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SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

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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.

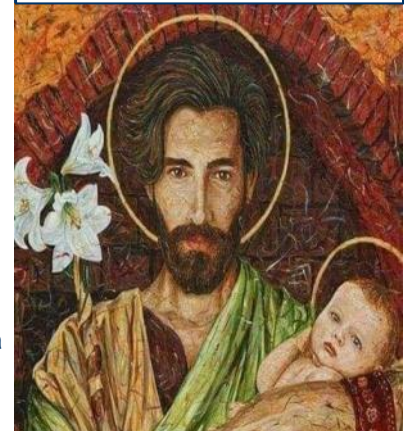
Daily Mass (M-W)
8:00 a.m.

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:

"Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." (Acts 2:36)

Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
(Ps 23)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls. (1 Pt 2:25)

Gospel:

"I am the gate.
Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture."
(Jn 10:9)

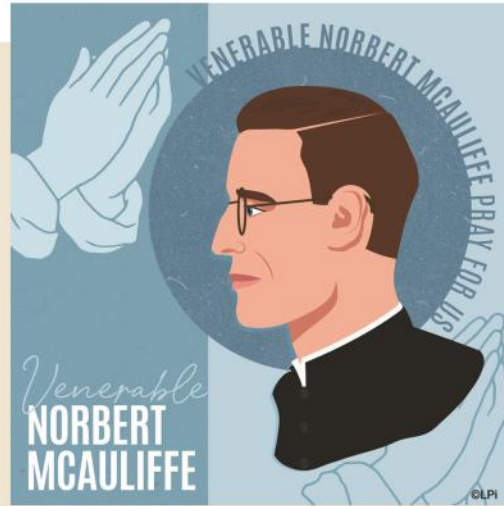
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We know the voice of our shepherd. We know he speaks a language of love, of patience, of long-suffering sacrifice. The voice of the thief will offer us freedom, but it is a freedom that ends in destruction. There is only one gate that leads to everlasting life.

Observances for the week of April 30, 2023

- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Joseph the Worker
Tuesday: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
Thursday: SNational Day of Prayer
Friday: Cinco de Mayo
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter



Saint of the week

An American-born missionary known for his work in Uganda with the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, Venerable Norbert McAuliffe was nicknamed The Man Who Always Prays by those he served. His work continues to this day through the leadership of the many African Brothers he formed.

Prayer

Prayer for the Canonization of Venerable Norbert McAuliffe

Most Holy Trinity, you granted to Your servant Venerable Norbert McAuliffe the gifts of administration and of vision, that he should be a spiritual guide for all he met, a joyful herald of the Gospel, and a devoted servant of the one Church of Christ. For his love of everyone You put in his path, his formation of many young men, and his dedication to education and evangelism across the U.S. and Africa, we pray that he may soon be numbered among the canonized saints. Through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

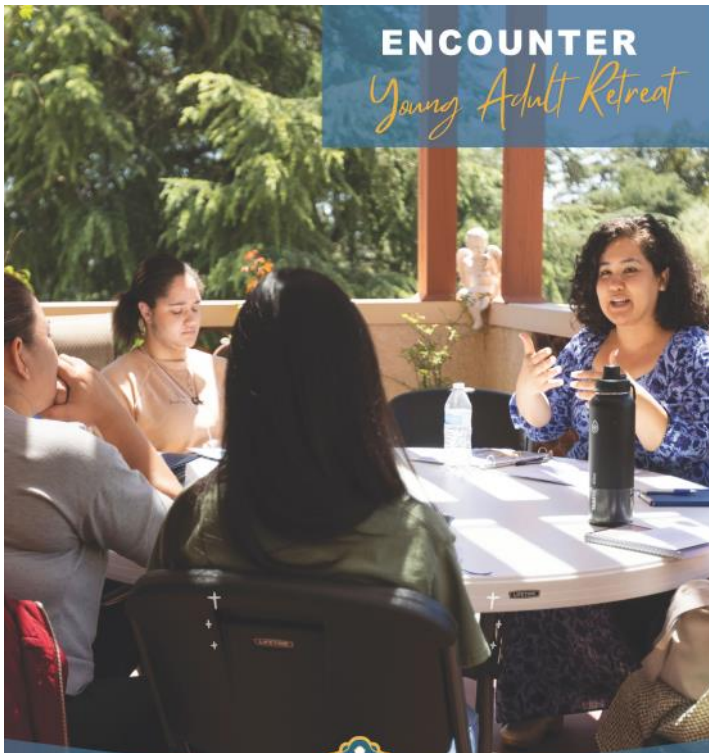
Welcome to the Fourth Sunday of Easter as Jesus announces that he is the Gate and the Good Shepherd. We've all been invited to follow Christ for we are the sheep and we hear the voice of the Good Shepherd.

