

# THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 22, 2006

THROUGH HIS SUFFERING, MY SERVANT SHALL JUSTIFY MANY.

— Isaiah 53:11b

## REFLECTING ON NEXT SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

Each week you are encouraged to open your bible and reflect on next Sunday's gospel reading. The readings for next week are listed below along with two questions to prompt you to relate the Word of God to your life.

- 1) *What does "to see" mean to me? Is there blindness in my life?*
- 2) *What power does faith have in directing my life?*

## OCTOBER 29 - 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 31:7-9

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mark 10:46-52

## BREAD SALE

Our always-giving **Peace and Justice Committee** is sponsoring a bread sale today (Sunday) in the patio area. There are four yummy varieties to choose from at \$3.50 per loaf.

## PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. in classroom #1

## FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE

Will meet on Monday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.

## RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Our month-long baby shower benefiting the moms and babies at the *Precious Life Shelter*, a crisis pregnancy facility continues throughout this month. You may place your **new, unwrapped, baby necessities** in the bassinet located in front of the Sacred Heart Altar. Checks may be made out to *Precious Life Shelter* and dropped in the Sunday collection box.

## Sunday, November 5

**Concern America Fair Trade Crafts** will be at St. Matthew's just in time for holiday shopping! Fair Trade mean that trading partnerships are based on reciprocal benefits and mutual respect; that prices paid to producers reflect the work they do; that national health, safety, and wage laws are enforced; and that products are environmentally sustainable and conserve natural resources. Through your appreciation of their crafts and your generosity, many materially poor artisans will be able to earn a just wage, support their families, experience hope and keep alive their culture heritage.

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

*Gail Brown, Theresa Fritz, Connie Rhynerson,  
Marnie Stegeman, Jim Montgomery*

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY TODAY

Reaching out to ease the misery of the poor...because YOU are a missionary, too! Please be generous.

## A REMINDER...

**If you are mailing something to the parish office, please DO NOT use the P.O. box address anymore.** We no longer have a post office box. Very soon, the post office will not forward this mail to us. To insure delivery please send all mail to our street address: 672 Temple Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90814.

## SPRITUAL DOUBLE HEADER!

You are invited to attend Fr. Jim Halley's presentation on "Our Brothers and Sisters of the Eastern Catholic Churches" at 7:00p.m. on Monday, November 13th in our church. The following Sunday, Nov. 19th you may participate in an Eastern Rite Mass at St. Andrew's Russian Greek Church in El Segundo. Fr. Jim offers you this rare opportunity not only to learn more about the Eastern churches but to experience a Catholic Mass in another cultural context. Hopefully, carpooling will be available at 9:a.m. on Sunday, November 19th. Mass at the Russian Greek Church (which satisfies our Sunday obligation) will end at approximately noontime.

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

Will be made by two RCIA candidates, **Keith Tyler** and **Loresia Vallette** at next Saturday's 5:30 p.m. Mass We rejoice with these candidates as they become members of the Catholic Church and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

## INFANT-TODDLER CAR SEAT CHECKUPS

### MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY

The City of Long Beach will be offering free INFANT/TODDLER car seat checkups on **Wednesday, November 1** in an effort to address the issue of death and injury to children as passengers of motor vehicles. Coordinated by **SafetyBeltSafe USA** with sponsorship by the California Office of Traffic Safety, free safety seat inspections will be provided by **appointment** from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in the **parking lot of St. Matthew Church**. Teams of nationally certified child passenger safety technicians will inspect each safety seat to make sure it is the appropriate seat relative to the child's age and weight, that it fits the child properly, and that it is correctly installed in the safest possible location inside the vehicle. **To participate in this free checkup, parents are required to contact SafetyBeltSafe USA at (310) 222-6860 to make an appointment.**

**DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME ENDS  
NEXT SUNDAY — TURN CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR.**