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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." - Mk 13:30-32

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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 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Next Sunday the Church year draws to a close with the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This Sunday's readings center around cosmic upheaval and the end times. We are called to pay attention to the signs all around us so as not to be caught off guard when the end of the world happens. We are not to live in fear or dread of the end times but to realize that God is always drawing us toward union with God and one another. We are to seek God's saving presence in all the signs around us!

This is the time of year when scammers work overtime. Phishing email scams will appear to be from me. These fake messages usually contain an urgent request to send money or gift cards with strict confidentiality. Please be suspicious of any email or text message that requests that you to take immediate action, make unusual purchases and demands secrecy. I will never use an email to request money or gift cards or meet with me in an urgent situation. Please permanently delete those messages and be cautious and safe on the Internet.

Thanks to many of you who will help distribute the Thanksgiving baskets to 108 families next Saturday, Nov. 23. Arrival time is between 8:00AM - 8:30 AM. Distribution commences at 8:30 AM in the

hall at St. Cyprian's Church located at: 4714 Clark Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90808

Just a reminder that we hope you'll begin your Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, November 28 by praying with your parish family. Our Thanksgiving Mass will be at 9:00 AM and please bring any bread or wine that will grace your home table for a blessing.

Here's the latest construction photo of the new air ducts for the renovated hall/gym. Yes, there will be heat and air-conditioning that will work in the renovated building.



Blessings,
Msgr. Kevin

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress
since nations began until that time.
At that time your people shall escape." (Dn 12:1)

Psalm:

You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Ps 16)

Second Reading:

For by one offering
he has made perfect forever those who are being
consecrated. (Heb 10:14)

Gospel:

"And then he will send out the angels
and gather his elect from the four winds,
from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." (Mk 13:27)

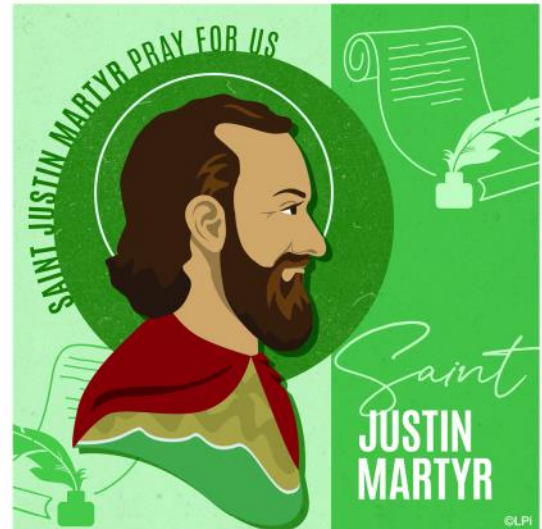
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

It sometimes feels like God is silent, like he sets himself apart from us and our struggles on earth. But Jesus reminds us of the fig tree, who can feel the coming of spring deep within itself. In the same intuitive way, we know the voice of God. Listen.

Observances for the week of November 17, 2024

- Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
- Thursday:** The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday:** St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday:** St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr
- Next Sunday:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Saint of the week

St. Justin Martyr (c. 100 – 165) was a second century apologist whose detailed texts which show the depth of the Catholic tradition were meant to dispel rumors of the early Church practices during the Roman persecution. An eyewitness account of his martyrdom still survives today.

Prayer of Seasons

As the seasons change,
be with me.
As my life shifts and shapes,
be with me.
As I face what the future holds,
be with me.
As I seek the beauty to be
found today, help me to find
you there.
Amen.

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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of November 17, 2024

Sunday:

Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Monday:

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday:

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday:

Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday:

Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/
Lk 19:41-44

Friday:

Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday:

Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday:

Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/
Jn 18:33b-37



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I recently moved into a new neighborhood. On my first evening I went grocery shopping and could not find my usual favorite Greek yogurt. Strangely, my heart started to race. All the losses of my previous life hit me. So many of my old friends, habits, comforts, and predictable experiences had fallen away. There I stood, a grown man, crying like a little boy whose world was falling apart in the dairy aisle.

