

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 19, 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

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Infant JESUS of Prague

9-Hour Novena **CELEBRATING THIRTY YEARS**

Saturday, January 25, 2014 • 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Church

Followed by Blessing of the Children and Mass

Msgr. James C. Gehl, Celebrant



ALL ARE WELCOME TO CELEBRATE THIS JOYOUS DAY!

For more about the novena, see page 5.

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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 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

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 19
7:30 a.m.	Mary Ester Bradley (RIP)
9:30 a.m.	SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
11:30 a.m.	Soto Family (RIP)
1:30 p.m.	Tomasa Guizar (RIP)
5:30 p.m.	World Peace
7:30 p.m.	Esther and Estuardo Lopez (RIP)
Monday	January 20
6:30 a.m.	No Mass
8:30 a.m.	Veronica Rosete (Birthday)
Tuesday	January 21
6:30 a.m.	Patrick Mc Cormick
8:30 a.m.	Barbara McManus (RIP)
Wednesday	January 22
6:30 a.m.	Marina Podolsky (RIP)
8:30 a.m.	Grace Magee (RIP)
Thursday	January 23
6:30 a.m.	Izzy Rodriguez (RIP)
8:30 a.m.	Judy Pol (RIP)
Friday	January 24
6:30 a.m.	Nenita Gonzalez (Birthday)
8:30 a.m.	Melvin Dizon (Birthday)
Saturday	January 25
8:30 a.m.	Michael Javalona (RIP)
5:30 p.m.	Maria Gomez (RIP)
Sunday	January 26
7:30 a.m.	James and Martha Alexander (RIP)
9:30 a.m.	Marquitto Feliciano (RIP)
11:30 a.m.	SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
1:30 p.m.	Maria Alejandra Frias (RIP)
5:30 p.m.	Maria Vu Thi Tue (RIP)
7:30 p.m.	Thelma Barrios (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 25**, 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 25**, the 8:30 a.m. Mass will be in the Conference Center Hall and the 3:30 p.m. Confessions will be heard in the Rectory Chapel. Please use the Cantlay St. entrance.

BIBLE STUDY

We will meet on Mondays, at 7:00 p.m. in the Religious Education office. We will be studying the Parables of the Kingdom.

Some of the most memorable teachings of Jesus were delivered as parables and are found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. This study explores those parables crafted by Mark, and then turns attention to the same parables as they appear in Matthew with a slightly different twist. You are invited to join us in this most interesting study. This is a great opportunity to look into the bible and see how God is calling and directing us. Studying scripture helps us to learn and know more about God's Word and why, where and for who it was written, thereby helping us to understand how it applies today. Studying the Scriptures leads us to a greater knowledge of Jesus and our faith. You are invited to come and be enlightened. Don't forget to bring your bible. Study materials are available at the meeting.

For more information on Bible Study here at St. Joseph the Worker Church please call Bill Sparks (818) 341-6624 ext. 1012.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

If you would like a contribution statement for the year 2013, please call the Parish Center (818) 341-6634. We will be happy to send one to you.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Center will be closed **Monday, January 20**, due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. There will be no 6:30 a.m. Mass.

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

Cartons of new items have come in - some Christmas items for next year. Our Gift shop is open on Sundays 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

VALENTINE'S DANCE

SJW Music Ministry is sponsoring a Valentine "Share the Love" Dance. The event will be held on Valentine's Day, Friday, February 14, from 6:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Music is provided by "D.J. El Maestro." This is an opportunity for our various parish ethnic communities to come together. Food with an international flavor will be available for sale. In addition, there will be raffles and prizes. At only \$10.00 a ticket, and children admitted free, here is a fun and reasonable way for the whole family to celebrate Valentine's Day. Tickets are available at the Parish Office and from members of the Music Ministry.

CULTURAL OUTREACH PROJECT 2014

Over the past few years, our parish has supported various charitable programs that help those in need throughout the world. Our goal has been to identify needs in countries where many in our parish have ties to by working with specific charities. This has provided opportunities for us to learn more about the many cultures that make up the Saint Joseph the Worker parish.

In past years, we have helped build houses for the homeless in the Philippines, provided books, uniforms and teachers for school age children in Vietnam, supported a halfway house for abused women in Mexico, raised money for the Invisible Children charity in Uganda, supported an orphanage in Sri Lanka and just last year, raised funds to support a school for impoverished children in Tacna, Peru.

This year we will celebrate the culture of Egypt. As you may know, the current situation in Egypt is unstable and dangerous for many Coptic Christians. Christians all over the country are being persecuted and churches are being burned down, leaving many people displaced and in need.

