

Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm in church | Sunday Mass 8 am in church, 10, 12 noon at St. James School | Mon.-Sat. 8 am in Church

Welcome!

Thank you for worshipping with us!
We are not complete without you!

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,
and he remained in the desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan. Mk. 1:12



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

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Pastor's Corner

Pastors' Corner

Lent is often a time for us to give up something. Mostly we try to give up a bad habit or something we really enjoy. Our goal is to get through Lent with our resolution still intact. We thank God for giving us the perseverance we needed, and then we go back to those same bad habits or enjoyments because Lent is over.

The problem is that Lent is so much more than just giving up something. The giving up of something is supposed to help us gain discipline over our weaknesses and more importantly, it is supposed to provide an opportunity for God's love and presence to grow stronger in our hearts.

Pope Francis has given us a reflection on what some of our goals for Lent could be that have a focus on our heart. They can only be accomplished when we open our hearts to God's peace and love and in prayer we are changed so internally that it truly affects and enriches how we see ourselves and how we see others. We invite you to consider some of the Pope's ideas of 'fasting' into your Lenten journey this year.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

May the Lord bless us all in this holy season.

Msgr. Mike
Fr. Emmanuel

Virtus® Recertification Class via Zoom

All parish and school volunteers are required to be Virtus® trained. Recertification Class
"Keeping the Promise Alive" Zoom Class
Tuesday, March 2nd, 4–5:30 pm
To register please call the parish office: 310.372.5228
This class is for St. James Parishioners only.
If you have taken the class elsewhere, please bring a copy of your certificate to the parish office.



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.

Catholic Daughters Court Our Lady of Victory



Lenten Retreat

Please join us
Saturday, Feb 27th from 9-11am on Zoom!

Father Jim Kavanagh will be presenting
"The Meaning of Loss"

RSVP—please email
CourtOurLadyofVictory@gmail.com and we will
send you the zoom link.

If you wish to make a donation, all donations go directly
to Father Jim, you can either drop a check at the
St. James Parish office or Venmo us at CDA
Court Our Lady of Victory and we will write a
check to Father Jim.

Questions? **Mary Costello at 310.316.0768**
or Kristin Flannery at 310.529.6813

We will be recording and posting this for future viewing.

Q: As we know, with his Apostolic Letter *Patris Cordi*, Pope Francis proclaimed this as a celebratory “Year of Saint Joseph.”

What does the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tell us about Joseph?

A: In a year that seeks to honor St. Joseph, we find that the *Catechism* broadly and also specifically describes the virtues that are to be found in a family, a good spouse, and a father. Yet, the man himself, Joseph, is, in a literary sense, somehow elusive and only fleetingly glimpsed amid those pages; even his name is not listed in the index of the *Catechism*.

Pope Francis acknowledges that in the gospels, while Matthew and Luke, the two evangelists who speak most about the lowly carpenter tell us very little, still the Holy Father cites scripture which presents Joseph with that “*Patris Cordi*”, that “father’s heart.”

“*He was a just man, ever ready to carry out God’s will as revealed to him in the law and through four dreams.*”

And here perhaps is part of the pontiff’s rationale for the Year of Saint Joseph, as phrased by the *Catechism*: “*Christ chose to be born and grow up in the bosom of the holy family of Joseph and Mary.*”

The Church is nothing other than the family of God. In our own time, in a world often alien and even hostile to faith, believing families are of primary importance as centers of living, radiant faith. For this reason the Second Vatican Council, using an ancient expression, calls the family the *Ecclesia domestica*...the first heralds of the faith...”

There are many inspirational prayers consecrating St. Joseph available, yet again we find that elusive factor because while he is the head of that original familial, “domestic church”, finding specific hymns to St. Joseph isn’t easy. Our own *Choral Praise* hymnal does not have a “St. Joseph” section of songs.

Here are two verses from an old hymn composed by the Sisters of Notre Dame of Liverpool, England with sentiments relevant to today’s challenges:

*Dear St. Joseph, kind and loving,
Stretch to us a helping hand;
Guide us through life’s toils and sorrows
Safely to the distant land.*

*Though hast known a pilgrim’s sorrows,
But thy day of toil is o’er;
Help us while we journey onward
Lead us to the peaceful shore.*

The St. James Choir sings a lovely Richard Gillard hymn called “*The Servant Song*”, that musically expresses some of the themes applicable to the nurturing, humble spirit of St. Joseph; truly a servant, *par excellence*:

*I will hold the Christ light for you,
In the night time of your fear,
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.*

St. Joseph. His were a pilgrim’s sorrows, out of which came a living, radiant faith.

