

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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

Pastor

Rev. Beto Villalobos

Associate Pastor

Rev. Roberto Rueda

Associate Pastor

Rev. Thuan Nguyen

Deacon

Dn. Augusto "Gus" Mora

School Principal

CJ Kruska

Faith Formation Director

Bill Sparks

Youth Ministry and Confirmation

J.P. Fernandez

Religious Education

Karina Villanueva

Business Manager

Mike Stafford

Parish Secretary

Angela Escobar

The Hispanic Council is one of our three community councils. Like the Vietnamese and Filipino councils, it is a representative body of the community's ministries, assures that the community is actively engaged in the mission of St. Joseph the Worker parish, and develops initiatives that nurture faith and spirituality.

HISPANIC COUNCIL



Top, left to right: Jaime Espinoza, Fr. Roberto Rueda, Daniel Becerra, Eduardo Rodríguez, Blanca Rodríguez, Rigo Trejo, Edward Trejo

Middle: Carmen Ochoa, Vicky Rivera, Rosa Arévalo, Sebastián Arévalo, Juan Garrido, Ismael Ramírez

Bottom: Vilma Hernández, Maricela Sandoval, Matty Gutiérrez, Yessenia Rivera, Imelda Jiménez, Flavia Valadez, Rosa Trejo, Marta Aviles, Zulma López

Not pictured: Lupe Díaz, Jorge Durón, Jesús Escobar, Ana Fisher, Raúl Hernández, Guadalupe Rivas, Julio Rodezno, Miriam Rodríguez, Lucy San Martín

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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: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Sunday September 30

7:30 a.m. Charlene Ornelas Cornejo (RIP)
9:30 a.m. Veronica Palacios Reyes (RIP)
11:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
1:30 p.m. Donato Arciniega (RIP)
5:30 p.m. World Peace
7:30 p.m. All Souls

Monday October 1

6:30 a.m. Luka Mulackal (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Jaime a. Farrales (RIP)

Tuesday October 2

6:30 a.m. Jesse Medina (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Ronald de Leon (RIP)

Wednesday October 3

6:30 a.m. Lilian Perez (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Ted Concepcion (RIP)

Thursday October 4

6:30 a.m. Alejandro C. Hilao (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Luis Pareades (RIP)

Friday October 5

6:30 a.m. Ted Concepcion (RIP)
8:30 a.m. John Dang Dinh (RIP)

Saturday October 6

8:30 a.m. Memorial Society
5:30 p.m. Pilar Bayani (RIP)

Sunday October 7

7:30 a.m. Ben Rosete (Birthday)
9:30 a.m. Elena Castellanos (Birthday)
11:30 a.m. Rosario Galimberti (RIP)
1:30 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
5:30 p.m. Thanh and Mai Nguyen (Anniversary)
7:30 p.m. Jorge Sanchez (Birthday)



PARISH LIFE

NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time. He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones," the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

From its earliest days, the Church has had an interest in the education of young people. In ancient Rome, teachers of boys had to resign their posts in order to become catechumens, since the education of boys was so keyed to the lore and worship of the gods. In other ages, public education has been so attuned to other values that creative solutions have arisen.

In late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Ireland, government schools had a goal of "Anglicizing" the Irish in culture and religion. Most Irish Catholics opted out in favor of "hedge schools." In these largely secret schools, meeting not just in the shadow of hedges but also in cottages and barns throughout Ireland, schoolmasters provided eager students with a classical education grounded in Greek and Latin, Irish literature, the banned Gaelic language, and the catechism of the Church. The so-called penal laws forbade Catholics from teaching young people publicly or privately, and "civil disobedience" ruled the day. In 1826, a British government study showed that of half a million Irish children enrolled in schools, 403,000 were in hedge schools! A woman named Nano Nagle defied the law by opening schools for the poor. Eventually her companions became the Presentation Sisters. A layman named Edmund Rice, inspired by her courage, founded the Irish Christian Brothers for the same purpose. By 1820, the situation eased, since Irish Catholics had shown that they would defy any law that diminished their love of learning and threatened their faith.

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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 enrolled 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.



PARISH LIFE

GIFT SHOP

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

It is said, "Many hands make light work." The St. Vincent de Paul Society needs more people to fulfill our mission of seeking out and helping the poor in our parish. We provide many services, including food distribution from our pantry, visiting and providing financial assistance to the need, and helping out at the homeless lunches. If you are interested and would like to know more, please leave your name and phone number on our message line at (818) 773-1864.