This week, Jesus describes what to do when one world ends, and another begins. Does it apply to the end of time? Yes. Does it apply to the end of our individual lives? Yes. It also applies to every "world" we inhabit throughout our lives, in school, family, friendships, work, play and so on. First, the sun, moon, and stars fall. The old, familiar ways of running things suddenly stop working. Light fades. Things fall apart. It's awful. But, second, Christ comes "in the clouds." Jesus, the Son of Man, replaces those old powers with himself as the prime governing principle. Third, he sends out his angels to "gather his elect from the four winds." He re-integrates the fragments into a new integrated whole. "Summer is near," he concludes. A new world begins.

Is your world crumbling? Are your sun, moon, and stars falling from the sky? Learn to discern the pattern of the Cross and Resurrection at work in it. This is the power we touch in the Mass. Jesus is coming precisely in this transition from the old to the new world. It doesn't make our losses easy. But it does make it possible to glimpse the dawning of a summer, a new beginning, the life of the world to come.

— Father John Muir

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Please join us for an Advent Reflection
with

Deacon Steve Greco
"The Joy of Advent"

(The same presentation will be offered on both dates)

When:

Tues. December 3, 2024 at 7:00pm

Wed. December 4, 2024 at 9:00am

Where:

St. Joseph Church

6180 E Willow St. Long Beach, CA 90815

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Come to the Welcome Christ Renews His Parish retreat weekend. It is 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 Men or Women 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 next Welcome Christ Renews His Parish retreats will be on Saturday March 1st and Sunday March 2nd 2025 for the Women. And the Men's Retreat will be Saturday March 15th and Sunday March 16th 2025

Please visit our parish website to learn more and to sign up. Registration is now open.



www.stjosephlb.org/welcome-Christ-renews/

St. Joseph Honors Heroes on All Saints Day and Veterans Day



This month, St. Joseph celebrate two special occasions: All Saints Day and Veterans Day. All Saints Day honors those who inspire us with their dedication to faith and goodness, while Veterans Day recognizes the bravery and service of those who protect our freedom.

Let's take this time to honor and remember those who have shown courage, compassion, and a commitment to a greater good—whether in our communities, in service to our country, or through acts of kindness.



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**Are you a former
student of our
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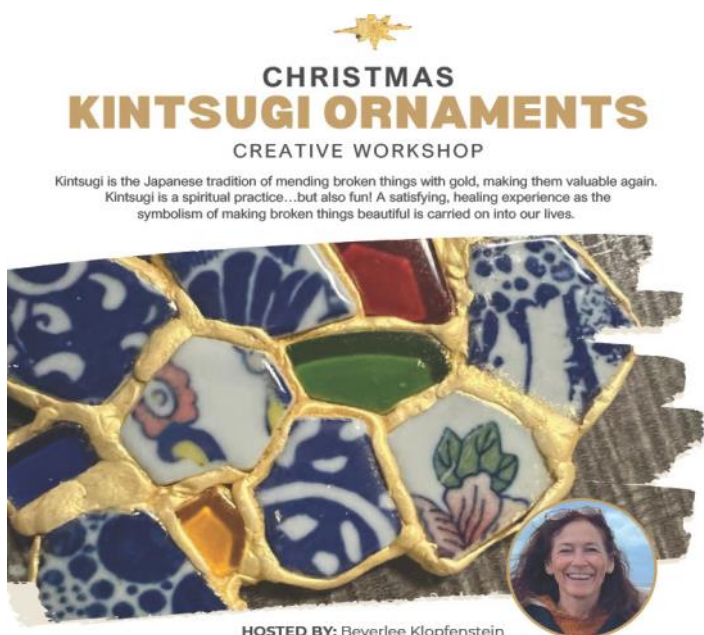
“Children, let us love not in word or speech
but in deed and truth.” 1 Jn 3:18.

Nov. 23 - Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution: DRIVERS NEEDED. As a parish community, we will support 70 families for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. Can you help us deliver? **We will meet at St. Cyprian.** Please contact Jill Salinaz (562) 822-7367 or jmsalinaz@yahoo.com.

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

Call Donna Luciene at (562) 421-4993
or e-mail Rose Bauss cr.bauss@verizon.net.

