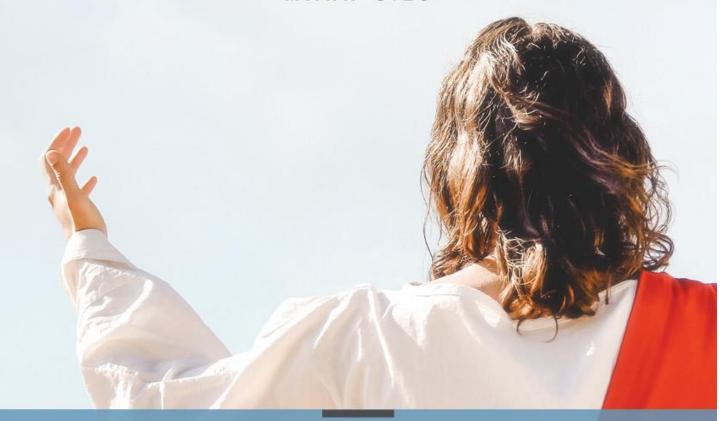
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Mass Schedule

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.

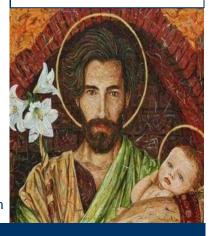
Daily Mass (M-W) 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:45-4:30 p.m. Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays 8:00-9:00 a.m.





Dear Parish Family:

Jesus Christ is always extending an invitation for us to grow in our relationship with him. As we encounter His presence this Sunday, he asks his disciples and us, "Who do you say that I am?" May our answers reflect the simple and real ways that Jesus Christ is always present to us! Welcome to the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time!

Next Sunday, September 22, we'll begin the Dismissal Rite of Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 8:30 AM Holy Mass on the grass. We will invite children ages five through eight (kindergarten through third grade) to be dismissed to one of the school classrooms before the scripture readings at Mass and return to the Mass in time for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Mr. Marc Leon, our Director of Faith Formation has 21 trained adults to teach the children the Gospel lesson in their age-appropriate setting. The Volunteers have gone through Virtus training and have been fingerprinted in accord with Archdiocesan protocols of safeguarding and protecting our children.

We are blessed to have 16 individuals who are inquiring about our beautiful Catholic faith and are now participating in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). If you are not baptized, or share in another Christian faith, and have questions about our church, you are welcome to come and inquire. Please contact Sr. Eva in our Parish Life Office.

This weekend is Catechetical Sunday, and we give thanks to God for our teachers in the school and our catechists who teach our youth in our religious education programs. Pray for them, and may the Lord bless them for their service to our young people at Saint Joseph's.

Next Sunday is our Movement for a Better World annual report. Thank you to Tim Clark, and the leadership who coordinate all the activities for MBW. Thanks to all of you who support our various missions to families and the vulnerable in need. Next Sunday is Feed a Baby Sunday – please scroll down and see the items that are needed. If you can assist us – thank you!

As flames and smoke billow into the air of Southern California, let's pray for all those whose homes are in the path of the fires, and pray for the weary firefighters, and first responders who are protecting lives and property.

Blessings this last week of summer, Msgr. Kevin

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

So also faith of itself,

if it does not have works, is dead. (Jas 2:17)

Gospel:

"But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." (Mk 8:29)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Take up your cross and follow me," Jesus tells us. We are called to have a faith that is defined by the willingness to go where Christ has gone, and to do what Christ has done, to see Christ in others and to love them as he loves us.

Observances for the week of September 15, 2024

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Catechetical Sunday

Monday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,

Bishop, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of

the Church; Saint Hildegard of Bingen,

Virgin and Doctor of the Church

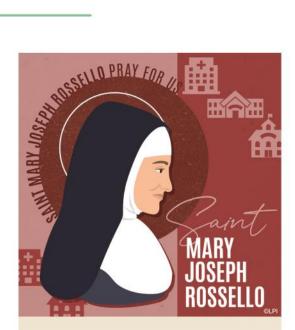
Thursday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Friday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul

Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Saturday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

St. Mary Jospeh Rossello (1811-1880) was born to a poor family in Liguria, Italy. She was prevented from entering established religious orders because she lacked a dowry. However, the bishop of Savona helped her open a school and establish her own order, which never required a fee to enter.

