



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

415 Vincent Street | Redondo Beach, CA 90277

May 18, 2025 | Fifth Sunday of Easter | 310.372.5228 | WWW.SAINTJAMES.CHURCH



John 13:31-33a, 34-35

My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.
I give you a new commandment: love one another.
As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.
This is how all will know that you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another."

Welcome!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday - Friday:

8:00am & 12:00pm

Saturday: 8:00am

Sunday Mass:

(Saturday) Sunday Vigil 5:30pm,

6:30am, 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm

CLERGY

Pastor: Fr. Matt Murphy

Associate Pastor: Fr. Thaddeus Agbasonu

Pastor Emeritus: Fr. Jim Kavanagh

In Residence: Fr. Chibuike Okeagu

Deacon Couple: Dcn. Bob & Patty Miller

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday:

8:00am - 4:00pm (Closed for lunch 12 - 1pm)

CHURCH HOURS:

7:00am - 6:00pm daily

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Holy Hour Adoration,
June 13th, 7pm

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

GIVE:

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Hello beautiful children of God!

Pope Leo XIV came out swinging in his first homily on May 9, laying down a bold challenge to every baptized believer: wake up, reclaim your faith, and live like Jesus actually matters. With the passion of a shepherd who's seen the battlefield, he called out the spiritual apathy of our age—not with condemnation, but with a father's urgency and love.

Speaking to a world caught in the grip of comfort, success, and digital distractions, Pope Leo reminded us that none of that stuff saves us. He wasn't subtle: too many Christians are living like atheists, and even among the baptized, Christ has become a footnote instead of the cornerstone. It's time to stop treating our faith like a cultural accessory and start living it like the life-or-death reality that it is.

What really fired up the homily was his missionary heart. Drawing from his time serving in the slums of Peru, Pope Leo made it clear that the Church's mission is not to entertain, blend in, or play it safe. It's to evangelize. To be holy. To bring hope where there is none. That means being joyful, courageous, and totally in love with Jesus.

Bottom line? Pope Leo XIV is lighting a fire under the Church. He's telling us to rise, be saints, and be a light in the chaos. This isn't about nostalgia or fear—it's about rediscovering the radical joy and power of the Gospel. And it starts now, with you.

I encourage each of you to read the May 9 homily to inspire you to a life of holiness.

God bless,

Fr Matt Murphy

MAY CROWNING All Are Welcome!



The **Catholic Daughters of the Americas** invite you to join us for the annual **Crowning of Mary** on **Wednesday, May 21st from 6:30pm-7pm at Kavanagh Hall**. This beautiful tradition honors our Blessed Mother and is open to all parishioners and guests. Come celebrate with us in prayer and devotion as we crown Mary, Queen of Heaven!

MEMORIAL DAY

Special Memorial Day Mass On **Monday, May 27th** we will celebrate a special Mass at 9am to honor all of our service men and women who have died in the line of duty defending freedom. In preparation for the Mass we invite you to enter the names of family or friends who have died in military service on the memorial pages on the podiums near Mary's altar. These names will be presented during the Mass. We will also honor our loved ones with flag presentations and prayers. We hope you take advantage of this opportunity to honor those who have given their lives for our protection.

This Mass at 9 am will replace both the 8 am and Noon Masses on Memorial Day.

PENTECOST SUNDAY CALL FOR READERS

Our Pentecost liturgy is on **Saturday, June 7th** and **Sunday, June 8th** and 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. All parishioners are welcome to celebrate by dressing in your native, ancestral or traditional clothing for the Pentecost liturgies.

Do you speak a second language? Would you like to read a short petition during Mass? We're looking for those inspired by the Holy Spirit to speak in the language of your ancestors and participate at this year's Pentecost Mass celebration. Please email dcjm019@gmail.com, call **310.896.1973** or the parish office and let us know your choice of language and mass preference.

COFFEE & DONUTS



Join your friends for fellowship, coffee and conversation MOST Sundays after the **8 & 10 am Masses in Kavanagh Hall**.

