

January 1st, 2023 Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God 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! "The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed ..." Ik. 2:16-18

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

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

We pray that you and your family shared a blessed and safe Christmas as these challenging times continue.

This Sunday on New Year's Day we celebrate the **Feast** of Mary the Mother of God and we especially pray for all of our families that you, too, encounter Christ in a special way and continue to grow in His love.

We want to remind you that our special Christmas gift to your family is the new book by Matthew Kelly, *"Holy Moments",* a very helpful and common-sense book that will help you understand life in the midst of a very uncertain world, made whole in your relationship with God. It is especially important to keep our heart, mind and soul in focus and strong in this time of uncertainty and we think this book will be an important gift for you. There are some copies of this are available



in the vestibule in the church for those families that did not receive one during the weekend Masses.

As we begin the New Year, we ask God's blessing upon you and our entire community that we might find hope, strength and love in the Eucharist and the Word of Christ

that we share each time we gather.

Blessings to you all,

Msgr. Míke, Fr. Thaddeus, Fr. Jím, Fr. Paul

Parish Office Hours

Saturday, Dec. 31 st New Year's Eve	Closed
Sunday, Jan. ^{1st} New Year's Day	Closed
Monday, Jan. 2 nd	Closed

Knights of Columbus



To the men of our parish, please consider joining the Knights of Columbus, Council 1990. Sign up: **www.kofc.org/joinus.**

Enter **1990** for the Council and **MCGIVNEY2020**

for the special promotion.



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.

Free Financial Education Workshops

As people of faith, we use our time, talent and treasure to meet the needs of ourselves, our families, our church and community. Come learn how to manage your treasure to accomplish more and build a secure financial future. Join us for a series of complimentary financial education workshops in association with the **WSB National Campaign for Financial Literacy**

Sunday Workshop Schedule

- Jan. 29th Building Savings and Wealth
- Feb. 12th Increase Cash Flow & Manage Debt
- Feb. 19th Preparing With Proper Protection
- Feb. 26th Your Health & Wealth

Mar. 5th Understanding Asset Accumulation Strategies

Mar. 12th Fulfilling Long Term Goals

All workshops will be held in the Kavanagh Hall at **3pm.** Complimentary workbook and materials for St. James participants. Snacks will be provided.

Sign-up after Mass starting January 7-8 – at our table in Kavanagh Hall. (Walk-ins are also welcome.) For more information or to RSVP Contact:Maria Beane 714.814.2663 or maria.beane@gmail.com CA Insurance License #0H81552

Saint James Shares Christmas with Those in Need

The Feed the Needy Ministry wants to thank all of our parishioners for their generosity and support of our program this year. As a result of the contributions we collected many toys, gift cards and a variety of really nice warm clothing.



These contributions were given to needy individuals and families at our annual Christmas luncheon on Dec. 10th in Kavanagh Hall. **We fed over 130 people.**

Santa gave toys to the children with so many smiling faces.

We thank all of our Volunteers who sorted and wrapped gifts,

decorated and served lunch.

We offer a special Thank You for donations from:

Knights of Columbus, Catholic Daughters, St James Confirmation Program, Romina Gorodo and Ocean Fever, and Joe Oliveri Hair Salon.

Many of the contributions were shared with inner city parishes, including our sister parish, San Miguel.

Our success is always blessed by the generosity of our parishioners and donors.

On behalf of the Feed the Needy staff I wish all a blessed Christmas and a safe and prosperous new year.

Línda Cabíbbo, Ministry Leader







Your Continued Support of St. James is Vital

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.

Thank <u>You</u> Very Much

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.



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 424.317.8878

Thank you for your generous support of Saint James!

We've Missed you!



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.** Receive the Eucharist; the true body and blood of Christ hidden in the form of a host. Find what you've been missing!

This season of Advent is meant to prepare us for an encounter with our creator in order to save us from our sins and

open heaven to us. Take a moment to rediscover what's missing in your life! Come back! We're not complete without you!

Diaconate Virtual Information Day

Hosted by the Diaconate Formation Office Sunday, January 15th from 2pm—4pm

"The LORD said to me: You are my servant, Israel, through whom I show my glory." (Isaiah 49:3)

> Minister of the Mysteries of The Lamb To register contact Deacon Melecio Zamora at: dmz2011@la-archdiocese.org

Virtus[®] class being held on Jan. 21st

There will be an original Virtus[®] class for those who are new to a ministry or have lapsed in renewing their certificate.