This Sunday is called Blue Sunday. The blue ribbon has been nationally recognized as a symbol of child abuse awareness. The movement began in the Spring of 1989 when a concerned grandmother named Bonnie from Virginia, experienced the death of her grandson from abuse. She tied a blue ribbon to her van as a sign of her personal commitment to involve everyone in the battle to stop child abuse. The diligent work of the church over the last 30 years has raised awareness about the signs and symptoms of physical, emotional and sexual abuse of children. In our efforts to protect the children and the vulnerable many have completed the safeguard the children's programs and through the years we realize that we must apply the standards of safety to everyone. Virtus has taught us that there could be great denial when it comes to recognizing that family and friends that we know could abuse others. 30% of abuse is done by people who are biologically related to the child victim and an additional 60% of abuse is done by people known to the child victim but not biologically related. Thank you for all that you do as a safe adult and please scroll down to the section to read about how our local church is actively protecting children. Pray for the victims of child abuse. Pray for an end to child trafficking. Be diligent and aware as we continue to protect any child that is at risk or harm.

Finally, our annual ST. JOSEPH'S FAIR IS HERE. PRAY THAT WE ARE ALL SAFE! PRAY FOR ALL OUR HARD-WORKING VOLUNTEERS! PRAY THAT EVERYONE HAVE FUN, AND....

SEE YOU AT THE FAIR!!

Easter Peace and Joy,
Msgr. Kevin



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- Join a parish pilgrimage group
- Coordinate a new pilgrimage group
- Come on your own



All pilgrims are invited to a special Mass celebrated by Archbishop José H. Gomez on Saturday, July 8 at 11:00AM at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, PRAY FOR US!

If you are interested in participating in a pilgrimage group, please contact Veronica Reyes at VReyes@la-archdiocese.org.
Learn more at lacatholics.org/pilgrimage


Safeguard The Children



**Understanding the VIRTUS®
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As a way to commemorate April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month, please take time to learn about, update or sign up for the VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children Program. VIRTUS® teaches that through early identification, awareness, and education, adults can be "proactive" in protecting minors and vulnerable adults from sexual abuse. Since the program began nearly 20 years ago, more than 405,000 adults have been trained in abuse prevention. Additionally, more than 165,000 Catholic school and religious education students are trained annually with an age-appropriate curriculum on boundary awareness and how to communicate if violations of those safe boundaries occur. For more information, visit lacatholics.org/education-and-training/.



Eucharistic Adoration



We will have Eucharistic Adoration each first Friday from 8:00-9:00 a.m.
Join us on May 5, 2023.

Come spend an hour with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



Movement for a Better World



“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” 1 John 3:18.

May 24 6:30 PM: Committee Meeting: Join us in the Parish Life Center for a very important, final meeting of this program year. We will decide what activities to promote and organizations to support in our program year beginning July 1.

June 24-25 Homeless Kit Drive: Provide daily necessities to people experiencing homelessness. Shopping lists will be available June 17. For many fulfilling ways to serve, please call Tim Clark at (562) 431-4385.



St. Joseph Grief Support



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

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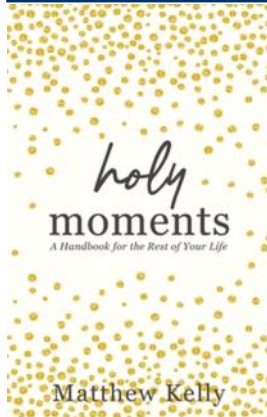
Monday 7 p.m. until June 5th

Call Deacon Tom/Pat 310-995-2725

All classes are held in the PLC building.



Book Club



Our next Zoom meeting is Wednesday, June 7 at 7pm. We will discuss:

Holy Moments – A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life by Matthew Kelly.

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All are welcome!

For more info, email agoodlife@msn.com



Seniors Group



The next meeting of the St. Joseph Senior Group will be on

Monday, May 8th in the hall.

The activities will begin at 11:00 am and will include Bingo, many kinds of card games, Mexican train, and lots of socializing. Bring your brown bag lunch, and coffee, tea, water, snacks and dessert will be provided.

We look forward to seeing all our members and any new friends who would like to join us.