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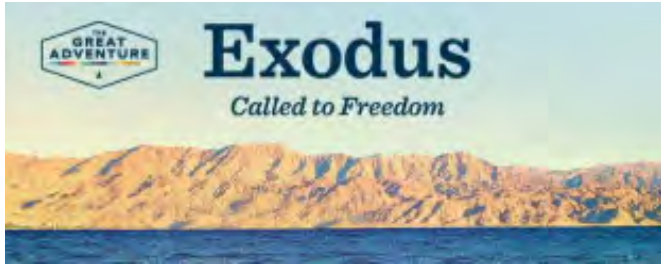
SUNDAY NIGHT WORSHIP AID

Please join our *Sunday Night Youth* band in worship during our **5:30pm, Sunday Mass**.

Scan: virtual worship aid
<https://linktr.ee/saintjames.sny>

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Kavanagh Hall, Tuesday, May 20th, 7pm



Session 3 Exodus: Let My People Worship. Class will be held in **Kavanagh Hall** and begins at **7:00p**. 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.



WE'RE HOSTING VBS THIS SUMMER

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, June 23rd through

Friday, June 27th

9:30 am to 12:30 pm

St James Community Campus

(next to the church)

Cost: **\$50** per child or **\$125** for **3** or more children.

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Register: <https://shorturl.at/SWqOU>

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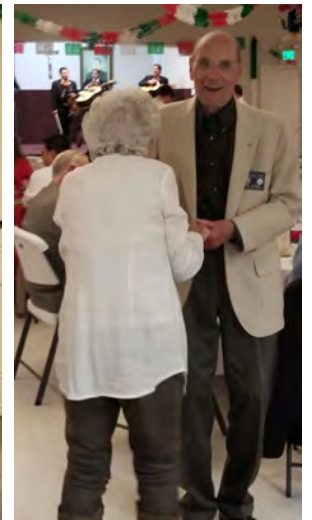
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Age-appropriate curiosity in young children

Knowing the difference between age-appropriate and inappropriate behaviors in children can help safe adults determine whether something feels “off” about a child’s behavior and could indicate potential sexual abuse. For preschool children and young children (around ages 4-6), exploring their bodies is natural. They are not yet old enough to understand the idea of “private” naturally, and may also be curious about others’ bodies – parents, friends, etc. These behaviors are common and developmentally appropriate for their age and stage. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Differentiating age appropriate curiosity from harmful sexual behavior” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

PRIEST ORDINATION

MAY 31 @ 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, our 8 transitional deacons have been called forth to the Sacred Order of Priest. Their ordination will take place on **Saturday, May 31st at 9 AM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels.**

Tickets are required to attend. This ordination will also be livestreamed at lacatholics.org/ordination.

ACTHEALS-LA!

**Born of the Spirit:
Celebrating Pentecost
Saturday, May 31st
10:00-12:00**

American Martyrs Church
700 15th Street
Manhattan Beach, 90266
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Plaza Room

Contact:
Bernadette St. James, PsyD
310.991.2256
ACTheals LA Regional Coordinator

*Please RSVP by May 24
A love offering of \$40.00 is requested*

ARCHDIOCESE OF **TOGETHER IN MISSION** LOS ANGELES

As we celebrate the Jubilee Year of the Catholic Church, we invite you to make a special gift to **Together in Mission** to mark this sacred time of renewal & hope.

As one Catholic community of faith, rooted in prayer, let us reflect on how we can support our underserved parishes and schools in the **Archdiocese of Los Angeles**. Did you know that one in every five parishes and one in every four Catholic schools rely on financial assistance to continue their vital ministries? Your generosity directly impacts these communities, providing the resources they need to thrive.

This year's cumulative *Together in Mission* goal is **\$17.7 million**, representing the collective efforts of our Catholic family across all five regions. Your parish's goal and progress throughout the year can be tracked on the **Together in Mission Leaderboard** at togetherinmission.org. Let us come together to make a difference and bring the love of Christ to those in need. Please consider making a special Jubilee Year gift to **Together in Mission** today!

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called
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Next Session: October 12, 2025

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To register scan the QR code or email Deacon Melecio Zamora at dmz2011@la-archdiocese.org

THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (OCI)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I extend to you an **invitation to embark on a journey of faith and discovery** in the sacred mystery of Christ's Church.

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCI) offers a path of encounter with the living God, who calls each of us to communion with Him through the sacraments and the fullness of truth found in the Catholic Church.

In these times, when many **seek answers to life's deepest questions**, the Church stands as a beacon of light, offering the eternal wisdom of Christ's Gospel and the rich heritage of faith handed down through the ages.

