

SAINT LINUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph



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Sister Joseph Ann Kostka, O.L.V.M.

Mass Times

Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m./Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m./Family Mass

12:00 p.m./en Español

5:30 p.m./Youth Mass

7:30 p.m.

Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin of the previous Sunday

Weekdays: Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. with Perpetual Help Novena

1st and 3rd Fridays: 7:00 p.m.

Charismatic Mass: once a month
(date and time will be posted in the bulletin)

Parish Office

Maureen Linnebur, Business Manager
Anna Betancourt, Dir. of Pastoral Services/Liturgy
Gloria Cardenas, Bulletin Editor/Webmaster

Office Hours

Mon.-Sat.: 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

Closed for Lunch: 12 p.m.-1 p.m.

Sun.: 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

All night adoration from 7:30 p.m., after the 1st and 3rd Friday Masses, Benediction Saturday 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and 8:00-9:00 p.m.
and by appointment

For the following Sacraments and Services, please call the Parish Center:

Sacrament of Baptism
Sacrament of Marriage
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Funeral and Vigil Services
Communion to the Sick and Home-bound

Ministry in Action...

Adoración Nocturna

Contacto: Jose Reyna
(562) 787-1507

3rd Fri. 7 pm - Sat, 7:15 A.M. | Iglesia

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Contact: Dorie Sablan

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

1st Fri. | 7 P.M.-Sat. 7:15 A.M. | Church

Adult Confirmation

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Altar Servers

Contact: Sr. Joseph Ann Kostka OLVM

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Altar Society

Contact: Virginia Lozano
(562)863-3657

Anointing of the Sick

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Baptismal Preparation of Children

English & Spanish

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Bereavement Ministry

Contact: Dn. Chuck Baker
(562) 926-8045

4th Tues. | 7-8:30 P.M. | Parish Center

Bible Study-English

Contact: Barbara Fries
(562) 926-1770

Tues. | 8-9 P.M. | Rm. 8

Bible Study-Spanish

Contact: Rosa Hernandez
(562) 921-8091

Wed. | 7:30-9:30 P.M. | Rm. 11

Boy Scouts, Troop 394

Contact: Rayu Rayasam

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Mon. | 7-8:30 P.M. | Hall

Charismatic Healing Mass

Contact: Sion Ferrer
(213) 989-3214 (Work)

Various Mon. | 7 P.M. | Church

Church Environment

Contact: Mary Betancourt
(562) 921-5279

Cursillo Ultreya—Spanish

Contacto: Miguel y Margarita Ramos
(562) 929-4693

Filipino Association

Contact: Rey Factoran
(714) 670-8788

Meets once a month

Funerals

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Golden Age Club

Contact: John A. L. Moran
(562) 926-1575

3rd Sun | 1-4 P.M. | Hall

Guadalupanas

Contacto: José y Delia Sánchez
(562) 802-2984

El dia 12 de cada mes | 7 P.M. | Iglesia

Jovenes para Cristo

Contacto: Marlene Jaramillo
(562) 291-9741

Tues. | 7:30 P.M. | Hall

Knights of Columbus #10623

Contact: Daniel G. Sánchez
(562) 229-3089 (Home)
(562) 254-5090 (Cell)

2nd Tues. | 7:30 P.M. | Hall

Knights of Columbus—Squires

Contact: Alan Gfeller
(562) 921-4002

3rd Sat. | Contact Alan

Legion of Mary

Contact: Sylvia J. Layao
(562) 404-1174

Praesidium

Tues. | 5-6 P.M. | Rm. 10

Curia

2nd Thur. | 7 P.M. | Rm. 10

Liturgy Committee

Director: Anna Betancourt
Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Ministerios Hispanos

Contacto: Agustin Lopez
(909) 260-5166 (Cell)

Ministry to the Sick

Contact: Sr. Joseph Ann Kostka OLVM
Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Music Director

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Oktoberfest Committee

Contact: Mike Betancourt
Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Prayer Groups

“Elohim” Filipino

Contact: Brenda Cadavona
(562) 921-1123

Fri. | 7:30-9 P.M. | Rm. 8

Grupo de Oración

Contacto: Vidal Vargas
(562) 440-7022 (Cell)

