

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

Welcome!

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



"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" **1 Peter 1:3**

Year 2 Confirmation Retreat
Photo: Alexis Vasquez

OFFICE HOURS: MON - THURS 8AM TO 12PM, 1PM TO 8PM | FRI. 8AM TO 12PM, 1PM TO 4PM | SAT & SUN CLOSED

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Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

What a glorious celebration of our risen savior here at St. James!

Easter Masses were held at our school, our Church and the Community Campus Chapel and ensured that our entire community and visitors were able to attend an intimate encounter with our Lord. This would not have been possible without the generous outpouring of time and talent of so many of our volunteers in ministry who worked tirelessly to make this possible. We are humbled by this. There are so many of you that have helped to create and recreate this environment, liturgy and music that naming all would be impossible. So, for those that are omitted from this list, my sincere apologies and no slight is intended.

Our Liturgical ministries have helped us so much to regain our sense of unity as a faith community and especially so through Lent and Holy Week. Our Music ministry under Kevin Babuder with our choirs, cantors and musicians created a bit of heaven for us. Paula Bourke and the Environment ministry have led us through these last few weeks preparing three worship spaces to each of the liturgies. All this effort made our Holy Week liturgies and Easter Masses special encounters with Christ as he calls us to follow him as his disciples.

Our preschool teachers, staff and director created coloring books and crayon packages for our young children attending Mass allowing parents to more fully participate at Mass.

Our Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, returning Altar Servers, Ushers, Greeters and Altar/Church cleaners have all volunteered their precious time so generously to ensure that each time we gather we enter into a place where we can easily open our hearts to God's Word and the gifts of the Holy Spirit who works in each of us in such marvelous ways. Our Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and homebound are once again bringing the risen Lord to those unable to join us in person during this most sacred time.

Our Faith Formation ministries at St. James School, Religious Education program, Preschool, Youth Ministry, RCIA, Bible Study, Medjugorje Prayer Group, Adult Confirmation and Baptism are all strengthening us to understand our faith and be the disciples of faith and proclaimers of the Gospel that Christ calls us to be. We were able to screen the *Passion of the Christ* movie three times during Holy Week because of their efforts and touched the hearts of all.

Our Service ministries, the Feed the Needy Lunch Program, Catholic Daughters, Knights of Columbus, Sunday Hospitality and the St. James Guild remind us



Maybe you grew up Catholic.

Maybe you think of yourself as Catholic.
Maybe you haven't been to church in awhile.
Or you are worried that you
won't be welcomed here.

And maybe it feels awkward and scary
to take that first step..

Questions. Doubts. Yearning.
But not sure for what.

We get it.
We've been there.
Now we are here.

Maybe God is calling you, too.
Just as you are.

Welcome home.

that serving others is a privilege. These ministries provide grace filled moments for those who serve and are a blessing to those who are served by them.

To all of you, we thank you from the depths of our hearts as you truly help us all to deepen our faith; united in the living the Gospel for others.

Wishing you, your family and friends a joyous Easter full of blessings throughout the year.

Alleluia! He is risen!

*Msrgr. Michael Meyers, Fr. Thaddeus Agbason
Fr. Jim Kavanagh
Deacon Bob and Patty Miller*

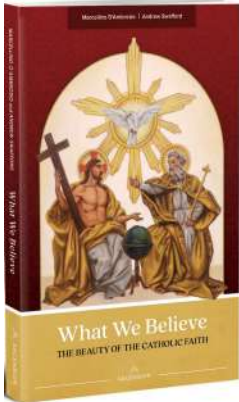


Chaplet to follow Mass at 3pm

**Join us for this powerful devotion and feel His love
for you in this most intimate devotion.
Go deeper: www.TheDivineMercy.org/**

Tuesday Night Bible Study

Join us on **April 18th** in **Kavanagh Hall at 7pm** for **Session Five – The Holy Spirit, the Breath of God**
This ten week bible study explores



"What We Believe - The Beauty of the Catholic Faith"

This **video presentation** is followed by discussion and Q&A plus prayer intentions.

