

Sunday Mass 8 am , 10am 12 noon | Monday-Saturday 8 am

**Welcome!**

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

Celebrate Mass with us!  
Sunday 8am, 10 am, 12 noon  
at St. James School



### **Confirmation in the Courtyard**

Many people think of the laying on of hands, which signifies the descent of the Holy Spirit, as the central act in the sacrament of confirmation.

The essential element is the anointing of the person being confirmed with chrism.

Chrism is an aromatic oil that has been consecrated by a bishop during the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday.

The anointing is accompanied by the words "Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit"

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

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## Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

### Sunday Masses

It was so moving last Sunday when one of our parishioners came up to me before the 10 am Mass on our St. James School field and said, "Father, I was just crying for joy this morning thinking that I was going to be able to go to Mass again and receive Communion after all these months."

It has been a labor of love for Fr. Emmanuel and me as we have done much of the work in getting the canopies up on the field because it is so important to us that our community can gather again. Deacon Bob & Patty Miller, Deacon Mark & Louise Ramirez, Rob Blee and Rick Page were all instrumental as well. Attendance was modest for the first Sunday at the 10am and Noon Masses, but very good for giving only 2 day's notice to everyone. We will be adding additional canopies on the field to accommodate the growing attendance each week.

If you're coming for the first time, please remember to bring your own beach chair, sunglasses and hat as later in the morning the sun does come out. The one common comment I hear is how much everyone enjoys the experience of being outdoors to celebrate Mass, and our young families have appreciated the open space for their children. We hope you take advantage of our new Mass Schedule on Sundays: 8 am, 10 am and Noon at St. James School, 20559 Anza (at Garnet St., Torrance)

### Capital Campaign and Parish Finances

COVID paused us from completing the parish-wide pledge campaign of our \$5 million goal to help pay for the new property we purchased last year, but we thank those who are making pledges now and so many of you who are continuing to pay on your pledge commitments. When the campaign paused, we had 374 families who have pledged \$3,607,000 and to date we have received payment of \$963,000 on those 5-year pledges. I am confident that when we are able to get back to 'normal' we will reach our goal for the campaign. We have been utilizing the courtyard area of the property to celebrate our 8am Daily Mass as well as all our Baptisms, 1<sup>st</sup> Communions, Confirmations, Weddings, Funerals and Confessions.

We are just finalizing our financial report for 2019-2020. Looking at our Ordinary Income and Expenses, our income for the year was \$1,201,000 and expenses were \$1,294,000 for a loss of \$93,000. There were further costs of \$44,000 on which payment has been postponed to January, but which bring the actual deficit to \$137,000. St. James qualified for critical financial assistance from the Federal Small Business PPP Loans (Payroll Protection Plan) for \$139,500 which we received in May and which brought us even for the year.

The outlook for 2020-2021, with our reduced services and income so far looks similar to this past year, with a loss of about \$140,000. We are trying to do everything we can to limit our expenses, but with reduced support from parishioners, our loss of normal income is our biggest challenge. The parish offices continue to stay very active taking care of the ministries we have and responding to the continual changes brought about by the pandemic.

The financial challenges we face are the same for many of our families and know that you are in our prayers constantly.

Blessings,

*Msgr. Mike*

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## Catholic Q & A

**J.P. Alegria**

**Q:** The Saint James Choir sings a song that embraces a spirit of thankfulness to God, a spirit of gratitude most vital these days when we may feel that in this particular year we are being "twenty-twentieth" on all sides as never before.

Composer Bob Hurd's "Blessing Cup" draws on Psalm 116 where we read about gratitude to God, here in a musical setting: "...we give you thanks and bless your name."

How does our Catholic faith, expressed by scripture, communion, catechism, as well as in song highlight the direction and the grace of a thankful heart in all times and in all circumstances?

**A:** In scripture, Luke 17 takes us to the dusty roads between Samaria and Galilee for the cleansing of ten lepers. The lone Samaritan healed, fell at the feet of Jesus in thanks. The concordance on this passage describes the incident as testimony to faith and salvation.

Faith and salvation are taught in the catechism, along with gratitude: "Faith in God's love encompasses the call and the obligation to respond with sincere love to divine charity. Ingratitude fails or refuses to acknowledge divine charity."

Our liturgy in song: "We will take the cup of life, and call upon God's name."

May we, especially in these times of challenge and uncertainty, strive to discern that divine charity and recall with true gratitude those holy words:

"Stand up and go, your faith has saved you."

