



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 8, 2015

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. 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

Vietnamese Community Leadership

The Vietnamese Community Council and the Leadership Team meet monthly, with Fr. Joseph Vu, to make preparations for community events and design programs to build the faith of parishioners and coordinate the community's participation in parish activities.



Vietnamese Council

Front, left to right:
Hai Le, Binh Nguyen (Chairman),
Fr. Joseph Vu, Annie Dang, Alex Vu, Long Tran
Back: Loan Pham, Trang Pham, Nam Phan, John Nghiem, Hung Vu, Bao Dinh, Nhat-Uyen Nguyen, Can Pham, Chau Tran, James Dao

Not pictured: Hong-Dao Nguyen, Tham Huynh, Phong Nguyen, Thien Tran, Dinh Phan.

Leadership Team

Left to right: Hai Le (Public Affairs), Long Tran (Internal Affairs), Binh Nguyen (Chairman), Annie Dang (Treasurer), Alex Doanh Vu (Secretary)



For more on the role of the Vietnamese community leadership, 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: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Wis 2:23 – 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b – 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

MASS INTENTIONS

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

- Sunday November 8**
 7:30 a.m. Marguerite Burnelle (RIP)
 9:30 a.m. All Souls Novena
 11:30 a.m. Gladys Hunziker (Birthday)
 1:30 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
 5:30 p.m. Dominico Nguyen Van Ngo (RIP)
 7:30 p.m. Jose Almaguer (RIP)
- Monday November 9**
 6:30 a.m. All Souls Novena
 8:30 a.m. Victoria Damazo (RIP)
- Tuesday November 10**
 6:30 a.m. Nguyen and Trinh (RIP)
 8:30 a.m. All Souls Novena
- Wednesday November 11**
 6:30 a.m. No Mass
 8:30 a.m. Mariano Bautista (Birthday)
- Thursday November 12**
 6:30 a.m. Leonard Truong (RIP)
 8:30 a.m. Mary Trinh Thi Ty (RIP)
- Friday November 13**
 6:30 a.m. Maria Marquita Cusi (RIP)
 8:30 a.m. Patty Ives (RIP)
- Saturday November 14**
 8:30 a.m. Pelamati Family (Intentions)
 5:30 p.m. Stephen and Hazel Kunka (RIP)
- Sunday November 15**
 7:30 a.m. Ignacio and Demetria Tan (RIP)
 9:30 a.m. Bayani Family (RIP)
 11:30 a.m. Vernon Amaranto (RIP)
 1:30 p.m. Grimalda Garcia (RIP)
 5:30 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
 7:30 p.m. Edward Sales Sr. (RIP)



PARISH LIFE

GIVING ALL

Trusting widows play a significant role in this weekend’s readings. At the point of poverty, when giving even the smallest amount of what they had could imperil their health and well-being, they trusted God and gave anyway. What is important about their giving is not what or how much they gave, but how they gave it. Without selfishness, they gave to help others. Their giving was from the heart, with little hope or intention of receiving any sort of reward or recognition for their generosity. The monetary values of the widows’ gifts were small, but their value measured in the Kingdom was priceless.

There is a significant similarity between their gift and the gift Jesus gave each of us. The widows offered their lives for God. Jesus offered his life for us. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In 1974, a revised ritual of penance was given to the Church, and at forty years distance, we still are discovering its treasures and tentative about some of its provisions. The rite reaches deep into our tradition for an early insight: when we turn to God, we are restored to life in the Church.

There are three different forms of penance. The familiar individual confession is preserved, but with tremendous enrichment. It is less rushed, anchored by a reading from scripture, and the confession of sins is seen as an opportunity to proclaim faith in God’s power to save. In a sense, what is “confessed” is the penitent’s faith in God’s gift of forgiveness. The priest suggests a penance that may be directly connected to the virtue that the person seeks as a means of overcoming the fault. There are formulas for contrition suggested, but the penitent might even express sorrow for sin and desire for mercy in his or her own words. The prayer of absolution grounds the event in the life and ministry of the Church. Harking back to the joyful dance of bishops leading penitents into the church, the rite now ends with a prayer of thanksgiving for God’s mercy, and may include the gesture of laying on of hands. After forty years, we struggle to claim this rite forged of memory, tradition, and grace. History tells us to be patient; we do not always recognize a treasure at first.

