

# St. Joseph Parish

April 3, 2022



*Fifth Sunday  
of*

I put water in the desert  
and rivers in the wasteland  
for my chosen people to drink.

*Isaiah 43:20*

# Lent

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## **Mass Schedule**

**Saturday**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Indoor Vigil**

**Sunday**

**Mass on the Grass**

**Outdoors**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Indoor Mass**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Indoor Mass**

**12:30 p.m.**

**Daily Mass (M-W)**

**8:00 a.m. Indoor**

## **Reconciliation**

**Saturdays**

**3:45-4:30 p.m.**

**Inside Church**





## Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Calling all sinners!! After three years, we're bringing back our **Lent Communal Penance Service** this Tuesday, April 5 at 7:00 PM in the Church. I've secured seven visiting priests to hear your confessions. For many of you, it's been a long time! Renew your Lenten journey and focus not on your sins and guilt but on the great mercy of GOD! Come on Tuesday and be washed clean in the mercy of Jesus Christ!

As you know, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and St. Joseph's remains vigilant and committed at every level of the church to creating safe environments for our children, reporting and investigating allegations of misconduct, and removing perpetrators from ministry. This year marks the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

During this month of April, which is **Child Abuse Prevention Month**, we will continue to pray every weekend for an end to abuse in the home, church, schools and all of society. Let us continue to pray that the survivor victims will be healed.

As we enter into our final full week of Lent, let us pray for our catechumens and candidates and for each other. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and we commence Holy Week. Our **Holy Week** schedule is posted on the following page.

Next Saturday our parish will distribute boxes of food and all the books you donated to over 100 families in need. Thank your for your kindness!

I'm praying for you,  
Msgr. Kevin



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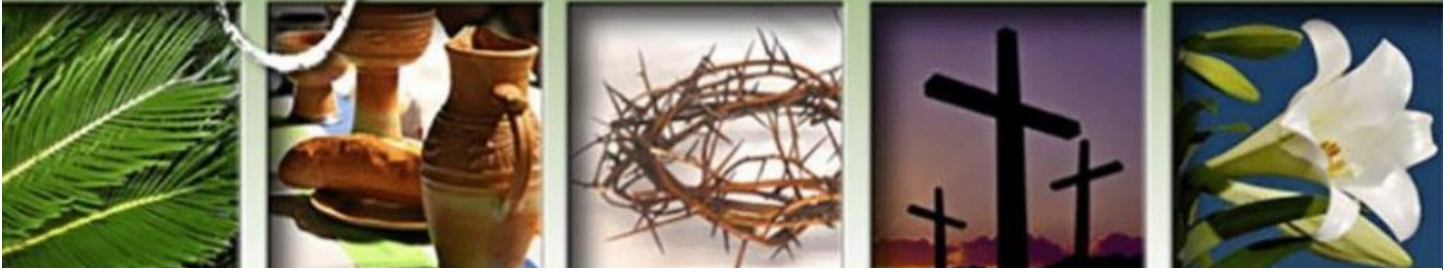
### Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022

I consider everything as a loss  
because of the supreme good of  
knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

— *Philippians 3:8*

# Holy Week Schedule



## St. Joseph's Holy Week & Easter Schedule

### Palm Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm Saturday	Mass Indoors
8:30 am Sunday	Mass on the Grass
10:30 am Sunday	Mass Indoors
12:30 pm Sunday	Mass Indoors

### Holy Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper - Indoors
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### Good Friday April 15<sup>th</sup>

1:30 pm	Passion Liturgy – Indoors
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### Holy Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass – Indoors
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### Easter Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am	Easter Mass on the Grass
10:30 am	Easter Mass Indoors
12:30 am	Easter Mass Indoors

SEE, I AM DOING SOMETHING NEW!  
NOW IT SPRINGS FORTH, DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT?  
IN THE DESERT I MAKE A WAY,  
IN THE WASTELAND, RIVERS.      ISAIAH 43:19

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## THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US

Isaiah prophesies for the Lord: “Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!” One of the most dangerous things that we can do is get stuck in our old ways. As individuals, as parishes, as nations we can say, “We’ve always done it that way,” and miss calls to growth and change. Throughout this Lent and our lives, God continues to call us to life, and we should celebrate that! The psalmist reminds us that “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!” Saint Paul realizes this as he explains, “I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling, in Christ Jesus.” In the Gospel, Jesus offers a new way of looking at a tricky situation and provides a kinder, less judgmental response.

