



St James
Catholic Church

February 20th, 2022

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Love God. Love all People. Make Disciples.

SUNDAY MASSES: (SAT. 5:30 PM) | SUNDAY 6:30 AM, 8, 10, 12 NOON, 5:30 PM | MONDAY-FRIDAY 8, 12 NOON | SATURDAY 8 AM

Welcome!

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!
WE ARE NOT COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!



“To you who hear I say,
love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,
bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.” Lk 6:27-28

Adoration
Confirmation Year 2 Retreat
Photo: Warren Lopez

OFFICE HOURS: MON - THURS 8 TO 12, 1 TO 8 PM | FRI. 8 TO 12, 1 TO 4 PM | SATURDAY & SUNDAY CLOSED

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Together In Mission Campaign

The Archdiocesan Together In Mission Campaign provides for the basic needs of our poorest parishes and schools in the Archdiocese. Many of these are in the 'inner city' where life is complicated by so many other issues such as gangs, drugs, inadequate public schools and poverty.

During COVID these parishes have been hit particularly hard and their need is greater than ever.

Each parish is asked to give according to their own level of income. For St. James, our goal for the 2022 Campaign is **\$111,637**. Each parish's goal is big, but the need to make sure the gospel is preached in the poorest and most oppressed areas of the archdiocese is vital.

If you have supported Together In Mission in the past, you received a donor letter in the mail recently. If you have not supported it in the past, there are donor envelopes in the pews for you to use.

Your gift does not have to be large and it can be paid in installments throughout the year.

St. James has always been a strong and generous supporter of this campaign, but it takes all of us working together to make it happen.

Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting the mission to spread the Good News of Salvation to members of our poorer communities in LA.

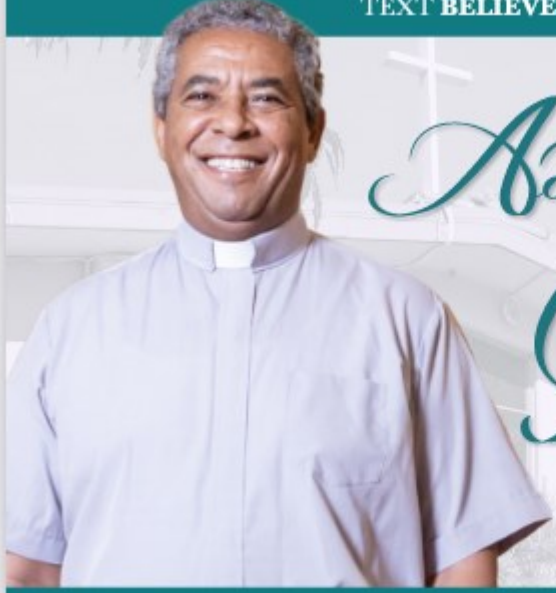
To Pledge use any of these:

- Use donor envelopes in the pews
- Scan the QR Code
- Text BELIEVE to **213.397.0682**
- Visit TogetherInMission.org/give
- Call **213.637.7672**

Blessings,

*Mmgr. Mike and
Fr. Thaddeus*


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As One We Believe

2022 ANNUAL APPEAL

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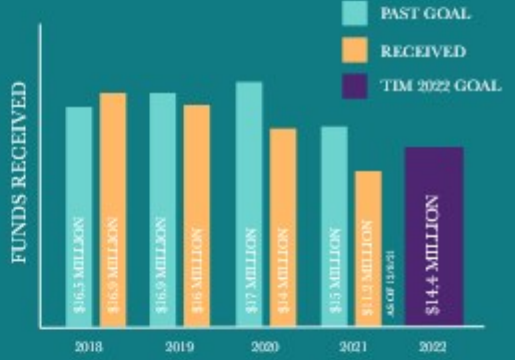


As L.A. Catholics, we believe as one holy Catholic family in hope.

