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Catholic Church

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years

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 16, 2017

Love God. Love all People. Make Disciples.

Sunday Masses: (Sat. 5:30 pm) | Sunday 6:30 am, 8, 10, 12 noon, 5:30 pm Monday-Friday 8, 12 noon | Saturday 8 am

Welcome!

Thank you for worshipping with us!  
We are not complete without you!

...the rain and snow come down  
and do not return there till  
they have watered the earth,  
making it sprout and grow  
so that it produces ...  
food for people to eat

so shall my word be..

...my word shall not return to me empty  
but shall do my will,  
achieving the end for which I sent it.

Reflection on pg. 5

Is. 55:10-11

Office Hours: Mon.- Thurs. 8 to 12, 1 to 8 pm | Fri. 8 to 12, 1 to 7 pm | Sat. 9 - 12 noon | Sun. Closed

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# Welcome!

## Friends and Family GATHER HERE

Welcome one another, then,  
as Christ welcomed you,  
for the glory of God.  
Romans 15:7

Dear Parishioners,

St. James Parish families planning on their children attending the Religious Education program, Grades 1-8, need to return your forms ASAP. Prompt return of completed forms can ensure your choice of day.

NEW families can register during our regular office hours: Monday – Thursday 10am – 3pm, and the week of August 20 from 1 – 7pm. Please call the Religious Education Office 310.379.3221 for forms.

Religious Education classes are held on Tuesday or Wednesday from 4:00-5:15pm for grades 1-6 and Tuesdays evenings from 7:00-8:15pm for grades 7 & 8. Registrations fees are: 1 student \$100.00 2 students \$200.00 3 or more students \$220.00 for our St. James **registered** families. Non-registered family fee is \$250.00 per child. Late fee of \$10.00 per child for all forms received after August 31, 2017.

The Religious Education office will be closed from **July 17 through August 12**, however, you can still mail forms to the office as we will check mail and messages once a week.

Have a wonderful & safe summer!  
Diana Holly, Director

### Bundle Sunday July 23

Please bring your useable clothing and useable household items on this day. They are in great need of furniture and large appliances. For special free pick-up of large items, call 323.224.6280.



Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. Ephesians 4:29

### Thank you, Gabe!



Our Youth Minister, Gabriel Reyes, will be leaving St. James to work as a Religious Education teacher at St. Bernard High School in Playa del Rey. His last day will be July 31.

He has developed our High School confirmation program– OneEight, our Lifeteen program and introduced a new ministry called EDGE for 7th and 8th graders. We wish him well and success in his new role. We thank him for his service, sacrifice and commitment to St. James for the past five years.

Well wishes and thank you notes may be sent to **Gabe@SaintJames.Church** May God continue to bless you in your ministry as you have blessed us by your work here with our youth.

### Everyday Stewardship

Over the years I have wasted a lot: a lot of money, a lot of time, and a lot of talent. Sometimes I didn't realize I was wasting these things but, after reflection, I realized I could have done more and accomplished much greater things.

Of course, I think that is part of our imperfect humanity. It truly is easier for us to waste our gifts than grow them into something more.

The parable of the sower speaks about the word of God that gets planted in our hearts. If the soil of our heart is rich, than the word will grow and change us. If that soil is rocky or full of weeds, the word will lie there without any impact, bearing no fruit.

This parable can be applied to living a stewardship way of life as well. As sowers, we have been given the seeds of our time, talent, and treasure. We have a choice of where to plant these gifts.

As good everyday stewards, we are called to plant them wisely and prudently. Oftentimes it is not enough to simply give away what we have. We need to discern the best places to sow these gifts so the maximum harvest can grow.

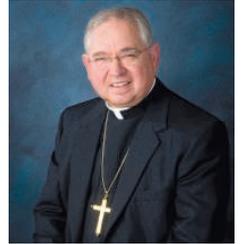
This takes prayer, reflection, and study. Without a solid discernment process, we can find ourselves sowing seeds endlessly without much to show for it. But joyful is the person who has used one's gifts wisely, for the bounty of the harvest is great.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

# Celebrate Our 125th Anniversary!

Come join us in the celebration of this milestone!  
All are welcomed, All are loved.

