

JANUARY 9, 2022 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him.

LUKE 3:21

#### JOIN US FOR MASS!

- MONDAY FRIDAY 8:00 am | Holy Redeemer SATURDAY VIGIL MASS
- 4:00 pm | Holy Redeemer SUNDAY MASSES 8:30 am | St. James 10:00 am | Holy Redeemer 11:30 am | St. James 4 pm | Holy Redeemer

#### ADORATION

Mondays 7pm at Holy Redeemer

CONFESSIONS Mondays 7pm at Holy Redeemer Saturdays 8am at St. James

## CONTACT US

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"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

Sharing Faith, Celebrating Traditions and Serving Each Other to the Praise and Glory of God.



# STAFF

#### ORDAINED SERVANTS

Sister Mary Karen Collier S.S.L., Parish Life Director

Father Michael Grieco, Priest Minister

Father George Brincat, Pastor Emeritus -Our Lady of Lourdes

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## WELCOME!

Welcome to the Catholic Community of Holy Redeemer-St. James. Our parish is a place to grow, to put faith in action, and to use our gifts of time, treasure and talent as disciples of Christ. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today.

As we reflect on today's celebrations with our church family our friends and relatives, our hope is that we have experienced Jesus alive in us.

# SACRAMENTS

#### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on the:

- First Saturday at 10:00 am at HR
- Third Saturday at 10:00 am at SJ

Please call the parish office or contact Sister Karen: sisterssl@aol.com

#### MATRIMONY

Please contact the parish office upon engagement or at least 6 months prior to your wedding date to prepare for the celebration of this joyous Sacrament!

#### HOLY COMMUNION

The two year preparation for children who have attained the age of reason (6 years) is done through our Religious Education program or through the parish school. For adults, preparation is done through our parish RCIA program (RIte of Christian Initiation). For enrollment in either program, please contact the Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation, drehrsj@gmail. com

#### CONFIRMATION

Our two year parish confirmation program for high school youth is called "Sealed". To register or for more information, please visit hrsjlifeteen. com

For adults over 18 years of age, confirmation preparation is done through our RCIA (RIte of Christian Initiation) program. Please contact the Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation, drehrsj@gmail.com, for more information.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office if you would like to have a priest visit and anoint a sick loved one.

#### HOLY ORDERS OR RELIGIOUS ORDERS

Anyone interested in a religious life as a priest, deacon or sister, please call the parish office to arrange a meeting with Sr. Karen.

# IF YOU SHOULD EXPERIENCE THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE

We know this a tough time and we want you to know that your parish is there for you. If your loved one has passed or if you feel you will be in need, please call the parish office. Our Bereavement Ministers will assist in making arrangements with your chosen funeral directors and offer you helpful guidance that will aid in the Liturgical planning of the Mass or Memorial service.

# COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please call the parish office if you would like to receive Communion. We will make arrangements for a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick to visit.

# PRAYER & WORSHIP 📥 📥

#### TODAY'S READINGS

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17



SATURDAY, January 8 4:00 PM Ron McLoud +

SUNDAY, January 9 8:30 AM For the people of our parish

10:00 AM Joseph Antonio , In Thanksgiving Merdie Nave, In Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, January 12 8:00 AM Holy Souls THURSDAY, January 13 8:00 AM Taix Family Intentions

John Corrigan (Intentions)

FRIDAY, January 14

8:00 AM

Rosa & Frank Titus +

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Davenport



## IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS...

William & Irene McAndrew, Ron McLoud, Dolores Maggipinto, Jorge Gonzalez, Emma Eday, Alicia Yale, Sharon Le Berthon, Janet Keene, Trudy Lousen, Margaret Gibbons, Jim Le Berthon, Renee Meyerson, Roxanne Martin, Maryanne Moses, Patricia Ryan, Dominic Lingua, Thomas Hansen, Gary Lucero, Christopher Kramer, Harmon Jones, Rudolph Casillas, Regis Coyle, Bob Spychalsky, Maria Esparza, Bernie Sullivan, William Mulvoy, Andrew Clark, Veronica Ford, Travis Winsor, Kevin Tigui, Kaarel Tanner, Andre Hernandez, Linda Lim, Marecil Lim, Madeline Doctors, Diana Nunoz, Diosdado Enriquez, Lydia Alaoria, Kathy Garcia, Cory Luick, Melanie Salinas, Claire McLiam, Mike Delaney, Renee Nankervis, Dan Zimmerman, Diana Munoz, Jane Roach, Richard Mancini, Guillermo Gaetos, Mary Ann Gaetos, Daniel Alvarez, John Gianelli and Dennis Carroll.

A SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FROM THE PASTOR...

Jesus joins us to him in baptism. The Trinity is on full display here, as Jesus, beginning his public ministry, is baptized by the Holy Spirit. Jesus received his baptism through John, who, it is worth noting, is not God. Not only do we witness Jesus participating in an act that will become the cornerstone of the Christian faith, but we see it facilitated by a human whose divinity is as precarious as our own.

