



# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**JANUARY 6, 2019**

## 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](http://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

# On a Mission

Today we celebrate that the child born in the darkness of night in a manger is revealed as the manifestation (the meaning of epiphany) of God. The Solemnity reminds us that Jesus came as the Light of the world, and that we, a missionary people, are sent to call all nations to that Light.



"... magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'"

—Luke 2:1-2

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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 OF THE WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22 – 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72: 1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19 – 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30  
**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

### MASS INTENTIONS

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

- Sunday January 6**  
 7:30 a.m. Cesar Jara (RIP)  
 9:30 a.m. Victor Abijay (RIP)  
 11:30 a.m. Yvonne Wickremasinha (RIP)  
 1:30 p.m. Alfredo Arbito (RIP)  
 5:30 p.m. Phero Kiew (RIP)  
 7:30 p.m. Jessica Rivera (Birthday)
- Monday January 7**  
 6:30 a.m. Joseph Chau Huynh (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Dionisio Alejandro Sr. (RIP)
- Tuesday January 8**  
 6:30 a.m. Van Dang's Cousins (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Consuelo Marcelino (RIP)
- Wednesday January 9**  
 6:30 a.m. Thon and Maria Cao (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Manuel Montenegro (RIP)
- Thursday January 10**  
 6:30 a.m. Julio Cesar Ferrufino (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Antonia and Rafael Ventura (Anniversary)
- Friday January 11**  
 6:30 a.m. Michael Pozen (Birthday)  
 8:30 a.m. Remedios and Joaquin Villagracia (RIP)
- Saturday January 12**  
 8:30 a.m. Harry Burnelle (RIP)  
 5:30 p.m. Nguyen Family (Thanksgiving)
- Sunday January 13**  
 7:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)  
 9:30 a.m. Jose Rafael Flores (Get Well)  
 11:30 a.m. Mary E. Bradley (RIP)  
 1:30 p.m. Faustino Simon Adauta Silva (RIP)  
 5:30 p.m. Joseph Thua Do (RIP)  
 7:30 p.m. Manuel Mora (RIP)



## PARISH LIFE

### INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE

Everyone is welcome to the celebration of the 9-Hour Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague on **Saturday, January 26**, beginning at 7:00 a.m. here at St. Joseph the Worker Church. We'll see you then.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE

Due to the Infant Jesus of Prague 9-Hour Novena on **Saturday, January 26**, the 8:30 a.m. Mass will be in the Conference Center Hall and the 3:30 p.m. Confessions will be cancelled that day.



### FINDING GOD

The splendid magi, all sparkle and dash and solemnity, march right up off the pages of Matthew's Gospel and into our churches today. Matthew alone tells us this grand and seductive story so that we might see the light and know that the child these magi visited is the fulfillment of prophecy, the king of the world that stretches to the magi's home country and beyond, right down the ages to us.

We too see and understand anew. Like the magi, our patron saints for this day, we see in the newborn child the king of the universe and light of the world. Like the magi, we find in ourselves a new faith and a new life. Like them, we return to our home by a new route.

We are asked to come away from this festive season ourselves renewed and awake to the presence of God among us. We are asked to find God where God is to be found, to be attentive and surprised and ready to bow down in adoration and to offer our gifts. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Monday of this week is Christmas Day in Russia and in much of the Orthodox world. This curious difference in schedule has a lot to do with how calendars have been developed and changed over the years. In the year 45 B.C. Julius Ceasar gave the empire his Julian Calendar, with the winter solstice on January 6. This put an end to a system in which officials called "pontiffs" were able to tweak the calendar by adding extra days in as needed. He invented two new months at that time, December and January; and in order to correct the mess the pontiffs had made, forced a year of 445 days on the empire in what he named "The Last Year of Confusion." The new months varied in number of days according to a complex schedule, but the calendar was still off by nearly twelve minutes a year, and lost a full day every 130 years. Pope Gregory XIII reformed the calendar in 1583, but not everyone appreciated his efforts. England held out for two hundred years. The year 1700 was a leap year in England, but not in France; they were eleven days apart! George Washington was really born on February 11; when the Gregorian calendar was finally adopted in the English colonies shortly before the Revolution, he had to move his birthday to February 22. Now the calendars are thirteen days apart, which accounts for Russia's Julian calendar Christmas. And Caesar thought he had brought confusion to an end!