**Saturday, July 29**  
11 am Mass with  
Archbishop José Gomez



## Food, Fun & Festivities after Mass

- Taco and Quesadilla Bar
- Special Guests
  - Archbishop José Gomez
  - Mayor Bill Brand of Redondo Beach
- Mariachi Musicians
- San Miguel Dance Performance
- Church artifacts on display

### Help!

Looking for a way to get involved and participate in the celebration? We are in need of people to help organize, setup, and cleanup after the event. Contact the parish office for these and other ways to help out.

### Share your story...

Display your old photos, memorabilia, or artifacts that cover your history of St. James in our Parish Center rooms during the celebration.

**Patty Miller— 310.371.0985**  
**pgmiller45@aol.com**

### Sweets needed for the party....

Calling all pastry chefs, bakers, and all those who wish to contribute their delicious dessert creations with your St. James family. Cookies, brownies and all sweets are welcome!

**Madeline Young— 310.540.1710**

### Welcome to Summer 2017!

Join us for some summer events below. Text **424.265.8336** to RSVP, request information or to sign up. Please note all BBQ events are for the entire family and are hosted at a residence. Please specify event and date. Save the dates!

[www.SaintJamesYM.weebly.com](http://www.SaintJamesYM.weebly.com)



All confirmed teens in 11th and 12th grade are invited to apply for Teen Disciples. This is a time to grow, learn, share and understand your mission and calling - how to live it out today and always. Each Teen Disciple will be invited to share their gifts and talents in a variety of ways as you work together to serve and love your peers, community and church.

### Summer Events at St. James

- July 24-29** Christian Leadership Institute 6 pm
- July 25** Softball Night 5-7 pm
- July 28 NEW** Backyard BBQ & Worship 6 pm
- July 29** St. James 125th Anniversary  
11 am—3 pm
- Aug. 4-6** City of Saints at UCLA

**oneight** CONFIRMATION PROGRAM  
**Register Now for High School Confirmation**

1. Go to [SaintJamesYM.weebly.com](http://SaintJamesYM.weebly.com)
2. Click on link 'Form'
3. Register and meet with Youth Minister

**424.265.8336** or [SaintJamesYM@gmail.com](mailto:SaintJamesYM@gmail.com)

### Catholic Q&A

**Q:** This exploratory series has alphabetically progressed to letters X, Y, and Z.

At last, the end of the alphabet! We're looking for areas of interest in the Catechism Of The Catholic Church, combining these last three letters as a triad of topics. What's available as part of our subject sampler under these three letters?

**A:** Actually, nothing is available. There is no subject listed under these letters at all.

It seems that a word starting with letter X, like, say, "xanthic", may be worth 19 points in a Scrabble game, but you won't find it in the Catechism. The Catechism index lists no subject headings beginning with X, Y, or Z. And while xanthic refers to a chemical acid, or to a yellowing agent, this doesn't stain or dilute our continuing look at the Catechism.

In fact, the Catechism may have foreshadowed this development back in Chapter One, when it said:

"Since our knowledge of God is limited, our language about him is equally so."

Still, the Catechism invites us to, "Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice."

Here at St. James, we will continue to seek, to rejoice, and to examine the Catechism; relying on it, and referencing it as part of the mapping of our spiritual journey.

As Pope John Paul II wrote in October, 1992, on the 30th anniversary of Vatican II: "May the light of the true faith free humanity from the ignorance and slavery of sin..."

The Catechism, the true faith, continues to offer a fuller, more freeing light of understanding in every area of Catholicism. Thankfully, we're learning that it's always there for us to read and to find answers about our faith.

God bless your own journey of faith!

J.P. Alegria

### Catholic Radio

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## Shining Stars in Christ 2017 Gala Honoring:

**Gude & George Floratos  
Agnes & Richard Gainey  
Lois and John Kunsch  
Carol & Tom McGarry  
Christina & Charles Salfity  
Eileen & Ed Staal**

Shining Stars Gala is an annual event of a semi-formal dinner and awards presentation honoring extraordinary men and women who have served the parish community of St. James Catholic Church for over 25 years.

Shining Stars are examples of those devoted and loyal parishioners who donated their time, talent and treasure for the good of our parish community.