Discover the Amazing Riches of the Catholic Faith!

What is the Catholic Church all about?

What does it mean to be Catholic?

What do Catholics actually believe?

The Catholic Church is extraordinary. Founded by Christ himself, the Catholic Church is where we

encounter God in his Word, his sacraments, and his saints.

The Church faithfully proclaims the fullness of faith, leaving no truth out. It proclaims the fullness of life, leaving no person out. It calls all to repent and to believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the source of all life and salvation.

Maybe you've been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you're just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be profoundly moved by the beauty and the richness of the Catholic Church.

If you are not able to participate in person you can also join us using Zoom. Priests participate in our study when their schedules permit.

Please contact Donna Wilson at

dwilson94@gmail.com if you are interested in joining this study.

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

St James Moms Group!

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



Yes! Yes! Yes! Yes!

Join us for hot coffee and tempting donuts after the 8 and 10 am Masses in Kavanagh Hall.

Thanks to the **Knights of Columbus**

Saint James Niland Scholarships

The St. James Parish office will have applications available 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 2023.

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 **Friday, April 21st, 2023.**



**Human Traffickers use social media!
How Much Do You Know About Online
Predators or Cyberbullying?
Would You Like to Learn
How to Keep Your Children Safe?**

Join F.A.I.T.H. Ministry for an important **Cyber Safety event Sat., May 6th 9-10:30 am**

St. Lawrence Martyr Church Collins Hall

1900 S. Prospect Ave., Redondo Beach, CA

Coffee/Tea and Breakfast Items Will be Served

Guest Speakers:

Detective Dana Harris, Los Angeles Police Dpt.

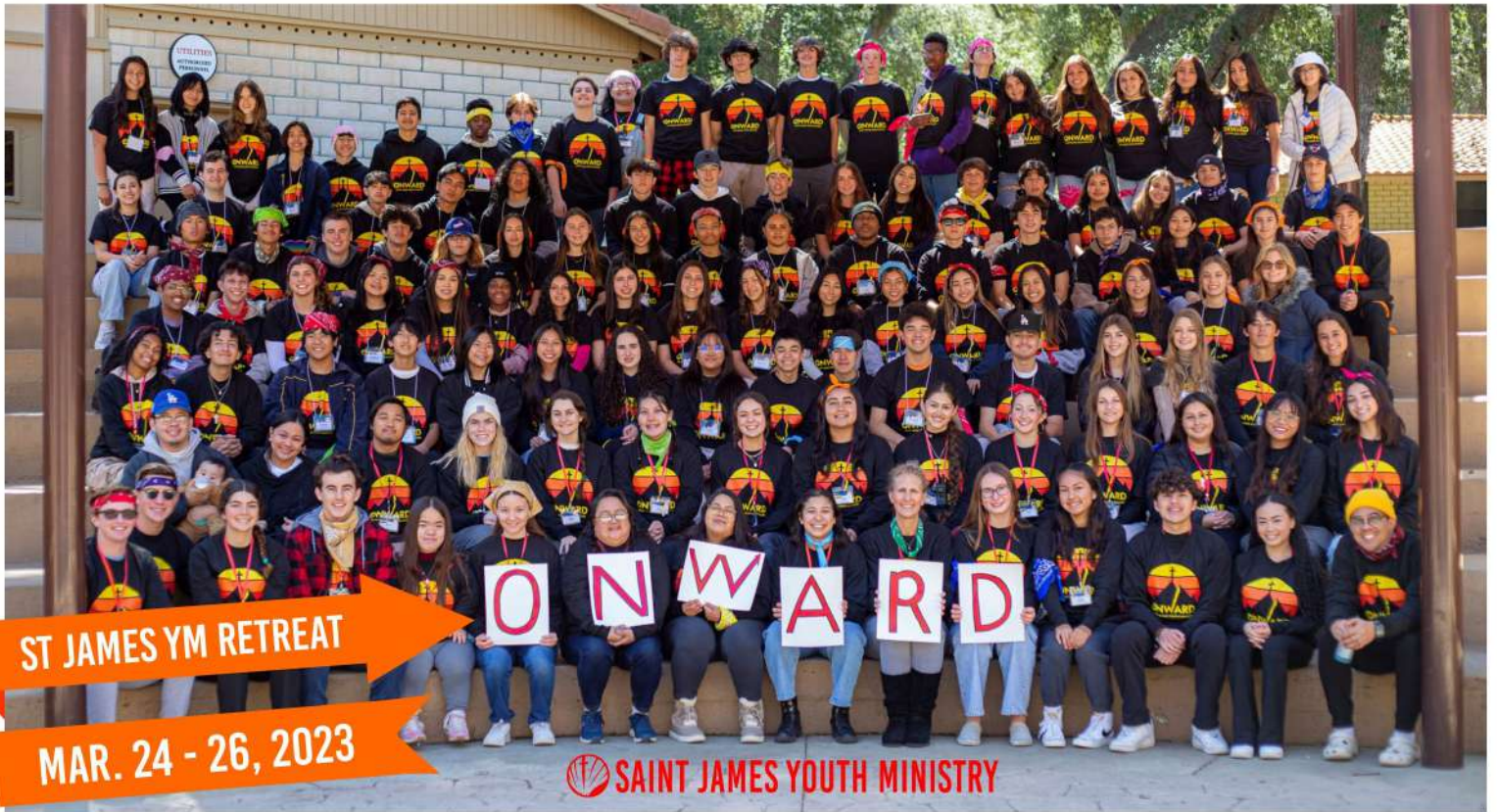
Detective Harris, a 35-year veteran, is currently an Officer in Charge at LAPD's Gang & Narcotics Division, specializing in the investigation of vice related crimes, including human trafficking. He has been commended for his Human Trafficking investigations which have resulted in numerous convictions in both Superior & Federal court and has been involved in the rescue of countless young women and men from a life of exploitation and human trafficking.

