

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

AYS FOR LIFE.

September 23 – November 1

The 40 Days for Life movement began with one 24-hour campaign in Bryan, Texas in 2004. A small group of people overwhelmed at the rising abortion numbers begged God in prayer, "what must we do to end abortion in our community?" God responded unequivocally, fast and pray for 40 days.

From their faithfulness the movement was born and thus far, with God's help, we have seen

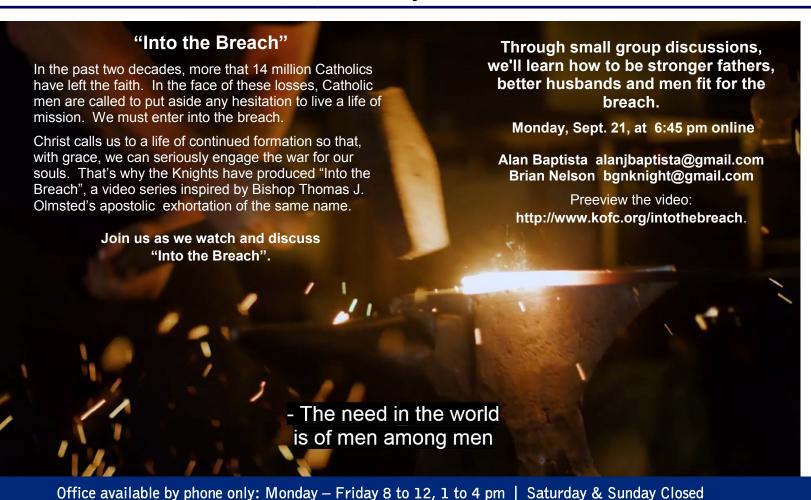
• 17,226 babies saved from abortion

206 abortion workers converted

107 abortion centers closed

Please Join Our Campaign

- to bring hope to those struggling with an unplanned pregnancy
- to stand in solidarity with the babies being killed with no name or burial
- to educate people, especially the youth, on the harm of abortion
- to be a witness for life & promote protection of life in the public square
- In atonement for the sins of abortion in our country
- In obedience to God's call Join us Today! Sign-up at 40daysforlife.com/Lawndale



Gospel Meditation

What right do we have to limit the amount and degree of forgiveness we show to others when we are so desperately in need of it ourselves? In not wanting someone who hurt us to downplay or forget the gravity of their wrong, we cling to anger, resentment, and wrath as a way of maintaining control. It is a way to acknowledge and express our deep hurt. We fail to realize that in doing so we hold ourselves hostage to these destructive feelings and actually become mired in the bondage of sin. All we gain is further alienation from ourselves, others, and especially God. We are no longer free but tethered to all of this unresolved negativity. Don't we really want to let it go? The fact is that we need to.

A good self-reflective posture will quickly show us that when the shoe is on the other foot and we are the ones in need of forgiveness, we desire it above anything else. This is especially true with our relationship with God. It is hypocritical to want one thing for ourselves and something else for another. Yet, many act in precisely this way.

Perhaps we think that in offering forgiveness, even for the most grievous of wrongs, somehow excuses the person of their wrong and makes it almost acceptable. This is what makes revenge, retaliation, and punishment so attractive. We see forgiveness as being an eraser that easily wipes away the offense without consequence. Or, we may believe that in offering forgiveness I must somehow forget the wrong and open myself as a victim of even greater possible hurts in the future. In fact, forgiving my sister or brother of their wrongful actions or attitudes involves none of this. It does not erase anything or position me vulnerably as a doormat to be walked on.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom that restores honest dialogue, shares true, and heartfelt feelings and acknowledges the consequences of an action. It admits that the wrong has caused a hurt that must be healed and squarely positions responsibility on the offender. The act of forgiveness recognizes our sinfulness and brokenness. It also admits that the most saintly among us is capable of doing very grave and deep harm to another person. It sees that we all can be victims of our passions and works in progress that deserve unlimited chances to get it right. With forgiveness, I release myself from the bonds of negativity and pursue a path of restoration, wholeness, and healing. I do not forget the wrong nor do I dismiss it. Sometimes, we have to stay far away from the one who hurt us. But we can still heal internally and be free.

For the one who wants to be forgiven and the one who needs offer forgiveness, the journey can be an adventure in learning what brought us to this place and what is needed to move forward. This is exactly how God treats us. Why would we not want to do the same for others? ©LPi

Catholic Q and A

Q: In Matthew, within the Beatitudes, and in subsequent verses we can identify a special ethos, or spirit. It's a spirit sustained throughout the gospels; a spirit of light, of service and teaching, which elevate this illuminating scriptural discourse toward the promise of an amalgamation of the light of Christ with human aspirations in our days.

Can we better identify with this ethos, by way of a particular paragraph in the Catechism?

A: Yes, especially since, in these trying times, we are all teachers. CCC Paragraph 561 draws on a quote from John Paul II: "The whole of Christ's life was a continual teaching: his silences, his miracles, his gestures, his prayer, his love for his people, his special affection for the little...the actualization of his word..."

Pope Francis, speaking last spring said, "Let us pray for teachers, who have to work so hard to do lessons on the internet and other media." In his homily, he referred to Jesus teaching his disciples, (his teachers), to be servants. Our Choir sings a song, "Christ Be Our Light," including this verse: "Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come."

As teachers, as followers of the faith, as humble servants, we go back to Matthew:

"Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father, who is in heaven." The actualization of his Word...