Also, your food donation is very well appreciated. Please bring the items to the Parish Center at any time. When making donations to the needy of the parish in the blue/green envelopes located in the pews, please make checks payable to: The Saint Vincent de Paul Society. For those in need, please call the St. Vincent de Paul voicemail at (818) 773-1864.

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.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Experience living in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit

St. Joseph the Worker Church - Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

October 4	Fruits & Gifts of the Holy Spirit
October 11	The Helper
October 18	Church Alive
October 25	Spiritual Warfare
November 8	Commissioning Rites

All are welcome. Admission is FREE.

Session in progress. Walk-ins welcome.

Contact the following for more information: Tessie Millado (818) 406-5681, Deacon Gus Mora (818) 404-7794; Email: sjwpg.lss@gmail.com

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 beyond your wildest dreams. (Malachi 3:10)

Weekly Goal	09-23-18	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$13,233	\$15,037	-12.0%

2018 Env \$7,534 (56.9%) E-giving \$1,622 (12.3%)

2017 Env \$7,983 (53.1%) E-giving \$1,681 (11.2%)

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 6:00 p.m. (SJW Chapel)

SACRAMENTS

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Confirmation Process (Grades 8th - 12th)

Year One - Bimonthly

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 pm OR Sundays 9:30 - 11:00 am

Year Two - Bimonthly

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 pm OR Sundays 9:30 - 11:00 am

Information: JP Fernandez, 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

Joyce Masloski, Dwight Ramos, Maxim Razuan, Maria Melanie Martinez, Alyssa Vasquez, Noel Columbres, Larry LeVine, Mark Cox, Gilbert Gonzalez, Jack Samalot, Martha Medina, Paul Davis, Ceferino Navarro, Maria Dolores Rivas, Meilani H. Sandan, Nina Rosales, Sandy Gregory, Abbey Aquino, Albert Garcia, Jr., Lulu Mercado, Wendy and Lisa Pelamati, Lisa Grady, Thelma Foley, Eric Escobar, Irene, Ferdinand, Rolando and Vidlamor Morales, David Nisbet, Celia Garcia, Ignacio Ortiz, Freddie Manansala, Bob Zemke, Sinai Guerrero, Giordano Bruno, Samoila Yamin, Maria Romera

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:

Lilian Perez, wife of Nelson Privaral

Virginia Litz, mother of Rachelle Nozik

Sung Nguyen, parishioner

Jesse Medina, son of Milady Cortez

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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

Information: Karina Villanueva, ext. 1016.

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)

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

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

Children 7-12 years (Spanish)

Parish Center Dining Room

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**EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION****St. Joseph the Worker School**

Creating Tomorrow's Leaders Through Faith, Academics and Service for Over 60 Years!

A St. Joseph the Worker Knight is...**A Conscientious Citizen (LEAD)**

- By building our community through service.
- By demonstrating love and respect for our local and global communities.
- By living as stewards of God's Creation.

Faith-Filled (LOVE)

- By following Jesus as our model.
- By caring for "our dear neighbor".
- By actively participating in prayer and service.

Committed to Academics (LEARN)

- By embracing persistent curiosity.
- By attempting their best work with integrity.
- By demonstrating a strong foundation in academics.

LEAD - LOVE - LEARN**School Info At A Glance:**

- Average 20/1 Student to Teacher ratio
- New Security Door and Cameras
- New WiFi for 1,000 devices
- C3 Ignite Grant for New iPads (Fall 2018)
- New Academic Lounge (Fall 2018)
- Knight Academy - After School Day Care
- EXCEL Taekwondo Classes
- STREAM Expo - Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics
- 6th grade Outdoor School - 4 Day Science Camp
- Weekly Mass attendance for ALL students
- Sacramental Preparation for 1st and 2nd grades
- Spanish classes - Grades 3-5
- Athletic Teams: Volleyball, Flag Football, Basketball, Track and Field, and Swim
- Campus Clubs: Cooking Club, Art Club, Board Game Club, Gamers Club, and Theater Club

STAR Testing

Almost 100 of our students scored at or above the 80th percentile nationwide in Student Growth Percentile for all grade levels with an average increase of over 20 percentile points from August 2017 to August 2018!

Want to join our awesome school?**Call us for a tour! (818) 341-6616****Now Accepting applications for 2018-2019**



PARISH LIFE

YOUTH MINISTRY/ CONFIRMATION

Youth Mass every Sundays at 11:30am.