Erin Wilson, Journey Out – Program & Outreach

Coordinator, South LAMs. Wilson has nearly a decade in anti-trafficking, working with human trafficking victims of domestic and international origins and working closely with local and federal law enforcement. Ms. Wilson provides a unique perspective in that she has seen trafficking cases from the inception of operations through the prosecution and conviction of traffickers.

According to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) The average age a child gets a phone is now 10 years; 20 to 30% of kids report being cyberbullied. NCMEC has received reports of online enticement of children on **almost every digital platform.**

Contact: **faith.ministry@stlm.org**



After 3 years, our Year 2 Confirmation candidates were finally able to experience their weekend retreat offsite & away from their everyday distractions. Our theme this year was **"ONWARD"** where we identified the suffering we face in our lives, how our communication with Christ keeps us resilient & persistent, and concluded by recognizing that Christ accompanies us in our journey. We heard powerful testimonies, participated in team building activities, made new friends & created memories that will last a lifetime. We found peace, healing & joy in this encounter with Christ. I am so proud of these candidates for allowing themselves to be fully present this weekend as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next month. You all are truly loved!

Gretchen Nobleza

Director of Confirmation & Youth Ministry



Welcome committee



Msgr praying over



Barbara & Brent
"Identifying Suffering"



Alexis
"Resilience & Persistence"



Apple Music



Spotify

"Retreat made me realize how happy and safe I could be if I let **GOD** in my life :)"

-Nadya





“Retreat made me proud to be Catholic and help me start a new conversation with **GOD!!**”

-Brent



Meal prayer circle



Gretchen spotting our hikers



Ice breaker: Musical chairs w/ a twist



Trust activity



“The Practicals of Prayer” Girl session



“The Practicals of Prayer” Guy session

“Retreat helped me remember that I’m not alone when things get tough in life”

-Saleil



Ice breaker: Balloon relay race



Rock, Paper, Scissor:
Teen Disciples win 2 years in a row



Adoration



Benediction



Bonfire



ONWARD
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Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

We joyfully announce that Adacio and Thiago, along with four adults, were baptized, confirmed, and received their First Communion at the Easter Vigil last week! Please include them in your prayers of thanksgiving during this joyous season.