**Saturday, November 18, 2017**  
St. James O'Gorman Center

Registration Opens at **125th Anniversary**  
of St. James Celebration on  
**Saturday, July 29th**  
\$70 Per Person

**Don't miss out - enter it into your smartphone and calendar today!**

## Thinking about serving as an Usher?

St. James men and women serve together to promote a prayerful atmosphere where all those entering the church will feel welcomed, to meet the needs of the Pastor and congregation during service, and to keep distractions to a minimum. Join us! Jorge, [Ushers@SaintJames.Church](mailto:Ushers@SaintJames.Church)



Everything we have is a gift from God, including our ability to earn money.

We believe that it is through our generosity and sharing from our first fruits that we are able to fulfill the mission that God has entrusted to us – changing lives and saving souls.

**www.SaintJames.Church or the parish office.**

## Gospel Reflection

"But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." In the parable of the sower that Jesus tells in today's Gospel, the ideal is to be "the seed sown on rich soil" that yields an abundant harvest. As Jesus explains, this means we should strive to be "the one who hears the word and understands it."

So how do we place ourselves in this category? How do we assure that we will hear God's voice (i.e., the Word) and actually understand what he's saying to us?

The answer comes in the parable itself. Jesus explains what we need to avoid in order to make sure our seed bears fruit.

First, we must beware of "the evil one" who comes and steals away the seed of God's word. Faithfully praying the Lord's Prayer, with its request to "deliver us from evil," is a good starting point here. Placing ourselves under God's protection every day is like taking up a shield against the forces that would seek to derail us.

Secondly, we must be committed enough to God's word that "tribulation or persecution" do not uproot us or make our faith wither and die. Here, too, sincerely praying the petition in the Lord's Prayer-"Thy will be done" - can prepare us to accept whatever comes our way without waffling or wavering.

Finally, we must be careful that "worldly anxiety and the lure of riches" do not "choke" us. Again, we turn to the Lord's Prayer and find an antidote built in: "Give us this day our daily bread." We pray not for a new car or a winning lottery ticket, but for our basic needs.

So let us embrace the prayer Jesus gave us, indeed the words he himself gave us to say, as we seek to truly hear and understand God's word.

## Prayer after Communion

Receive, Lord, my entire freedom.  
Accept the whole of my memory,  
my intellect and my will.

Whatever I have or possess,  
it was you who gave it to me;  
I restore it to you in full,  
and I surrender it completely  
to the guidance of your will.

Give me only love of you  
together with your grace,  
and I am rich enough  
and ask for nothing more.  
Amen.

St. Francis Loyola



St. James hosted homeless families this past week in our Parish Center classrooms. Volunteers in this ministry transformed these rooms in to dining and bedrooms for the Moms and young children who stayed with us.



Above is our normal classroom setup. Below, shows dividers providing privacy as they separate bedrooms for our guests.



Some volunteers assisted by making a dinner or dessert for them. Others, assist by having dinner with them and making them feel comfortable in their new, temporary home.



Other volunteers assist these families by doing a load of laundry for them. Life on the street is especially difficult for families with young children. We are so comfortable sleeping in our homes that we do not often think about how blessed we are for this. Having clean clothes to wear and a safe place to sleep for the night is easily taken for granted.



Children are welcome to participate in this program. It is an important life lesson to serve others, even if it means making a bed for them. It may be difficult to get children to do these things at home, but they will certainly remember this act of kindness.



Pictured above is a small number of those helping out this past week. Each taking on a single task, together, they are able to provide a blessing to those families in transition. One family has announced that they will be moving into an apartment soon and will no longer be living on the street.

Making a meal, doing laundry and some other tasks does not require attending a brief training session to get involved and help. Some other activities do require this session. The next Family Promise opportunity to host families here at St. James will be the week of September 10th.

If you are interested in learning more about how to participate in this ministry, contact Judy Pang at [JMPang@aol.com](mailto:JMPang@aol.com), or, Kristi Fera [Kristiera@icloud.net](mailto:Kristiera@icloud.net). (Kristi is pictured above wearing blue in the front row.) The volunteers of St. James change peoples lives.  
**FamilyPromiseOSB.org**

## Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group



Invites you to join us on any **Monday at 7:00 pm** in Kavanagh Hall for praying the rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Consecration prayers.