## AN AGE-OLD STORY OF JUDGEMENT

In our Gospel today we hear an ancient story, but one that feels like it could be taken out of the headlines today. We can be very quick to pass judgment on others, those with different political or cultural backgrounds, or perhaps with a different sexual orientation. Jesus was teaching in the temple, and the scribes and Pharisees did not like the message that he was proclaiming or the popularity he was gaining. When a nearby woman was caught in adultery, they thought it was the perfect chance to trip Jesus up, wondering how he would respond when the Mosaic Law provided clear consequences for such behavior. Many would be able to quote instantly chapter and verse of the law pertaining to the infraction. Instead of answering their question, Jesus turned it back on the accusers: “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”

## DRAWING IN THE SAND

Awaiting the response of those challenging him, Jesus bent over and wrote in the sand. According to scripture scholar John Pilch, this was a simple technique that peasants used to buy time in a discussion or argument. Instead of looking the scribes and pharisees in the eye, he looked down and did his own thing while they all slipped away. The scriptures do not tell us what the woman was doing during this time. But by not looking at her, Jesus gave her a chance to restore her own dignity. He didn’t comment on her innocence or guilt. Rather, he instructed her to go forth and sin no more. It is not our past that matters as much as the choices we make now and in the future. Again and again, God gives us the chance to start our life over. This is our challenge this Lent, to continue to use the opportunities we are given to repent and grow.

## TODAY’S READINGS

Isaiah 43:16–21  
Psalm 126:1–2, 2–3, 4–5, 6, 12a  
Philippians 3:8–14  
John 8:1–11

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 3, 2022



# Safeguard The Children



## “United Together in Prayer” Novena

In honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month this April, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. invites you to join us in transforming awareness into action by participating in a special nine-day Novena for Protecting and Healing from Abuse, April 22-30. For more information and to join the Novena on April 22, please visit [lacatholics.org/united-together](http://lacatholics.org/united-together).



# Movement for a Better World

"Whenever we encounter another person in love, we learn something new about God."







- Pope Francis

**Book Drive:** THANK YOU to the many that contributed to last weekend's very successful act of kindness! And, to the School's support all month long! These new and gently used reading books will be distributed to the underserved children of our supported families for Easter.

**April 9 - Easter Food and Book Distribution:** As a parish community, we will support 72 families for Easter. Easter is our most challenging holiday to staff our deliveries! Please contact Tom and Marie Newton (562) 209-1298 or [tjn8343@gmail.com](mailto:tjn8343@gmail.com) to help.

**Home Furnishing Special Needs:** We have an active ministry to provide basic home furnishings to those in need; beds, tables, dressers, refrigerator repairs, immanent loss of utility service, etc. Are you able to help us in this urgent ministry?

**Skip-a-Meal Donations:** Please be especially mindful during the holiday season when our needs are greatest.

LENT & EASTER	
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY LENT BEGINS</b>  Emphasizes our mortality and our need for ongoing repentance.	<b>DAYS OF FASTING</b> ASH WEDNESDAY GOOD FRIDAY <b>WHAT IS FASTING?</b> One full meal and two smaller meals.
<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>  Commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem.	<b>DAYS OF ABSTINENCE</b> ASH WEDNESDAY GOOD FRIDAY EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT <b>WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?</b> No meat.
<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>  Celebrates the Last Supper with the disciples and Passover.	<b>40</b> The 40 days of Lent are based on two accounts: the 40 years of wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan.
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>  We remember the Passion and Jesus' sacrifice for us on the cross.	
<b>EASTER SUNDAY HE HAS RISEN!</b>  Alleluia! The principal feast of the ecclesiastical year. Jesus has risen! Easter is an 8 day celebration leading to Easter Season, which ends on Pentecost.	<b>PILLARS OF LENT</b> PRAYER FASTING ALMSGIVING The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: Baptism. 

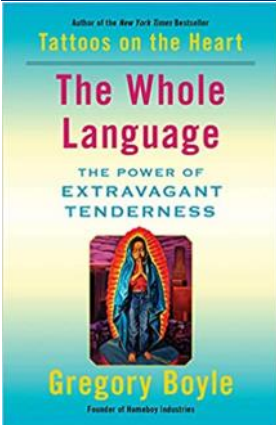
*Prayer for the Fifth Sunday of Lent*

Father of mercy,  
 bring us face to face  
 with our own weakness  
 when we are tempted  
 to judge others.  
 May we find peace and life  
 in simply stepping back  
 and allowing you  
 to be the merciful Judge of us all.  
 Amen.

