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**SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024**

# 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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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:

"The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me,  
Go, prophesy to my people Israel." (Am 7:15)

### Psalm:

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Ps 85)

### Second Reading:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has blessed us in Christ  
with every spiritual blessing in the heavens,  
as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world.  
(Eph 1:3-4)

### Gospel:

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two  
by two. (Mk 6:7)

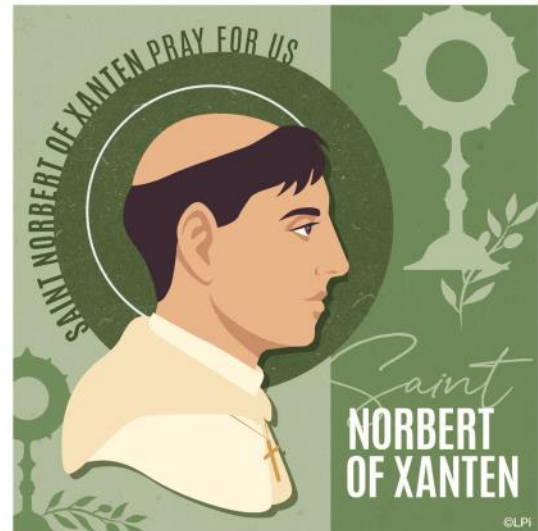
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus sends his disciples into the world with no money or provisions — just as he sends us. But make no mistake — he has given us everything we need: the strength that comes from faith in Christ, and the will to do what God has asked. Let's get to work.

## Observances for the week of July 14, 2024

- Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Tuesday:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
**Thursday:** St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest  
**Saturday:** St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr; BVM  
**Next Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the week

St. Norbert of Xanten (c. 1075-1134) after a violent conversion experience, was ordained and became an itinerant preacher who founded the Norbertine order. He preached against heresies denying the Blessed Sacrament, which earned him the title "Apostle of the Blessed Sacrament."

## Prayer for Truth

Dear Jesus,  
As I set out in your name, be with me on every step.  
I don't know where you will lead, but I trust that you will be with me and that, for me, that will be enough.  
Amen.

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# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of July 14, 2024

### Sunday:

Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/  
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

### Monday:

Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/  
Mt 10:34—11:1

### Tuesday:

Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/  
Mt 11:20-24

### Wednesday:

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10,  
14-15/Mt 11:25-27

### Thursday:

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15,  
16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

### Friday:

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd,  
16/Mt 12:1-8

### Saturday:

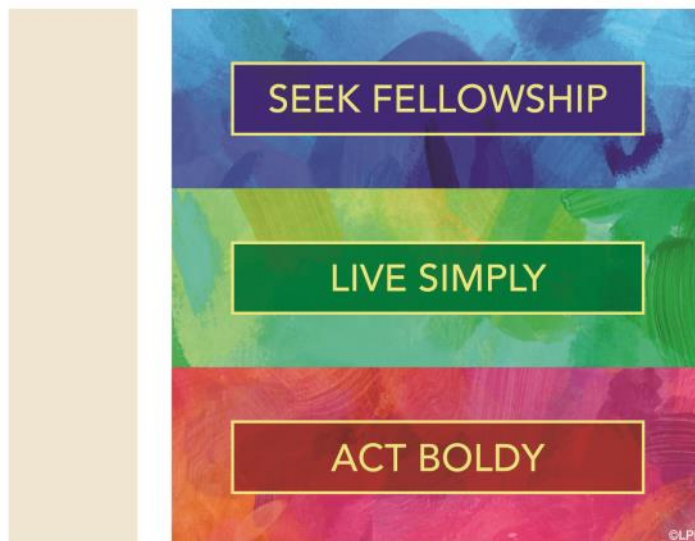
Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

### Next Sunday:

Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/  
Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Once I asked a fallen-away Catholic friend of mine what he remembered about the parish priest from his youth. He said, “He was a gentle, nice guy. Kind of vanilla. Kept to himself.” It struck me that he, perhaps like many, perceive Catholic priests as the following: lonely, harmless, and self-sufficient. As a challenge both to this perception (accurate or not) and to us priests who perhaps feel a pull in that uninspiring direction, stands the mighty image of what we see in the Gospel this Sunday.

Jesus sent out his apostles, “**two-by-two, with power over demons, and without money belts.**” **Two-by-two:** they enjoyed deep fellowship and brotherhood. **Power over demons:** they were anything but harmless. These men wielded enormous power against evil. **Without money belts:** they were not self-sufficient. They needed others to help them. Not lonely, but in community. Not harmless but armed with massive spiritual energy. Not self-sufficient, but poor and in need of help.

This is a challenge to me, and perhaps to all of us, living in a rich, secularized, and individualized culture. Do I embrace my priestly ministry in deep fellowship with other priests? Do I speak and act boldly to drive out evil where it is found? Do I live poorly and simply, trusting in the help of those around me even for basic needs? The fruitfulness of priestly ministry largely depends on these three traits. Let’s pray for all priests — and, by extension, all of us Christians — to live more like Jesus’ communal, poor, and powerful apostles.

— Father John Muir

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## Mission Appeal Sunday



Support our cause

### ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL MISSION COOPERATIVE SUNDAY IS JULY 27-28

One Sunday a year we are reminded about our Mission to spread the Gospel around the world. As part of the Mission Cooperative Plan of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, John and Kathy Tucker, the founders of **New Hope for Cambodian Children** will give a short mission support talk during all the weekend Masses. John and Kathy have been Catholic lay missionaries for 27 years. They are caring for orphans and abandoned children living with HIV/AIDS in Cambodia. A collection will be taken after their talk to support their mission in Cambodia. You can make the check-out to "St. Joseph Church" and the funds will be transferred to the mission. Thank you for your care and support of the missions and John and Kathy Tucker.

