

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 6, 2016

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

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Rev. Kevin Rettig

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Associate Pastor

Rev. Joseph Van Vu

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Parish Secretary

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Sunday of Joy

“Rejoice, Jerusalem,
and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who
were in mourning ...

—Isaiah 66:10



Are we supposed to be joyful in the middle of Lent?

Indeed, we are! Today, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, is known as Laetare Sunday. The word *Laetare*, "Rejoice!," is the first word of the entrance antiphon. Today is a departure from the soul-searching, penitential character of Lent. The rose-colored vestments are a sign of the Sunday of Joy, when we look with expectation to the great feast of Easter.

With great joy, our catechumens, who are preparing to receive the sacraments of initiation, celebrate the Second Scrutiny today. In anticipation of the joy of Easter, Laetare Sunday brings us hope and encouragement as we progress toward the Paschal Feast.

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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: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11;

Alternate readings (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-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 March 6

7:30 a.m. Jess Angus (RIP)

9:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

11:30 a.m. Agapita and Federico Ventura (RIP)

1:30 p.m. Victor Anival Morales (Birthday)

5:30 p.m. Anphongso Doanh Nguyen (Intentions)

7:30 p.m. Felipe Castellon (RIP)

Monday March 7

6:30 a.m. Iliana Rodriguez Romero (Get Well)

8:30 a.m. Xavier Aguilar (Birthday)

Tuesday March 8

6:30 a.m. Moni Caceres (RIP)

8:30 a.m. Pablo Sr. and Rosario Pena (RIP)

Wednesday March 9

6:30 a.m. Ulises Vazques (Birthday)

8:30 a.m. Richard Bellio (RIP)

Thursday March 10

6:30 a.m. Emily Escobar (Birthday)

8:30 a.m. Vikki N. Bayani (RIP)

Friday March 11

6:30 a.m. Liberato Ricafrente (RIP)

8:30 a.m. Phillip Thiet (RIP)

Saturday March 12

8:30 a.m. Pelamati Family (Intentions)

5:30 p.m. Joan Esquerre (RIP)

Sunday March 13

7:30 a.m. Vernon Amaranto (RIP)

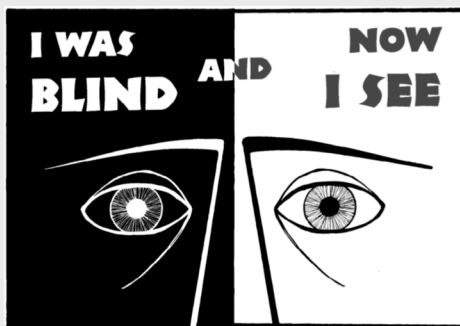
9:30 a.m. Vikki Bayani (RIP)

11:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

1:30 p.m. Saul Diaz (Birthday)

5:30 p.m. Lam Hoang Trong (Birthday)

7:30 p.m. Juana Epifania Lopez Pena



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PARISH LIFE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us for this incredibly moving experience during Fridays of Lent.

6:00 p.m. English

7:00 p.m. Spanish

8:00 p.m. Vietnamese

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

ARCHDIOCESAN COLLECTION

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports six Catholic agencies benefiting millions of vulnerable, displaced, and impoverished families and individuals around the world. From direct humanitarian service to helping victims of human trafficking and working to reunify families, the funds from this Collection make a real difference in lives across the globe. **How will you help?** Please support The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Envelopes are in the carts.

NEW VISION

Jesus proclaimed that he came into the world to make the sightless see and the seeing blind. A difficult saying! But surely it must mean that Jesus intended to take our ordinary ways of looking at things and turn them inside out. Jesus came to change our perspective.

When the prophet Samuel went out to select the new king, he chose a young man who had the look of royalty about him. But God told him not to judge by appearances. God told Samuel—and today tells us—to change our perspective and to look at things and people differently.