It will be held on Saturday, January 21st at 1- 4pm in Kavanagh Hall.

Please call the Parish office at **310.372.5228** to register.

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

Full time Staff Position

The Pregnancy Help Center, a pro-life pregnancy medical clinic in Torrance, has a full-time staff position available for an **Associate Executive Director**.

Bachelor's Degree required and management/ administrative experience, preferably in the nonprofit sector preferred. If you are interested, please email resume to: **administration@phctorrance.org.**

Visit : https://phctorrance.org/

All services are free You may request an appointment by calling 310.787.HELP (24/7) or to ask questions

We will screen clients at the door and take all precautions to stop the spread of COVID-19

We are here for you! Please reach out if you need us!

Walk for Life Saturday, January 21, 2023

The mission of OneLife LA

is to unite communities and inspire positive action through an annual event that promotes the beauty and dignity of every human life from conception to natural death.

https://onelifela.org/register

St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the students, faculty, and staff of St. James School.

We are on Christmas Vacation until January 4th, 2023.

Registration for the 2022 – 2023 School Year is open. Applications are available at the school, the preschool, the parish office, and on our website SJSCatholicSchool.org.

- St. James has a Transitional Kindergarten Program for students turning 5 after the September 1st deadline. Full Day Program!
- Kindergarten Roundup is available January 20th and January 23rd from 9 – 10am. Call or email to reserve your spot. Private tours are available by appointment.

Open House:

Tuesday, January 31st 5:30 pm – 7pm

God Bless you,

Noreen Maricich, Principal



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 praying the holy Rosary.

If you are looking for a Catholic women's group to join, we are the one!

Contact: Kristal Trapani-Landry Email: Ktrapani.Landry.cda@gmail.com Email courtourladyofvictory@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

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).

If you have not received your First Holy Communion, this class will prepare you to do that as well.

Our Winter, 2023 series of classes is scheduled to begin on **Thursday, January 5, 2023**.

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. Blessings!



St James Moms Group!

The St James Moms Group meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month during the school year, 10-11:30 am, at the Parish Center. This year we will be doing a yearlong discussion on Edith Stein/St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. Contacr: **karen.cuni@gmail.com** or text **626.318.8218**

Preschool Registration

Our preschool has an opening for your child! See all the ways in which we enrich the development of your child as they discover the wonders of God's creation. Call **310.376.5550** or visit to schedule a tour.



AFTER ABORTION It's n inclu

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**/

Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Children's Liturgy of the Word returns next Sunday, January 8, at the 10am Mass. We hope to see all our parish children there.

The Office of Religious Education will host our first Family Field Trip on Sunday, January 29th, at 1:15pm. This year, our Field Trip will be to our very own Saint James Church. All parishioners are invited to join us to learn more about our church. Deacon Bob and Patty Miller will lead the tour. Religious Education families, please be sure to bring your child's Faith Formation Passport for a stamp!

Then, on Monday, February 6, at 7pm, Religious Education will host a talk entitled, "Raising Children of Faith." We invite parents to come to reflect upon practical steps you can take at home to root your children deeply in our faith.

Finally, please remember that the Office of Religious Education is closed until January 9th. Classes will resume on January 17 and 18.

May the joy of Christmas be with you throughout the New Year!

God bless!

Andrea Sullivan, Director of Religious Education

Family Faith Opportunity ~ Church Tour January 29th after the Noon Mass.

Come join us on our First RE Field Trip with Deacon Bob and Patty Miller.

Hear the history of St. James Church, the stories about the stain glass windows, and the many signs symbols and structures we find in our worship space.

We will meet in the back pews of the church at 1:15pm.





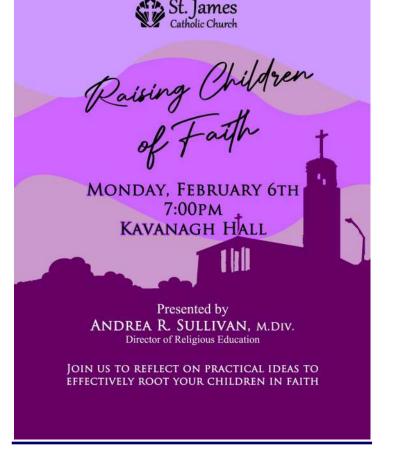


St. James Church over the years.....