Wed. | 7-9 P.M. | Hall

RCIA

Contact: Marge Baker

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Mon. | 7-8:30 P.M. | Rm. 8

Religious Education

Contact: Adele Gutierrez, DRE
(562) 921-5179 Office
Call for Schedules

Religious Goods Store

Contact: John A. L. Moran
Parish Center: (562) 921-6649
Open after all Weekend Masses

Religious Vocations

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Santo Niño Devotions

1st Fri. | 6:30 P.M. | Church

St. Linus Fundraisers

Contact: Nimfa Castro
(562) 865-1167

St. Linus School

Principal: Sister Catherine Casey
(562) 921-0336 Office
www.linuslions.org

St. Linus Ushers

Contact: Cornell Watson
(562) 868-1160

We Care Ministry

Contact: Connie Renteria
(562) 902-4914

Weddings & Quinceañeras

Coordinator: Connie Renteria
(562) 902-4914

Young Adult Ministry

Contact: Stella Farrell
Parish Center: (562) 921-6649
Call for Schedules

Youth Ministry/LIFE TEEN & Confirmation

Contact: Dean Diomedes
(562) 921-6252 Office
Sun. | 7-8:30 P.M. | LIFE Nights | Hall
Other meeting times vary

Parish Life...



Collections

We would like to thank all of our parishioners and visiting parishioners for being extremely generous with your weekly donations in helping our parish. Our collections for the week of **DECEMBER 24, 2006** was **\$8,061.78**. May God bless you all.

WHO ME? CATHOLIC?

Interested in learning about the Catholic faith?
 Inquiry - Mondays from 7-8:30 PM
 in the Conference Room (Room 8)

Casual, informal gatherings for those who are in the initial stages of learning about the Catholic faith and/or those thinking about joining the church.

For answers concerning all the above...
 Please direct all inquiries and questions to:
 Marge Baker (562) 926-8045

ST. LINUS RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE OPEN AFTER ALL WEEKEND MASSES



If you are looking for that special remembrance for:

**WEDDINGS,
 BAPTISMS,
 FIRST COMMUNION or
 CONFIRMATION**



**TAKE A LOOK HERE FIRST; IF WE DON'T
 HAVE IT, WE CAN ORDER IT OR TELL
 YOU WHERE YOU CAN GET IT.
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

This group will meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Parish Center, from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. If you have lost a loved one or someone very close and you need to talk about it and seek some kind of comfort, then make sure you take advantage of this support group. For more information, please contact the Parish Center at (562) 921-6649.



Colectas

Deseamos dar las gracias a nuestros feligreses y a los visitantes por su generosidad con la ofrenda dominical que ayuda a nuestra parroquia. En la semana de **DICIEMBRE 24, 2006** la ofrenda total fue **\$8,061.78**. Que Dios los bendiga a todos.

¿QUIEN YO? ¿CATÓLICO?

¿Te interesa aprender la fe Católica?
 Investigación – Lunes de 7-8:30 PM
 en el Salón de Conferencias (Salón de Ocho)

Reuniones casuales, informales para los que empiezan a aprender la Fe Católica y/o para los que estan pensando en ser parte de la iglesia.

Para respuestas acerca de este articulo....
 Por favor comunicarse con
 Marge Baker (562) 926-8045

TIENDA DE ARTICULOS RELIGIOSOS DE SAN LINO



ESTA ABIERTA DESPUES DE
 TODAS LAS MISAS
 MATINALES

Si necesitas un recuerdo especial para:



**BODAS, BAUTISOS,
 PRIMERA COMUNION o CONFIRMACION
 VISITANOS; SI NO LO TENEMOS LO
 PODEMOS ORDENAR.
 GRACIAS POR TU APOYO.**

GRUPO DE APOYO MORAL PARA LOS DOLIENTES

Este grupo se reúne el último Martes de cada mes en el Centro Parroquial, de 7:00pm – 8:30pm. Si necesitas hablar con alguien sobre la muerte de uno de tus seres queridos, si necesitas apoyo moral, este grupo te ayudará. Para más información llama al Centro Parroquial al (562) 921-6649.

Parish Life...

Parish Council

Do you have questions, comments, or concerns regarding Parish Life here at St. Linus? Have you ever had an idea of ways to improve Parish Life but don't know who to contact to try and get your suggestion implemented? Here is your chance to be heard and make a difference. ~ A Parish Council has been established to examine and seek ways to improve Parish Life, and promote community. It is comprised of 12 members, representing all walks of life within our parish. ~ If you have any questions, comments, concerns, or suggestions that you would like to have addressed at a future Parish Council meeting, please email us at ParishCouncil@StLinus.org or you can write to the Parish Council and leave it at the Parish Office. We ask that all comments be submitted in writing. You can make a difference!

