

415 Vincent Street | Redondo Beach, CA 90277

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!

I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Jn. 14:18-20

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

Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James, **Mother's Day Blessings to all**

This weekend we are celebrating our St. James family by honoring our mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers, godmothers and mom's-to-be and all those who care for children with a mother's love. On this Mother's Day we thank you for all you have sacrificed for us and for the gift of life. You are a blessing to your own families and to our parish family as well! To thank you for all that you do we have a special gift for you as you leave Mass today. With the intercession of Mary our Mother in heaven, we hope it will encourage you and strengthen you in your role as a mother!

Mothers' Day Prayer

We thank you, Creator of us all, for our mothers and those who have cared for us with motherly love.

We thank you that they gave us life and nurtured us throughout the years. They gave us our faith, helping us to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. They taught us how to love and how to sacrifice for others. They taught us to be compassionate and generous.

Bless these women with the graces they need and which you want to bestow upon them. Give them strength, courage, compassion, love and peace. Help them to know they are precious in your eyes today and to know that we love and honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.

We pray also for our mothers who have died and ask that they come to know your gentle love for them in your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Mrs. Maricich to leave St. James School

During the last 5 years Mrs.
Noreen Maricich has led
St. James School and community
through challenging
transitions. She has provided the
experience and leadership that we
needed. At this time Mrs. Maricich
has decided not to return as
principal of St. James School for
the 2023-2024 school year.



We thank her for her loving and dedicated service to our school.



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.

I have already reached out to the Archdiocese Department of Catholic Schools and they will be assisting us through the open placement process of interviewing and selecting a new principal for next year. We will be working as quickly as possible, but the most important thing is that we take the time we need to make the best decision for the school.

I ask your patience as we move through this process and I will keep you informed as soon as the new principal has been selected. Mrs. Maricich will continue as Principal through June.

Please continue to pray for St. James School and the selection committee for the guidance and wisdom they need.

Sincerely in the Lord, Msgr. Michael Meyers

Bundle Sunday Next Weekend

Please donate your USABLE discards of clothes, household goods, *small* appliances and misc. items when you come to church next Sunday!



St. Vincent's truck will be here from 8am-2pm on Sunday!

Please don't bring large items to the truck. Also, please no car seats, baby cribs, strollers, or mattresses.

For <u>FREE</u> pick-up of large <u>tax-deductible donations</u> like appliances, furniture, & vehicles, please call 800.974.3571 or 323.224.6280

Altar Server Training



The St James Altar Server Ministry will be holding training sessions for servers who will be in grades 5-12 in the fall. Contact Karen Cuni to join the schedule at

karen.cuni@gmail.com or via text at 626.318.8218

Annual Walk for Life South Bay

Join other South Bay families for fellowship, food, a raffle and of course, walking along the beautiful Redondo Beach Strand all while raising money and creating awareness for the



Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance. Saturday, May 20th, Veterans Park, Redondo Beach. 8:30-11a. Register at SupportphcTorrance.org. Call 424.263.4855 or email GigiHarnden@phcTorrance.org. Proceeds provide free pregnancy services to clients of the Center.

Cardinal McIntyre Collection This Weekend

The "Fund" provides emergency help to persons who have nowhere else to go. The Fund is not a replacement or supplement for welfare or other forms of public assistance. It does not support persons' living needs on a continuing basis. Rather the Fund acts to solve immediate, pressing problems: food, lodging for the night, emergency medical care, rent to tide over a financial crisis or a utility bill to keep the water or heat turned on for the week. Persons may apply for assistance to the Fund through their parishes. The parishes are immediately reimbursed by the Fund for the disbursement so it is possible for every parish to provide in this way for sisters and brothers in need.

Tuesday Night Bible Study

The St. James Tuesday Night Bible Study group is currently studying "What We Believe - The **Beauty of the Catholic** Faith" by Ascension. Please join us this



Tuesday, May 16th as we cover Session Eight – Union with God: The Life of Prayer

Class will be held in Kavanagh Hall and begins at 7pm. If you are not able to participate in person you can also join us using Zoom. Priests visit our study when their schedules permit.

