



SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

415 Vincent Street | Redondo Beach, CA 90277

May 25, 2025 | Sixth Sunday of Easter | 310.372.5228 | WWW.SAINTJAMES.CHURCH



John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:
"Whoever loves me will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.
Whoever does not love me does not keep my words;
yet the word you hear is not mine
but that of the Father who sent me."

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

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Hello beautiful children of God!

In our Gospel for this Sixth Week of Easter (*Jn 14:23–29*), Jesus is sitting with His disciples, pouring out His heart before going to the Cross, and what does He say here? It is significant!

"If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him."

Let that sink in. God wants to make His HOME in you. Not just check in on Sundays. Not just swing by when you're in a spiritual emergency. He wants to *live* in you. How incredible is that?

This isn't some abstract spirituality. This is real intimacy with the God of the universe. And it starts with love—and love looks like obedience. That's not a word we like, but Jesus makes it clear: Love and obedience go together. Not because He's bossy, but because He's a good Father who knows how life works best.

Now here's the part that hits me hard:

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you."

We live in a world that defines peace as "no conflict," "no stress," or "finally made enough money to chill." But let's be honest, that kind of peace is fragile. It falls apart when your plans do. Jesus offers something deeper: a peace that remains, even in chaos.

This is the kind of peace that let the early Christians sing in prison. The kind that lets moms and dads keep loving their families when life is nuts. The kind of peace that doesn't depend on your circumstances, but rather, on His presence.

And here's the kicker:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

You hear that? He's not saying, "Try not to worry." He's commanding us: "Don't let it in." Why? Because we've got the Holy Spirit—the Advocate, the Comforter. You are not alone.

So today, let's stop chasing the world's version of peace. Let's let Jesus move in, make His home in us, and live in the deep, unshakable peace only He can give.

Live in faith and not in fear. And remember—you were made for this.

God bless,

Fr Matt Murphy

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.

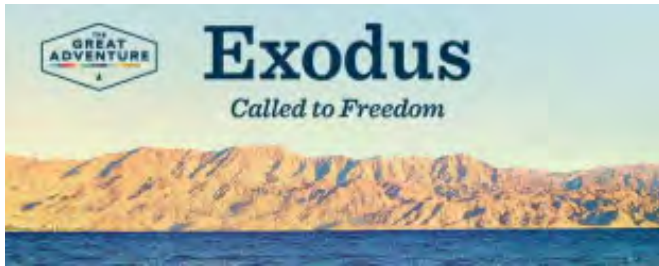
A NOTE ON PHISHING SCAMS

We would like to remind everyone to stay vigilant against email/texting phishing scams. Please note that neither **Fr. Matt**, **Fr. Thaddeus** nor any parish staff will ever e-mail you asking for money, gift cards, or personal information. If you receive such a message, it is not legitimate. If you have concerns about a suspicious email, please contact the parish office directly **310.372.5228**.

Thank you for helping us keep our parish community safe!

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Kavanagh Hall, Tuesday, May 27th, 7pm



Session 4 Exodus: Signs & Wonders. 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.

Youth Volunteer **\$20**.

We appreciate your help!

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

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REGISTRATION CLOSES MAY 31ST

FR. THADDEUS FAREWELL



St. James Parish invites you to a farewell luncheon in honor of **Fr. Thaddeus**, to be held on **Sunday, June 8th**, immediately following the **12:00 PM Mass in Kavanagh Hall**.

We offer our sincere gratitude for his faithful ministry and years of devoted service to our parish community. Please join us in celebrating his contributions and extending our blessings as he embarks on a new chapter.

SINGLES FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Sunday, June 22nd, after the 12pm Mass
in **Kavanagh Hall**.

If you are single, divorced or widowed (**ages 45+**) & looking for friends to "hang around with" in a safe environment, come join us!

Contact: Ely
424-398-9987



May 3rd, Hemet Outdoor Ramona Play

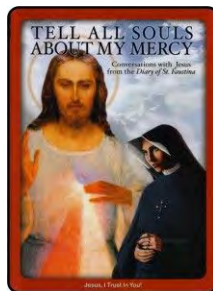


May 17th, Hike in Rancho Palos Verdes

MOVIE NIGHT

HOSTED BY

MEDJUGORJE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP



We will have a movie night on **Monday, June 9th in Kavanagh Hall**.

Movie is a documentary,

Tell All Souls About My Mercy, conversations with Jesus from the Diary of St. Faustina

Rosary starts at 7, followed by 60-minute movie.

Refreshments too!!!

MEMORIAL DAY

"Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

— St. John 15:13

DID YOU KNOW?

Age-appropriate curiosity in school-aged children

Last week, we covered young children and natural curiosity about their bodies. This week, we will explore natural curiosity behaviors in school-aged children (around 7-12 years old). It's important to understand the difference between appropriate and inappropriate, as inappropriate behaviors could be a sign of abuse. Common curiosity at this

age includes playing games with same-aged friends like "family" or "dating," or wanting privacy. Children at these ages may also begin to take an interest in members of the opposite sex and ask questions about relationships. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Differentiating age-appropriate curiosity from harmful sexual behavior" 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
to be a deacon?**



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 Night

Year 1: Sunday, June 8th

Teen Night

Wednesday, May 28th

This past Friday, May 23rd, 111 of our teens, as well as 16 adults, received the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. Congratulations to all of our newly Confirmed! Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Registration for our upcoming 2025-2026 Confirmation year will open at the end of June/early July. For more information or to be one of the very first to be notified once registration opens, please contact our 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.

