Tom and Marie Newton (562) 209-1298 or tjn8343@gmail.com.

Important Role to Fill!

Parishioner driver coordinator for our holiday food and gift deliveries. For these and many other fulfilling ways to serve, please call Tim Clark at (562) 431-4385.



JOIN US FOR ADORATION & STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS

Adoration 6:30pm
Stations of the Cross 7pm



Easter Vigil

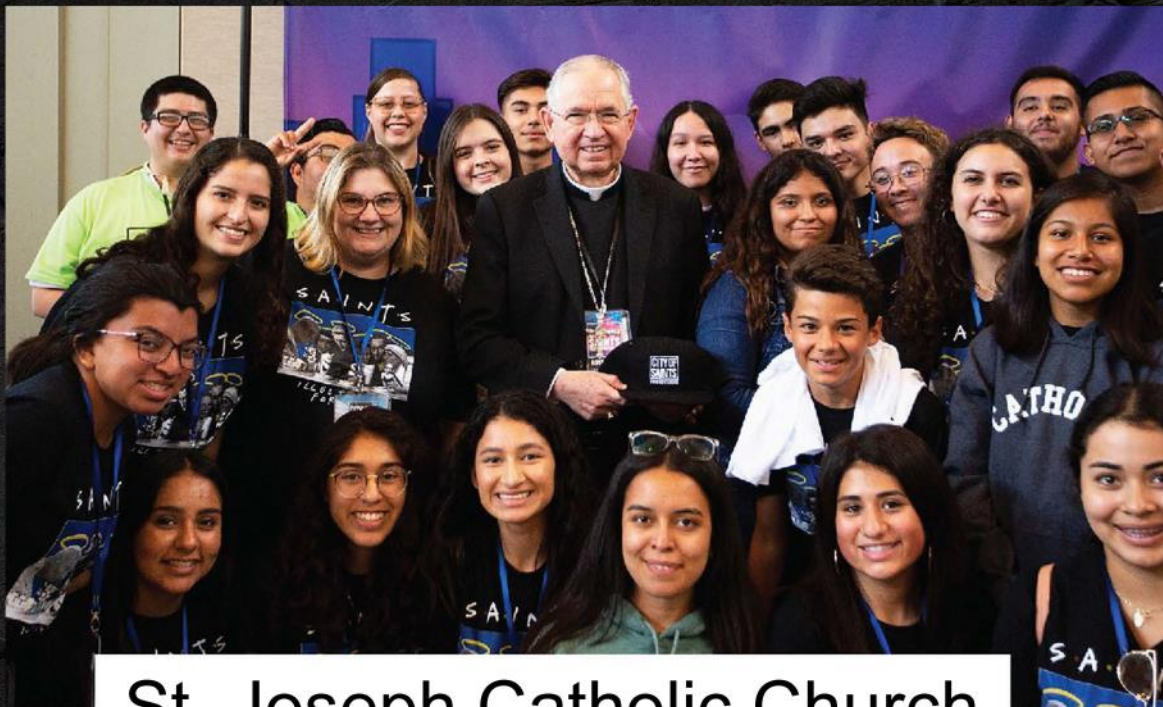
Join us for our celebration of
Easter at our Easter Vigil Mass
the Saturday Night before Easter
Sunday at 8:00 pm

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CONTACT PERSON:

Liz Moreno- Youth Minister

CONTACT INFO:

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WISDOM

GOD'S VISION FOR LIFE

“Wisdom is seeing with God’s eyes.” – Pope Francis

Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. To help you learn to gather and live with greater wisdom, St. Joseph Long Beach will begin Wisdom: God’s Vision for Life on Thursday, April 20th at 7:00pm in the PLC and on Zoom. For more information or to register, please contact Mike at 562-370-0769 or mike@stjosephlb.org. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as we grow closer to Christ together.



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SPONSOR RECOGNITION

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Deadline for sponsorship is April 16, 2023. Sponsorship pick up at WILL CALL during the Fair.

Please print my sign to read as: _____

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