

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

Welcome!

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

Come to me,
all you who are weary
and burdened,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you
and learn from me,
for I am gentle
and humble in heart,
and you will find
rest for your souls.
For my yoke is easy
and my burden is light.

-Jesus in Matthew 11v28-30

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

Pastor's Corner

Today (Wednesday, September 23rd) I was supposed to be leaving on pilgrimage with 40 other St. James parishioners to visit Europe with the highlight of the trip being the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany. Ironically, the play has been performed every 10 years since 1634 in thanksgiving to God for being spared from a bubonic plague outbreak.

The major plague outbreak was in the 14th century and was the cause of the Black Death that swept through Asia, Europe, and Africa and killed an estimated 50 million people. It killed about 40% of the European population.

An outbreak of bubonic plague devastated Bavaria during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). The village of Oberammergau remained plague-free until 1633, when in 33 days, 81 villagers would die, half of Oberammergau's population. The villagers vowed that if God spared them from the plague, they would perform a play every 10 years depicting the life and death of Jesus. Nobody died of plague in Oberammergau after that vow, and the villagers kept their word to God by performing the passion play for the first time in 1634.

So, here we are, not in Oberammergau and the plague of 1633, but hunkered down in our own homes, cautiously going outside only with masks and social distancing, in the midst of our own plague. In the last 6 months, nearly 1 million people have died from COVID-19 worldwide.

The effects of the pandemic go far beyond the loss of loved ones as so many have lost jobs or homes and the societal shutdown has affected nearly every part of our lives. Our world has become disoriented. In these times it is easy to become depressed, anxious, angry or just plain confused.

We should not simply be victims, helplessly locked away. Even as we stay safe, we are people of faith. We are made strong in the midst of adversity because of this faith and our relationship with God who continues to call us to know we are loved and created for so much more. We are people of hope. We know that God's plan is so much greater than we can even imagine and that we will have the strength and resolve to deal with whatever happens in our lives. We are people of love. We are made whole when our hearts stay connected with God and with one another. In reaching out to others with love we become a lifeline to them, helping them to find stability with God as their foundation.

Don't want to be a victim? Take massive action and stay connected:

Reach out to your friends and families . A phone call, text message or through social media. You might be

their only human contact. Find out if they need anything from the store.

- Get involved with an online bible study. We offer 'The Bible and the Virgin Mary' every Tuesday night.
- -Join us online for Mass or come to O'Gorman Center for Sunday or the courtyard for Daily Mass.
- Pray the rosary to end the pandemic—Join with fellow parishioners in the Medjugorje Prayer Group.
- Shop and deliver food or supplies to those you called who are homebound.
- -Knit baby caps (beanies) or blankets for expectant mothers with an unexpected pregnancy.
- Fast from secular TV programs and tune in to EWTN and learn more about your faith.
- Tune a radio to Relevant radio AM 930 Stay attentive to the needs of people around you. These small acts of kindness are truly expressions of love. As St. Paul reminds us.

"So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love." (1 Cor. 13:13)

Blessings,

Msgr. Míke

Sunday School

Would you like your children to learn about God's love for them? Would you like them to be familiar with favorite Old and New Testament bible stories? Would you like them to know basic Catholic prayers, but also to feel comfortable just talking to God in their own words? Do you wish there was a way for a preschool aged child to understand the message in the gospel reading?

The answer to your questions is Sunday School! Our Sunday School program helps the 3, 4, 5 & 6 (kindergarten) year old child build a foundation of faith by helping them to know God through the gifts He has given us. Our developmentally appropriate lessons are based on the gospel stories for each week. Sunday school begins October 4th and continues to May 2nd. To be eligible for Sunday School, children must be potty trained and 3 years old by Sept. 1st.

For the 20-21 school year, we will be offering Sunday School virtually. Lesson content, activity pages and a link for a virtual lesson with a teacher and additional resources will be emailed to enrolled families. In the event we are able to offer traditional classes during mass at some point during the year, families will be given the option to attend in person or continue to receive lessons virtually.