Welcome to LIFE

With the beginning of a new year comes the beginning of the first phase of a similar model of youth ministry as we've had, but with a new name. Formerly known as discussion nights, one element of the ministry of LIFE TEEN is called LIFE Nights. They occur immediately after the Sunday evening Youth Mass and are held in the parish hall from 7-8:30 unless otherwise noted. All high school aged teens are invited and welcome to attend. Teens preparing for confirmation are expected to attend most Sunday nights, but teens already confirmed are encouraged and teens not in the process or with no formal religious background are invited to attend. "Welcome to LIFE" is a session designed to launch the name LIFE TEEN here at St. Linus and introduce the **entire parish community** (all parishioners, teens, parents, adults, middle-schoolers) to the element known as LIFE Nights. We would like to invite everyone to LIFE on Sunday, January 7, 2007. All participants in attendance get a chance to win cool prizes, including the new iPod Shuffle..."we hope you enjoy it."

ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to join us in Room 8 In the school building every Tuesday evening At 8:00PM for Bible Study. We furnish all materials necessary.

Concilio de la Parroquia

¿Tiene usted preguntas, comentarios, o le concierne algo acerca de la vida de la parroquia aquí en San Lino? ¿Alguna vez ha tenido alguna idea o manera de mejorar la Vida la Parroquia pero no sabe con quien contactarse para tratar de implementar su sugerencia? Aquí esta su oportunidad de ser escuchado y hacer la diferencia. ~ Se ha establecido un Concilio de la Parroquia para analizar y buscar maneras de mejorar la Vida de la Parroquia, y promover comunidad. Esta compuesto de 12 miembros, representando todos los grupos culturales en nuestra parroquia. ~ Si usted tiene alguna pregunta, comentario, o sugerencia que quisiera hacer llegar a la siguiente junta del Concilio de la Parroquia, por favor envíelo por correo electrónico a ParishCouncil@StLinus.org o puede escribirle al Concilio de la Parroquia y dejarlo en la oficina de la Parroquia. Todos los comentarios deben presentarse por escrito. ¡Usted puede hacer la diferencia!

Bienvenidos a VIDA

Con el año nuevo empieza la primera fase del modelo similar a nuestro ministerio juvenil, pero con un nombre nuevo. Anteriormente conocido como noches de discusión, un elemento del ministerio de VIDA ADOLESCENTE se llama Noches VIDA. Toman lugar inmediatamente despues de la Misa Juvenil de los Domingos en el hall de 7-8:30 salvo previo aviso. Todos los adolescentes de edad de high school son invitados y bienvenidos. Los adolescentes que se estan preparando para recibir el Sacramento de Confirmación deben de asistir la mayoría de los Domingos, pero los jovenes que ya se confirmaron y los que no estan en el proceso y no tienen enseñanza religiosa tambien estan invitados. "Bienvenido a "VIDA" es una sesión diseñada a lanzar el nombre VIDA ADOLESCENTE aqui en San Lino y presentar a **toda la comunidad parroquial** (todos lo feligreses, jovenes, padres, adultos, pre-adolescentes) el elemnto conocido como Noches VIDA. Invitamos a todos a VIDA el Domingo 7 de Enero, 2007. Todos los participantes tendran oportunidad de ganar premios, incluyendo un iPod Shuffle. Esperamos que todos lo disfruten.

Parish News and Beyond...

Attention all Liturgical Ministers!

Liturgical Formation Day, **Saturday, January 20, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.** at **Bishop Conaty - Our Lady of Loreto High School** (2900 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90006), sponsored by the Office for Worship.

The following workshops will be offered in Spanish: **Liturgical Spirituality, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector Enrichment, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Baptism Preparation Teams, Children's Liturgy, Music Ministry, Ministry to the Sick & Dying, Art and Environment Ministry, and Hospitality Ministry.**

A registration form can be downloaded from the Office for Worship's website www.laliturgy.org OR pick up a flyer at the parish office OR send you name, address, daytime phone number, workshop title and fee (\$15 if prepaid by January 10th, \$25 after January 10th, and onsite if space is available) to the Office for Worship, 3424 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241. Please bring your lunch; morning hospitality will be provided. For further information please call 213-637-7586.