Mass Schedule and Locations

Sunday Vigil Mass is Saturday at 5:30pm inside St. James church

This Mass is recorded and posted online Sat. at 8pm.

Sunday Mass Schedule - 8 am is celebrated inside St. James Church

Sunday 10 am & Noon Masses are celebrated

St. James School
4625 Garnet (at 20559 Anza)
Torrance, CA 90503
Please bring your own chairs.

8am Daily Masses are inside St. James Church.

Daily Masses are recorded and posted daily at 9:30 am at **SaintJames.Church**

Tuesday Night Online Bible Study

The St. James Tuesday Night Online Bible Study group has started a new 11 week course:

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come
by Ascension Press.



Please join us this Tuesday as we discuss:

Session 7 - Revelation 14-15 - Praising the Lamb

Every
Tuesday evenings from
7—8:30p
via Zoom.

**Come, share
and participate
in our faith
Community**

For information and login information, please contact:
Donna Wilson: dwilson94@gmail.com

Dear St. James Parishioners,

At Bishop Montgomery High School, we aim to have a well-rounded community, similar to a family, not just during Catholic Schools Week but all year long. We set goals for each other and push ourselves and our community to meet these goals.

The Bishop Montgomery community continually comes together to put on special events for students to celebrate our faith and our community. We have retreats, service opportunities, concerts, talent shows, an Arts Fest week, numerous clubs to join, and athletic events that can make one's Bishop Montgomery High School experience even better. Bishop is a welcoming community that brings people together, not only through school, but also through our faith.

We, again, want to emphasize how grateful and appreciative we are to the educators, principals, pastors, priests, and families who helped us get here through their support of Catholic education and its mission to develop students, not just academically, but spiritually as well. Thank you.

Best Wishes,

2020-2021 Campus Ministry
Bishop Montgomery High School

Now is the time to change course

Confessions available in St. James church every Saturday from 4-5 pm or by appointment.



Human Trafficking Awareness

Shop at Ten Thousand Villages in Riviera Village for handmade fair-trade gifts in **February and March and mention F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY**. We will receive 15% of your purchase to forward to Gems Uncovered and their aid to trafficking victims.



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of St. James and St. Lawrence Martyr
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Religious Education

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,

Congratulations to the children of the parish who have received their **First Sacrament of Reconciliation!**

We ask for continued prayers for these children and their families as they prepare their **First Communion**. Parents of First Communicants, please check your emails for an update on our plans, which have changed from what was shared at the beginning of the year. If you do not have an email from the Religious Education Office with the new dates, please contact us.

As I said in our Religious Education newsletter for February, Lent is one of the two liturgical seasons the Church sets aside to help us refocus our lives. Advent is the other. I like to say that Advent is the time that we look for God coming into the world, and Lent is the time that we pause to consider where we have missed seeing God coming into our lives.

As we journey through Lent, I encourage all our parish families to consider what you can do to celebrate the season:

- Maybe you could add a prayer time before dinner or bedtime to your family's routine?
- Maybe your family could consider making a donation to a food pantry to help feed those who are hungry?
- Maybe you could take walks once a week to appreciate God's presence in all of creation?
- If you would like to consider more ideas, you can find a link to a Lenten Calendar on the Religious Education page of the parish website.
Saintjames.church/re

God's love is truly all around us, reaching out to us through one another, through nature, and through the Sacraments.

May this season of Lent help you and your family to be more aware of God in your lives!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call. We are here **Monday to Thursday from 9am-3pm**, and our phone number is **310.379.3221**.

Andrea Sullivan,

Director of Religious Education

St. James Catholic Preschool

The Preschool is now **accepting applications for Fall 2021 season**. If you would like to schedule a tour or request a registration form, call us at **310.376.5550** or email saintjamespreschool123@gmail.com.

May God continue to shine His love on our preschool.

Wendy Bell, Director, St. James Catholic Preschool

Dear Friends and Families of St. James,
School traditions, celebrations and prayer services continue whether in person or on Zoom.

The school **celebrated 100 days of school** on February 11th with costumes and activities that marked this milestone.

On Wednesday, our families attended a morning assembly with Msgr. Mike to begin the season of Lent.

We are preparing to welcome cohorts of students back to in person learning as the case numbers in Los Angeles are decreasing.

Pray for our teachers and students as they begin a new chapter in this journey of education during a pandemic.

We are accepting registration for the 2021- 2022 school year. New Student registration is available on our website SJScatholicSchool.org.

