

St. Joseph Parish

SEPTEMBER

4

2022

*Fill us at daybreak
with your kindness,
that we may shout for
joy and gladness all our days.*

Psalm 90:14

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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)

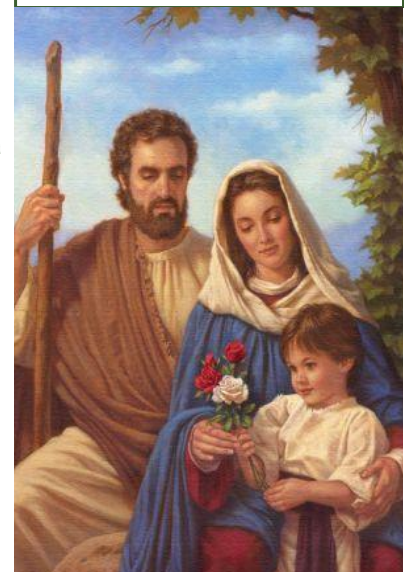
8:00 a.m. Indoor

Reconciliation

Saturdays

3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church





Anyone of you who does not renounce all your possessions cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:33

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SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

Dear Parish Family:

Last weekend I announced that Marc Leon has submitted his resignation as Youth Minister/Confirmation Co-Ordinator here at Saint Josephs. We've been blessed to have him for nine years, which in youth ministry life is almost eternal! We all know the many gifts that Marc has brought to the youth and adults here at Saint Joseph's. Marc and Jessica have been a special blessing to me and I treasure their friendship. He will be here for two more weeks and then he will begin a new ministry. Marc will still be around as he'll continue to sing at the weekly Tuesday 8:00 AM Children's Masses. I know Marc loves Saint Joseph's and all of us and he wants to help us in the transition of finding a new youth minister/confirmation coordinator.

Transitions are not easy, but they are always opportunities for creative growth and service in the Lord Jesus Christ. As I, and a yet to be formed search committee discern the needs of our St. Joe's youth, please...daily...ask the Lord to send us the best candidate! We also pray for Marc during this transition and may the Lord bless him and his family and all their future endeavors!

While I'm away this weekend celebrating the joyous wedding for some long time friends, I'm grateful that my good friend, Fr. Paolo Garcia is returning to cover all the Masses this weekend. For those who did not meet him in July, his bio is below!



A native of Long Beach, Fr. Paolo Garcia attended St. John's Seminary in Camarillo and was ordained to the priesthood in 2016. He received his master's degree in secondary education from Loyola Marymount University in 2009. Fr. Paolo served his first assignment as associate pastor at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Rowland Heights. He currently serves as Director of Queen of Angels Center for Priestly Formation in Torrance.

Have a Blessed Week,
Msgr. Kevin

TODAY'S READINGS

Wisdom 9:13-18b
Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14:25-33

Blessing of the Animals



10am-12pm

8

October 2022

A free community event for pets and their owners in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of Animals. All animals must be leashed or in a crate.

St. Joseph Parish Field

6180 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815

Movement for a Better World

"You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God." 2 Cor 9:11.

Food from the Heart Food Drive: *Thank you* to everyone that supported our food drive last weekend! We donated over 160 shopping bags of groceries and \$780. Cash donations provided fresh fruit and vegetables to the families served by Catholic Charities of Long Beach.

Sept. 20 6:30 PM – Online Committee Meeting: As we begin our 37th year of channeling the generosity of our St. Joseph parish community to the poor and marginalized of Long Beach, please help us coordinate our upcoming activities. Zoom meeting ID: 240 652 8835 .

Feed-a-Baby Food Drive: Our next parish activity will be a Feed-a-Baby Food Drive in September. We will collect non-perishable baby food and products for Catholic Charities and New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. **Can you help?** Please call Tim Clark (562) 431-4385

Skip-a-Meal Donations: Please skip a meal weekly, donating that savings in support our mission. One of many examples are 325 sandwiches and lunches made weekly for Catholic Charities of Long Beach. Skip-a-Meal envelopes are available in the church. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Church and Skip-a-Meal on the memo. There is also a Faith Direct option for online giving.



