

August 2, 2020
The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Love God. Love all People. Make Disciples.



Office available by phone only: Monday – Friday 8 to 12, 1 to 4 pm | Saturday & Sunday Closed

#### **Pastor's Corner**

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James.

We will continue to gather at Saint James School every Sunday for 8 am Mass as long as we can. We are working on adding additional outdoor Masses. There is plenty of grass space for distancing, and with the music it is a wonderfully relaxing and prayerful experience under a morning sky. Last Sunday the sun gently came out about 8:40 to make it a perfect morning. Bring your own beach chair, your mask and a thankful heart ready to receive Christ in Word and Eucharist.

Our Daily Masses continue at 8 am in the courtyard of our new Community Campus on the south side of Vincent Street at Broadway—just across the street from Kavanagh Hall. It is an enclosed area that becomes a wonderful and rustic sacred place for our community to gather in worship.

We will have **Holy Hour Adoration** in the courtyard on **September 11 and September 25 at 7pm.** 

Confession is every Saturday 4-5pm in the St. James Church parking lot.

Blessings,

Msgr. Míke

#### Sunday Mass - 8 am

St. James School 4625 Garnet St (on Anza) Torrance

#### Weekday Mass - 8 am

St. James new Community Campus Courtyard 128 N. Broadway (at Vincent)

#### **Understanding Relational Bullying**

Relational bullying is unwarranted, persistent, unwelcome behavior in the form of criticism, isolation, or false allegations and rumors that damage the targeted person's relationships. Relational bullying includes social exclusion, gossip, and withholding friendship, and it can be devastating for children and teens. These behaviors are more subtle than traditional bullying, often happening out of sight or earshot of adults. But this bullying requires intervention and action. Talk to your children about these behaviors, especially if you notice them being left out of social activities and friendships. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS article

"Relational Bullying" at

https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

## **Bishop Chairman Comments on Paycheck Protection Program**

WASHINGTON – Following the publication of a national news story on Catholic churches receiving loans through the Paycheck Protection Program, Archbishop Paul S. Coakley of Oklahoma City, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, issued the following statement in response:

"The Catholic Church is the largest non-governmental supplier of social services in the United States. Each year, our parishes, schools and ministries serve millions of people in need, regardless of race, ethnicity or religion. The novel coronavirus only intensified the needs of the people we serve and the demand for our ministries. The loans we applied for enabled our essential ministries to continue to function in a time of national emergency.

"In addition, shutdown orders and economic fallout associated with the virus have affected everyone, including the thousands of Catholic ministries -- churches, schools, healthcare and social services -- that employ about 1 million people in the United States. These loans have been an essential lifeline to keep hundreds of thousands of employees on payroll, ensure families maintain their health insurance, and enable lay workers to continue serving their brothers and sisters during this crisis.

"The Paycheck Protection Program was designed to protect the jobs of Americans from all walks of life, regardless of whether they work for for-profit or non-profit employers, faith-based or secular.

"Despite all of this, more than 100 Catholic schools have announced that they plan to close, with hundreds more facing an uncertain future. Businesses, hospitals, schools, and churches all across the country are facing many of the exact same problems.

"We will continue advocating for everyone negatively affected by this terrible pandemic, praying for all the sick, for all who have died and are in mourning, and especially the poor and vulnerable at this time of great need."

Examples of the USCCB's advocacy on COVID relief, which encompassed the needs of all of the poor and vulnerable, may be found in links in this letter on the USCCB website. **Https://usccb.org** 

#### **Parish Office Hours**

With the closures, our parish office is available by phone calls only. If we can be of any assistance to you during this time, please call us at 310.372.5228 from 8 am - 4 pm. We are closed from 12 - 1 pm for lunch.

#### **Bible Reflection**

Many people in our world are hungry and thirsty.