We pray together, sing together, volunteer together, and believe together. We lean on one another as followers of Christ as he sends us on a mission to evangelize and be holy examples of generosity in the world.

Together we turn to Christ and gather as one family of faith and support parishes and schools that face great challenges.

In 2022, please help us renew our sense of unity and make a generous gift today! Your support gives our struggling parishes and schools much needed hope.



Year	Past Goal	Received	Tim 2022 Goal
2018	\$16.5 MILLION	\$16.5 MILLION	
2019	\$16.9 MILLION	\$16.9 MILLION	
2020	\$17 MILLION	\$16.4 MILLION	
2021	\$15 MILLION	\$13.3 MILLION	
2022			\$14.4 MILLION AS OF 1/26/22

"LET US PRAY, LET US PERSEVERE, LET US BELIEVE."

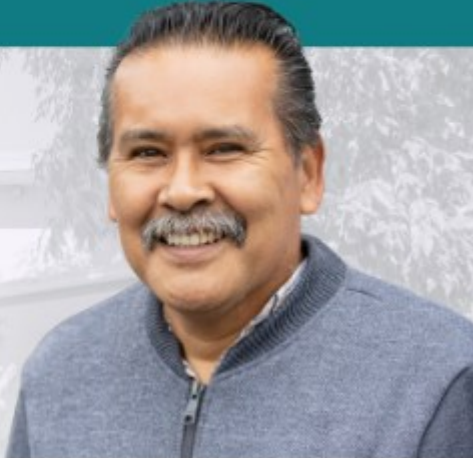
The **Together in Mission Annual Appeal** provides essential faith-based and educational funding to struggling parishes and schools throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. By seeking to serve God, these foundations of faith and learning strengthen families and communities, enrich parish life, and educate future generations.

How to make a gift?

Visit togetherinmission.org/give or call 213-637-7672

TOGETHER IN MISSION
LOS ANGELES

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90010
213-637-7672



Men's Cornerstone Retreat

St Lawrence Martyr Parish is holding their annual Men's Cornerstone Retreat on **Friday/Saturday, Feb. 25-26**. This retreat is open to men from any parish. It's a terrific opportunity to reconnect with Christ after so many negative experiences in the battle with Coronavirus.

The retreat runs from **6pm -11pm on Friday**, and **7am to 8pm on Saturday**, and will employ all required COVID-19 safety procedures. All food is provided and there is **no cost** to the retreatants.

Please consider attending this opportunity for renewal of your spiritual life as we continue to battle the pandemic. You will definitely benefit from the experience. Contact: **Dn. Jim Egnatuk 310.990.7311**



Bundle Sunday– February 20th

Please donate your **usable** clothes, household goods, **small** appliances, and miscellaneous items when you come to Mass next weekend. The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot from **8:30 am—1:30 pm**.

Please, no car seats, baby cribs, strollers, or mattresses. For larger tax-deductible donations like appliances, furniture or vehicles, call **800.974.3571**.



Presidents' Day

The parish office will be closed on **Mon., Feb. 21st** in observance of Presidents' Day

We invite everyone to attend our 8 am and 12 noon Masses.

Ash Wednesday, March 2nd masses: 8am, 12noon, 4:15pm and 7pm

Stations of the Cross will start the Friday of that week on March 4th.

Stations of the Cross

Join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:30 pm in the Church throughout the Lenten Season



**No
Coffee and
Donuts
or
Bingo!**

Married?

Great! You're just who we're looking for! Help Catholic Engaged Encounter prepare engaged couples for marriage. Whether you've been married 2 months or 40+ years, we need your help.

**Paciano & Molly Diaz
310.729.5890 MollivandPaciano@gmail.com.**

Visit www.CEEofLA.com for more information

Tuesday Night Bible Study

The Tuesday night bible study is currently studying **Matthew: The King and His Kingdom**

**Next class is Tuesday, February 22nd at 7 pm
Matthew Chapter 20-21 - Stepping Down into Greatness**
The class for this week will be Zoom only.