Calling All Married Couples

The Office of Family Life's Marriage Preparation Program is looking for married couples (married in the Catholic Church) to help engaged couples prepare for the Sacrament of Matrimony through our One Day Marriage Preparation Classes. If you are interested, please call Candy Metoyer at **(213) 637-7250**.

Atención: ¡Todos los Ministerios litúrgicos!

Día de formación litúrgica para diez ministerios litúrgicos el **sábado, 20 de Enero de 2007, de las 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.** en la escuela secundaria de **Bishop Conaty - O.L. of Loreto H.S.**, 2900 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, 90006, organizado por la Oficina del Culto Divino de la Arquidiócesis de Los Angeles.

Se ofrecen talleres para los siguientes ministerios: lectores, ministros de la comunión, ministros a los enfermos, ujieres u hospitalidad, música y canto, equipos del RICA, preparación del bautismo de niños, niños y litúrgia, decoradores del entorno, espiritualidad litúrgica.

Se puede conseguir un formulario de inscripción en la oficina parroquial, o también bajándola de la página de internet de la Oficina del Culto en www.laliturgy.org. Envíe su nombre, dirección y teléfono durante el día, **con el título de su taller y el pago** (\$15 si se recibe antes del 10 de Enero, o \$25 si se recibe después) a The Office for Worship, 3424 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241. Traiga su almuerzo. Se ofrecerá hospitalidad en la mañana. Para más información llame al (213) 637-7262.

Llamando a Todas las Parejas Casadas

Los Programas Regionales de Preparación Matrimonial de la Oficina de Vida Familiar esta buscando parejas casadas (en la Iglesia Católica) para que ayuden a parejas comprometidas prepararse para el Sacramento de Matrimonio por nuestros Programas Regionales de Preparación Matrimonial. Si usted esta interesado, por favor de llamar a Graciela Villalobos al **(213) 637-7561**.

WELCOME TO ST. LINUS PARISH

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us. We extend our hearts to all whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you have NOT registered or have moved, or have other needs, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office.

- I would like to become a parishioner by registering.
- I have moved. Here is my new address.
- I have a new phone number.
- I would be willing to be a sponsor for RCIA.
- I am going to be in the hospital for surgery.
- I have a convalescent person in our home requesting Holy Communion.
- I am baptized but have not received 1st Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____

Parish News and Beyond...

Early Registration for **World Marriage Day 2007** Celebration with Cardinal Roger M. Mahony at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels, February 11, 2007, at 3:30 PM Couples celebrating their silver (25), 30, 40, or golden (50) or more (51+) wedding anniversary are invited to join us for the very special Anniversary Mass on Sunday, February 11, 2007 at 3:30 PM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels, 555 West Temple St. Los Angeles, CA, 90012. Registration fee: \$35.00 per couple. For more information and early registration, please call Annette Vichot in the Office of Family Life at (213) 637-7228, from 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday.

Inscripción con Anticipación Para Celebrar el **Día Mundial del Matrimonio 2007** con el Cardenal Rogelio M. Mahony en la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de Los Angeles 11 de febrero, 2007, a las 3:30 PM. Las parejas que celebran su aniversario de Plata (25), 30, 40, o de Oro (50) o más años de casados, están cordialmente invitadas a una Misa muy especial para celebrar su aniversario el domingo, 11 de febrero del 2007 a las 3:30 PM en la Catedral Nuestra Señora de Los Angeles, 555 oeste de la Calle Temple, Los Angeles, CA, 90012. La cuota de inscripción es de \$35.00 por pareja. Para más información y para inscribirse con tiempo, por favor llame a Annette Vichot en la Oficina de Vida Familiar al (213) 637-7228, de lunes a viernes de las 9 AM hasta las 5 PM.

THE HEALING MASS MINISTRY

By: Sion Ferrer

The Healing Mass Ministry has been part of the St. Linus church since 2000. The ministry is jointly supported by the St. Linus English charismatic prayer group and the Elohim prayer groups.

The ministry has invited several presiders as follows:

Msgr. Joe Brennan, Fr. Tony Gomez, Fr. Mike Barry, Fr. Bill Adams, Fr. Ramon Valera, Fr. Mike Sears, Fr. John Struzoo, Fr. George Reynolds, Fr. Joshua Lee, Fr. Alec Aclan, Fr. Bill Delaney, Fr. Rosendo Silva, Fr. Jerry Thompson, Fr. John Hampsch, Fr. Corsie Legaspi, Fr. Nestor Rebong, Fr. Chris Troxell, Fr. John Vianney, Fr. Efren Borromeo, Fr. George Madella.