Please email the school office@sjscatholicSchool.org or phone **310.371.0416** to reserve to schedule a Virtual tour or a meeting with the principal.

God Bless you,
Noreen Maricich
Principal, St. James School

UPCOMING DATES:

Confirmation Nights:

Sunday, 2/21 @ 6:30pm - Y2 Confirmation

Teen Nights:

Thursday, 2/25 @ 7pm

Many have wondered & it's now confirmed. Yes, we'll be having a Year 2 Retreat!

Since we're unable to have an in-person retreat, we'll be going virtual instead. Each week in the month of March, our Year 2 Confirmation candidates will hear powerful testimonies from our team members, dig deep into small group discussions & allow the Holy Spirit to work through them with engaging activities.

More than ever, our teens need your prayers & support as they continue to navigate through life virtually. Please pray that the love of Christ fills their hearts, especially as we prepare for this retreat experience coming up.

Please contact us at one of the options below for any questions or details on any future Youth Ministry events

Contact us:

Email: saintjamesym@gmail.com

Website: www.saintjamesym.weebly.com

Text: **424.265.8336**

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- **107 abortion centers closed**

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- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily, 7 days a week
- **Local contact:** Laura Frederick **202.361.5166**,

40Days4LifeLawndale@gmail.com

Learn more...get involved...sign up for prayer times at: 40daysforlife.com/Lawndale

Feed the Needy Update

We again want to thank you for your generosity over the past year. We could not have had such a successful program for helping members of our homeless community without you.

We continue to prepare **180 lunches** weekly on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays** for the needy.

Your kind assistance is needed whenever possible to provide the following:

Hamburger buns
chips
lunch meat
cheese sticks
fruit such as grapes and oranges
6 - 8 ounce small water and juices

These items all fit into lunch bags or into back packs.

We cannot accept or distribute used clothing due to the potential for spreading COVID 19.

Thank you again for your support.
You are a blessing to our ministry and Homeless Community.

Please contact me at **310.488.9480** if you have questions or need additional information.

Linda Cabibbo, Ministry Coordinator

Thank you for your support

Thank you for the many calls of appreciation that we can still be together as a parish family as best we can with this outreach.

We are grateful for your willingness to continue supporting St. James financially which will be especially critical these next few months.

If you are able, your best options are:

Mail your envelopes to the
St. James Parish Office
124 N. Pacific Coast Hwy.
Redondo Beach, CA 90277



Place in the Rectory mail slot at
415 Vincent St. 90277 or in church baskets in the
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Simply text any dollar amount to
St. James' Number: **424.317.8878**

Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus, I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.*

*Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.*

Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group Join us!



We continue to pray the rosary in the midst of this difficult time. We pray from the safety and privacy of our homes and remain united in Christ and each other.

Experience inner peace.
All may offer their own intentions.
Dean Campazzie 310.372.5182

Gospel Meditation

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision. ©LPi

Family Promise Volunteer Coordinator Needed

The mission of Family Promise of the South Bay is to work through local churches to change the lives of homeless families with children by offering temporary shelter, meals, and other assistance as they seek stable housing. Guests stay overnight, on-site at host congregations, such as St. James on a weekly, rotating basis, with each church hosting the families 3 to 4 weeks per year.

A Volunteer Coordinator is needed to manage the program for St. James as a host congregation. The Coordinator takes overall responsibility for ensuring that the host congregation's program runs smoothly.

Currently, due to COVID-19 restrictions the families are staying in a single host location and the Volunteer Coordinator is responsible for organizing and recruiting volunteers to help with grocery and gas gift cards and online donations for the week St. James participates as a remote host.

The coordinator position is an opportunity to form meaningful bonds, with the Family Promise guests and parishioners of St. James alike, while connecting with other participating congregations in the South Bay.

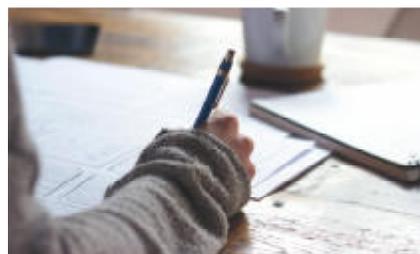
If you are interested in learning more please call **Nanette Bordenave at 310.612.7643** or email at **nanettebordenave@gmail.com**.

Saint James Niland Scholarships

The St. James Parish office will have applications available for **five scholarships** for seniors that will graduate from West Torrance, Redondo Union, or Bishop Montgomery High Schools and plan to attend a college or university in 2021.

