

May 15th, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Easter 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! Jesus said: "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Jn. 13:34

Office hours: Monday - Thursday 8 to 12, 1 to 8 pm Friday 8 to 12, 1-4 pm | Saturday & Sunday Closed

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Pastor's Letter



Together In Mission Campaign at St. James reaches 55% of Goal

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. So far we have received pledges of \$60,700, but that is only 55% of our goal. *We are renewing our effort to reach out to you to make a pledge at this time.*

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 vestibule 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. 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.

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 vestibule Scan the QR Code Text BELIEVE to 213-397-0682 Visit TogetherInMission.org/give Call 213.637.7672

Blessings,

Msgr. Míke Fr. Thaddeus





Maybe you haven't been to church in a while. And maybe you are worried that you won't be welcome here. We get it. We've been there. Now we are here.

When you attend, you'll have a chance to hear powerful music, learn from authentic Catholic clergy, and grow in faith.

Learn to be the holy, healthy, vibrant person that God has created you to be. Learn to use your gifts to make a difference in the lives of others.

> Maybe God is calling you back. Just as you are. Welcome home.

St James Moms Group!



Grow in faith!

Meet an amazing group of women!

Become involved with our wonderful parish community!

We meet throughout the year for morning coffee, evening book clubs, beach days, park days, service in our community, and more.

Our weekly meeting is **Tuesday at 10 am**, come with kids or without. **karen.cuni@gmail.com or text 626.318.8218**



Bundle Sunday

On Sunday, May 15th our parish is having a Bundle Sunday for the Society of St. Vincent

de Paul. Please bring your usable clothing and usable household items between **8:30 am to 1:30 pm** to the church parking lot.

Your donations will help needy individuals.

Novena of Masses honoring Mothers

The month of May is for honoring our mothers or those who have acted as mothers in our lives. This special intention will be celebrated at each Mass. Envelopes are located in the vestibule.

Tuesday Night Bible Study

The St. James Tuesday Night Bible Study group is currently studying **"Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom"** by Ascension.



Please join us this **Tuesday in Kavanagh Hall** at 7pm. as we cover **Acts Chapter 2: The Power of Pentecost.**

Thank You Very Much

This study will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

If you are not able to participate in person you can also join us using Zoom. Please contact Donna Wilson: dwilson94@gmail.com

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

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.

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!

A Spiritual & Cultural Journey to Ireland

You are invited to join **Fr. Ray Mallett,** OFM Conv. and **Fr. Peter Mallin**, OFM Conv. on a journey to Ireland,



11 days, October 17 to 27, 2022.

We will visit Galway, Marian Shrine of Knock, Ballintubber Abbey, Cliffs of Moher, Killarney, Kilkenny, Dublin and more! Depart from Detroit or Los Angeles.

Download the free color brochure & registration form at www.gocatholictravel.com/22060. For more information, contact:

Fr. Ray -- Fr. Raymond Mallett, OFM Conv. Email: rmallett1@hotmail.com **567.280.8590** or Fr. Peter Mallin, OFM Conv. at **pfmallin61@gmail.com.**

Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group



Join us! We continue to pray the rosary in the midst of this difficult time. We meet in Kavanagh Hall every Monday at 7 pm. Experience inner peace. All may offer their own intentions. Dean Campazzie 310.372.5182

No sin is new to him. No wrongdoing too great. Come to Confession and experience mercy and joy.

Confession is available Saturday from 4-5 pm in Church



Yes!

Coffee and Donuts After 8 and 10am Masses!

Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Happy Fifth Sunday of Easter!

Thank you to all of our families who participated in Religious Education this year. It has been a joy to walk with you to help you raise children of faith. If you missed our Closing Celebrations this past week, please stop by the office with your child so that they can receive their Faith Formation Passport. We are excited to tell you all about it!

Thanks, also, to our dedicated Catechists, Aides, and Volunteers. We literally couldn't have served the children and families of the parish without you!

Thank you to our: Catechists and Aides in our RE classes.

