THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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Saturday Vigil: 5PM
Sunday:
7AM, 8AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM and 5PM
7PM, on the first Sunday of the month

Weekday Mass
Monday / Wednesday / Friday:
8AM, 12:10PM, 5PM
Tuesday / Thursday:
6:30AM, 8AM, 12:10PM and 5PM
Saturday: 8AM

Holy Day Mass
Vigil: 5PM
Holy Day: 6:30AM, 8AM,
12:10PM, 5PM, and 7:30PM

Reconciliation (Penance)
Tues/Thurs: 7-7:15AM
Wed/Fri: 5:30-6PM
Saturday: 8:30-9AM | 4-4:30PM
Eves of Holy Days: 4-4:30PM
Confessions by request anytime; call Rectory for appointment.

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The Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2019

And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

Luke 3:22
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We welcome you to American Martyrs Catholic Community

PARISH FACILITIES

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Parish Offices
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O’Donnell Hall - Use Plaza entrance.
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Use Plaza entrance.

St. Kateri Room - Use Deegan Place entrance or East parking lot entrance.

Gym - 701 15th St | 310-802-8720
Do not park on 15th Street.
Use parking structure and crosswalk.

Holy Family House - 700 17th Street
Do not park on 17th Street.
Use lower level entrance next to Gym.

Parish House - 659 15th Street
Sacred Heart House - 720 18th Street
Do not park on 18th Street. Park in O’Donnell or school lots and enter from schoolyard.

Spirituality Center - 770 17th Street
Do not park on 17th Street; use parking structure.
St. Joseph’s Chapel, Meditation Garden,
Upper Room Library (open Sunday, 10am-4pm)

RESERVING A FACILITY

Email your facility request (or for a table outside weekend Masses) including the date, time, # of people attending, purpose of the event, and a contact name, phone and email.
We make every effort to reserve a space to accommodate your needs. Church and Sacraments have priority for use of our facilities.
We do not use our facilities for private parties.
Email: Facilities@AmericanMartyrs.org

We are happy that you have joined us today in the Celebration of the Mass. If you are traveling, we hope you find our Catholic home welcoming.

If you are new to the area, we hope you return to celebrate with us, and please consider joining our parish community. Stop by our Welcome Center for more info or visit us at www.AmericanMartyrs.org.

DAILY PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
Mon-Fri, 7:00AM-8:00PM
Sat, 7:00AM-5:00PM | Sun, 1:00PM-5:00PM
Closed during regular Sunday Masses.
Contact: AdorationChapel@AmericanMartyrs.org

Daily Rosary:
Monday - Saturday, 7:30AM

Morning Prayer:
Tuesday following the 6:30AM Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Devotion & Benediction)
Tuesday following 8AM Mass

Rosary for the Unborn
Wednesday following 5PM Mass, followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Armed Forces

We pray for those serving overseas in our Armed Forces, especially:
Sgt Ciriaco Ayala - U.S.M.C.
CPT Maureen Bannon - U.S. Army
LTJG Joshua Bergen - U.S. Navy
Cpt Evan Bernstein - U.S.M.C.
Jonathan Concetti - U.S.M.C.
SSG Eric Cothren - U.S. Army
PVT Julia Cothren - U.S. Army
CPT Maureen Bannon - U.S.M.C.
SGT Charles Koffman - U.S. Army
2d Lt Dominick Lucenti - U.S. Air Force
1LT Nicholas Marquez - National Guard
CDR Mike McIlroy Mullen - U.S. Navy
Brendan Quinn - U.S. Navy
LT Marissa Watson - U.S. Navy

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick in our community that they may find comfort and healing in Christ, especially:

Monica McPheeters | Sylvia Cassiano
Julia Bero | Christen Sproule
Bill Sweeney | Drake Walker
Tim Breen | Blake King
Erin Kelly | Matt King
David Weber | Kathy O’Mara
Maria Babick Larson | Alison Saba

IN MEMORIAM

Fr. Michael Gleason | Bette Safarik
Kathleen Mattis | Bud Freitas
Marianne Steinbroner | Maria Reynoso

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Congratulations:
Aaron Ramirez and Ana Martinez

Assistive Listening Devices

Headphones are available for 9:30AM & 11:30AM Sunday Mass.
If you have trouble hearing at Mass, check one out in the vestibule, and return the device after Mass.

