

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

415 VINCENT STREET, REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA 90277

The Ascension of the Lord

May 8, 2016

“God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.”

- Psalm 47:6



Clergy

Msgr. Michael Meyers, Pastor
Fr. Ikechukwu Ikeocha (Fr. IK), Assoc. Pastor
Fr. James Kavanagh, Pastor Emeritus
Deacon Bob Miller

Mass Schedule

Daily: 8 am & 12 noon, Saturday at 8 am
Vigil: Saturday at 5:30 pm
Sunday: 6:30 am, 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm, 5:30 pm

Confessions

Saturdays 4 to 5 pm or by appointment.

Parish Office

124 N. Pacific Coast Highway
310.372.5228

E-Mail: Office@SaintJames.Church

Website: SaintJames.Church

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8 am to 8 pm
Friday 8 am to 7 pm
Saturday 9 am to 12 noon
Sunday Closed

PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION

Happy Mother's Day

We would like to wish all of our Mother's a very happy day.

Spiritual cards are available in the vestibule. Simply fill out and return the larger outside envelope and your loved one's name will be included in our Mother's Day Novena.

Q&A

Q: In a recent homily, Msgr. Mike spoke about Jesus being present, available and guiding us; the ultimate maestro who enhances our efforts if only we seek him and allow him to enter our heart. What does Matthew Kelly say about getting close to Jesus? (Remember, the subtitle of Kelly's book is, "An Invitation").

A: Chapter Twenty-Four in *Rediscover Jesus* offers further discussion in the same ethos or spirit of clarity and accessibility. With effort, Kelly explains, there are many ways to get close to Jesus. "If you want to stay warm, it is best to stay close to the fire. If you want to live a Christian life, it is best to stay close to Jesus." Recall the Gospel of Matthew, "...If I can just touch his cloak I will be made well." As Kelly puts it, "When was the last time you went out of your way to get close to Jesus?"

Next weekend we will celebrate Pentecost Sunday

Our parish is made up of many people of different nations and cultures; let us rejoice in the fact that all of us, from different parts of the world, are one in Christ Jesus.

To proudly portray our cultural diversity, we encourage all St. James parishioners to dress for Pentecost liturgy in their ancestral dress. Let's all celebrate the joy of diversity together as a parish community.

HOW DO I BECOME A CATHOLIC?

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and receiving your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), please contact Deacon Bob & Patty Miller at 310-371-0985 or email us at deaconbob99@aol.com.

Women's Guild

We encourage and welcome all parishioners (and guests) to attend our monthly meetings which start at 7 pm and are held in Kavanagh Hall. We work hard to line up speakers, so we like to have lots of people enjoy them. Below are our upcoming topics and speakers:

May 11th
Deacon Bob Miller
"Evangelization"

"We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do." - Mother Teresa

June 8th - Two Speakers:

Samantha Pierce
"The Way, The Walk of St. James"

Manuel Ruiz, Seminarian
"Spirituality"



As Family Promise of the South Bay celebrates its 1st anniversary this month, St. James signed up as the 13th congregation to host the families, beginning with the weeks of June 5th and July 10th!

Now we will have a chance to provide hospitality for our guests at St. James. Homeless families with children in the program (up to 14 people) will use the classrooms from dinner-time to early morning during those weeks.

This weekend, you will see a display in the vestibule with some of the supplies needed. Simply choose an item and return it by May 23rd. You can either take it to the church on the weekends and place it in the bins marked Family Promises or you can bring it to the Parish Office during office hours.

In addition, **over 50 volunteers will be needed each week for a variety of jobs and shifts.** If you are being called to prepare a meal, share dinner and an evening with the guests, be an overnight host, or help out in other ways. Families are welcome to serve together, but adult volunteers need to attend an orientation, where they will cover everything you will need to know. **Our next orientation session for new volunteers will be on Saturday, May 21st, 10:30 am - 12 noon in Classroom 6** (located next to the Parish Office).

To help us prepare for the orientation, sign ups are encouraged. To RSVP please contact Judy Pang at either 310 375-5783 or jmpang@aol.com.

Thank you for your prayers and support of the Family Promise families.

FaithDirect

Are you starting to plan your summer vacations? Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA560. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances through the busy (but beautiful) summer months.

Thank you for your continued support.