To those who are drawn to know Christ more fully and to enter into the life of the Church, the OCI is a **place of grace** where you will be accompanied by fellow parishioners who have already answered the call to discipleship.

Here, you will be **nourished** by the Word of God, encounter the **profound reality of the sacraments**, and be guided by the **teachings of Holy Mother Church**.

This is not merely a program of instruction but a **spiritual pilgrimage** into the heart of the Church, where the saving love of Christ is made present. I encourage you, dear friends, to respond to this call with **open hearts**.

Whether you are **discerning** your place within the Church or have already begun to sense **God's gentle invitation**, the OCI offers a space of prayerful reflection and growth in faith.

What starts as a spark of **curiosity** may grow into the flame of a life lived in Christ.

May the Lord guide you as you seek to know Him more deeply, and may you find in the Church the **true home** of your soul.

For more information, please contact the parish office or me directly at **OCI@Stjamesparish.org**

Together, let us walk this sacred path toward Christ, the source of all truth and life.

Yours In Christ,



Ben Aranda,
Director of OCI

ADULT CONFIRMATION

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.

To receive further information and details on this process, please contact:

Deacon Bob & Patty Miller
via email **dnbob99@gmail.com**.

If you know of someone who may benefit from this process, please feel free to pass this information along to them.



LEGION OF MARY

**Meetings will meet every
Saturday at 9:30am in
the Community Campus Chapel**

I encourage you, my dear brothers and sisters in Christ, to deepen your devotion to our blessed Mother Mary as Legionaries. We hope you consider becoming a member and **join us!**

The worldwide Legion of Mary has been called
"a miracle of these modern times."

Cardinal Suenens wrote: "Today, two currents dominate the life of the Church: the Marian current and the apostolic current." These two currents meet and blend harmoniously in the Legion of Mary, which has been a providential instrument in the hands of Mary and the Church for the spread of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Mary Mother of Mercy – Intercede for us.

Fr. Thaddeus Agbasonu (SMM)

UPCOMING DATES

Confirmation Nights

Year 1: Sunday, May 18th

Teen Nights

Tuesday, May 20th

Last weekend, we held our Amplify Night that consisted of praise & worship and ended in Eucharistic Adoration. We also had a guest speaker join us, Jeremy Brosmer, who is part of the Youth Ministry Division within our archdiocese. We are incredibly blessed & thankful to all who attended & helped in making it a Spirit-filled evening!

111 of our teens, as well as 16 adults, will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Friday, May 23rd. Please keep them all in your prayers!

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: youthministry@stjamesparish.org

Website: www.saintjamesym.org

Text: 424.265.8336

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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION/ *RELIGIOUS EDUCATION*

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Happy Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia!

This past Tuesday afternoon, Family Faith Formation held our Closing Mass for the year. As we look back upon this year, we see much for which to be joyful. Well over 150 of our parish families have participated in Faith Formation programs this year between Traditional Faith Formation, Family Faith Formation, Children's Initiation and Sacramental Preparation, Children's Liturgy of the Word, our Family Days of Service, our Family Field Trip to the Rancho Dominguez Adobe, the Advent Family 20, the Lenten Family 40, and Holy Pause, which was our Lenten Family Faith experience. It has been a joy to walk with all of you as you raise children of faith!

We want to thank all the Catechists, Aides, Table Leaders, Yard Duty Parents, and Traffic Monitors who have served the children and families of St. James Parish this year. It has been a blessing and honor to live out our baptismal call to serve alongside you.

As we dwell in the joy of Easter, we ask that you consider if you are called to the ministry of Catechesis, which is to echo the love of God in the world. If so, please reach out to the Office of Family Faith Formation to start a conversation. There are so many ways to serve the people of St. James Parish as a Catechists, and we hope you will consider if the Spirit calls you to this ministry.

And while we are wrapping up this school year, we still have family faith formation opportunities this summer. VBS at the end of June is already full. Then, later this summer, we will host our Summer Family Days of Service and our Family Field Trip. For the Family Days of Service, we will help serve lunch with the Feed the Needy program. For our Family Field Trip, we will visit St. Andrew Russian Greek Catholic Church to learn more about the Eastern Catholic Churches and icons. Keep an eye out for more information in the weeks to come.