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held during the **10am Mass on January 8th and 22nd.** This important ministry invites children to participate in Sunday worship and hear a reflection at an age appropriate level. Children, ages 4-12, are invited to attend.

Contact **Megan Pollard at meganpollard@sbcglobal.net** for more information.



Tuesday Night Bible Study

The St. James Tuesday Night Online Bible Study group is currently taking a break for the Christmas and New Year Holidays. We will resume our course on Psalms on



January 10^{th,} 2023.

Please contact Donna Wilson: dwilson94@gmail.com

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

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

are trying to work out a problem in your own mind, please consider a call to a Stephen Minister. We would be happy to act as a sounding board as you work

out solutions. **Contact: Didi Egnatuk 310.540.0329**

Human Trafficking Awareness January 11th is National Day of Human Trafficking. Wear blue.

January 14th is the Walk for Freedom. Register at: bit.ly/2023WalkForFreedom.



Get involved! F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY of St. Lawrence Martyr and St. James. Contact: Rick Page CandRpage2@gmail.com

SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Confirmation Nights

Year 1: Sunday, January 15th Year 2: Sunday, January 22nd

Empowering God's Children & Young People Sunday, January 29th

Happy New Year from all of us here at Youth Ministry!

We look forward to seeing what this year has in store for us, especially as we begin planning for our Year 2 weekend retreat in late March.

If you have any questions on joining our team or any future youth ministry events, please feel free to contact us at the information provided below.

Gretchen Nobleza

Director of Confirmation & Youth Ministry

Contact us:

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

Photo below is the Youth Ministry Holiday Party!

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 year.

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 bunscheese sticksfruit(oranges, bananas & grapes)chipsgranola barslunch meat & cheese8 oz. water and juicesSome 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**.

Línda Cabíbbo, Ministry Coordinator

Cookies for the Homeless

If you like to bake delicious cookies, consider making an extra batch once a month for our homeless neighbors. Contact **Sandy: 310.542.4851** Thank you!





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The Messiah Among Us

In a closing blessing at Christmas Mass this year, His Eminence, Cardinal Wilton Gregory, Archbishop of Washington, D.C. prayed for the gathered faithful, that ... "the God of infinite goodness... illumen your hearts with the light of virtue." That virtue, he went on in closing: "...makes us as heralds of His Gospel."

Such virtuous good news includes the wondrous action of forgiveness. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, in Paragraph #2840:

"Now - and this is daunting - this outpouring of mercy cannot penetrate our hearts as long as we have not forgiven those who have trespassed against us; we cannot love the God we cannot see if we do not love the brother or sister we do see."

Matthew Kelly, in his most recent book,

Holy Moments, (a book which Monsignor Mike generously gifts to St. James parishioners this holy season) includes in its prologue a parable about a group of monks who rediscover their sense of the graceful goodness of the virtues, including a spirit of forgiveness. Their monastery then becomes infused with a richness of holy moments that bring a renewed spirit of cooperation, kindness, and happiness. The monks, in effect, find their spiritual compass of virtue and begin to live their faith as though, "...the Messiah is among you."

Advent and the wonders of Christmas have, once again, been truly illustrative in their scope of virtue and in richness of prayer. In this season of gifts, the Association of Marian Helpers provides a preface to the words of Mother Teresa: "Help us to love like you, giving ourselves to God and neighbor with a smile, even in dark times."

St. Teresa of Calcutta, herself, by way of her virtuous aura of mercy and love said: "...take the trouble to pray. Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of Himself."

Thus we hope to progress, illuminated by practiced virtue, as heralds of the Gospel, with hearts that welcome the Messiah among us.

> 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.

Gospel Meditation

Mary, The Holy Mother of God

We hide ourselves and our secrets from God because we are afraid

Even Mary can seem too perfect to approach. The shepherds find the strength to speak to Mary and Joseph at the moment they see the child in the manger.



They open their hearts and share what they've experienced.

Saint Luke writes of the shepherds, 'When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child."

When I was a college student, I visited Rome. Beggars often approached and said, "Mangia? Mangia?" I didn't speak Italian and thought, "Why are they speaking about the Christmas nativity scene?" My friend said, "Mangia means eat. They're hungry." That's when I realized more deeply than ever before that Mary puts her baby in a place designed for hungry animals to eat.

