

St. Joseph Parish

*Twenty-Ninth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

October 16, 2022



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**Jesus asked, “Will not God secure the rights of
his chosen ones who call out to him day and night?”**

Luke 18:7

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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

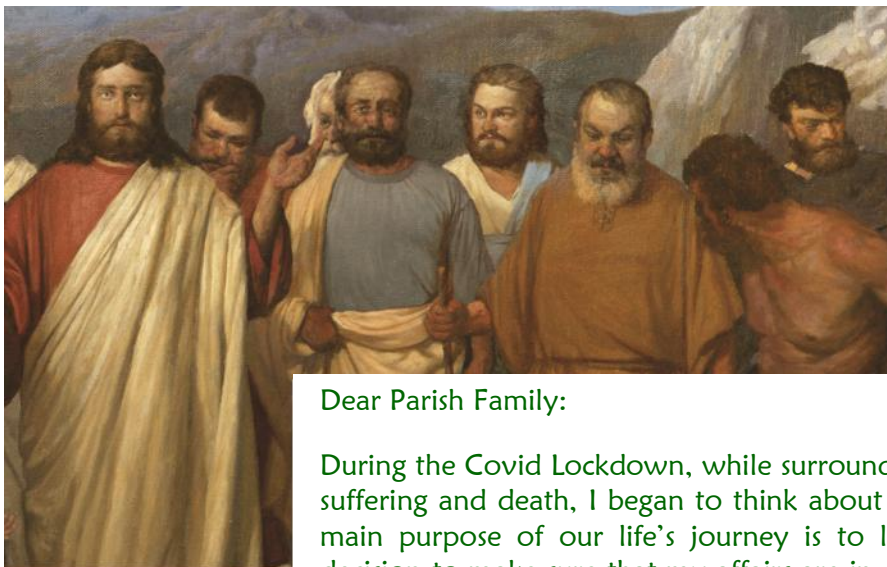
Reconciliation

Saturdays

3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church





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Dear Parish Family:

During the Covid Lockdown, while surrounded by so much fear, separation and even suffering and death, I began to think about end of life issues. We all know that the main purpose of our life's journey is to live with the Lord eternally. I made a decision to make sure that my affairs are in order. I met with a Catholic attorney and updated my will. I hadn't looked at it in twenty years! I completed Estate Planning Documents which included the establishment of a Living Trust, an updated Pour Over Will, established a Legacy of Faith Gift for my beloved St. Joseph Family and signed Advanced Health Care Directives. (I don't want to be on a ventilator for six months – send me home to the Lord!!!) Seriously, are you prepared?? I mentioned all of this to our Parish Finance Council and they suggested that we bring in a Professional Team to help any of you that would like to review your current documents or start the process.

I serve as a member of the Archbishop's Development Board for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The Planned Giving Office provides a Will and Trust Estate Planning Seminar and their professional team has offered this free seminar in dozens of parishes.

November is the Month of ALL SOULS AND ALL SAINTS when the Liturgy of the Church calls us to reflect on the end times and our final spiritual journey. A perfect time to plan!! I'm bringing in the seminar team and they'll be here on Monday ,November 14th. You can attend one of two times as the same seminar will be offered at 1:00 PM or 7:00 PM. The seminar will take place in the hall/gym.

Whether you already have an estate plan in place, if you need to update a current plan, have questions about Catholic Health Care Directives or would like to learn more about how you can put your estate in order, you will definitely benefit from this educational seminar.

Hospitality - snacks and drinks will be provided. Come and socialize, support and learn with your fellow parishioners. I hope to see you at this insightful and thought provoking seminar!!!

Finally, thanks to all who planned and participated in our Blessing of the Animals last Saturday. I must have blessed 80-100 beautiful creatures of God! Next year I plan to invite our fellow Christians from our neighboring churches to join us - Pets of all

faith are welcome to St. Joseph's! See page 4 of this bulletin for some photos of the event!