With this unrest, many families are finding it difficult to meet their everyday needs, which is why we have decided to sponsor the Coptic Orphans organization. This organization is dedicated to helping fatherless children in Egypt through educational programs. They work to ensure that these children have food on their table, a safe home to live in, and get the best education possible. Their goal is to help end the cycle of poverty, support themselves and their families, and contribute to their community.

Over the upcoming months, we will be announcing programs to both celebrate Egypt's rich culture and to raise money to support the Coptic Orphans organization. We ask for your support for this very worthwhile program. If you are interested in helping out with the Cultural Outreach Project please send an email to sjwculturaloutreach@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	1/12/14	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$16,965	\$14,391	+17.9%

2014 Env \$ 9,736 (57.4%) E-giving \$ 1023 (6.0%)
 2013 Env \$ 10,122 (55.9%) E-giving \$ 300 (2.1%)

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

David Nisbet, Jo Grady - Stone, Lisa Grady, Mickie Grady Brozovic, Wendy Pelamati, Jack Samalot, Jeffery Jones, Aida Spadaro, Bobbie Stephens, Jeric Inouye, The Foley Family, Luz Custodio, Sally Tay, Irma LeDuff, Lynn Marfil, Larry Le Vine, Bobina Eden, AnnaMay Shaw, Maria Elena Flores, Jean Louis Outta-Apay, Scott and Teresa Muller, Maryann Goppes, Nelia Evangelista, Virginia A. Kahn, Yvonne Burke, Natasha Minerva Galang, Mario Hernandez, Leonor and Josie Buenviaje, Virginia K. Miller, Frank Hernandez.

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:

Josephine Garland, parishioner
 Barbara Mc Manus, long time parishioner
 Maria Garay Garcia, aunt of Leticia Pozen

**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.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN**What can I do as a parent following a trauma?**

Establish a sense of safety and security. It is essential that children feel protected, safe and secure in the aftermath of a trauma. Ensure that all basic needs are met, including love, care, and physical closeness. Spend extra time to let children know that someone will nurture and protect them. Children will need a lot of comforting and reassurance. If you would like a copy of the article “A parent handout for helping children heal,” email jvien-na@la-archdiocese.org. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

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 Week

Next Sunday, the 26th of January is the first day of Catholic Schools Week. The students from our Parish School will attend the 9:30 Mass, form the choir, present the readings, and offertory gifts. Each day week there will be different activities to celebrate the week. Thursday evening, starting at 5:00 p.m. there will be a Spaghetti Dinner in the hall followed by Open House from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Now is the time for parents and grandparents who do not have their children enrolled at St. Joseph the Worker to come and visit our school. You will be able to observe the high quality of work planned by our teachers and completed by the students.

Catholic Schools – Faith, Academics, Service

St. Joseph the Worker is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, and prepares students for the High Schools that have exacting rules for acceptance. Religion is taught in every class, and students attend weekly Class Masses and monthly School Masses prepared by a different class each month. Besides Language Arts (English and Reading), students are taught Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, Spelling, Art, Music, and Physical Education. Faculty members are credentialed and most have Masters in Education. Both boys and girls participate in after school Sports Programs that play neighboring elementary schools in Volleyball, Basketball, Girls' Softball and Boys' Football.

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 - New Year Gift

We are asking any of you who are parents of alumni or a graduate yourself to consider giving a gift to the school at this time of giving. Many thanks to all of you who help 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 One Session: Tuesday, January 21. Sponsor session

Year Two Session: Tuesday, January 28. Sponsor session

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



FROM THE FRONT COVER

INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE 9-HOUR NOVENA CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

Saturday, January 25, 2014, 7:00 a.m., in the Church

Once a year, the statue of the Infant Jesus is moved from the side chapel of our church and placed atop an elevated table, adorned with a white drape and red roses, and surrounded by hundreds of statues of the Infant Jesus. The occasion is the annual 9-hour Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague, organized by the Infant Jesus of Prague Apostolic Group of the San Fernando Valley.

The Novena

The celebration dates to 1984 when St. Joseph the Worker parishioners Ben and Josie Buenviaje organized the first novena in the West Valley, here at our parish. In the early years, the novena was held at St. Catherine of Siena, St. John Baptist de la Salle, and St. Bridget of Sweden, eventually returning to St. Joseph the Worker, now the novena's official home. In 1985 the organizing group was named the Infant Jesus of Prague Apostolic Group whose purpose is the propagation of devotion to the Blessed Infant. Under the dedicated leadership of founders Ben and Josie, the number of devotees continues to increase. Novena attendees come from as far as Texas, North Carolina, and Florida. Msgr. Jim Gehl serves as Spiritual Director.