These annual scholarships are offered to promote the involvement of young people in St. James Parish ministries. In accordance with the terms of the **Niland Endowment**, the scholarships are offered primarily based upon need, service to the parish/church community, involvement in church activities, GPA, and acceptance to an accredited college.

To apply you must be a registered member of St. James Parish and a practicing Catholic (e.g., confirmed and attending Mass regularly).



Completed application packages should be submitted to the parish office no later than

Monday, April 12th, 2021.



Into the Breach

Inspired by Bishop Olmsted's vision, the Knights of Columbus and the Diocese of Phoenix have joined together to produce a 12-episode video series, also titled Into the Breach. Each episode focuses on a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity and features interviews with well-known Catholic commentators and follows the personal story of a man whose life illuminates each theme.

The series can also be used for individual reflection and a study guide is available. By joining together in brotherhood, men receive the support they need to grow in virtue and to take action to serve Christ and others.

We hope that this series help you and all of us to step into the breach. To preview the video:

<http://www.kofc.org/intothebreach>.

Bundle Sunday—March 7th

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be sponsoring a Bundle Sunday on **March 7th from 8am to 2pm** in the Church Parking Lot. Your donation will either be given to the needy or sold in their Thrift Stores to support their charitable activities.



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... <https://hopeafterabortion.com/>

Spiritual Adoption

Daily prayer for a period of nine months:

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion." -

Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Your prayers CAN make a difference between whether a baby will be born...or aborted. Our prayers can also be a form of spiritual support for both of the parents. Please share the love of life given to you by the Lord of all life and join in spiritually adopting a baby.

<http://spiritualadoption.org>

A Prayer for Healing & Protection

Most merciful and loving God,
We come to you in our weakness.
We come to you in our fear.
We come to you with trust.
For you alone are our hope.

We place before you the pandemic present in our world.
We turn to you in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors.
Give understanding to scientists.
Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity.
Bring healing to those who are ill.
Protect those who are most at risk.
Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.
Welcome those who have died into your eternal home.

Stabilize our communities.
Unite us in our compassion.
Remove all fear from our hearts.
Fill us with confidence in your care.

Jesus, I trust in you. Jesus, I trust in you.

Jesus, I trust in you. Amen.

-Author Unknown

Sunday School

Would you like your children to learn about God's love for them? Would you like them to be familiar with favorite Old and New Testament bible stories? Would you like them to know basic Catholic prayers, but also to feel comfortable just talking to God in their own words? Do you wish there was a way for a preschool aged child to understand the message in the gospel reading?

If you have any questions or would like to enroll, please contact **Sheila Kelly at 714.391.3949**. Please text me first and let me know you are asking about Sunday School. You may also email me at skelly3156@gmail.com.



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the recent Baby Bottle campaign. You helped

raise over \$5,000 for the Pregnancy Help Center, assisting them to continue to provide free services, including ultrasound, and support even more women to make life-affirming choices about pregnancy. Your gift saves lives. If you forgot to turn in your baby bottle, you can still do so at mass or donate online at supportphctorange.org/contribute

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to make an appointment or ask questions

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Readings

Monday
**The Lord is my shepherd;
 there is nothing I shall want.**
 1 Pt 5:1-4 / Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday
From all their distress God rescues the just.
 Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday
**A heart contrite and humbled, O God,
 you will not spurn.**
 Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32

Thursday
**Lord, on the day I called for help,
 you answered me.**
 Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

Friday
If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, who can stand?
 Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26

Saturday
Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!
 Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48

Sunday
**I will walk before the Lord,
 in the land of the living.**
 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 /
 Rom 8:31b-34 / Mk 9:2-10

Prayer Requests

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

Joseph Hong

From death to new life.
 For the souls of the recently departed,
 that through the mercy of God,
 They may rest in peace:

Barbara Fox, Damilo Ordonez, Nancy Kraus



Gift Shop

The Gift Shop is now open for your gift needs by **appointment only**.

