

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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.

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2016

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

Pastor

Rev. Kevin Rettig

Associate Pastor

Rev. Julio Ramos

Associate Pastor

Rev. Joseph Van Vu

Deacon

Dn. Augusto "Gus" Mora

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Bill Sparks

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Dinh Phan

Religious Education

Karina Villanueva

Business Manager

Mike Stafford

Parish Secretary

Angela Escobar

at Jacob's Well



Let the waters of understanding wash away ignorance and fear, that we may draw living water from the well of love, compassion, and forgiveness.

Annibale Carracci
The Samaritan Woman at the Well (1595-1597)
(detail)
Museum of Fine Arts,
Budapest

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Parish Center Mailing Address • 19808 Cantlay Street • Winnetka, CA 91306-3005

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: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9;
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21;
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Alternate readings (Year A):

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Sunday February 28

7:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
9:30 a.m. Monique Rosete (Birthday)
11:30 a.m. Pelamati Family (Intentions)
1:30 p.m. Catalina Trochez (RIP)
5:30 p.m. Tran Thi Kinh (RIP)
7:30 p.m. Jose Maria Alvarenga Lopez (RIP)

Monday February 29

6:30 a.m. Felix Anthony Davy (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Candelaria Alejandro (RIP)

Tuesday March 1

6:30 a.m. Marcelo Candari (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Jennifer Imbag (Birthday)

Wednesday March 2

6:30 a.m. Enma Elias Ramos (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Ana Wolf (Birthday)

Thursday March 3

6:30 a.m. Peter Jorgensen (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Xavier Aquilar (Birthday)

Friday March 4

6:30 a.m. Jess Angus (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Agatha Mao and Phillip Thiet (RIP)

Saturday March 5

8:30 a.m. Memorial Society
5:30 p.m. Asdrubal Jimenez (RIP)

Sunday March 6

7:30 a.m. Jess Angus (RIP)
9:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
11:30 a.m. Agapita and Federico Ventura (RIP)
1:30 p.m. Victor Anival Morales (Birthday)
5:30 p.m. Anphongso Doanh Nguyen (Intentions)
7:30 p.m. Felipe Castellon (RIP)



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PARISH LIFE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us for this incredibly moving experience during Fridays of Lent.

6:00 p.m. English

7:00 p.m. Spanish

8:00 p.m. Vietnamese

THIRSTING FOR UNITY

In today's Gospel, Jesus is thirsty and goes to the well for a drink of water. He meets a Samaritan woman, who expects him to treat her like dirt. But surprise! He talks to her like a fellow human being, treats her with respect and interest. And what happens? Why, pretty soon the whole town turns out to hear him.

Centuries earlier, the Israelites, wandering in the desert, were thirsty. They had no water. All they had was an attitude problem. They growled at Moses, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt?" But surprise! God gave them water from the rock. No questions asked.

All the peoples of Earth are travelers on this planet together, all thirsting, all harboring our own fearful expectations of each other. But God, as a loving parent, treats us all with generous care and compassion. We are one family. We could surprise each other. We could remember we are one.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Ash Wednesday is not observed by Eastern Christians, perhaps because, at least in Orthodox practice, weekdays are not proper days for the Divine Liturgy. Typically, "Great Lent" has a bit of a prelude. On "Meatfare Sunday" the faithful have their last chance to eat meat for the entire period of Great Lent. A week later, "Cheesefare Sunday" has dairy on the menu for the last time until *Pascha* (Easter). At twilight on Cheesefare Sunday, officially called "Sunday of Forgiveness," the church gathers for "Forgiveness Vespers." The faithful identify with Adam and Eve, forgiving one another in order to experience God's forgiveness. The desire to set aside all bitterness, and to achieve harmony and reconciliation in the family and with one's neighbors gives a remarkable energy to the transition into the days of penitence. At the end of the vespers liturgy, the décor of the church is changed to reflect the new season.