Sacramental Information

Infant Baptism - 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 1:00PM
Contact Deacon Fred Rose, 310-545-5651, for appointment.
Pre-Baptism instruction for parents and godparents is required.
Next class is Sunday, January 13 at 7:00PM, no RSVP necessary.

Adult Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist (RCIA)

Deacon Derek & Terri Brown, RCIA@AmericanMartyrs.org
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults welcomes and prepares adults for full participation in the sacramental life of the Church.
Classes begin in September.

Marriage - Contact Rectory at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick - Celebrated at various times throughout the year. Call the Rectory anytime in case of serious illness.

Mass Intentions - Request in person at the Welcome Center.

Prayers for the Sick and Deceased - Contact the Rectory with the names of family members who are ill or deceased.

Funeral Planning
Contact the Rectory to arrange Funeral or Memorial Services.

Bereavement Support
Deacon Chris & Yvonne Amantea
camantea@AmericanMartyrs.org | yamantea@AmericanMartyrs.org

Next Weekend’s Mass Celebrants

Sat 5:00PM: Msgr. John Barry
Sun 7:00AM: Fr. Joe Kammerer
8:00AM: Fr. Joe Kammerer
9:30AM: Msgr. John Barry (Livestream)
11:30AM: Fr. Rick Prindle
5:00PM: Fr. Rick Prindle

This schedule is subject to change.

American Martyrs Catholic Community
Facilities

These can be some of the best assets to leave to charity because they can be fully taxed if left to your heirs.

For information, contact Bob Hodges at 310-545-5651 or bhodges@AmericanMartyrs.org

Mass Intentions and Readings for The Week

**MONDAY, January 14**

- 9:00 AM PH: Monday Morning Faith Sharing
- 7:00 PM HFH: Al-Anon Meeting
- 7:00 PM PH: Natural Family Planning

**TUESDAY, January 15**

- 5:30 AM PH: Men’s AA Meeting
- 8:30 AM ODH: Young at Art
- 9:15 AM OLMM: Tuesday Morning Scripture Study
- 10:00 AM SK: Senior Fellowship Group
- 3:30 PM PH: Legion of Mary
- 3:45 PM SCH: SRE Grades 1-6
- 6:00 PM HFH: Teen Tuesday
- 7:00 PM HFH: Beginning Again
- 7:00 PM SpC: Bereavement Support Group
- 7:00 PM SCH: Women’s AA Meeting
- 7:15 PM SCH: Jr. High SRE
- 7:30 PM SHH: Al-Anon Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, January 16**

- 10:00 AM SK: Mission Bridge
- 10:00 AM OLMM: Weekly Scripture Reading with Fr. Joe
- 3:45 PM SCH: SRE Grades 1-6
- 7:15 PM SCH: Jr. High SRE
- 7:30 PM SK: RCIA

**THURSDAY, January 17**

- 5:30 AM PH: Men’s AA Meeting
- 9:00 AM OLMM: Career BridgeBuilders Workshop 'New Year, New Strategy, New Job'

**FRIDAY, January 18**

- 11:15 AM Ch: Silent Meditation
- 3:00 PM SpC: Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings
- 6:30 PM SK: Italian Catholic Federation

**NOTE:** Dates and locations are subject to change without notice. Please check with the ministry to verify event.

**Planned Giving**

Have you considered American Martyrs Church or School as a partial beneficiary of your IRA, deferred compensation or 401(k)? These can be some of the best assets to leave to charity because they can be fully taxed if left to your heirs.

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Tithing Committee Update

We are a tithing parish and have made the commitment to give our “first fruits” to God through the practice of tithing. Through our Poor Fund we support many charitable organizations, and our Tithing Committee administers a portion of the Poor Funds to respond to grant requests.

One of our recent grants was given to Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, specifically to Our Lady of the Angels Region, for a project in the Venice community. The St. Robert’s Center is being renovated, in part with funding from American Martyrs Tithing Committee, and will provide respite day care for homeless and at-risk pregnant and parenting youth and their young children. The center will be able to provide rooms to rest, showers, laundry, nourishment, a Mommy & Me boutique for clothing and supplies, a food pantry, group therapy and group parenting classes, individual therapy and even a yoga and meditation room. The program, called “The Landing” at St. Robert’s Center, is expected to begin providing services in January 2019.

