

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

Catechetical Sunday

On this day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community.

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.



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

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Pastor's Corner

*"I received from the Lord what I
also handed on to you."*

This is the theme chosen by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Here at St. James, every catechist will receive a prayer card shown on the cover, at their commissioning at the 8am Mass this Sunday.

We recognize these outstanding and remarkable individuals for their service and sacrifice.

Their names are listed on the right.

The Commissioning of the Disciples

"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

*Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe
all that I have commanded you.*

*And behold, I am with you always,
until the end of the age." Mt. 28:16-20*

Blessings,

Msgr. Mike

Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists.
We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the
understanding and teaching of your Word.

Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful
heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them
wisdom about what is important;
knowledge of the truths of faith;
understanding of their meaning;
right judgment about how to apply them in life;
courage to persevere even in the face of adversity;
reverence before all that is sacred and holy;
and that loving zeal which leads others to a
transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

In the United States, more than half a million catechists serve in the nation's parishes, missions and schools.

The dedication and commitment of these catechists is something that deserves to be celebrated.

The annual celebration of **Catechetical Sunday** is an occasion for recognizing, affirming, and supporting their efforts through a formal rite of commissioning.

But it is more than that: at our Baptism, each and everyone of us were "commissioned" to introduce others to Christ and to help them come to know and love Christ.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops designates Catechetical Sunday to celebrate the ministry of catechesis and reminds us that **everyone** in the Catholic community has an obligation to hand on the faith.

Jennifer Anderson
Julia Arce
Carleigh Asaro
Kevin Babuder
Susan Bailey
Yoli Baluyot
Wendy Bell
Becky Blee
Tammy Borda
Maureen Bradford
Christi DeVico
Kristin Flannery
Paul Garcia
Suzanne Gibson
Bituin Haban
Carrie Harris
Teresa Hernandez
Trisha Hollerup
Diana Holly
Arianna Huppertz
Valerie Jauregui
Jessica Jones
Sheila Kelly
Christine King
Robyn Kobayashi-Handley
Nehanda Kuumba
Michelle LaMontagne
Fred Lawler
Kimberly & Megan Lim
Terry Lines
Rafael Llana
Warren Lopez
Steve Lord
Madison Maldonado
Sandra Maramonte
Jodi Maran

Noreen Maricich
Debora Martins
Jean Marzolino
Kathleen McDermott
Kathryn Medrano
Deacon Bob & Patty Miller
Nikki-Sara Mitchell
Barbara Molina
Barbara Mullen
Michelle Nicholls
Peter & Gretchen Nobleza
Janell O'Dowd
Megan Pollard
Alyson Quast
Leanne Raad
Deacon Mark & Louise Ramirez
Natalie Ramirez
Angie Ramsden
Sandra Rocha
Kim Russell
Kathy Ryyth
Ryan Schell
Alisa Schiappa-Gobee
Randy Sgro
Allison Silva
Jenny Sitter
Rosine Sorbom
Denise Spencer
Dianne Staso
Terrie Valadez
Michael Valdez
Annie Wheeler
Rosemarie Williams
Donna Wilson
Joe Zelik

St. Vincent de Paul Bundle 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**

"Into the Breach"

In the past two decades, more than 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.



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

Monday, Sept. 21, at 6:45 pm online

Alan Baptista alanjbaptista@gmail.com

Brian Nelson bgnknight@gmail.com

Preview the video:

<http://www.kofc.org/intothebreach>.

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 pass this information along to them.

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!

Diana Holly

Director, Religious Education

Acts of Kindness Everywhere

Even in times such as this with COVID-19 affecting what we do, we find people reaching out to help neighbors and even strangers.

It is truly a difficult time for many, and if you find that you could use the help of a good listener to share your experience or have someone to pray with, a Stephen Minister would be happy to remind you that there is still kindness in the world.

The Connect Line number is **310.541.1403**

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.

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 happy 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**



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**

Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group



Join us! We continue to pray the rosary in the midst of this difficult time.

We pray for the safety and privacy of our homes and remain united in Christ.

Experience inner peace in a turbulent world.

All online may offer their own intentions.

Dean Campazzie 310.372.5182

Gospel Meditation

September 20, 2020
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If I work for five hours, I expect to get paid for five hours. If I work for two, I expect to get paid for two. What if we worked for a company that paid everyone the same amount regardless of how long they worked? How would we feel going home with the same pay for working eight hours as my co-worker did for working only two hours? Secular wisdom would have a huge problem with this and a visit to the Labor Board would quickly pursue. But this is God's wisdom and God's ways.

We sometimes think that if we pray more, better, or more fervently and go over and above with the practice of our faith, God will somehow reward us and present us with some kind of merit badge. We are so wrong. Spiritual practices have only one true purpose: to deepen our love for God. In deepening our love for God, we also increase our ability to see God's presence around us, living life more purposefully and contemplatively. What if God chooses to treat someone who has come on the scene of faith later in life the same as someone who has devoted their whole lives to it? Does it really matter? If we have the merit badge notion of faith, we can find ourselves feeling a little arrogant and even jealous of folks who have not followed the same path that we have. We can even see ourselves as the privileged few who have a corner on the faith and fully possess it.