We are like the Ephesians, whom Paul urged to live as children of the light. With the light of faith, we have a new way of looking at things, and we are called to bring that new vision to the world around us. This is a great vocation, a calling to wake people up to what's really important.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the first steps to a Catholic wedding takes place in the parish rectory, as the newly engaged come forward to “set a date.” We owe this scenario to reforms made by the emperor Charlemagne late in the eighth century. He required that nobles and commoners alike have public weddings, and also required that marrying couples be examined for factors that would block a marriage, such as previous marriages or close kinship. The pope was more conservative, however, and resisted the emperor's creativity. It was enough for the pope that the couples exchange consent. That tradition is passed on to this day, to some couples' surprise. In 866, Pope Nicholas ruled that a marriage was legal and binding even without a liturgy or public celebration. After that, it was the consent of the couple, not the blessing of parents or priest, that made a marriage “count.” If consent was lacking, such as through abduction or fear, then the marriage could not “take.” Charlemagne got a great deal done, but he was a political flash in the pan, and the empire had virtually collapsed by the year 1000. Europe broke into a checkerboard of princedoms and languages, and at last all marriages came under the church, the glue holding the known world together.

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PARISH LIFE

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.

GIFT SHOP

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

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

Teach children touching safety and boundaries

Predators are a very real danger to children today, and parents should take every precaution to teach children about safe and appropriate touching, and what to do if these boundaries are violated. Teaching touching safety is critical for kids, because it focuses on empowering kids to resist predators. If a child learns about touching safety, they will be able to respond to boundary violations in the best way possible and to talk about these situations with a trusted adult. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Teaching Touching Safety" email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

DEANERY 5 – LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

St. John Baptist De La Salle	Monday, March 7	7:00 p.m.
St. John Eudes	Wednesday, March 9	7:30 p.m.
St. Bernardine of Siena	Tuesday, March 15	7:30 p.m.
St. Cyril of Jerusalem	Tuesday, March 15	7:00 p.m.
St. Francis De Sales	Tuesday, March 15	7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Lourdes	Wednesday, March 16	7:30 p.m.
St. Mel	Wednesday, March 16	7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of the Valley	Thursday, March 17	7:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Grace	Tuesday, March 22	7:00 p.m.

SJW FESTIVAL NEWS - SAVE THE DATE

June 10, 11 and 12, 2016

MORE NEWS TO COME!

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	02/28/16	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$16,361	\$15,259	+7.2%

2016 Env \$ 9,290 (56.8%) E-giving \$ 1,662 (10.2 %)

2015 Env \$ 10,155 (66.6%) E-giving \$ 1,042 (6.8 %)

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

Ferdinand, Rolando and Vidiamor Morales Jr., Wendy Pelamati, David and Lu Ann Nisbet, The Foley Family, Irma LeDuff, Jo Grady Stone, Lisa Grady, Virginia A. Kahn, Francis Mendoza, Luz Custodio, James Whitehead, Joyce Masloski, Susan Angus, Ramon Avila, Shirley Dougherty, Maryann Gorres, Liza Acedilla, Boy Tay, Teresa and Scott Muller, Efren Marfil, Ditas and Alan Amlipao, Meng and June Rabapo, Mara and Sophia Wuerth, Maria Beltran, Elizabeth Sanchez, Jen Vernon, Edgar Perez De La Rosa, Jeff and Janet Gehl, Rose Clifford, Jack Samalot, Willie Bulan, Anthony Hargan, Roy Plumley, Bubut N. Aquino.

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:

Manuel Aguilar, parishioner

Gloria Meagher, aunt of Monica Rush



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)

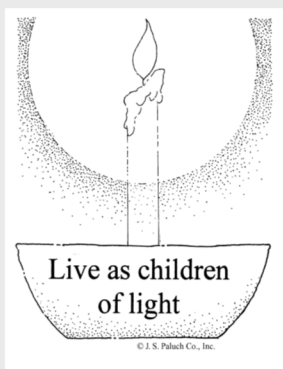
Our Lady of La Vang Conference Room

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, March 15

Year Two Session: Tuesday, March 8

If you have any questions please contact Dinh Phan at the Parish Center.