Maureen Bradford Rosemarie Williams Debora Martins Susan Hernandez Barbara Bowman Elaine Ketchmere Kathy Ryyth Dianne Staso Jennifer Wong Ethan W. Yoli Baluyot Trini Catbagan Annie Wheeler Ben Aranda

Thank you to our Traffic and Yard Monitors:

Carrie Emhof Michelle LaMontagne Kelly Dudek

Thank you to our Sunday School leader:

Arianna Huppertz

Thank you to the leaders of our Children's Liturgy of the Word program:

Megan Pollard Neliza Catipon Jaime C. Virginia Solis Michelle LaScola

We are more of who God calls us to be at St. James because you said yes to serve as Catechists and volunteers. Thank you!

Of course, as one year ends, we look to the year to come, so we continue to ask our parishioners to consider whether you are called to serve as a volunteer or Catechist in one of our Religious Education programs. We are looking to grow our program offerings next year, but we cannot do that without extra assistance. We can help you discern which program fits your gifts, so please contact the office so we can start you on the path to be prepared to minister with children next September.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration, and we hope that you find joy in your heart when you think about sharing your love for God with our children and their families!

Finally, **Children's Liturgy of the Word** is back for two final weeks on **May 15th and May 22nd** at the 10am Sunday Mass. We look forward to seeing our parish children, ages of 4 and older, for Children's Liturgy.

God Bless!

Andrea Sullivan, Director of Religious Education



Children in our Religious Education Program received their new Faith Formation Passports at our Closing Celebrations this week.

Children at St. James School



Learning the alphabet today's letter 'X'



Religious Education First Holy Communion students Celebrate May Crowning

St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

St. James students performed Thursday Night at our annual **Spring Sing**. Our theme was musicals; students from $TK - 8^{th}$ sang for their friends and families.

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 office@sjscatholicschool.org

A Catholic School Education is a gift and a blessing!

God Bless you, Noreen Marících, Principal



Religious Education Wednesday Group Students celebrate May Crowning of Mary

SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Confirmation Nights

Year 2: Sunday, **May 15th** Year 1: Sunday, **June 5th**

Teen Nights

Tuesday,
Friday,May 17th
May 20th(via Zoom)Wednesday,June 1st
(in person)

This Sunday, our Year 2 Confirmation candidates will be meeting for the last time before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on **June 3rd**. Please join us in praying for all our teens as they prepare to become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church.

Our vibrant ministry is always looking for people who are willing to walk alongside our teens in their journey with Christ. For more information on how you can share your gifts & talents with the community, please contact us at one of the options below.

Gretchen Nobleza

Director of Confirmation & Youth Ministry

Contact us:

Email: saintjamesym@gmail.com Website: www.saintjamesym.weebly.com Text: 424.265.8336

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This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.

Ps. 118:24

Help Someone Come to Mass



The church is open for quiet prayer from 7am- 7pm daily.

Our daily Mass is at 8 am and 12 noon

Monday-Friday with the rosary prayed immediately afterward.

Our **Saturday Mass is at 8am.** Help others attend Mass and receive the Eucharist; the true body and blood of Christ hidden in the form of a host.

Many persons are Interested in attending, but may lack transportation.

For those unable to attend Mass, please assist them in setting up their computer or iPad or phone to watch the Mass on YouTube. Visit SaintJames.church for the link.

Reach out to those who have been away, and check on their well being.

God Bless!



Friday, June 17th— First Tee 9am — \$75 per person Harbor Park Golf Course Registration Information coming soon

Walking the Camino de Santiago Join us on a pilgrimage to Spain: May 18 - 31: The Portuguese coastal way

Sep 12 - 27: The French way Gain the Compostela Certificate, then continue by bus to Zaragoza to see the pillar that Our Blessed Mother left to

CAMINO DE /ANTIAGO

St. James, then to Lourdes for two nights, and ending in Barcelona for one night. For further details, please **TEXT 310.832.3428** or email **fiatpilgrims@gmail.com**



Sing joyfully to God our strength; raise loud shouts to the God of Jacob!

-Ps. 81:2

Join the Catholic Daughters of America



We donate generously to several charitable causes. Members give their time, energy and support to help others in the service of Christ.CDA members enjoy each other's company at their **monthly meetings held on the third** Wednesday of each month at Kavanagh Hall.

At this time, **we are inviting all Catholic women** of all ages from all surrounding parishes who are dedicated to Church and country to join our Court. Before each meeting we start by saying the holy Rosary.

We have various functions throughout the year to help raise funds for the different charities we support.