That thinking doesn't square with God. God is all about mercy in abundance and is ready to take anyone to himself regardless of when they come. He is only happy that they have come home and delights in their return. After all, if you really and truly love someone, does it matter what they will give you in return or what you receive as a benefit? If relationships were assessed based upon productivity, they would lack authentic love. We invest too much self interest in our prayer and neglect to see it as an opportunity to pursue our Lover and deepen the intimate bond we have with God.

When we breathe our last, all that is of consequence is union with God. If my love for God is real, I am going to want to live the Gospel, abide by the commandments, practice my faith, forgive and love my neighbor, and care for the environment, regardless of how much time it takes or benefits me. We want God to think and behave as we do, and in doing so, we set ourselves up for disappointment. God has a totally different agenda and that's okay.

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Assistance Programs in the South Bay

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Hearts to Serve:

855.423.6780 or www.lacathloics.org/hearts-serve

Beach Cities Health District Assistance for Older Adults:

310.374.3426 ext. 256 or visit www.bchd.org

Torrance-South Bay YMCA Meal Program:

310.325.5885 ext. 2732

City of Redondo Beach Senior & Family Services

310.318.0650 or www.redondo.org/senior

Torrance Cares Meal Service

310.618.6339 or www.TorranceCares2Go@gmail.com

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**

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)

Human Trafficking Awareness



Signs of Trafficking Victims

An attempt to conceal scars, tattoos, or bruises;

A boyfriend or girlfriend who is noticeably older and/or controlling.

Coached or rehearsed responses to questions

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

St. Lawrence Martyr

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SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration for enrollment into our High School Confirmation Program will be closing September 25th! Slots are still available so sign up while there's still time. For more information, please visit our website at the address below.

We need your help!

We are looking for adults of all ages to join the Core Team as we guide our teens closer to Christ! No experience needed. Please 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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*Confirmation Registration
still open!*

WWW.SAINTJAMESYM.WEEBLY.COM

Q: Throughout the long weeks of Ordinary, (ordered, numbered), Time we find the Church marking the days of the remarkable lives of the litany of Saints, to whom we turn as intercessors, as well as inspirational exemplars of faith.

We appreciate and marvel at the lives of the saints, but can we truly hope to emulate them, and to, as scripture says, "... be holy as your heavenly Father is holy...?"

A: Author Matthew Kelly, in his book *Rediscover the Saints*, presents the thesis that, simply put, the saints offer us, possibilities, as we strive to become the best version of ourselves.

We may believe that we aren't capable of the levels of reverence, zeal, sacrifice, discipline, resolve, or that measure of holiness as exhibited in the classic *Lives of the Saints* by Rev. Alban Butler.

But the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says otherwise, quoting among the passages on the Saints, Saint Gregory:

"All Christians are called to the fullness of Christian life, and to the perfection of charity."

The catechism then gives us the portion of the St. Gregory quote regarding saintly aspirations that touches on the possibilities outlined by Kelly, supported by the tenets of our Catholic faith, and so exquisitely versed here:

**"Christian perfection has but one limit,
that of having none."**

The possibilities of the fullness of Christian life...

Consider setting up a "classroom" for safe internet use

If your child's school distributed iPads or tablets to help with distance learning this fall, consider setting up a designated place in your home for your child to use these devices. Knowing what your child is doing online is made significantly easier if he or she is using a device in the kitchen, or family room, where you can periodically check in. While the school may have installed basic content filtering software and limited access protections, parents should review the device protections before letting children use them. For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

Feed the Needy

We continue to feed the homeless Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays with lunch bags and toiletries.

We want to thank all of our parishioners who have been so faithful and gracious with regular donations.

We could not provide the wonderful lunches for our people without your support. Since March when all the St. James ministries were closed, Feed The Needy has continued our work in providing a healthy lunch for our needy and homeless community. We have been preparing around 180 lunches per week.

We are still in need of the following items:

hamburgers buns,
chips,
lunch meat,
cheese,
small 8oz drinks like juices and water,
granola bars,
cheese sticks
and fruit such as grapes or oranges.

Our work continues and we once again ask for your assistance

These items can easily fit into a lunch bag or can be saved in a backpack. Again, we thank you for your generosity in helping us keep our homeless community fed and healthy.

If you have any comments or questions, I can be reached at 310.488.9480, Linda Cabibbo, ministry coordinator.

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Elementary School Non-discrimination Policy 2020-2021 School Student Non-discrimination Policy

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

This week we conducted STAR testing, our standardized testing tool.

Star testing occurs 3 times a year and the purpose is to give direction to our teaching.

This was the first time that we attempted to do this through Zoom; everyone needed a little extra patience as we again navigated a new means of conducting an established practice.

Unfortunately, this year there will be no in person Harvest Festival. We will miss seeing everyone at our annual event and look forward to next year when we can all be together.

We are collecting items for the Silent Auction which will be an online fundraiser for the entire St. James Community, and we will be selling tickets for our Big Red Drawing.

Please support our school by your participation!