How is your Lenten fast going? Imagine the Eastern tradition. No meat, no fish, no dairy, no wine or oil. Some traditions permit vegetable oil; everyone goes without olive oil. Happily, strict fasting is not permitted on the Sabbath or the Lord's Day, so on Saturday and Sunday the fast is somewhat mitigated, and wine and oil are allowed. If the Feast of the Annunciation falls during Great Lent, then fish may be served.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

DONUTS AND COFFEE

Father Kevin and the SJW 8th grade students invite you to stop by the gazebo after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses. We have a great selection of fresh donuts along with Peete's coffee, iced and hot tea, hot chocolate and cold bottled water. All items are only \$1.00 each. Thank you



PARISH LIFE

SJW CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The St. Joseph the Worker Charismatic Prayer Group invites you to attend the weekly prayer meetings held every Thursday at the parish church from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Join us for praise and worship, inspiring talks, group sharing, bible reflection and monthly healing service.

GIFT SHOP

Our Gift shop is open on Sundays 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Great gifts for any occasion!

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

Monitor social media relationships and activity

Social media sites, like Facebook, can be a great way to connect with old and new friends and family members, and to stay informed about what's happening in their lives, but some relationships are best maintained offline. It is important for parents to make sure that children's online friendships are consistent with their real-life relationships, especially when it comes to other adults. For a tip sheet on social media safety from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children please contact jvienna@la-archdiocese.org

DEANERY 5 – LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

St. Bridget of Sweden	Wednesday, March 2	7:00 p.m.
St. Catherine of Siena	Thursday, March 3	7:15 p.m.
St. John Baptist De La Salle	Monday, March 7	7:00 p.m.
St. John Eudes	Wednesday, March 9	7:30 p.m.
St. Bernardine of Siena	Tuesday, March 15	7:30 p.m.
St. Cyril of Jerusalem	Tuesday, March 15	7:00 p.m.
St. Francis De Sales	Tuesday, March 15	7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Lourdes	Wednesday, March 16	7:30 p.m.
St. Mel	Wednesday, March 16	7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of the Valley	Thursday, March 17	7:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Grace	Tuesday, March 22	7:00 p.m.

SJW FESTIVAL NEWS - SAVE THE DATE

June 10, 11 and 12, 2016

MORE NEWS TO COME!

PRAY FOR YOUR PARISH FINANCES

Bring your full tithe to the church so there will be ample provisions in my Church. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings

Weekly Goal	02/21/16	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$14,618	\$15,103	- 3.2%

2016 Env \$ 8,904 (60.9%) E-giving \$ 502 (3.4 %)

2015 Env \$ 9,316 (61.7%) E-giving \$ 985 (6.5 %)

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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

Ferdinand, Rolando and Vidiador Morales Jr., Wendy Pelamati, David and Lu Ann Nisbet, The Foley Family, Irma LeDuff, Jo Grady Stone, Lisa Grady, Virginia A. Kahn, Francis Mendoza, Luz Custodio, James Whitehead, Joyce Masloski, Susan Angus, Ramon Avila, Shirley Dougherty, Maryann Gorres, Liza Acedilla, Boy Tay, Teresa and Scott Muller, Efen Marfil, Ditas and Alan Amlipao, Meng and June Rabapo, Mara and Sophia Wuerth, Maria Beltran, Elizabeth Sanchez, Jen Vernon, Edgar Perez De La Rosa, Jeff and Janet Gehl, Rose Clifford, Jack Samalot, Willie Bulan, Anthony Hargan, Roy Plumley, Bubut N. Aquino.

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:

Cory McManus, son of robin and Donald McManus
Fima Safiri, parishioner

**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.



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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**Registration for a Quality Catholic Education**

If you are not enrolled in Saint Joseph the Worker School (Pre- K through 8th Grades) we are inviting you to think of the opportunities for your child(ren) in a Catholic School. Daily religion classes, and the opportunity to attend Mass are important for growth in faith and knowledge of God's part in their life now and in the future. Besides growing in their knowledge and practice of the Catholic Faith, they will grow academically with the emphasis on a strong curriculum presented by experienced certified teachers. Besides the academic classes, the students have Art, Music and P.E, which have been eliminated in some Public Schools. Call the school for an appointment between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. for registration information and to observe the class that you are interest in for an appointment. You can also find registration forms on-line.

St. Joseph The Worker School Student Non-Discrimination Policy

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color or national and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, sex or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

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

Confirmation sessions are on Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Conference Center Hall

Year One Session: Tuesday, March 1

Year Two Session: Tuesday, March 8

If you have any questions please contact Dinh Phan at the Parish Center.