Please contact **Donna Wilson** dwilson94@gmail.com

if you are interested in joining this study. Come, share and participate in our Church Community!

Celebrate Pentecost at St. James



Our parish is made up of many people of different nations & cultures; let us together rejoice in the fact that all of us, from different parts of the world, are one in Christ Jesus.

The Lector Ministry would like to extend an invitation and encourage the members of St. James to live out Pentecost and proudly portray our cultural diversity by dressing in your native, ancestral or traditional clothing at Pentecost liturgy on Saturday, May 27th and/or Sunday, May 28th!

If you speak a second language and feel inspired by the Holy Spirit to read a short petition in the language of your own ancestors and participate at this year's Pentecost celebration, please email dcjm019@gmail.com or call 310.896.1973 or the parish office and let us know your choice of language & Mass preference.

9 Day Novena of Masses for Mothers

Remembering our mothers and those who cared for us in this capacity. Cards are available in the vestibule. Please return the outer envelope to the Parish Office or put it in the collection baskets on Sunday. All the returned envelopes will be on the altar starting on Mother's Day and will remain there for the duration of the 9 day novena following Mother's Day.

Catholic Daughters Court Our Lady of Victory



MAY CROWNING



All Are Invited! May 17th at 6:30pm in Kavanagh Hall



Interested in joining Catholic Daughters? Stay for our meeting @ 7pm or contact Kristal Trapani-Landry to learn more! ktrapani.landry.cda@gmail.com (310) 717-9808 / Next Meeting June 21st

SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY

Confirmation Nights

Year 1: Sunday, May 21st

We are excited to welcome **Archbishop Jose Gomez** this **Friday, May 19**th as he anoints 75 of our teens & 6 adults to become the newest fully initiated members of the Catholic Church. Please keep all of our confirmandi in your prayers as they prepare for this new stage in their faith journeys.

And from all of us here in Youth Ministry, we want to wish a Happy Mother's Day to all of the mother's & mother figures in our lives!

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.

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Gretchen Nobleza

Director of Confirmation & Youth Ministry

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saintjamesym.rb



Virtus[®] class being held on May 25th

There will be an Original Virtus[®] Class offered on **Thurs.**, **May 25**th **from 6 to 9pm** in **room 6** of the Parish Center. If you are new to a ministry or your Virtus[®]



certificate has lapsed over 3 months you need to take this class to continue in ministry. Please call the Parish office at **310.372.5228** to register or check your certificate's expiration. Thank you!



Knights of Columbus

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



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



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.

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 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!

Take a moment to rediscover what's missing in your life! Come back!

We're not complete without you!



Holy Hour Adoration

May 12th at 7pm

Benediction and Adoration

May 19th after the 8am Mass until 12 noon

Adoration is the first attitude of man

acknowledging that he is creature before his Creator.

It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil. Adoration is the homage of the spirit to the King of Glory, respectful silence in the presence of the ever greater God.

Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives us assurance to our supplications.-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2628

You Are Invited To A Tea for God's Children Fundraiser

Sunday, June 4^t at 3 pm Tea Service & Sparking Wine

Chado Tea Room - 1303 El Prado, Torrance



Limited Seating in Tea Room please purchase tickets early - Tickets \$70. Sold until May 28th Donations accepted until June 11th

Supporting Saving Innocence in their mission to serve, empower and advocate for child victims of sex trafficking (savinginnocence.org) Hosted by St. Lawrence Martyr F.A.I.T.H. Ministry

faith.ministry@stlm.org





Bingo! Bingo! Bingo! Time for some fun! BINGO is every **Thursday** night in Kavanagh Hall! Doors open at 6pm. Early bird game at 7pm

Play all night for \$15 One pack covers all games St. James School receives the profits. Questions? Contact: Parish Office 310.372.5228

Cookies for the Homeless

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

Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James.