—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.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Center and all parish facilities will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, due to the Veteran’s Day holiday. There will be no 6:30 a.m. Mass.



PARISH LIFE

ALTAR SERVERS

Saint Joseph the Worker Parish is recruiting children in grades 5 - 8, to help at Mass as Altar Servers. We will offer training and formation beginning **Sunday, November 8**. Pick up an application at the Parish Center office or download one from our website.

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 a healing mass on **November 19**.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

Monitor online activity on all devices

In the past, parents had been advised to place the family computer in an open area such as a kitchen or family room so that they may easily monitor activity. Today, most social contact, especially among young people, is conducted almost exclusively on smart phones and tablets. Technology continues to rapidly change. All of us must continue our efforts to stay abreast of the many new mobile device apps that may be used by young people to communicate with others and could potentially be used to manipulate or abuse them. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Mobile App Danger," email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

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.

DONUTS AND COFFEE

Father Kevin and the SJW 8th grade students invite you to stop by the gazebo after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses.

We have a great selection of fresh donuts along with Peete's coffee, iced and hot tea, hot chocolate and cold bottled water.

All items are only \$1.00 each. Thank you for supporting this ministry.

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	11-01-15	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$14,494	\$15,384	- 5.8%

2015 Env \$ 8,571 (59.1 %) E-giving \$ 977 (6.7 %)

2014 Env \$ 9,305 (60.5 %) E-giving \$ 778 (5.1 %)

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

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, Francis Mendoza, Luz Custodio, 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, Jen Vernon, Edgar Perez De La Rosa, Jeff and Janet Gehl.

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:

- Demetrio Ruiz, parishioner
- Carmen Ortega, aunt of Alythea Reade
- Filippo Cicciari, parishioner
- Charles Santori, father of Laura Santori



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)

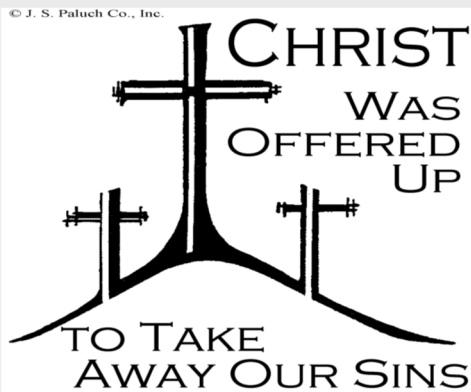
Our Lady of La Vang Conference Room

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.



EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER SCHOOL NEWS

E-mail: sjwwintk@aol.com (818) 341-6616

For updated news and activities go to:

saintjosephtheworkerschool.net

Catholic Schools – Faith, Academics, Service

Registration for a Quality Catholic Education

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

St. Joseph The Worker School Student Non-Discrimination Policy

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

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

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

YOUTH NEWS

11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass

Our 11:30 a.m. Mass is specifically focused on you, the young people of our parish. Please join your friends and peers at this Sunday celebration. We invite you also to take an active part in these Masses by being an usher, greeter, lector, choir member, or Eucharistic minister.

Confirmation

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

Year One Session: Tuesday, November 17

Year Two Session: Tuesday, November 10



FROM THE FRONT COVER

Meet the Vietnamese Community Leadership

St. Joseph the Worker is home to people from around the world. As our mission statement says, "Out of diversity we create unity." The Hispanic, Filipino, and Vietnamese councils play an important role in fulfilling this aspect of our parish mission. This week we feature the Vietnamese Council and Leadership Team, pictured on the front cover.