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## Tuesday Night Online Bible Study

We will be resuming in September with a new study called **'The Bible and The Virgin Mary'**. Details and more information will be in the bulletin. Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

**Donna Wilson 310.308.6457**

**Randy Sgro 310.413.4191**



## Family Promise Host Week Aug. 23-30

St. James host week for Family Promise homeless families has been cancelled due to the pandemic. For the remainder of this year they will stay at First Christian Church (FCC), Family Promise of the South Bay home office location.

In lieu of supporting the families on site here at St. James, Family Promise is requesting either an on-line donation to [familypromiseosb.org](http://familypromiseosb.org), or gift cards to sustain the families while living at FCC. The preferred cards are Ralphs, Vons or Trader Joes for groceries and Arco for gas.

If you choose to donate gift cards, they can be dropped off or mailed to Family Promise of the South Bay c/o First Christian Church, 2930 El Dorado St., Torrance, CA 90503. Also, please e-mail

**Samantha@familypromiseosb.org** and provide your first and last name, type and amount of gift card, and that you are contributing for St. James parish. She would like to reach out and thank you on behalf of Family Promise. Any questions, you can e-mail Samantha. Your kindness and support at this time is very much needed and greatly appreciated!

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## 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. 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  
<https://www.faithdirect.net> Use the code **CA560**

**Use Faith Direct's Text-to-Give number**  
Simply text any dollar amount to  
St. James' Number: **424.317.8878**

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## 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.

## Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

St. James Parish families planning on their children attending the Religious Education program, Grades 1-8, need to return your forms as soon as possible.

We will begin with virtual classes in October and hopefully, depending on California State and Archbishop Gomez's Directives, return to in classroom instructions in January. Our highest priority is to keep your children safe while providing a wonderful year of learning more about our Catholic faith.

NEW families can register at the Religious Education during our regular office hours: **Monday – Thursday 10am-3pm, and the week of August 24th from 1-8pm.** Please call the Religious Education Office 310.379.3221 for forms.

Have a wonderful and safe summer!

*Diana Holly,*  
Director, Religious Education

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## Feed the Needy Program

On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, volunteers prepare around 120 sandwiches for the guests of the program. Each person receives a sack lunch consisting of a sandwich, chips, fruit, snack, dessert, and a drink.

During this difficult time, the program needs help with donations of ham and turkey lunchmeat, string cheese (a great snack), and 8 oz. bottled water and small drinks.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

You may drop off your item at Kavanagh Hall on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 12 noon to 2 pm. If you are unable to deliver your item during the week, you may drop it off at Madeline's home on Saturdays and Sundays. Please call **310.540.1710**.  
Thank you and God Bless.

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## Would you like to receive your sacrament of Confirmation?

Are you a baptized Catholic, but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation? If so, contact us about becoming a candidate to complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation).

Our Fall, 2020 cycle of classes is scheduled to begin in early September, 2020.

To receive further information and details on this process, please contact **Deacon Bob & Patty Miller** at **[dnbob99@gmail.com](mailto:dnbob99@gmail.com)** or call us at **310.371.0985**.

If you know of someone who may benefit from this process, please feel free to pass this information along to them.

## Confirmation Registration Now Open

Please visit our website for additional information on how to enroll your teens into our program.

We are also looking for adults of all ages to join our team! Witness the Holy Spirit work through the younger generation of the Church as we guide them closer to Christ. No experience needed. Contact the Youth Ministry office for more information.

Contact us:

Email: [saintjamesym@gmail.com](mailto:saintjamesym@gmail.com)

Website: [www.saintjamesym.weebly.com](http://www.saintjamesym.weebly.com)

Text: 424.265.8336

 [saintjamesym](https://www.facebook.com/saintjamesym)  [@saintjamesym](https://www.instagram.com/saintjamesym)



## St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

St. James School will begin the school year with Distance Learning. We will be offering a full curriculum including Spanish, Art, Religion and PE. Our students will connect with their teachers everyday on ZOOM and will have a combination of synchronous (Zoom) and asynchronous (independent) learning. Students will use ZOOM, Dojo, Google Classroom, computer applications and their textbooks. St. James is committed to excellence in academics and Catholic Identity; both will continue whether in person or during Distance Learning.

The first day of classes will be **Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**.

