

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH DECEMBER 28, 2014

MISSION STATEMENT

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER is a Eucharistic community of believers commissioned through our Baptism to share the Gospel message of Jesus Christ with all people. Out of our diversity we create unity through respect for every person, common celebrations, sacramental worship, Christian education of all ages, and outreach programs.

WELCOME!

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship here today and hope you will find this community a place where your faith can be nourished. Visit the Parish Center or www.sjwchurch.com.

MASSES

Saturday

8:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m. (Vigil), English

Sunday

7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m., English

1:30, 7:30 p.m., Spanish

5:30 p.m., Vietnamese

Monday - Friday

6:30, 8:30 a.m., English

First Friday: 7:30 p.m., Spanish

Holy Days

6:30 p.m. (Vigil), English

6:30, 8:30 a.m., 6:45 p.m., English

5:30 p.m., Vietnamese

8:00 p.m., Spanish

PASTORAL STAFF

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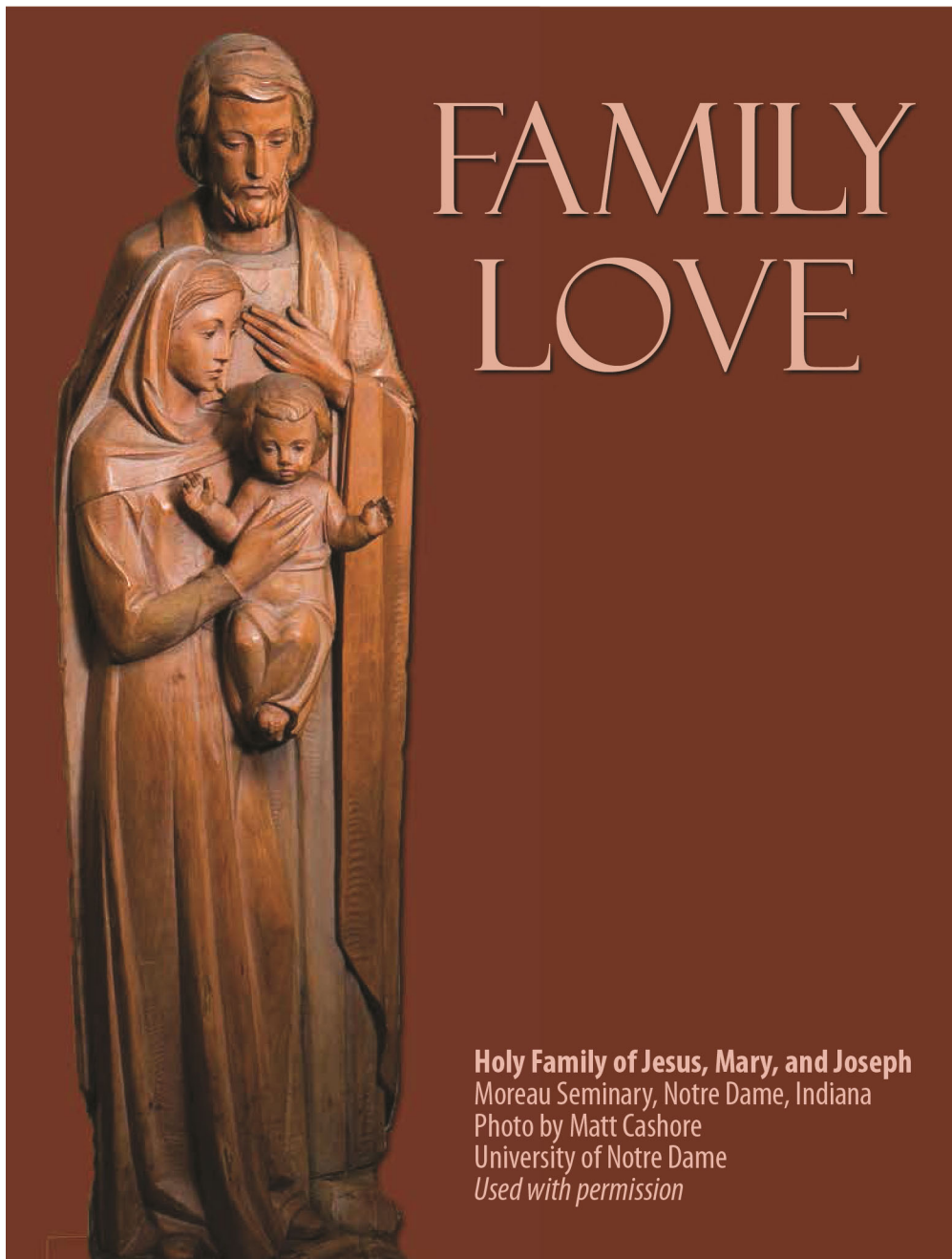
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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

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Parish Center Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 -9:00 p.m. • Sat.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • Sun.: Closed



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS

To have a Mass said for a loved one or for another intention, stop by the Parish Center to make arrangements.

