



St James
Catholic Church

415 Vincent Street | Redondo Beach, CA 90277


July 16th 2023
The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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!



“A sower went out to sow.
And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path,
and birds came and ate it up.
Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil.
It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep,
and when the sun rose it was scorched,
and it withered for lack of roots.
Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it.
But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit,
a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.
Whoever has ears ought to hear.” - Mt 13:1-9

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

Fr. Khoury and Callanan at St. James

During the last 2 weeks Fr. Wissam Khoury, LMO (Lebanese Maronite Order) has settled in and become familiar with celebrating our Roman Rite of the Mass.



The Maronite Church is an Eastern Catholic church in full communion with the pope and the worldwide Catholic Church. (*Our liturgies still consist of the Liturgy of the Word and the Eucharist, however the prayers, rituals and actions are different from what he is accustomed to.*)

Fr. Wissam, (wé-sam) is here to improve his English skills, which are already good, and would appreciate the opportunity to interact with all of you. It is his first time in Los Angeles, so if you would like to take him to see an interesting part of southern California or simply have breakfast, lunch or dinner with him, he would welcome the experience.

Fr. John Callanan will also be arriving the end of this week and staying with us until August 20th. After a 4-summer Covid-caused separation, we are excited to have him back at St. James again.



With the addition of both Frs. Wissam and John to the parish, I will be away on vacation for the next 2 weeks and leave the parish and hospitality work to Fr. Thaddeus.

Blessings!

Msgr. Mike and Fr. Thaddeus

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 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



Virtus® Training

We will be offering the original **Protecting God's Children Virtus®** class. This class is for those who are already in ministry

and have an expired certificate and for those who are brand new to a ministry.

Please check your records or call the parish office if you are not sure of your certification status. Registration is **required** as space is limited. Please call the office to register.

Classes are available:

- Wednesday, Aug. 2nd for St. James Parishioners from 6 to 9pm in Room 6 at the Parish Center
- Saturday, Aug. 19th from 1 to 4pm in Kavanagh Hall

Fingerprinting

St. James will be hosting the Archdiocesan Live Scan Fingerprinting for the opportunity for new staff and volunteers to be fingerprinted per Archdiocese guidelines. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Appointments are available **Thursday, Aug. 10th between 12pm and 6:30pm** in St. James Parish Center, Rooms 4 & 5.

Please bring your drivers license or a photo ID.

Bundle Sunday—July 23rd



The St. Vincent de Paul Truck will be here on **Sunday, July 23rd from 8-2pm**.

Please donate your **USABLE** discards of clothing, household goods, small appliances and miscellaneous items.

Please do not bring large items to the truck. Also, no baby seats, cribs or mattresses.

For large item pick up please call: **800.974.3571**

Thank you!



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/



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.

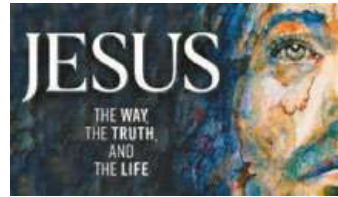
We get it.
We've been there.
Now we are here.

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

Welcome home.

Tuesday Night Bible Study

Next Session is
Tuesday, July 18th at 7pm



Please join us as we study
"Jesus: The Way, The
Truth and The Life"
Session 5—The Truth
about God

**A Powerful Study on the
Life of Jesus Christ.**

Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure.
He is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God.

While many of us already know a lot about him, how well
can we say we really know him?

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

**Come, share and participate
in our Church Community!**

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.**

We are inviting all Catholic women of all ages to join
us as pray the holy Rosary before each meeting.

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

National Needs Combined Collection this weekend

This appeal supports Black and Indian Missions,
Catholic University of America, Catholic Communications
Campaign (CCC), and Catholic Home Missions Appeal
(CHMA). Envelopes are in the pews.



Yes!
Donuts and Coffee
after the 8 and 10am Masses
in Kavanagh Hall
humbly served by the
**Medjugorje Rosary
Prayer Group.**

75th Annual Mary Star of the Sea Parish Fiesta

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Friday, Saturday and Sunday
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"Diamond Jubilee"



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Sunday: 12 noon to 10 PM

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Andrea Gonzalez Ella Stone Emily Ramirez

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All prize drawings will be held at:
10 P.M., on Sunday Evening, JULY 23, 2023

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Visit our web site at: www.marystar.org/fiesta

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CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Registration for the upcoming 2023-2024 Confirmation year is now open! If you have a teen that's currently in high school and has yet to begin their Confirmation preparation, now is the time to sign up. Visit our youth ministry website for more information on how to register.