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## 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.

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.

### TAX-WISE YEAR END GIVING OPTIONS

#### **Gifts from an IRA**

If you are 70 ½ or older, you can make a tax-free gift directly from your IRA account to the parish. This law allows you to transfer any amount up to \$100,000 annually directly to a qualified charitable organization without paying income tax on the distribution. The transfer does not generate taxable income or a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your tax deductions. Your gift can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution.

#### **Gifts of Stock**

Gifts of appreciated assets such as stock are an excellent way for you to make a charitable gift.

Stocks may be transferred directly to the Archdiocese for the benefit of parish, school or favorite Catholic ministry. These gifts will not affect your cash flow, and they provide the following tax benefits:

- A possible charitable deduction to help you save on taxes
- Bypass of federal and state capital gains taxes
- Avoidance of the tax on net investment income

From a tax perspective, a gift of appreciated assets makes good sense. You can make the capital gains taxes optional, achieve significant tax savings and support our programs.

Please contact Brooke Glazer at 213-637-7381 or bglazer@la-archdiocese.org.

**Have you remembered** your parish, school or ministry in your will or trust? Our legal title is The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, A Corporation Sole, for the Benefit of (parish, school, ministry). For more information, please call Kimberly Jetton at 213-637-7512.

### 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

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 Mansala, Bob Zemke, Sinai Guerrero, Giordano Bruno, Samoila Yamin, Maria Romera, Angelica Markosian, Antony Jawiche, Nahle and Tony Yamin, Negme and Ilie Setha, Salustia and Paul Maxim, Julie Nguyen, Noel Columbres, Gilbert Gonzalez, Meilani Her Sandan.

*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

Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently lost a loved one.



## 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

## SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

### New Year's Resolution: Become a mandatory reporter

Even if the legal requirements for mandatory reporting may not cover your specific position, as Catholics, we are called to protect the vulnerable at all times, and that may mean reporting on inappropriate behavior that puts a child at risk. The only way we can prevent abuse is to learn the signs and take ownership for the safety of children in our communities. To read more from the VIRTUS® article "Make a New Year's Resolution to Become a Mandatory Reporter," visit <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

## 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

#### Nondiscrimination Policy

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, 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, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship 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.



## 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 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.

### CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The SJWCPCG invites you every Thursday night from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for an evening of praise and worship, bible reflection, group sharing and healing service. All are welcome!

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We invite you to be in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament every **Wednesday** from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center chapel. In addition to Wednesdays, there is adoration every **First Friday** of the month in the chapel at 7:00 p.m.

### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

If you would like a contribution statement for the year 2018, please call the Parish Center (818) 341-6634. We will be happy to send one to you.



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## IN THE COMMUNITY

### 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](http://www.TheSundayMass.org).

### RETRouvaille

Marriage Help – Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about, or to register for the next program call: (661) 257-7980 or email [ornelasdachs@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ornelasdachs@sbcglobal.net) or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

### A MINISTRY FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Looking for a way to share the many blessings of married life? Catholic Engaged Encounter needs couples to help minister to engaged couples. No experience necessary and free training is provided! If you would like to share what you've learned as a married couple and meet a terrific community of married couples, please consider the ministry of Catholic Engaged Encounter. For information call Tom and Diane Krause (310) 316-3477 or visit [www.CEEofLA.org](http://www.CEEofLA.org); [EngagedEncounter@verizon.net](mailto:EngagedEncounter@verizon.net)

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

What am I most thankful for in my marriage this past year? Make the blessing of your spouse come alive in your life by enriching your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are **February 8-10, 2019** in Lancaster and April 26-28, 2019 in Simi Valley. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Ed and Jo Lara at 818-848-6729 or go online at [www.twocanlove.org](http://www.twocanlove.org)  
We help make good marriages better.