Also, please keep in your prayers all the parish children who are preparing for First Communion over the next two weekends at our parish Masses. If you stop in the vestibule at church, you can see the artwork they created after a family faith formation session entitled, "Families Transform."

Religious Education classes resume this week.

For our families with children preparing for First Communion, we will have rehearsal on Tuesday, April 18th, and on Wednesday, April 19th, from 4-5:15 at the church. Parish families with children at the school can come either day; parish families with children in RE can come on their child's class day.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will not meet again this month due to the upcoming First Communions. May you have a blessed and joyful Easter season! Alleluia!

Andrea Sullivan, Director of Religious Education

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

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

Cookies for the Homeless

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



St. James Parish Families came together for a Family Day of Service to assist our Feed the Needy Program. The children (and parents) were enthusiastic helpers!

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



Walk with us!

Register today for The Pregnancy Help Center's Walk for Life South Bay at

SupportPHCtorrance.org.

The Walk will take place on **Saturday, May 20th**.



Confirmation Nights

Year 2: Sunday, April 16th

He is risen! Happy Easter from all of us here in Youth Ministry!

You are invited to join us in our next **Amplify Night on Saturday, April 15th** as we continue celebrating the Easter season. This event is not just for youth but is open to the entire faith community. Our evening will consist of praise & worship, a special speaker and conclude with Eucharistic Adoration. Bring a friend!

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

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Text: **424.265.8336**

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Preschool Toddler Time!

Toddler Time is a parent-and-child program designed especially for your busy toddler (1 & 2-year old.) This program will stimulate your toddler's sense of exploration in a safe and friendly environment. Call for a tour: **310.376.5550**

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

The faculty, staff, and students at St. James School wish the parishioners a **Happy and Blessed Easter**. On Holy Thursday, SJS students and families gathered for the Stations of the Cross led by the 2nd grade class. Easter break began at 12:45 and school will resume on Monday, April 17th.

Many members of our 8th grade class will travel to Washington DC and New York City during the break. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Schiappa-Gobee and Mrs. Watanabe. Please keep our travelers in your prayers.

Registration for the 2023 – 2024 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!

TK and Kindergarten families are invited to visit school with their child, visit the classroom and find out more about our program.

TK is a steppingstone and a bridge to begin your child's academic journey. Call or email to reserve a time.

Private tours are available by appointment for all grades.

A Catholic School Education is a gift and a blessing!

God Bless you,

Noreen Maricich, Principal



Catholic Q&A Topic: The Empty Tomb

The Catechism calls Easter the "feast of feasts."

Related to the feast are Holy Week scripture readings from Maundy Thursday, (the word Maundy from the Latin, "mandatum," which means to give a commandment, as Jesus gave his disciples, "Love one another...")

In those readings from John 13, readings that can help to center our thoughts at the wonder of Easter, Jesus asks, after the washing of the feet:

***"Do you realize what I have done for you?
I have given you a model to follow."***

We marvel at that model of love and service and the light of Easter, from the end of the Lenten Season, to the divinity of the Paschal Triduum, along the Octave of Easter including Divine Mercy Sunday, and throughout fifty days to Pentecost.

The Angelus magazine writes about the mercy and forgiveness of Easter. Monsignor Mike points out the humility, forgiveness and the love that God has for us as we live out the great adventure that is Easter.

Pope Benedict XVI describes Easter with words like justice, love, and truth;

"... a breakthrough that has determined
the meaning of all history."

The ethos of Easter is evident as the Church describes a criminal hanging beside Jesus,

"...who was able to see the dawn of Easter amid the clouds of Good Friday. With the little strength remaining in his own weakened body, he turned and said: 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom'. One could say a repentant sinner was the first to announce the glorious Resurrection."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church has many beautiful and insightful entries about the spiritual journey and meaning of Easter. Paragraph 658:

"Christ, the first-born from the dead is the principle of our own resurrection even now by the justification of our souls and one day by the new life he will impart to our bodies."

