St. Joseph Parish

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

John 20:1

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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

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



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Letter From Our Pastor

Dear St. Joseph's Family:

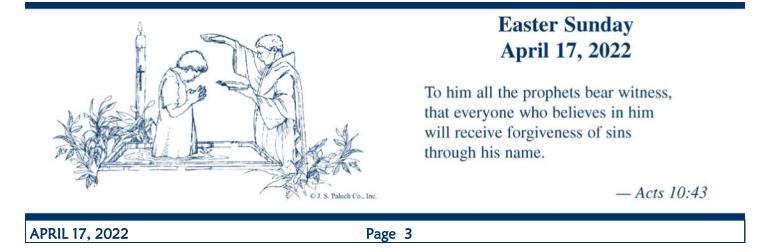
Christ has died! Christ has Risen! Christ will come again! With this proclamation we give witness to the great truth and meaning of Easter – that God's love and glory shines through the Risen Christ!

The Forty Days of Lent are over and now we commence the Great Fifty Days of the Easter Season. Fifty Days because there is always more growth, new life, healing and joy in the Risen Lord!

I'm praying for you and your families and sending many Blessings!

Prayers and Love in the Risen Lord,

Msgr. Kevin







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A NEW DAY

The story of Easter reveals that the world has begun a new day. The darkness of the Crucifixion has opened into the light of Easter. Like the dawn that gradually opened to the disciples on the first Easter morning, we slowly begin to see what the light of faith reveals. Death will not have the final word, because Christ is risen and we will share in his resurrection. Injustice and suffering will not continue forever, because God's victory over sin has begun, and will be completed when Christ returns. Evil has met its match, because through Jesus, God has brought a new energy into the world. This energy can be found in followers of Christ who are free to love, empowered by the Spirit to embrace everyone, without exception. May we bear the light of Christ, with humility and courage, into our troubled world.

RE-INTERPRETING OUR WORLD

Our Gospel reading from John captures the initial confusion of Jesus' followers on Easter morning. Mary thinks the body has been stolen, and the two disciples see an empty tomb, but do not understand. We can sympathize with their initial misreading, as they are interpreting what happened within how they understand the way the world works: Jesus was crushed by the authorities—end of story. Jesus' later appearances to them will dramatically shift their perception of God, the world, and themselves.

This work of re-interpreting the world in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus continues today. In his passion and death, Jesus showed that true power, God's power, emerges through humility and forgiveness. We join in the death and resurrection of Jesus when we surrender the attractions of power, status, and comfort, and embrace non-violence, service, and care for the suffering. The path to bringing peace and goodness to the world is not through seeking control, but through sacrificial love.

BOTH PETER AND CORNELIUS

Peter's speech in today's passage from Acts summarizes the ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The speech occurs within his encounter with Cornelius, a Roman centurion and his household. We can perhaps imagine being Cornelius, led by God to hear the story of Jesus. Or we can imagine being Peter, led by the Spirit to share the Good News of Jesus. As followers of Christ, we are called to embrace both, in our imaginations and our lives.

We are continually called to hear the story of Jesus. We know that God's Good News has entered us, but also know that it has not. There is much in our hearts that needs conver-

sion and begs for God's mercy, so we always seek God's challenging and healing word. We are also continually called to share the story of Jesus, sometimes directly but more often in our actions. Our lives can speak of God's love, healing and encouraging others. We are both Peter and Cornelius.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37–43 Psalm 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23 Colossians 3:1–4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b–8 John 20:1–9

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Safeguard The Children



The Archdiocese continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families

During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and on behalf of Archbishop José H. Gomez, we affirm our continued commitment to report allegations of sexual misconduct to law enforcement, support victim-survivors in their healing journey, and protect children and the vulnerable. The Archdiocese created a website, lacatholics.org/ protect that serves as a comprehensive tool containing resources, programs and services for protecting children and reporting abuse. If you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual misconduct by someone affiliated with our Church, please contact law enforcement and the Archdiocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213) 637-7650 or visit lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse for help and support. In addition, Archbishop Gomez invites you to join him and many across the Archdiocese to the Novena for Protecting and Healing from Abuse, April 22-30. To join please visit lacatholics.org/united -together.

Prayer for Easter Sunday

Risen Jesus, show us the Resurrection you are working out in us. Open our eyes to see you, our hearts to receive your healing and miracles. Free us from indifference and entitlement, that we might celebrate with abandon the gifts you have poured out on us. May we be overwhelmed by the joy of new life in you. Amen.