Prayer from [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca) [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)



## Book Club



Our next Zoom meeting is Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. We will discuss:

**The Whole Language: The Power of Extravagant Tenderness by Gregory Boyle**

Fr. Boyle's moving stories challenge our ideas about God and about people, with a call to witness the transformative power of tenderness, rooted in his lifetime of experience counseling gang members in Los Angeles.

All are welcome!

For more info, email [agoodlife@msn.com](mailto:agoodlife@msn.com)



## Meditation Group

**St. Joseph's Meditation Group** now meets as a Zoom meeting every Tuesday at 7:00PM.

No prior experience is necessary and newcomers are welcome to experience both the prayerful and calming benefits of this ancient Christian practice.

For more information please contact group leader, Frank McKown, at [frmckown@gmail.com](mailto:frmckown@gmail.com) or 310-633-1744



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# RCIA

## PRAY FOR OUR ELECT AND CANDIDATES!

# RCIA

### Catechumens:



*Chrissy*



*Alyssa*

### Candidates:



*Derrick*



*Kevin*

### RCIA Prayer

Lord, we pray for those in the RCIA process who journey to you.

Strengthen their faith.

Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts on fire for the kingdom of God. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all.

Amen!

# FINDING HOPE IN HIS WOUNDS

## A JUBILEE YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

Come find hope in the glorified wounds of Christ. Join Archbishop José H. Gomez for an evening of prayer and fellowship during the "Forward in Mission" Jubilee Year celebrating 250 years of Catholic faith in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

**Saturday, April 23, 2022**  
CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

- 6:00 p.m. - Self-guided tours of the Cathedral
- 6:30 p.m. - Witness talks
- 7:00 p.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Archbishop Gomez
- 8:00 p.m. - Fellowship on the Plaza

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.



Lent is a time that makes us jointly responsible for one another; it detaches us from our selfishness, small-mindedness, meanness and pride.

-ST. JOHN PAUL II

# #TENDERNESS #REVOLUTION

LENT 22





St. Joseph Parish Fair

# Discount Ticket Sale Order Form

April 29-May 1, 2022

**Tickets required for most purchases!!**  
**Online Ride Tickets: [www.thefuncarnival.com](http://www.thefuncarnival.com)**  
 Shop early, shop smart and save big!

## Instructions for mail order/ Will Call

Complete the order form with payment in enclosed envelope  
 Return envelope to school/rectory office or use mail slot if closed,  
**Pick up at Will Call Booth Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> @5pm**

**Last day to order through mail/office is Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> !!!**

Presale Tickets	Description	Price \$\$	Quantity	Total
Carnival Ride Tickets	Sheet/card of <b>20 tickets</b> (3-6 needed per ride) (\$25 if purchased at the fair)	<b>\$18</b>		
Carnival Wristband	Saturday, April 30 <sup>th</sup> <b>12pm-6pm</b> (\$45 if purchased at fair)	<b>\$35</b>		
Carnival Wristband	Sunday May 1 <sup>st</sup> <b>12pm-7:45pm</b> (\$45 if purchased at fair)	<b>\$35</b>		
Food/Drink Tickets	<b>11 tickets</b> All Food/Drink purchases require tickets	<b>\$10</b>		

**Total \$\$\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_**

**Please make checks payable to: St. Joseph Parish Fair**  
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 6180 E. Willow St. Long Beach, CA 90815

## St. Joseph Fair

Where friends and family come to play  
April 29-May 1, 2022

Dear Friend and Potential Sponsor;

I hope and pray that this finds you and your family doing well! The St. Joseph Fair is returning after a two-year absence due to the pandemic. The St. Joseph's community hopes that you will return by considering a Sponsorship for the Fair. We want you to know all proceeds positively impact both St. Joseph Parish and the Long Beach community!

Want to know where and how your sponsorship money is utilized? Look at the great things we are able to achieve because of your tax- deductible donation:

- The parish distribution was used to help offset the cost for the recent church upgrades including the installation of the new central air conditioning/heating system. Funds also helped to fund the costs for the recent electrical upgrade on the St. Joseph Campus.
- The school used the funds to upgrade lighting and installed new windows in the classrooms.
- Your gifts assisted us to upgrade, modernize and beautify our 65 year-old campus!