Please keep the team that is spearheading this project in your prayers, as well as the youth they serve. Your generosity helps make projects such as this possible.

Upcoming Workshops - Career BridgeBuilders

As we look at a brand new year with new opportunities, we share the workshops and networking planned for early 2019. All are welcome; there is no fee. Please RSVP; text 310-779-6099.

Kick-off Your 2019 Job Search - Andrea Connolly
Tuesday, January 29, 9:00AM–11:00AM
Create focus in your job search by identifying your priorities, strengths, values and setting boundaries. Participants will define a personal plan and priorities.

Resume Development Workshop - Grace Moniz
Thursday, February 7, 9:00AM–11:00AM
In a competitive job market, learn how to develop a compelling resume that showcases the essence of you and how to set yourself apart from the competition.

All sessions are in the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room.

For More Information: Andrea Connolly, careerbridgebuilders@AmericanMartyrs.org or check out our group on LinkedIn.
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**Parish Life**

**Pancake Breakfast!**

**Pancake Breakfast Ministry** is serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice & coffee in O’Donnell Hall after the 7 AM, 8 AM and 9:30 AM Masses.

**Please pay at the door! 6 / adults, $4 / children under 12, $25 / family (2 adults w/children)**

**NEXT WEEK: Women’s Cornerstone** will serve Coffee and Donuts in O’Donnell Hall after the 7 AM, 8 AM, and 9:30 AM Masses.

**Mothers of Young Children**

**Wednesday, January 23**
9:30–11:00 AM, St. Kateri

MOYC provides a network of friendship and local resources to mothers with babies through pre-school aged children in American Martyrs Parish. Whether you’re a first time mom or you come with a brood, we welcome you! Bring your children, your parenting questions, and your prayer intentions for fellowship in a relaxed, supportive environment.

**Ministry Contacts:** Joanie Chapman, 914-393-4999 or Joanne Rees, 831-320-9828 | moyc@AmericanMartyrs.org

**Senior Fellowship Group**

Please join us for our gathering on **Tuesday, January 15**, in St. Kateri at 10:00 AM for fellowship and games, and then a brown bag lunch.

**Our Schedule:**
1st Tuesday of each month will be games and potluck.
3rd Tuesday of each month will be games and bring your own brown bag lunch. Dessert and beverage provided.

**New Members welcome and would be a pleasant surprise!**
Call Judy Parnin, 310-374-9804, if you have questions.

**Preschool Open House and Tours**

**American Martyrs Preschool** invites you to come by the Preschool to see our beautiful environment and learn more about our philosophy and the "why" behind our curriculum.

**Saturday, January 26, 10:00 AM-12 Noon**
(Adults only, please)
The Preschool Yard and Classrooms
1705 Laurel Avenue, Manhattan Beach

**Small Group Tours** of the preschool in action (for adults only, please) can be scheduled by calling 310-802-8149. Tours are 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM on:

**Thursday, January 10**
**Wednesday, January 16 - Thursday, January 17**
**Tuesday, January 29 - Friday, February 1**

**We are flexible and do tours all the time though!**
Questions? Call the preschool office at 310-802-8149.

**St. Lawrence of Brindisi (Watts) wishes to thank you for your generosity to us.**

Your support of the Family to Family Christmas Program, monthly Food Drive donations, weekly sandwiches for our Lunch Counter, support of our Information Center, ESL Classes and Saturday Lunches is greatly appreciated.

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**God bless you. Wishing you a New Year filled with Love and Joy!**

**Teresa Perez**
Director of Ministry of Caring

**Virtus Protecting God’s Children** is an awareness program on Child Sexual Abuse and a requirement for all parents in AMS and SRE. The course certification is valid for four years.

**Virtus Training (Protecting God’s Children):**
**Thursday, January 17, 7:00-10:00 PM**
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Room

**Registration is required at the Virtus website.**
Go to www.virtusonline.org and click First Time Registrant and then view the American Martyrs session listed in the Los Angeles-San Pedro region.