Confirmation Year 1:

Tuesday, October 2, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.. Parish Hall ONLY - Safe-guard the Children Session

Tuesday, October 16, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Parish Hall OR Sunday, October 21, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Hall - "Why Am I Here" - An Intro-duction To Chosen

Confirmation Year 2:

Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Parish Hall ONLY - Safe-guard the Children Session

Tuesday, October 30, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Parish Hall OR Sunday, November 4, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Hall - Prayer & Saints



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SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

Reporting Abuse/Misconduct

It is important to communicate your concerns if you observe anyone interacting with a child in an inappropriate manner. Parents, family members, teachers, clergy and all who work with or are responsible for the care of children need to remember that speaking up is one of the most important things they can do to protect not just their own children, but all children. Voicing your concerns is critical to protecting God's children. Any incident of abuse or misconduct should be immediately reported. For a copy of the complete VIRTUS® article, "Are We Communicating our Concerns?," visit <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

MASS INTENTION BOOK

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. The 2019 book will be available on Monday, October 1.

IN THE COMMUNITY

ATTENTION ALL 8TH GRADE GIRLS

Louisville High School invites you to join us on **Friday, November 2** from 8:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. for our annual 8th Grade Visit Day. Your parents will drop you off on campus and you will join other 8th grade girls for a fun-filled day at Louisville. Come meet our students, faculty and staff, experience an all-girl classroom and enjoy our hospitality as we showcase our campus and our students. We'll provide snacks, lunch and entertainment. Don't miss this special day designed especially for you. Please register online at www.louisvillehs.org or call us at 818-346-8812. We can't wait to meet you!

FAMILY SPIRIT NIGHT

Chaminade Family Spirit Night is being held on **Friday, October 12**, for middle school students and their families. This is a special evening of fun, food, fellowship, and football beginning at 5:15pm with pre-game performances of our Eagle Regiment Band and cheerleaders and a light supper. Families will be treated to a preview of the football game and a presentation on our Athletic programs. Our Ambassadors will give families a tour of the campus, and will escort them to the Chaminade stadium to be our guests for the football game against Loyola. Please RSVP to the Admissions Office at (818) 347-8300 ext. 355 or via email to yuramoto@chaminade.org.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY LIFE CHAIN

It will be held on **Sunday, October 7**, at Devonshire & Sepulveda Blvd, in Mission Hills, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 pm. Please join us at this Pro-Life event, where we will stand in a legal, peaceful protest against abortion. Signs will be provided.

VALLEY FAMILY CENTER

We are located in the city of San Fernando. All services are in English/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) Sliding scale fees. Call (818) 365-8588.

THE ROSARY GROUPS FOR JESUS AND MARY
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE ITS
**35TH ANNUAL
ROSARY RALLY**
on **Saturday, October 13, 2018**
(101st Anniversary of the 6th and last apparition of our Lady of Fatima, also called as Our Lady of Rosary, in Portugal)
From 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Saint Mel Parish, 20870 Ventura Blvd, Woodland Hills, CA
2018 Theme: "Pray the Rosary Daily for Peace"



ORDER OF CELEBRATION

- Living Rosary
- Coronation
- Flower Offering
- Eucharistic Mass
- Procession
- Fellowship

For more information, please contact:
Ruby/Romie Uy @ 818-999-2712 or
Millette/Rod Cruz @ 818-571-1813



With the participation of the
Knights of Columbus Council 3601, Canoga Park



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Job 1:6-22; Sal 17 (16):1bcd-3, 6-7; Lc 9:46-50

Martes: Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Sal 88 (87):2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Miércoles: Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Sal 88 (87):10bc-15; Lc 9:57-62

Jueves: Job 19:21-27; Sal 27 (26):7-9abc, 13-14; Lc 10:1-12

Viernes: Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Sal 139 (138):1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lc 10:13-16

Sábado: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Sal 119 (118):66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lc 10:17-24

Domingo: Gn 2:18-24; Sal 128 (127):1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mc 10:2-16 [2-12]

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Reportando abuso/comportamiento inapropiado

Si usted observa a alguien interactuando con un niño o una niña en una forma inapropiada, es importante que comunique sus preocupaciones. Los padres de familia, miembros de la familia, profesores, sacerdotes y todos aquellos que trabajan con niños o son responsables del cuidado de niños, necesitan recordar que elevar la voz puede ayudar a proteger no sólo a sus propios hijos, sino a todos los niños. Hablar sobre sus preocupaciones es muy importante para proteger a los hijos de Dios. Cualquier incidente de abuso o conducta inapropiada debe ser reportado inmediatamente. Para una copia del artículo completo de VIRTUS®,

