

St. Joseph Parish



28th SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:27

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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

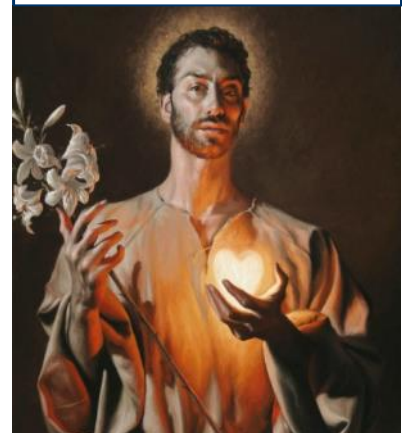
3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.





Letter From Our Pastor

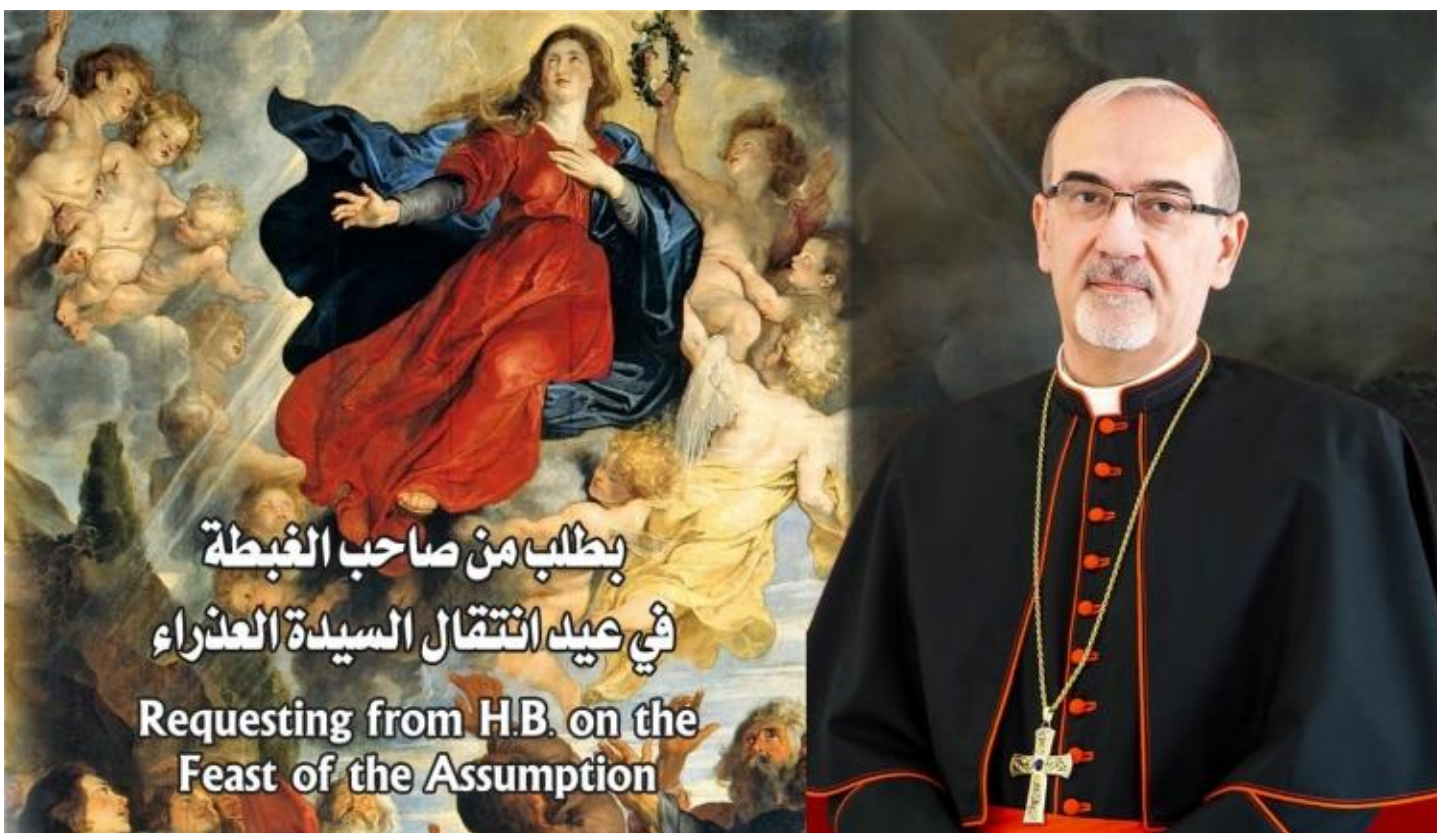
Dear Parish Family:

This weekend I am joining almost 600 Knights and Dames of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem in praying for the peace of Jerusalem. This past Tuesday on October 7, was the first anniversary of the war. We pray for the Jewish people, the Palestinian people, the Christian people and all those who have lost their lives in the horrors of war.

Please see this message from His Eminence Cardinal Pizzaballa, the Latin Patriarch, asking everyone to pray to the Blessed Mother. In the Holy Land, our Blessed Mother is known as “Our Lady, Queen of Palestine.”

Let us all unite in prayer using the attached prayer from His Eminence and ask our Blessed Mother, the Queen of Palestine, to intercede and bring a resolution to this conflict and a long-term Peace to the Holy Land.

Thank you and Blessings,
Msgr. Kevin



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في عيد انتقال السيدة العذراء

Requesting from H.B. on the
Feast of the Assumption

Dear brothers and sisters,

May the Lord grant you peace!

Many months have now passed since the beginning of this terrible war. The suffering caused by this conflict and the dismay at what is happening are not only unabated, but seem to be fueled again and again by hatred, resentment and contempt, which only intensify the violence and push away the possibility of finding solutions.

Indeed, it is becoming increasingly difficult to envision a conclusion to this conflict, whose impact on the lives of our people is greater and more painful than ever before. It is becoming increasingly difficult to find people and institutions with whom a dialog about the future and peaceful relations is possible. We all seem to be crushed by this present, which is characterized by so much violence and, admittedly, anger.

On this day, before or after the celebration of the Eucharist or at another suitable time, I invite everyone to a moment of intercession for peace to the Blessed Virgin Mary. I hope that the parishes, the contemplative and apostolic religious communities and even the few pilgrims who are among us will unite in the common desire for peace that we entrust to the Blessed Virgin.

After having spent so many words and after having done what we can to help and be close to everyone, especially those who are most affected, all that remains is for us to pray. In view of the many words of hatred that are all too often spoken, we would like to offer our prayer, which consists of words of reconciliation and peace.

Below you will find a prayer to Our Lady of the Assumption that you can say.

Let us pray that in this long night that we are living through, the intercession of the most holy Mary will open a glimpse of light for

all of us and for the whole world.

Wishing you all the best in Christ,
+Pierbattista Card. Pizzaballa
Patriarch of Jerusalem of the Latins
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Supplication for peace to Our Lady assumed into Heaven

O most glorious Mother of God,
raised above the choirs of angels,
pray for us with Saint Michael the Archangel and
with
all the angelic powers of heaven and with all the
saints,
to your most holy
and beloved Son, our Lord and master.

Obtain for this Holy Land,
for all His children
and for all humanity
the gift of reconciliation and peace.

May your prophecy be fulfilled:
the proud are scattered
in the imaginations of their hearts;
the mighty are overthrown from their thrones,
and finally, the humble are raised;
Let the hungry be filled with good things,
the peaceful be recognized as children of God and
that the meek may receive the
earth as a gift.

May Jesus Christ, your Son, grant us this,
He who exalted you above the choirs of angels,
who crowned you with the diadem of the
Kingdom, and has placed you on the throne
of eternal splendor.

To him be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I prayed, and prudence was given me;
I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepter and throne,
and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her. (Wis 7:7-8)

Psalm:

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Ps 90)

Second Reading:

Indeed the word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword. (Heb 4:12)

Gospel:

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."
(Mk 10:21)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Who can be saved?" the apostles wonder.
Who can be good enough? Smart enough?
Holy enough? Jesus reminds them that no
one can be — not without asking for help.
We all need help to be holy. Never tire of
asking for the help you need.