Sunday December 28

7:30 a.m. Rebecca Villagracia (RIP)
9:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
11:30 a.m. Vernon Amaranto (RIP)
1:30 p.m. Rafael Sandoval (RIP)
5:30 p.m. Ramirez and De Guzman Family (Thanksgiving)
7:30 p.m. Jovina Hernandez (RIP)

Monday December 29

6:30 a.m. Angela Valdez (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Pelamati Family (Intentions)

Tuesday December 30

6:30 a.m. Nguyen Family (Thanksgiving)
8:30 a.m. James Hurley (RIP)

Wednesday December 31

6:30 a.m. Pozen Family (Thanksgiving)
8:30 a.m. Thanh Mai (Intentions)

Thursday January 1

6:30 a.m. No Mass
8:30 a.m. Antonio and Marridel De Dios (Birthday)

Friday January 2

6:30 a.m. Arthur and Nina Tayag (Anniversary)
8:30 a.m. Brenda Sacaguig (Intentions)

Saturday January 3

8:30 a.m. Memorial Society
5:30 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

Sunday January 4

7:30 a.m. Mary Esther Bradley (RIP)
9:30 a.m. Pelamati Family (Intentions)
11:30 a.m. Vernon Amaranto (RIP)
1:30 p.m. Judith Marjarres De Gallo (RIP)
5:30 p.m. O-Nguyen (Thanksgiving)
7:30 p.m. Mary Gonzalez (RIP)



PARISH LIFE

WE ARE GOD'S HOLY FAMILY

The scriptures of Israel are filled with many stories of barren couples who were miraculously granted the gift of children by God. Surely the best known among these is the first reading from today, from which Luke took inspiration when he recounted the miraculous birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah and Elizabeth, and the more miraculous birth of Jesus to Mary and Joseph. In each instance, we are given examples or role models of those who trusted in God. More than examples of those who trust, they are models of self-surrender. They abandoned their own presuppositions and prejudices about the workings of the world and turned their lives over to belief in a God who can make life grow where none ought to; a God who can turn death around into a new and unimagined life; a God who can, today, take a tiny child of humble parents in an insignificant town and make him into a light for all the world. This is what we, as God's holy family, are called to do each day: to trust not in ourselves and the way we think things should be, but to open ourselves and surrender ourselves in faith to a God of endless promise. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the last century, a few new feasts were blended into the Church year, including today's. After World War I, the chaos of daily life in Europe made its impact felt on the family structure. Partly to offer Christians an image of hope and holiness in married family life, and also to promote the welfare of children, today's feast was "invented" in 1921. In 1969, it became a feast of Christmas.

The prayers today remind us not only of family life, but of life in the community of faith. We ponder the mystery of a God who loves us dearly enough to embrace the struggles, joys, and daily sorrows of family life. The message of Christmas shines through: God-with-us is available to us in the ordinary patterns of our lives and commitments. The lives of people who raise their children in difficult circumstances, and of people who remain faithful to life in the Church in spite of some of their own family struggles, occupy a special place in our hearts today in prayer. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to offer a Mass, come to the Parish Center. Only one paid intention will be accepted and printed in the bulletin for each Mass. Selected Masses will be reserved for church use. The stipend is \$10 per Mass.

2015 CALENDARS

Calendars are available at the side doors of the church. Your donation of \$1 or more will go to St. Vincent de Paul to help needy families.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Center and all Parish facilities will be closed on Thursday, January 1. We will open again on Friday, January 2, at 8:00 a.m.

A Blessed New Year to all of you!



PARISH LIFE

GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open on Sundays from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

For pick up of heavy items, please call (323) 224-6280. For regular pick up, call (800) 974-3571. For those in need, please call the St. Vincent de Paul voicemail at (818) 773-1864 and leave a message.

TUNA SUNDAY

Your gift of a large can of tuna or cash goes directly and immediately to the poor and the needy. Within 48 hours, your generosity becomes a nourishing hot meal for hungry and often homeless people living on skid row. With more cans of tuna this delicious dish could be served more than just one day a week. The large four to five pound cans of tuna are available at Smart and Final and Costco. Please bring your donations to the Parish Center.



