

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













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

## **Pastor's Letter**

## Mission Appeal Supporting:

Clinica Santa Maria de Guadalupe, A.C., Mexico

My name is Rev. Rudy Valenzuela. I founded Holy Spirit parish and Clínica Santa María de Guadalupe 15 years ago in one of the poorest and most desolated areas in San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora, Mexico. I am a member of Friars of the Sick Poor of Los Angeles, a Public Association of Consecrated Life, based in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and serving various healthcare and education-related ministries.

In 2020, and while other private and public healthcare institutions were not taking patients with COVID-19, the clinica provided healthcare services to over 45,000 patients at low or no cost, taking care of those affected by the COVID-19 virus.

Also, throughout 2020 & 2021, parishioners and other people of good will have organized themselves to deliver weekly food items to about 30 families living in the periphery of San Luis, thus alleviating some of the financial burden that affected many families, especially those more vulnerable.

Throughout the year, the community has continued to provide spiritual assistance and daily mass via internet. We held outdoor burial services for the dead, and assisted the sick with the sacraments following the recommended health protocols as insomuch the circumstances allowed. Since the end of last year, the church has opened its doors to limited numbers of parishioners, especially to celebrate the sacraments of initiation for the couple of hundred children and young adults who were not able to receive them last year, as well as daily and Sunday Masses.

Needless to say, things have changed and life will never be the same as this pandemic has affected us greatly. The increase of non-paying patients, the additional financial burden and need for more medical supplies and equipment to protect patients and medical staff, the worsening local and national economy, and the increased unemployment rate in Mexico have all resulted in an increased struggle to provide much needed healthcare and spiritual services to the poorest of the poor.

Thank you in advance for your prayers and support of this mission.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Rudy Valenzuela, FSP



## Join us for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We will celebrate Mass on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 8am, 12 Noon and 7pm

#### Men's Retreat in Sierra Madre



Perhaps there has never been a more appropriate time for a retreat. Most of us are ready to break from the challenges we have faced in the past many months.

Men from our parish are invited to make their annual retreat at Mater Dolorosa Retreat |Center in SierraMadre. The Center provides a private room and bath, delicious meals, beautifully land-scaped grounds and the guidance of the Passionist Retreat Team.

The atmosphere of this silent, preached retreat will help you Relax, Reflect, Rejuvenate spiritually.

The date is: September 16<sup>th</sup>,17<sup>th</sup>,18<sup>th</sup>

Reservations via Parish Captain:

Nick Tesi: 310.717.2937 nicktesi4@gmail.com



## Would You Like to Complete Your Sacraments?

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).

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 past this information along to them. Thank You!

#### Virtus® Recertification Class

We will be offering a Virtus<sup>®</sup> recertification class for those volunteers who need to renew their Virtus<sup>®</sup> certification. Class will be held in Kavanagh Hall **Wednesday, August 24**<sup>th</sup> from



6:30pm to 8pm. Please call the office to register or to check your certification renewal date. **310.372.5228** 



## Hawaiian Mass Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>

10am and 12 noon Masses.

Wear your island Hawaiian attire!

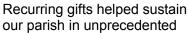
## **Bingo! Bingo! Bingo!**

Every Thursday night in Kavanagh Hall! Doors open at 6pm. Early bird game at 7pm



## Your Continued Support of St. James is Vital

Our parish ministries continue because so many people need our help.



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!



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.

## Parishioners Federal Credit Union

PFCU will be in Kavanagh Hall after the **8am Mass until 11:30am on Sunday, August 14**<sup>th</sup> to answer your questions about their financial products and services available to you.



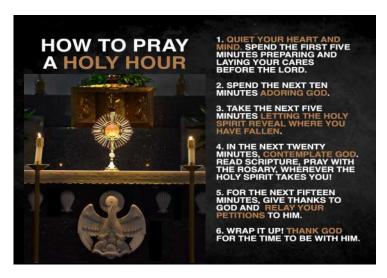
Parishioners values its members and strives to provide the best quality service while maintaining the values and standards of the Catholic community.

