St. Cornelius Catholic Church

The Lord is kind and merciful!

Service Schedule

Monday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	Mass - 5:00 pm Holy Hour - 7:00 pm
Wednesday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Thursday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Friday	Mass - 5:00 pm
Saturday	Mass - 9:00 am Mass - 12:00 pm
Sunday	Mass - 8:00 am Mass - 10:00 am Mass - 12:00 pm

Livestream is available: Sun 10am. See our website for link to our YouTube channel.
Confession: After 5pm Friday Mass, Saturday vigil Mass, and all Sunday Masses

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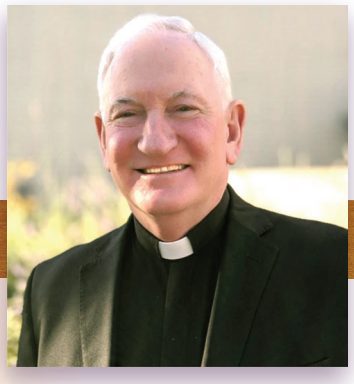
The Holy Family

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

After three days Jesus' parents found him in the temple,
sitting in the midst of the teachers,
listening to them and asking them questions.
Luke 2:46



Pastor's Corner

They say life does not come with a manual, it comes with a mother and father. Family is the privileged garden for growing people, the school of love. It was not different for Jesus, the Son of God. Today is the feast of the Holy Family, a reminder right after Christmas that Jesus came not just to our flesh, our world, our reality, but, came to a family. In that family we are told he 'Grew in wisdom and stature' of those two of course wisdom is by far the hardest and takes the longest. From Mary and Joseph Jesus got not only sustenance but formation in scripture, in faith and in love.

We teach that family is a 'domestic Church' which means that the family is another level of church and should have the essential elements of what makes Church, that is, prayer, formation, a shared life and community, and loving service of one another. Modern families come is many forms but regardless of how they are constituted they are called to be a communion where people help each other grow in love, faith and service.

We pray for all our families and thank you for the holy work you do. We hold in prayer especially those families which may be struggling or going through difficulties.
All of us here pray a blessed New Year for you and your family.

God Bless,

Fr. Jay

JOIN US TUESDAY FOR

Holy Hour

Make a date with Jesus
Adoration, Prayer, Reflection

7:00 IN THE CHURCH

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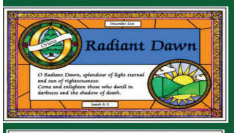

ST. CORNELIUS WILL DISPLAY A BANNER USING THE ANCIENT SYMBOL FOR THE TITLE AND WILL INCLUDE A PRAYER FOR THAT TITLE. THESE 7 BANNERS WILL BE IN THE FRONT OF OUR CHURCH AND WILL HELP PREPARE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD FOR THE BLESSING WE RECEIVE ON CHRISTMAS. PLEASE STOP BY AND LOOK AT THE DETAIL OF EACH BANNER AND SAY THE PRAYER. THE BANNERS WILL BE DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE CHRISTMAS SEASON ENDING WITH THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD.

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Jesus said to his parents,
"Why were you
looking for me?
Did you not know
that I must be in
my Father's house?"

LUKE 2:49

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

DECEMBER 26, 2021

FAMILY LIFE

It wasn't at all what Mary and Joseph expected their life to be like. Almost from the beginning, there were indications that something extraordinary was at work: Mary's angelic annunciation; Joseph's strange dream; the puzzling words of Simeon and Anna in the Temple. And now this: during Mary and Joseph's annual Passover journey to Jerusalem, the discovery that their son Jesus was lost—and even when he was found, they didn't totally recognize their twelve-year-old boy. Today's feast of the Holy Family reminds us of the perplexities and promise of family life. The mystery of "the Word made flesh" becomes very tangible indeed in the routines and foibles of family life—our Christmas gatherings were likely unmistakable reminders of that! From the pure flesh of a newborn child to the wizened flesh of a beloved grandmother, families are ground zero for glimpsing the wondrous mystery of the Incarnation.

DID YOU NOT KNOW?

A child's first words are usually a source of excitement and joy for family members. Today we hear the first words of Jesus in the Gospel according to Luke. And they are challenging ones. "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" The words astounded, astonished, and great anxiety are used to describe Jesus' extended visit to the Temple. How familiar those emotions are to most parents! Had Jesus' parents forgotten the angel Gabriel's words or the prophecy of Simeon? In Luke's Gospel this passage foreshadows Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem where he will experience his own Passover and again be "lost" for three days. The story of Hannah in the first reading confirms the need and nature of trusting in God's activity in our lives. It seems clear that faithful attention to a family's spiritual life is no guarantee that life will be free from hardship.