ACCW

The Southwestern District of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites all women to a day of prayer and fellowship. EVERY CATHOLIC WOMAN IS A MEMBER AND THERE ARE NO DUES. The next gathering will be on Tuesday, May 24th, at St. Catherine Laboure Church. The day begins at 9:30 am and includes a speaker, mass, lunch and ends at 1:30 pm. The fee for the day is \$10 per person PREPAID. Make checks payable and mail to St. Catherine Laboure Church, 3946 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., Torrance, CA 90504. For more information, call Monte, 310.323.8900.



If you haven't made your donation yet, there are special envelopes in the church. Thank you very much for your support.

PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION

Fr. Franklin's 3rd Annual 5K Fundraiser

Sunday, May 15th at 8 am
Meet at 2nd Street & The Strand
in Hermosa Beach

Proceeds will send kids to St. Peter's School in Kajuki, Kenya. For more information or to sign up, visit: sltcharity.com

A family that prays together, stays together.

A group of parishioners are circulating the statue of Our Lady of Fatima, Queen of the Holy Rosary. If you are interested in receiving the Blessed Mother for one week, please call Carole Franco at 310 542-3674.



The Pregnancy Help Center presents its 29th annual WALK FOR LIFE - LIFE FORCE on May 21, 2016. We will meet at 9 am at Veterans Park in Redondo Beach (south side). If you would like to walk and/or be part of our St. James team, please contact Marcia Wiest at 310 722-1296. To register to be a walker, or to fundraise online, go to supportphctorange.org and click on the Life Force logo. Select our team under "My Team Is." Please call the Pregnancy Help Center at 310 320-8976 with questions regarding registration. Thank you!

St. James Moms Group

We are a diverse group of women gathering for mutual support and fellowship as mothers. Whether you're a first time mom or a veteran, kids at home or in school, there's something for every mom in the group. We meet Tuesday mornings from 10:30-11:45, in Rm 4 of the Parish Center. Please contact Karen Cuni with questions, karen.cuni@gmail.com.

Congratulations to all our parish children who made their First Communion yesterday!

We will not have Sunday hospitality today.

Youth Ministry & Confirmation

SAVE THE DATE
RITE OF CONFIRMATION
FRIDAY MAY 13, 2016

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be my witness..."
ACTS 1:8

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Thursday May 12 - Dinner and Rehearsal
For Candidates and Sponsors
6:30pm – Dinner (optional – online R.S.V.P. will be provided)
7:00pm – Rehearsal (meet in Hall)
Note: A parent should attend in place of absent sponsor

Friday May 13 - Rite of Confirmation Mass
Celebrant: Cardinal Roger Mahony
6:00pm – Candidates and Sponsors arrive in Hall.
7:00pm – Mass in Church
Dress Code, Photography guidelines and other information will be emailed and available at www.saintjames.weebly.com

Gabriel Reyes, Director
saintjamesym@gmail.com
310.372.5228 x 20

<http://saintjamesym.weebly.com/>
www.instagram.com/saintjamesym

PARISH MINISTRIES

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you were Baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, but haven't completed your Sacrament of Confirmation, you may qualify as a Candidate to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and complete your Sacraments of Initiation.

Deacon Bob & Patty Miller 310.371.0985
adultconfirmation@aol.com

ADULT EDUCATION/BIBLE STUDIES

Tuesday Evenings: A 20 Lecture DVD Presentation, "**Acts - The Spread of the Kingdom**" by Jeff Cavins began January 19th and runs through June 14th in Kavanagh Hall at 7 pm.

Wednesday Mornings: A 24 Lecture Presentation: "**The Great Adventure, a Journey through the Bible**" by Jeff Cavins started on October 7 and runs through June 1st in Kavanagh Hall at 9 am.

Mickey or Angeles Haney (Tuesday Evenings) 310.798.8224
 Joe Zelik (Wednesday Mornings) 310.370.1645

BAPTISM

Parents are invited to visit the Parish Office and pick up our *Baptism Information Packet*. We encourage parents to begin this process prior to the birth of their child. Please allow at least three months to complete the pre-Baptism preparation process. See our website www.SaintJames.Church for more information, including a schedule of Baptism and class dates.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Care Centers - Miki Finken 310.316.3890
 Homebound - John Cable 310.372.5228

GIFT SHOP 310.374.1964

415 1/2 Vincent St., Redondo Beach

Hours: Wed - Fri 10 am - 4 pm Sat 9 am - 12 noon

MARRIAGE

Those wishing to be married should complete a Marriage Intake Form. Please see our website for more information. Please note that the Church requires a minimum preparation period of six months.