That particular catechism entry adds another term to the lexicon of Easter: *Hope*.

A model to follow.



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/

A young, engaged couple sat on the couch in front of me as we chatted about their upcoming marriage.

The young lady was struggling to trust her future husband. She told me her father had been unfaithful to her mother. She said of her fiancé, "I want him to prove to me that he won't cheat on me." The young man looked at me helplessly, raised his eyebrows and shrugged his shoulders. What evidence could he possibly give to validate such a proof? Nothing. All he could do was invite her to trust him.

We all are wounded by experiences of imperfect love. We also are tempted to demand from God proof of His fidelity and goodness. We are like St. Thomas the Apostle who, on that second Sunday of Easter, demands proof of the Lord's resurrection.

**"Unless I see the mark of the nail ...
I will not believe."**

Our science, technology and mathematics can indeed prove a great deal. But there are some things that require trusting another person. We prove promises of love only by trusting.

St. Thomas indeed saw the wounds of Jesus and believed. But there is an even greater blessing for us who simply trust Him — and all the truths the Church proclaims — because of the trustworthiness of the Risen One who speaks. This week let's trust Jesus without seeing him.
— *Father John Muir*

Saint James LiveStream YouTube

If you are unable to attend Mass in person, you can join us for Daily

Mass Mon-Fri at 8am

and **Sunday Vigil Mass Saturday at 5:30pm**

Visit [SaintJames.Church](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjameschurch). If you subscribe to our channel, you'll receive an email when streaming.

**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.**

Gift Shop

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

Tuesday - Friday 11am - 3pm

Peter Nobleza 310.374.1964
saintjamesgiftshop@gmail.com



Readings

Monday
Blessed are all who take refuge in the Lord.
 Acts 4:23-31 / Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday
The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.
 Acts 4:32-37 / Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday
The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
 Acts 5:17-26 / Jn 3:16-21

Thursday
The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
 Acts 5:27-33 / Jn 3:31-36

Friday
One thing I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord.
 Acts 5:34-42 / Jn 6:1-15

Saturday
**Lord, let your mercy be on us,
 as we place our trust in you.**
 Acts 6:1-7 / Jn 6:16-21

Sunday
Lord, you will show us the path of life.
 Acts 2:14, 22-33 / 1 Pt 1:17-21 / Lk 24:13-35

Prayer Requests

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

**Barbara Mullen,
 Nancy Cebra,
 Martha Rodriguez**

For the souls of the recently departed,
 that through the mercy of God,
 May they rest in peace:

**Longin Fabio,
 Cristy Coscos,
 Armando Silva Jr.,
 Donna Florence Conn,
 Brent Bradley,
 Dan Thornton,
 Yoshiko Ishikawa**

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. 8am 5:30 pm	April 15 Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike	Saturday William & Mary Gernat † Jose Olave, Jr. † Daniel Andrykowski †
Sun. 6:30 am 8am 10am 12 noon 2pm 5:30 pm	April 16 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike Fr. Jim Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Thaddeus	Divine Mercy Sunday Lisa Garcia Chris Ornales † Molly Black † Edward Black † Luckner J. Ulysse, Sr. † George Swade † Allan Quiranta † Carmencita Dungca † Divine Mercy and Chaplet Mary Ann & John Wilson † Carol Cordoza †
Mon. 8am 12 noon	April 17 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Thaddeus	Jose de Jesus † Alma Laurente
Tues. 8am 12 noon	April 18 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Thaddeus	Barbara Stafford Armand Rovero †
Wed. 8am 12 noon	April 19 Fr. Jim Fr. Jim	Maria Sanchez † Armand Rovero †
Thurs. 8am 12 noon	April 20 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Thaddeus	Rhodora de Jesus Cameryn Phillips
Fri. 8am 12 noon	April 21 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Thaddeus	Fred Ronkowski † Daniel Araujo †
Sat. 8am 5:30 pm	April 22 Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Lynette Laney Donald Sieverts † Jayne Sieverts †
Sunday 6:30 am 8am 10am 12 noon 5:30 pm	April 23 Msgr. Mike Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus Msgr. Mike Fr. Thaddeus	Dick Bungarden † Irene Bungarden † Steve Kessler Holy Souls in Purgatory † Luckner J. Ulysse, Sr. † Virginia Delrosario Galon Greg Bauer † Fred Ronkowski † Nua Vukel † Reynaldo Lucas