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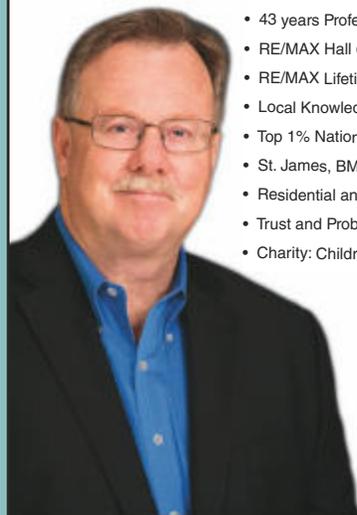
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Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	Feb 20 Fr. Emmanuel Msgr. Mike	Donald J. Trump Sabina Garcia † Alfredo Rosales †
Sunday 8 am 10 am 12 Noon	Feb 21 Msgr. Mike Fr. Emmanuel Fr. Jim	Nancy Diggs Gabriel Gutierrez † Severa Berrones Leon Campazzie Trey Van Norstrand Dennis Kute †
Monday 8 am	Feb 22 Msgr. Mike	Vito Stabile Jude & Kathy Santiago †
Tuesday 8 am	Feb 23 Fr. Emmanuel	Peter & Sharon Curtis & Family
Wed. 8 am	Feb 24 Msgr. Mike	Elizabeth Sjodin † Fr. Brendon Kearney †
Thurs. 8 am	Feb 25 Fr. Jim	Iraida Alvarez Naipo Family Guadalupe Conrad †
Friday 8 am	Feb 26 Fr. Emmanuel	Agenor Gellekanao †
Sat. 8 am 5:30 pm	Feb 27 Msgr. Mike Fr. Emmanuel	Agenor Gellekanao † Richard Gainey † Robert Holverson †
Sunday 8 am 10 am 12 Noon	Feb 28 Fr. Jim Msgr. Mike Fr. Emmanuel	Kate O'Connor Rea Anne Mawdsley † Maira Hong Nguyen † Philip Fernando † Luis & Delfina Cote † Cote & Ospino Family †

Priest celebrant may change according to circumstances

For prayer requests or to request a Mass intention,
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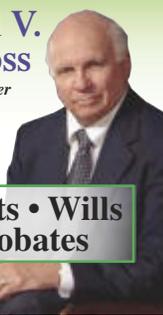
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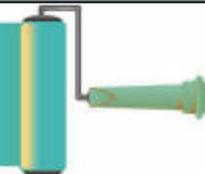
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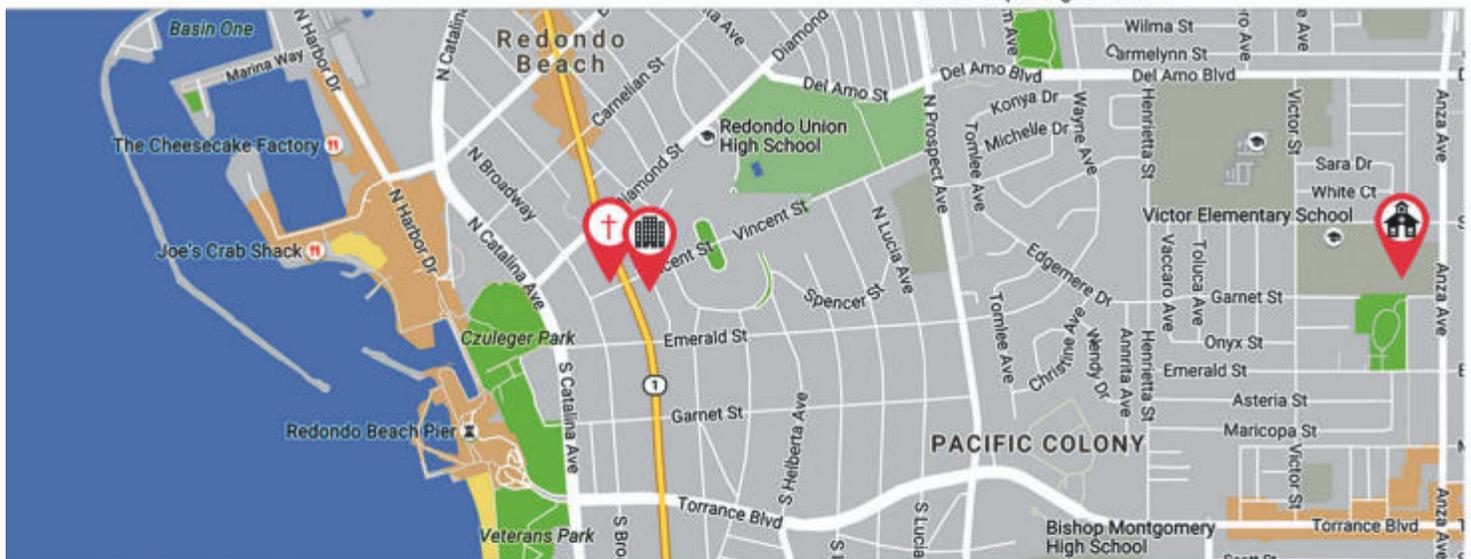
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