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.

VIRTUS® Classes By Zoom

All Parish and School Volunteers are required to be Virtus[®] certified.

Recertification Class—Zoom Class "Keeping the Promise Alive" Wednesday, Sept. 16 4 – 5:30 pm

Original Virtus® Class- Zoom Class "Protecting God's Children" Saturday, Sept. 19 12 – 3 pm

To register please call the Parish Office 310.372.5228

If you have taken the class elsewhere, please bring a copy of your certificate to the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday

Next Sunday, September 20th is Bundle Sunday!

The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in parking lot of St. James School from 8am to 1pm. Please bring any usable items such as clothing, small appliances, household items, books, etc.

For large items including furniture, appliances and vehicles please phone **323.224.6280** or **800.974.3571** for home pickups.

Tuesday Night Online Bible Study

The St. James Tuesday Night Online Bible Study group is starting a new 12 session course:

"The Bible and The Virgin Mary" by the St Paul Center.

This study unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into the fabric of Sacred Scripture. The first lesson begins on September 15th. The group meets every **Tuesday night at 7pm using Zoom**. Please contact Donna or Randy if you would like to join in this study.

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

Contacts:

Donna Wilson dwilson94@gmail.com Randy Sgro rsgro@sbcglobal.net

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**

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.** Please call the Religious Education Office 310.379.3221 for forms.

Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Díana Holly

Director, Religious Education

Mass Schedule and Locations

Daily Masses will continue at **8 am** in the courtyard of our new Community Campus at the south side of Vincent Street across from our Church at 128 S. Broadway. It is an enclosed area that becomes a peaceful and rustic sacred place for our community to gather in worship

Sunday Mass Schedule - 8 am, 10 am & Noon St. James School 4625 Garnet (at 20559 Anza) Torrance. We have added canopies to the field and invite you to consider bringing an umbrella along with your beach chair if you want to keep more distance. There is plenty of grass and with the music, it is a wonderfully relaxing and prayerful experience under a morning sky.

Masses are posted daily at SaintJames.Church

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** or call us at **310.371.0985**.

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

Confirmation Registration Still Open

There's still time to register your teens into our High School Confirmation Program! For more information, please visit our website at the address below

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
Website: www.saintjamesym.weebly.com

Text: **424.265.8336**

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St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

This week we held our Back to School Night. We gathered as a group to begin and then parents me with their children's homeroom teacher. This year the event was Virtual but our excitement for the beginning of the school year was still present in our preparations and the joy of meeting all the families.

Our Transitional Kindergarten is on campus for Day Care assisted instruction from 7:30 – 2:30. We are hoping to open for more Day Care with the approval of Public Health.

Please keep our student and our teachers in your prayers as they begin this very different school year!

Noreen Maricich

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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.

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

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, or call **310.844.3613**. We greatly appreciate your support.

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

More signs of a trafficking victim:
Signs of a possible drug addiction;
Coached or rehearsed responses to questions
F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY of St. James and
St. Lawrence Martyr

Rick Page CandRPage@verizon.net

Readings

Monday

Do not forget the works of the Lord!

Nm 21:4b-9 / Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday

We are his people: the sheep of his flock. 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a / Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1 Cor 12:31—13:13 / Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

1 Cor 15:1-11 / Lk 7:36-50

Friday

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full. 1 Cor 15:12-20 / Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

I will walk in the presence of God, in the light of the living.

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 / Lk 8:4-15

Sunday

The Lord is near to all who call upon him. Is 55:6-9 / Phil 1:20c-24, 27a / Mt 20:1-16a

Prayer Requests

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

Anne Steele

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

Magdalena Olvera, Susanita Leng, Neil Ward

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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| Weekly Mass Intentions | | |
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| Sat. 8 am | Sept 12 Fr. Emmanuel | Eileen Persais ਚੈ |
| Sunday | Sept 13 | |
| 8 am | Fr. Jim | Herbert McLaughlin 한 Mary Campazzie Susie Lippert 한 Doris Turlo 한 |
| 10 am | Msgr. Mike | Debora Gainey Marge Cabrera ⊕ |
| 12 Noon | Fr. Emmanuel | Susie Lippert & The Corbetts Sisters & Irma Cuenco & All Priests |
| Monday 8 am | Sept 14 Msgr. Mike | Florentino Ocampo ⊕ |
| Tuesday 8 am | Sept 15 Fr. Emmanuel | Deacon Bill Iacobellis ∜ |
| Wed. 8 am | Sept 16 Msgr. Mike | Pino Marzocchi & |
| Thurs. 8 am | Sept 17 Fr. Jim | Jenifer Williamson ช |
| Friday 8 am | Sept 18 Fr. Emmanuel | John F. Nichols ∜r |
| Sat. 8 am | Sept 19 Fr. Emmanuel | John F. Nichols ዌ Deacon Bill Iacobellis ዌ Claire Sterritt ዌ |
| Sunday | Sept 20 | |
| 8 am | Msgr. Mike | John F. Nichols & |
| 10 am | Fr. Emmanuel | The Schneider Boys St. James Parishioners |
| 12 Noon | Fr. Jim | Leon J. Campazzie Irma Cuenco ช Jessica Edgar Truesdale ช |

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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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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Religious Education Office hours Monday – Thursday 10 am – 3 pm and during class times: Tuesday 4 pm – 8:15 Wednesday 4 pm – 5:30



Wendy Bell
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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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