From Christmas to Candlemas, the Church recalls the Divine Childhood, with the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph; Most Holy Name of Jesus; the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord; and the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas). The annual 9-hour Novena to the Infant Jesus at St. Joseph the Worker takes place annually on the last Saturday of January, in keeping with the Church's devotion to the child Jesus during the month of January.

Although the speakers vary from year to year, the novena program, coordinated by Josie Buenviaje and the members of the organizing committee through the guidance of Msgr. Jim Gehl, includes an opening prayer, dedication, and welcome; prayer and speakers who address a different theme each hour; blessing of the children; blessing of the images (statues of the child Jesus that devotees bring to the novena); and concludes with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. This year's theme is Prayer.

An Invitation

Plan to share with your fellow parishioners a time of reflection and celebration. You may attend all or part of the day. All are welcome!

Saturday, January 25, 2014

7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., in the church, followed by Blessing of the Children and Mass

Information

Ben and Josie Buenviaje (951) 760-8693

Manny C. Patolot, President, Infant Jesus of Prague Apostolic Group of the San Fernando Valley; (323) 447-5125; mcpatolot@yahoo.com

IN THE COMMUNITY

CRESPI CARMELITE HIGH SCHOOL

We are now accepting applications online for the fall of 2014. Our Entrance exam will be offered on **January 25** and **February 1**. Please visit www.crespi.org for more information or to sign up.

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL

Notre Dame High School, 13645 Riverside Drive, Sherman Oaks. Entrance exam: **Saturday, January 25**, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Applicants are required to take the HSPT at Notre Dame.) For information call (818) 933-3600 or visit www.ndhs.org

CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL

Entrance Exam will be administered on two dates: **January 25** and **February 1** from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For more information please call the Admissions office at (818) 347-8300 or apply online at www.chaminade.org.

LOUISVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

The Entrance Exam will be administered on **Saturday, February 1**, from 8:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on the Louisville campus. Applications are due by Wednesday, January 29. Please contact the school with any questions at (818) 346-8812.

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. 10's of 1000's headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information call (661) 257-7980 or email: ornelasdachs@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

CELEBRATE! LIFE'S BIG MOMENTS

JS Paluch Co., Inc. proudly provides the opportunity for parishioners, groups and organizations to Celebrate Life's BIG Moments by purchasing space on the back of your parish bulletin. Ad space can be purchased to appear one week or multiple weeks for the low cost: **Single Space Ad of \$25/per week; Spot Color Double Space Ad \$50 per week; Color Four Space Ad \$75/per week** The possibilities are endless for short term announcements, including: In Memory of...; In Honor of...; Graduation Announcements; Anniversaries, Birthdays, Sacraments; Best Wishes; Garage Sales; Space for Rent; Help Wanted. Email customercare@jspaluch.com



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mc 2:18-22
Martes: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Sal 89 (88):20-22, 27-28; Mc 2:23-28
Miércoles: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Sal 144 (143):1b, 2, 9-10; Mc 3:1-6, o cualquiera de lecturas para el Día de Oración
Jueves: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Sal 56 (55):2-3, 9-13; Mc 3:7-12
Viernes: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Sal 57 (56):2-4, 6, 11; Mc 3:13-19
Sábado: Hch 22:3-16 o Hch 9:1-22; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Mc 16:15-18
Domingo: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

¿Qué puedo hacer como padre/madre después de un trauma?

Establezca una forma de seguridad. Es esencial que los niños se sientan protegidos y seguros después de una experiencia traumática. Asegure que todas las necesidades básicas sean cubiertas, incluyendo amor, cuidado y cercanía física. Procure tener tiempo extra para explicar a los niños que alguien los criará y protegerá. Los niños necesitarán mucho consuelo. Si quisiera recibir una copia del artículo “Una guía para padres para ayudar a los niños a sanar”, escriba a jvienna@la-archdiocese.org. Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Asistencia al (213) 637-7650.

LA IGLESIA CATÓLICA—

AQUÍ ENTRA TODO EL MUNDO

Esta manera popular de describir la universalidad de la Iglesia es un tema de las lecturas de hoy. El profeta Isaías nos cuenta del siervo de Dios que será “luz para las naciones”. No será suficiente para el Siervo reunir a los israelitas sobrevivientes del exilio y el cautiverio. La salvación de Dios deberá alcanzar hasta los confines del mundo.