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'TIS THE GIVING SEASON

During this time of year, we let family and friend know that we care by giving gifts. Please remember your parish family with a special financial gift this year. God has blessed each and every one of us. With blessings comes responsibility. A gift to your parish is an expression of gratitude, a gift of faith.

Your generosity provides the necessary resources for us to meet our obligations, to maintain our facilities, and to grow our parish programs and ministries.

Ways to Give

- . Use the Christmas envelope in the monthly packet
- . If you are an e-giving subscriber, simply log on and click on "Christmas" to make your donation.

Begin e-giving and make your Christmas donation. Go to www.sjwchurch.com and click on e-giving.

Place your donation in the Collection basket or mail it to the Parish Center.

Remember St. Joseph the Worker during the Giving Season

DEVOTIONS/PRAYER GROUPS

Rosary

Monday–Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m. (SJW Chapel)

First Friday 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. (SJW Chapel)

Grupo de Oración

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Thursday 7:00 p.m. (Church)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. (SJW Chapel)

SACRAMENTS

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. .

Confirmation Process (Grades 9th - 12th)

Year One – Bimonthly

Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Year Two – Bimonthly

Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Information: Dinh Phan, ext. 1018

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Information: Bill Sparks, ext. 1012. See also page 4.

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals

Call the Parish Center.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This sacrament of healing is received by those who are seriously ill, approaching serious surgery, or near death. Please contact the Parish Center to arrange a convenient time. If a parishioner who has not been anointed is near death, please call the Parish Center at any hour.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Maryann Goppes, Nelia Evangelista, Virginia A. Kahn, Yvonne Burke, Mario Hernandez, Josie Buenviaje, Karina Flores, E. Menter, Yna and Miriam Legaspi, Rod Marfil, Leo Tay, Luca Torterolo, Evelyn Mendoza, Bubut Aquino, Nic Suarez, Ofelia Oropeza Silva, Alfredo Velazquez, Ferdinand, Rolando and Vidiamor Morales Jr., Rev. Ramon Gonzalez Ponce, Wendy Pelamati, David and Lu Ann Nisbet, Jeffrey Jones, Jack Somalot, The Foley Family, Athena Tiongson Reyes, Jorge Borrás, Irma LeDuff, Lea Barak, Jo Grady Stone, Lisa Grady, John Christopher.

If you have a loved one or friend in our parish community who would like a visit from a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick please call the Parish Center.

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of:

Teresita de Jesús Castañeda, parishioner

William Kane, parishioner

David Di Giovanni, son of Gloria and George DiGiovanni

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Information: Karina Villanueva (818) 998-4166

Schedule of Classes**Elementary Grades 1–5 English**

Wednesday, 4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m. or

Saturday, 9:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

Elementary Grades 1–5 Spanish

Saturday, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Middle School Grades 6–8 English

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Special Education

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.–7:45 p.m.

Elementary and High School (Vietnamese)

Sunday, 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

RCIA**(RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)**

Curious about Catholicism and want to know more? Interested in becoming a Catholic? Would you like to receive the Sacraments of Initiation?

Information: Bill Sparks, ext. 1012.

Inquiry Classes**Adults (English)**

St. Therese of Lisieux/St. Martin de Porres Conference Rooms

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Adults and Youth or Teens (Spanish)

St. Therese of Lisieux/St. Martin de Porres Conference Rooms

Friday 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Adults (Vietnamese)

St. Therese of Lisieux/St. Martin de Porres Conference Rooms

Monday 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Youth or Teen 12-18 years (English)

Parish Center Dining Room

Two Wednesdays a month 7:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Children 7-12 years (English)

Our Lady of La Vang Conference Room

Two Wednesdays a month 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Children 7-12 years (Spanish)

Parish Center Dining Room

Friday 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

**EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION****ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER SCHOOL NEWS**

E-mail: sjwwintk@aol.com (818) 341-6616

For updated news and activities go to:

saintjosephtheworkerschool.net

Catholic Schools – Faith, Academics, Service

Saint Joseph the Worker School Alumni

We are trying to improve and update our alumni list. If you are an alum or know the address or e-mail of one, please send it to sjwwintk@aol.com or mail it to: Saint Joseph the Worker School, 19812 Cantlay Street, Winnetka 91306. If you are interested in helping in a leadership position, please indicate that on your information.

