

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!



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. Lk. 5:10-11

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

Pastor's Letter

Hello Beautiful Children of God!

Our Gospel passage this week tells of Jesus' calling the first disciples; Andrew and his brother Peter as well as the sons of Zebedee, John and James. Jesus is walking along the Lake of Gennesaret shore when he hops into Peter's boat to teach. When he's finished, the command is given for Peter to "put out into the deep" despite the fact that they have fished all night and caught nothing.

How on earth did Peter make a living?!

When the fishermen lowered the nets at Jesus' command, they caught so many fish that the boats were sinking. Talk about a change in fortune!

Truth is, this miraculous catch of fish would lead to a life -changing transformation, not just a moment of awe.

Jesus had much bigger plans for these four fisherman.

Unknown to them, He was calling them to lead His Church, and thankfully, they followed. I believe that Peter had an inkling of understanding when he fell at the feet of Jesus and asked him to depart because he was a "sinful man." It wasn't the first time our Lord heard an excuse not to answer the call of discipleship, and it certainly would not be the last.

How often do we find reasons to ignore the promptings of the Holy Spirit calling us in a new direction?

Jesus provides unlimited opportunities to serve Him on a daily basis, but something prevents us from answering the call – "I'm not prepared" "Somebody else will meet their need" "I have other pressing issues" "I'm not worthy to serve." Does this sound familiar?

Well, Jesus doesn't ask for our worthiness, he asks for our cooperation. As the old saying goes, "Jesus doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called." If the Lord calls us to serve, he will give us all that we need to accomplish the mission. Our role is simple, to pray and discern how and where God is calling us to build His kingdom on earth. Same as Peter and the other disciples, God has much bigger plans for our lives than we can imagine. Like Peter, let's be ready to drop our plans to follow Jesus so that his Master plan can unfold in our life. Be amazed at what our Lord can do with your life and how many lives can be touched through participation in His grace. God bless,

Fr Matt

Virtus® Recertification Class

Wednesday, February 12th in Room 6 of the

Parish Center from 6-7:30pm.

If you have any questions or need to verify your certification expiration date, please call Jeannie at the Parish Office at **310.372.5228**.

Together in Mission Commitment and Collection is Feb. 1st and 2nd



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 and hope.

www.timgive.org
Select St. James Parish—Redondo Beach (P615)

Tuesday Bible Study

"Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled" by Ascension.

Please join us on Tuesday, Feb. 4th in Kavanagh Hall at 7pm. as we cover Session 6 – Luke 13-17, Following Jesus

Jesus Gave Us the Greatest Bible Study of All Time You will witness key moments in salvation history including the Annunciation, the Nativity, his public ministry, and Jesus' suffering, death, and glorious Resurrection.

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.



Sadly, No coffee or Donuts this weekend

Shining Stars Honoree

Kathleen Kay Bawolski

Kathleen (Kay) Bawolski was born in Grand Forks, North Dakota. She went to Montana to study as medical secretary. After graduation, she moved to Los Angeles and worked as surgical transcriber at Good Samaritan Hospital.

Robert was born in Fresno, California. His family moved to Inglewood. After graduation, he



became a successful banker with Bank of America for 46 years until he retired in 1986.

Bob and Kay met in 1951 on a blind date through a mutual friend. After 18 months, they got married and settled in Torrance and became active members of St. James parish community.

Bob joined the Holy Name Society. He served as treasurer of St James Vincent de Paul Society for 25 years. He was also a member of the Finance Council and a money counter.

As the parish needed volunteers for Eucharistic Ministers

for the Homebound, he volunteered and became one.

Kay joined the Women's Council, participating in cleaning the altars and served on the board for one year. She was instrumental in helping Sister Anne Luis organized the Bereavement Hospitality Reception committee.

Kay and Bob were blessed with four children (Michael, Mary, Robert and Edward). They all attended St James School. Shortly after retiring, Bob was diagnosed with melanoma. After 4 years of battling his cancer, he passed away at 69. Kay went on with her life caring for her children and grandchildren.

Keeping herself active in her 90's, she started taking guitar lessons for 7 years. She enjoyed her friends at St. James, playing cards, traveling and cruising, going to movies and concerts with them.

She felt that St James was her second home. She truly appreciates the love that St. James Parish community has brought to her life strengthening her utmost faith in Our Lord.

She is our oldest parishioner at the age of 98 and she still drives her car and she still helps out with the Bereavement Hospitality Committee.