Prayer for Catechism Students

Dear God.

You never stop drawing us

closer to You.

Pour Your grace upon these young disciples as they learn

about You.

Attract them. Challenge them.

Love them. Guide them.

Bless them.

Amen.

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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of September 15, 2024

Sunday:

Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/ Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday:

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/ Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday:

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/ Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday:

1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday:

1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/ Lk 7:36-50

Friday:

1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday:

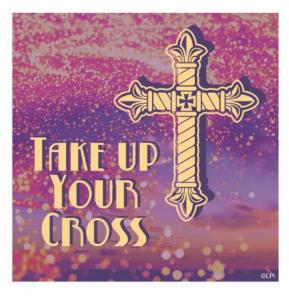
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Next Sunday:

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/ Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

This morning I received a text message that a member of my extended family will likely die of cancer within the next few hours. His name is Luke. He is a 45-year-old husband and father of six. Though I am not as close to him as my sister (she is his sister-in-law and knows him well), I wonder: how can we, including Luke himself, manage such a terribly awful and unfair situation?

The words of this Sunday's Gospel offer a powerful and challenging path. Jesus says, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34). Today I see with new freshness the starkness and strangeness of the words take up. The cross stands for suffering which is unjust, absurd, seemingly hopeless, and humiliating. Jesus doesn't say "accept" or "endure" or "tolerate," but "take up." Embrace it, actively. Choose it and lift it up for others to see what terrifies and sickens us. But somehow, for Jesus, this is the path to "saving one's life." A new world is breaking in, one in which love is everything, when no relationship can be wounded or die. I trust that in the embraced suffering of Luke and his loved ones, Jesus is taking up his cross and saving us all.

By the time you read this, barring a miracle, Luke will have died. He will be carrying his cross no longer. But we all still face suffering. This week let's not just endure, but take up our crosses, big and small. That's our only hope for saving our lives.

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- Father John Muir

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St. Joseph Youth Group Schedule

Sept. 4	Youth Night	7:00pm - 8:30pm
Sat. Sept. 7	Beach Day Beach TBD Pot Luck	1:00pm - 8:00pm
Sept.	Youth Night	7:00pm - 8:30pm
Sept. 21	Worship Festival @Our Lady of Rosary	6:00pm - 10pm Bring Lawn Chair
Oct. 2	Youth Night PLC	7:00pm - 8:30pm
Oct. 16	Youth Night PLC	7:00pm - 8:30pm

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The Women's weekend is full and registration is closed, however registration is still open for the Men's weekend which is

Saturday, October 19th & Sunday, October-20th, 2024.

To learn more and to sign up, visit our parish website.

https://stjosephlb.org/welcome-christrenews/



Consider rules around school devices

If your child is using a tablet, iPad, or phone for school this year, you need to be aware of what they can access online. While many school devices may have safety controls in place, children are pretty creative, and may be able to maneuver around these safeguards. Consider making a "tech space" in your home, where all devices live when they are not in use — and make it centrally located, so you know whenever someone takes a device. Consider also having your children use their devices in the main area of the house, with supervision. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "5 Keys to Monitoring Kids Online Activity" on lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.





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OR

Wednesday 7–8:30 p.m. each week beginning July 31st. Register at www.griefshare.org/groups/241498. Contact Liz Ferletic-Frith at elizfrith@gmail.com or 714/488-4524



Restaurant on Monday, October 14th 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.

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Sept 17 6:30 PM - Committee Meeting: As we begin our 38th year of channeling the generosity of our St. Joseph parish community to the poor and marginalized of Long Beach, please help guide our upcoming activities.

Sept 21-22, Feed-a-Baby Food Drive: We will collect non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities, Elizabeth Ann Seton Residence, and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach.

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