Parish Envelopes for School – Other Donations for School

Many thanks to all of you who help to support the school with your monthly donations and use of the school envelopes. May you and all Parents and Grandparents who continue to sacrifice to send their children for a High Quality Catholic Education be blessed a hundredfold.

YOUTH NEWS**11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass**

Our 11:30 a.m. Mass is specifically focused on you, the young people of our parish. Please join your friends and peers at this Sunday celebration. We invite you also to take an active part in these Masses by being an usher, greeter, lector, choir member, or Eucharistic minister.

Confirmation

Sessions start at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Center Hall

Year 1 Tuesday, January 6

Year 2 Tuesday, January 13

Parents please note that there will be NO CONFIRMATION SESSIONS on Tuesday, December 30 (New Year's Holiday). The sessions will resume back on January 2015.

If you have any questions please contact Dinh Phan, (818) 341-6634, ext. 1018.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN**Shopping mall safety tips**

It's easy for kids to get sidetracked with all the sights, sounds, and smells surrounding us at holiday time. It is especially important to monitor your children when taking them through the mall during the Christmas season. If children become separated from you, teach them to look for a "safe stranger" who can help them. For example, a mom with kids or the cash register person can help a child who is lost. Avoid telling children to go to the "manager." Any adult in a suit, who looks important, can look like the manager to a child. Children must be told never to leave the mall or store to go looking for you in the parking lot. Let them know that you would never go outside or leave until you are reunited -- no matter what anyone else tells them.



PARISH LIFE

SJW MEMORIAL SOCIETY

St. Joseph the Worker Memorial Society is intended as a meaningful and beautiful way for persons to remember their beloved deceased or to express their condolences to friends who have lost a loved one. Persons enrolled in the Memorial Society will share in the spiritual benefits of special Masses and prayers offered throughout the year, every year. A Mass is offered for those enrolled every first Saturday of the month at our 8:30 a.m. Mass. The enrollment list is kept in the Parish Center and is accessible during office hours. Each memorial is presented in a handsome leatherette folder, containing an enrollment card where the name of the person remembered is inscribed, along with the person who the deceased. The leatherette folder with personalized enrollment card is particularly suitable on the occasion of a death, to bring to a viewing or funeral, or to send as an anniversary remembrance. Call the Parish Center to make arrangements.

SJW WEBSITE: NEW LOOK, NEW FEATURES

If you haven't visited our parish website in a while, do so now - you will find much new content and many new features. The improved design, streamlined navigation, and expanded coverage of parish programs and activities make it easy for you to find what you're looking for. The homepage now includes feature stories and a list of upcoming parish events. There are links to:

- Selected video and audio recordings of Fr. Kevin's homilies and a complete list of DVDs and CDs available for purchase in the Gift Shop
- Weekly bulletins, both current and archived
- Parish forms for downloading and printing
- Archdiocese news and events
- Expanded "Catholic Links" to leading publications and digital resources

The web team welcomes your feedback, comments, and suggested for improvement. <http://www.sjwchurch.com>

LOS ANGELES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS 2015

The Religious Education Congress is ready to enrich and revitalize us once more. Join us March 12, (Youth Day), March 13 - 15, 2015 at the Anaheim Convention Center. If you have never before attended Congress, you are assured of a wonderful experience. All are welcome to attend! The Congress, sponsored by the Office of Religious Education at the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, offers a variety of opportunities for personal faith enrichment, prayer and entertainment.

We offer 310 workshops, covering topics of interest from spirituality and personal development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis - there is a topic of interest for you. In addition to workshops, participants will enjoy morning praise, evening liturgies and a variety of noon time and evening concerts. Come and be renewed by these Congress experiences.

Don't miss out! Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! You may access the book on line and register by visiting www.RECongress.org. To obtain a Registration Guidebook contact Karina Villanueva at the Parish Center or call the RECongress information line at (213) 637-7348 to request your own copy of a Registration Guidebook.

IN THE COMMUNITY

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Your spouse is God's gift to you. What you make of your marriage is your thanks to God. Find out how to make a good marriage better and a better marriage great. Discover what a life-changing Marriage Encounter Weekend can do for your marital relationship. For information contact Winston and Dinah Perez, (818) 527-MEMC; www.memconline.org; memcweekend@gmail.com.

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. For confidential information call (661) 257-7980 or email: ornelasdachs@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6-8)

Chaminade College Preparatory Middle School located in Chatsworth is accepting applications until **Friday, January 16**. Entrance Examination will be on **Saturday, January 24**. For information contact Barbara Willick (818) 363-6907 or bwillick@chaminade.org.

CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9-12)

Chaminade College Preparatory High School Entrance Exam will be administered on two dates: **January 24 and January 31** from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. An online application for admission and the application fee should be on file with the school by January 16. Financial Aid applications are available online. For more information please call the Admissions office at (818) 347-8300 or apply online at www.chaminade.org.

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL

Notre Dame High School, 13645 Riverside Drive, Sherman Oaks. Application deadline: **Friday, January 16**. Entrance exam: **Saturday, January 24**, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We highly recommend that applicants take the HSPT at Notre Dame. For information call (818) 933-3600 or visit www.ndhs.org

CRESPI CARMELITE HIGH SCHOOL YOU WILL ACHIEVE

Every young man who chooses Crespi Carmelite is received into a unique, lifelong brotherhood of both current and former students. This brotherhood, this bond, quite literally lasts forever. We look forward to seeing what your son will achieve. We are offering an HSPT Prep Course from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on December 26, 27 and 29. In addition, we will offer a practice test on December 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., please register online. Entrance Exams are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on **Saturday, January 24, and Saturday, January 31**. For information, or to schedule a personal tour, call (818) 654-1329; kgreenberg@crespi.org



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 5b-6; Lc 2:22-35

Martes: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Sal 96 (95):7-10; Lc 2:36-40

Miércoles: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Sal 96 (95):1-2, 11-13;
Jn 1:1-18

Jueves: Nm 6:22-27; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;
Lc 2:16-21

Viernes: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Sábado: 1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Sal 98 (97):1, 3cd-6;
Jn 1:29-34

Domingo: Is 60:1-6; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Ef 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Consejos de Seguridad al ir de Compras a Centros Comerciales

Es fácil que los niños se distraigan con todos los sonidos, las vistas y olores durante la temporada navideña. Es especialmente importante vigilar a sus hijos cuando los lleven a los centros comerciales durante la Navidad. Si los niños se separan de usted, enséñeles a buscar una "persona segura" que les pueda ayudar. Por ejemplo, una mamá con niños o la persona detrás de la caja registradora puede ayudar a un niño que esté perdido. Evite decirle a los niños que vayan con el "gerente". Para un niño, cualquier adulto con un traje, que parece importante, puede verse como el gerente. Los niños deben ser advertidos de no salir del centro comercial o tienda hacia el estacionamiento en busca de usted. Hágales saber a sus hijos que usted nunca saldrá afuera del centro comercial o los dejará hasta que estén reunidos. No importa lo que otras personas les digan.

PRESENTACIONES DE NIÑOS

Si usted desea presentar a su niño/a durante la misa dominical, por favor comuníquese con Ángela Escobar en la oficina parroquial, (818) 341-6634 anexo 1003.

OFICINA CERRADA

La oficina parroquial y todos los cuartos del Centro de Conferencias estarán cerrados el jueves 1ero. de enero. Volveremos a abrir el viernes 2 de enero a las 8:00 a.m. Gracias



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VIDA PARROQUIAL



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GRUPO DE ORACIÓN

El Grupo de Oración te invita los miércoles a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial. Tenemos oración en el Espíritu Santo, testimonios, prédicas y alabanzas. Si te sientes cansado de los problemas de la vida diaria, ven y entrégaselos a Jesús, El tiene la solución. Ven a despertar al Espíritu Santo que vive dormido en ti, él quiere consolarte, guiarte y enseñarte el camino de la felicidad. Reanudaremos nuestras reuniones el **miércoles 7 de enero del 2015**. Para más información comunícate con Luis Manuel al (818) 441-3813.