San Pablo escribe a una de las iglesias locales en Corinto compuesta en su mayoría de gentiles y presuntamente antiguos pecadores. Los saluda y les dice que deberán tomar su puesto entre todos aquellos que por todas partes invocan el nombre de Cristo Jesús. La lectura del Evangelio de san Juan nos cuenta como Jesús fue designado por el Padre mediante el Espíritu Santo para traer la salvación a todos y quitar el pecado del mundo. El Elegido ha venido a bautizar al mundo con el Espíritu de Dios. A todos. Al escuchar estas palabras, considera tu propia tarea de llevar la Buena Nueva de salvación a todos los que cruzarán tu camino en los próximos días, semanas, años.

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VIDA PARROQUIAL

PROYECTO CULTURAL PARROQUIAL 2014

En los últimos años, nuestra parroquia ha apoyado diversos programas de caridad que ayudan a personas necesitadas en diferentes partes del mundo. Nuestro objetivo ha sido identificar necesidades en países donde nuestros feligreses tienen vínculos trabajando con organizaciones benéficas específicas. Esto ha proporcionado oportunidades para que nosotros aprendemos más sobre las muchas culturas que conforman la parroquia San José Obrero.

En los últimos años, hemos ayudado a construir casas para personas sin hogar en las Filipinas, brindado libros, uniformes y maestros para niños en edad escolar en Vietnam, apoyado un centro de rehabilitación para mujeres maltratadas en México, recaudado dinero para la caridad “Invisible Children” en Uganda, apoyado un orfanato en Sri Lanka y el año pasado, recaudamos fondos para apoyar a una escuela para niños pobres en Tacna, Perú.

Este año celebraremos la cultura de Egipto. Como ustedes saben, la situación actual en Egipto es inestable y peligrosa para muchos cristianos coptos. Los cristianos de todo el país están siendo perseguidos y las iglesias están siendo quemadas, dejando a muchas personas desplazadas y en necesidad.

Con esta inquietud, muchas familias tienen dificultades para satisfacer sus necesidades diarias, es por esto que hemos decidido patrocinar la organización Huérfanos Coptos. Esta organización se dedica a ayudar a niños sin padres en Egipto a través de programas educativos. Ellos trabajan para garantizar que estos niños tengan comida en la mesa, un hogar seguro donde vivir, y obtener la mejor educación posible. Su objetivo es ayudar a poner fin al ciclo de pobreza, apoyarlos al igual que a sus familias, y contribuir con su comunidad.

Durante los próximos meses, estaremos anunciando los programas que celebren la rica cultura de Egipto al igual que recauden fondos para apoyar a la organización Coptos Huérfanos. Le pedimos su apoyo a este programa tan valioso. Si usted está interesado en ayudar con el Proyecto Cultural parroquial por favor envíe un correo electrónico a sjwculturaloutreach@gmail.com.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Los retablos de metal son famosos en muchas partes de Latinoamérica. Estos pequeños retablos o laminas contienen imágenes de Cristo, la Santísima Trinidad, María, los ángeles u otro santo/a pintados sobre lámina, madera u otro material para decorar los altares familiares de los hogares hispanos. Aunque los retablos no siempre siguen las normas del arte cristiano, los retablos latinoamericanos son bellos ejemplos de la mezcla de culturas amerindias, europeas y africanas. Pero no todos los retablos son pequeños. En muchas iglesias coloniales de Latinoamérica se encuentran retablos gigantescos hechos de mármol o madera, cubiertos de oro y joyas que recuerdan los grandes retablos europeos, pero con el color y folclor latinoamericano. Originalmente, los retablos europeos eran pequeños y móviles, de tal manera que se podían colocar sobre un altar para la celebración de la Misa. Cuando la Iglesia fue construyendo sus propios templos, los retablos empezaron a formar parte de la decoración de los santuarios y tomaron dimensiones impresionantes. Los retablos pequeños pasaron a los hogares de los fieles, quienes quieren tener a Cristo y sus santos como parte de su diario vivir.

OFICINA CERRADA

La oficina parroquial y todos los salones del centro de conferencia estarán cerrados el lunes 20 de enero por el feriado de Martin Luther King Jr. Volvemos a abrir el martes 21 de enero a las 8:00 a.m. Sólo tendremos una misa en inglés a las 8:30 a.m.



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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.

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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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Monday Evenings
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Religious Education Office,
School Building

Friday Mornings
10:00 a.m. - Noon
Parish Center Dining Room

Information, English Groups
Bill Sparks
Faith Formation Director
Parish Center
818.341.6634, ext. 1012

— SPANISH —

Thursday Evenings
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
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