Happy Sixth 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 as you raise children of faith. If you missed our Closing Mass on May 3rd, please stop by the office with your child and their Faith Formation Passport so that they can receive their stamp for the year.

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 Maureen Bradford, Marcella Codero, Bertha Forst, Yoli Baluyot, Carrie Emhof, Michelle LaMontagne, Barbara Bowman, Rosemarie Williams, Dianne Staso, Stephanie Garcia, Susan Hernandez, Jennifer Wong, Viola Nicholson, Oliver W., Elaine Ketchmere, Annie Wheeler, and Ben Aranda, who have served as Catechists and Aides in our RE classes.

Thanks to Christine King, Shawn Brow, Paula Woon, Brandon Courter, Shawna Courter, Jacqueline Castillo, Karen Cuni, and Meg Kedrowski, who helped as Traffic and Yard Monitors during classes this year.

Thanks to Megan Pollard, Neliza Catipon, Jaime C., and Virginia Solis, who led Children's Liturgy of the Word, and Arianna Huppertz and the Preschool Staff for their efforts with Sunday School.

Thank you to Leanne Raad, Thomas Pham, Juddy Kendall, and Ken Lee, who served as the team for the youth in RCIA this year.

We are more of who God calls us to be at St. James because you said yes to sharing the gifts God has given you with the children and families of our parish. Thank you!

Of course, as one year ends, we look to the year to come, so we ask parishioners to consider whether you are called to serve in one of our Religious Education programs. 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!

And if you are considering helping out in Religious Education or another parish ministry, please consider signing up for our upcoming **Virtus**® Training class, a first step for ministry in the parish. The original class will be held on May 25th from 6-9pm; please call the office to sign up.

Finally, **Children's Liturgy of the Word** is back for a final week on May 28th 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



Religious Education children who received their First Communion this spring were invited to wear their First Communion clothes to our Closing Mass.



Thiago and Adacio, who received the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil, Msqr. at the RE Closing Mass.

Please join us in congratulating, welcoming and supporting these children and parents on their faith journey!



St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James.

Happy Mother's Day to all our moms, Grandmothers, Aunts, and special friends from the faculty and staff of St. James School!

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,

Noveen Maricich, Principal

Students at St. James School prepare Mother's Day greetings.

These will be cherished for the creativity and effort they show in honoring their Moms for their sacrifices and love shown to them throughout their lives.





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**

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



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/

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**.

Línda Cabíbbo, Ministry Coordinator

Catholic Q & A

J.P. Alegria

Topic: They Hear My Voice

In a recent homily, Monsignor Mike was illuminating the finer points of John's Gospel where the narrative described Jesus as the gatekeeper of his flock,

"...that they might have life and have it more abundantly."

Monsignor talked about the Good Shepherd, the vicissitudes of contemporary life, and the evangelical aspects of lives that enter through the gate.

Q: What does the *Catechism* of the *Catholic Church* teach about faithful lives of abundance for followers who hear and answer the call?

A: The Catechism, in paragraph #1695 puts it in foundational, non-ambiguous, bottom-line terms:

"The way of Christ leads to life; a contrary way leads to destruction."

As to the evangelical mission assigned to each of us, Pope Francis wrote that *evangelization begins* simply,

"by witnessing every day to the beauty of the love that has looked upon us and lifted us up"

The Holy Father added that we do not have to wait until we are perfect to witness to Jesus:

"No, our proclamation begins today, there, where we live..."

Speaking last month in Hungary, Pope Francis spoke about an authentic, actionable, real-world Catholic life of faith that actively moves toward the gatekeeper:

"Life is real, not virtual. Get out and live your life.":

Life is indeed real, and in our postmodern, and sometimes post-truth world, there remain faith-filled holy moments.

Author Matthew Kelly writes in relation to answering the call:

"Decide to collaborate with God to create holy moments."

Addressing a spirit of evangelization, Kelly adds:

"...decide to share the wisdom of Holy Moments as far and wide as possible."