### 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.



## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** 1 Jn 3:22 – 4:6; Sal 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

**Martes:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4, 7-8; Mc 6:34-44

**Miércoles:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Sal 72 (71): 1-2, 10, 12-13; Mc 6:45-52

**Jueves:** 1 Jn 4:19 – 5:4; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lc 4:14-22a

**Viernes:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Lc 5:12-16

**Sábado:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

**Domingo:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Sal 29 (28):1-4, 3, 9-10 o Sal 104 (103):1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Hch 10:34-38 o Tit 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lc 3:15-16, 21-22

## PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

### Resolución de Año Nuevo: Conviértase en reportero y ¡denuncie!

Aunque los requisitos legales para hacer una denuncia no sean parte de sus funciones laborales, como católicos estamos llamados a proteger a los más vulnerables en todo momento, y eso puede significar denunciar conductas inapropiadas que ponen a un niño en riesgo. La única manera en que podemos prevenir el abuso es aprender cuales son las señales de alerta y asumir nuestra responsabilidad de garantizar la seguridad de los niños en nuestras comunidades. Para leer más sobre el artículo de VIRTUS® "Make a New Year's Resolution to Become a Mandatory Reporter" (Haga una resolución de Año Nuevo para convertirse en un reportero obligatorio), visite <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

## GRUPO DE JOVENES ADULTOS

### (Jóvenes mayores de 21 años) "Nueva Generación"

Te invitamos a venir al Grupo de Jóvenes Adultos (jóvenes mayores de 21 años) todos los viernes a las 7:00 p.m. en el cuarto de San Elizabeth del Centro de Conferencias. Para más información comuníquese con Guadalupe Martínez al (818) 855-3782.

## ¿NO TE HAS CASADO POR LA IGLESIA?

¡Si tú y tu pareja no están casados por la Iglesia aquí tienen una oportunidad!



El **sábado 4 de mayo** el Padre Roberto celebrará **MATRIMONIOS EN GRUPO**

para todas las parejas que deseen arreglar su situación y acercarse a los sacramentos

### Requisitos:

- Boletas de Bautismo y Confirmación (copias recientes)
- Preparación matrimonial
- 2 testigos de él y 2 testigos de ella
- Boleta de matrimonio civil
- Entrevista con el Padre Roberto

Para mas información comuníquese con Angela Escobar (818) 341-6634, ext. 1003.

## VIDA PARROQUIAL

### ENCUENTRO CON DIOS

Los espléndidos Reyes Magos –destellantes, majestuosos y solemnes–, salen hoy de las páginas de Mateo y van rumbo a nuestra iglesia. Solamente Mateo nos habla de esta grande e interesante historia para que podamos ver la luz y saber que el niño que visitaron los Reyes Magos era el cumplimiento de la profecía, el rey cuyo mensaje llega hasta la tierra natal de estos magos y mucho más allá, hasta nuestra época.

Nosotros también nuevamente podemos ver y entender. Al igual que estos magos, nuestros santos patronos en este día, vemos en el niño recién nacido al rey del universo y la luz del mundo. Como los Reyes Magos, encontramos dentro de nosotros una nueva fe y una nueva vida. Como ellos, regresamos a casa por una nueva ruta.

Se nos pide terminemos esta temporada festiva renovados y consientes de la presencia de Dios entre nosotros. Se nos pide encontrar a Dios donde se le puede encontrar, que estemos atentos y listos para, con asombro, inclinarnos en adoración y ofrecer nuestras ofrendas.