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

Noreen Maricich

  **SjsCatholicSchool**

<http://SjsCatholicSchool.org>

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,
video games
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.

Readings

Monday

Their message goes out through all the earth.
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 / Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday

Guide me, Lord, in the way of your commands.
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 / Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp for my feet.
Prv 30:5-9 / Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.
Eccl 1:2-11 / Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!
Eccl 3:1-11 / Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.
Eccl 11:9—12:8 / Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday

Remember your mercies, O Lord.
Ez 18:25-28 / Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 / Mt 21:28-32

Prayer Requests

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

Bob Rusch

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

Cheryl Schlict, Rita Perira

Gift Shop



The Gift Shop is now open by
appointment only.

Please call the office at
310.372.5228.

Thank you and stay safe!
Rich Modic
Rich@SaintJames.Church

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat. 8 am	Sept 19 Fr. Emmanuel	John F. Nichols † Deacon Bill Iacobellis † Claire Sterritt †
Sunday 8 am	Sept 20 Msgr. Mike	John F. Nichols † The Schneider Boys St. James Parishioners Leon J. Campazzie Irma Cuenco † Jessica Edgar Truesdale †
10 am	Fr. Emmanuel	
12 Noon	Fr. Jim	
Monday 8 am	Sept 21 Msgr. Mike	John F. Nichols † Bella Marciano Lim †
Tuesday 8 am	Sept 22 Fr. Emmanuel	Mercedes Jaime de Galvez † John F. Nichols †
Wed. 8 am	Sept 23 Fr. Jim	Katherine Pagbilao † Bea & Carlo Yambo
Thurs. 8 am	Sept 24 Fr. Emmanuel	Lionus Bundoc John F. Nichols †
Friday 8 am	Sept 25 Msgr. Mike	John F. Nichols †
Sat. 8 am	Sept 26 Msgr. Mike	John F. Nichols †
Sunday 8 am	Sept 27 Fr. Emmanuel	Lynette Laney Nelly Javien † John Fr. Nichols † Crescencia du † Helena Burke Sheikh † Susie Lippert † Francisco D. Villanueva †
10 am	Msgr. Mike	
12 Noon	Fr. Jim	

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



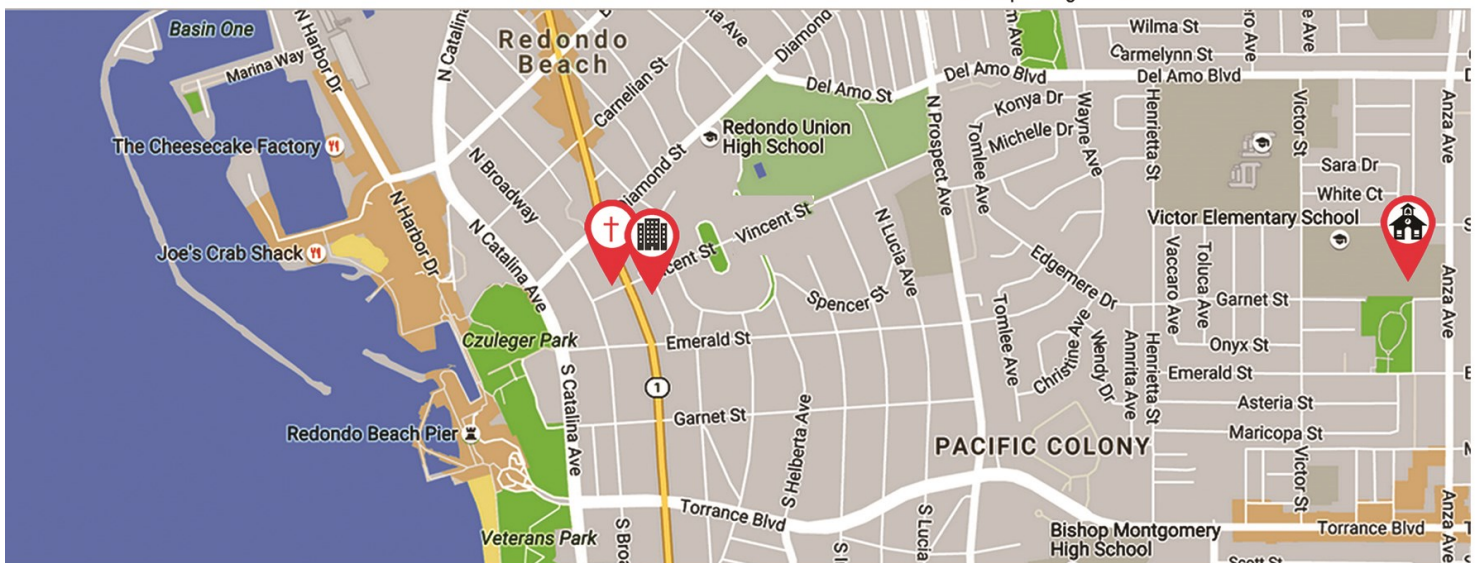
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**Preschool & Toddler Time
Philosophy**
We believe in creating a warm and
loving environment
where children can
learn about themselves,
gain an understanding of others
and develop strong self-esteem.




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