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*

 [SjsCatholicSchool](https://www.facebook.com/SjsCatholicSchool)

<http://SjsCatholicSchool.org>

## Silent Auction Donations

Please support our Parish School by donating any new or unused items for the **2020 Silent Auction on October 23, 24, and 25**. We need everything: Kids'/teen toys or items, holiday decorations, household items, computer software/hardware, electronic equipment, sporting event tickets, sports memorabilia and video games or gaming systems. Restaurant, hotel, spa, service, kids activity or party gift certificates are always a huge success. Donations can be dropped off after the 8am, 10am and 12pm Masses by the O'Gorman Center on all Sundays in September and October (last collection October 18.) Questions? Natalie Straup:

[natdragon@gmail.com](mailto:natdragon@gmail.com), or call **310.844.3613**.

We greatly appreciate your support.

## A Prayer for Healing & Protection

Most merciful and loving God,  
We come to you in our weakness.  
We come to you in our fear.  
We come to you with trust.  
For you alone are our hope.

We place before you the pandemic present in our world.  
We turn to you in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors.  
Give understanding to scientists.  
Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity.  
Bring healing to those who are ill.  
Protect those who are most at risk.  
Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.  
Welcome those who have died into your eternal home.

Stabilize our communities.  
Unite us in our compassion.  
Remove all fear from our hearts.  
Fill us with confidence in your care.

Jesus, I trust in you. Jesus, I trust in you.

Jesus, I trust in you. Amen.

-Author Unknown

## We're Still Here!

Your favorite restaurant may be closed and you may be lamenting that you're unable to have that much-needed haircut. Although services we are accustomed to having are not currently available, we as **Stephen Ministers** are available and happily so. We can't see you in person but are staying in touch by telephone with those of you who have chosen to contact us. We welcome your call. **310.541.1403**

## Human Trafficking Awareness

You Are Invited To A Tea for God's Children  
Virtual Fundraiser

Supporting Treasures to  
Empower Human Trafficking Survivors

Sunday, September 13, 2020 – 3 pm  
Live-Stream Program featuring F.A.I.T.H. Ministry &  
Treasures

Hosted by St. Lawrence Martyr F.A.I.T.H. Ministry

Chado Take-Out Tea Service  
1 ticket \$55; 2 tickets \$100; 4 tickets \$180

Pick Up at Chado Tea Room  
1303 El Prado Avenue, Torrance – 11 am to 1 pm

Purchase Tickets or Donate by Sept. 1st

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/4799>

## Readings

Monday  
**Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious  
splendor of your Kingdom.**  
Rv 21:9b-14 / Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday  
**The Lord comes to judge the earth.**  
2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 / Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday  
**Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**  
2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 / Mt 23:27-32

Thursday  
**I will praise your name for ever, Lord.**  
1 Cor 1:1-9 / Mt 24:42-51

Friday  
**The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.**  
1 Cor 1:17-25 / Mt 25:1-13

Saturday  
**Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his  
own.**  
1 Cor 1:26-31 / Mk 6:17-29

Sunday  
**My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**  
Jer 20:7-9 / Rom 12:1-2 / Mt 16:21-27

## Prayer Requests

For those suffering illness, infirmity

and those in need of our prayers:

**Joan Parker, Isabell Guillen**

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

**Joseph Hurtault,  
Lily Hu Hao,  
Francis Fredrick**

## Kathy Benson Funeral

The funeral for Kathy Benson will be held on  
**Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 11am**  
in the courtyard at the Community Campus.

A RSVP to the Parish Office is requested if you plan to  
attend. **310.372.5228**

## Weekly Mass Intentions

<b>Sat.</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 22</b> No Mass	
<b>Sunday</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 23</b> Msgr. Mike	Gina Magat Diaz † Monica Ozaeta †
10 am	Fr. Emmanuel	St. James Parishioners Raquel M. Davies †
12 Noon	Fr. Jim	Jessica Edgar Truesdale † Regina Lujan †
<b>Monday</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 24</b> Msgr. Mike	Iluminada A. Dizon
<b>Tuesday</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 25</b> Fr. Emmanuel	Presencion Navarro †
<b>Wed.</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 26</b> Fr. Jim	Jessica Edgar Truesdale †
<b>Thurs.</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 27</b> Fr. Emmanuel	June Slocomb † Joseph Lienconi †
<b>Friday</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 28</b> Msgr. Mike	Valerie Elizarraraz
<b>Sat.</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 29</b> No Mass	
<b>Sunday</b> 8 am	<b>Aug 30</b> Fr. Jim	Pino Marzocchi † Jessica Edgar Truesdale † Lydia Nelson
10 am	Fr. Emmanuel	St. James Parishioners Alaca Gojcaj †
12 Noon	Msgr. Mike	Kathy Benson † Hyatt Griffith † Lesa Rivas Sloss †

Priest celebrant may change according to  
circumstances. For prayer requests or to request a  
Mass intention, please 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.



