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SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

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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

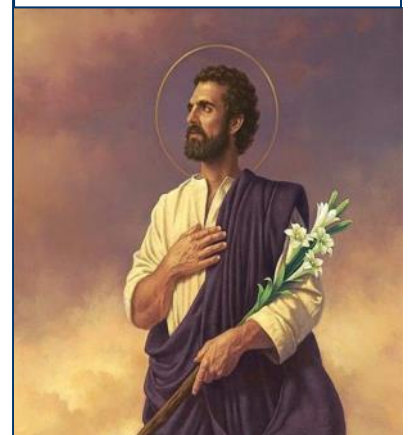
3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I will make of you a great nation,
and I will bless you;
I will make your name great,
so that you will be a blessing. (Gn 12:2)

Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our
trust in you. (Ps 33)

Second Reading:

Bear your share of hardship for the gospel
with the strength that comes from God.
He saved us and called us to a holy life.
(2 Tm 1:8-9)

Gospel:

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother,
and led them up a high mountain by themselves.
And he was transfigured before them;
his face shone like the sun. (Mt 17:1-2)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We have been tasked with the awesome responsibility of bearing witness to Jesus transfigured. We have seen what is real. We have heard what is true. Do we have the courage to rise, and not be afraid?

Observances for the week of March 5, 2023

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Wednesday: St. John of God, Religious
Thursday: St. Frances of Rome, Religious
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving
Time begins



Saint of the week

Sister Thea Bowman tirelessly blazed a way for Black Catholics to fully live their faith out loud and with joy! You can listen to her music on all streaming services and experience her legacy through the many institutions that now boast her name.

Prayer

Prayer for Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman's intercession

Ever loving God, who by your infinite goodness inflamed the heart of your servant and religious, Sister Thea Bowman with an ardent love for you and the People of God; a love expressed through her indomitable spirit, deep and abiding faith, dedicated teaching, exuberant singing, and unwavering witnessing of the joy of the Gospel.

Her prophetic witness continues to inspire us to share the Good News with those whom we encounter; most especially the poor, oppressed, and marginalized. May Sister Thea's life and legacy compel us to walk together, to pray together, and to remain together as missionary disciples ushering in the new evangelization for the Church we love.

Gracious God imbue us with the grace and perseverance that you gave your servant, Sister Thea. For in turbulent times of racial injustice, she sought equity, peace, and reconciliation. In times of intolerance and ignorance, she brought wisdom, awareness, unity, and charity. In times of pain, sickness, and suffering, she taught us how to live fully until called home to the land of promise. If it be your Will, O God, glorify our beloved Sister Thea, by granting the favor I now request through her intercession (mention your request), so that all may know of her goodness and holiness and may imitate her love for You and Your Church. We ask this through Your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

This weekend I'm celebrating a wedding for some long time friends in New Orleans. Thank you for welcoming two great Priests to celebrate the weekend Masses: Fr. Paulo Garcia and Fr. Norm Supancheck.

Here is the latest report on our call to renew success:

Parish Name: St. Joseph Parish
Parish Goal: \$935,000.00
Total Pledged: \$2,932,022.81
Total Paid: \$2,565,079.69

Thank you for being so faithful to your pledges for Call to Renew!

Mark your calendars: We'll have a communal Lenten Penance Service on Monday, March 27 at 7:00 PM in the church. Several Long Beach Priests will be here to hear confessions.

Have a blessed second week of Lent!
Msgr. Kevin



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Second Sunday of Lent March 5, 2023

Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death
and brought life and immortality
to light through the gospel.

— 2 Timothy 1:10b



Save the Date



Day of Giving

Tuesday, March 21st, 2023
Please join us for Mass at 8 AM



We are excited to invite you to Mass on Tuesday, March 21st, at 8:00am, where we will be celebrating our patron saint, St. Joseph, and supporting the mission and advancement of St. Joseph Catholic School. We are currently more than halfway to our goal of \$75,000 and, with your participation and the participation of our whole community, we know we can reach our goal together! You don't have to wait though, you can "Make a Gift" today by going to our school website at www.sjknights.net. Thank you, God Bless, and Gooooo Knights!



WHERE FRIENDS AND FAMILY COME TO PLAY

SAVE THE DATE!
St. Joseph Parish Fair
April 28-30, 2023
More details at: stjosephlb.org/fair



JOIN US FOR ADORATION & STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS

Adoration 6:30pm
Stations of the Cross 7pm



RCIA



Charlie



Josh



Michelle

Pray for Our Candidates and Elects!

RCIA Prayer

Lord, we pray for those in the RCIA process who journey to you. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts on fire for the kingdom of God. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all. Amen!



Cursillo



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

tjn8343@gmail.com



Book Club



Our next Zoom meeting is 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



The next St. Joseph Senior Group meeting will be on Monday, March 13th at 11:00 am.

Please be on time. You don't want to miss important announcements and a chance to buy 50/50 tickets. Remember to bring a sack lunch.

(drinks and snacks will be provided)

Bring a friend!

The deadline to register for the Lenten Retreat is March 15th. The cost for the retreat is \$15 which includes a box lunch and drinks.

Contact Marilyn to register **562-429-8891**

See you at the meeting March 13th!



Safeguard The Children

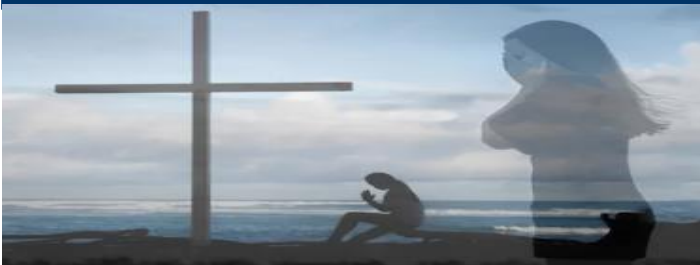


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St. Joseph Grief Support



St. Joseph Grief Support Seminars help and offer Encouragement after the death of a loved one.

WE KNOW IT HURTS, HEALING STARTS HERE.

Our evening seminar will Continue each week through Monday, May 22 at 7 p.m. in the PLC. Contact Deacon Tom at 310/995-2725



Movement for a Better World



“Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Mt 25:40

Feed-a-Baby Food Drive: Thank you for the parish’s generous support of last weekend’s drive. We donated 15 shopping bags of baby food and products and \$1,737 in monetary support. Additional baby food and products were purchased from cash donations for Catholic Charities & New Life Beginnings of Long Beach. **March 25-26 – Book Drive:** Collecting new and gently used reading books for the children of our supported families for Easter.

April 1 - Easter Food and Book Distribution: As a parish community, we will support 68 families for Easter. Easter is our most challenging holiday to enlist driver support!! To help, please contact Tom and Marie Newton (562) 209-1298 or tjn8343@gmail.com.





BOOK DRIVE



March 25th – 26th

Collecting new or gently used children's reading books (toddler through age 17) for our Easter Food and Book Distribution to local families in need.

Books can be brought to church or to the Parish Office

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