As our ministry continues to grow, we are also recruiting team members to journey alongside our teens who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. No experience in youth ministry is required & training will be provided. For more information on how you can share your gifts & talents with our young church, please contact the youth ministry office.

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

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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



Knights of Columbus

To the men of our parish, please consider joining the Knights of Columbus, Council 1990.

Sign up: www.kofc.org/joinus.

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**



 **SAINT JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY**

*Confirmation Registration
Now Open*

To register, visit
www.saintjamesym.weebly.com

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:

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St. James Parish Office
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Thank you for your generous support!

Providence LA County and KidsCare Bereavement Services Healing Through Grief Support Group

July 12th to August 23rd, 4 to 5p.

Healing Through Grief is a support group for adults who have experienced the loss of a loved one at least three months past the death and up to two years.

Our purpose is to encourage healing and confidence in those experiencing a death of a loved one.

A phone assessment and registration forms are required before registration is complete. For more information about our groups or to register, please call **310.543.3437** or email nancy.langevin@providence.org and please provide your call back number.

This seven week grief support group will provide participants:

- An opportunity to share their feelings
- Embrace memories
- Have compassionate support
- Relate to others who are also grieving
- Develop new methods of coping and problem solving

Session are on Wednesday's:
July 12th, 19th, 26th, August 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd



Holy Hour Adoration

July 14rd at 7pm

Benediction and Adoration

July 21st
after the 8am Mass
until 12 noon

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**

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.

Contact **Sandy: 310.542.4851**

Thank you!



Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Exciting things await in Religious Education this fall! **Registration for the 2023-2024 school year opened this past Wednesday, July 12th**, and families have a choice between our Traditional Faith Formation Program and our new and expanded Family Faith Formation Program.

Traditional Faith Formation will take place on Tuesdays during the school year from 4-5:15pm at the Parish Center. Traditional classes are what Religious Education has always offered and will follow a curriculum from Saint Mary's Press.

Our new **Family Faith Formation** will have two components. The first will be family sessions held in person for the whole family about once a month for an hour and a half on a Sunday afternoon at Saint James School. The second will be family sessions held by each family in their home about twice a month with support from the Office of Religious Education and the great kits that we will provide each family.

We are adding the Family Faith Formation Program this year to provide another way for us to support our parish families who seek to raise children of faith. The Catholic Church teaches that parents are the primary educators in the faith—families are where children first experience God's love through the love given freely to them by their parents.

And all the research (and there really is research on this!) tells us that the key to effective Catholic parenting is to empower parents to authentically and intentionally communicate the faith to their children.

So why are we adding this program to the RE offerings for 2023-2024? Because Family Faith Formation works! It's a big change, but we invite all parish families to join us on this journey. We believe it will bear much fruit.

And of course, **we still need parishioners who want to live out their baptismal call by serving 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 this September.

Remember, there are many ways to help the families of the parish as they raise children of faith, and **our programs are open to all parish families, regardless of where your children attend school.** Some activities will occur just once during the year. Other activities occur monthly, twice a month, or weekly.

You can share your gifts with the community in the following programs for parish children and families:

- Traditional Faith Formation classes (Catechists, Aides, Yard Duty, Yard Monitors)
- Family Faith Formation (Catechists, Mentors, Aides)
- Sacramental Preparation (Catechists, Aides)
- Children's RCIA
- Children's Liturgy of the Word (twice a month at the 10am Mass)
- Family Day of Service Coordinators
- Family Field Trip Coordinators
- Family Faith Formation Experiences for Advent and Lent, like last year's Morning in Bethlehem (single day events)

Please call our office at **310.379.3221** for more information about our programs or to learn more about how to get involved.

Also, the Office of Religious Education will be hosting the **Second Annual Family Field Trip**. This year, we will visit the **Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels on Saturday, August 26th, at 9am**; docents will lead our tour. **We are limited to 40 participants, so registration is required.** Families will need to arrange their own transportation. Please plan to meet our group in the courtyard outside the Cathedral at 8:45am. Grandparents, Godparents, and families are all welcome! Please call the Office to register.

Last week, we held a **Summer Family Day of Service with the Saint James Feed the Needy Program**. The youth and their families had a wonderful experience serving lunch to the hungry in our community. They all said they'd love to come back, so we have added another day! If your family would like to participate, we will hold another **Family Day of Service on Wednesday, August 9, from 12-2**. Please call the Office to register. Remember, we are limited to 10 participants and parents (or grandparents and Godparents) must attend with children, so call soon! We will fill up quickly!

God Bless!

Andrea Sullivan, Director of Religious Education



Families with our regular volunteers at our Summer Family Day of Service with the St. James Feed the Needy Program.



