

St. Joseph Parish

Fifteenth
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

**AND
WHO
IS MY
NEIGHBOR?**

LUKE 10:29



JULY 10, 2022

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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





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IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

Love God. Love neighbor. This is our call, the sum of all it means to live as Christ's holy people in the world. Moses told the people that the law—all that sums up this call to love God and neighbor—isn't far off, something distant and hard to reach. It is in our hearts and minds, on our lips. We have only to live what has been instilled in us through the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, the fullness of God's love that dwells in us through Christ. We who are baptized into Christ's life rely on this presence as we extend ourselves in service as did the Samaritan who saw the need of the injured traveler and stopped everything to give comfort, care, and mercy. Such love of neighbor is an outpouring and sign of the love of Christ.

LOVE GOD

What does it mean to love God with all our heart, being, strength, and mind? We turn our hearts to God in prayer, quiet moments of reflection, and participation in the Mass and sacraments. Our whole being may turn to the Lord in trust in the midst of troubled times or when we need courage. We find strength to live as Christ's people, even when faced with the questions, doubts, and derision of others. We may turn to the Lord with our mind as we prayerfully read sacred scripture and learn more fully the teaching of the Church. All of these things point to a singular desire to know God deeply. The love we have for God is, after all, a reflection of the great love God has for each of us.

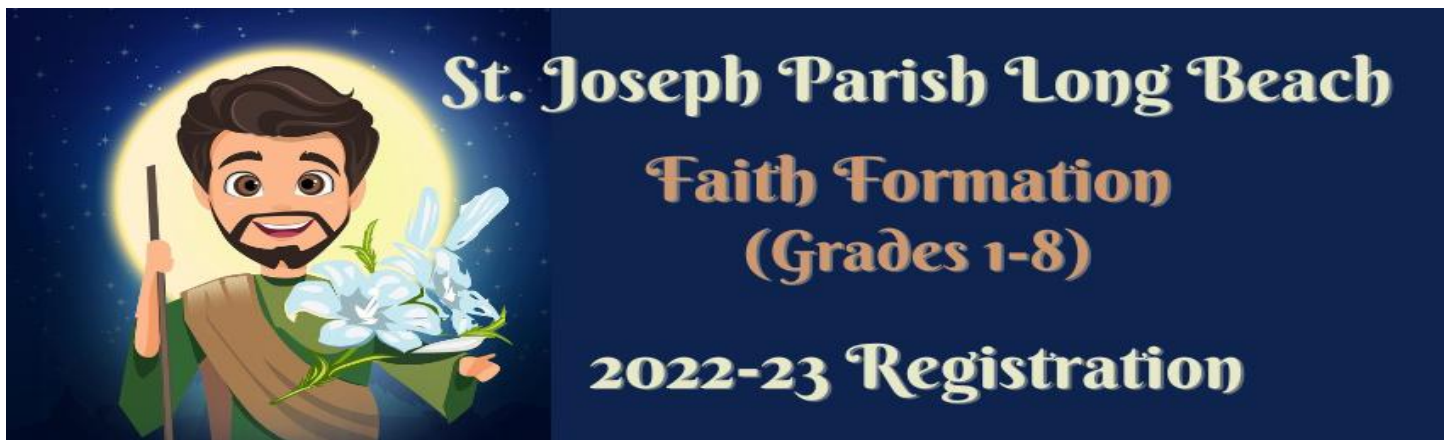
LOVE NEIGHBOR

Jesus' parable of the Good Samaritan points to the impact our love of God is to have in our lives. The priest and Levite were more concerned with observing the letter of the law rather than living its essence. The Samaritan found himself unable to pass by without coming to the traveler's aid. Who are the travelers whom we meet? What is our response? Are we so filled with the love of God that we cannot ignore the suffering of hunger or homelessness, the needs of the lonely and sick? Loving God necessitates loving our neighbor. We cannot have one without the other. Jesus shows us that the love we are to share is selfless, sacrificial. The Samaritan not only cared for the traveler's wounds, but took him to find shelter and paid for his care. He went the extra mile on the journey of faith. Who is your neighbor today? How will you love him or her?

