

# 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.

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 11, 2015

## 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. Kevin Rettig

### Associate Pastor

Rev. Julio Ramos

### Associate Pastor

Rev. Joseph Van Vu

### Deacon

Dn. Augusto "Gus" Mora

### School Principal

Sr. Barbara Joseph Wilson, CSJ

### Music and Liturgy Director

Eileen Wandel

### Faith Formation Director

Bill Sparks

### Confirmation and Youth Ministry

Dinh Phan

### Religious Education

Karina Villanueva

### Business Manager

Mike Stafford

### Parish Secretary

Angela Escobar

# FILIPINO COUNCIL



The Filipino Council coordinates the community's participation in parish events, special liturgies, multicultural celebrations, and outreach projects. A Council member represents the community on the Pastoral Council.



*Left to right:* Gaudie Estrada, Tessie Millado, Melita Bernabe, Annie Uy (Chair), Deacon Gus Mora.

*Council members not pictured:* Leonides De Leon, Nerida Esguerra, Norma Fabregas, Lulu Mercado, Vic Mercado, Gino Pedraja.

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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:** Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32  
**Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41  
**Wednesday:** Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46  
**Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54  
**Friday:** Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7  
**Saturday:** Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12  
**Sunday:** Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

## MASS INTENTIONS

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

- Sunday October 11**  
 7:30 a.m. Joanna Marie Guillermo (Birthday)  
 9:30 a.m. Maria and Mauro Abijay (RIP)  
 11:30 a.m. Anthony Ramsaran (RIP)  
 1:30 p.m. Pedro and Frida Vaccari (RIP)  
 5:30 p.m. Guise and Marta Pham Nguyen (RIP)  
 7:30 p.m. Josefina Castellon (RIP)
- Monday October 12**  
 6:30 a.m. Leonard Truong (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Josefina Avanceno (RIP)
- Tuesday October 13**  
 6:30 a.m. George Javellana Sr. (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Marite Santiago (Birthday)
- Wednesday October 14**  
 6:30 a.m. Donna Nguyen (Get Well)  
 8:30 a.m. Rendon Family (RIP)
- Thursday October 15**  
 6:30 a.m. Nerisa Maestro Delejero (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Teresa Mora Parada (Birthday)
- Friday October 16**  
 6:30 a.m. Christopher Amet Robles (RIP)  
 8:30 a.m. Pelamati Family (Intentions)
- Saturday October 17**  
 8:30 a.m. D-Nguyen (Intentions)  
 5:30 p.m. Rita Sanderson (RIP)
- Sunday October 18**  
 7:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)  
 9:30 a.m. Frank Romero (RIP)  
 11:30 a.m. Vernon Amaranto (RIP)  
 1:30 p.m. Juan Carlos Rodriguez (RIP)  
 5:30 p.m. Maria Vu Thi Tue (RIP)  
 7:30 p.m. Jesus Rodriguez Jr. (RIP)



## PARISH LIFE

### DISCIPLESHIP AND WEALTH

Sometimes we get the idea that having material wealth is a bad thing. We may convince ourselves that it is the poor who are favored. In today's readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today's scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God's gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.

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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

How did the church dealt with "daily sins" in the first five centuries? As devout and observant as they were, our early fathers and mothers in faith could not have been all that different from us. Maybe they looked the other way when the grocer threw an extra fig in the shopping basket, or had a wandering eye for the widow next door, or had a taste for too much ale, or didn't let the truth get in the way of a good story. First of all, there was the Eucharist. The words are familiar: "This is the cup of my blood, poured out for the forgiveness of sin." Especially by participating in Communion from the cup, forgiveness was achieved. Eucharist was, and remains, the sacrament of reconciliation *par excellence*, the sign and source of unity with Christ.

There were other helps along the way: "fraternal" correction, or the course corrections we offer one another in love, prayer, fasting, works of mercy. St. Augustine listed endurance of suffering, forgiveness of insults, and added the praying of the Lord's Prayer in the liturgy. He felt that the public praying of the Our Father on Sunday and its daily use in private prayer was an essential remedy and the reason why everyone was not a candidate for canonical penance. Inherited from Augustine's practice, the Lord's Prayer in our Communion Rite still has the same purpose, preparing us for receiving and becoming the Body of Christ. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### 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

### A WORD OF THANKS

Thank you Fr. Kevin, all staff and St. Joseph the Worker parishioners for your prayers, get well cards and support I have received all this time I have been out of commission because of health issues. Lupe and my whole family really appreciate your love and care. Slowly but surely I am getting back to a regular routine. Yes, God is Good and may He keep Blessing you!

Deacon Ed Vega

### 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. Fr. Kevin Rettig, our pastor, will be celebrating the healing masses on **October 15 and November 19**.

Up and coming is our Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) to be held the weekend of **October 10 and 11**, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Registration is FREE. Contact Agnes Valera at (818) 300-5133 to register. All are welcome!