**LIVESCAN Fingerprinting** will be here at American Martyrs on January 26, 2019. Call the Welcome Center to make an appointment, 310-545-5651.

**Are you interested in having your child attend American Martyrs School for the 2019 – 2020 school year?**

Please join us for the following events:

**New Family Information Night**
Wednesday January 16, 2019
7:00 PM in O’Donnell Hall

Join us for a presentation from our principal, Dr. Camryn Friel, followed by a Q&A. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear about the overall school program.

**Meet the Mustangs (for Prospective Families):**
Friday, January 25 - Friday, February 8
Please RSVP online at AmericanMartyrsSchool.org

A great opportunity to view the school in action. Starting at 8:45 AM, parents are given schoolwide tours led by our 8th Grade Leadership Team. Administrators, as well as current students and parents, will be available to discuss our programs and answer your questions.

Find this bulletin online at AmericanMartyrs.org
You've probably heard the often-used dramatic phrase, “If you are reading this then . . .” The remaining part of the sentence usually contains an ominous message about a death or some such thing. However, on this second Sunday in January of 2019, I say if you are reading this, Thank You! And I don't mean that just because you usually read our Sunday Bulletin just for this column. Rather most of you look through the entire thing and that gives me encouragement because many people say print media, similar to our Sunday bulletin, is dead. And I don't think that's quite so.

Yet here is a personal reality. When I read the Parish Bulletin at home, I first look at this column because someone on the Stewardship Commission wrote it and, if I didn’t, I’m always interested in what they have to say. Our Bulletin on January 6th was the first one of the calendar year so I spent a little more time with it and realized that the bulletin is not only full of Mass times, Mass intentions, and opportunities for social events but also contains a number of requests for help from AMCC ministries and other Catholic and community organizations.

Now, it seems like we concentrate our activities in the Church on the big “events” of our liturgical year. We are active during Advent and Lent. That leaves more than two thirds of the year where it seems like some of us just say "well, it’s Ordinary Time and I don’t need to be involved." However, if we are to live a life similar to Jesus, which is a stewardship way of life, there is no ordinary time. Jesus was always looking for the opportunity to pray, to help others and to support the people on the margins of society.

So, when you look through this edition of our Sunday Bulletin please look not only for opportunities to socialize with fellow parishioners but also look for opportunities to go beyond that and help someone in need. I am sure we all have some time, some talent and maybe even some treasure that can be of benefit to the requests you'll see on the following pages.

Lord help me be a good steward of my God-given gifts.

Please contact us at Stewardship@AmericanMartyrs.org, with questions or comments about Stewardship.

If you want to become more involved at American Martyrs, contact Jenny Attanasio at 310-545-5651.
Pregnancy Help Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance provides many free services, including ultrasound, to women facing the challenge of an unplanned pregnancy. Please support them by picking up an empty baby bottle after all Masses NEXT WEEKEND, January 19-20, and filling it with coins, bills or a check. Return your full bottle the weekend of February 9-10.

M25 Outreach - Saturday Blessings

Saturday Blessings needs help to feed, clothe and share our hearts with the Downtown LA Homeless. Every Saturday we meet at 6:00AM in the O'Donnell Hall parking lot, arrive in DTLA at 6:30AM and finish around 8:00AM.

Please contact James Redin, 310-465-7620, in advance so we can coordinate how many will be joining us.

With the changing season, we are in need of these items:
• Tents
• Sleeping Bags

And always in need of:
• Tennis shoes - gently used
• Mens boxes and socks - NEW
• Warm jackets
• Mens Medium & Large : t-shirts & sweatshirts
• Mens jeans, sweatpants, jackets
• Womens XL and XXL: jeans, sweatpants, ugg's

Items can be labeled SATURDAY BLESSINGS and left in the Rubbermaid lockers at the bottom of the parking lot stairs.

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Teresa Perez
Director of Ministry of Caring
**FAITH FORMATION**

**INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Pre-Baptism instruction for parents and godparents is required to have your child baptized at American Martyrs Church. **Next class is TONIGHT, January 13 at 7:00PM in St. Kateri.**

For information and schedule of classes, go online to [www.AmericanMartyrs.org](http://www.AmericanMartyrs.org) | Sacraments | Baptism.