Parishioners Federal Credit Union is currently offering a membership promotion and an auto loan promotion. Please visit Parishioners' table in Kavanagh Hall after the service for more information and a free giveaway.

For more information or to join the credit union, please visit **www.parishionersfcu.org**, call **310.320.4588**, or come see us at:

2355 Crenshaw Blvd, Suite 100, Torrance, CA 90501





### Holy Hour Adoration August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

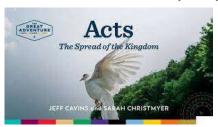
#### **Benediction and Adoration**

Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> after the 8am Mass until 12 noon

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." Mt. 11:28

## **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 7 pm as we cover
Chapter 18:

Ministry in Corinth, Third Missionary Journey
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.



#### Saint James LiveStream on YouTube

If you are unable to attend Mass in person, you can join us for Daily Mass every day at 8am and Sunday Vigil Mass Saturday at 5:30pm



Visit SaintJames.Church and click on this link:

We livestream the 8am daily Mass and 5:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass Click Here>

If you subscribe to our channel, you'll receive an email whenever we are broadcasting our Masses. Here's the link to our YouTube channel – Click here!

There are showing the priest celebrant on the calendar page. This is located at the View Masses button or top menu under Mass | Online Masses.

We welcome you to join us in person for Daily Mass and praying the **Rosary after each 8am Mass.** 

Our church is open for quiet prayer 7am-7pm.

## **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. The above items can be dropped off M,W,F from 11-2pm at Kavanagh Hall.

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**.

Línda Cabíbbo, Ministry Coordinator

## **Religious Education**

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Families, registration for Religious Education for the 2022-2023 school year is now open on the parish website! **SaintJames.church/RE** 

Whether your family has been involved in Religious Education for years or this will be your first time joining us, we are excited to welcome you into our program. When you visit our registration page, you will see that we have added a family faith formation experience for our families with children in Kindergarten. You will also see that we have moved the time for our Junior High classes to Tuesdays from 4-5:15 instead of in the evenings.

Please call the Office if you have any questions. We will be happy to assist you when we return from our break on August 15.

Along with enrolling children in Religious Education, we are also in the process of recruiting and training Catechists and Aides to help serve in the classrooms next year.

Catechist isn't just a fancy word for teacher.



A Catechist is someone who is first and foremost a witness to our faith, a person who knows the love of God and who shares that love with others. Yes, a Catechist teaches children about our faith, but they first echo the love of God in their lives and in the lives of others.

If you feel called to share the love of God with others, please contact the Office of Religious Education at **310.379.3221** or email us at

**religioused@stjamesparish.org.** We will provide you with training to be ready to serve as a Catechist or Aide this September.

The Religious Education Program has Catechists who serve in many areas, including in our Religious Education classes, our Sunday School program, and our Children's Liturgy of the Word program.

Our community needs your gifts. Please consider how the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve our parish during the coming school year.

God Bless!

Andrea Sullivan, Director of Religious Education



#### **Homeschool Teacher Wanted**



Seeking a homeschool teacher or tutor for two kindergarten students, aged 5 years old. Ideal candidate is trustworthy, dependable, and openly communicates.

Looking for a commitment of at least one

year. We are looking for someone who is a fun, passionate educator who loves working with children.

Days and hours are **Wednesday through Friday** around **9:30 am - 12:30 pm.** The teacher will facilitate an already purchased traditional catholic curriculum and is welcome to bring her own projects and lesson ideas.

Location is in a private residence in the Torrance area.

Contact Lilsa - hashbrowns008008@gmail.com

## **Knights of Columbus**





Enter 1990 for the Council and MCGIVNEY2020 for the special promotion. The charities we help support include House of Yahweh, Pregnancy Help Center, Rancho San Antonio, Seminarians, and Star House.

Besides serving our church and community, we meet twice a month for business, fun, and fellowship at our Council Hall, 214 Avenue I, Redondo Beach.