Please review the attached sponsorship form to see which level is best suited for you and may the Lord bless you for your generosity.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely yours,



Msgr. Kevin Kostelnik,  
Pastor, St. Joseph in Long Beach

Conny Frost  
Chair

Lisette Wilhelm  
Fair Co-Chair

**Sponsorship contributions are tax deductible. A Tax ID letter is sent upon request.  
Sponsors, pick up your bracelets/food/drink tickets at the Will Call window during the Fair.**

All fair information and forms can be found at: <http://www.stjosephlb.org/fair/>  
**Questions at: [sjparishfair@gmail.com](mailto:sjparishfair@gmail.com)**

## St. Joseph Parish Fair Sponsorship Levels 2022

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<p><b>Benefits</b></p> <p>2 Three Day unlimited ride bracelets</p> <p>\$150 in food/drink tickets</p> <p>One reserved parking spot during the Fair</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sponsor Recognition</b></p> <p>personalized sponsorship sign on stage</p> <p>PA announcement during the Fair.</p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p> <p>2 – Saturday(noon-6pm) <b>OR</b> All Sunday only unlimited ride bracelets</p> <p>\$100 in food/drink tickets</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sponsor Recognition</b></p> <p>personalized sponsorship sign_in the Brewhouse</p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p> <p>\$50 in food/drink tickets,</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sponsor Recognition</b></p> <p>personalized sponsorship sign in the Brewhouse</p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p> <p>\$25 in food/drink tickets,</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sponsor Recognition</b></p> <p>personalized sponsorship sign in the Brewhouse</p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sponsor Recognition</b></p> <p>personalized sponsorship in the Brewhouse</p>

*Deadline for Sponsorship is April 26,2022.\*  
Sponsorship pick up at **WILL CALL** during fair*

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Please print my sign to read as: \_\_\_\_\_

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Return this form with check made payable to **St. Joseph Parish Fair**.  
St. Joseph Parish Life Center 6180 E. Willow, Long Beach, CA 90815 Attn: Parish Fair Sponsorships

Questions on the Parish Fair? Email Fair Chairs at: [sjparishfair@gmail.com](mailto:sjparishfair@gmail.com)

Dear Parishioners:

It's Fair time again! Will you help make the Parish Fair a success? All you have to do is shop. Donating an item from the list below can significantly help reduce our expenses, which means more of the proceeds go directly back to our Parish and School.

Please place your donation near an exit in the church or drop them off at the Parish Life Center during hours and we'll pick them up weekly.

The list below is from the Smart & Final (S&F) store in Lakewood including row #.  
All items are Smart & Finals First Street brand unless noted.

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<b><u>Item Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Row #</u></b>
Celebrity brand 24oz rice bowls - 75 quantity	8
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8" Paper Plates, Heavy Duty – 125 quantity	8
First Street Chili Con Carne No Beans(6 LB 12oz) can	2
Nacho Cheese 6LB can	2
Vegetable Oil (aka Soybean oil) – <b>35 LBS</b>	4
Napkins – 500 quantity	6
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Water	Beverage Isle
sparkling Water cans	Beverage Isle

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**Thank You for your support.**



Where friends and family come to play

## Official Fair Schedule April 29 -May 1, 2022

### Friday, April 29 :

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5pm –11pm St. Joseph Parish Fair open to the public.

- 5 pm Official Fair Opening/Blessing by Msgr. Kevin
- 5 pm – 7 pm tbd
- **8:00 pm Dad Company live music on stage.**

#### **Throughout the day:**

- All food, game booths and rides open until 11 pm.
- 17 & under after 6 pm without a parent will be charged \$5.

### Saturday, April 30:

Noon – 11 pm St. Joseph Parish Fair open to the public.

- 12 pm tbd
- 3 pm - 4 pm tbd
- 5 pm – 7 pm DJ Mike Gallo
- **8 pm DTC live rock**

#### **Throughout the day:**

- All food, game booths and rides open until 11 pm.
- 17 & under after 6 pm without a parent will be charged \$5.

### Sunday, May 1:

Noon – 8 pm St. Joseph Parish Fair open to the public.

- 12:30 pm – 2 pm Children's Lip Sync event.
- 3pm – 5 pm The Anti Groupies live music
- **5:30 pm – 8pm Familiar Faces live music on stage**
- 7:45 pm Opportunity Drawing takes place on stage.

#### **Throughout the day:**

- All food, game booths and rides open until 8 pm.

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