

St. Joseph Parish



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” - Mt 5:14

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

Mass on the Grass

Outdoors

8:30 a.m.

Indoor Mass

10:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Daily Mass (M-W)

8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays

3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your wound shall quickly be healed. (Is 58:8)

Psalm:

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. (Ps 112)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

When I came to you, brothers and sisters,
proclaiming the mystery of God,
I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom.
For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you
except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. (1 Cor 2:1-2)

Gospel:

"You are the light of the world.
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.
Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket."
(Mt 5:14-15)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

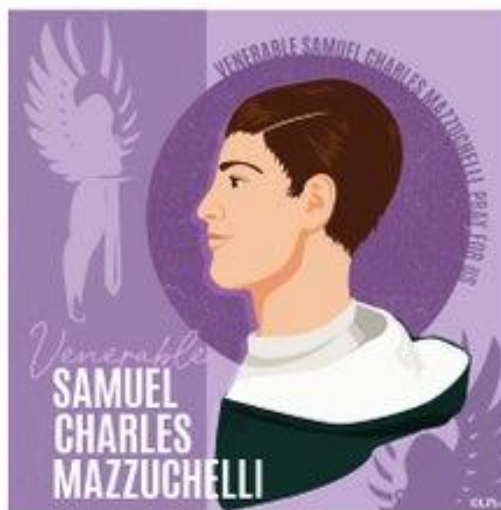
We can't be afraid to season our lives with the truth,
even if we face a world of picky eaters, Christians,
don't be afraid of flavor!

Or

It's hard to shine the light of truth in a world that so
often prefers darkness. But God has built his city on
a hill, not a valley. His glory, by definition, exists to be
proclaimed, as salt exists to give flavor.

Observances for the week of February 5, 2023

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
Friday: St. Scholastica, Virgin
Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes
Next Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day



Saint of the week

Venerable Father Mazzuchelli was one of the first Catholic missionaries to the Great Lakes region traveling the vast area via horseback, canoes, and on foot. He worked alongside new immigrant settlers and native tribes to establish over 24 Catholic communities.

Prayer

Prayer for the Beatification of Father Samuel Mazzuchelli

Lord Jesus, you called your servant, Samuel, even in early youth, to leave home and all for a Dominican life of charity in preaching your holy gospel. You gave him abundant graces of Eucharistic love, devotion to your holy Mother of Sorrows, and a consuming zeal for souls. Grant, we beseech you, that his fervent love and labors for you may become more widely known, to a fruitful increase of your Mystical Body, to his exaltation and to our own constant growth in devoted love of you who with the Father and the Holy Spirit live and reign one God, world without end. Amen.



Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Happy Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time! As we continue to listen to the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says to each of us, “You are the salt of the earth! You are the light of the world!” Notice that he doesn’t say it to a group, but he says it to you and you and you! Be that light to your family, co-workers, friends and classmates. There’s always more light in our lives than shadows or darkness.

You’re Called to Renew gifts are at work! As I announced a couple of weeks ago, our old baptismal font is very tired and it has not worked in almost 4 years, not only because of the pandemic, but there is a major leak in a pipe and the marble is corroded and cracked. This week we’ll commence the construction of our new font which will hold the same square footage imprint as the old font. One of the new additions of the redesigned font is that it will allow for full immersion of an adult. I went with our Deacons and liturgy team to the quarry, and we chose the granite stones pictured below. The outer layer will be Lapidus Gold, and the inner layer will be Black Pearl. The General Contractors, TG Construction will commence work this week on February 8 and they plan to complete the project on March 23, two weeks before Easter!! Please walk carefully around the construction area near the back of the church and pray our design and construction teams are safe.



This weekend we announce the that the 30th anniversary of Together in Mission will take place next weekend, February 11-12. Did you know that one in every five parishes needs financial assistance and one in every four Catholic schools needs critical funds to keep their doors open? We are all brothers and sisters with our local parish communities and that’s why we need you! All 290 parishes participate in this annual appeal which generously and lovingly serves 15,000 students and 500,000 families. The cumulative Together in Mission goal is \$16.7 million. **Our parish goal is \$74,990.** Every year our Parish exceeds its goal and thank you for considering a generous 30th anniversary gift. If you already mailed in your pledge card – thank you! If you received the card in the mail, please bring it to Mass next weekend and all of us will make our pledges together! Thank you for being a light to Together in Mission!!

Have a Blessed Week!!!
Msgr. Kevin

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Book Club



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Wednesday, April 12 at 7pm.

We will discuss:
**See No Stranger: A Memoir
and Manifesto of
Revolutionary Love**
by Valarie Kaur.

Valarie Kaur—renowned Sikh activist, filmmaker, and civil rights lawyer—describes revolutionary love as the call of our time: a radical, joyful practice that can transform a relationship, a community, a culture, even a nation.

All are welcome!

For more info, email agoodlife@msn.com



Seniors Group



**ST. JOSEPH'S SENIOR GROUP
IS MEETING AGAIN!**

Our next St. Joseph Senior Meeting is February 13th, 2023. **Please note the time change of 11:00 am.** Please bring a sack lunch - beverages and dessert will be provided. If you haven't joined our group this would be a good time to meet many of the Seniors at St. Joseph's Parish and join in our activities. Bring a friend! If you have any questions please email Jan Minter at: tchrjan@gmail.com.

Cursillo



Please pray for the women who are making their Cursillo retreat this weekend Feb.2-5
If you are interested in deepening your Catholic Faith please join us on future Cursillo Weekends.
April 20-23 for Men's weekend
May 4-7 for Women's weekend

Marie and Tom Newton
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Meditation Group

St. Joseph Meditation Ministry
will meet in person on Monday February 13
in the PLC at 7PM-8PM
(Knights of Columbus room - upstairs)

No meditation experience is necessary.
For more information contact Frank McKown
at 310-633-1744.



Annual Fund Update

Dear Parishioners,

As of January 25th, 2023 we have received \$45,990 in donations, and we are more than half way to reaching our goal of \$75,000! Your participation matters and has made a huge impact. Thank you for your continued generosity, love and commitment to St. Joseph Catholic School!



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Annual Fund Donor Spotlight

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Natural Family Planning Supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage



Have you ever thought about what unnatural birth control methods really do to your body? To your marriage? The Couple-to-Couple League has the answers and more. Attend a short course and learn a natural method of family planning that is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. Great for achieving as well as postponing pregnancy. A new course starts Saturday, February 18 in Long Beach. For more information and registration, contact Deacon Greg and Beth Gath at [562-377-5877](tel:562-377-5877) or bethgath@gmail.com.



Movement for a Better World

“The things we pray for Lord, give us the grace to labor for.” St. Thomas More

Homeless Kit Drive: Big Thanks to everyone that contributed, and assisted towards a VERY successful Homeless Kit Drive Jan. 21-22!. We collected kits and extra supplies to assemble over 300. Over \$500 was donated and a School supplies drive will provide for MANY additional kits. They will be distributed directly to homeless encampments by the St. Joseph Homeless Ministry and for distribution by Catholic Charities of Long Beach.

Holiday Distribution Driver

Coordinator: Service opportunity! We are seeking an assistant to assign parishioner drivers for our supported families for Easter. And then be available to lead that very important mission for our holiday distributions going forward. Please call **Tim Clark** at **(562) 431-4385**.



March 3-5: Beginning Experience® Weekend for Widowed, Separated & Divorced Adults

A Beginning Experience® Weekend retreat will be held from 3/3-3/5 at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center (Encino). Trained peer ministers guide and encourage hurting people to take steps on their grief journey towards a new beginning after a spousal loss. For more information visit:

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