

ST. BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH

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The Rectory Office is open

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-12:00 noon; 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

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MASSES:

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sundays: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am; 12:30 pm

Eves of Holy Days: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Holy Days: 8:00 am; 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION: **Saturdays:** 3:45 to 4:45 pm. **First Fridays:** Before the 8:00 am Mass.

BAPTISMS: 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, by Appointment, through Rectory.

WEDDINGS: By Appointment at least 6 months in advance, through the Rectory..

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

VISIT OUR PARISH WEB SITE
 PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
 SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 4545 E. 4th St. (Monday & Wednesday)
 CONFIRMATION COORDINATOR
 RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)
 RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY
 LEGION OF MARY
 MEN'S CLUB & USHERS
 PARISH MUSIC DIRECTOR AND ORGANIST
 LECTOR /EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER COORDINATORS
 COMMUNITY GROUP
 ALTAR SERVERS
 CENTERING PRAYER (Christian Meditation)
 YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
 CHILDREN'S CHOIR
 CONTEMPORARY CHOIR

<http://www.sblb.org>
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 Pat McGlynn 439-1802
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 Mary Anna Duty 438-2567
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 Brian Archambault 208-8222
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 Karyn Parker 433-9900
 Pat Metzger 433-2452
 Patricia Goodman 438-3981
 Julie Westervelt 243-1286
 Lina Hayek 708-7050

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.

STRENGTHENED BY THE BREAD OF LIFE

Today we resume the "Bread of Life" discourse from John's Gospel that began two weeks ago. He makes reference to the Jews' ancestors who ate manna in the desert. These days we would think primarily of Israel wandering in the desert, but faithful Jews would also have known the story of Elijah that we hear today. Strengthened by food and drink in the desert, the angel of the Lord sends him on his forty-day and forty-night journey (the biblical number for a preparation time). Like the food given to Elijah in the desert, Jesus tells his listeners that he is bread for the life of the world. It is very important that we not stop listening to Jesus after his promise of eternal life—a marvelous promise, but this "reward" is not the only reason we feast on the Bread of Life. We also come to the table to be made strong for the journey of mission, that the whole world might have life in the fullness of Christ. We are compelled, if we have eaten of the bread of life, to go forth in service to all.

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ALTAR SERVERS

Aug. 15	5:00	Sweeney/D.Ramos
Aug. 16	8:00	Lund/Stonick/Dobbs
	9:30	Oberhaus/Meyer
	11:00	Bebek/Monconduit
	12:30	Cowan/Feldman/Parker

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers this weekend are donated by Leo and Teresa Poissant as they celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

ADULT CONFIRMATION COURSE

Starting September 13 through December, 9:00-11:15am, Our Lady of Refuge Auditorium, 5210 Los Coyotes Diagonal in Long Beach. This is for adults who have been baptized and have had 1st Communion. **If interested, please call the Rectory.**

LECTORS—EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Aug. 15	5:00	Boessow/Stutz—Team 4
Aug. 16	8:00	Dominguez/Mehler—Team 4
	9:30	Bodner/Griffith—Team 2
	11:00	Wolf/Villa-McDowell—Team 2
	12:30	Reus/Armstrong—Team 4

BANNS of MARRIAGE

3rd Angie Froehlich and Ronald Burkard
 Ann Burgos and Brad Bagnaschi
 Karina Meese and Jonathan Celis

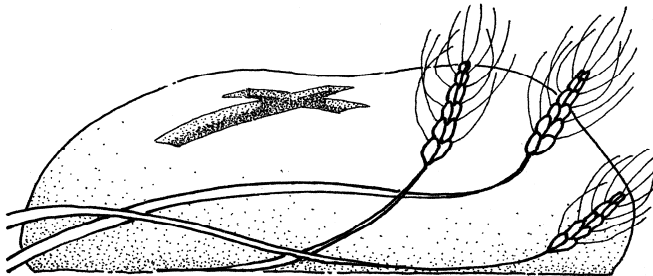


THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Xavier Dybbro, Sarah Fries, Catherine Thompson, Harry Fehner, Michael Fehner, Josephine Bilsley, Dolores Detarr, Nathan Laherty, Mark Lott, Clark Boyd, Lorna Klemp, John Coppens, Timothy Hanley, Richard Gardner, Frank Risica, and Candace Weissman.

THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

Robert Crowley, Sr.



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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2009

I am the living bread that came down from
Heaven.

-John 6:51

HOW DOES A PERSON BECOME A CATHOLIC

Are you curious about Catholicism? Or, do you know someone who is interested in the Catholic Faith? As a Catholic Community, it is our greatest joy as well as our mission to continually welcome new members. "Inquiry" is the first step in the four-step process of faith formation and education known as the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—RCIA**. **Inquiry classes will begin in September, on Wednesdays, Sept 2nd, 9th, and 16th, from 7-9:00pm, in the Jubilee Room.** We encourage and invite interested individuals to "come and see" what living a life as a committed Catholic Christian can mean. For more information, please call the Rectory (562)438-3826.



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SAVE THIS DATE! Annual Parish Picnic, Saturday, September 26th

Hosted annually by our
Parish Community Group,

but new people are needed this year to plan the day.

**Please volunteer to help bring new ideas to
this event.**

Call: Deacon Carl (562)400-4099.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Help the poor and needy by volunteering for Catholic Charities in Long Beach. Call Cecilia for a volunteer application at (562)480-2506, to bring food and a friendly smile to the homebound elderly once a month. Contact Cecilia by email @ gatekeeperproject@hotmail.com

COLLECTIONS

Ordinary Income: August 1/2 \$ 12,025.00
Missionary Coop: \$ 7,913.00

MEN'S CLUB CHARITY SHOE DRIVE

Every 17 seconds, Soles4Souls, Inc. (a non-profit organization) gives away another pair of shoes to someone in need, distributing more than 4.3 million-pairs to people in over 125 countries, including Honduras, Uganda, Romania, and the United States. This shoe charity has earned glowing endorsements from Hollywood stars and professional athletes, but the people that truly make the non-profit organization effective are those who clean out their closets to personally drop off their 'gently worn' shoes. To help this organization, our Men's Club is sponsoring a '**Charity Shoe Drive**', Sept. 13, 20 & 27, in the Church Hall. They are looking for good practical shoes for the young and old that still have good life left in them. No high heels, please! Please take time between now and then to look through your closets and your kids' closets to find shoes to be donated. Monetary donations will happily be accepted to offset shipping costs. For more information, please contact: Mike Huntley @mikeh@duncanbolt.com, or (562)673-3097, and look for us in the hall after all Masses on these dates.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The cupboards are bare!!! Food donations are needed to assist families with children and senior citizens. Catholic Charities has 3 sites to serve the poor. Donations can be delivered to Catholic Charities, 123 E. 14th Street in Long Beach. For more information, please call Diane Garcia (562)480-2482, or Vanessa Romain (562)591-1641.

CENTERING PRAYER

Every 2nd and 4th Monday, in the Church, 7:00pm, and every First Friday, at 7:30pm. For more info. call: Pat (562)433-2452; or Melissa (562)434-1998.

Volunteers are needed to host coffee and donuts on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please call the Rectory.