REPORT • SUPPORT • PROTECT

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles and our community of faith stand resolute in our commitment to report allegations to law enforcement, support victim-survivors of sexual misconduct, and protect children and the vulnerable.

Please help **stop sexual misconduct** in our communities by reporting to **law enforcement** and the **Office of Victims Assistance** of the Archdiocese at (800) 355-2545.

TOGETHER WE WORK TO PROTECT AND REPORT...

...through our **Safeguard the Children Programs** on prevention and reporting, fingerprinting and background checks, which are led by lay staff and volunteers.

IN THE PAST 20 YEARS

OVER 405,000

Adults trained in abuse prevention and reporting

165,000 ANNUALLY

Catholic school and religious education students are taught boundary awareness and how to tell a trusted adult

OVER 245,000

Adults fingerprinted and background checked

WE TAKE ACTION

Strict protocols for addressing allegations by current minors

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Allegations of sexual misconduct reported to **law enforcement** and fully cooperate in investigation

REMOVAL & INVESTIGATION

All accused **removed** pending investigation; Clergy allegations reviewed by **independent Clergy Misconduct Oversight Board**

TRANSPARENT COMMUNICATION

Announcements made in parishes or schools where the accused individual served

WE SUPPORT VICTIM-SURVIVORS

The **Office of Victims Assistance Ministry** advocates for victim-survivors in the Archdiocese. This ministry provides support for victim-survivors and their families, and ensures reporting of sexual misconduct to law enforcement.

WE VET CLERGY

Clergy and Seminarians comply with Safe Environment requirements and all visiting priests and deacons must present a **Statement of Suitability**.

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

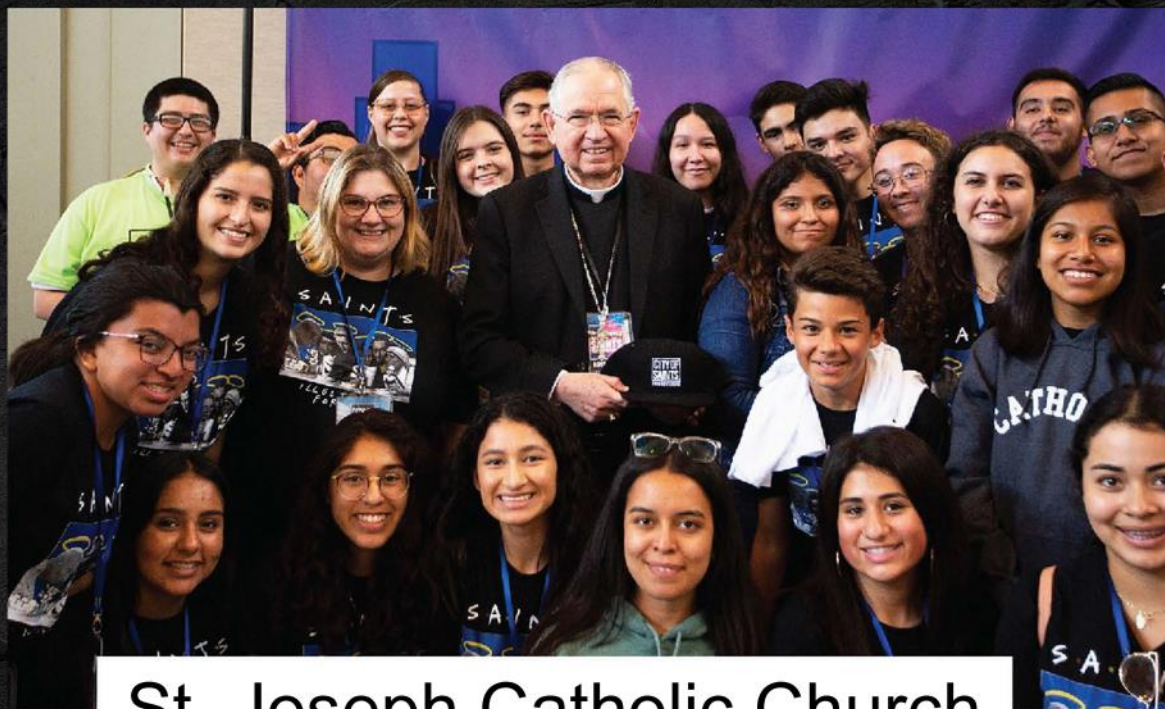
Clergy or lay persons, if found to have abused a minor, are **permanently removed** from any capacity.



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