What a LADY!

Join us as we honor Kay and others at the Gala!



OCI Invitation

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

Bingo! Bingo! Bingo!



Play 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. Contact: Parish Office **310.372.5228**

Science Fair Volunteers Needed

St. James School is looking for parish volunteers to serve as judges for our Middle School Science Fair on February 26th from 8:30am- to noon. This is a great opportunity to support our young students as they display their hard work. No prior experience is necessary—just a willingness to engage with the students and provide encouragement.

Please email **ngurrola@sjscatholicschool.org** or call **310.371.0416.** Thank You!

Eucharistic Adoration



Holy Hour Adoration Feb. 14th at 7pm

Benediction and Adoration Feb. 21st from 8:45-12 noon

Human Trafficking Awareness



Find online safety tools for educators, parents, and kids at www.missingkids.org/netsmartz/home

Emphasis is on protecting children from inappropriate online requests.

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

Get Involved!
Contact: Rick Page CandRpage2@gmail.com

Join the Legion of Mary Meets every Saturday at 9:30am in Room 6 of the Parish Center

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 (SMMM)



Opportunities to Grow your Faith and Religious Education





Tickets here: www.tinyurl.com/f7fwfs3b

Join the 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. Our activities include group outings as well as some FUNdraising activities, like participating in the Holiday Boutique or our CDA Annual Tea.

We use our time and talents to raise money for several, mostly local, charities in the service of Christ.

Contact: Amie Jacoby

Email: AjaCobyCDA@gmail.com

Email: CourtOurLadyofVictory@gmail.com

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 at dnbob99@gmail.com or call us at 310.386.2930. If you know of someone who may benefit from this process, please feel free to past this information along to them.

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

In addition to the food items we are in need of **toiletries** and socks. 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

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!





UPCOMING DATES

Confirmation Nights

Year 2: Saturday, February 8th

LA Youth Day

Thursday, February 20th

It's a busy time for us here in Youth Ministry! Planning has officially started for our upcoming Year 2 weekend retreat taking place March 28th-30th. We are expecting close to 200 people - our biggest retreat yet! It's an exciting time for our team as we allow the Holy Spirit to move through us in these planning stages.

We also have a group of 56 teens and chaperones attending LA Youth Day at the Anaheim Convention Center on Thursday, February 20th. Youth Day is an annual event hosted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles where thousands of teens throughout our city gather for worship, interactive workshops and liturgy. In addition, we also have eight teen volunteers from our parish that will be working behind the scenes to help gather and lead this event. Our young church is truly alive here at St. James!

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: youthmininstry@stjamesparish.org

Website: www.saintiamesym.org

Text: **424.265.8336**

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Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of St. James.

We will celebrate **Children's Liturgy of the Word today**, Sunday, February 9th, at the 10am Mass.

We look forward to seeing your children, ages 4-12, there.

For families in **Traditional Faith Formation**, we will see you at St. James School this Tuesday, February 11th, for our next class.

God Bless! Andrea Sullivan, Director of Religious Education

Singles Friendship Club Meeting

Sunday, Feb 9th, after the noon Mass in Kavanagh Hall.

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We will talk and discuss our Valentine's Party at this meeting. If you are single, divorced or widowed (ages 45+) and looking for friends to "hang around with" in a safe

environment, come join us! For more info, call Ely at 424-398-9987



Lots of fun learning about early CA history on our recent excursion to San Luis Rey in Oceanside!

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



Cornerstone Retreat for Men Friday, Mar. 7th to Saturday, March 8th

26-hours of an experience you will never forget.



The opportunity to reflect, renew, and strengthen your faith with other men in our Catholic Community. Retreat is held at St. Lawrence Martyr Parish Hall. No Cost — You can also register at www.STLM.org/CS

Questions? Call Mike at 661.993.7501





I have enjoyed serving in many Catholic parish ministries. I have found that Cornerstone stands out among them as the one in which men can share the personal ways we have followed Jesus Christ and sought to apply His gospel in our lives.

The relationships and community I have realized through Cornerstone have encouraged me tremendously in my Christian faith.

Dan Houston

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC SS SCHOOL

Enrollment Has Started! Grades TK-8

St. James School is beginning open enrollment for the 2024-25 school year.