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
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Confessions
Saturday 4-5 pm
in the church.

"Lord, cleanse me of my guilt"



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Fr. James Kavanagh
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Eucharistic Ministers
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Deacon Bob & Patty Miller
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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Religious Education Office hours
Monday – Thursday
10 am – 3 pm
and during class times:
Tuesday 4 pm – 8:15
Wednesday 4 pm – 5:30



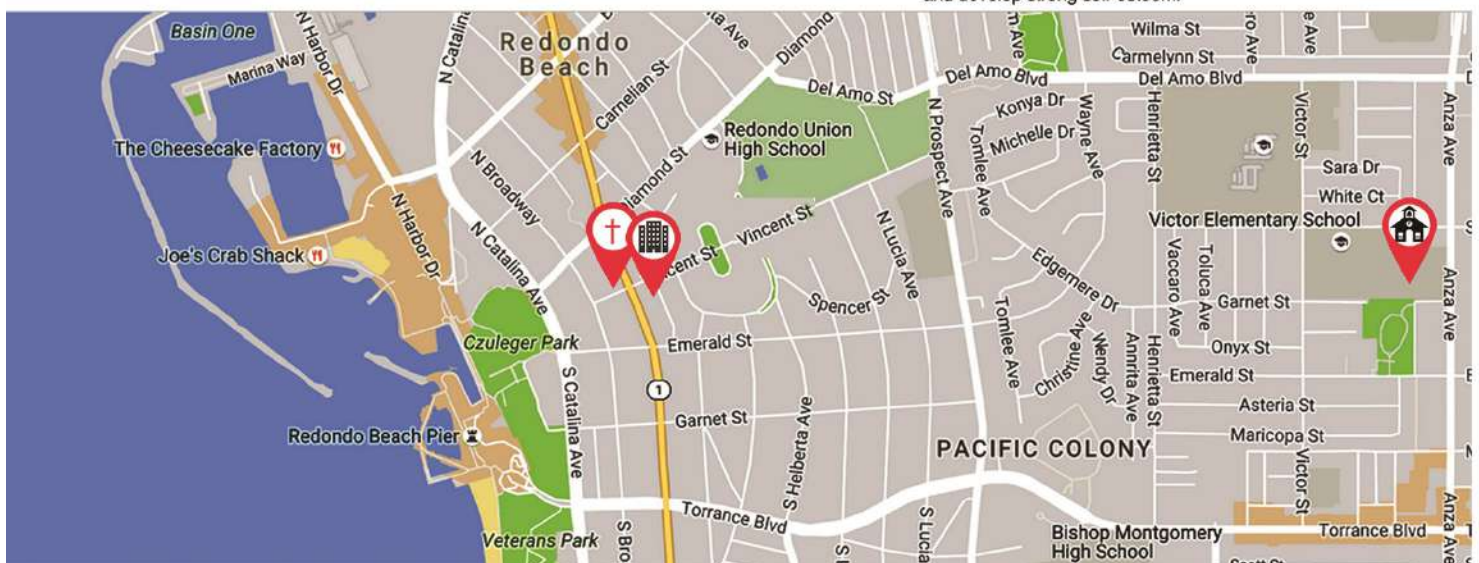
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Preschool & Toddler Time
Philosophy
We believe in creating a warm and
loving environment
where children can
learn about themselves,
gain an understanding of others
and develop strong self-esteem.



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