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SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023

# 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth." - Jn 14:16-17a

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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 they laid hands on them  
and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)

### Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66)  
Or Alleluia.

### Second Reading:

For Christ also suffered for sins once,  
the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous,  
that he might lead you to God.  
Put to death in the flesh,  
he was brought to life in the Spirit. (1 Pt 3:18)

### Gospel:

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments.  
And I will ask the Father,  
and he will give you another Advocate to be with  
you always,  
the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept,  
because it neither sees nor knows him." (Jn 14:15-17)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

If we love Christ, we will keep his  
commandments, and the world will not accept us.  
But we are not left orphans — God sends us an  
Advocate. Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face  
of the earth!

## Observances for the week of May 14, 2023

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day  
**Monday:** St. Isidore  
**Thursday:** The Ascension of the Lord; St. John I,  
Pope and Martyr  
**Saturday:** St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest; Armed  
Forces Day  
**Next Sunday:** The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of  
Easter; World Communications Day



## Saint of the week

Servant of God Mari-Rose Juliette Toussaint, was originally born into slavery in Haiti and later freed in New York City as a young adult. Along with her husband, Venerable Pierre Toussaint, she is remembered for her incredible charity work inside and outside of the Church.

## Prayer

Lord God, source of love and compassion, we praise and honor You for the virtuous and charitable life of our sister in Christ, Servant of God Mari-Rose Juliette Toussaint.

Inspired by the example of our Lord Jesus, Juliette worshipped You with love and served Your people with generosity. She attended Mass daily and responded to the practical and spiritual needs of friends and strangers, of the rich and the poor, the sick and the homeless of 19th century, New York.

If it is Your will, let the name of Mari-Rose Juliette Toussaint be officially raised to the rank of saint, so that the world may know this Haitian New Yorker who refused to hate and be bitter, but instead lived to the full commandments of heaven and the divine law of love — love for God and for neighbor. By following her example and asking for her prayer, may we, too, be counted among the blessed in heaven.

We ask for this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



## Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Welcome to the Sixth Sunday of Easter! In this Sunday's Second Reading, St. Peter proclaims: "Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope." May our response always be a steadfast and resounding "Jesus Christ is my hope."

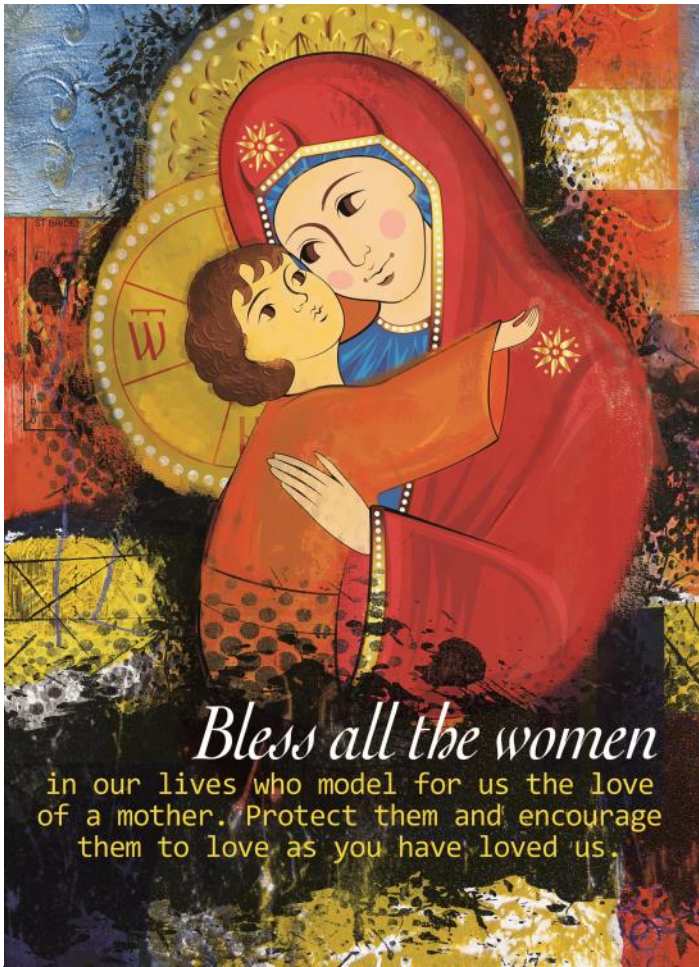
Happy Mother's Day to all the Mothers reading this weekly letter. Thank you for the gift of life and may the Lord Bless all our St. Joe's Moms with faith, hope, love and good health!