Movement for a Better World

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." - African Proverb

Easter Food and Book Distribution: Our sincerest gratitude for the parish's *outstanding* support to bless the Easters of 102 families! There were 74 parish community families and 28 family adoptions! It truly took a village, and we have a GREAT one! 90 driver families, Boy Scout valets, School food drive families, book donors, book sorters, food buyers, food haulers, box assemblers, food box packers, family referral, adoption and driver coordinators, and so on. We provided 4 individually-selected reading books for each child, school families provided over 750 units of 5 food items. Your Skip-a-Meal donations provided over \$6,000 . . . 3,000 lbs. of food! Thank you!! See you next Thanksgiving! 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? Please call Tim Clark to learn about many opportunities to serve, (562) 431-4385

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

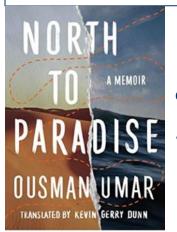
A Prayer for Easter Eyes

My Lord, Jesus, You have risen to new life! Give me new eyes with which to recognize your presence in the world around me. Sharpen my vision so that I see beyond the ordinary events of each day and into the extraordinary reality of your grace. Brighten my view of the world with renewed hope in the coming of your Kingdom. Soften my gaze so that I view others with the kind of tenderness and compassion you showed to so many. May each day of this Easter season provide glimpses of your glory. In your sacred name, I pray.

Amen

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Book Club



Our next Zoom meeting is Wednesday, July 13th at 7pm. We will discuss: North to Paradise by Ousman Umar

The inspiring true story of one man's treacherous boyhood journey from a rural village in Ghana to the streets of Barcelona—and the path that led him home.

All are welcome! For more info, email <u>agoodlife@msn.com</u>

"LOSS OF A SPOUSE/LOVED ONE": Join us on Tuesday evening May 3rd at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall

Local Bereavement Group

Anyone who has faced the pain of coping with grief at the death of a loved one, spouse or significant person in life can often feel overwhelmed in dealing with the loss. In response to this, St. Bartholomew's Bereavement Ministry is hosting an in-person seminar called "Loss of a Spouse/Loved One" on <u>Tuesday, May</u> <u>3rd at 7:00 pm</u> in St. Bartholomew Parish Hall. Our program aims to help participants to cope with surprising emotions, how to handle loneliness, how to find strength to go on and how to find peace. For further information and to register please contact the Parish Office by May 2: 562-438-3826.

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 <u>frmckown@gmail.com</u> or 310-633-1744



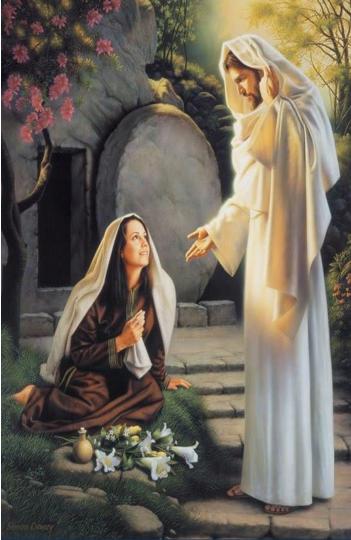


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FINDING HOPE IN HIS WOUNDS A JUBILEE YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

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.





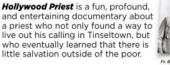
Throughout the Sixties and Seventies, Fr. Ellwood "Bud" Kieser was one of the most well known Catholics in America. His TV show, *Insight*, was broadcast across the country and featured the biggest names in Hollywood.



MESA



But Fr. Bud's life would take a dramatic turn in 1980 after being invited on a publicity trip to the famine in Central Africa by **Catholic Relief Services**. What he experienced there would change his ministry forever.



DWF LA



Wed, April 20



Tickets \$12.50 40% of all sales go back to CRS!!

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FILM FESTIVAL

A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

An Eight-Part Bible Study Featuring Dr. Edward Sri









Dates, Times, Location

Thursdays starting May 12th at 7:00pm on Zoom This Bible Study is 8 sessions.

Cost/Registration

Study materials and online videos cost \$20 and will be distributed on a first come first served basis. You can register by emailing mike@stjosephlb.org or texting 562-370-0769 with your name and email address. Zoom information will be emailed to registered participants.

