

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Jn. 3:17



Additional Liturgical Ministers Needed as we Restart Our Masses

Sunday Lectors & Weekday Lectors Eucharistic Ministers Sacristans Ushers Welcomers Church Environment Funeral Ministry Adult Altar Servers

We are very excited about being able to start Masses again—even with a maximum of 100 people at each Mass. However, the reality is that gathering a group of even 100 people in an enclosed place for 1 hour is the most at-risk thing any of us have done in the last 2 months AND the pandemic is not over. The reports of the spread of the virus and deaths continue each day.

There are many in the parish who are At-Risk people, either by age or health concerns who are choosing not be so socially active. The Archbishop is continuing his dispensation from attending Sunday Mass indefinitely so that we can do everything we need to do to keep safe.

We need to start 2 new ministries to enable us to gather. We need a 'Safety Committee" of volunteers to be at each door of the church for each Mass to make sure each person entering is wearing a face mask, uses the hand sanitizer and that proper distancing is maintained (our new way of life). We also need a "Sanitizing" Committee to make sure that the church is properly sanitized after each Mass. (See Safety Ministry article on the parish website. https://saintjames.church/safety)

Many of our current ministers are At-Risk people and are choosing to stay Safer at Home. We need additional Sunday and Weekday Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Ushers, Welcomers, Church Environment, Funeral Ministry and Adult Altar Servers (our school children will not be serving at this time) We will rely on the generosity of many NEW people to join our current ministers in service to the church. Our volunteers will need to come from our younger families, young adults and teens. The work is simple, but the gift to the community is invaluable.

Training will be provided for each of these ministries.

You can register on our parish website,

https://saintjames.church/new , or call the parish office at 310.372.5228 to volunteer so we can train you for the ministry and gather again as a community of faith. You may register for more than one ministry.

New Safety Procedures For Mass

We are excited to be able to open up the church again for Masses, but we know that many of our parishioners will continue to choose to stay safer at home while the covid-19 attack continues, so we will begin our Daily Masses at 8 am only beginning Thursday, June 4th. Sunday Masses begin this weekend, June 6-7 with 4 Masses, at 5:30 pm Saturday, June 6th and 8 am, 10 am and 12 Noon on Sunday, June 7th. Our priority is to bring our community back, and to do it in a way that enables us to protect everyone from the virus as best we can. The Archbishop has extended the dispensation from the obligation for attending Sunday Mass to enable those 'at-risk' to stay Safer At Home. The church has been sanitized and will be closed for a short time after each Mass to sanitize the entire church before reopening for the next Mass.

Since we are limited at this time to just 100 people at each Mass, and not knowing how many will want to attend, we will use a reservation system so that we don't have to turn anyone away. Register for Daily and Sunday Masses at https://saintjames.church or call the parish office.

For your safety and the safety of all:

Please make sure you are symptom free from the Covid-19 virus before arriving.

Entrance into the church is from the side, parking lot door only.

□ You will be greeted at the door by a member of our Safety Ministry who will make sure each person is wearing their face mask (please bring your own mask), and

□ give each person a squirt of hand sanitizer before entering.

Every other pew has been blocked off and seating locations are marked in the open pews to ensure social distancing. (You will be able to sit with your family, but sit at least 6 feet form others.)

Other than sneezing or coughing, singing is the most high-risk thing we do, so we have tried to moderate it a bit.

□ We will not be passing the Offertory Baskets, but instead a larger basket will be in the center aisle to put your financial offering as you go up for Communion.

The Eucharist will be distributed from a single line in the center aisle-keeping the 6 foot social distancing and after the Offertory Basket a minister will give you another squirt of hand sanitizer before receiving Holy Communion. Communion will be distributed in the hand only. No Precious Blood will be given.

After receiving the host, step to the side, lift your mask to receive the Eucharist, then lower your mask

After Mass, please limit your time for socializing
No Holy Water will be available at the fonts or the tank.

Thank you!

□ For airflow, the exhaust fan will be used during Masses.

As we get our safety procedures in place and more people are able to return, we will increase our Masses again and hopefully we will be able to seat more than 100 very soon.

The Parish Office will open to the public on Monday, June 8, 2020. Only one service request will be allowed in the office at a time. Others should follow the distancing signage outside.

Safety Ministry and Sanitizing Ministry Sign-Ups

Safety Ministry (3 for each Sunday Mass) will be at the door and will greet everyone to make sure each person is

- wearing their face mask (they should bring their own mask), and
- Verify registration by receipt or list
- give each person a squirt of hand sanitizer before entering
- Inside the church, make sure that everyone is safely distanced from others
- At Communion, give a squirt of sanitizer to each communicant after they have passed the collection basket.

Sanitizer Ministry (2 for each Mass)

- will sanitize the entire church after every Mass. We have 2 battery operated misters to spray the entire church, including restrooms, vestibules, cry rooms, sanctuary and sacristies.
- The work is easy, but critical to maintain the safety of the church for all. And takes just a few minutes after the church is empty.

Visit https://saintjames.church/safety to learn more and sign up!

Daily and Sunday Mass will be Online

We will continue to record our Masses at St. James and make them available on our website. We'll be recording the Daily 8am Mass and posting by 10:30 am.

The Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30 Pm will be available by 9 am Sunday morning.