For many opportunities to serve,
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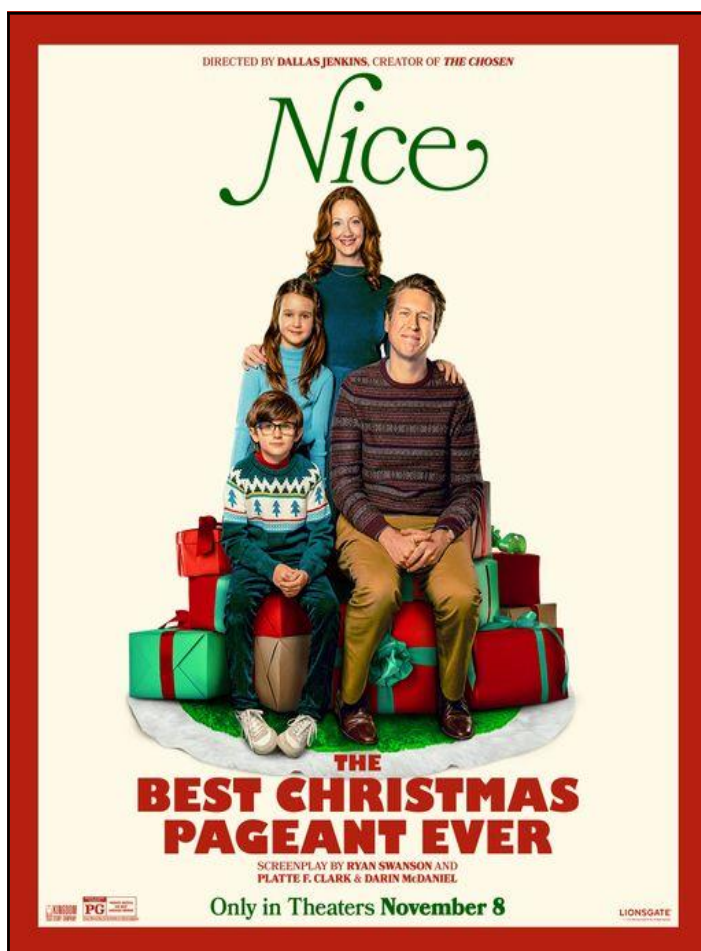
You will learn the process of Kintsugi using broken pieces of pottery, china, and glass to create an assortment of Christmas ornaments that will delight your heart! We will also explore a few other mixed-media ways to experience the process.

You are also welcome to bring a small broken treasure for advice on how to restore it.

REGISTER
ONLINE



Register online or contact José at 310-377-4867 ext. 250, jsalas@maryjoseph.org
MARY & JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER 5300 CREST ROAD, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275



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

All are welcome!

For more info, email agoodlife@msn.com



Did You Know?



Strive to manifest trauma-informed sensitivity

What are some practical ways we can interact with others that are trauma-informed? We can be mindful of what we talk about and how, recognizing that certain topics can trigger a trauma memory. We can also take those topics seriously, refusing to participate in jokes or disrespectful comments. Another thing to consider is how we touch others, even casually or in a friendly manner — we can never know how a well-intentioned hug or pat could be taken by someone who has suffered abuse or trauma. For more tips, read the VIRTUS® article “Being Trauma Informed” on lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



In Memoriam

Anita Garza

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Church
Monday, November 25th at 10:30 am

Joan Fitzpatrick

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Church
Thursday, December 5th 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~



IF THIS THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY IS SOMETHING YOU’RE DREADING BECAUSE YOU LOST SOMEONE DEAR TO YOU, CONSIDER JOINING OUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP. YOU WILL BE THANKFUL YOU DID. **WHY?** BECAUSE GOD IS ALWAYS WITH YOU.

WHEN? TUESDAY NOVEMBER 19

9:30 TO 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CONTACT: MAY PACE, BEREAVEMENT MINISTER

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Senior Group



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

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

Monday, December 9th at 9:30 am.

This will be our Christmas get together, and we have a few little surprises planned. Please 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 on the 2nd Monday of every month, at the same time, until the hall is finished. Looking forward to seeing you!



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