If you have any questions or would like to enroll, please contact **Sheila Kelly at 714.391.3949**. Please text me first and let me know you are asking about Sunday School. You may also email me at **slkelly3156@gmail.com**.

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**.

10/06 - The New Eve

10/13 - The Ark of the New Covenant

10/20 - Born of a Virgin

10/27 - The Promised Mother

11/03 - Mother Crowned in Glory

11/10 - Full of Grace

11/17 - All Holy

11/24 -The Assumption

12/01 - Always a Mother

Come, share and participate in our faith Community

Please contact

Donna Wilson :dwilson94@gmail.com

if you would like to join in this study or for more information.

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**

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

After Jesus was raised from the dead and before he ascended to His Father, He commissioned His disciples by giving them this mission:

"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" (Mt. 28: 19-20a).

By the Roman Catholic faith, which we profess, we are commissioned in the same way to baptize and thus build up our Church. In spite of the current challenges presented by COVID-19, we at St. James are continuing in the mission of Jesus in a safe and sensible way. We continue to provide a logical process to prepare parents and godparents for baptism. We invite you to contact Deacon Bob **DnBob99@gmail.com**. He will reply to your email with next steps and will make himself available to guide you through the process.

Separated & Divorced Ministry

Our group's vision is to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Our goal is to become a source of spiritual strength and wisdom to process the grief, to ease the pain, and to give comfort and hope to those recovering from separation and divorce.

Virtual platform: Zoom; Topics from: SPANISH Divorce and Beyond Program

Start Dates: Tuesdays, October 6th or Thursdays, October 8th; 7:00 – 8:30 pm

10 Weeks; Spanish Program is Free. Book is \$10.95 & available at St. Mary's Press

More information or to register email: mariadp90241@me.com

Virtual platform: Zoom; Topics from: Single Again, the Uncertain Journey

Start Date: Monday October 5th; 7:00 – 8:30 pm (1st & 3rd Mondays)

Ongoing Support Group; Program is Free: Book is \$10.00 & available on-line

More information or to register email:

JMonell@la-archdiocese.org; 213.637.7249

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

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 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**



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 from the safety and privacy of our homes and remain united in Christ and each other.

Experience inner peace in a turbulent world.

All online may offer their own intentions.

Dean Campazzie 310.372.5182

Gospel Meditation

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son.

Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own. Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that timepiece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you?

It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring.

The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts.

When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance.

Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list.

Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside.

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:

Sundays: 8 am, 10 am and Noon at St. James School, 20559 Anza (at Garnet St., Torrance)

Human Trafficking Awareness



Signs of Trafficking Victims

Tattoos (a form of branding) displaying the name or moniker of a trafficker, such as "Daddy".

A sudden change in attention to personal hygiene.

Coached or rehearsed responses to questions F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY of St. James and St. Lawrence Martyr Rick Page CandRPage@verizon.net

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SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration for enrollment into our High School Confirmation Program has been extended to Sept. 28th! Slots are still available so sign up while there's still time. Please visit our website at the address below for instructions on how to register your teens.

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.

Upcoming Dates:

Tues., Sept. 29th: Year 1 Parent Orientation (Zoom) Sun., Oct. 4th: Year 1 Confirmation (GROUP A) Tues., Oct. 6th: Year 2 Parent Orientation (Zoom) Wed., Oct. 7th: Year 1 Confirmation (GROUP B)

Contact us:

Email: saintjamesym@gmail.com
Website: www.saintjamesym.weebly.com

Text: **424.265.8336**

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Catholic Q and A

J.P. Alegria

Q: The St.James Choir, in previous, non-distancing days of worship, sang praises as part of the liturgy, offering spiritual songs that echoed the virtues beautifully summarized in the Catechism.

One of those songs, a Dan Schutte piece, "City of God", based on Isaiah:9 touches on the essence of an earthly community that recognizes the individual citizen's ethical obligations and the fruits of a society spiritually rooted in the love of God.

What do the catechism and the music teach and celebrate about the societal aspect of our spiritual journey?