If you are looking for a Catholic women's group to join, we are the one! Please call Kristin Flannery for further information if you are interested. **310.529.6813**

Email courtourladyofvictory@gmail.com

HERE It's normal to grieve a pregnancy loss, including the loss of a child by abortion.

It can form a hole in one's heart, a hole so deep that sometimes it seems nothing can fill the emptiness. You are not alone... **hopeafterabortion.com**/



The Pregnancy Help Center presents its **35th** Annual Walk for Life South Bay on Sat., May 21st, 8:30 am., Veterans Park,

Redondo Beach. It's a fun family event with *all* proceeds providing free services to women in crisis pregnancies. To sign up, go

to **supportphctorrance.org** (click Walk for Life button). Please join one of the St. James teams, CDA Court Our Lady of Victory or St. James Mom's Group.

For information or assistance call the Pregnancy Help Center at **424.263.4855.**



40th Anniversary!

Come and celebrate the House of Yahweh's fortieth anniversary celebration!

May 21, from 12 to 4pm at O'Donnell Hall at American Martyrs Church in Manhattan Beach.

It will be a fun afternoon fiesta with lively Latin music, four-course lunch with soda and sangria, plus silent and live auctions.

Individual tickets are \$100. There are sponsorship opportunities: donation of \$2500 includes a table for 6 to 10: donation of \$1,000 includes 4 premium table tickets and a donation of \$500 includes 2 premium table tickets.

Contact:

Kathy Bradford with any questions: 310. 265.9812.



Catholic Q & A

J.P. Alegria

This Week's Topic: Pentecost

Scripture readings now find us among the writings of the third of the major Prophets, Ezekiel, a prophet who lived in exile along with his people.

His name in Hebrew translates to "God strengthens." Ezekiel's spiritual guidance gives us, from his visions from God, words that strengthen believers today; words that are a prelude to the celebration of Pentecost.

Chapter 36 of Ezekiel frames these scripture passages as "Regeneration of the People."

"I will bring you back to your own soil...I will put my spirit within you...then they shall know that I am the Lord."

Chapter 2 of the Acts of the Apostles also gives an account of the time when Pentecost was dramatically fulfilled amid speaking in tongues, the startling noise of a driving wind, and the spirit-enabled flashing tongues of fire.

Q: What does the *Catechism* say about the spiritually-awakening gift that is Pentecost?

A: The Catechism explains Pentecost in terms of:

*Confirmation

- *The beginning of the Age of the Church.
- *The completion of Christ's Passover.
- *The revelation of the Church in the world.

*The revelation of the entire Trinity.

Speaking with particular relevance for our time, Pope Francis, Servant of the Servants of God, said about Pentecost:

"The Holy Spirit impels us to unity, to harmony, to the harmony of diversity. He makes us see ourselves as parts of the same body, brothers and sisters of one another. Let us look to the whole! "

Pentecost is a harmonious gift. Pope Francis summarizes that characterization best:

"The Holy Spirit; the ultimate gift, the gift of gifts, *the Spirit who is the very love of God.*"

God strengthens...

Emergency tips for preschoolers

Even at a young age, children are capable of much more than we might believe, including the development of certain skills that could keep them safe in an emergency. As soon as your child is able to distinguish numbers, teach them how to dial 9-1-1 in case of an emergency. Go over safety exits and how to open or unlock doors and windows on the ground floor if they need to get out of the house. For more tips, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Teaching Your Children Some Valuable Home Security Lessons" at **Iacatholics.org/did-you-know/.**

Gospel Meditation

"It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God."

Many folks really work very hard to circumvent difficult situations. We prefer the easier way around something, rather than risk inconvenience, hurt or prolonged suffering. It's no wonder euthanasia is rapidly becoming acceptable around the world.

Through purely human eyes, there is no issue bypassing the inevitable, taking control and bringing things more swiftly to a place of peace. If this is the way God sees things, then why does Jesus make such a big deal helping us understand the experience of suffering and embrace it? God's wisdom clearly takes us in another direction.

Imagine if we were able to eradicate ALL hardship and suffering. Where would we be?

As we look at our own journeys, many of our solid more growth producing life lessons have been born of suffering, disappointment, inconvenience, darkness, and despair. There is something sacred about all of these experiences as God uses them to create something new. Envisioning a life without hardship and suffering brings us to a vision where everything is flat-lined and dull.

As much as hardship and suffering are difficult crosses to bear, not taking them up runs the risk of us becoming shallow, empty, and lifeless.