You can register to attend Mass by visiting https://saintJames.church/reopen

We'll be opening the church for private prayer time once we have volunteers available: https://saintjames/church/safety

Join our Online Bible Study

The St James Tuesday Night Bible study has switched to online Zoom sessions during the interim of the COVID19 stay-home-request. Please join us on **Tuesday nights at 7-8:30p.**

Now- June 23rd - **'The Mass'** presented by Bishop Robert Barron (Word On Fire) for 6 video sessions followed by discussion.

If you are interested in joining us please email Randy Sgro (rsgro@sbcglobal.net) or Donna Wilson (dwilson94@gmail.com) so we can extend the Zoom meeting invitation to you.

When the church and Kavanagh Hall reopen we will resume our study of Matthew :"The King and His Kingdom".

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

Donna Wilson 310.308.6457 Randy Sgro 310.413.4191

Than you for your support

Than 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.

Set-Up Automatic Payments with your bank

Enroll in Faith Direct's E-Giving By calling toll free 1-866-507-8757 or <u>https://www.faithdirect.net</u> Please use the code **CA560**

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



St. James Preschool

The families of St. James Catholic Preschool have been enjoying some sun and fun on the preschool playground.

Each day, the families can schedule a private playdate to enjoy the yard. This gives the children a small connection to their preschool in a happy, healthy environment.

The preschool staff responsibly disinfect the facility between each group.

The parents are thrilled to let the children play and enjoy the outdoors for a short time. The children's laughter has returned, though in small doses, to our little corner of the world.

We pray that our world finds peace soon.

Until then, we are grateful for our preschoolers and their sense of joy and discovery.

Wendy Bell Director St. James Preschool



Catholic Q & A

J. P. Alegria

Q: The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches that we "...live and walk by the spirit." And, that spirit can be a joyful spirit.

This month the Church recognizes the feast day of St. Philip Neri. How did this 16th century priest live and walk the faith by the spirit with such abiding joy, and how does his example speak to us across the centuries?

A: Described by biographer Alban Butler, St. Philip Neri lived a life that is described as "...a soul filled with light and peace and joy."

Those around him were transformed and enriched by his "atmosphere of sunshine and gladness which brightened all who came near him."

The catechism quotes from scripture:

"... the Creator is a source of wisdom and freedom, of joy and confidence." The catechism goes on to teach: "...grafted onto the vine as God's children, we bear the fruit of the spirit, including love and joy."

With a truly joyous spirit, St. Philip sets an example for us to be servants of God with gladness of heart.

In these challenging days, the catechism is there to offer timely insight and true affirmation of that spiritual joy to be found in the Catholic faith; that amazing source of confidence and joy.

Talking to children about Covid-19

Don't be afraid to start a conversation about COVID-19 with your children

If possible, choose a time when your children are likely to want to talk, perhaps at dinner. Ask what they already know and what questions and concerns they have about COVID-19.

Everyone reacts differently, but your children's questions can guide your discussion. Listen and answer their questions with facts in a way that they can understand. If you don't know the answer to a question, be honest. Let them know that there are a lot of rumors and false information and that you'll help them learn the facts. If it's appropriate for their age, you can show them how to search for the answer on a reliable website. Best places to learn about COVID-19 are the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO). For more tips, please read the article, "How to talk to your kids about COVID-19,"

https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/ coronavirus/in-depth/kids-covid-19/art-20482508

Readings

Monday Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. 1 Kgs 17:1-6 / Mt 5:1-12

> Tuesday Lord, let your face shine on us. 1 Kgs 17:7-16 / Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope. 1 Kgs 18:20-39 / Mt 5:17-19

Thursday **The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.** Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:20-26

Friday I long to see your face, O Lord. 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16 / Mt 5:27-32

Saturday You are my inheritance, O Lord. 1 Kgs 19:19-21 / Mt 5:33-37

Sunday **Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a / 1 Cor 10:16-17 / Jn 6:51-58

Prayer Requests

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

Norma Alvarado, Lupe Hernandez, Alexandra Restrepo, Stella Valdez

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

Walter Smotrys, Matt Hagan, Irma Villoria, Federico Villoria

Feed the Needy Needs YOUR help!

We are still serving lunches on Mon., Wed. and Fri. Please help us to continue to serve those who are in need in our community. We need food items that can go into a sack lunch: Sandwich meats, cheeses, hamburger buns, chips, cookies, oranges, small size drinks small snacks. Please drop off at Kavanagh Hall M,W, F at noon. Bless you for your generosity!

ss St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of St. James School,

Our 8th grade students will be ended their time at Saint James School on Friday, June 5th.

They celebrated with Mass online, ZOOM awards and a Diploma Car Pick up at school.

Students were able to hop out of their car and receive their Diploma from Msgr. Mike and take a photo.

It was not traditional, but it was a celebration!

Keep them in your prayers as they move on to High School!

We are planning for Summer Institute! Summer Institute will be offered in the "Virtual Learning Model".

See our website **sjscatholicschool.org** for information.

We are planning for 8th Grade Graduation!

We are accepting applications for next year through our website SJScatholicschool.org and are available by phone and email on school days from 8 – 12.

God Bless you, Noreen Marících

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http://SjsCatholicSchool.org

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

Torrance Memorial Ask a Nurse Hotline: 310.517.1111

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



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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



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Director of Preschool Wendy@SaintJames.Church

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.

Wendy Bell

& Toddler Time

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