The **Vietnamese Council** consists of the leaders of the various community ministries. Liturgy: James Dao; Choir: Nhat-Uyen Nguyen; Pre-Baptismal Infant Catechism: Hong-Dao Nguyen; Children's Religious Education: John Nghiem; RCIA: Nam Phan; Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick: Tham Huynh; Vocations: Can Pham; Catholic Mother Guild: Trang Pham; Sacred Heart Group: Can Pham; Eucharistic Youth Group: Long Tran; Young Adult Ministry: Thien Tran; Altar Servers: Dinh Phan; Ushers: Chau Tran; Social Outreach: Hung Vu; Sound / Technology: Phong Nguyen.

A Council member represents the Vietnamese community on the parish Pastoral Council.

The **Leadership Team** is an administrative group comprising the Council Chair, Binh Nguyen; Vice Chair- Public Affairs, Hai Le; Vice Chair- Internal Affairs, Long Tran; Secretary, Alex Doanh Vu; and Treasurer, Annie Dang.

With the guidance of Fr. Joseph Vu, the Council and Leadership Team meet monthly to make preparations for community events and design programs to build the faith of parishioners and coordinate the community's participation in parish activities. In addition to the regular Sunday 5:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass, the Council coordinates the celebrations of Our Lady of La Vang (August) and Vietnamese New Year (February).

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 SOCIETY

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thanksgiving is rapidly approaching. Please help us make this a joyful holiday for families in need by providing the items listed below. Bags will be in the church starting next week and the food may be dropped off at the church or parish hall by **November 19**. The following items are requested:

Turkeys	Canned Vegetables any kind
Chicken Broth and Gravy	Cranberry Sauce
Cake Mix	Cooking Oil
Canned Sweet Potatoes or Jams	Evaporated Milk
Flour & Sugar	Jello or Pudding
Stuffing	Dry Cereal / Oatmeal
Canned Soup / Dry Soup - any kind	Dry Pasta & Spaghetti Sauce
Macaroni & Cheese	Peanut Butter & Jelly
Rice & Beans	
Canned Meat - Spam, Corned Beef, etc.	

Turkeys in particular would be greatly appreciated. May God bless you for your support.

IN THE COMMUNITY

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Your love as husband and wife is a gift to one another as well as a gift from God. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to receive the tools needed to make the most of this precious gift. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance -and renew your sacrament by attending the next WWME weekend **November 14-15** at St. Jude, Westlake Village or **November 20-22** at the Best Western Canoga Park. Contact Jeanine and Russ Walker at (805) 648-4244 or go online at www.twocanlove.org. We help make good marriages better.

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. For confidential information call (661) 257-7980 or email: ornelasdachs@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

ENGLISH CLASSES

St. John Eudes parish in Chatsworth offers a free beginning English class for adults with no prior knowledge of English as well as level two and three classes for those who have studied a bit but are not proficient. A new class in beginning English is being offered on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Levels 2 and 3 are also accepting students and will also meet on Saturdays beginning at 9 a.m. For more information about registration please contact either Jose Schnaider at (818) 469-9040 or Mary Ann Cummins Prager at (828) 394-8806. Students are required to purchase a text book for \$15 but there is no other cost. Class size is limited so call soon.

CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY

Chaminade College Preparatory High School is having its annual OPEN HOUSE on **Sunday, November 15** from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Families are invited to tour the campus, meet the faculty and administrators, and experience all that Chaminade has to offer. For more information call Chaminade's Admissions office at (818) 347-8300 extension 355 or visit Chaminade on the Web at www.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

November 18, 19

December 1, 3

440 St. Katherine Drive • La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011 • www.fsha.org

(626) 685-8333 • admissions@fsha.org



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Sal 46 (45):2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Martes: Sab 2:23 — 3:9; Sal 34 (33):2-3, 16-19; Lc 17:7-10

