

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

415 VINCENT STREET, REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA 90277

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2016

“Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.”

- Psalm 33:20



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



Letter from the Pastor....

Visit to the Church in Kenya

I am spending my first week in Kenya in the Diocese of Meru at St Massimo Parish, Mikinduri. The pastor is Fr. Bernard Njeru who visited St. James in December, 2014. Fr. Bernard has been a friend for 30 years since I met him on a Lay Mission-Helper visit in 1986. I invited him for a sabbatical in 2001 while pastor of St. Dorothy Church, Glendora and it ended 5 years later after he completed his MBA degree at the University of Phoenix. In 2006, St. Massimo was a small out-station of another parish in a village with a simple dirt road. By 2011 when I visited him in Kenya, he had used his experience in Los Angeles and his education to build a new church, rectory, primary school and high school with help provided by St. Dorothy Church, Glendora and some Italian friends. He had influenced the government to pave the road and bring water and electricity to the town. He was also helping many of his 17 out stations to build more permanent structures for churches and started 3 additional secondary schools. It was during my visit to Kenya in 2011 just before arriving at St. James that Fr. Bernard introduced me to his nephew, a newly ordained priest, Fr. Franklin Njabani. I was asked if I could arrange for a short sabbatical for Fr. Franklin to come to St. James to experience the church in Los Angeles and an appreciation of the world outside of Kenya. Fr. Franklin was with us for 4 months in 2012. I will be going to visit his parish of St. Peter's Church and school in Kajuki this week and will spend the weekend with him at the parish. Kajuki is in an even more remote place and I will be reporting on that experience next week—electricity and communications permitting. Fr. Bernard has built a model parish for the entire region that inspires all the clergy and influences the architectural designs of buildings, schools and homes. He challenges everyone to develop their skills and never be satisfied with the status quo. Most of all, he is generous with his time, talent, skills and resources for the benefit of all. While his heart has always been for ministry, he attributes all that he is accomplishing to the experience he was given in Los Angeles that opened up his understanding and imagination to see the possibilities for the people of Kenya. In 2011, I accompanied Fr. Bernard to one of his out stations that he had inspired to move from meeting under a tree to actually building a church. On that day we walked the property near the tree to measure out where the church would be and gave them a small donation towards beginning the construction. By 2014, the walls were up and with the help from an appeal to St. James parishioners to provide the roof, we sent \$10,000 which not only built the roof, but helped install the windows. On Sunday I celebrated Mass at the church, named St. Michael's. It was built exactly where we planned it 5 years ago. The community was so happy, especially because they had all gathered 2 weeks ago to mix and pour the cement for the floor. Fr. Bernard had provided the sand and cement, but they provided (men and women) all the labor to get it done. There was joyful singing and dancing throughout the Mass—and the offertory for the Mass: US\$13.00, 2 dozen eggs, some beans and rice, a few oranges and bananas and 2 chickens. For this poor, but faith-filled community their church truly is a miracle. *Msgr. Mike*

St James Men's retreat to the Mountain of God

We will return to Mater Dolorosa in Sierra Madre on September 16-18 for the men's retreat - our theme is "The Crucified One is No Stranger." This is a very special time to spend with our Lord while contemplating our path of life - listening and speaking to our Lord about where we are and where we are going. The retreat center is attended by the Passionist priests and deacons to guide us in our quest on looking at our path and helping us find ourselves as we struggle through this life. It is like an oasis to stop along our journey and refresh our spirit. The one most common statement I hear up there is, "If I knew it was like this, I would have come here years ago" Don't just think of it as a weekend. Instead, think of having your spirit renewed. We all win with Jesus. For information/reservations, contact Tony 310 318-2414, John 310 710-8756 or Nick 310 717-2937. We are the servant's to help you get to the mountain.

How Do I Become A Catholic?

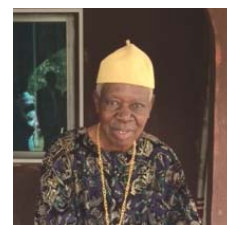
If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or are now a Catholic and wish to complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), please contact Deacon Bob & Patty Miller at 310-371-0985 or email us at: deaconbob99@aol.com. Come to our **Welcoming Night on Monday, August 8**. We'll meet at the Parish Office at 7 pm and spend the evening explaining the RCIA process and answering any and all questions you bring with you. We'll continue to answer your questions at our upcoming **Inquiry Sessions** scheduled for **Wednesday, August 24 and Monday, August 29**. These Inquiry Sessions will also begin at 7 pm in the Parish Office.

God has prepared - are you prepared?