Men's Retreat in Sierra Madre September 15th, 16th, 17th

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



Men from our parish are invited to make their annual retreat at Mater Dolorosa Retreat center in Sierra Madre.

The Center provides a private room and bath, delicious meals, beautifully landscaped grounds, and the guidance of the Passionist Retreat Team.

The atmosphere of this silent, preached retreat will help you **relax, reflect and rejuvenate spiritually.**

Reservations via Parish Captain:
Matthew Staal, 310.498.7966
staalsurfer@gmail.com



St. James Catholic School

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

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,
Danina Uy, Principal



I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them. For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive. For your obedience is known to all, so that I rejoice over you, but I want you to be wise as to what is good and innocent as to what is evil.
— Romans 16:17-19

Invite Someone to Mass

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

Our **daily Mass is at 8 am and 12 noon Monday-Friday** with the rosary prayed immediately afterward.

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

Catholic Q&A Topic: Words and Music

Opening the Bible to about the middle of the book, just after the trials and triumph of Job and before the wise instructive Proverbs will place the reader among scripture which the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* calls:

"...the masterwork of prayer in the Old Testament."

Q: To what does the *Catechism* refer?

A: The *Catechism* refers to The Book Of Psalms; Hebrew Psalter numbers 1-150. .

Q: How does the dictionary define the word Psalm?

A: We find that according to the dictionary, a psalm is a sacred song or poem. The Hebrew word, psalm, scholars tell us, is "from the root term "to pluck" as in plucking of fruit or plucking a stringed instrument."

Q: What's the difference between a psalm, and a canticle?

A: The word canticle is the diminutive of the Latin words, "canticum" and "canticulum" meaning song. A canticle is not so much different in musical style from a psalm, but a psalm is found only in the Book of Psalms, and canticles are found elsewhere in scripture.

Q: Which are the most popular Psalms?

A: Each psalm is a treasure, and popularity would mostly be a subjective concept, but one list gives us Psalms: 23, 91, 139, and 27 as among the most esteemed and revered of Psalms.

The Choir and general assembly of the faithful sings these Psalms, from #23 the Lord as shepherd, to Psalm 91, "...my God in whom I trust; under the shelter of his wings."

In the spirit of Psalms being sung by a full, active assembly, we have all sung Psalm 139,

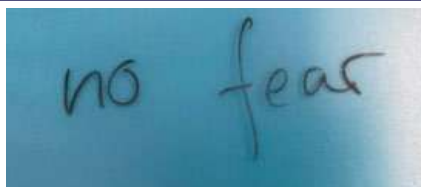
*"Lord you know me and you search me;
ever the maker and keeper of my days..."*

And we've sung in wistful tones, Psalm 27,

*" One thing I ask;
to dwell in the house of the Lord all my days."*

Biblical sources tell us that the Psalms are the product of many individual collections, with seventy-three Psalms attributed to David. They are, in words and music, from lamentation to greatest joy, vital elements of liturgical worship.

'Do not fear,
for I am with you;
Do not be afraid,
for I am your God.
I will strengthen you,
I will also help you,
I will also uphold you with My righteous right hand.' Is. 41:10



It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith.

Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables.

The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel:

"Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted"

(Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a *relationship*, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed. — *Father John Muir*

Human Trafficking Awareness

Traveling this summer? Hotels provide complimentary shampoo, soap, etc. Remember to bring any unopened items to the collection barrel for trafficking victims located in the church vestibule. Our thanks to you.



Get involved!

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

Contact: Rick Page
CandRpage2@gmail.com

**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

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Ex 1:8-14, 22 / Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Ex 2:1-15a / Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 / Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Ex 3:13-20 / Mt 11:28-30

Friday

**I will take the cup of salvation,
and call on the name of the Lord.**

Ex 11:10—12:14 / Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 / Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Sunday

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Wis 12:13, 16-19 / Rom 8:26-27 / Mt 13:24-43 or
13:24-30

Prayer Requests

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

**Cameron Noble, Chris Newman,
Mark Trackino, Linda Brown,
Andy Carnes, Dymrna Naughton,
Mary & Ann & Greg Tracey,
Nancy Cebra, Barbara Mullen**

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

**Alexis G. Santos, Daniel O'Sullivan,
Bernie Omahen, Giovanni De' Ausen,
Benny Ramirez, Macario Rivera,
Bernardita Caruz, Bill Brown**