# CALLED TO BE A ... FAITH FORMATION TEACHER?

### HAS GOD GIVEN YOU TALENTS?

ANSWER THE CALL! ARE YOU FEELING A TUG ON YOUR HEART TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR YOUTH? JOIN OUR YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM AND BE PART OF SOMETHING TRULY SPECIAL. WE'RE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR FULLY INITIATED CATHOLICS READY TO EMBRACE THIS REWARDING JOURNEY. NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE NECESSARY - JUST A WILLINGNESS TO LEARN AND A PASSION FOR GUIDING OUR YOUTH TOWARDS FAITH AND GROWTH.



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## St. Joseph Youth Group Schedule

<b>JUNE 19</b>	<b>NO MEETUP</b>	<b>NO MEETUP</b>
<b>JUNE 29</b>	<b>1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY</b> <b>DISNEYLAND TRIP</b>	<b>ALL DAY EVENT</b>
<b>JULY 3</b>	<b>MEETUP</b> <b>4TH OF JULY THEME</b>	<b>7:00PM - 9:00PM</b>
<b>JULY 17</b>	<b>Holy Rollers Bowling Night</b>	<b>7:00pm - 8:30pm</b> PLC Bowlero
<b>August 17</b>	<b>Seal Beach Clean Up</b>	<b>9am - 10am -</b> Clean up Beach fun to follow
<b>August 24</b>	<b>Worship Concert</b>	<b>Arrival 5:00pm</b> Bonfire afterwards Ends at 10:00pm

## ST. JOE'S YOUTH POST

Dear Parishioners,

We're excited to share a special moment from our youth group's first year anniversary trip to Disneyland! It was a day of joy, bonding, and wonderful memories.



Thank you for your support and prayers. We hope this photo makes you feel a part of our journey.

Blessings,  
St. Joe's Teen Leaders  
-Liz Moreno - Youth Minister

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Do you sense that something's missing in your life? Do you feel that if you weren't so busy you would be happier, healthier, more effective, more fulfilled, and maybe even a better person?

Come to the Welcome Christ Renews His Parish retreat weekend! It's an incredible experience that will help you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it. Whether you want to connect with other people in the parish, improve your prayer life, or just take a break from the craziness of your everyday to have fun, you will find what you are looking for – and more.

The Women's weekend is full and registration is closed, however registration is open for the Men's weekend which is **October 19-20, 2024**.

To learn more and to sign up, visit <https://stjosephlb.org/welcome-christ-renews/> or scan the QR code.



## Did You Know?



### Summer safety tips: Ways to prevent unintentional drowning deaths

Drowning is the second leading cause of unintentional injury death for children 5-14 years old, and every year in the United States there are more than 4,000 unintentional drowning deaths, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Preventing unsupervised access to water, providing constant, active adult supervision and knowing how to swim are critical layers of protection to help prevent drowning. For more information, visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) and [redcross.org](http://redcross.org).

## St. Joseph Grief Support

### Grief support



If you think you can't survive grieving, and your dreams feel shattered, consider joining our support group on **Tuesdays at 9:30 - 11:30** each week beginning **July 30th** for 13 weeks.

Contact May Pace, Bereavement Ministry @ [maypace@gmail.com](mailto:maypace@gmail.com) or 562/833 6370

## Women's Silent Retreat



Ladies of the parish! Our annual silent retreat weekend is upon us! Join your sisters in Christ for a refreshing and peaceful weekend at Sacred Heart Retreat House with the Carmelite sisters. The dates are September 13-15, 2024 and spaces fill up quickly. Signing up is easy. Go to [www.sacredheartretreathouse.com](http://www.sacredheartretreathouse.com) to register. Please call Marie Newton at 562-209-1298 or Madeline Majick at 562-596-6219 if you have questions or need assistance.

## Seniors Group



Our next get together will be at the El Dorado Restaurant on Monday, August 12th at 9:30. Join us for a nice time catching up with old friends and meeting new friends. When you arrive, tell the server that you are with St. Joseph and he/she will direct you to the area we are gathering in. Everyone will order and pay for his/her own breakfast. We look forward to seeing you there. And for future reference, we will be meeting there the 2nd Monday of every month, at the same time, until the hall is finished.



## 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

**Homeless Kit Drive:** Many thanks to all who supported our homeless hygiene kit drive June 22-23! We contributed supplies for over **175 kits** and **\$596** from which another **45 kits** will be made. These will support Catholic Charities of Long Beach and our St. Joseph Homeless Ministry's encampment visits June 30, Sept. 29, and Dec. 29. **PLEASE JOIN US!**

**Aug. 3-4 Food from the Heart Drive:** Collecting family food for those served by Catholic Charities of Long Beach.

**Opportunities!** Can you deliver food to Catholic Charities once per month for people experiencing homelessness? Coordinate our Christmas Present Drive? For many fulfilling ways to serve, big and small, call Tim Clark, 562-431-4385

## Book Club



Our next Book Club meeting is **Wednesday, August 21st at 7pm** on Zoom

**The Exvangelicals** by Sarah McCammon

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## Eucharistic Revival Prayer

By Most Rev. José H. Gomez  
Archbishop of Los Angeles  
June 1, 2022

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age.

Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread.

Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and the suffering.

Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



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