This hunger and thirst go well beyond physical needs for food, security, and shelter. Many are emotionally and spiritually parched, too. Behind every act of violence is a soul who hungers. People live with relationships that actually starve them. They are abused, exploited, disrespected, laughed at, and marginalized. There is a lot of confusion and inner pain that needs to be acknowledged and expressed. We all long to be understood and loved, even when our inner demons or who I am make it difficult to be. Do you live with inner confusion and pain? Folks often wander through life without any real direction or purpose and take their cues from what seems satisfying or popular at the moment. The deeper dots of our lives can easily remain unconnected, and we can find ourselves without grounding, purpose, or real happiness. Life becomes shallow and without real purpose as we hunger and thirst for an ultimate love.

It's easier to see the physical hungers and thirsts. We try to respond to these as best we can. Much more needs to be done. With all that God's earth can provide, nobody ought to face sleep at night with a belly that's empty. It's sinful. It's unjust. But isn't all hunger unjust? It doesn't need to be, and it should not be. Just as no one ought to be physically hungry and thirsty, there is really no need to be emotionally or spiritually deficient either. If we have more privileges at our fingertips, it is easier to try to satisfy our emotional and spiritual hungers and thirst by acting on impulse or self-indulgence, carelessly following passions, or by seeking self-destructive ways to dull the ache of emptiness.

Folks need to know where to look for nourishment and need the right friends to help them find it. We may not think that we have enough to respond to and to satisfy all of the needs, but we do. It doesn't take much. Five loaves and two fish provided for a huge crowd. With God, all things are possible. Our faith provides the direction for where God's children must go to find the nourishment they seek. It also tells us how to structure life so that justice and equity can be a reality for all. It also tells us how to respond to pain, sinfulness, and confusion. Come to the water and then help another get there.

#### **Cookie Ministry**

Cookies and brownies are needed for the Feed the Needy Program. The guests of this program receive a sack lunch consisting of a sandwich, chips, fruit, dessert and a drink. Your help in providing the dessert would be greatly appreciated. You may either bake or buy. If you have a desire to share your cookies and brownies with others, please call **Madeline 310.540.1710** Thank you!

#### Join our Online Bible Study

The St James Tuesday night online bible study group will start a new study based on Bishop Robert Barron's 'The Sacraments' beginning on June 30th.

Please join us on Tuesday evenings between 7:00-8:30p for this 6 week discussion group.

If you are interested in joining us please email Randy Sgro (rsgro@sbcglobal.net) or Donna Wilson (dwilson94@gmail.com) so we can extend the Zoom meeting invitation to you.

When the church and Kavanagh Hall reopen we will resume our study of

Matthew: "The King and His Kingdom".

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

Donna Wilson 310.308.6457 Randy Sgro 310.413.4191

#### Thank you for your support

Thank you for the many calls of appreciation that we can still be together as a parish family as best we can with this outreach.

We are grateful for your willingness to continue supporting St. James financially which will be especially critical these next few months.

If you are able, your best options are:

Mail your envelopes to the



St. James Parish Office 124 N. Pacific Coast Hwy. Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Place in the Rectory mail slot at 415 Vincent St.A 90277. or in church baskets in the Communion line.

Set-Up **Automatic Payments** with your bank

Enroll in Faith Direct's E-Giving
By calling toll free 1-866-507-8757 or
<a href="https://www.faithdirect.net">https://www.faithdirect.net</a>
Please use the code CA560

Use Faith Direct's Text-to-Give number

Simply text any dollar amount to St. James'

Number: 424.317.8878

# St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

St. James School will begin the school year with Distance Learning. Teachers will begin meeting this week to create schedules and design lessons. We will build on the experience of the past few months and maintain the excellence that is our tradition.

## We will continue to provide a robust learning environment whether on campus or at home!

Wear your masks and Social Distance so that we may return sooner rather than later!

We are accepting applications for the 2020 -2021 school year and are available for school tours and meeting the principal

God Bless you, Noreen Maricich

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http://SjsCatholicSchool.org

#### Knights of Columbus presents "Into the Breach"

In the past two decades, more that 14 million Catholics have left the faith. In the face of these losses, Catholic men are called to put aside any hesitation to live a life of mission. We must enter into the breach.

Christ calls us to a life of continued formation so that, with grace, we can seriously engage the war for our souls. That's why the Knights have produced "Into the Breach", a video series inspired by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted's apostolic exhortation of the same name. Join us as we watch and discuss "Into the Breach".