We look forward to having you join us!

#### Saint James Preschool

Registration information can be found here:

SaintJames.church/Preschool Call 310.376.5550

# **SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY**

## CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION STILL OPEN!

Registration for the upcoming 2022-2023 Confirmation year is still open!

If you have a teen currently in high school and has yet to be Confirmed, now is your chance to sign up!

Sessions begin in September so make sure to sign up before it's too late. Please visit our youth ministry website for more information on how to register.

As our ministry continues to grow, we are also looking to

recruit more adults to join our core team. 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** 

saintjamesym.rb

@saintjamesym





## St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

St. James Students and Staff are enjoying the last month of Summer Break. We have a few activities for the summer in progress, Mrs. Spencer's Art Class, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade jump up and an 8<sup>th</sup> study class for the High School Entrance Exam. For the most part students are involved in summer camps and activities and family vacations.

We continue to accept registration for the 2022- 2023 school year for grades TK - 7. New Student registration is available on our website **SaintJames.school or SJSCatholicschool.org** 

Please email the school **office@sjscatholicschool.org** or phone **310.371.0416** to schedule a tour and a meeting with the Principal.

St. James School has a **Transitional Kindergarten**Program! **If your child is turning 5 after the Sept. 1**<sup>st</sup>
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.

#### Why attend St. James School?

- □ Religion and faith intertwined in all aspects of the school day.
- ☐ Excellent academics, excellent test scores, students that are well prepared for high school.
- □ Teachers that are committed to faith and excellence.□ Strong community
- ☐ Instruction in Spanish, Art, PE, and Music.

A Catholic School Education is a gift and a blessing! God Bless you,

Noreen Maricich, Principal

## Isn't anyone listening to you?



It's something we do well.

If you feel it would be helpful to have a confidential space and caring listener as you are trying to work out a problem in your own mind, please consider a Stephen Minister.

We would be happy to act as a sounding board as you work out solutions.

Stephen Ministry Connect 310.541.1403

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/

#### Do You Enjoy the Bulletin?

These bulletins are entirely paid for by the ads placed by businesses through our publisher LPi. We thank all of our current and future advertisers for their support, and encourage our parish members to patronize their businesses.

Over the next few weeks, we will be working on setting up new advertisements for businesses

in our weekly bulletin.

If you are interested in learning more about placing an ad in our bulletin, please contact:

Travis Lawmaster at 310.684.3118, or by email at tlawmaster@4Lpi.com.



## 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

## **Human Trafficking Awareness**

Two warning signs of trafficking are:
Significantly older boyfriend,
and signs of trauma (physical or other).

Contact:

Rick Page CandRPage@verizon.net

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



O Lord, who may dwell in your sanctuary? Who may abide on your holy mountain? The one who leads a blameless life and does what is right, who speaks the truth from the heart—PS.15

#### This weeks Topic: Do This in Memory of Me

**Q:** In thinking about the words of Jesus and the everlasting gift of the Eucharist during the Church's current renaissance in appreciation of the sacred mystery of body, blood, soul and divinity, what can we more fully appreciate?

#### A:

- The St. James Choir never ceases to celebrate the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
   A Bernadette Farrell song highlights these as our, "hope for the world..."
- In Luke's Gospel, the faithful and busily practical
  Martha of Bethany learned from Jesus the value of
  what Pope John Paul II called
  "the enduring mysteries of the mission of Jesus...
  the resurrection and the life..." The Pope wrote:
  "The paschal mystery is summed up in those words
  addressed to a woman."
- Among the decades of the Rosary we pray about and unceasingly celebrate the Fifth Luminous Mystery - "The Institution of the Eucharist."
- The Catechism of the Catholic Church also quotes St. John Paul II who wrote beautifully about the abiding essence of the Eucharist: "The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let our adoration never cease."
- Fittingly, the very word *Eucharist*, derives from the Greek, eucharistia, for *"thanksgiving."*
- Thankful for the gifts he has given us we continue to proclaim, with increased praise and adoration, that ever-present "hope for the world."
   As our faith tells us:

"Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb."

