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# TAKE COURAGE

... JESUS IS  
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MARK 10:49

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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

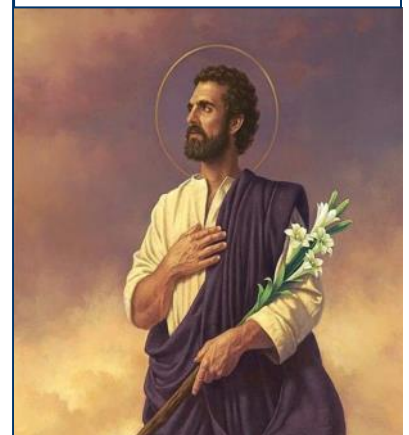
3:45-4:30 p.m.

**Inside Church**

## Adoration

### First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.





## Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Welcome to the 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time! In this weekend's Gospel, we meet a blind man, named Bartimaeus, whose story illustrates the message of this weekend: Jesus always wants to impart amazing lessons about life and discipleship. When Bartimaeus cries out for mercy, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" Bart answers "Rabbi, I want to see"! When Bartimaeus has his sight restored, he not only sees physically, but he is empowered to live differently, not as a blind man but as a son of God, and a disciple of Jesus Christ. May each of us answer the question of Jesus, "What do you want me to do for you"?

Next Friday, November 1 is a Holyday, the Solemnity of all Saints! Our Masses are as follows:

Thursday, October 31 at 7:00 PM.

Friday, November 1 at 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

May all the Saints intercede for us!

Next Saturday is All Souls Day, and I will be honored to preside and preach at the annual All Souls Day Mass at All Souls Cemetery on Cherry Avenue in Long Beach. This bilingual Mass will be the opportunity for us to commemorate the beautiful souls and all the faithful departed. You are all welcome to All Souls Cemetery next Saturday, November 2 at 10:00 AM.

Thank you for participating in the Blanket drive this weekend!! Last week I was in error and the Thanksgiving Basket preparation and give away will be at St. Cyprians Church. If you could drive and help deliver the Thanksgiving gifts to a family, please scroll down for further information.

Last weekend we announced the AB218 Global Settlement Agreement. The Archdiocese has created a web portal which includes the letter from Archbishop Gomez, as well as other important information regarding the settlement and the Archdiocesan abuse prevention efforts. Please visit the website: [LACatholics.or/AB218](http://LACatholics.or/AB218) to access this portal with further information about abuse prevention, policies, and programs of the Archdiocese. May all of us make the commitment we need to make our homes, churches, schools, communities and world, a safer place for all God's children!

Next Sunday at 2:00 AM we change our clocks back to Standard time. Enjoy the extra hour of rest. Fall back one hour and you'll be on time for Sunday Mass!!

May the Lord keep our children safe as they celebrate Halloween this Thursday!

Fall Blessings,  
Msgr. Kevin

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

They departed in tears,  
but I will console them and guide them. (Jer 31:9)

### Psalm:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.  
(Ps 126)

### Second Reading:

*You are a priest forever  
according to the order of Melchizedek.* (Hew 5:6)

### Gospel:

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?"  
The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." (Mk 10:51)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Bartimaeus called upon Christ, even when everyone scolded him to be silent. He was not afraid to ask God for what he needed, and his courage was rewarded. Be like Bartimaeus. Be bold. Do not be content with the darkness. Call out for Christ.

## Observances for the week of October 27, 2024

<b>Sunday:</b>	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<b>Monday:</b>	Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
<b>Thursday:</b>	All Hallows' Eve
<b>Friday:</b>	All Saints
<b>Saturday:</b>	All Souls' Day
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saving Time Ends; National Vocation Awareness Week



## Saint of the week

Venerable Anne de Guigné (1911-1922) had a profound understanding of Jesus' presence in the Holy Sacrament. She developed a strong personal relationship with Jesus, declaring that she loved to talk with "little Jesus."

## Prayer for Courage

"Take courage," we hear,  
"Jesus is calling you!"  
Jesus, give me the grace to  
respond to your call — your  
invitation to what I don't  
understand, to the unknown,  
the mystery. In these spaces,  
your grace abounds. Be with  
me, give me courage!  
Amen.



# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of October 27, 2024

### Sunday:

Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/  
Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

### Monday:

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

### Tuesday:

Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

### Wednesday:

Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/  
Lk 13:22-30

### Thursday:

Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/  
Lk 13:31-35

### Friday:

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/  
1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

### Saturday:

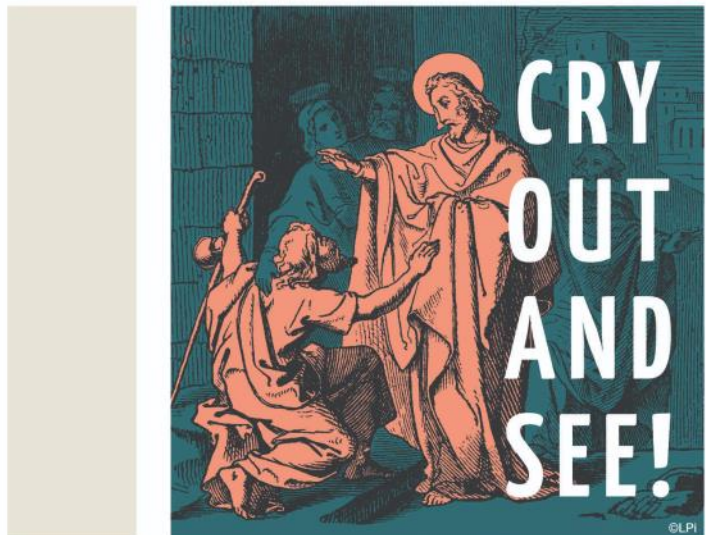
Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/  
Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

### Next Sunday:

Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/  
Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Near my house there is a school for the blind. Often, I see blind people learning how to navigate the world with only a walking stick, even on a busy street with roaring traffic. I'm amazed to see how adept and carefully they get around without sight. Nevertheless, often a sadness arises in me that he or she cannot see all the beautiful colors, images, and persons filling the world around them. Those days, I find myself deeply grateful for the basic privilege of sight.

