

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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 SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 4545 E. 4th St. (Monday & Wednesday)  
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**NOTE:** All announcements for the Bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by Monday at 2:00 pm. The deadline for Pulpit Announcements is Friday evening. **DO NOT** come to the Sacristy before Mass to request an announcement.

### LAETARE SUNDAY

The entrance antiphon in the Sacramentary for this Sunday begins with "Rejoice, Jerusalem!" The Latin word for rejoice is "laetare", so this Sunday came to be known as Laetare Sunday. The general instruction of the Roman Missal allows for the use of flowers and rose-colored vestments today as a mid-season break from Lent's austerity.



Each Friday during the Lenten Season, we gather in the Church at 5:15pm to pray the beautiful devotion of the Stations of the Cross.

### PALM SUNDAY

**April 9th—please note:** We will have a Solemn Blessing of Palms with Procession into the Church beginning at **9:20am in the Social Hall**. If you attend the 9:30am Mass, please assemble in the Social Hall by 9:20am, as the Mass will begin there with the Distribution and Blessing of Palms, reading of a special Gospel and, then, a Solemn Procession of the assembly from the Hall into the Church as we begin the Holy Week celebrations commemorating Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

### LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

#### April 1st

5:00 Killian/Bergam—Svilich/Pew

#### April 2nd

8:00 Gooch—Kehoe/Kehoe/Hooper

9:30 Santucci/Chiurazzi—Team 2

11:00 Caputi/Woznicki—Team 2

12:30 Rogers/Armstrong—Ward/Hollister



### PENANCE SERVICE

We will celebrate a Parish Communal Penance Service on Wednesday, April 5th, at 7:00pm, in the Church. Many priests will be available to hear confessions. The service will consist of a short scripture service followed by individual confessions. Come, be reconciled, in preparation for Holy Week and the Great 50 Days of Easter.

### Celebrating Lent with the RCIA

Last Sunday at the 9:30am Mass, our elect celebrated the first of three "The Scrutinies" - and the Sunday readings focused on thirst and water. Today, they will celebrate the second Scrutiny—which focuses on sight. This Scrutiny prays that the elect will be freed "from false values that surround and blind them". Along with the elect, the assembly is invited to pray for better vision, to learn to see as God sees. This week, while you pray for our elect and candidates, examine your own life and find a place that needs light and consider what you can do to brighten that scene. Today also marks the first of two presentations when the Church lovingly entrusts the Creed to the elect and candidates, and following the 5th Sunday of Lent, we will present the Lord's Prayer.



### THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Colby Curtin, Shirley Wood, Pat Schuck, Lucy Svimonoff, Nina Paterson, Sarah Fries, Maxwell Smith, Harry Fehner, Charles Ward, Chris Shulberg, John Swanson, Fabio Marinetti, Frank Risica, Jeanie Kaufman, MaryAna Finks, and Stella Fillipow.

### THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

Peggy Holquin, Ralph Kortz and Hugh Boyle.

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### Fourth Sunday of Lent March 26th, 2006

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

- John 3:17

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers this week-end are donated by our Parish Women's Council in honor of Jane Carlson and Larry and Mary McLaughlin for the Papal Awards bestowed upon them at the Cathedral of our Lady of the Angels last Sunday, March 19th.

**USHERS ARE NEEDED** for the Easter Masses. Please sign up in the Vestibule or the entrance to the Chapel. Thank you.

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR** from the San Pedro Region will be guest-speakers at all Masses next Saturday and Sunday.

#### SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEETING

Every First and Third Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm, in the Jubilee Room. Subject: "Purpose Driven Life". For information, please call Jim or Susan (562)433-6137.

#### CENTERING PRAYER (Christian Meditation)

Meets every Wednesday throughout Lent at the St. Bart's Youth Center, 4545 E. Fourth St. (between Park and Ximeno) from 7-8:30pm. For additional information, please contact Barbara Brown (562) 433-7901, or Pat Metzger (562)433-2452.

#### LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Please join in St. Bartholomew's Lenten Food Drive to benefit the pregnant women and children in crisis at New Life Beginnings here in Long Beach. Food lists are available at the Church entrances and donations can be brought to the Church Social Hall or Vestibule of the Church during week-end Masses throughout Lent. For more information, please call: Christine Woznicki (562)987-0216.

#### POLISH MASS

This Sunday, March 26th, 3:00pm, and every last Sunday of the month here at St. Bartholomew's.

#### SAVE THESE DATES!

**Sunday, April 23rd—ANNUAL FASHION SHOW  
ANNUAL BOOK SALE—Saturday, May 6th**

**2:30—4:30pm**

**Sunday, May 7th, 8:00am—2:00pm**

(Sponsored by our Parish Women's Council)

#### You Know What's Best For Your Children

Your minor daughter can't get a flu shot without your permission, but an older boyfriend can take her to Planned Parenthood for an abortion without your knowing. A signature drive to put a new Parental Notification proposition, identical to Prop. 73, on next November's ballot has begun. More than 900,00 valid signatures are needed. This effort has the support of Cardinal Mahony and our bishops. Please stop at a table outside church today to sign the new initiative.

#### APPRECIATION


Bayshore Community Congregational Church thanks all of our parishioners who donated to their annual blood drive recently. As a result, the united effort as caring Christians has touched the lives of 171 people.

#### THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

By Franz Joseph Haydn, featuring the Long Beach Symphony Orchestra String Quartet, will be presented at St. Anthony Church here in Long Beach, Friday, April 7th—seating at 1:00pm. Tickets in advance: \$15.00/ at the door: \$20.00. Call for reservations: (562)435-4496x402.

#### ALTAR SERVERS

**April 1st** 5:00pm White/Hayes  
**April 2nd** 8:00am Mendez/Roberts  
9:30am Parker/Kennedy  
11:00am Ahumada/Ramos  
12:30pm Ficarra/Sweeney

 **ORDINARY INCOME**  
Collections March 18th/19th \$10,729.00