See that baby in the manger in your heart. Imagine Mary kneeling nearby looking at you with love. She doesn't cling to God for herself. In that cave, from the beginning, she quietly offers her son to hungry souls. The manger means vulnerable self-offering love. That's the sign. This week that same manger opens our hearts to tell Mary about our lives, too. - Father John Muir

Saint James Preschool Registration information can be found here:







Save the Date: Tues., Jan. 24th St. John Fisher Church 5448 Crest Road. Rancho Palos Verdes. CA 90275



Presents: Lisa M. Hendey Bestselling Author/International Speaker Founder of CatholicMom.com The Grace of Yes -

How do we prayerfully Give God our best "Yes" and live as generous spirits in the world around us? Questions? accw.sw19@gmail.com

Readings

Monday All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God. 1 Jn 2:22-28 /Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God. 1 Jn 2:29—3:6 / Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God. 1 Jn 3:7-10 / Jn 1:35-42

Thursday Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. 1 Jn 3:11-21 /Jn 1:43-51

Friday **Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.** 1 Jn 5:5-13 / Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday The Lord takes delight in his people. 1 Jn 5:14-21 / Jn 2:1-11

Sunday Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

Prayer Requests

For those suffering illness, infirmity and those in need of our prayers: Martha Rodriguez, Fred Ronkowski, Nancy Skiba

For the souls of the recently departed, that through the mercy of God, May they rest in peace: Don Lawrence, Corazon Victoriano, Dennis Daldine, Edmund Sun, Catherine Provenzano, Carlos Arambula, Frank Silvino

Gift Shop

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

Tuesday— Friday 11-3pm Peter Nobleza 310.374.1964 saintjamesgiftshop@gmail.com

For prayer requests or to request a Mass intention, please call or visit the Parish Office **310.372.5228** Priest celebrant subject to change.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	Dec. 31 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Paul	New Year's Eve Bruno Garofalo ় Gloria Gadioma ় Roland Jordan
Sun. 6:30 am	January 1 Fr. Jim	New Year's Day Dorothy Haggerty ☆ Niall Broderick
8 am	Msgr. Mike	John Malgeri ϑ Macario Rivera & Richard Le-
10 am	Fr. Thaddeus	siewicz St. James Parishioners Shirley Cabibbo ⊉
12 noon	Fr. Thaddeus	John Kay ় Gani Purwadi ়
5:30 pm	Msgr. Mike	Jaclyn Di Maggio ⊕ The Family of Suzanne Guilbert
Mon. 8 am 12 noon	January 2 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Paul	Mary Ann Kraemer
Tues. 8 am 12 noon	January 3 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Virginia Anne Emos ᡇ Rosario Rose Aguirre ᡇ
Wed. 8 am 12 noon	January 4 Fr. Paul Fr. Jim	Peter Hai Nguyen
Thurs. 8 am 12 noon	January 5 Fr. Jim Fr. Thaddeus	Mr & Mrs. Jose Cayamanda
Friday 8 am	January 6 Fr. Paul	Mena Cayamanda & Anne Escondo ᡇ
12 noon	Msgr. Mike	Maxcine Shalhoub ₽
Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	January 7 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Aldo Caretti ᡇ David Franco ᡇ Janet Antesberger
Sunday 6:30 am	January 8 Fr. Thaddeus	Mary Scurto ᡇ Gene Campos ᡇ
8 am	Fr. Jim	Maxcine Shalhoub ⊕ Peter Floratos
10 am	Msgr. Mike	St James Parishioners Joseph Canh Minh Nguyen 한
12 noon	Fr. Paul	Pat Czarske ⊕ Gaston Reyes ⊕
5:30 pm	Msgr. Mike	Joe Martellli ⊕ Elena Liana Notarnicola ⊕

We're here to help you become the holy, healthy, vibrant person that God has created you to be.



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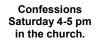
Our Clergy, Here to Serve You



Msgr. Mike Meyers Pastor FrMike@SaintJames.Church

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



"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



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



Fr. James Kavanagh Pastor Emeritus FrJim@SaintJames.Church



Gretchen Nobleza Director of Youth Ministry & Confirmation saintjamesym@gmail.com

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Noreen Maricich Principal Saint James School Office@8J8CatholicSchool.o

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 310.379.3221

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 Wendy@SaintJames.Church 310.376.5550