“Are We Communicating our Concerns?” (¿Estamos comunicando nuestras preocupaciones?), visite <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

RITO DE INICIACION CRISTIANA

Estamos invitando a través del Proceso de Iniciación Cristiana de esta Parroquia a todos los adultos, jóvenes y niños mayores de 7 años que estén interesados en prepararse para recibir los Sacramentos de Iniciación: Bautismo, Confirmación y Eucaristía y a los que deseen completar sus Sacramentos de Confirmación y Eucaristía. Los interesados favor de comunicarse con Bill Sparks al 818-341-6634 x 1012

REGISTRACIÓN PARROQUIAL

Si vive en el área de la parroquia o aunque no viva en el área viene a misa aquí, es muy importante que se registre. Puede recoger una forma en el vestíbulo de la iglesia o en la oficina parroquial. Si se registra será más fácil para nosotros ayudarle sea con una carta, misa o preparación de algún sacramento. Gracias.

LIBRO DE INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

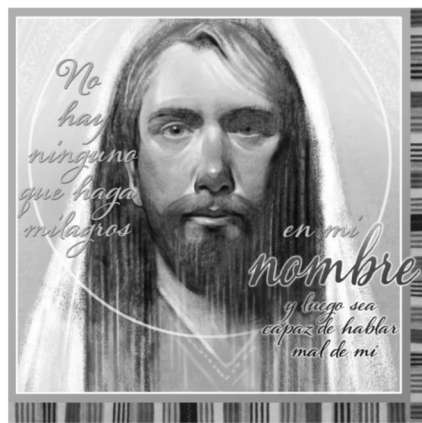
El libro de intenciones para las misas del 2019 estará disponible en la oficina parroquial el **1ero de octubre**. Solo se permite una intención por misa. La donación es de \$10. Las misas podrán ser reservadas en la oficina parroquial de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. y de 1:00 p.m. a 4:00 p.m.

VIDA PARROQUIAL

¿QUIÉN ESTÁ A NUESTRO FAVOR?

Jesús, como Moisés que estuvo antes que él, corrige los malentendidos de los discípulos sobre el don del Espíritu. Vieron a personas, que no eran parte de su grupo, echar demonios y hacer otros milagros como Jesús había hecho. Jesús señala que nadie que hace milagros en su nombre puede luego hablar mal de él. Luego señala la importancia de la “gente sencilla”: los pobres, las personas sencillas, los niños, los humildes que no son importantes en el mundo. Es a ellos a quienes fue enviado, no a los ricos ni a los fariseos. Jesús hace hincapié en la importancia de las pequeñas obras hechas con fe, de la misma manera que las grandes obras como echar a los demonios. “Todo aquél que les dé a beber un vaso de agua...por el hecho de que son de Cristo...les aseguro que no se quedará sin recompensa” (Marcos 9:41). Dios construye el Reino por venir poco a poco con nuestras acciones, sin importar que sean pequeñas o sencillas, si se las hace por amor a Dios y al prójimo.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En 1648 el franciscano Matías Abad llegó a la selva chocoana en la costa pacífica de Colombia. Allí, a pesar de los ataques indígenas en contra de los misioneros, pudo celebrar la fiesta de san Francisco (4 de octubre). Al pasar de los años la devoción a san Francisco en Chocó se convirtió en una mezcla de la fe católica, las religiones africanas y la brujería. Este sincretismo es una forma de superstición que busca utilizar al santo en lugar de imitarlo.

Esta confianza en imágenes y estatuas es común y hasta peligrosa entre los latinoamericanos. Las hazañas de ciertas imágenes milagrosas llegan a proporciones exageradas. Por ejemplo, la imagen de “san Pachito”, como lo llaman los chocoanos, se le atribuye haber apagado un incendio que amenazaba la población. La pusieron delante de las llamas y las apagó con su propio sudor.

Hay que tener cuidado con la importancia de las imágenes sagradas de nuestras tradiciones. En un descuido pueden convertirse en ídolos o amuletos en lugar del recuerdo de la presencia divina y el desafío de vivir en santidad.

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

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, Él 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.



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 Kimberly Jetton, Planned Giving Manager, Archdiocese of Los Angeles; (213) 637-7504; plannedgiving@la-archdiocese.org.

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