May you have a blessed and joyful Easter! Alleluia!

Andrea Sullivan,

Director of Religious Education



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Enrollment Has Started! Grades TK-8

St. James Catholic School began open enrollment for the **2025-26** school year.

Come visit! We are taking weekday appointments for private tours or prospective families.

Online applications and testing dates will be available for enrollment submission.

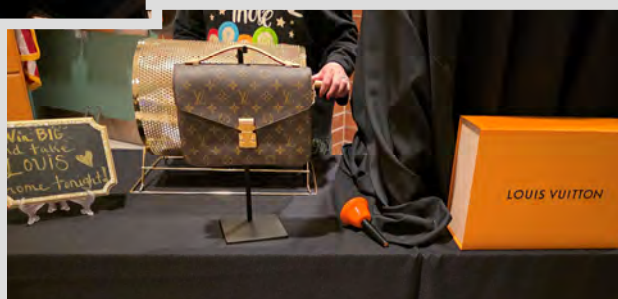
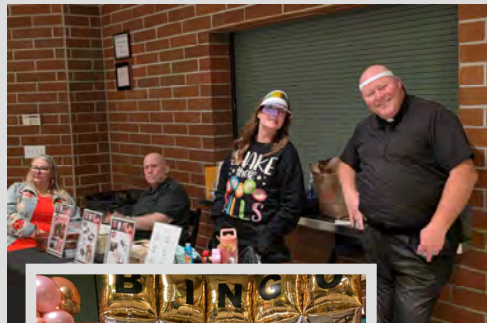
Fill out our enrollment inquiry form (www.tinyurl.com/3d6av42c) or give us a call to schedule an appointment.

310.371.0416 or visit
www.sjscatholicsschool.org

Highlights from Designer Bag Bingo Night, May 9th at O'Gorman Center.



Thank you for a fun and fabulous night at **Designer Bag Bingo!** We had a great time & appreciate everyone who joined us!



MINISTRIES & GROUPS

BINGO

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**

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

Please join the CDA #1344 Court Our Lady of Victory.

Our Court gathers monthly for fun and fellowship on the third Wednesday of each Month at Kavanagh Hall.

We meet at 6:30 to pray the Holy Rosary, followed by refreshments, and our meeting.

This group is open to Catholic women of all ages and from any parish.

Contact: **Amie Jacoby**

Email: **AjaCobyCDA@gmail.com**

Email: **CourtOurLadyofVictory@gmail.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.

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**.

We are unable to accept used clothing.

For more info: **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!

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS

Our Trafficking Victims appreciate the personal care kits we help provide. Remember to bring to our barrel in the vestibule unopened shampoo, skin lotions, and other personal care items. And...thank you for these contributions.

F.A.I.T.H. Ministry of St. James & St. Lawrence Martyr.

Get Involved! Contact: **Rick Page**

CandRpage2@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

Sign up: **www.kofc.org/joinus**

CATHOLIC Q & A

J.P. ALEGRIA

BLESSINGS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Part of the conclave experience included the physical setting of Vatican City with its dazzling array of sights, sounds and sacred tradition. The countless artistic masterpieces abound amid the buildings of Roman, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, and Neoclassical styles. A culminating physical feature is the inscription in Latin, high on the facade of the Basilica, which translates in part: "In honor of the Prince of Apostles..." Beneath that inscription is the Papal Balcony called "The Loggia of the Blessings." Pope Leo XIV stepped onto that balcony and as a successor of Peter, invoked the blessing of the newly-risen Christ:

"Peace be with you all!"

That particular visual and his early remarks about the Church and a loving God along with his personal motto could provide a bit of insight in terms of his own "style."

Q: Each pope chooses a papal motto, a spiritual outlook to live by and to feature on their papal coat of arms. What is the new Pope's motto?

A: The new Pope's motto goes a long way in answering questions about his potential methodology:

"In illo uno unum." "In the one Christ we are one."

Cardinal Prevost wrote: "As can be seen from my episcopal motto, unity and communion are truly part of the charism of the order of Saint Augustine, and also my way of acting and thinking."

Pope Leo is known for a church that operates in the spirit of synod, which essentially means inclusionary dialogue, listening, and discerning action. Pastor Matt also spoke in homily about evangelization and the path to the sheepfold that is the welcoming, universal Church.

"In the one Christ we are one..."