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

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

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.SaintJames.school or wwww.sjscatholicschool.org

2025 Women's Cornerstone Retreat is Friday, March 14th at 6pm until Saturday, March 15th at 8pm



Good Morning, my dear beautiful sisters,

I want to thank you for such a beautiful retreat. What a way to share 26 hours of Love, Faith, Courage, Determination, Prayer, Peace. I believe our Lord and our amazing sisters personally prepared for us. I've spend the most amazing 26 hours with God and each of you ladies.

Thank you, thank you, thank you for making me feel special and loved. I can't even believe everything that happened there, so special with all the beautiful, meticulous preparation by our sisters.

Oh, My Lord. All I can say is thank you again for creating beautiful memories, new family, and to know that I am not alone. I have family, more sisters and most of all our Lord was present with us every single minute, guiding us and letting us know that we are important, that He can fix everything if only we believe in Him.

Dear sisters, please know that I am just a phone call away if anyone needs anything.

Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Jesus Christ. I love you with all my heart.

Carmen Miguel

Register and learn more: www.SaintJames.Church/CFW



"And Who Is My Neighbor?"

Among the readings this week we find:

"He promised to show mercy..."

The lexicon of Catholicism is noted for some beautiful, sacred, essential and foundational words such as: *Pardon; Absolution; Remission; Clemency; Exculpation; Vindication, Compassion; Forgiveness.*

Q: That scripture reading and the terms above are synonymous with what Christian virtue? **A: Mercy**.

Pope Francis has said, "Mercy is the true face of love...the Good Samaritan is a model for Christians...loving others as ourselves is a way to show love for God." In an Angelus reflection the Holy Father reminds that.

"We are called to show compassion, mercy and tenderness, which are the criteria by which we will be judged by the Lord."

The USCCB, in a discussion of the works of mercy, refers us to Catechism #2447 which outlines Church teachings about the *Spiritual Works of Mercy*, among these are *consoling*, advising and comforting, and the Corporal Works of Mercy, which include feeding the hungry and sheltering the homeless.

Addressing the bottom line of Mercy, Matthew 6 gives us:

"If you forgive others their transgressions, your heavenly Father will forgive you."

"He promised to show mercy..."

Sacramental Confession

No sin is new to him.

No wrongdoing too great.

Come to Confession and experience the cleansing power of God's love.

Saturday from 4-5 pm in Church or by calling the office for an appointment.

Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group

- Meets every Monday at 7pm, in Kavanagh Hall
- All present may offer their prayer intentions
- We pray the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Consecration Prayers and we also read a Scripture passage.
- Free prayer pamphlets and refreshments too!

Call Dean for more info, 310.717.6924.



merican Blood Drive Sunday, February 23rd 7:30am– 2pm Church parking lot

Gospel Meditation — Father John Muir My parents' garage is full of old junk that no longer

My parents' garage is full of old junk that no longer serves any purpose in my life.

As a 46-year-old man, I admit that's pretty lame. Either due to my sentimentality or laziness (or both, probably), I just couldn't get myself to throw things away. But a few days ago, by a grace of God, I thought: "I'll hire my nephew Ryan to throw a bunch of my stuff away — he couldn't care less about my junk!" And you know what? It worked. In one day, Ryan chucked the majority of his uncle's useless stuff. I feel so free, ready for a new junk-free chapter in my life.

This kind of thing happens in this Sunday's Gospel. Peter's net is full of useless junk. Luke says he and the others are cleaning their nets after catching no fish. Imagine them dejectedly and impatiently removing a nasty assortment of seaweed, sticks and muck. The Lord teaches and calls them once their nets are cleared out. So it goes with us. Spiritual life begins by removing that which is useless and merely taking up space in our hearts, minds and lives. Then Jesus teaches and acts in a marvelous way in our lives, too.

So what's junking up your net?

What habits, attachments, possessions, preoccupations? If, like me, you struggle to clean your nets by yourself, ask the Lord to send you someone like my nephew to be your "Peter" and help you clean it out. It is well worth it.

Once Peter's net is clean, he is free to make a wonderful catch.

We've Missed you!

Your church is open for prayer from 7am-6pm daily.

Daily Masses are 8 am and 12 noon

Monday-Friday with the rosary prayed immediately
afterward. Our Saturday daily Mass is at

8am and Sunday Vigil is at 5:30pm.

Receive the Eucharist: the true body and

Receive the Eucharist; the true body and blood of Christ hidden in the form of a host.