### CHILDREN CHOIR

SJW Children: Do you like to sing? Do you like to perform? Here is a chance for you to sing and perform and to make new friends! The SJW CHILDREN'S CHOIR is once again recruiting members for the coming year. No previous choral experience necessary - just a love for singing! Singing in the Choir gives you the chance to learn about our faith through music. The Choir is scheduled to participate in the Thanksgiving Day Mass, the Family Mass on Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday Mass just to name a few. Choir rehearsals are on Saturdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in La Casita. The first rehearsal is on **Saturday, October 10**. Sign-up forms are available at the Parish Center and the Religious Education office.

### DONUTS AND COFFEE

The school parents are inviting you to help us by sharing donuts and coffee before or after the 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Sunday Masses.

Thank you.

### 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	10-04-15	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$17,604	\$15,865	+ 11.0%

2015 Env \$ 10,510 (59.7 %) E-giving \$ 1,071 (6.1 %)

2014 Env \$ 10,235 (64.5 %) E-giving \$ 798 (5.0 %)

### 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

Josie Buenviaje, Karina Flores, E. Menter, Yna and Miriam Legaspi, Rod Marfil, Luca Torterolo, Bubut Aquino, Nic Suarez, Ofelia Oropeza Silva, Alfredo Velazquez, Ferdinand, Rolando and Vidiamor Morales Jr., Wendy Pelamati, David and Lu Ann Nisbet, Jeffrey Jones, Jack Somalot, The Foley Family, Jorge Borrás, Irma LeDuff, Lea Barak, Jo Grady Stone, Lisa Grady, Virginia A. Kahn, Catalina Alas, Francis Mendoza, Luz Custodio, Karina Flores, Birgit Wilmes, 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 Wuerith, Maria Beltran, Elizabeth Sanchez.

*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 (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)

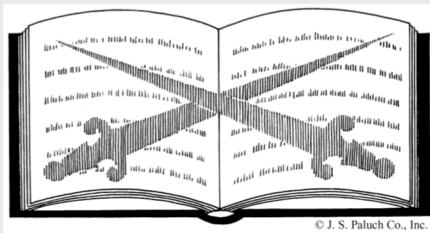
Our Lady of La Vang Conference Room

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](mailto:sjwwintk@aol.com) (818) 341-6616

For updated news and activities go to:

[saintjosephtheworkerschool.net](http://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, October 6

**Year Two Session:** Tuesday, October 13

We are still taking applications, you may pick one up at the Parish Center. Deadline: **Friday, October 16.**



## PARISH LIFE

### GIFT SHOP

It's that time again... Sunday, October 25 is our yearly Bazaar. Bakers light up your ovens and sign up in the Gift Shop.

New Gift Shop items from the Holy Land, come and see!

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

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

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.

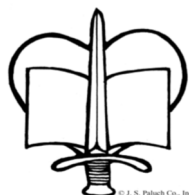
### ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Attention vendors: Are you looking for a Holiday Boutique to participate in? St. Bernardine of Siena, Woodland Hills is looking for vendors for their **November 21 and 22**, Holiday Boutique. If you are interested please call Janet Svolos at (818) 335-1121 or email Peggy Pryor at ppryor@stbernardine.org. We already have Avon, Mary Kay, Origami Owl & Cookie Lee aka VIVI and a few others. We are looking for vendors who either hand-make specialty items and/or sell gift baskets. Tables rent for \$125-150 for the weekend. Thank you!

### SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

#### When secrets become dangerous

There is no better time of year to review the important family rules that help to keep all children safe. It takes just a few moments to review with your children what to do in an emergency, who the special and safe adults in their life are, and the importance of not keeping secrets. Some secrets, like a gift for a special occasion, can be fun and safe to keep. Secrets that hurt others, involve any kind of unsafe or inappropriate touching or anything that bothers a child - are secrets that are NOT safe to keep. Help your child understand the difference. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Back to School: Secrets," email: [jvienna@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org) or <mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org>.bullies.html.



### IN THE COMMUNITY

#### ST. MEL SCHOOL PRESENTS HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

All parochial, private and public 7th and 8th grade students are invited to St. Mel's Annual High School Night on Thursday evening, October 15th, at 7:00 p.m. sharp - St. Mel School, 20874 Ventura Blvd. Woodland Hills.

Take advantage of this informative evening to meet with representatives from local Catholic high schools: Louisville, Crespi, Loyola, Alemany, Notre Dame, Providence, St. Genevieve, and Chaminade. Each school will give a brief presentation and answer any questions you might have. Come and meet with the schools of your choice.

Best wishes in the selection of your high school!

#### CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY

Chaminade Family Spirit Night is being held on **Friday, October 23**, for middle school students and their families. This is a special evening of fun, food, fellowship, and football beginning at 5:15 p.m. 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 reserved seats in our stadium to be our guests for the football game against Bishop Amat. Please RSVP to the Admissions Office at (818) 347-8300 ext. 355 or via email to [yuramoto@chaminade.org](mailto:yuramoto@chaminade.org).