EMMANUEL: GOD IS WITH US

Could Tolstoy have gotten it wrong when he wrote that all happy families are alike and that unhappy families are each unhappy in their own way? It seems that the opposite is equally true. Because happy families foster the unique talents and interests of each member, each person shines according to their own lights. A happy family's faith, goals, and challenges will be uniquely their own. Unhappy families, on the other hand, might look very similar in their woundedness, their fears and confrontations, and their tendency to give negative interpretations to another's actions.

It is tempting to conclude that family life today is more problematic than ever. It might be reassuring to learn that the feast of the Holy Family was added to the Church's universal calendar because of Pope Leo XIII's concern for the state of family life—one hundred years ago! During this season of Christmas when families are everywhere, we welcome Emmanuel—the God who has pitched his tent among us.

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Samuel 1:20–22, 24–28
Psalm 84:2–3, 5–6, 9–10
1 John 3:1–2, 21–24
Luke 2:41–52

Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Please join us in praying with these families.

Sun.12/26	8:00 am	† Sr. Mary Murphy T Fr. Quan Tran T Erin Rucker T Sydney Winzelir
	10:00 am	†Sara Rene Mueller
	12:00pm	† Willie Miranda † Judy Klenk † Lou Duacsek † Maria Jimenez † Benjamin Martinez T Ms. Carrie Flynn
Mon. 12/27	5:00 pm	† Jean Martin † Antonio & Esther Baca
Tues. 12/28	5:00 pm	† Jean Martin † Catherine Casper
Wed. 12/29	5:00 pm	† Bill Weldon SI Barbara Cross
Thu. 12/30	5:00 pm	B Kathy Terrio † Genaro Elguira † Kathy Luabuna
Fri. 12/31	5:00 pm	† Gudelia Contreras † Reema Swank † Judy Klenk
Sat. 1/1	9:00	† Martha Golden † James McCullough † Jack Timoney
	5:00 pm	B Sol Huizar † Cathy Laubuena † Kim Frankart

SI Special Intention B Birthday H Health I Illness
T Thanksgiving † Rest in Peace A Anniversary

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS IN NEED OF A PRAYER SHAWL? PERHAPS YOU KNOW OF A FRIEND UNDERGOING A PHYSICAL OR EMOTIONAL CHALLENGE OR SOMEONE IN NEED OF A TANGIBLE REMINDER THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO CARE, AND THAT GOD CONTINUOUSLY WRAPS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US IN HIS ENDLESS LOVE! PLEASE CONTACT RACHEL LANDESFEIND AT DRLANDESFEIND@GMAIL.COM

Prayers for the Sick

Please remember these loved ones in Prayer

Eva J. Oblea
Darlene Cochran
John Hogan
Trevor Rebolo
Elizabeth Gonzalez
Jessica Cimarusti
Leonora Agustin
Jani Winniford
Andrea Ortega Napohaku

If you would like a loved one or yourself included, please submit via the form on our website stcorneliuslb.org

Community

Caring Hands Ministry - The Caring Hands Ministry invites you to join us in hand-making prayer shawls, beanies for the homeless, infant hats, chemo caps, and more. We will meet for fellowship and prayer this Thursday 12/30 at 4 pm in the parish center.

Faith Formation - There will not be Children's Liturgy of the Word or Early Childhood programs on Sunday, December 26th and Sunday, January 2nd in observance of the Christmas and New Year. We look forward to resuming on January 9th. Blessings!

St. Cornelius School News - St. Cornelius School is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. All applications are due to the school office by January 31. Children applying for Transitional Kindergarten (TK) must be 4 years old by September 1, 2022. Children applying for Kindergarten must be 5 years old by December 1, 2022. Kindergarten applicants will be screened for readiness. Please call the school office at (562) 425-7813 or drop by to pick up an application packet. Applications are also available on the school website at www.stcornelius.net.

St Cornelius Respect Life Team - Please join us in praying the Rosary for Life every first and third Sunday at 1:15 - 2pm.

St. Vincent De Paul December 26 - Holy Family: Today is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, and so we can celebrate that we all belong to the holy family of God which makes us brothers and sisters to each other. At Christmas this year, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the joy and hope to our “brothers and sisters” who are poor by assisting several families, helping with food, utilities, rent bills and some gifts for the children. Thank you!