RCIA

Today we completed the second Scrutiny. Our Elect are closer to their goal; becoming fully initiated members of this community, this Church. As you know, these Scrutinies are celebrated with the Elect only at the steps of the altar. We pray for them and through a prayer of exorcism ask the Lord to free them from the temptations that surround them daily, and to keep them from sin. We pray that they are strong in their faith and that through these Scrutinies and our prayers and support they are better able to face daily temptations. We pray for strength in our faith and that through these prayers and Scrutinies we are better able to face our daily temptations. In preparation for these Scrutinies we ask the Elect and Candidates to tell, "what is their blindness?" This requires they do some self-examination. We ask them to list these weaknesses and strengths. We then take their lists and include them into the Universal Prayers, which is what you hear in the Universal Prayer (intercessions) read during the time they are kneeling at the altar. It is a time when we can join them in this search. I urge you during this time of Lent take some time to look into yourself and find what is keeping you from forgiveness and loving those around you. I challenge you not to surf the top, I urge you to go deeper; to encounter the light of Christ and allow it to illuminate your life.

The third scrutiny will be celebrated next Sunday at the 9:30am mass. The third scrutiny looks at life, as we hear of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. (John 11:1-45) How has the experience of being Catholic been an experience of death; of life? Try to answer this for yourself this week and bring that to mass with you on Sunday.

Keep an eye on this space; it is where you will find information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) here at St. Joseph the Worker. You will learn about the celebrations of the rites and rituals that are part of the Order of the Catechumens. These are great celebrations; I hope they add to your sense of community and your spiritual experience. I ask you to please pray for our Elect, and Candidates as they prepare to be fully initiated members of our St. Joseph the Worker community. They are appearing on the screens in the church, please pray especially for them.

Elect: Tin Van Dinh, Jackie CT Duong, Nen Cong Huynh, Michael Mosley, Paola Munoz, Anh Pham, Heily Ramos, Stephany Ramos, Emily Rodriguez, Axel Rodriguez, Dan Cam Tran, Phuong Trinh Thi Vo.

Candidates: Dario Alcaraz, Mindy Ambriz, Alexis Curiel, Jeanette de los Santos, Ana Gonzalez, Herminia Gonzalez, Kristina Gonzalez, Maria Gonzalez, Wendy Gonzalez, Bryant Janssen, Julio Meza-Leon, Steven Leon, Brenda Machorro, Jennifer Monterrozo, Phung Ngoc Nguyen, Van Anh Hoang Phan, Thanh Dat Hoang Phan, Francisco Rodriguez, Jose Segura, Hermilo Vasquez-Silva, Isaac Velazco.



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IN THE COMMUNITY

ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION

St. Bernardine of Siena, 24410 Calvert St, Woodland Hills, invites you all to join us in our St. Patrick's Celebration on **Saturday, March 19** in the Monsignor Richard Murray Parish Hall from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$27/person, or \$25/person for 2 or more tickets. Your ticket includes a festive Irish meal, entertaining Irish dancers, followed by a DJ and dancing for everyone. For more information, contact Peggy Pryor (818) 426-6539.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKEND FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Rachel's Vineyard retreat is for men and women struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The retreat is designed to help participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, nonjudgmental setting and come to acceptance, healing, and hope for the future. Developed in the Roman Catholic Tradition, it utilizes spiritual exercises and rituals to help grieve the loss of unborn children and to accept God's forgiveness. All inquiries and registrations are confidential.

April 1-3, 2016

Duarte, CA

Cost: \$215. per person

For registration or more information please call:

866-2-RACHEL 866-272-2435

www.rachelsvineyard.org

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.

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

VALLEY FAMILY CENTER

Valley Family Center is located in the city of San Fernando. All services are in English and 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) Learning Center: tutorial, basic skill building for children and teens. Sliding scale fees. Call to make an appointment (818) 365-8588.