#### FLINTRIDGE SACRED HEART ACADEMY

Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy, a Catholic, Dominican, college-preparatory school, educates young women for a life of faith, integrity and truth. Come Visit!

8th Grade Visiting Days. RSVP required

October 13, 15, 27, 29

November 2, 18, 19

December 1, 3

440 St. Katherine Drive • La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011 • [www.fsha.org](http://www.fsha.org)

(626) 685-8333 • [admissions@fsha.org](mailto:admissions@fsha.org)

#### PROVIDENCE IN ACTION

Providence High School, a Catholic, co-educational, college preparatory school in Burbank will be hosting "Providence in Action," an interactive workshop for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students on **Saturday, October 24** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Students are invited to experience high school life at Providence High School as they participate in three "mini classes" facilitated by our faculty. Participate in our award winning Cinema Arts, Medical and Technology Focus programs. Art, Math, Science, Drama, Athletics and Religious Expression will round out the "hands on" activities planned for a fun filled morning! Please register through our website [www.providencehigh.org/admissions](http://www.providencehigh.org/admissions) under Admissions events or through the Admissions office at (818) 846-8141, ext 14501 by October 15.



## VIDA PARROQUIAL

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** Rom 1:1-7; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Lc 11:29-32  
**Martes:** Rom 1:16-25; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Lc 11:37-41  
**Miércoles:** Rom 2:1-11; Sal 62 (61):2-3, 6-7, 9; Lc 11:42-46  
**Jueves:** Rom 3:21-30; Sal 130 (129):1b-6ab; Lc 11:47-54  
**Viernes:** Rom 4:1-8; Sal 32 (31):1b-2, 5, 11; Lc 12:1-7  
**Sábado:** Rom 4:13, 16-18; Sal 105 (104):6-9, 42-43; Lc 12:8-12  
**Domingo:** Is 53:10-11; Sal 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mc 10:35-45 [42-45]

### PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

#### Quando los secretos se vuelven peligrosos

No hay ningún mejor momento durante el año para repasar las reglas familiares sobre la seguridad de los niños. Tome sólo unos pocos minutos para repasar con sus hijos qué hacer durante una emergencia, quiénes son los adultos especiales en su vida con quienes están seguros, y la importancia de no mantener secretos. Algunos secretos, como un regalo para una ocasión especial, pueden ser divertidos y seguros de mantener. Secretos que hacen daño a otros, que implica contacto físico inapropiado, o cualquier cosa que molesta a un niño, son secretos que NO son seguros de mantener. Ayuda a su hijo a entender la diferencia. Para una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® "Back to School: Secrets" (Regreso a la escuela: Secretos) envíe un correo electrónico a: [jvienna@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org) <<mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org>>.

### REGISTRACION 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.



### LOS DISCÍPULOS Y LA RIQUEZA

A veces creemos que tener riquezas materiales es algo malo. Nos convencemos a nosotros mismos que los pobres son los más favorecidos. En las lecturas de hoy, descubrimos que las riquezas materiales no son lo único que nos impide ser discípulos. Ya veremos que hay otros dones más importantes que esas riquezas. Pero así todo, lo que más importa es el uso que hacemos de nuestros dones.

Las Escrituras de hoy señalan el valor de los dones de la sabiduría, la confianza en Dios y una cualidad que permite que nuestras acciones reflejen el amor de Dios que llevamos en nuestro interior. No es el oro lo que nos hace tropezar, sino el desear el oro por encima de todo lo demás. En las lecturas de la Sabiduría y Hebreos, descubrimos la fuente de los dones de Dios en nuestra vida. La sabiduría vale mucho más que las posesiones materiales. En Hebreos, se nos motiva a examinar nuestros valores y a reconocer con honestidad qué es lo que rige nuestra vida.

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### TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

La mayoría de las personas que viven en Estados Unidos han emigrado para mejorar su situación económica. Muchísimos lo han logrado mediante mucho trabajo, un buen salario y comprándose una buena casa en un vecindario tranquilo. En pocas palabras, se han hecho ricos. No obstante, éste mismo sueño se ha convertido en una pesadilla, pues todos sueñan con ser famosos, ganar mucho dinero, tener el carro más lujoso y vivir en un condominio muy exclusivo. El chiste es hacerse ricos a toda costa. Muchas veces sin importar los medios.

En la Palestina del tiempo de Jesús todo mundo soñaba con hacerse rico. Las riquezas eran consideradas bendición de Dios, por eso los discípulos se asombraron cuando Jesús declara: "Es más fácil que un camello pase por el ojo de la aguja, que un rico entre en el Reino de Dios" (Marcos 10:25). El ojo de la aguja era una puerta baja y estrecha por la cual pasaba la gente común a Jerusalén. Jesús no está negando la entrada al cielo a los ricos, basta que hagan lo que hace el camello para pasar: despojarse de su carga.

### 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.

### 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 ó Guadalupe Martínez (818) 855-3782.



### 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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