Q&A

Q: The catechism calls it man's most secret core; his sanctuary. Described as a place where God's voice echoes in his depths, it relies on the Word of God to be, "...a light for our path". It formulates its judgements according to reason, in conformity with the true good willed by the wisdom of the Creator. What is this most secret core, this light for our path?

A: Holding particular relevance In this season of politics and polemics, this topic involving moral choice and judgement and reason and faith, along with charity and morals is, appropriately enough: **conscience**. Read about conscience in your catechism.



Joseph Ikeocha

(Fr. IK's Father)

A Memorial Mass will be held for Joseph on Friday, August 12th at 7 pm at St. James Church with a reception following at the St. James School O'Gorman Center (4625 Garnet Street, Torrance, CA 90503). All parishioners are welcome to attend.

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Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing. -Mother Teresa



HARVEST FESTIVAL/ SILENT AUCTION October 21-23, 2016

We are looking for donations of new/unused items. Donation ideas are: Kids/teen toys, holiday decorations, household items, computer software/hardware, electronic equipment, sporting event tickets/memorabilia, and video games/gaming systems. Restaurant, hotel, spa, or gift certificates are always a huge success. We will start collecting auction donations after Mass in late August. Please watch for future information in the bulletin. Please contact Natalie Straup if you have any questions at natdrag-on@gmail.com or 310-844-3613.



Religious Education Registration

If you are an existing Religious Education family interested in having your children return to our program in the fall, please return your forms ASAP. Prompt return of completed forms can ensure your choice of day.

We welcome our NEW families to register during our regular office hours: Monday - Thursday from 10 am - 3 pm, and the week of August 22 from 1 pm - 7pm. Please call the Religious Education Office 310 379-3221 for forms.

Our classes are held on Tuesday or Wednesday from 4 pm - 5:15pm for grades 1-6 and Tuesday evenings from 7 pm - 8:15 pm for grades 7 & 8. Registration fees are: 1 student \$100, 2 students \$200, and 3 or more students \$220 for our St. James parish registered families. The fee for non-registered families is \$250 per child. A late fee of \$10 per child will apply for all forms received after August 31, 2016.

Have a wonderful & safe summer! Diana Holly, Director

Summer Family Picnic Nights

The St. James Mom's Group invites you to join them at 4 pm on the following summer afternoons. Bring your picnic and family and enjoy the company of other parish families. The kids can play together while we get to know each other better:

- Saturday, August 13 (Veterans Park) Sunday, August 28 (El Retiro Park)

For info, contact Karen Cuni at: moms@saintjames.church.

Young Children's Religious Book Basket

We know it can be difficult for little ones during Mass. Please consider letting them pick out a book from our "Religious Book Basket" (located in the church vestibule) which they can borrow during Mass. Please return the books after Mass. If you would like to donate any religious books for ages 0-5, please place them in the basket or bring them to the parish office.

Youth Ministry & Confirmation

Summer Event #5: Laser Tag Lock In. FRI AUGUST 12, 11PM. UNTIL SAT AUG 13, 7AM. 6:00-8:00PM. \$25/PERSON. INCL. PIZZA/DRINKS/DONUTS/MORE. UNLIMITED ARCADES. UNLIMITED LASER TAG.

Summer Event #6: Backyard BBQ & Worship. FRI AUGUST 19. 6:00-8:00PM. FREE EVENT. TEENS/FAMILIES INVITED. LOCATION PROVIDED W/ RSVP. LIMITED SEATING AVAIL.

Youth Ministry Outreach Day. SUNDAY. AUGUST 21. ALL DAY.

Gabriel Reyes, Director. saintjamesym@gmail.com. 310.372.5228 x 20. 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: We will take a short summer break. Please check back as new topics will be announced shortly.

Wednesday Mornings: We will take a short summer break. Please check back as new topics will be announced shortly.

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

Religious education for children in grades 1 - 8

Diana Holly, Director 310.379.3221

ST. JAMES SCHOOL

Grades K-8 310.371.0416

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

BRIGID HANNIF

DECEASED

PEGGY ZANA
JOSEPH IKEOCHA
BETTY FERRIS
HYATT GRIFFITH

*Do you suffer from
Celiac Disease?*

*Does it prevent you
from taking the Eucharist?*

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 - JC

8:00 AM - IK

10:00 AM - JC

12 NOON - IK

5:30 PM - JC

MONDAY

8:00 AM - IK

12 NOON - JC

TUESDAY

8:00 AM - JC

12 NOON - IK

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM - JC

12 NOON - JK

THURSDAY

8:00 AM - JK

12 NOON - IK

FRIDAY

8:00 AM - IK

12 NOON - JC

SATURDAY

8:00 AM -

AUGUST 6

SAVINO MARCO (D) &
PATRICIA DOMA (D)