Helen Keller remarks that,

"a happy life consists not in the absence but in the mastery of hardships."

What an incredibly wise insight! Many really successful people and saints were brought to their station in life because they suffered. Suffering teaches us about what's important and propels us to search the depths of our souls for resources and strength we never would have known before.

This is especially true when we love as Jesus asks us to love. Love, perhaps above any other experience, can cause us great hardship, pain, and suffering especially when it's authentic and unconditional. While it can thrust us into an incredible experience of God and life on one hand, it can bruise and wound us deeply on the other.

Mastering the art of love is the secret to living life well, walking in the presence of God and investing in the joy of the Gospel. Love and suffering walk hand in hand. Compromising one will compromise the other.

Maybe that's why Jesus spent so much time convincing us to accept both. ©LPi

Readings

Monday Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the glory. Acts 14:5-18 / Jn 14:21-26

> Tuesday Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Acts 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8

> Thursday Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations. Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11

Friday I will give you thanks among the peoples, O Lord. Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17

> Saturday Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21

Sunday O God, let all the nations praise you! Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 / Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 / Jn 14:23-29

Prayer Requests

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

Ryan Martz, Louie Saldana, Jodi Bishop, Paul Guichard, Patricia Cox, Martine Cabrera, Baby Judas, Andy Chorbi

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

Julia Cortez, Susana Salazar, Irma Villoria, Marilou Gaspar, Florencia Matias, Susana Uy, Betsy Cox Hennessy, Puricima Palileo

Gift Shop

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

Open Wed. 5/11, Thurs. 5/12, Fri. 5/13— 10am-4pm Sat., 5/14—9am-noon, Sun., 5/15— 9am-2pm

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Weekly Mass Intentions		
Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	May 14 Msgr. Mike Fr. Jim	Mike Goggin ∜ Mother's Day Novena
Sunday 6:30 am	May 15 Fr. Thaddeus	Mother's Day Novena
8 am	Msgr. Mike	Kenneth Flood ়≎ Ingrid Rodriguez ়
10 am	Fr. Thaddeus	Louis Murray, Jr. Emma Gomez ়
12 noon	Msgr. Mike	Isidra Soriano ✤ Stanley & Rita Creado ✤
5:30 pm	Msgr. Mike	Carlito Jude, Sr. ় Florencia Matias ₽
Monday 8 am 12 noon	May 16 Fr. Thaddeus	Mother's Day Novena Communion Service Only
Tuesday 8 am 12 noon	May 17 Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike	Mother's Day Novena Linda Mekjian ∿
Wed. 8 am 12 noon	May 18 Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike	Bruce Walters, Sr. ∿ Pilar Rendon
Thurs. 8 am 12 noon	May 19 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Thaddeus	Rex Crookshanks ় Irwin Voss ়
Friday 8 am 12 noon	May 20 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Tony Di Giandomenico ় Charlene Simpson ়
Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	May 21 Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike	Elena Aquino Renita Filio ϑ Martins Family
Sunday 6:30 am	May 22 Fr. Thaddeus	Barbo Chartrand ⊕ Jacquelin Campbell
8 am	Msgr. Mike	Mother's Day Novena Michael Hartman ☆
10 am	Fr. Jim	Stephen Richard Spinella & James "Jim" Arthurs &
12 noon	Msgr. Mike	Dominic J. DeLucia Pon Seidler ⊕
5:30 pm	Fr. Thaddeus	Julia Cortez ϑ Adelia Tipon ϑ

For prayer requests or to request a Mass intention, please call or visit the Parish Office **310.372.5228**

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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 310.372.5228

Eucharistic Ministers for Care Centers Miki Finken 310.316.3890



Fr. Thaddeus Agbasonu, SMMM Associate Pastor FrThaddeus@stjamesparish.org



Deacon Bob & Patty Miller **Deacon Couple** DnBob99@Gmail.com



Wendy Bell Director of Preschool & Toddler Time Wendy@SaintJames.Church 310.376.5550

Preschool & Toddler Time Philopsophy We believe in creating a warm and loving environment where children can learn about themselves gain an understanding of others



Fr. James Kavanagh **Pastor Emeritus** FrJim@SaintJames.Church



Deacon Mark & Louise Ramirez **Deacon Couple** DnMark2019@icloud.com



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'Train the young in the 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