SOMOS LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE DIOS

Las lecturas de Israel están repletas de relatos de parejas estériles a quienes Dios les concedió el milagro de tener hijos. Sin duda el relato más conocido es el de la primera lectura de hoy: Lucas se inspiró en este relato para contar el milagroso nacimiento de Juan Bautista, hijo de Zacarías e Isabel, y el nacimiento aun más milagroso de Jesús, hijo de María y José. En ambos casos, vemos ejemplos o modelos a seguir de personas que confiaron en Dios. Más que ser ejemplos de personas que confiaron, son modelos de entrega incondicional de sí. Abandonaron sus propios preconceptos y prejuicios sobre el funcionamiento del mundo y entregaron sus vidas a creer en un Dios que puede hacer que haya vida en lugares en donde era inconcebible que la hubiera; un Dios que puede convertir la muerte en una vida nueva e inimaginable; un Dios que puede, hoy, tomar a un niño de padres humildes en un pueblo insignificante y convertirlo en una luz para el mundo entero. Esto es a lo que se nos llama a hacer cada día como Sagrada Familia de Dios: confiar no sólo en nosotros mismos y en la manera en que pensamos que deberían ser las cosas, sino a abrimos y entregarnos en fe a un Dios de promesa infinita. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Durante siglos, en el continente latinoamericano, el respeto a los ancianos ha sido la base social que nutre nuestras culturas. Lamentablemente este respeto empieza a desvanecerse por la invasión de una mentalidad occidental que valora sólo la juventud. A nuestro alrededor hay muchos de nuestros mayores menospreciados y olvidados por su avanzada edad y fragilidad. A su vez, vemos muchos niños vagabundeando y mal formándose por la falta de supervisión adulta. Es necesario que estos ancianos y niños se encuentren y se bendigan mutuamente.

San Lucas (2:22-40) recuerda dos bellos momentos en la infancia de Jesucristo: la bendición del anciano Simeón y el encuentro con Ana, la profetisa. Estos dos ancianos piadosos frecuentaban al templo de Jerusalén con la esperanza de ver al Mesías. Me imagino que José y María se sorprendieron mucho cuando se les acercaron estos dos viejitos. Pero la santa pareja no les negó su niño a los brazos de estos dos ancianos. El niño les alegró la vida y ellos glorificaron a Dios. La bendición que le dieron a Jesús lo acompañó toda su vida.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glitz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY

St. Joseph the Worker is a special place, where we are touched daily by God's presence among us. Rooted in the legacy of our founding parishioners, we have become the dynamic faith community we cherish today. A gift to the future of our parish will support its spiritual richness and many good works for generations to come.

Please remember St. Joseph the Worker in your will or trust. To learn more about planned giving opportunities that can benefit St. Joseph the Worker, please contact the Parish Center or H. Richard Closson, Director, Trust and Estate Programs. Archdiocese of Los Angeles: (213) 637-7472; HRClosson@la-archdiocese.org; www.estateplanning.com/trustsacc.

To make a gift: Our correct legal title is: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, A Corporation Sole, for the benefit of St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

PARISH REGISTRATION

To promote a spirit of belonging, we encourage all who worship here to become registered parishioners. Having registered makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school or religious education enrollment, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor, and funerals. Simply attending Mass here does not make you a registered parishioner. Please call or visit the Parish Center to request a registration form or complete the form online at the parish website: www.sjwchurch.com. Also, please contact the Parish Center if you have a new address or phone number. The staff is able to serve you better if the parish records are accurate.

REQUESTING USE OF PARISH FACILITIES

Parish and School groups that would like to reserve any facility in the parish must contact Angela Escobar in the Parish Center (818) 341-6634, ext. 1003. Only rooms reserved in advance are open. If your group needs to cancel a reservation, please let Angela know so that the room can be made available to another group. Also, if your group needs a particular room arrangement, please bring a copy of the requested floor plan to the Parish Center a week ahead.

BULLETIN AND MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The deadline (strictly observed) for submission of **Bulletin** and **Mass** announcements is the previous Monday at noon. Deliver a copy of the bulletin or Mass announcement to the Parish Center or email it to Angela Escobar: angela_escobar4@hotmail.com. To submit a photo to accompany the bulletin text, send a digital file (jpeg or TIF), color or black/white, 300 dpi. See the front cover for the parish mailing address and fax number. For more information please contact Angela Escobar, (818) 341-6634, ext. 1003.

REMEMBER NEXT WEEKEND IS TUNA SUNDAY

Bring a **LARGE CAN OF TUNA** to Mass next weekend and help our parish ministry to the homeless and hungry of Los Angeles Skid Row.



You can also bring your cans or cash donations to the Parish Center at any time.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

food pantry

*We give food to
80 or more families a month
We serve about
100 meals a week*

ESPECIALLY NEEDED

**Canned meat products
(beef and chicken)
Chunky soups and stews
Beef and bean chili
Canned tuna
Macaroni and cheese
Spaghetti and sauce
Boxed mashed potatoes
Peanut butter and jelly
Canned fruits
Rice, beans
Cereal, oatmeal
Soap, detergent
Toothpaste, toothbrushes**

**Hunger is year-round.
Let us serve
our neighbors in need.**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP
TO FILL THE PANTRY**

**Place food donations in the
St. Vincent de Paul boxes
at the church entrances any time
Non-perishable food products ONLY
Please check expiration dates**