Gretchen Nobleza

Director of Confirmation & Youth Ministry



Contact us:

Email: youthministry@stjamesparish.org

Website: www.saintjamesym.org

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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION/ *RELIGIOUS EDUCATION*

Dear Friends and Families of Saint James,

Happy Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia!

As we look back upon this year of faith formation at St. James, 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. 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.

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9 AM - 10 AM (O'Gorman Center) Events
Spring Sing
6 PM - 7 PM (St. James Church) Events

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>

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:

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| 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

Parents can keep a child identification kit, including a recent photo and descriptive details such as height, weight and age.

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

CONCORDANCE OF FAITH

A penitent spoke to his Priest about once again coming up a little short along the spiritual continuum of love of neighbor, despite knowing the Ten Commandments and John 13, with the part about the "new commandment" to love thy neighbor in order to be more readily recognized as a Christian.

The Priest once again reminded him to patiently and empathetically consider the foibles, frailties, and challenges faced by those "neighbors" he encountered daily in order to see both sides, in the spirit of the "new commandment."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church #1450-1451 instructs: "Penance requires the sinner to endure all things willingly, be contrite of heart...practice complete humility ...together with the resolution not to sin again."

The National Catholic Register helps to stabilize and clarify the framework of an elevated confession space by way of a series of brass-tack, bottom-line confession-guide questions as part of a solid framework of spiritual reference. Here follows just a few of those questions:

Q: Do I give God time every day in prayer; do I love Him with my whole heart?

A:

Q: Do I seek to surrender myself to God's word as taught by the Church?

A:

Q: Do I speak badly of others...am I sincere...[or] critical, negative, or uncharitable...

A:

Now, a portion of a prayer before confession:

"O most merciful God, I sincerely desire to leave all my evil ways...give me a lively faith and a firm hope in the Passion of my Redeemer..."

Pope Leo, in his opening address, reminded us of God's love for us. Now we are reminded by the catechism about a spirit of humility, with a contrite heart, that it is incumbent upon us to love God... and one another.

Avoiding the near occasion of sin... now that's a genuine and lively faith.

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, **karen.cuni@gmail.com**

PRAYER REQUEST

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

**Bonita Becker, Christine Davis, Ella Bradshaw,
Jacqueline Archambault**

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

**Thomas Doty, Robert Shaffer, Lucy C. Flores,
Jim Eppolito, Colleen Lauren, Orlando San Luis Negrete,
Hector Torres, Krissy Carlos, John Thomas Kendall**

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

Among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.
Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 / Lk 1:39-56

Sunday

**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare
of trumpets for the Lord.**
Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 /
Lk 24:46-53

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

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| Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm | May 24 Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Chibuike | Martha Rodriguez † Mother's Day Novena |
| Sun. 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 noon 5:30 pm | May 25 Fr. Chibuike 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 † |
| Mon. 9 am | May 26 Fr. Matt | Memorial Day Mother's Day Novena Christopher Sun |
| Tues. 8 am 12 noon | May 27 Fr. Chibuike Fr. Thaddeus | Mother's Day Novena Miroslava Denise Anaya † |
| Wed. 8 am 12 noon | May 28 Fr. Jim Fr. Matt | Mother's Day Novena John Thune † |
| Thurs. 8 am 12 noon | May 29 Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus | Mother's Day Novena Lynda Nannes |
| Fri. 8 am 12 noon | May 30 Fr. Chibuike Fr. Thaddeus | • Ramon, Jr. & James Pelayo Mother's Day Novena Cheryl Henderson † |
| Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm | May 31 Fr. Jim Fr. Matt | Mother's Day Novena Suzanne Allred † Iris Patricia Cureton † |
| Sun. 6:30 am 8 am 10 am 12 noon 5:30 pm | June 1 Fr. Chibuike Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus Fr. Jim | Ascension of the Lord David A. Franco † Cecilia Eaton † Ann Campis Jesse Zdziarski † Helen Fischer † Catherine A. Betts † Steven Henderson † Deacon Tom McManus † Javier Antonio † Estelita Ilasco Alba † |

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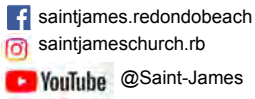
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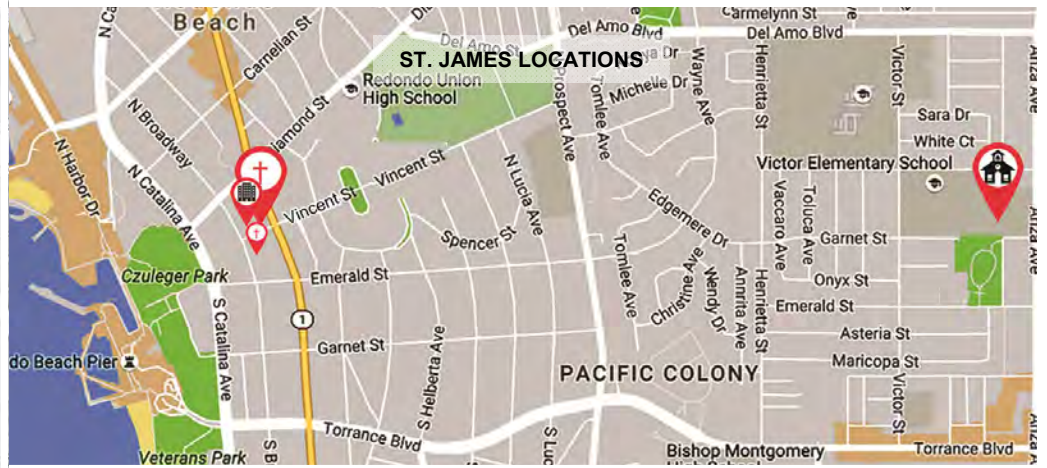
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