Please contact

**Donna Wilson:
dwilson94@gmail.com**
for additional information.



**Come,
share and
participate
in our Church
Community.**

Catholic Co-ed Adult Softball Leagues



seeks players for its upcoming Spring Seasons, which start **Sunday, Feb 27 & Wed, Mar 2** in El Segundo and West Los Angeles. Women, men, singles, and couples are all welcome.

If interested, or for more information, please text Fred Lawler at **714.369.9516**.

We're back!

The Catholic Softball season starts **Feb. 27th**. If you'd like to play softball for your church and make friends, contact the St. James Manager: **Cindy Resong @ceb357@aol.com**

We welcome all ages and abilities and are a co-ed league. Join us for some fun and fellowship! Website: www.sbcasl.com or find us on Facebook at **South Bay Catholic Adult Softball League (SBCASL)**.



Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,
Children's Liturgy of the Word will return in March!
Please watch the bulletin for more information.
There are no Religious Education classes this week due to a Catechist In-Service. Next week, we will gather for our Ash Wednesday Mass on March 2, and then, we will return to the classroom the following week. It will be good to be back together again!

We are still looking for extra adult helpers for our Religious Education program, especially adults to serve as Traffic Monitors (3:45-4pm), on Yard Duty (3:50-4pm), and on Yard Patrol (4-5:15pm). Please consider if you could give a little of your time to help ensure the safety of all of our children. And don't forget, you don't have to have a child in RE to help! We'd love to have adult volunteers from around the parish! Contact the Office of Religious Education for more information on how to volunteer.

God bless!
Andrea Sullivan,
Director of Religious Education

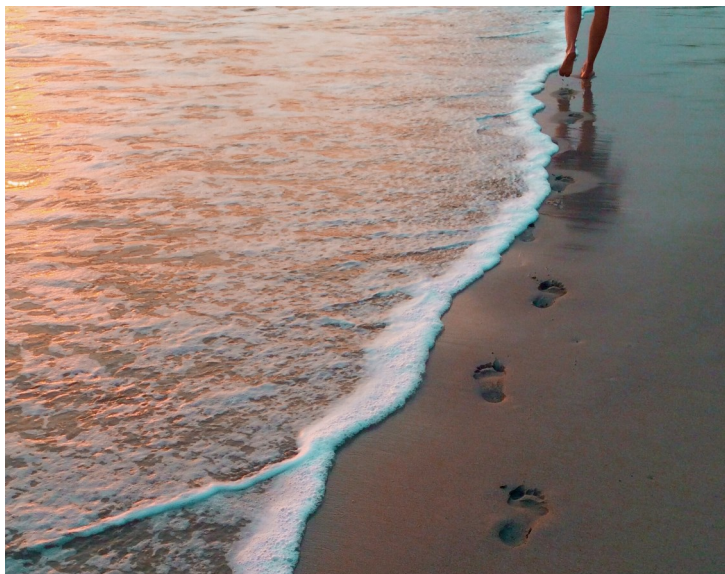
"Following in the steps of Jesus" Lenten Retreat— March 5th

Catholic Daughters of America Court of Our Lady of Victory. We invite all women and men to this spiritual event with **no cost** to the participants. The timing of the retreat will give everyone the opportunity during this busy Lenten season to get their spiritual house in order just in time for Easter!

Father Mark Warnstedt, will lead the Retreat

For more information, please contact

Mary Costello **310 316-0768** mmcostello1@verizon.net



Thank you for your support

Our parish ministries continue because so many people need our help. Recurring gifts helped sustain our parish in unprecedented times, and continue to be a vital source of support for ministries that are a lifeline to those in need in our community.

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**

Thank you for your generous support of Saint James!

Human Trafficking Awareness

"Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little." Edmund Burke



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

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The Gathering Place

If your family has suffered the loss of a loved one, **The Gathering Place**, a nonprofit associated with Providence Little Company of Mary, offers support groups for children and adults.