RCIA

Today at the 9:30 a.m. Mass we celebrated the first Scrutiny with our Elect. What are "The Scrutinies"? The Scrutinies are meant to uncover all that is weak, defective and sinful in the hearts of the Elect, to bring out all that is strong, upright and good in them. The Scrutinies also welcome the loving presence of God, bringing light and encouraging full life. The focus of the Scrutinies is toward life, freedom and salvation. The Scrutinies take seriously the profound love of God and the desire of God to bring all people to full freedom and salvation; these rites are celebrated with our Elect only. As the awareness of God's gracious gift of loving forgiveness grows in each of our Elect they become more sensitive to sin and evil, the obstacles that keep this love from changing life. The Scrutinies help to shine the light of Christ through the soul that we might see where we are weak and need to bring change. This light shines on our strengths that we might see our gifts and use them in service to God and others.

The Scrutinies are not just for the Elect, but for us all, that we might recognize and become more sensitive to the obstacles that keep us from encountering Christ and experiencing true change, finding new life, new freedom, and the salvation that is the resurrection.

Our Candidates went to the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels last Sunday afternoon where they joined with all the baptized people that will be receiving sacraments this coming Easter season. Archbishop Gomez recognized them as being ready to receive Sacraments of Initiation this year. Congratulate them when you see them around the parish. These are some of the people that are dismissed after the homily each Sunday. They are a great bunch!

The second Scrutiny will be celebrated next Sunday at the 11:30 a.m. mass. The third Scrutiny will take place the following Sunday, March 22, at the 9:30 a.m. mass.

Keep an eye on this space, it is where you will find information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) here at St. Joseph the Worker. You will learn about the celebrations of the rites and rituals that are part of the Order of the Catechumens. These are great celebrations; I hope they add to your sense of community and your spiritual experience here. I ask you to please pray for our Elect, Catechumens and Candidates as they prepare to be fully initiated members of our St. Joseph the Worker community. They are appearing on the screens in the church, please choose one or more and pray especially for them.

Elect: Tin Van Dinh, Jackie CT Duong, Nen Cong Huynh, Michael Mosley, Paola Munoz, Anh Pham, Heily Ramos, Stephany Ramos, Emily Rodriguez, Axel Rodriguez, Dan Cam Tran, Phuong Trinh Thi Vo

Candidates: Dario Alcaraz, Mindy Ambriz, Alexis Curiel, Jeanette de los Santos, Ana Gonzalez, Herminia Gonzalez, Kristina Gonzalez, Maria Gonzalez, Wendy Gonzalez, Bryant Janssen, Julio Meza-Leon, Steven Leon, Brenda Machorro, Jennifer Monterrozo, Phung Ngoc Nguyen, Van Anh Hoang Phan, Thanh Dat Hoang Phan, Francisco Rodriguez, Luis Sanchez, Jazmin Sanchez, Jose Segura, Hermilo Vasquez-Silva, Isaac Velazco.



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IN THE COMMUNITY



• YEAR OF MERCY •

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

IN COMMUNION WITH THE
ENTIRE CHURCH

BEGINS FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH

WITH 9:00 AM MASS-

CONCLUDES SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH

WITH 8:00 AM MASS

JESUS-ADORATION-PRAYER
RECONCILIATION

COME ENCOUNTER MERCY

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS

A televised Sunday Mass is now airing on ABC Family Channel from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. each Sunday morning. The Sunday Mass is produced by the Passionist Fathers and Brothers out of New York City and is available nationally on local affiliates. Too early for you? Tape it or Tivo it! For more information consult the website at www.TheSundayMass.org.

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

VALLEY FAMILY CENTER

Valley Family Center is located in the city of San Fernando. All services are in English and Spanish. Counseling services include: Marriage, family and child. Special groups: Teen girls, children 5 - 12, children of divorced couples, victims of abuse, children's bereavement group, parenting educational classes, domestic violence perpetrator groups (as needed) Learning Center: tutorial, basic skill building for children and teens. Sliding scale fees. Call to make an appointment (818) 365-8588.