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### GRUPO BÍBLICO

El grupo bíblico de la Parroquia de San José Obrero les extiende una cordial invitación a estudiar el Antiguo Testamento que dará comienzo el 10 de enero del 2019. La Palabra de Dios llena el Antiguo Testamento y sus libros son fundamentales de nuestra fe. La convicción de que Dios es el protagonista de la historia y es El quien la pone en movimiento y la dirige con su acción y más aún con su Palabra. Todo el Antiguo Testamento pone el fundamento de lo que será toda la Biblia: La revelación del amor de Dios por el ser humano. Las clases se impartirán todos los jueves de las 7:00 p.m. a las 9:00 p.m. en el Salón Santa Elizabeth. El curso es totalmente gratuito y todos son bienvenidos. Para más información Ismael Ramirez (818) 355-4476 ó Mayela Campos (818) 310-3867

### TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Es tiempo de añadir los reyes magos al pesebre. En 1448 llegaron los pesebres italianos a las iglesias españolas, pero no fue hasta que el Rey Carlos III le regaló un pesebre a su hijo en el siglo XVIII que el uso de pesebres se expandió en los hogares. Desde entonces, el uso de nacimientos llega al continente americano en donde se convierte en la decoración principal para las fiestas navideñas.

Así como en todo país latinoamericano el montaje del Belén es una tradición, lo es también en Venezuela. Con el pesebre venezolano llegan también aguinaldos, parrandas, Misas y patines. ¡Sí! ¡Patines!

Desde la mitad del siglo pasado los venezolanos celebran la época navideña con "patinadas". Estas "patinadas" normalmente se hacen por las mañanas y muchas calles están cerradas a los autos hasta las 8 a.m. para que niños y jóvenes puedan disfrutar de los patines, bicicletas y otros juguetes que les regala el niño Dios. Por eso, muchos niños duermen con un "cordoncito" atado al dedo gordo de los pies, que cuelgan por la ventana para que los despierten los que pasan patinado.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, 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 Kimberly Jetton, Planned Giving Manager, Archdiocese of Los Angeles; (213) 637-7504; [plannedgiving@la-archdiocese.org](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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.

# DEVOTIONS & PRAYER GROUPS

**Rosary Group**  
Monday–Saturday 9:00 a.m., Church  
**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Wednesday 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m., SJW Chapel  
First Friday 7:00 –9:00 p.m., SJW Chapel  
**Charismatic Prayer Group**  
Thursday 7:00 p.m., Church  
**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion**  
Wednesday 6:00 p.m., SJW Chapel

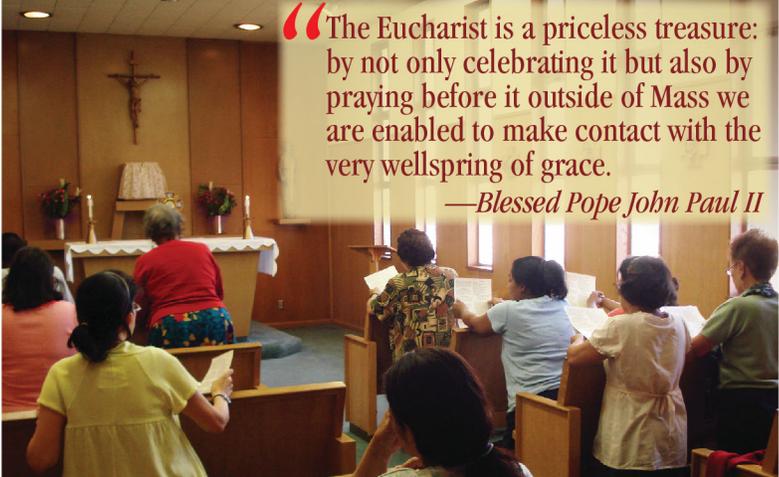
**Grupo de Oración**  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Conference Center Hall  
**Grupo de Jóvenes Adultos**  
“Nueva Generación en Jesucristo”  
Friday 7:00 p.m. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Conference Room  
**First Friday Mass, Church**  
Rosary 7:00 p.m.; Mass 7:30 p.m.

**Catholic Mothers Guild (Vietnamese)**  
Third Sunday 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of La Vang Conference Center room  
**Sacred Heart Group (Vietnamese Men)**  
Third Sunday 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of La Vang Conference Center room  
**Vocation Ministry (Vietnamese)**  
Periodic gatherings to pray for vocations

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



**SJW Chapel in the Parish Center: Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.**  
**First Friday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**



“The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace.”  
—Blessed Pope John Paul II