A: "Let us build the city of God, may our tears be turned into dancing. For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day. Let us walk in his light..."

The Catechism in the section called "Life In Christ" underscores specifically the ways in which citizens can walk in his light. These cogent, especially relevant paragraphs in the catechism touch on topics such as community, socialization, participation, the common good, fraternity, and the rights and obligations of a people finding their place in a society that can present pandemic-sized challenges.

Uplifted, catechized, soulfully refreshed by a living faith, we move ahead, working to

...build the city of God...walking in His light...

Words can be warning signs of abuse

Many children will be learning in their own homes this fall, but that does not mean they will be fully protected from abuse. Sadly, most children are abused by someone considered to be a "known and trusted" person that person may be a family member – even someone living in the same house as the child. Pay attention to the conversations your children are having, as words can be indicators that a child is being groomed or harmed. If your child or their friend(s) seem to "know" more about sexual topics than would be expected for their age, or seems unusually focused on such topics, it could be an indicator that something inappropriate and harmful is happening. Talk to your child about it, reassuring them that it is both important and safe to tell you what is happening. For more information on this topic, 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.

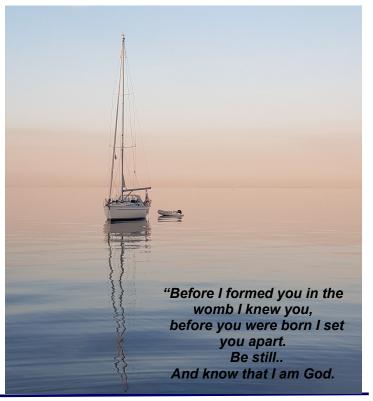
We want to thank all of our parishioners who have been so faithful and gracious with regular donations.

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.

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.





St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

At St. James School we are working to continue our school activities and traditions despite Distance Learning and the social distancing restrictions. Monsignor will begin Masses on the field for our students at the end of this month. We will break our student body into 3 groups and invite their families and the students to bring beach chairs and come to the field. Practicing our faith is an important part of the Catholic School experience and we are excited to be able to offer Mass to all of our families. We have opened a Day Care program for students to conduct Distance learning on our campus with a proctor following LAPH guidelines. It is wonderful to have a group of children on campus.

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 navigate this very different school year!

Noreen Maricich



http://SjsCatholicSchool.org



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

You have forgotten God who gave you birth. Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us. Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday

God is my refuge on the day of distress. Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob. Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Mt 13:47-53

Friday

Lord, in your great love, answer me. Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

Lord, in your great love, answer me.
Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Mt
14:1-12

Sunday

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Prayer Requests

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

Jerry Callahan, Joanne Benson, Peter Settele

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

Lilia Solano, Ana Lorena Solano, German Gonzalez, Evan Gillett, Emma Chavarria

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

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Sat. 8 am	Sept 26 Msgr. Mike	John F. Nichols &
Sunday	Sept 27	
8 am	Fr. Emmanuel	Lynette Laney Nelly Javien む John Fr. Nichols む
10 am	Msgr. Mike	Crescencia Du & Helena Burke Sheikh &
12 Noon	Fr. Jim	Susie Lippert ซิ Francisco D. Villanueva ซิ
Monday 8 am	Sept 28 Fr. Emmanuel	Frank M. Campis Jr. មិ
Tuesday 8 am	Sept 29 Msgr. Mike	Susie Lippert &
Wed. 8 am	Sept 30 Msgr. Mike	Caridad Chaves 🕆
Thurs. 8 am	Oct 1 Fr. Jim	Julia D'Lando む
Friday 8 am	Oct 2 Fr. Emmanuel	Jack Wilson ⊕
Sat. 8 am	Oct 3 Msgr. Mike	Mary Jane & Stephen Jambor ∜
Sunday	Oct 4	
8 am	Msgr. Mike	David Franco む Janis Phillips Jack Henke む
10 am	Fr. Jim	Peter & Irene Settele Kent J. Campazzie
12 Noon	Fr. Emmanuel	John Laney Linda Talbot

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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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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