TODAY'S READINGS

Deuteronomy 30:10–14
Psalm 69:14, 17, 30–31, 33–34, 36,
37 or Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Colossians 1:15–20
Luke 10:25–37

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Registration for the 2022-23 Faith Formation Classes is now open for new and continuing students.

[Sunday Elementary Faith Formation Classes \(1-5th Grades\)](#)

Parent Information Zoom Session: **Monday, September 12, 2022, at 7pm**

Classes Start: **Sunday, September 18, 2022, from 10 –11:15am**

[Middle School Faith Formation Classes \(6th-8th Grades\)](#)

Parent Information Zoom Session: **Monday, September 19, 2022, at 7 pm**

Start: **Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 7-8 pm**



Current and new students need to register. Remember, it is an Archdiocesan requirement to have two consecutive years of religious education to receive sacraments. A copy of the Baptismal Certificate and 1st Holy Communion certificate must accompany all NEW candidates registering for St. Joseph Faith Formation for the first time. Former St. Joseph School and Faith Formation candidate's certificates will already be on file.

Confirmation meets on selected Sundays from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (includes 12:30 Mass), September through June. Open to all high school students Grades (9 – 12)

For more information and to register for our programs, please scan the code to the right with your cell phone camera).





Safeguard The Children



Teach your children what to do when they are lost

Preparing your children for a situation where they might get lost or separated from you can help resolve a scary situation more quickly. Talk to your children about what to do if they ever get lost in a crowd. First, tell them to stay where they are. Teach them how to locate another safe adult — a park or store employee, someone in uniform, another mom with children — and how to ask for help. A great tip for parents is to start immediately shouting a name, age, and description of the missing child so others around you are searching too. For more tips, read “What your child should know about being lost” at busytoddler.com/kids-get-lost.



Movement for a Better World

“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Mt 25:40

Homeless Kit Drive: THANK YOU for your generous support of our homeless kit drive! We donated competed kits and extra supplies for the daily necessities of 185 of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. Cash donations of \$550 will enable us to purchase supplies for an additional 45 kits.

July 13 6:30 PM, Committee Meeting: Join us in the Parish Life Center for a very important, final meeting of the 2021-2022 program year. We will decide what activities to promote and organizations to support in our new program year beginning July 1.

Aug. 13-14, Food from the Heart: Collecting family food for Catholic Charities of Long Beach. **Can you help?** Please call Tim Clark (562) 431-4385

Opportunities in Abundance: As we enter our 36th year of service, please prayerfully consider assisting our mission of providing hope and support to those in need in the Long Beach area. Fulfilling opportunities to serve exist at all levels of availability.

RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults



For more info, contact Olga at olga@stjosephlb.org

RCIA is a program for any non-baptized adult interested in becoming a Catholic. It is also for adults baptized in the Catholic faith (or in another Christian faith), who would like to complete the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

RCIA begins with a period of Inquiry, where you can find out what the Catholic Church teaches and believes. If you, or anyone you know, would like to find out more please contact Olga Cuda at olga@stjosephlb.org

Come-and-See what RCIA is all about !

Psalms

The School of Prayer

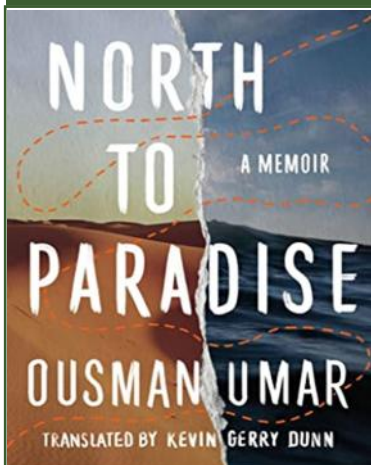


We hear the Psalms read or sung at every Mass between the first and second readings, but do we understand their significance?

At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us learn to pray. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. These sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Their words captivate the imagination and draw us into a deeply personal encounter with God.

We will begin an eleven-week Bible study *Psalms: The School of Prayer* on Thursday, September 8th at 7:00pm on Zoom. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, please contact mike@stjosephlb.org or call/text 562-370-0769. Join us to study how to establish a deeply personal dialogue with God through the Psalms.