MUSIC

Kevin Babuder, Director 310.376.5065

PRESCHOOL & TODDLER TIME

Wendy Bell, Director 310.376.5550

RCIA

"Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults"

To become a Catholic or to learn more about our faith.

Deacon Bob & Patty Miller 310 371-0985

RCIA FOR CHILDREN (Grades 4-8)

Religious Education 310.379.3221

RCIA FOR TEENS (Grades 9-12)

Gabriel Reyes 310.372.5228

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Diana Holly, Director 310.379.3221

ST. JAMES SCHOOL

Grades K-8

www.stjamesweb.com

Sr. Mary Margaret, Principal

4625 Garnet St., Torrance 90503

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Religious education for children age 3 through K during the 8 am & 10 am Masses

Sheila Kelly 714.391.3949

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

stjamesYAG@gmail.com

facebook.com/groups/stjamesYAG

Faith Sharing and Social Activities for "working professionals."

WOMEN'S GUILD

Helping the parish grow by sharing our time, talents and treasures .

Ely Ronkowski 310.944.3355

Paula Bourke 213-435-3606

*You can obtain a full list of ministries in our Parish
 Ministry brochure located in the Church.*

Register at the Parish or View & Edit your Parish Records Online

With our new on-line program, you can either register for the first time at the parish, or you can view your existing records and edit them as needed.

New Parishioners: Become a registered parishioner at St. James by visiting:

<https://connectnow.parishsoft.com/losangeles>

Existing parishioners: You can also visit that site to view and edit your own church records.

The first time you log in, you will need to hit **register** and create a user id. You will be assigned a temporary password via email, and then you can re-enter the site to update or create your own member and family information - be sure to also include your sacramental records. Detailed instructions are printed up and are located in the vestibule of the church. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

Our Parish Mission Statement

The mission of St. James Church is to build up the Body of Christ by evangelizing to those weak in faith, healing the hurt and alienated Catholic, and nourishing the faith and commitment of its active members. We encourage those in our Faith Community to be:

- involved in regular Mass attendance
- participants in the sacramental life of the Church
- committed to personal spiritual growth
- registered and contributing members of the Church
- supportive of the community through ministry and service in right relationship with God and one another.

PRAYERS & READINGS

Please pray
for us:

LIVING

BETTY FERRIS
PEG HONER
KATHLEEN LIBERI
LINDA VAZ

DECEASED

MIARIA GONZALES
ROBERT SHANEFELT
NOEL KAVANAGH

Do you suffer from
Celiac Decease?

Does it prevent you
from taking the Eucharist?

At St. James, we want everyone to participate in the Holy Eucharist, so we have Gluten-Free hosts available - just see the Sacristan prior to the start of Mass. Also, If you call the parish office, we can see which Masses have a greater need and possibly do a gluten-free communion station to make it easier for you.

Weekly Mass Intentions

SATURDAY

5:30 PM - IK

SUNDAY

6:30 AM - VP

8:00 AM - MM

10:00 AM - IK

12 NOON - MM

5:30 PM - IK

MONDAY

8:00 AM - MM

12 NOON - VP

TUESDAY

8:00 AM - IK

12 NOON - MM

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM - VP

12 NOON - MM

THURSDAY

8:00 AM - VP

12 NOON - IK

FRIDAY

8:00 AM - MM

12 NOON - IK

SATURDAY

8:00 AM - IK

MAY 7

BERNADETTA LENG (D) &
SUSANITA LENG (D)

MAY 8

SR. MICHAELINE (D) &
ABLE ANAYA (D)
ROBERT ROMERI (D) &
MARY WALLACE CALLISON (D)
ST. JAMES PARISHIONERS &
JEFF FARREE (D)
MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA
ABELARDO ANAYA MATA (D) &
JACKIE ANDERSON (D) &
RON JENKINS (D)

MAY 9

RAUL RUIZ (D)
MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA

MAY 10

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA
MARJORIE NEGRETE (D)

MAY 11

BARBARA DUCAR (D)
MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA

MAY 12

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA
LONGIN KLENIEWSKI (D)

MAY 13

REY ROJO (D)
MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA

MAY 14

OUR PARISH TEENS &
DAVID SAKAZAKI (L)

MM - Msgr. Mike, IK - Fr. IK
JK - Fr. Jim, VP - Visiting Priest

Holy Hours & Adorations

Litany of Sacred Heart
Every Wednesday at 12:45 pm

Holy Hour Adoration
(2nd and 4th Fridays)
7:00 pm

Adoration & Benediction
(3rd Friday of the Month)
Begins at the conclusion of
the 8 am Mass and continues
through the Noon Mass

**The St. James Medjugorje
Rosary Prayer Group meets
every Monday at 7 pm in the
Kavanagh Hall.**

You are invited to join us
and pray the Rosary, the
Divine Mercy Chaplet and
Consecration Prayers. We
have met for over 20 years,
and all are welcome.