Observances for the week of October 13, 2024

- Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr; Columbus Day
- Tuesday:** St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Wednesday:** St. Hedwig, Religious;
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
- Thursday:** St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
- Friday:** St. Luke, Evangelist
- Saturday:** Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests,
and Companions, Martyrs; St. Peter of Alcantara
- Next Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

St. Stanislaus Kostka (1550-1568), unable to enter the Jesuit order in Vienna, disguised himself to avoid any objections from his family and walked first to Dillingen, Germany and then to Rome to enter the order. He is the patron of Jesuit novices, students, and Poland.

Prayer of Reliance on God

Oh Lord,
I entrust today's challenges,
fears, and uncertainties to
You. I don't know how I will do
them. I don't know that I can.
But I know that You fill the
gaps in my ability at every turn.
And so, today, I turn to You
again. Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of October 13, 2024

Sunday:

Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 (14)/
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Monday:

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2,
3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday:

Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/
Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday:

Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3 and 6/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday:

Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/
Lk 11:47-54

Friday:

2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/
Lk 10:1-9

Saturday:

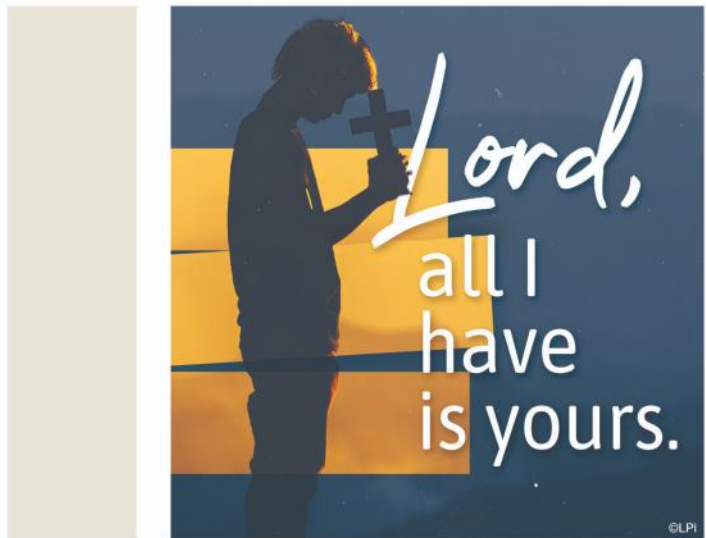
Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/
Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday:

Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, (22)/
Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

This week we hear of the man who inquires of Jesus how to obtain eternal life. He rejects Jesus' invitation to sell his goods, give to the poor, and follow Jesus. Mark tells us this devastatingly sad line, **"At this saying, his countenance fell and he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions"** (Mark 10:22). The man's heart wasn't centered on Jesus, but on his possessions. Perhaps Jesus intuited this. Now, we don't know if Jesus intended to actually make him go through with it, like God's call to test Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac. But sadly, in this case the willingness was not there to entrust everything to Jesus. And this made the man deeply sad.

For most of us, the literal dispossessing of our goods is not our call. But as Christians, a consistent *renouncing* of them is. This week, especially if you're noticing a persisting sadness, I invite you to hear Jesus calling you to acknowledge that none of your possessions are finally *yours*. They are God's and on loan to you. We get so addicted to that stuffy and sad word, "mine." At Mass, we rehearse this attitude of joyful detachment by giving bread, wine, and money to the Lord, as if to say, "Lord, all I have is yours." And what we get back is a sadness-defeating joy beyond all description: knowing that He is ours, and we are His.

What possessions are pre-occupying you at the moment? Write them down. Intentionally offer them to the Lord at the next Mass you attend.

— Father John Muir

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*Please be attentive to Skip-a-Meal donations
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In Memoriam

Dave Doughty

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Church
Friday, October 18th at 10:00 am

Gregg Young

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Church
Saturday, October 26 at 10:00 am

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

~Amen~

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Book Club



Our next Book Club
meeting is
Wednesday, November 20th
at 7pm on Zoom
Jesus' Alternative Plan: The
Sermon on the Mount by
Richard Rohr O.F.M.
(September 6, 2022 updated
edition)

“Acclaimed spiritual leader and Franciscan priest Richard Rohr explores the implications of Christ’s best-known teachings in the Sermon on the Mount, offering a fresh perspective on what it means for Christian life today.” Jesus' Alternative Plan: The Sermon on the Mount: Rohr O.F.M., Richard: 9781632534163: Amazon.com: Books

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Did You Know?