That's part of why the mystery of Jesus as the sight-giver is so moving to me. This week, it's wonderful how Bartimaeus the blind man is no longer content with his limitation and bellows out his desire for Jesus' mercy. In beautiful simplicity, he cries out to the Lord, **"Master, let me receive my sight."** Jesus quietly heals his sight. And off he goes, fully taking in the world around him. Imagine the delightful new way in which he is able to respond to the world.

Like blind Bartimaeus and the courageous people in my neighborhood, we may be able to get around reasonably well in our daily lives. But we are blind to the gestures of heroic love of people close to us. We can't see the desperate need of the hungry, thirsty, imprisoned, exploited, endangered, and so on, in our midst. We can't see Jesus drawing near to us in so many ways, but he is. This Sunday let's cry out to him: Lord have mercy on me! I want to see! And little by little — or perhaps in a flash — we'll see once again, or perhaps for the first time.

— Father John Muir

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## *Thank You All for Your Prayers*

A Special Thank you to Monsignor Kevin who has been incredibly supportive and made it possible to bring Welcome Christ Renews His Parish to St. Joseph Church.



Last weekend we concluded our Third Men's Welcome Christ Renews His Parish Retreat at St. Joseph's, and the Women's just a few weeks ago. The Men's and Women's retreats took place over two days and were lead from men and women of St. Joseph with Monsignor Kevin as our Spiritual Guide. Participants felt the power of the Holy Spirit and were renewed with the presence of Our Lord. During the Men's Welcome Christ Renews His Parish Retreat, Msgr. Kevin introduced the participants and team members to the 10:30 congregation and gave them all a blessing. It was an amazing experience for all participants as well as the Lay Formation Team and the Support Team. Both retreats were a huge success!

We have already begun planning for the next retreats which will take place in the Spring 2025. It is our hope that the Parish will benefit from the love, joy, and excitement that this Renewal Retreat brings to our community. Together, continuing to grow in God's love and building a faith filled community of love and service to others.

The spring registration will open on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. The Women's retreat is scheduled for Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 and the Men's retreat is Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025.



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Friday Opening Mass  
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Friday Opening  
Keynote Speaker  
Kayla August



Saturday Youth  
Keynote Speaker  
Chika Anyanwu



Saturday Morning  
Keynote Speaker  
Lauren Warner



Saturday Closing Mass  
Bishop  
Joseph Perry



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**ALL SOULS CATHOLIC CEMETERY**  
4400 Cherry Ave ~ Long Beach  
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**ALL SOULS DAY MASS**  
Saturday, November 2, 2024  
10:00 a.m

Principal Celebrant  
***Msgr. Kevin Kostelnik***

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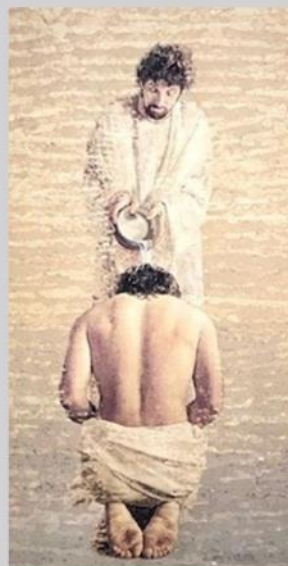
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*Our Vocation as Christians begins  
with baptism.*

*A vocation as a deacon flows  
through baptismal grace in  
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**Sunday, January 12,  
2025 | 2 pm—4 pm**

**The Voice of the Lord is  
mighty (Ps 29:4)**

**Let us help discern with  
you a possible vocation to  
the diaconate.**

*Next Sessions: April 6, 2025*

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**Family Adoptions:** Would you like to adopt a family to support Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter? Questions?

Call Donna Luciene at (562) 421-4993  
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For many opportunities to serve,  
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*Please be attentive to Skip-a-Meal donations during the holiday season!*



## In Memoriam

**Oscar Ferletic**

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Church  
Wednesday, October 30 at 10:00 am

**Rose Lozano**

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Church  
Friday, November 8 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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### Trick or treating safety

Halloween is one of the most exciting nights of the year for children, but it can be a nerve-wracking night for the parents who have to run the show. Consider a few safety tips to get your family ready for trick-or-treating. Choose bright colored costumes and give your children flashlights and/or glow sticks to make them easily visible. Visit neighborhoods you know well, with lit streets and houses. Prep your children with your cell phone number, either memorized or written down in their pockets or even on their arms, in case you get separated. For more tips, visit <https://diocesecc.org/news/halloween-safety-tips>.



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

Our support group:

**Tuesday 9:30 -11:30 a.m.** each week beginning

**July 30 - October 29.** Contact May Pace,

Bereavement Minister, [maypace@gmail.com](mailto:maypace@gmail.com)

Or 562/833-6370

**CLASSES ARE HELD AT THE PLC BUILDING.**



Hello members and friends of the  
St. Joseph Senior Group.

**Our next get together will be at the  
El Dorado Restaurant on**

**Monday, November 11, at 9:30 am.**

Please join us for a nice time catching up with old friends and meeting new friends. Also, we will be announcing our plans for our Christmas breakfast which will be on Monday, December 9. When you arrive, tell the server that you are with St.

Joseph and he/she will direct you to our group. 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. Looking forward to seeing you!



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