You can always e-mail your
prayer requests to:
DivineMercyBillb@aol.com



Weekly Responsorial Psalms & Readings

Monday: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.
Tuesday: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.
Wednesday: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.
Thursday: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.
Friday: The Lord has established his throne in heaven.
Saturday: The Lord will give him a seat with the leaders of his people.
Sunday: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

EVENTS HERE AND AROUND THE DIOCESE

NEED A STEPHEN MINISTER THIS MOTHER'S DAY?

Do you have a wonderful mother, grandmother, or any family member who may be lonely and depressed, experiencing difficult times, or in poor health? Stephen Ministry is here to help them. We are a confidential, Christian-caring ministry of trained people who will listen to you and pray with you. Call our hotline today (310) 541-1403.

MOTHER LOVE

There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it.

- Chinese proverb

Court Our Lady of Victory Catholic Daughters of the Americas

All parishioners are invited to join in the Crowning of the Blessed Mother on May 18th at Kavanagh Hall starting at 7:30 pm. Refreshments will be served following the crowning. Our regular meeting will start at 8:15 pm.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Second Vatican Council decreed that the devotional life of the Church should be examined and reformed with an eye towards expressing Easter faith. This encouragement for creativity has deep roots in our tradition, and some attempts at reform show great promise. One of the great treasures in our devotional repertoire is a familiar feature of Lent: the Way of the Cross. The faithful walk a path recalling the events of Christ's passion, a contemplative experience increasingly enriched these days by scripture and song. There are fourteen stations in the usual configuration, although in recent years, a fifteenth station of the Empty Tomb has been added. Why stop there? Why not develop a similar journey structured on the theme of the appearances of the Risen Lord? Over the last decade, a Via Lucis, or "Way of Light," has developed as a companion to the Via Crucis. It has been celebrated at the Vatican and is catching on elsewhere. There are fourteen stations, beginning with the Women Carrying Spices to the Tomb, continuing with the familiar appearances of the Lord at Emmaus, the Upper Room, the shore of Tiberias. The journey ends with stations recalling the apostles' wait with Mary for the advent of the Spirit, and with Pentecost. This is fertile ground indeed for the genius of artists, musicians, preachers, and liturgists. This is a living example of how many of our traditions are born to fill a great spiritual need, and spread to every corner of the Church. It may even come soon to a church near you. Maybe next Eastertime!

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

A "Beginning Experience" weekend will be held at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center (Encino) for those who've experienced the loss of a spouse through death, separation or divorce. This program helps a person move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning with renewed hope. For information, call Peg 818 767 -1007 or Brenda 818 352-5265 or Maria (Spanish) at 310-365-0186.

Vatican Splendors: A Journey Through Faith and Art

This rare collection of Vatican art and objects will be on display at Ronald Reagan Library until August 28, 2016. After that, the items will be returned to the Vatican. The objects are presented in recreated environments, chronicling our history from Peter the Fisherman through Pope Francis, and it even includes a touchable cast of St. John Paul II's hand. This exhibition is accompanied by religious education guides, educational videos, etc. and is a lesson in faith.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK AT MCDONALDS - THEY WILL TOW YOUR CAR.

Instead, go east on Vincent (crossing over PCH), and make your first right into Central Court. You can park at our Preschool/Parish Office parking lot.

St. James Gift Shop 310.374.1964 Wednesday - Friday: 10 am - 4 pm Saturday: 9 am - 12 noon

Shining Stars in Christ Our November 5th, 2016 Honorees... Terry Benson, Richard Bungarden, Philip DeSouza, Fr. Jim Kavanagh, Joe Kearney, Deacon Bob Miller, Jorge Rodríguez. Tickets will go on sale shortly!

Welcome! Are you new to our area? Have you been attending Mass at St. James but not officially registered? We invite you to join us and become a member of our Church family. Please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office and we will mail you a registration form. Name, Street, City/Zip, Phone, E-Mail, New Registration, Change of Address, Moving out of the Parish, Would like Envelopes