For more information, please visit their website at
www.providence.org/locations/gathering-place.

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

This week we celebrated **Valentine's Day!** Math with conversation hearts, bench parties, Valentine's Day cards and special dress were all in place to celebrate the day.

St. James School has a Transitional Kindergarten Program! If your child is turning 5 after the September 1st deadline for kindergarten, then TK is the correct placement. Please call St. James for more information and a private meeting to discuss the best placement for your child.

We are accepting applications for the 2022 – 2023 school year! Plan early to visit St. James and discover the difference.

- Applications are available at the elementary school office, at St. James preschool, the Church office and on our website **SJSCatholicSchool.org**
- Call or email the school to schedule a private tour and meet the principal.
- Families are invited to visit school with their child, visit the classroom and find out more about our program. Call or email to reserve a time.
Contact us **310.371.0416** or email **office@SJSCatholicSchool.org**

A Catholic School Education is a gift and a blessing!

God Bless you,
Noreen Maricich, Principal



Feed the Needy Ministry

We thank you for all your donations! We continue this year of providing meals on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Because of your generosity, we have continued to feed our homeless community throughout the months of the pandemic.

Our work continues and we once again ask for your assistance to ensure that we maintain the items needed for our homeless community members.

We always need the following items:

hamburger buns	cheese sticks
fruit	(oranges, bananas & grapes)
chips	granola bars
lunch meat & cheese	8 oz. water and juices

Some of these items can easily fit into their backpacks.

In addition to the food items we are in need of **toiletries and socks.**

Due to the pandemic and limited storage space we are unable to accept used clothing.

Again we thank you in advance for your generosity in allowing us to keep our homeless community fed and healthy.

If you have any questions regarding our ministry I can be reached at **310.488.9480.**

Linda Cabibbo,
Ministry Coordinator

Saint James Niland Scholarships

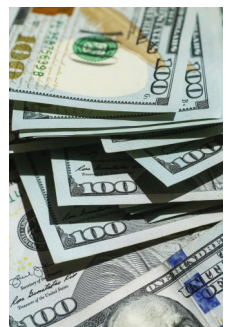
Applications are available in the parish office for **five scholarships** for seniors that will graduate from West Torrance, Redondo Union, or Bishop Montgomery High Schools and plan to attend a college or university in 2022.

These annual scholarships are offered to promote the involvement of young people in St. James Parish ministries.

In accordance with the terms of the **Niland Endowment**, the scholarships are offered primarily based upon need, service to the parish/ church community, involvement in church activities, GPA, and acceptance to an accredited college.

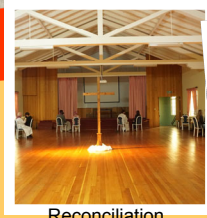
To apply you must be a registered member of St. James Parish and a practicing Catholic (e.g., confirmed and attending Mass regularly).

Completed application packages should be submitted to the parish office no later than **Monday, April 4th, 2022.**





A RETREAT ON *Joy*
FEB. 4 - 6, 2022



Reconciliation



Joyful candidates



YM Team



Julia's talk on "The Obstacles of Joy"

Our Year 2 Confirmation candidates completed their weekend retreat where they allowed themselves to be filled with **JOY** in an encounter with Christ. We heard powerful testimonies, participated in activities, made new friends & created memories that will last a lifetime. We are so proud of these candidates for allowing themselves to be fully present this weekend as they continue their preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation!

Gretchen Nobleza
 Director of Confirmation & Youth Ministry



Praise & Worship



Soleil's talk on "What is Joy?"