Brief Description of a Healing Mass

We all believe that every Mass is a Healing Mass. Therefore, during the mass, the priest or presider instructs those who receive the Holy Eucharist to enter into the healing process by taking their needs and infirmities to the Lord at the very moment they receive the Eucharist.

After the liturgy, the healing service begins. Usually, the priest will explain to the attendees what happens during the pray-over. A person can either be "resting in the Spirit". Often, blockages like lack of forgiveness, hatred, anger, fear, bitterness, long and deep seated anger against one person can deter the Spirit from allowing the person to receive healing.

Responses to this experience usually differ for each individual's openness to the Spirit and the condition of one's heart. Reactions such as openness, desire to be healed, forgiveness, petition, contrition, thanksgiving varies. Many individuals experience emotions such as deep peace too powerful to express in human language.

BIENVENIDOS A LA PARROQUIA DE SAN LINO

Nuestra más calurosa bienvenida a todos que celebran con nosotros. Extendemos nuestros corazones a todos, sean residentes de mucho tiempo o recién llegados a la parroquia. Si NO se han registrado o se han registrado y mudado, o tienen otras necesidades, por favor llenen este formulario y pónganlo en la canasta de colecta o envíenlo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quisiera registrarme para ser miembro de la parroquia. | Nombre _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aquí está mi nuevo domicilio. | Domicilio _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yo tengo un número nuevo de teléfono. | Ciudad _____ Estado _____ Zona Postal _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quisiera ser patrocinador de RCIA. | Teléfono (____) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Voy a estar en el hospital para una operación. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tengo una persona convaleciente en mi casa pidiendo la Santa Comunión. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estoy bautizado/a pero no he recibido la Primera Comunión y/o al Confirmación. | |

Parish News...

FAMILY LIFE

Family life is sacred, but it is not without trial. Perhaps this is the most important message we can glean from today's readings. If Jesus, Mary and Joseph can trip up sometimes—can disconnect—then we shouldn't find it surprising when such things happen to us as well. And parents everywhere (children, too) can probably relate to—and take some solace in—the Gospel's account of Mary and Joseph after Jesus explained why he stayed behind in the temple. They heard his words, Luke tells us, "But they did not understand what he said to them" (Luke 2:50). Amen! Nevertheless, Jesus does go back home with them, and continues to thrive under their care.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Tonight, at the turning of the year, you may catch a glimpse of the old year, a cartoon figure of a hunched old man with a sickle, Father Time. Where else but in this column could you learn that this is in fact a pope? December 31 was in the old calendar the feast of St. Sylvester. Legend says that Sylvester healed the Emperor Constantine of leprosy, and presided at the liturgy of baptism for the grateful Emperor. In 314, he was chosen pope, and it fell to him to organize the peacetime church, free at last from persecution. He founded the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome.

In northern Europe "Sylvester Night" is a time of great parties with eating, dancing, and singing—recalling perhaps the joy of the church in the fresh air of Sylvester's papacy. In Poland, there was great fear as the year 1000 approached that an immense dragon would devour the earth and set fire to the heavens. The people prayed earnestly to St. Sylvester, trusting that the saint would not permit such suffering on his feast day. They've been celebrating ever since!

Many New Year's customs have pagan roots, like the British "First Footer" tradition. The idea is that the first person setting foot into your house in the new year determines the luck for the year ahead. The ideal first footer was not a bit like old Pope Sylvester, but rather a tall, dark-haired man carrying the right gift. A handsome first footer meant the year ahead would be pleasant, and if he carried bread or a shovel of coal there would be food and warmth in the future. Who will be your household's first footer?