For More Information

Feel free to email or call Mike at mike@stjosephlb.org or 562-370-0769.

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this study will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys ... and her sorrows.

You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Divine Son. **Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever**.

In Mary you will:

- Visit the grotto of Mary's home, the cave where Christ was born, and other rarely seen places in the Holy Land.
- See the significance of Mary as you explore the Biblical roots of our beliefs about her.
- Deepen your devotion to Mary as you discover our Blessed Mother in a uniquely personal way.



"Dr. Sri's amazing teaching and unique insights gave me a deeper understanding and appreciation of Our Blessed Mother."

-John W.





Parish Fair Volunteer On-Line Sign Ups

WE NEED HELP PLEASE!

• Fair volunteer on-line sign-ups

Pre Sale

volunteersignup.org/FWYXQ

Thursday

volunteersignup.org/83MXH

Friday

volunteersignup.org/M3LDR

Saturday

volunteersignup.org/M38PT

Sunday

volunteersignup.org/8A8EX

Monday

volunteersignup.org/D49QR

We have over 500 volunteer positions that need to be filled before and during the fair. We are only successful if we have volunteers.

Fair information and forms can be found at: <u>http://www.stjosephlb.org/fair</u> Questions on volunteering email Vicky Bedell at <u>vickibedell17@hotmail.com</u> or Jill Salinaz at <u>salinazfamily@gmail.com</u>>



Discount Ticket Sale Order Form

April 29-May 1, 2022

St. Joseph Parish Fair

<u>Tickets required</u> for most purchases!! <u>Online Ride Tickets: www.thefuncarnival.com</u> <u>Shop early, shop smart and save big!</u>

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 29th @5pm

Last day to order through mail/office is Wednesday, April 29th !!!

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

Total \$\$\$ _____

Family Name

Phone Number

Please make checks payable to: St.Joseph Parish Fair drop off at school office or PLC 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,

Kevin Kostelnet

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

Conny Frost Chair Lissette 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: <u>http://www.stjosephlb.org/fair/</u> Questions at: <u>sjparishfair@gmail.com</u>

St. Joseph Parish Fair Sponsorship Levels 2022						
<u>Gold</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>Knights</u>	<u>Family</u>	<u>Contributer</u>		
\$3,000	\$1,500	\$500	\$250	\$100		
Benefits	Benefits	Benefits	Benefits	Benefits		
2 Three Day unlimited ride bracelets	2 – Saturday(noon-6pm) OR All Sunday only unlimited ride bracelets					
\$150 in food/drink tickets	\$100 in food/drink tickets	\$50 in food/drink tickets,	\$25 in food/drink tickets,			
One reserved parking spot during the Fair						
Sponsor Recognition	Sponsor Recognition	Sponsor Recognition	Sponsor Recognition	Sponsor Recognition		
personalized sponsorship sign on stage	personalized sponsorship sign_in the Brewhouse	personalized sponsorship sign in the Brewhouse	personalized sponsorship sign in the Brewhouse	personalized sponsorship in the Brewhouse		
PA announcement during the Fair.						
Deadline for Sponsorship is April 26,2022.* Sponsorship pick up at WILL CALL during fair						

St.Joseph Parish Fair Sponsorship Levels 2022

Please print my sign to read as:	
Sponsor Name:	
Email:	
Address. City, ZIP	
Phone	

Questions on the Parish Fair? Email Fair Chairs at: 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.

Smart & Final Lakewood Store

Item Description:

Row #

Celebrity brand 24oz rice bowls - 75 quantity	8	
Paper Food Trays (aka: "food boats") <u>2 LB</u>	8	
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) – 35 LBS	4	
Napkins – 500 quantity	6	
Coke/Pepsi cans	Beverage Isle	
Root Beer cans (A&W Brand) only	Beverage Isle	
Sprite cans	Beverage Isle	
Diet Coke/Pepsi cans	Beverage Isle	
Gatorade 12oz. Bottles any flavor	Beverage Isle	
Water	Beverage Isle	
sparkling Water cans	Beverage Isle	

Smart & Final / Local grocery Store Gift Card, amount of your choosing

Lakewood Smart & Final - 4237 Woodruff Ave (Carson St & Woodruff) Thank You for your support.



Official Fair Schedule April 29 - May 1, 2022

Friday, April 29 :

<u>:</u>

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.

For questions email at: siparishfair@gmail.com



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