Icebreaker - Capture the Flag



Candidates at Free Time

"The retreat was an amazing experience for me and I am happy I was able to go on it. Spending time with my friends and the youth ministry was a lot of fun and I enjoyed every minute. I felt that I was brought closer to God and the ones around me by being on this retreat. I was able to be guided by the Holy Spirit and open up about certain things that make my soul feel at peace"

-Giovanni Lara
 Yr 2 Candidate



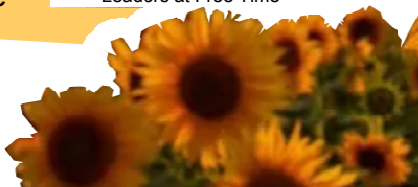
Leaders at Free Time



Spotify



Apple Music

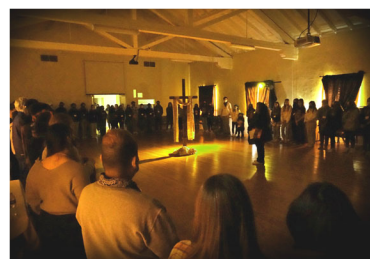


“This was definitely a powerful retreat experience for me as a Teen Disciple. It was different than when I attended as a candidate before COVID, but the Lord was still able to move my heart. I am a senior now and our senior retreat was canceled so having this retreat experience was what I needed before I go to college.”

-Ben Quast
Teen Disciple



Icebreaker - Leading the Blind



Session - Step into the Light



Session - Burning Your Worries



Icebreaker - Hot Seat



Ryan leading Blind Testimonies

“In comparison to the virtual retreat, this year’s retreat was a wonderful experience. Even as a leader, I strengthened my connection to God and cherished the chance to reaffirm my faith. Helping my peers in their journey with God to Confirmation through this retreat was, above all, a rewarding experience.”

Alfina Full
Teen Disciple



Icebreaker - Rock, Paper, Scissors



Affirmation Boxes



Adoration

“During the retreat I felt closer to God in a way I never have felt before. I felt as if He was right in front of me like if we were just chatting across a table. I got so much off my chest and felt so relieved and at peace with myself, God and friends. I’m so fortunate that I got to experience this with Gretchen and the team. Thank you and God Bless. “

Annalisa Ruiz
Yr 2 Candidate

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Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense.

When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled.

After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too? Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "No way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint.

And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy. Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust:

"Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God.

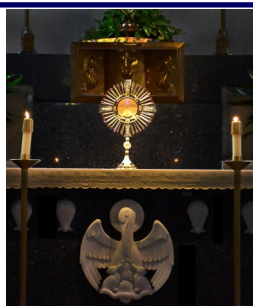
Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves.

The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world.

Holy Hour Adoration

March 18th 8:45-12 noon

*"Come to Me all of you
who are weary
and find life burdensome
and I will refresh you..."*



This week's Topic: "Keeping Christmas Well"

In the final pages of Dickens' classic, "A Christmas Carol", we read that it was always said about the newly-reformed Scrooge: "...he knew how to keep Christmas well."

Now that we are well into the first quarter of the new year, and the diminishing and discounted secular trappings of Christmas languish on store shelves, the world seems to have moved on from Christmas; its spiritual significance just a faint echo, like a discarded carol.

Q: How does the Church present the spiritual mystery of the Nativity of the Lord as a moveable feast that endures all the year round within the hearts of those with goodwill?

A: In *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* we read: "We have been made sharers in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share our humanity. The Church never tires of singing the glory of this (Christmas) night."

Pope Saint John Paul II in an address in January, 2004: "The celebration of Christmas has just reminded us of God's tenderness for humanity, manifested in Jesus, and he has made the ever-new message of Bethlehem ring out once again."

A Holiday Children's Choir sings:
"Christmas time and the year will soon be leaving,
cloaked in time 'til it's just a memory,
Christmas stays if we don't forget its meaning,
days go quickly by, years they multiply,
we go searching for thee.
And the dream is still alive, from that first December
morning, and it always will survive,
as long as we can see,
That the dreams that we find in life are the dreams we
tend to seek;
And Christmas has its promises to keep."