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 65:17-21; Sal 30 (29):2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Martes: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Sal 46 (45):2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Miércoles: Is 49:8-15; Sal 145 (144):8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Jueves: Ex 32:7-14; Sal 106 (105):19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Viernes: Sab 2:1a, 12-22; Sal 34 (33):17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sábado: Jer 11:18-20; Sal 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Domingo: Is 43:16-21; Sal 126 (125):1-6; Fil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11; **Lecturas alternativas (Año A):** Ez 37:12-14; Sal 130 (129):1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Eduque a los niños sobre seguridad y límites de las caricias

Los depredadores son un verdadero peligro para los niños de hoy en día, y los padres deben tomar toda precaución para enseñarles a los niños sobre las caricias seguras y apropiadas, y qué hacer si sus límites son violados. Enseñar la seguridad de las caricias es importante para los niños, porque se enfoca en darles poder para que puedan oponer resistencia a los depredadores. Si un niño o niña aprende sobre las caricias apropiadas y seguras, ellos serán capaces de responder a la violación de sus límites de la mejor manera posible, y a hablar sobre estas situaciones con un adulto en el cual confían. Para una copia del artículo de VIRTUS®, "Teaching Touching Safety" (Enseñar seguridad con las caricias), envíe un correo electrónico a jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

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; Guadalupe Martínez (818) 855-3782.



VIDA PARROQUIAL

VIA CRUCIS

El Via Crucis en español será todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma a las 7:00 p.m. en el templo.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Colecta Arquidiocesana

La próxima semana nuestra parroquia realizará la colecta para "Catholic Relief Services". Esta Colecta financia a seis agencias católicas que benefician a millones de familias y de individuos vulnerables, desplazados y empobrecidos en todo el mundo. Los fondos provenientes de esta colecta marcan la diferencia en muchas vidas alrededor del mundo ya que sirven para prestar servicios humanitarios directos, ayudar a las víctimas del tráfico humano y a reunificar familias. **¿Los ayudarás?** La próxima semana, por favor, apoya la colecta de "Catholic Relief Services" ya que estarás ayudando a **Jesús con otro rostro**. Los sobres se encuentran en los carritos al lado de las puertas de la iglesia.

NUEVA VISIÓN

Jesús proclamó que él vino al mundo para que los ciegos vean, y los que ven queden ciegos. ¡Algo difícil de aceptar! Pero seguramente deberá significar que Jesús quería cambiar radicalmente nuestra manera de ver las cosas. Jesús vino a cambiar nuestra perspectiva.

Cuando el profeta Samuel salió a seleccionar un nuevo rey, escogió a un joven que tenía las apariencias de rey. Pero Dios le dijo que no juzgara por las apariencias. Dios le dijo a Samuel, y a nosotros hoy, que cambiemos nuestra perspectiva y miremos a las cosas y a las personas de manera diferente.

Somos como los efesios, a quien Pablo pidió que vivieran como hijos de la luz. Con la luz de la fe, tenemos una nueva manera de ver las cosas y se nos pide que llevemos esa nueva visión al mundo a nuestro alrededor. Esta es una gran vocación, una llamada a despertar a la gente a lo que realmente es importante.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Cuaresma es tiempo de reconciliación por medio del perdón. En este espíritu, el Papa san Juan Pablo II pidió perdón por pecados cometidos por la Iglesia. Uno de estos pecados es la manera como América fue cristianizada.

La relación del latino con la religión católica ha sido entre buenas intenciones y antagonismos. Gracias a Dios, ¡somos cristianos! Lamentablemente, nuestro bautizo, en la mayor parte de los casos, fue en agua bendita y sangre indígena a la vez, ya que América fue evangelizada con cruz y espada. Los pobres misioneros que con fatiga, predicaron en nuestras tierras venían acompañados por hombres poderosos en busca de riquezas.

El filósofo romano-español Séneca (siglo I) afirmaba: "la religión es algo que para la persona común es verdad, para el sabio es falso y para el poderoso es útil". A su vez, el romano-judío Pablo de Tarso declara que en Cristo, Dios ha revelado que la persona común y necia derribará la falsedad de los sabios (1 Cor 1:18-31).

El latino creyente reconoce que su fe nació del dolor de la conquista y no niega los abusos clericales, pero confía en el Evangelio reconciliador.

—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 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.



St. Joseph's Table

A celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph

Delicious Italian meal
Wonderful breads and sweets
Traditional altar in honor of St. Joseph

Saturday, March 19
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Conference Center Hall

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contact Veronica Rosete
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Everyone is welcome!
All ages!

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 6:30 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)

Fourth Sunday 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Our Lady of La Vang Conference Center room

Vocation Ministry (Vietnamese)

Periodic gatherings to pray for vocations