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 2 Re 5:1-15ab; Sal 42 (41):2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lc 4:24-30

Martes: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Miércoles: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Sal 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Jueves: Jer 7:23-28; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Lc 11:14-23

Viernes: Hos 14:2-10; Sal 81 (80):6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mc 12:28-34

Sábado: Hos 6:1-6; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 18-21ab; Lc 18:9-14

Domingo: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Sal 34 (33):2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lc 15:1-3, 11-32

Lecturas alternativas (Año A):

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Ef 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Monitorear actividad en las redes sociales

Los sitios de redes sociales, como Facebook, pueden ser una gran forma de conectarse con viejas y nuevas amistades y con miembros de la familia, y mantenerse informados sobre lo que está ocurriendo en sus vidas. Pero algunas relaciones se mantienen mejor fuera de línea. Es importante que los padres se aseguren que las amistades en línea de sus hijos sean consistentes con sus relaciones en su vida real, especialmente cuando se trata de otros adultos. Para una página de consejos sobre seguridad en las redes sociales del Centro Nacional de Niños Desaparecidos y Explotados, por favor contacte a jvienna@la-archdiocese.org

GRUPO DE JÓVENES ADULTOS

"Nueva Generación"

(Mayores de 21 años)

Te invitamos a venir al Grupo de Jóvenes Adultos todos los viernes a las 7:00 p.m. en el salón de Santa Elizabeth Ann Seton del Centro de Conferencias. Para información comunícate con Oscar Lima (818) 425-5263; Guadalupe Martínez (818) 855-3782.

SED DE UNIDAD

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús siente sed y va al pozo a buscar agua. Se encuentra con una samaritana que anticipaba ser tratada con desprecio mal por él. ¡Pero que sorpresa! Él le habla con respeto e interés como si fuera un ser humano. ¿Y qué sucede? Pues que muy pronto todo el pueblo salió a escucharle. Muchos siglos antes, los israelitas, ambulando en el desierto, sintieron sed. No tenían agua. Sólo tenían una mala disposición. Se quejaron a Moisés: "¿Por qué nos has hecho salir de Egipto?" ¡Pero que sorpresa! Dios les dio agua de la roca; sin hacer preguntas. Todos los pueblos de la tierra viajamos juntos en este planeta; todos tenemos sed, todos con nuestros propios temores de los demás. Pero Dios —amoroso padre— nos trata con cuidado generoso y compasión. Somos una familia. Podríamos darnos una sorpresa mutua. Podríamos recordar que somos uno.

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VIDA PARROQUIAL

VIA CRUCIS

El Via Crucis en español será todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma a las 7:00 p.m. en el templo empezando el 12 de febrero.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Para ser cristiano en la Iglesia católica necesitas recibir los tres sacramentos de Iniciación, es decir, el Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Eucaristía. Si te falta uno de estos sacramentos no estás completamente iniciado. Algunos cristianos insisten que si no estás confirmado no te puedes casar por la Iglesia, pero esto no es completamente cierto. Según las leyes de la Iglesia, los cristianos que desean contraer Matrimonio deberían buscar ser confirmados, si les es posible sin grave dificultad (Canon 1065).

Todos conocemos el Bautismo y la Eucaristía, pero ¿qué es la Confirmación? El nombre lo dice todo. Con la Confirmación, confirmamos ante Dios y la Iglesia que deseamos ser cristianos por el resto de nuestra vida. Confirmarse es comprometerse, es entregarse al servicio de Dios ayudando al prójimo con la gracia y el poder del Espíritu Santo. Por eso es importante recibir una buena preparación.

La mayoría de nosotros no tuvimos opción cuando nuestra mamá y nuestro papá nos bautizaron. Nuestros padres y padrinos dijeron sí por nosotros y, si cumplieron con su compromiso, nos enseñaron con palabras y buen ejemplo como decir sí al Evangelio de Cristo. Sea que nos hayamos bautizado como infantes o como adultos, la Confirmación nos da la oportunidad de dar un sí pleno. ¡Sí! a ese bautizo, ¡Sí! a la Iglesia y en especial ¡Sí! a Cristo.

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



**AÑO DE LA
MISERICORDIA**
24 HORAS PARA EL SEÑOR
**EN COMUNIÓN CON TODA
LA IGLESIA**
COMIENZA EL VIERNES, 4 DE MARZO
CON LA MISA DE 9:00 AM
CONCLUYE SÁBADO, 5 DE MARZO
CON MISA DE 8:00 AM
JESUS-ADORACION-ORACION -
RECONCILIACION
VEN, EXPERIMENTA LA MISERICORDIA
NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LOURDES
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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.



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INFORMATION: Mike Stafford, Parish Business Manager
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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.