In Betty Smith's classic coming of age novel, *A Tree Grows In Brooklyn*, protagonist Francie Nolan, in a portrayal of a Christmas eve setting, essentially remarks:

"Did you see the faces of our neighbors and feel the kindness and joy of it all? Why can't people be like that all the time, not only at Christmas?"

Pope Francis, in a Christmas message from the Vatican: "Let us go back to Bethlehem. Brothers and sisters let us rejoice together, for no one will ever extinguish this light of Jesus. Everything is unified when Jesus is at the center. God wants to inhabit our daily lives."

Christmas stays if we don't forget its meaning.

Let's keep Christmas well.

Readings

Monday

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.
Jas 3:13-18 / Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/k 9:14-29

Tuesday

**The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**
1 Pt 5:1-4 / Mt 16:13-19

Wednesday

**Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the Kingdom of heaven is theirs!**
Jas 4:13-17 / Mk 9:38-40

Thursday

**Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the Kingdom of heaven is theirs!**
Jas 5:1-6 / Mk 9:41-50

Friday

The Lord is kind and merciful.
Jas 5:9-12 / Mk 10:1-12

Saturday

Let my prayer come like incense before you.
Jas 5:13-20 / Mk 10:13-16

Sunday

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.
Sir 27:4-7 / 1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45

Prayer Requests

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

**Anthony Costantini, Martha Rodriguez,
Andy Chorbi, Frank Straup,
Sr. Adrian Dennis, Sr. Ave Alcaneses**

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

**Francisco Lujan, Armando Silva, Jr.,
Dolores Mata, Nidia Pino,
Sophie Lesniowski, Otton Gonzalez,
Estefania Gutierrez, Jano Bartosik,
Mr. & Mrs. Jose Cayamanda, Mena Cayamanda,**

Gift Shop

The Gift Shop is open for your
gift and spiritual growth needs.

**Wed. Thurs. Fri. 10am to 4pm
Saturday 9am to 12 Noon**

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	February 19 Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	Lupe Ramirez Blaise Pascual-Tamir † Noreen DeVusser †
Sunday 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 Noon 5:30 pm	February 20 Fr. Jim Msgr. Mike TBD Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	Nora Humting † Mary Robinson † Dennis Chambers † Carolyn Mitchell Martha Rodriguez Laura Aranda † Richard Hyde † Gregory Meichtry † Angel Nobleza † Robert C. Smith †
Monday 8 am 12 noon	February 21 Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	Maria Vasquez † Carolyn Mitchell
Tues. 8 am 12 noon	February 22 Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	Pastor & Magdalena Caboebe † Tyrrell Family
Wed. 8 am 12 noon	February 23 Fr. Jim Msgr. Mike	Shelley Romero † Dorene Ward †
Thurs. 8 am 12 noon	February 24 Fr. Jim TBD	Elizabeth Sjodin † Mark Sun
Friday 8 am 12 noon	February 25 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Rosemary Metcalf † Naipo Family
Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	February 26 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Ethelualdo Olave † Leon Campazzie † Lance Martin
Sunday 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 Noon 5:30 pm	February 27 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike	Sophie Lesniowski † Lois Kunsch † Frank Straup Marcella Luke † Noreen DeVusser † Laura Aranda † Ana Vigil † Antonio Medel † Margaret Rafferty † Carmen D'Alessio †

For prayer requests or to request a Mass intention,
please call or visit 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
Pastor
FrMike@SaintJames.Church

Confessions
Saturday 4-5 pm
in the church.

"Lord, cleanse me of my guilt"

Eucharistic Ministers
for Homebound
John Cable
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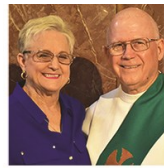
Eucharistic Ministers
for Care Centers
Miki Finken
310.316.3890



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Fr. James Kavanagh
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Deacon Couple
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Deacon Mark & Louise Ramirez
Deacon Couple
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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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Andrea Sullivan
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



Wendy Bell
Director of Preschool
& Toddler Time
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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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