**All present may offer their own intentions.**

Most meetings last about one hour and ten minutes.

**Dean Campazzie**  
**310.372.5182**

July 2, 2017 message to Mirjana:

“Dear children,

Thank you for continuing to respond to my invitations and for gathering here around me, your heavenly mother.

I know that you are thinking of me with love and hope.

I, too, feel love for all of you, just as my most beloved Son also feels it: He who, through his merciful love, is always sending me to you anew; He who was man; He who was and is God - one and triune; He who suffered in body and soul for your sake; He who made Himself bread to feed your souls and thus to save them.

My children, I am teaching you how to be worthy of His love, to direct your thoughts to Him, to live my Son.

Apostles of my love, I am covering you with my mantle, because as a mother I desire to protect you.

I am imploring you to pray for the whole world. My heart is suffering. Sins are multiplying, they are too numerous.

But with the help of those of you who are humble, modest, filled with love, hidden and holy, my heart will triumph.

Love my Son above all and the whole world through Him. Never forget that each of your brothers, within himself, carries something precious – the soul.

Therefore, my children, love all those who do not know my Son, so that through prayer and the love which comes through prayer, they may become better; that the goodness in them could win; that souls could be saved and have eternal life.

My apostles, my children, my Son told you to love one another.

May this be inscribed in your hearts and with prayer, try to live that love.

Thank you!”

**www.medjugorje.org** for all messages.

## Keeping the Promise Alive—Virtus®

Our children need a loving and safe environment in which to learn, play and grow. All St. James volunteers are required to be trained to identify situations that may pose a threat using the L.A. Archdiocese approved classes and training.

**We need VIRTUS® facilitators** in order to provide adequate training for all our volunteers.



Attend a Facilitator Training class in English & Spanish **Friday, September 22, 8:30- 5 pm**  
Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

**Register before August 15**  
**JVienna@LA-Archdiocese.org**  
**Joan Vienna 213.637.7227**

## Attention all St. James Volunteers

Has your VIRTUS Certificate expired? If you attended a class before **July 2013**, then you are required to renew your VIRTUS® certificate.

One key exception is if you have been reading your monthly **VIRTUS Online** messages and kept your training current. Register at **www.virtusonline.org**

**Visit SaintJames.Church/Virtus to check your expiration of your certificate.** Look for ‘List of Certificates’ in middle of page.

## Gift Shop



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Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Saturday
<b>16</b> Family Promise PC 4,5,6,7	<b>17</b> Vacation Bible School 2 pm, PC 4,5,6,7  Medjugorje Prayer Group 7 pm, Kavanagh Hall	<b>18</b> Vacation Bible School 2 pm, PC 4,5,6,7	<b>19</b> Vacation Bible School 2 pm, PC 4,5,6,7  Sacred Heart Devotion 12:30 pm, Church  Catholic Daughters 7:30 pm, Kavanagh Hall	<b>20</b> Vacation Bible School 2 pm, PC 4,5,6,7  Bingo 6:45 pm Kavanagh Hall	<b>21</b> Vacation Bible School 2 pm, PC 4,5,6,7	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> St. Vincent De Paul Bundle Sunday 8 am, Church Parking Lot	<b>24</b> Medjugorje Prayer Group 7 pm, Kavanagh Hall	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Sacred Heart Devotion 12:30 pm, Church	<b>27</b> Bingo 6:45 pm Kavanagh Hall	<b>28</b> Holy Hour Adoration 6:45 pm, Church	<b>29</b> <b>125th Anniversary Mass/ Celebration</b>  11 am Church, PC Parking Lot
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Medjugorje Prayer Group 7 pm, Kavanagh Hall	<b>Aug 1</b>	<b>Aug 2</b> Sacred Heart Devotion 12:30 pm, Church	<b>Aug 3</b> Bingo 6:45 pm Kavanagh Hall	<b>Aug 4</b>	<b>Aug 5</b>
<b>Aug 6</b>	<b>Aug 7</b> Medjugorje Prayer Group 7 pm, Kavanagh Hall	<b>Aug 8</b> Catholic Golden Age 1 pm, Kavanagh Hall	<b>Aug 9</b> Sacred Heart Devotion 12:30 pm, Church	<b>Aug 10</b> Bingo 6:45 pm Kavanagh Hall	<b>Aug 11</b> Holy Hour Adoration 6:45 pm, Church	<b>Aug 12</b>