This weekend, early Saturday afternoon, 31 of our high school youth are receiving the Gifts of the Holy Spirit through the Laying on of Hands and Anointing with the Holy Chrism oil. Congratulations to these young people who were steadfast and committed to the two-year Confirmation journey. Thanks to Marc Leon who journeyed with them for the first year and then Liz Moreno, our Confirmation Coordinator who worked with them this year. May our newly confirmed be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ!

Next weekend is First Communion Sunday and our young first communicants will receive the Body of Christ at all Masses.

Pray for the youth of our Parish and may the coming Advocate, the Holy Spirit, always guide and lead them.

Easter Season Blessings,  
Msgr. Kevin



*Bless all the women*

in our lives who model for us the love of a mother. Protect them and encourage them to love as you have loved us.



## Safeguard The Children



Recognize signs of grooming behavior

Many adult predators “groom” their victims, creating an emotional and psychological connection with a child to lay the groundwork for future sexual abuse. Some basic signs of child grooming can include taking an undue interest in someone else’s child, or calling a child a “special friend.” Groomers may give money or gifts for no reason, or invite a potential victim on isolated day trips or outings without the child’s parents. For more signs of grooming behavior, read the VIRTUS® article “The Sometimes Hostile Community Response Regarding the Allegation of Child Sexual Abuse” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).



## Music Ministry



The 10:30 choir is seeking new members! We meet on Wednesday evenings at 7pm In the church and at 9:45am on Sunday mornings and would love to have you join us in this life-giving, spirit-nurturing activity. The only requirement is that you are able to sing on pitch. Please reach out to Vivian Doughty, Music Director with any questions.

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# ACCW

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Come to the Welcome Christ Renews His Parish retreat weekend! It's an incredible experience that will help you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it. Whether you want to connect with other people in the parish, improve your prayer life, or just take a break from the craziness of your everyday to have fun, you will find what you are looking for – and more.

Women's Weekend – September 23-24, 2023

Men's Weekend – October 28-29, 2023

To learn more and to sign up, visit <https://stjosephlb.org/welcome-christ-renews/> or scan the QR code.



The Southeastern District of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites all women of the parish to a day of prayer and fellowship with other Catholic Women of the area. **EVERY CATHOLIC WOMAN IS A MEMBER AND THERE ARE NO DUES.** The next gathering will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2023 at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 672 Temple Ave, Long Beach, Ca 90814. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. and includes speaker, Deacon Alberto Reyes speaking on "Blessed Virgin Mary," a mass, lunch and concludes at 1:30 p.m. Charge is \$20.00 per person. For reservation, please make your check payable and mail to Alice Avery, 19126 Pricetown Ave., Carson, Ca 90746. For information, call Alice Avery @ 310-637-1364 or Ann Barnes @ 562-633-7424 or Joan Braun @ 562-361-0309.

**Pentecost**  
May 28, 2023

5 PM Mass  
6 PM – 7 PM Food in Courtyard  
7 PM – 9 PM Holy Spirit Retreat

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## 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.



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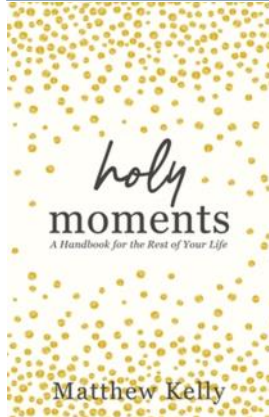
Monday 7 p.m. until June 5th

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.

Some ideas are so powerful that simply becoming aware of them changes our lives forever. It’s time to let Holy Moments show you what is possible. It’s time to explore your soul-potential.

All are welcome!

For more info, email [agoodlife@msn.com](mailto:agoodlife@msn.com)



## Seniors Group



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

Monday, May 22 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.



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**TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

**CONTACT PERSON:** Liz Moreno- Youth Minister

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