**QUESTIONS:** Contact Deacon Fred Rose, 424-327-9610 or deaconfred@AmericanMartyrs.org

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**MEN’S CORNERSTONE ALUMNI**

Please come to a Cornerstone Alumni Inreach Meeting

**Wednesday, January 23**

in O’Donnell Hall

Food and brotherhood at 6:00PM with a renewal of the Cornerstone experience at 7:00PM.

Please give yourself the gift of this evening to renew your spirit and get a great start to the New Year! See you there.

**CONTACT:** Paul Stansbury, 310-892-8046

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**SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS WITH FR. JOE**

Do you have a desire to better understand the readings and how they apply in our daily lives? Join us for lively talk and discussion.

**Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30AM**

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room

All are welcome, no advance work necessary, just come.

**QUESTIONS?** Call Mary Ann Millar, 310-374-9894

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**THE ART OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTION**

Spiritual direction is an ancient ministry, a unique one-to-one relationship in which a trained person assists another in the search for an ever closer union of love with God.

Directors listen carefully to the unfolding of directees' lives to help them discern the ways in which God is leading them. The practice of spiritual direction consists much more of "holy listening" rather than direction in the sense of offering guidance or direct advice.

American Martyrs maintains a list of Certified Spiritual Directors who have received training, formation, and are members of Spiritual Directors International. They are committed to spiritual growth, both personally and with those they accompany on their journey.

For more info, contact Jenny Attanasio, 310-545-5651 | jattanasio@AmericanMartyrs.org

*Be Still and Know that I Am God.* Ps 46:10

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**FAITH ENRICHMENT & PRAYER**

**When we pray, we join a steady stream of prayer that began more than 2,000 years ago. With our world around us constantly in a state of flux, there is a special grace in knowing there is a place that is sacred and unchanging, a place where we can go to be renewed in the love that is ours by way of God's grace.**

We all have gifts differing. There are many pathways to prayer.

**BIBLE STUDIES**

**Tuesday Morning Scripture Group**

Tuesdays, 9:15-11:00AM, in the Spirituality Center

**CONTACT:** Alvin Fletcher, 310-379-5241 | alvinjerry@hotmail.com

**Sunday Scripture Readings with Fr. Joe**

Wednesday, 10:00-11:30AM, in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

**MONDAY MORNING FAITH SHARING**

Mondays, 9:00-11:00AM, in the Parish House

**CONTACT:** Joanne Dispoto

jodispoto@gmail.com or 310-344-5833

**SILENT MEDITATION (Jan 18 meeting in Church Cry Room)**

Friday, 11:15-12:00NOON, in the Spirituality Center Chapel (please use Pacific Ave. entrance.)

**CONTACT:** Beverly Busby, 310-376-2056

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION**

**CONTACT:** Jenny Attanasio for referral, 310-545-5651

**SPIRITUAL LIBRARY (The Upper Room)**

Open Sunday, 10:00AM -4:00PM, in the Spirituality Center, 2nd floor

**CONTACT:** Anna, 310-374-0863 or Millie, 310-938-3125
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN
*Strive to be a ‘safe adult’ in a child’s life*

One of the most common responses to stories from abuse victims who suffered in silence for years is, “Why did you wait so long?” For many children, they wait because they have no one they trust to talk to about what’s happening to them. Many victims feel ashamed and guilty.

Take steps to become a trusted adult to the children in your life. Tell them you will listen without judgment or punishment, even if they are scared to talk about something.


For particular help, call Assistance Ministry at 213-637-7650.

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**Baptism of the Lord**

Some events are so significant they can serve two purposes, bring to a close one era and open a new chapter in our life. Weddings, funerals, graduations, an out of state move or a conversion to a new belief or way of life splits life in two: before and after. Once the change takes place, there is no turning back as one chapter is written and another presents a blank page.

The Baptism of Jesus ends one phase of His life and opens another. He leaves behind a life of relative obscurity and begins openly preaching the Gospel message. Heralded by John, Jesus begins the phase of His life that will lead Him to preach, teach, heal and forgive and then end in the horror and sorrow of His passion and death on the cross. He carried the hopes of Israel and of the whole human race.