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VIDA FAMILIAR

La vida familiar es sagrada, pero no faltan las dificultades. Este puede ser el mensaje más importante que encontramos en las lecturas de hoy. Si Jesús, María y José pueden tropezar de vez en cuando —desconectarse— entonces no nos debe sorprender cuando eso mismo nos ocurre a nosotros también. Y los padres dondequiera que estén (hijos también) pueden ver el parecido —y hasta consolarse— con el relato bíblico que habla de María y José después de que Jesús les explica porqué se quedó atrás en el templo. Escucharon sus palabras, nos dice Lucas, "pero ellos no comprendieron lo que les acababa de decir" (Lucas 2:50). ¡Amén! Sin embargo, Jesús sí se va con ellos para la casa, y continúa creciendo bajo su cuidado.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El primer Domingo después de la Navidad celebramos la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia. Los latinos somos un pueblo muy unido en familia. Para nosotros es más que un pequeño grupo compuesto de padre, madre, hijos e hijas. La familia para nosotros los latinos es un conjunto grande de abuelos, abuelas, tío, tías, primos, primas, compadres, comadres, suegros, suegras y otros más además del padre, la madre y los hijos. Para los latinos una fiesta que celebra la familia de Jesús es la cosa más natural del mundo.

Extrañamente esta fiesta no es muy antigua. En realidad es una celebración que data de comienzos de la época moderna en el siglo XVII. Antes de estas fechas la familia de Jesús casi siempre era entendida como compuesta por Jesús, María, y Ana (la madre de María). Se daba por hecho que José estaba por allí. Pero en el siglo XVII muchos perdieron sus padres a las fábricas y al trabajo fuera del hogar. Por eso el magisterio instituyó la conmemoración de la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José para recordar a los padres cristianos su deber ante sus hijos y su esposa.

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

VALORAR A CRISTO

A Cristo no se lo valora
a menos que sea valorado sobre todo.

—San Agustín

Parish News and Beyond...

New Year's Schedule

New Year's Eve, Sunday Dec. 31 Regular Sunday Schedule

New Year's Day, Monday January 1st, Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Rejoice in Hope CDs available

Anna Betancourt and Monsignor Joseph Brennan just finished a new CD titled "Rejoice in Hope". After working on this project for six months, they are finally able to share the fruit of their labor with all of us. Enjoy the beautifully arranged sacred and inspirational songs that they have chosen for this recent CD. You can purchase your CD today at the parish office or Religious Education office for \$15.00.

New Requirements for Deducting Contributions on Your Tax Return

Beginning in 2007, all cash gifts, regardless of amount, must be substantiated by a bank record that would be a cancelled check or credit card statement, or a written communication from the charity stating the charities name, the amount and date of contribution. Self created records (such as log books), which were previously allowed as support, will not be accepted.

If you donate currency and plan to deduct the contribution, you need to use envelopes. Our new envelopes are pre-numbered to assist us in tracking your contribution. If you did not receive envelopes, please contact the parish office to get on the list for envelopes. At the end of the year, the office can print a summary of your contributions to support your tax deduction.

Run for Vocations

January 8 is the Fest of the Baptism of the Lord and marks the start of National Vocation Awareness Week. The Archdiocesan Office for Vocations is in search of athletes to specifically support priestly vocations at this year's LA Marathon, Sunday March 4. If you're already planning to run, consider joining this elite team. Contact Sr. Kathy Bryant by emailing her at SrKBryant@la-archdiocese.org or calling 213-637-7515 for more information. Non-runners are encouraged to support the team in prayer. To commit to praying for the team or to get a copy of your own sponsor form in order to recruit other prayer sponsors for the vocations team contact the youth ministry office.

Faith and Media

Are you computer savvy? Do you stay on the cutting edge of technology? Would you like an opportunity to be more prepared for the Sunday Mass, by familiarizing yourself with the upcoming readings? If so, LIFE TEEN has just the thing for you. Join the youth of the parish and subscribe and listen to "Sunday, Sunday, Sunday" Podcast hosted by the Bible Geek, Mark Hart. A podcast is a downloadable radio show. It's completely free and can be downloaded by searching for 'lifeteen.com' in the itunes store. Help nurture your own spirituality and build the body of Christ, locally and universally by joining with others in prayer while reflecting on the Mass readings each week.

7-11 Ministry Day

The Office for Vocations offers a great experience for any adult, 18 years or older, who might consider a life as a priest or religious. The 7-11 Ministry Day is a great way for someone to ³shadow² a priest or religious as they minister to God's people - in a variety of ways. It is great for a person to experience what being a sister who works in a hospital would be like or what it means to be a parish priest - and so much more! It is an awesome chance for someone in discernment to deepen their awareness of these important ministries. The 7-11 Ministry Day will be held on Saturday, January 27, 2007. For more information please contact Sr. Kathy Bryant at (213) 637-7248 or srkbryant@la-archdiocese.org.