How can you be a good witness to the faith?

Adults have a responsibility to live out the Christian message — to love one another and to do God's will. We also have a responsibility to help children learn how to live this way.

Consider your role in protecting children by showing them how to be a witness to the Faith: following rules, modeling good behaviors like helping a neighbor, wearing your seatbelt, respecting the environment. Another way to witness is listening to the children in your life and paying attention to their interests, their needs, and their worries. For more ways to model the Faith, read the VIRTUS® article "Modeling Healthy Behaviors" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



St. Joseph Grief Support

Grief support



If you think you can't survive grieving, and Your dreams feel shattered, consider joining

Our support groups:

Tuesday 9:30 -11:30 a.m. each week beginning **July 30 - October 29.** Contact May Pace, Bereavement Minister, maypace@gmail.com Or 562/833-6370

OR

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



Seniors Group



Our next get together will be at the El Dorado 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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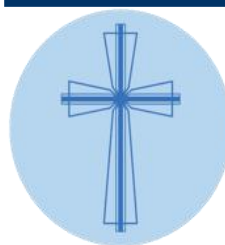
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Please pray for our Men's retreat team as they make final preparations for next weekend's retreat. May the retreat planning go smoothly and the team be blessed with energy, wisdom, grace, and joyful spirits as they prepare. Please also pray for all of the women attending next weekend's retreat. May they each experience renewal through Christ and feel a stronger connection with one another and with St. Joseph Parish.



St. Joseph Elementary School



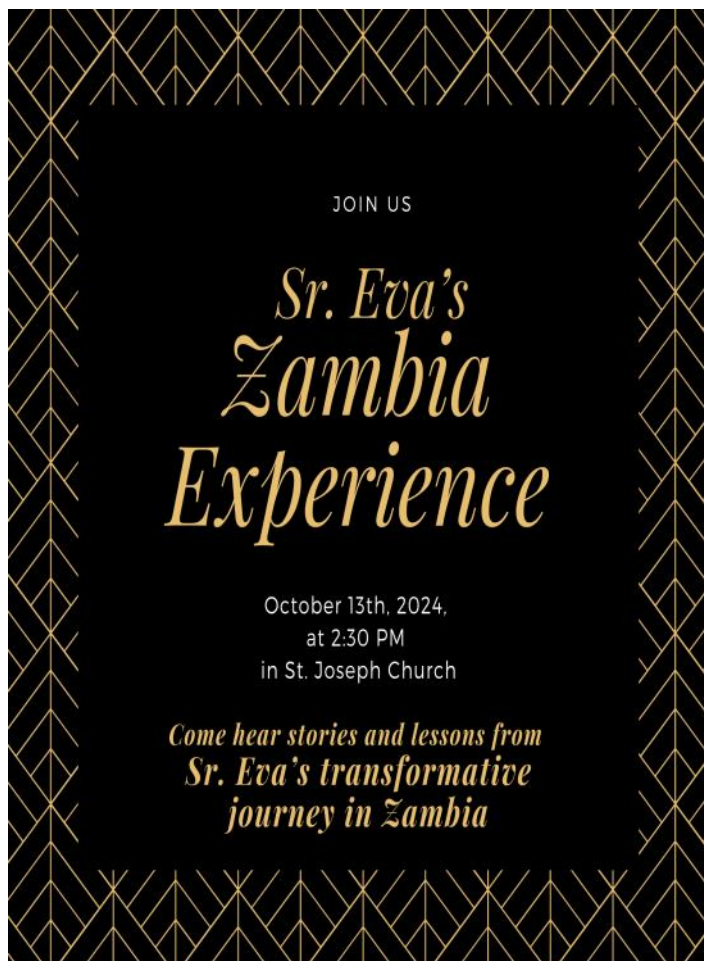
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St. Joseph Elementary School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools.

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