## 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** 



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

Ps. 118:24

### **Gospel Meditation**

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and self-absorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction. Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance. "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth.

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
or by calling the office for an
appointment with a priest.

## Readings

Monday

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold. Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab / 1 Cor 15:20-27 / Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday

It is I who deal death and give life.

Ez 28:1-10 / Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab / Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Ez 34:1-11 / Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

I will pour clean water on you and wash away all your sins.

Ez 36:23-28 / Mt 22:1-14

Friday

Give thanks to the Lord; his love is everlasting. Ez 37:1-14 / Mt 22:34-40

Saturday

The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.

Ez 43:1-7ab / Mt 23:1-12

Sunday

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Is 66:18-21 /Heb 12:5-7/ Lk 13:22-30

## Prayer Requests

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

Fred Ronkowski, Anne Steele, Patti Neal

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

Teodora Gonzales, Nobuya Ochinero, Vicky Strong, Mike Palmer, Rafael Gutlay, Alejandro Samanez, Joseph Gaynor

## **Gift Shop**

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

Open Sunday, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 9am-2pm Tuesday— Friday 11-3pm

Peter Nobleza 310.374.1964 saintjamesgiftshop@gmail.com



## **Weekly Mass Intentions**

<b>Sat.</b> 8 am 5:30 pm	August 13 Fr. Paul Fr. Thaddeus	Bob Williamson ម Art Veigo មិ Joseph Diaz មិ
Sunday 6:30 am	August 14 Msgr. Mike	Irma Garcia ϑ Laura Aranda ϑ
8 am	Fr. Rudy	Brenda Rivera Carbon
10 am	Fr. Rudy	Cote Family មិ Hyatt Griffith មិ
12 noon	Fr. Jim	Peter Hai Nguyen ひ Anne Balderas ひ
5:30 pm	Fr. Paul	Stanley & Rita Creado & Rosa Ruelas & Ana Lorena Solano &
Monday 8 am 12 noon 7 pm	August 15 Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike Fr. Paul	Assumption of Mary Anne Balderas ⊕ Assunta DiGenova ⊕ Mary Campbell ⊕
Tues. 8 am 12 noon	August 16 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Ferenc Toth ជ Lois Kunsch ជ
Wed. 8 am 12 noon	August 17 Fr. Jim Fr. Paul	Fr. Paul Gawlowski Ospina Family ช
Thurs. 8 am 12 noon	August 18 Fr. Jim Fr. Paul	Elizabeth Watini Hertania ជ Douglas Harkins ជ
Friday 8 am 12 noon	August 19 Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike	Gregorio & Policarpa Cabotaje ชิ Jose Olave, Sr. ชิ
<b>Sat.</b> 8 am 5:30 pm	August 20 Msgr. Mike Fr. Jim	Darius Martins Andrew & Margaret Jambor ∜ Aida Rosa Maria Famanez ∜
Sunday 6:30 am	August 21 Fr. Thaddeus	Douglas Harkins ម
8 am	Fr. Paul	Luis Santos Shawn Fillion &
10 am	Msgr. Mike	Ted & Dotty Kerwin ⊕ Bruce Szeles
12 noon	Fr. Thaddeus	Eric Yabes Anne Balderas ∜
5:30 pm	Fr. Paul	Douglas Harkins ਚ Carmen Medel ਚ Caridad Crisol ਚ
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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 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



Fr. James Kavanagh
Pastor Emeritus
FrJim@SaintJames.Church



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

## 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



Noreen Maricich Principal Saint James School Office@3JSCatholic8chool.on 310.371.0416

St. James Elementary School TK-8th Grade 4625 Garnet Street Torrance, CA 90503 310.371.0416 Office Hours 7:30 am - 3:30 pm



Andrea Sullivan
Director of Religious Education
Andrea@SaintJames.church
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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 Philopsophy
We believe in creating a warm and loving environment where children can learn about themselves, gain an understanding of others



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