Through small group discussions, we'll learn how to be stronger fathers, better husbands and men fit for the breach.

Date: Monday, August 17, 2020



#### Catholic Q and A

**Q:** The catechism teaches that, together the word of God, the liturgy of the Church, the virtues of faith, hope, and charity, and constant prayer, guide us through the narrow gate of faith.

How do these timeless tenets of Catholicism truly activate and bear fruit when that gate opens amid a viral pandemic?

**A:** By hopeful and unceasing triune prayer. Pope Francis recently offered a powerfully effective Marian prayer: "Contemplating the face of Christ, with the heart of Mary, our Mother, will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial."

Scripture in this week that observes the feast of our patron Saint James offers, in 2 Corinthians, insight for troubling times:

"We are afflicted in every way but not constrained; perplexed, but not abandoned, so that grace may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God."

The catechism in its discussion of the theological virtues teaches us to heed the Holy Spirit as we celebrate the liturgy in expectation of Christ's return, praying with hope.

Pope Francis again touches on the virtue of hope as we at St. James live our mission as doers of the word:

"Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer."

For the glory of God.

J.P. Alegria

#### **Gift Shop**



The Gift Shop is now open by **appointment only**.

Please call the office at 310.372.5228.

Thank you and stay safe!

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#### **Spiritual Communion Prayer**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

#### Readings

Monday

Lord, teach me your statutes.

Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 [ 68b]/Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday

The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22 -23 [17]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday

The Lord will guard us as a shepherd guards his flock.

Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth. Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/ Mt 17:1-9

Friday

It is I who deal death and give life.

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 [39c]/ Mt 16:24-28

Saturday

You forsake not those who seek you, O Lord.

Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/Mt 17:14-20

Sunday

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/ Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

#### **Prayer Requests**

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

#### **Rosemary Weist**

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

June Slocomb, Joe Lenchoni, Don Wynne, Joan Anderson Barley, Jessica Edgar

#### **Human Trafficking Awareness**

Porn drives the trafficking industry. For help see:
Protectyoungminds.com,
Covenanteyes.org, or
fightthenewdrug.org.

candrpage@verizon.net

F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY of St. James and St. Lawrence Martyr

#### **Weekly Mass Intentions**

<b>Sat.</b> 8 am	Aug 1 Msgr. Mike	Delmi Villegas ∜ Johnny Albert ∜ Jean Harala ∜
Sunday	Aug 2	
8 am	Msgr. Mike	Elena Aranda Laura Aranda David Franco & Richard Gainey & Adrian Monzano & Al Romero & Kathy Benson &
<b>Monday</b> 8 am	Aug 3 Msgr. Mike	Ricardo Tibayan 廿
<b>Tuesday</b> 8 am	Aug 4 Fr. Emmanuel	Carol Backer 廿
<b>Wed.</b> 8 am	Aug 5 Msgr. Mike	Rustum Medelin ซ้
<b>Thurs.</b> 8 am	Aug 6 Fr. Jim	Erla Mata
<b>Friday</b> 8 am	Aug 7 Fr. Emmanuel	Paolina Villani ਚ
Sat. 8 am	Aug 8 Fr. Emmanuel	Mary Jane & Stephen Jambor ௴ Corazon Leng-Gerson ௴ Oliver & Arlene Rodriguez
Sunday	Aug 9	
8 am	Fr. Emmanuel	The Gojcaj Family Pat Jackson む Raquel Davies む Jessica Edgar Truesdal む Bernadita Leng む

Priest celebrant may change according to circumstances. For prayer requests or to request a Mass intention, call the Parish Office.

310.372.5228

We're here to help you become the holy, healthy, vibrant person that God has created you to be.



## St. James Catholic Church

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### Helping Children Grow in Faith

'Train the young in the way they should go; even when old, they will not swerve from it' Proverbs 22:6



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# Preschool &Toddler Time Philopsophy We believe in creating a warm and

loving environment where children can learn about themselves, gain an understanding of others and develop strong self-esteem.



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