Miércoles: Sab 6:1-11; Sal 82 (81):3-4, 6-7; Lc 17:11-19

Jueves: Sab 7:22b — 8:1; Sal 119 (118):89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lc 17:20-25

Viernes: Sab 13:1-9; Sal 19 (18):2-5ab; Lc 17:26-37

Sábado: Sab 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Sal 105 (104):2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lc 18:1-8

Domingo: Dn 12:1-3; Sal 16 (15):5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mc 13:24-32

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Monitoree en línea la actividad de todos los aparatos

En el pasado, se ha advertido a los padres de familia que coloquen la computadora de la familia en un área abierta como la cocina o el cuarto de descanso familiar para que ellos puedan monitorear con facilidad toda actividad. En la actualidad, la mayor parte del contacto social, especialmente entre los jóvenes, es conducida casi exclusivamente a través de los teléfonos celulares y las tabletas. La tecnología continúa cambiando rápidamente. Todos debemos continuar nuestros esfuerzos de mantenernos informados sobre las muchas nuevas aplicaciones para aparatos móviles que pueden ser usados por las personas jóvenes para comunicarse con otros, y que potencialmente pueden ser usados para manipular o abusar a jóvenes. Para una copia del artículo en VIR-TUS® "Mobile App Danger" (Peligro de las aplicaciones móviles) por favor envíe un email a: 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.



VIDA PARROQUIAL

ENTREGA TOTAL

Las viudas confiadas juegan un importante papel en las lecturas de esta semana. Aunque eran pobres y el dar aún algo bien pequeño podría poner en peligro su salud y bienestar, confiaban en Dios y daban lo que podían. Lo que es importante sobre sus donativos no es la cantidad que daban, sino que daban algo. Sin egoísmo, daban para ayudar a otros. Su dar salía del corazón, con poca esperanza o intención de recibir algún premio o reconocimiento por su generosidad. El valor monetario de los dones de las viudas eran pequeños, pero su valor en la medida del Reino era inestimable.

Hay una gran semejanza entre su regalo y el regalo que Jesús ha dado a cada uno de nosotros. Las viudas ofrecieron sus vidas a Dios. Jesús ofreció su vida por nosotros.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Entre las comunidades hispanas aún existe el concepto de que a la Iglesia se le da limosna. Esta es una horrible costumbre, puesto que ni a Dios ni a la Iglesia se le debe la limosna, sino el diezmo y no necesariamente económico, esto es, también debemos considerar tiempo y talento. Este diezmo se le da a Dios por medio del mantenimiento de la Iglesia, la ayuda directa a los necesitados, la generosidad con agencias de caridad, etcétera. No importa a quién o cómo damos el diezmo que debemos a Dios, lo que importa es reconocer que no es limosna, es decir, dar de lo que nos sobra. Es dar desde el corazón, compartir, como la viuda del Evangelio, lo que tenemos para vivir.

No obstante, muchos somos tacaños con el Señor. En lugar de dar con generosidad, damos poco o damos para hacernos notar. Damos de lo que nos sobra, si acaso damos. Tenemos mucho que aprender de la viuda que se nos presenta en Marcos 12:41-44. Ella, siendo pobre y necesitada, aún así quiso compartir con Dios de lo que tenía para vivir. Casi siempre los pobres son más generosos que los ricos o la clase media. Son ellos quienes nos muestran la generosidad de Dios y nos desafían a hacer lo mismo, a fin de erradicar la pobreza.

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

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 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 7:30 p.m. en el cuarto de San Elizabeth en el Centro de Conferencias. Para más información comunícate con Julio Rodezno al (818) 570-4712.

OFICINA CERRADA

La oficina parroquial y todos los salones del centro de conferencia estarán cerrados el miércoles 11 de noviembre por el feriado del Día de los Veteranos. Sólo tendremos una misa en inglés a las 8:30 a.m.



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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— ENGLISH —

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
Meeting Room
Conference Center Hall

Information, Spanish Group
Ismael Ramirez
818.355.4476

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