AUGUST 7

DAVID FRANCO (D) &
FR. BRENDAN KEARNEY (D)
LESSEL DALOREO (D) &
HYATT GRIFFITH (D)
ST. JAMES PARISHIONERS &
BENNY TARTAMELLA (D)
AL ROSENTHAL (D) &
BETTY FERRIS (D)
ROBERT WALTER EGAN (D) &
OUR PARISH TEENS

AUGUST 8

STEPHEN JAMBOR (D)
LAUREN SHIRLEY (L)

AUGUST 9

JOSEPH IKEOCHA (D)
EILEEN FLYNN (D)

AUGUST 10

ROSE & FINE CHANG (D)
NOAH KAVANAGH (D)

AUGUST 11

ISABEL ANGELES (D)
PEGGY ZANA (D)

AUGUST 12

JOSEPH GAYNOR (D)
JOSEPH IKEOCHA (D)

AUGUST 13

ST. JAMES CHILDREN & TEENS &
MR. & MRS. TREVOR LOCKHART (L)

MM - Msgr. Mike, IK - Fr. IK
JK - Fr. Jim, JC - Fr. John Callanan
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

Please remember to
keep our military
and their families in
your prayers.

Weekly Responsorial Psalms & Readings

Monday: Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Tuesday: How sweet to my taste is your promise!

Wednesday: Blessed the man who is gracious and lends to those in need.

Thursday: Do not forget the works of the Lord!

Friday: You have turned from your anger.

Saturday: Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Sunday: Lord, come to my aid!

Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27

Ez 2:8 -3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-14

Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 - 19:1

2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**If you would like to bring the gifts up to the Altar during Mass,
please talk with an Usher before the Mass begins.**

EVENTS HERE AND AROUND THE DIOCESE

The Auxiliary of the Little Sisters of the Poor will host their Nineteenth Annual event "Angels of Mercy Gala."

Honoring four of the founding members of the Auxiliary who have also served as valuable Advisory Board Members: Libby Cigilano, Carole La Caze, Regina Leimbach, and Josephine Nizetich. This event will benefit the Jeanne Jugan Residence. For more information call (310) 548-0625 / www.lspsoocal.org

Saturday, September 24, 2016
 5:30 pm Cocktail Reception
 7:00 pm Dinner & Live Auction
 Palos Verdes Golf Club
 3301 Via Campesina
 Palos Verdes Estates, CA

Shining Stars in Christ

Saint James' Shining Stars in Christ Committee invites you to a Gala Dinner honoring seven extraordinary men from our parish...

Terry Benson Richard Bungarden Philip DeSouza Fr. Jim Kavanagh
Joe Kearney Deacon Bob Miller Jorge Rodriguez

Saturday, November 5, 2016

*6 pm Appetizers & Wine
 6:45 pm Dinner, Awards & Dancing
 St. James O'Gorman Center*

Reservations accepted at the Parish Office and Gift Shop.
 For information on sponsorships, please call Ely at (310) 944-3355 or Joanne at (310) 316-2315.

\$70 Per person
 \$65 if purchased by September 30th
 Sponsor a table of 8 for \$560
 \$520 if purchased before September 30

This is a semi-formal, adult only event.

FUNDRaiser! FUN! FUN!
BE A WINNER! NOT A SINNER!
SISTER BERNIE'S BINGO BASH!
SEPTEMBER 16, 2016
7PM O'GORMAN CTR.
ST. JAMES SCHOOL
4625 GARNET ST.
TORRANCE 90503
TICKETS ONLY \$10/PERSON!
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Sister Bernie's Bingo Bash is an original comedy about a priest and two nuns who travel across the USA playing bingo with hopes of making enough money to reopen their beloved church - St. Dymphna!

During the Bingo Bash, audience members will partake in seven bingo games (based on the seven deadly sins) inspiring songs, spiritual insight, wacky prizes, exciting raffle and some healthy competition.

RESERVE YOUR SEATS... BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

Online visit www.brownpapertickets.com and search for Sister Bernie's Bingo Bash or use the form below and send with your check, payable to SJSEF. We will email you to confirm receipt.

Please Print

TICKETS FOR SISTER BERNIE'S BINGO

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Email Address: _____

Number of Tickets: _____ x \$10 = \$ _____ Total enclosed

Make check payable to: St. James Education Foundation (SJSEF)
 Mail to: Sister Bernie's Bingo Bash c/o St. James School
 4625 Garnet Street Torrance, CA 90503

PLEASE DO NOT PARK AT MCDONALDS - THEY MAY TOW

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

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

THANK YOU AND WELCOME TO ST. JAMES!



All proceeds from Sister Bernie's Bingo Bash will go to support funding for updated St. James School computer lab coming in 2017-18 school year!

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