As Monsignor preached, and as the *Catechism* teaches, we look to sacred scripture, the liturgy and the sacraments to better recognize and to heed the voice of the Good Shepherd; that we may have an ever-abundant life.

Gospel Meditation

My dad was adopted as a baby. It's a big part of my family's story. His birth mother placed him in a Catholic orphanage not long after birth. A young couple longing for a baby strolled among the bassinets. My father, then only a few months old, looked at the husband and smiled. The man said, "That's my son." They took him home and the family grew. This moment of adoption was a wonderful truth they celebrated even when my dad was a young boy. They told him, "You're even more special than the other children, because we chose you to be our son." My dad's eyes well up with tears of gratitude whenever he tells the story, even eighty-three years later.

What is your story? Do we think or act like unwanted orphans? Who do we believe ourselves to be? As we continue to ponder Jesus' resurrection, we hear him say to us this Sunday, "I will not leave you orphans." God doesn't leave us alone like spiritual orphans. The power that raised Jesus from the dead is the Holy Spirit, who is also called the Spirit of Adoption. He chooses us to be His children, to share God's life forever. He gives us a future filled with hope.

We are not orphans anymore! This Easter, that's the story we should share with others. It's the true story we are living right now. — Father John Muir

Invite Someone to Mass

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

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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.

Saint James LiveStream



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. 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.

Readings

Monday

The Lord takes delight in his people. Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday

Your right hand saves me, O Lord. Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 / Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Acts 18:1-8 / Jn 16:16-20

Friday

God is king of all the earth. Acts 18:9-18 / Jn 16:20-23

Saturday

God is king of all the earth. Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28

> Sunday Ascension

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mt 28:16-20

Prayer Requests

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

Dympna Naughton, Gail Watanabe, Bill & Linda Brown, Kathleen Liberi, Michael McLaughlin, Anna Baker, Cyril Crowley, Tim Crowley

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

Laura Gonzales, Sue Wimmer Mimick, Lupe Hernandez, Imelda Lua, Martha Rodriguez, Christopher Thomas LaDuca

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



Weekly Mass Intentions Sat. May 13 8 am Msgr. Mike Brochier Family ₽ 5:30 pm Fr. Thaddeus Joseph McGuiness ₽ Angela C. Dominguez & Sun. May 14 6:30 am Msgr. Mike Mary Jane Jambor ⊕ Begonia Arlanza 🕆 8 am Fr. Thaddeus Sofia S. Cordova & Sue Wimmer Mimick ₽ 10 am Fr. Thaddeus Anne Persais & Veronica Sun Msgr. Mike Joseph Meichtry ₽ 12 noon Frank Joseph Campis & 5:30 pm Fr. Jim Beverly Gervig & Mariana Leke May 15 Mon. Msgr. Mike 8 am Louis Murray, Jr. Mother's Day Novena 12 noon Msgr. Mike Tues. **May 16** 8 am Msgr. Mike Mother's Day Novena 12 noon Msgr. Mike Fr. Donald Kinney OCD **May 17** Wed. 8 am Msgr. Mike Charlie & Cathriona Finn 12 noon Fr. Jim Mother's Day Novena May 18 Thurs. 8 am Fr. Jim Mother's Day Novena 12 noon Fr. Jim Maurice Persais & Fri. **May 19** 8 am Msgr. Mike Family Persais Msgr. Mike 12 noon Mother's Day Novena Sat. May 20 8 am Fr. Thaddeus Mother's Day Novena 5:30 pm Msgr. Mike Nua Vukel む Dympna Naughton May 21 Sunday Ascension 6:30 am Fr. Thaddeus Dympna Naughton Edward Carstens & 8 am Fr. Jim Mother's Day Novena Glenda Gringas & Msgr. Mike Isidra Soriano & 10 am Elena Aguino Minda Llavan & 12 noon Msgr. Mike Bill Kronyak & 5:30 pm | Fr. Thaddeus Natalie Compazzie Barbara Mullen

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

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

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@SJ8Cathollc8chool.org 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
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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

and develop strong self-esteem.



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