WE HAVE A NEW IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE COME AND VISIT HER

We had a Wonderful celebration on Dec. 12. Thanks to all who participated and a special thanks to the organizers;
Lució Trinidad
Ernesto y Maria Eugenia Paco-Cortez
Ezequiel Y María Estela Puentes
Elba Nakaudia-Kiely
Mariana Doucet
Linda Ramirez

St. Cornelius School Open House

Please join us on Saturday, February 5, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon for the annual open house, school tour, and book fair. Invite a friend! For any questions call the school office at (562) 425-7813.

Ministry

Did you know? December 25-26 || Check Christmas presents for button batteries Many parents will be spending the next few days and weeks assembling (and reassembling) their children's gifts, and it's important to be on the lookout for potential hazards, including button batteries. Button batteries are small, round discs used in anything from toys to key fobs to watches. If these batteries end up being swallowed or placed in a child's nose or ears, they can cause serious damage — from electrical currents to tissue burns. Keep an eye on the power sources for the toys your children get this Christmas, and consider taking extra safety measures for anything with a button battery. For more information, visit https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/button-batteries.

Stewardship Report

In-person Collection	$12,534
E-giving (adj bi-weekly)	$4,040
Total	$16,574
Versus Budget	$ 3,574

Ministries & Fellowship Groups

Altar Servers	Al & Pilar Caceres	562 326.9768
Bereavement	Nancy Himes	562.928.2474
Book Club	Katy Ellis	562.607.1100
Caring Hands	Rachel Landesfeind	562.421.8966
Cub Scouts	Shawn Kelly	714.713.2015
Choirs	Joe Patolo	562.421.8966
Cursillo	Blanca & Tim Duncan	562.619.4865
Eucharistic Ministers/ Lectors	Michele Bradley	562.964.4140
Hospital Ministry	Frank Schmidt	562.225-7571
Knights of Columbus	Victor Magaña	562.420.3214
People for Others	Jenny Davidoff	562.420.3425
Project Achieve	Kathy Cabral	562.810.1473
RCIA	Loraine Moreno	562.421.8966
Religious Education	Ana Lopez	562.420.7613
Respect Life	Jean Campos Judith Martinez	562.421.8966
St. Vincent de Paul	Claudia Meza	562.421.8011
Safeguard the Children	Parish Office	562.421.8966
Ushers	Michael Moretine	562.420.4565
Weddings	Maria Carbonara	562.421.8966
Quinceañeras	Maria Eugenia Cortez	562.421.8966
Confirmation & YM	Cristy Hull & Andres Cortez	562.420.7613

Reach out with updates or additions at ebulletin@stcornelius.org. Thank you!

Clergy & Parish Office

Parish Office, M-F 10:30am to 5pm	562-421-8966
Weekends 9:00am to 2:00pm	
Father Jay Cunnane - Pastor	pastor@stcorneliuslb.org
Father George Reynolds - Associate Pastor	562-421-8966
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Deacon Rich Boucher	deaconrich@stcorneliuslb.org
Linda Ramirez - Receptionist	receptionist@stcorneliuslb.org
Maria Carbonara - Media & Projects	projects@stcorneliuslb.org
Erik Landesfeind - Business Manager	businessmanager@stcorneliuslb.org
Nancy Hayes - School Principal	562-425-7813

RELIGIOUS SISTERS OF CHARITY

Rest in Peace
Sr. Kathleen Newell
1920 - 2021

Sr. Kathleen Newell nee Sr. Francis Paul/Mother Paul served as a teacher and eventually our School Principle. The pictures below show the Irish Sisters of Charity as they arrived to Long Beach, California September 1953 and her 75th Anniversary as a Sister of Charity. Details regarding services are pending.

2021

FEED THE HOMELESS WITH

PROJECT LAZARUS
JOIN US NEW YEARS DAY!

MEETS SATURDAYS 6:45 AM - 7:00 AM (RAIN OR SHINE) AT THE PAVILION.

Please join us in providing sustenance to the homeless in our neighborhoods. During this time of COVID, we are sharing our bounty with the Long Beach Rescue Mission who distributes to the hungry. The Long Beach Rescue Mission continues to request fresh fruits and vegetables as well as coffee. If you can add that to the bounty you donate, they would be most grateful. They very much appreciate our contribution and let us know that they are praying for our St. Cornelius community daily.

A huge thank you to all of you who continue to support the group either with food, prayer or funds directly to the LBRM. Please drive thru and drop off what you can by 7:00 am.

Please bring 5 (or more!) meals for the homeless in a clear gallon Ziplock bag consisting of:
◦ Drink (water) ◦ Sandwich ◦ Chips ◦ Fruit ◦ Candy bar or sweet treat ◦ Bible passage

If you can't join us, please pray for us. Also, please share this with friends or family who might enjoy the grace of giving. Thank you!