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 agoodlife@msn.com



Archdiocesan Eucharistic Congress

Join Archbishop José H. Gomez to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ, pray and worship (English and Spanish)

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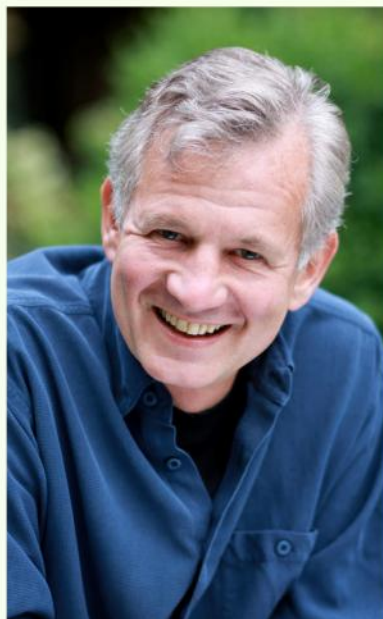
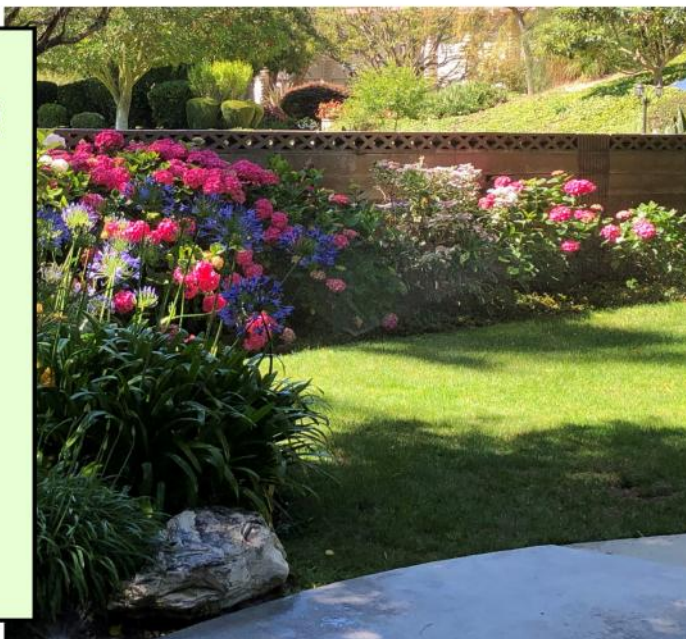
For more information and to register go to lacatholics.org/eucharist
*Boxed lunches will be available for purchase when registering.

Try Soul Gardening

6:00 pm Friday, August 12 to
1:30 pm Sunday, August 14, 2022

Soul Gardening: Sacrament of the Present Moment

Rev. Terry Hershey



People who love the world, who pay attention, are gardeners, whether or not they have ever picked up a trowel ~ because gardening is not just about digging. Gardening is about cherishing ~ and to cherish, one must be present ... Here! Now!

We see that the ordinary is the hiding place for the holy and ...

- ✧ open our heart to the rhythms of "the garden"
- ✧ embrace the demanding marriage of loving and losing
- ✧ cultivate appreciation for ordinary gifts of grace, the value of solitude, and the healing power of nature
- ✧ nurture our soul, and renew our sense of 'life's fullness'.

Gardens are sacred places that can offer healing for mind, body, and soul. Experience our gardens as restorative, inspiring, & life-giving. Participate in outdoor & indoor workshops, exploring "sanctuary" gardens, with personal time for walks, prayer, rocking chairs, and reflection.

Terry Hershey is an author, humorist, inspirational speaker, ordained minister, and smitten by French wine. He divides his time between designing sanctuary gardens & sharing his practice of "pausing" & "sanctuary," to help us do less and live more. Terry's book, *Sanctuary: Creating places for grace in your life*, offers permission to slow down

and to be gentle with ourselves. Most days, you can find Terry out in his garden—on Vashon Island in the Puget Sound - because he believes that there is something fundamentally spiritual about dirt under your fingernails.

Cost: per person/shared \$250; single \$350; commuter \$160

To register call José at (310) 377-4867 ext 250 or email him at jsalas@maryjoseph.org or register online at www.maryjoseph.org. Please see website for Cancellation Policy.

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