Parish News and Beyond...

Southern California Devotees of Infant Jesus

Please come and join us, together with you family and friends to celebrate the annual celebration of the feast day of the Holy Infant Jesus (Sto. Niño) at St. Linus Church, 13915 Shoemaker Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650

Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Tony Gomez

Saturday, January 6, 2007

*7:00 a.m. Holy Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Followed by the 9 hour Novena to the Holy Infant Jesus*

Sunday, January 7, 2007

*Procession at 2:00 p.m. (assembly starts at 1:30 p.m.)
Followed by the celebration of the Holy Mass, blessing of the children,
Elderly, sick, and statues of the Holy Infant Jesus.*

Snack and entertainment will follow at the church hall.

For further information, please call:

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This Week at St. Linus...



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2006

7:30 AM Nick & Rosana Martinez, (R.I.P.)
 5:30 PM Cecelia Sanchez, (Birthday)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2006

7:30 AM Barbara Santos, (Death Anniversary)
 9:00 AM Anthony Christopher Sanchez, (Birthday)
 10:30 AM Mass for our Parishioners
 12:00 PM Cuca Vargas y Carlos Garcia (R.I.P.)
 5:30 PM Mass for our Parishioners
 9:00 PM Carlos & Juanita Arenas, (R.I.P.)

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2007

9:00 AM Joaquina Arellano, (Birthday/R.I.P.)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2007

8:30 AM Tobias Rael & Leo Martinez, (R.I.P.)
 7:00 PM Mass for our Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2007

8:30 AM Mrs. Plebanek (R.I.P.)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2007

8:30 AM Kaylin Elisabeth Rose, (R.I.P.)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2007

8:30 AM Mary Elizabeth Baker, (R.I.P.)
 7:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe, (In Thanksgiving)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2007

7:30 AM Desiderio Sungo, (R.I.P.)
 5:30 PM Nikko Sanchez, (Birthday)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2007

7:30 AM Mass for our Parishioners
 9:00 AM Serafin & Delfina Salazar, (R.I.P.)
 10:30 AM Marylou Reyes, (R.I.P.)
 12:00 PM Carlos & Juanita Arenas, (R.I.P.)
 5:30 PM Jeanette Witucki, (R.I.P.)
 7:30 PM Alexander Reyes Anderson, (R.I.P.)



MONDAY, JANUARY 1



Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Mass, Church

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

5-6:00 PM Legion of Mary, Room 10
 7:00 PM Mother of Perpetual Help & St. Jude Novena Bilingual Mass, Church
 7-9:00 PM Jovenes para Cristo, Hall
 7-9:00 PM Jovenes para Cristo, Room 10/11
 8:00 PM English Bible Study, Room 8

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

No Religious Education Today

2:30-4:30 PM Basketball, Hall
 5-6:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal, Church
 7-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group, Hall/Room 10

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

2:30-4:30 PM Basketball, Hall
 5-9:00 PM School Social, Hall
 7:00 PM Filipino Choir Rehearsal, Church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

7:00 PM Mass - Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

No Religious Education Today

6:30A-6:30 PM Santo Niño, Hall

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

Coffee/Donuts: Jovenes para Cristo

1-4:30 PM Santo Niño, Church
 1-3:00 PM Circulo Hispano, Room 10
 All Day Santo Niño, Hall

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This Week...

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	The Octave Day of Christmas; The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace
Tuesday:	Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Wednesday:	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Thursday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Friday:	St. John Neumann; First Friday
Saturday:	Blessed André Bessette; First Saturday
Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; New Year Blessing of the Home; National Migration Week

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Jn 1:29-34
Thursday:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42
Friday:	1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS OBSERVANCIAS

Lunes:	María Santísima, Madre de Dios; Octava de Navidad; Año Nuevo; Jornada Mundial de Oración por la Paz
Martes:	Santos Basilio Magno y Gregorio Nacienzeno
Miércoles:	El Santísimo Nombre de Jesús
Jueves:	Santa Isabel Ana Seton
Viernes:	San Juan Neumann; Primer viernes
Sábado:	Beato André Bessette; Primer Sábado
Domingo:	Epifanía del Señor; Bendición de la Casa; Semana Nacional de Migración

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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Domingo:	Is 60:1-6; Sal 72(71); Ef 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12