In the Eucharist, and only in the Eucharist, he makes his body and blood present to us in a real way. This is why the sacramental presence of Christ's body and blood is so extraordinary. In all of the other sacraments, Jesus gives us his grace,

says St. Thomas Aquinas, whereas in the Eucharist, the "sacrament of sacraments," he gives us his whole self, his divinity and his humanity. Call us if you are unable to attend so an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist can bring Him to you.

We're not complete without you!

www.catholic.com/magazine/print-edition/why-go-to-mass

You

are

missed.

Every

Every

day.

way.

Readings

Monday

May the Lord be glad in his works.

Gn 1:1-19 / Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday

O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

Gn 1:20-2:4a / Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday

O bless the Lord, my soul! Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17 / Mk 7:14-23

Thursday

Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Gn 2:18-25 / Mk 7:24-30

Friday

Blessed are those whose sins are forgiven.

Gn 3:1-8 / Mk 7:31-37

Saturday

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Gn 3:9-24 / Mk 8:1-10

Sunday

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. Jer 17:5-8 / 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 / Lk 6:17, 20-26

Prayer Requests

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

Gracie Insogna, Napora Family, Robert & Julia Dances, Christina Sohng, Sherry Stork, Dennis Powell. Teresa Gratz

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

Barbara McCall, Meletino Tuppo, Josephina Saspa, Susan Gayle Sears, Francisco Lujan

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., Feb 8 8 am 5:30 pm	Fr. Jim Fr. Chibuike	Martin De Souza Ѣ Marcie Buscher Ѣ Nancy Kraus Ѣ
Sun., Feb 9 6:30 am	Fr. Thaddeus	Wally & Virginia Gill ชิ Stan Berry ชิ
8 am	Fr. Jim	Patrica Zigrang & Anthony&CatherineMenezes&
10 am	Fr. Matt	Hector Alba ਚੈ Douglas Neil Privitt ਚੈ
12 noon	Fr. Matt	Mark Tranckino む Ann Chorbi
5:30 pm	Fr. Thaddeus	Theresia Griswold ੳ Michael Drook ੳ
Mon., Feb 10 8 am 12 noon	Fr. Matt Fr. Jim	Erlinda Pascual ⊕ Theresia Conklin
Tues., Feb 11 8 am 12 noon	Fr. Chibuike Fr. Thaddeus	Christina Sohng Leonard Richard Lord ⊕
Wed., Feb 12 8 am 12 noon	Fr. Jim Fr. Matt	Ed & Eileen Staal John Freeman
Thurs., Feb 13 8 am 12 noon	Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus	Jaime D. Reyes ⊕ Lucille Hermsdoff
Fri., Feb 14 8 am 12 noon	Fr. Chibuike Fr. Thaddeus	Dylan Martins Louise Witos
Sat., Feb 15 8 am 5:30 pm	Fr. Matt Fr. Thaddeus	Theresa Ittner ชิ Donald Douglas Drorbaugh ชิ Loretta Palmer ชิ
Sun., Feb 16 6:30 am	Fr. Thaddeus	Agnes De Souza Josephine Cotti ⊕
8 am	Fr. Chibuike	Kenneth Scruggs む Susan Gayle Sears む
10 am	Fr. Matt	Cameron Noble ⊕ Kimberly Wannot
12 noon	Fr. Jim	Leila Clark ជ Ernestina Higareda ជ
5:30 pm	Fr. Matt	Barbara McCall む Meletino Tuppo む

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



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Deacon Bob & Patty Miller Deacon Couple DnBob99@gmail.com

Helping Children Grow in Faith

"Train the young in the
way
they should go;
even when old,
They will not swerve
from it."
Proverbs 22:6



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Office Hours 7:30 am- 3:30 pm



Andrea Sullivan Director of Religious Education Andrea@stjamesparish.org 310.379.3221

Office Hours

Mon., Tues., Wed: 9am - 3pm Tues. during class times 4 - 6pm Thurs. by appointment only



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Helping Adults Grow in Faith

Confessions
Saturday 4-5 pm
in church
"Lord, cleanse
me of my guilt"

Eucharistic Ministers for the Homebound

John Cable 310.372.5228

Eucharistic Ministers for Care Centers

Miki Finken 310.316.3890

Bible Study

Tuesday night at 7pm in Kavanagh Hall or online via Zoom

Donna Wilson DWilson94@gmail.com

Come, share and participate in our Church Community.

Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group

Monday night at 7pm in Kavanagh Hall

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