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat.	July 15	
8 am	Fr. Wissam	Bernice Walters †
5:30 pm	Msgr. Mike	Dolores & Robert Souders, Sr. † Louis Connot †
Sun.	July 16	
6:30 am	Fr. Thaddeus	Noel Magbanua † Avelina Arcenas †
8 am	Msgr. Mike	John Brennan Fredirico Arcenas †
10 am	Fr. Wissam	Martin Byrne Esperanza Palos †
12 noon	Fr. Jim	Fred Lee Sallee † Carmel Bartosik
5:30 pm	Fr. Thaddeus	Carmelita Sebastian † Philip Fernando †
Mon.	July 17	
8 am	Fr. Thaddeus	Dennis Brown †
12 noon	Fr. Wissam	Stanley Creado †
Tues.	July 18	
8 am	Fr. Wissam	Bernardita Caruz †
12 noon	Fr. Thaddeus	Louis Connot †
Wed.	July 19	
8 am	Fr. Jim	Don Atmur †
12 noon	Fr. Wissam	Juan C. Lopez Q & Rosita Quintana †
Thurs.	July 20	
8 am	Fr. Thaddeus	Carolyn Atmur
12 noon	Fr. Jim	Rafael Soriano †
Fri.	July 21	
8 am	Fr. Wissam	Benny Ramirez †
12 noon	Fr. Thaddeus	All Souls in Purgatory †
Sat.	July 22	
8 am	TBD	All Souls in Purgatory †
5:30 pm	TBD	Louis Connot † Patricia Saieko †
Sunday	July 23	
6:30 am	TBD	Dymrna Naughton Agnes De Souza
8 am	TBD	Steve Zent † Carolyn Mitchell
10 am	TBD	James Gallagher † All Souls in Purgatory †
12 noon	TBD	Carolyn Kelly † Elizabeth M. Molina †
5:30 pm	TBD	Willy Tang † Tasker Family

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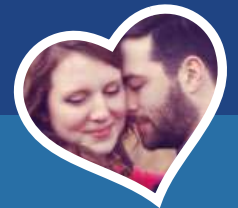
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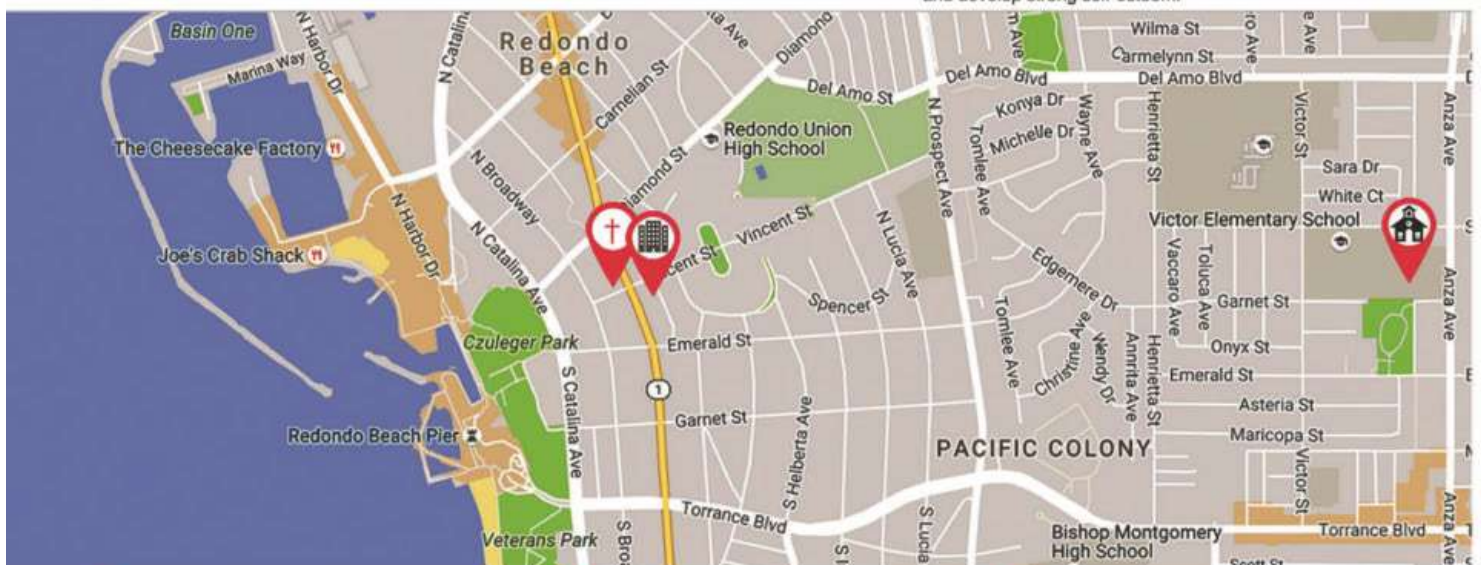
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