Blessings!
Msgr. Kevin

TODAY'S READINGS

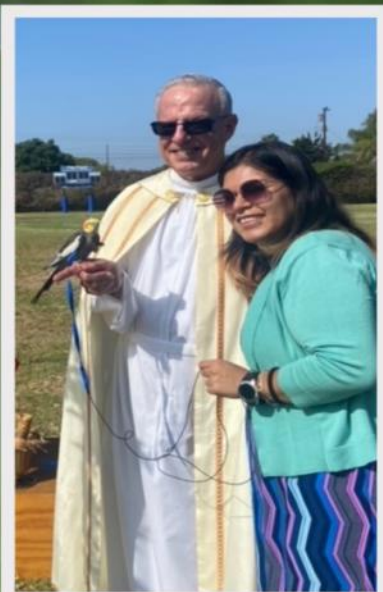
Exodus 17:8-13
Psalm 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2
Luke 18:1-8

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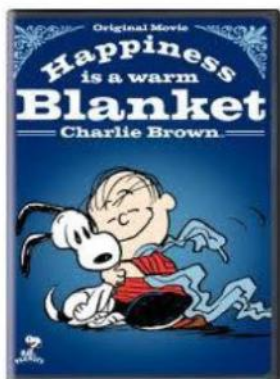


Blessing of the Animals 2022





NEW BLANKET DRIVE



October 22nd – 23rd

Collecting new blankets
for local families in need

Project Achieve Guest Chefs

Project Achieve is a transitional housing facility administered by Catholic Charities of Long Beach. Two groups of St. Joseph “Guest Chefs” currently provide a dinner service to its residents every **3rd Monday night of the month at 6:00 pm.** Since Covid, Project Achieve is currently housing about 15-20 residents. One of our two alternating volunteer groups will be in need of a leader as of January. If you would like to learn more about this very meaningful and fulfilling ministry opportunity, please call Tim Clark – (562) 431-4385

St. Joseph School News

This year St. Joseph Catholic School is creating a new Advancement Department. By going to <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1r-SSbRgJ1jjGxPi5Ka2mhOwdBzyUfsDO/view?usp=sharing>

Or scanning the QR code you will receive an introduction to their new Director of Advancement, Meghan MacRae.



Movement for a Better World

Family Adoptions: Would you like to adopt a family for support Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter? Questions? Please call Donna Luciene at (562) 421-4993 or e-mail Amy Ford at amyford6331@yahoo.com.

Oct. 22-23: New Blanket Drive: Collecting new blankets for our Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution.

Nov. 19 - Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution: As a parish community, we will support 70 families for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. Can you help us deliver? Please contact Tom and Marie Newton (562) 209-1298 or tjn8343@gmail.com.

Holiday Distribution Food Buyer: Can you help us coordinate food purchases for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter? For many fulfilling ways to serve, please call Tim Clark (562) 431-4385.

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

Family Altar Server Sign-Up



We are looking for **FAMILIES** that would like to be Altar Servers at all Masses! Catholic Liturgy is meant to be the Work of the People. **Families** who attend Mass together are encouraged to serve together in this ministry of service. All families that attend St. Joseph are invited to apply. Families who apply will receive appropriate training in the ministry and will meet with Monsignor Kevin prior to serving. Then they will be added to an Altar Server schedule. We hope that you will join in this special ministry! To sign up go to <https://forms.gle/NdJ4F38Aj4FSrT2Q7> or use QR code.



For more information, please contact the **ALTAR SERVER COORDINATOR:** Monica Wissuchek at stjfamilyaltarservers@gmail.com. Monica will work with each family to help meet their individual needs, and to train and schedule them for liturgies throughout the year.

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St. John's Seminary Presents: St. Junipero Serra Lecture



“Understanding the Presence of God in the Gospel of Matthew”

The presence of Jesus as a continuation
of the Shekhinah in the New Testament

With Rev. Sergio Noé Ovando

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 7:15 P.M.

Gates open: 6:45pm – 7:30pm

St. John's Seminary Conference Hall

No admission charge, no reservations needed.

The Lecture

In our time, more than ever, it is necessary to know and understand how God is present in our lives. The Hebrew Bible maintains that God was present to Israel through divine intervention. The Chosen People acknowledge God's workings by means of worship and the way of their lives. Writing for a Jewish community, Matthew demonstrates how the living God is made visible in Jesus, the son of Abraham. Today, God's presence continues to be made manifest in the Church and in the lives of believers.

The Speaker

Fr. Sergio was born in Argentina where he received education in philosophy and theology. He received his license and doctorate in Biblical Theology from the Gregorian University in Rome. Fr. Sergio has over 30 years of teaching experience in various countries: literature, fundamental theology and Church history in Argentina, Christology and Synoptic Gospels in Ukraine, tutoring in Rome, and various Scripture courses at St. Patrick's in Menlo Park and for the San Jose Diocese. His pastoral experience includes youth ministry and parish work in Lviv, Ukraine, Vice-Rector for the Greek-Catholic Theological Seminary in Ukraine, and parochial vicar and pastor in the Diocese of San Jose. Fr. Sergio currently serves as pastor of St. Catherine of Alexandria in Morgan Hill, CA.



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