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## Our Clergy, Here to Serve You



**Msgr. Mike Meyers**  
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**Associate Pastor**  
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**Fr. James Kavanagh**  
**Pastor Emeritus**  
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**Fr. Ikechukwu Ikeocha - 'Fr. I.K.'**  
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**Eucharistic Ministers  
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**Deacon Mark & Louise Ramirez**  
**Deacon Couple**  
DcnMark@SaintJames.Church

## 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*



**Noreen Maricich**  
**Principal**  
**Saint James School**  
Office@SJSCatholicSchool.org  
310.371.0416

**St. James Elementary School**  
**TK-8th Grade**  
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**Diana Holly**  
**Director of Religious Education**  
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**Religious Education Office hours**  
Monday – Thursday  
10 am – 3 pm  
and during class times:  
Tuesday 4 pm – 8:15  
Wednesday 4 pm – 5:30



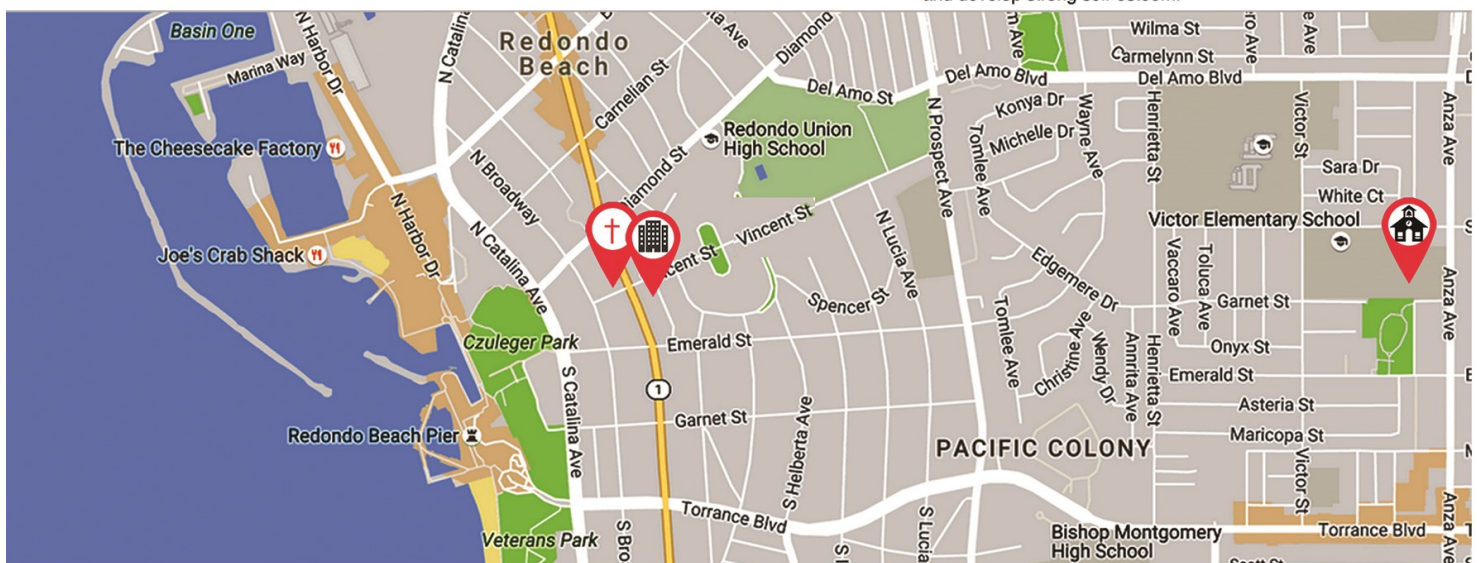
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**Preschool & Toddler Time**  
**Philosophy**  
We believe in creating a warm and  
loving environment  
where children can  
learn about themselves,  
gain an understanding of others  
and develop strong self-esteem.




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