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Hard Hat Tour

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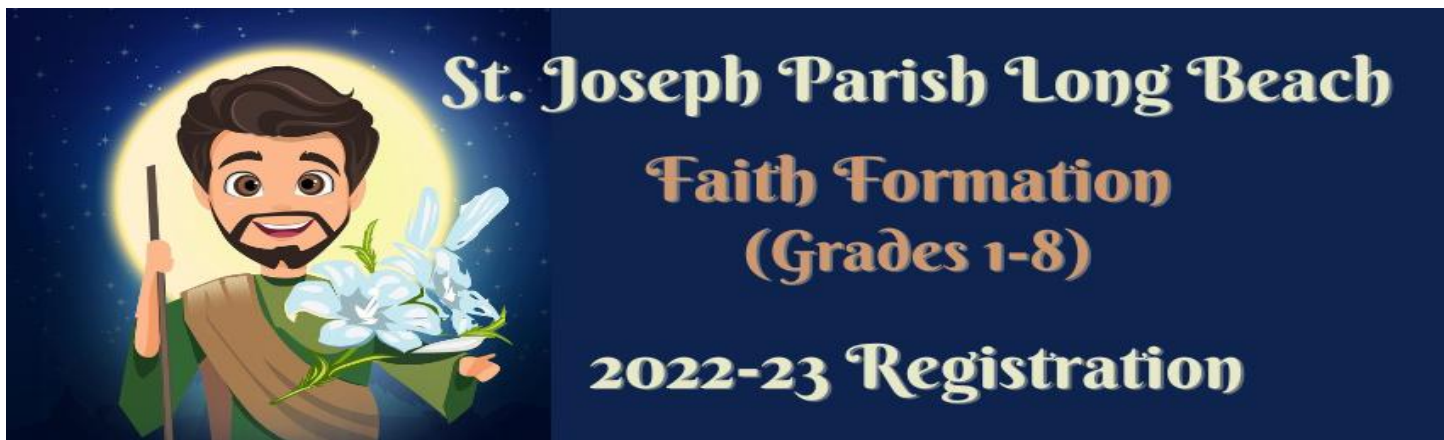
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Registration for the 2022-23 Faith Formation Classes is now open for new and continuing students.

[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).





becoming a catechist

Are you looking for a way to share your faith, time and talents with others?

The Faith Formation department needs you!!

Volunteers are needed as catechists (teachers), catechist aides, in our elementary through high school confirmation programs. You don't have to have a child in our program to volunteer. We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you! All volunteers must be cleared through our Safe Environment program. We will provide training and support along the way.

If interested, please scan the QR code for our online application.

If you have any questions, contact the Director of Faith Formation at 562-698-0519 or joe@stjosephlb.org.



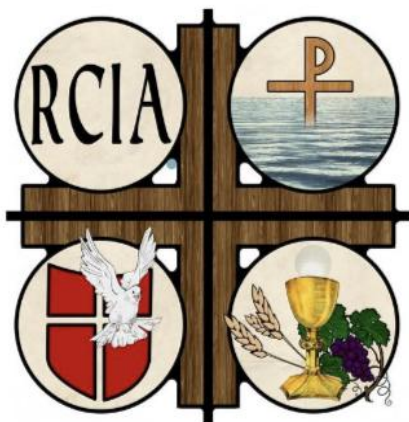
Safeguard The Children Did you know?

Tips for talking to your children about school safety



Most children will participate in school safety drills when they head back to the classroom this year, from active shooter drills to weather emergencies. As a parent, you can help your child cope with any anxiety or distress they experience during these drills. Talk to your children about school safety and address any concerns they may have. Remind them that the school and their teachers are working to keep them safe. For more tips, visit <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/all-around/Pages/Actions-Schools-Are-Taking-to-Make-Themselves-Safer.aspx>.

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

FOREWORD BY SR. HELEN PREJEAN

Hunger for HOPE

Prophetic Communities, Contemplation, and the Common Good

SR. SIMONE CAMPBELL

Author of *A Nun on the Bus*



Our next Zoom meeting is Wednesday, October 12th at 7pm.

We will discuss:

Hunger of Hope: Prophetic Communities, Contemplation and the Common Good

by Sr. Simone Campbell

Written by Sr. Simone Campbell, a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom and graduate of St. Anthony High School, this book explores the quest for a justice that works for all and explores what it means to be holy in today's world.

All are welcome!

For more info, email agoodlife@msn.com

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