It is through Jesus's humanity that we are saved. He is both fully human and fully divine, and in this scene, his humanity is on display for us. He receives the sacrament of baptism, and thus participates in the act that our own lives require to gain entry to heaven. He's God. Why should Jesus bother getting baptized is he is one with the Holy Spirit already? Because the very act of God entering into humanity is to participate in it fully, unto death, and thus dignify human life and make it worthy of heaven.

Let us all strive to live our lives worthy of heaven and imitate the Christ.

Have a blessed week!

Sr. Karen Collier, SSL

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# ONGOING GATHERINGS

#### LITURGICAL

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Preschool and elementary children gather for an age appropriate interpretation of the Gospel during the 8:30 am Mass at St James on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Choir Practice is Thursday evening at 7:30pm in Holy Redeemer Church

#### FORMATION

Adult Bible Study Mondays at 9:30 am in HR Healy Hall Conference Center

Adult Bible Study Tuesdays at 9am meeting in SJ Parish Center

Teen Bible Study Tuesdays at

6:30pm meeting in SJ Parish Center

Women's Group Wednesdays at 9:30 am in HR Dina Martin Ministry Center and 7pm by Zoom

Mens Group Wednesday mornings at 6am in Dinah Martin MInistry Center

Book Discussion Group First Friday of the month 7-8:30 PM in Holy Redeemer Healy Hall

#### FELLOWSHIP

Senior Gatherings Holy Redeemer Pioneer Club meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at 11 am in HR Healy Hall.

DEVOTIONS Divine Mercy Prayer Group Wednesdays at 9:30 am in HR Church

#### OUTREACH

Brothers Helpers Tuesdays and Thursdays at Holy Redeemer Healy Hall at 3pm

Loaves and Fishes Holy Redeemer—2nd Sunday of each month in bins near restrooms. St. James—last Sunday of each month in bins in vestibule.

Knitting Ministry 1st and 3rd Thursday of month at 12:30 pm in HR Healy Hall Conference Center.



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Papal Intention for the month of January For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

#### SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

## DID YOU KNOW? Check your child's backpack

As you and your children prepare for their return to school after Christmas break, make sure they are not carrying too much around in their backpacks. Backpacks that are too heavy can cause problems like neck or back pain, or poor posture. The American Chiropractic Association (ACA) recommends that a child's backpack weigh no more than 5-10% of the child's body weight. Help your children by ensuring that they wear their backpacks correctly, with both straps over the shoulders, and that they are only carrying what they need. If you have concerns about the load your child is carrying, reach out to a teacher or school staff to discuss what should and should not be coming home every day.

For more information, visit nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/ child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids







Together in Mission is the annual appeal where all 288 parishes within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles asks parishioners to make gifts and pledges to directly and exclusively support the poorest parishes and schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, demonstrating our faith in and love for one another – and that we truly are on Church.

#### Together In Mission – Holy Redeemer – St James as of December 16, 2021

Our Commitment:	\$100,823
Pledges:	\$60,473
Pledges Received:	\$59,670
Difference <u>Under</u> Goal vs. Amount Paid:	\$41,153 -41%

As a parish, we must meet our commitment to the program by the end of this year – and your support is vital to our success. We thank those who have already pledged or donated; however, we need everyone's help- to make this program a success. If your family has not yet made a pledge, please consider what you can give and make a pledge or donation today – whatever amount you can.

Please support the 67 parish and 74 schools in need of fund assistance by visiting <u>http://givecentral.org/togetherinmission2021</u>



# THANK YOU FOR GIVING

St. James Online giving: https://hrsjcatholic.churchgiving.com Holy Redeemer Online giving: http s://hrsjcatholic2.churchgiving.com

Mail to: 2411 Montrose Ave. Montrose CA 91020

# OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



We will bring down all the Christmas decorations in both churches.

We are looking for some volunteers on January 10th for St. James at 9 am and January 11th for Holy Redeemer at 9 am.

We would certainly appreciate your help on either or both of those days!



This weekend we are pleased to welcome Rev. David E. Noone who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 19 developing countries.

To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org.

# EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY RETURNING JANUARY 2022!

Middle School youth in grades 6-8 are welcome to join us for Bible Study starting in January.

For more information, please visit: https://www.hrsjlifeteen.com/middle-school.html



# LIMITLESS

Four week virtual small-group process beginning the week of January 17, 2022. This evangellzing experience is the second of three in the Missionary Discipleship Pathway. For more information, visit lacatholics.org/limitless

#### WEEKLY THEMES & SMALL GROUP FORMAT

Week One – Follow Me Week Two – Limitless Desire Week Three – A Limitless Heart Week Four – Living a Limitless Life

Choose one Weekly Group:

- Monday Group: 7:00pm-8:20pm (1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7)
- Tuesday Group: 10:00am-12:00pm (1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8)
- Wednesday Group: 7:00pm-8:20pm (1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9)
- Thursday Group: 7:00pm-8:20pm (1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10)

Register for FREE: store.la-archdiocese.org/mdp2 Small Groups in Spanish Available





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Register today and connect with us!



#### CELEBRATING THE BEAUTY AND DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN LIFE

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 22,2022

- II AM Youth and Young Adult Kick-Off Event Olvera Street
- 12 PM Walk for Life
- I-4 PM OneLife LA LA Historic Park
- 5 PM Requiem Mass for the Unborn



SPEAKER