**LEGEND:** PC -Parish Center    RCIA -Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults    YM- Youth Ministry    KofC Knights of Columbus

Save the Date:

**August 15 Deadline for signup as Virtus Facilitator training class on September 22—  
Register here: 213.637.7227**

November 18—Shining Stars Gala—O’Gorman Center

## Prayer Requests

For those suffering illness, infirmity,  
and those in need of our prayers:

**Patsy Martins, Doug Spence**

From death to new life.  
For the souls of the recently departed,  
that through the mercy of God,  
they may rest in peace:

**Deplores Mardis**

## Responsorial Psalms and Readings

Monday

**Our help is in the name of the Lord.**  
Ex 1:8-14, 22 / Ps 124 / Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

**Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.**  
Ex 2:1-15a / Ps 69 / Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

**The Lord is kind and merciful.**  
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 / Ps 103 / Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

**The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.**  
Ex 3:13-20 / Ps 105 / Mt 11:28-30

Friday

**I will take the cup of salvation, and call  
on the name of the Lord.**  
Ex 11:10-12:14 / Ps 116 / Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

**My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**  
Sgs 3:1-4b / Ps 63 / Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Sunday

**Lord, you are good and forgiving.**  
Wis 12:13, 16-19 / Ps 86 / Rom 8:26-27/  
Mt 13:24-43



## Adoration

**Here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say  
that you're my God..**

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life  
burdensome and I will refresh you..."

Mt 11:28

## Weekly Mass Intentions

<b>Sat.</b> 8 am 5:30 pm	<b>July 15</b> Fr Mike Fr. Simeon	Bernice Walters † Bob & Kathy Potchka † Elena Notarnicola †
<b>Sunday</b> 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 noon 5:30 pm	<b>July 16</b> Fr. Simeon Msgr. Mike Fr. Simeon Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	John & Josie McCleary Mois Hernandez † Ralph Fenandez Rich & Joanne Modic St. James Parishioners Albert Frigone † Mason Phillips † Marie Girard Steve & Liz Ortiz Laurene Anastasi †
<b>Monday</b> 8 am 12 noon	<b>July 17</b> Msgr. Mike Fr. Simeon	Dee Gee Judith Roldan †
<b>Tuesday</b> 9 am 12 noon	<b>July 18</b> Fr. Simeon Msgr. Mike	Delores Souders † Victoria Sy †
<b>Wed.</b> 8 am 12 noon	<b>July 19</b> Msgr. Mike Fr. Jim	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Souders Florence Trelease †
<b>Thurs.</b> 8 am 12 noon	<b>July 20</b> Fr. Jim Fr. Simeon	James A. Burschinger † Terri Nowak
<b>Friday</b> 8 am 12 noon	<b>July 21</b> Msgr. Mike Fr. Uche	Victorina Sy † Rafael Soriano †
<b>Sat.</b> 8 am 5:30 pm	<b>July 22</b> Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	Benjamin Dulay Hans J. Grimm † Mary Barry
<b>Sunday</b> 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 noon 5:30 pm	<b>July 23</b> Msgr. Mike Fr. Jim Msgr. Mike Fr. Jim Fr. Uche	S. Don & Bonnie Ragsdale Jim Walsh † Violeta Guzon † Ronaldo Tiangco † St. James Parishioners Jose Montano, Jr. † Josh Minksi † Agnes Gaynor † Aida Escudero de Via † Marcella Luke

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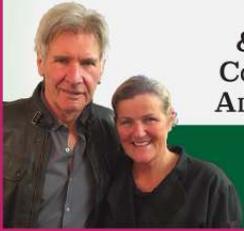
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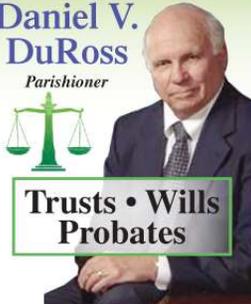
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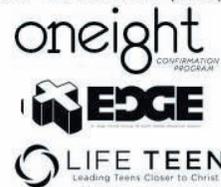


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