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.

Contact: **Dean Campazzie 310.372.5182**

MOM'S GROUP

Meets twice a month.

Contact: Karen Tang, **moms@saintjames.church**

PRAYER REQUEST

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

Frank Schneider, Martin Camacho, Jr. Joe Kehoe

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

Colleen Lauren, Fumiko Cable, Helen Fischer

READINGS

Monday

**Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the
glory.**

Acts 14:5-18 / Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday

**Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious
splendor of your kingdom.**

Acts 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8

Thursday

**Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the na-
tions.**

Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11

Friday

**I will give you thanks among the peoples, O
Lord.**

Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17

Saturday

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21

Sunday

O God, let all the nations praise you!

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 / Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 / Jn 14:23-29

MASS INTENTIONS

Offering Mass for a special intention is a long standing
tradition in the Catholic Church. Special graces are
obtained for whom the Mass is said.

If you would like to have a Mass said for someone,
please visit the Parish Office. We will help you with the
dates and times which are available. We have Mass
cards that you can send to whomever you choose as a
remembrance. The monetary offering signifies the
sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	May 17 Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus	Mother's Day Novena Anna McKenna † Thomas Doty †
Sun. 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 noon 5:30 pm	May 18 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Chibuikwe Fr. Matt Fr. Jim Fr. Matt	Mary Scurto † Helen Fischer † Patrick & Yvette O'Rourke Brendan & Michelle O'Connor Kathy Lowthorp † Josie Fernandez Silvia Ortiz † Daniel Wiest † Mother's Day Novena
Mon. 8 am 12 noon	May 19 Fr. Matt	Mother's Day Novena Communion Service
Tues. 8 am 12 noon	May 20 Fr. Chibuikwe Fr. Thaddeus	Bella Padaoan Mother's Day Novena
Wed. 8 am 12 noon	May 21 Fr. Jim Fr. Matt	Elena Aquino Mother's Day Novena
Thurs. 8 am 12 noon	May 22 Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus	Mother's Day Novena Carol McKechnie
Fri. 8 am 12 noon	May 23 Fr. Chibuikwe Fr. Thaddeus	• Ann Ducar † Mother's Day Novena
Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	May 24 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Chibuikwe	Martha Rodriguez † Mother's Day Novena
Sun. 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 noon 5:30 pm	May 25 Fr. Chibuikwe Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Matt Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus	Sophie Pelliter Mary Morales-Salcido † Teresita Acedillo † Helen Fischer † Mother's Day Novena Joshua Albert Santos † Susan Hausman Yenory Sanchez † Fumiko Cable †

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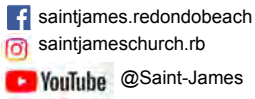


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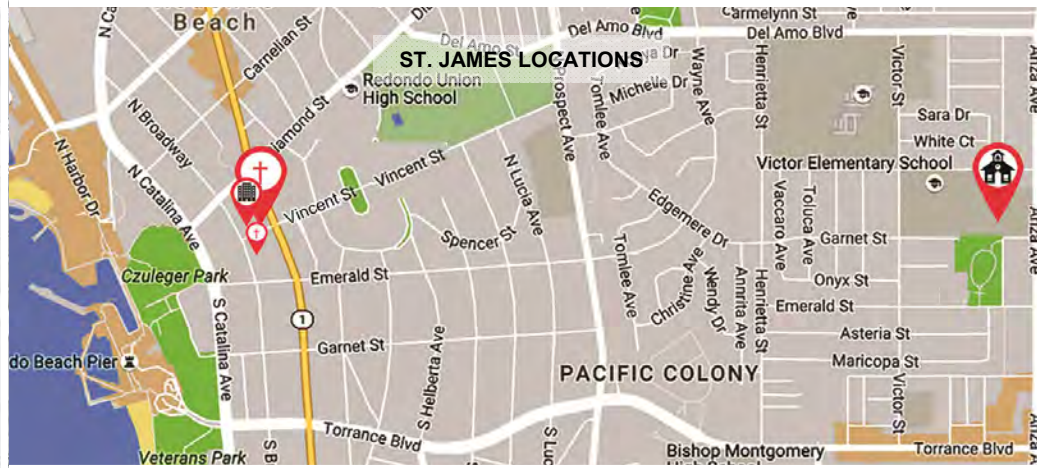
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