Our Baptism is similar to the Lord’s. We end one phase of life and enter into a new relationship with God and with each other. The promises of our Baptism, made for us by our families and which we renew each Easter, open for us the chapter of our vocation, our mission to teach, preach, heal and forgive. There is no turning back. The Lord calls us to live a life of faith. And the best chapters are yet to be written.

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**Gym, Field & Athletics**
Lou Ann Selsky, 424-327-9578 | lselsky@AmericanMartyrs.org

**Seniors Exercise**
Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00-11:00AM (no charge)
30 min. senior aerobics / 30 min. senior yoga.
Always go at your own pace; the class is run by CD, not an instructor. Come have some fun with us!

**Women's Volleyball**
Tuesday and Thursday, 8:00-10:00AM
All players welcome, from beginners to advanced. Tuesdays are instructional; Thursdays are free play.
Rocky Wade, rockyvball1@hotmail.com

**Men's and Women's Coed Volleyball**
Tuesday, 8:00-10:00AM
Intermediate skill levels and recreational play.
John Wargnier, 310-796-1058 | johnwargnier@AmericanMartyrs.org

**Gym Contact:**
Lou Ann Selsky, 424-327-9578 or lselsky@AmericanMartyrs.org

**Gym & Field Reservations:**
Contact Pat Breen, Gym Committee Chair
Gym@AmericanMartyrs.org

**Give the gift of Prayer**

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**American Martyrs Rosary**
available in the Welcome Center

**Blue Glass † Walnut † Rosewood † Pearl**

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A Sign Language Interpreter is available for Sunday 5:00pm Mass, weddings, and funerals. Please call Gigi 310-528-9024.

**Casa De Los Angelitos Maternity Home**
310-325-8208
24 Hour Pregnancy Helpline, 310-787-HELP

**Archdiocese of Los Angeles Sexual Misconduct Reporting Line**, 800-355-2545

**Victims Assistance Ministry**
Heather Banis, 213-637-7650
MARY & JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER, PALOS VERDES

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Are you tired of worrying? In this retreat, you will learn simple and practical techniques for letting Jesus free you from your anxiety. Using Scripture, prayer and practical advice, Gary will help you to find the peace you desire! Gary is a prominent author, speaker and radio host recognized as the leading Catholic speaker on overcoming anxiety. 

Cost: per person/shared $240 or single $340

Info: Marlene Velazquez, 310-377-4867 | www.MaryJoseph.org

CATHOLIC CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED
Greater South Bay Catholic Co-ed Adult (Ages 18+) Softball League seeks Players for their NEW & Exciting 2019 Season!

Games are Sunday afternoons in Torrance, February 10-June 30. Singles & couples are welcome; female players especially needed.

Interested? Contact Greg Raizk, 310-436-4734 | graizk@gmail.com or Jay, 310-925-2908 | jjsinmb@yahoo.com

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Mary Goes to Us Disguised as Our Life
Dr. Willie Au
St. Lawrence Martyr
Redondo Beach, Church

The Adult Journey of Faith
Douglas Leal
American Martyrs
Manhattan Beach - St. Kateri Room

March 12
2-1 Praying with Icons
Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith
St. Andrew
El Segundo, Church

2-2 Biblical Missionary Discipleship
Bishop Marc Trudea
Holy Trinity
San Pedro, Church

March 13
3-1 How to Build Better Relationships
Dr. Michael DiPaolo
Holy Trinity
San Pedro, Church

3-2 The Slow Work of God
Rev. Thomas P. Rausch, S.J.
St. James School
O’Gorman Center—Torrance

March 14
4-1 Archaeology of Jerusalem During the Time of Jesus
Dr. Heidi Fessler
St. Lawrence Martyr
Redondo Beach, Church

4-2 Church in the Marketplace?
Fr. Chris Ponnet
St. James School
O’Gorman Center—Torrance

March 18
5-1 Historical Geography and People’s of the Holy Land
Dr. Misty Jesse
St. Lawrence Martyr
Redondo Beach, Church

5-2 Parable of the Good Samaritan
Dr. William Shaules
American Martyrs
Manhattan Beach - St. Kateri Room

March 19
6-1 Adam and Eve: What Genesis Really Means
Dr. Christopher Kaczor
St. John Fisher
Rancho Palos Verdes—Barrett Hall

6-2 "Not So Fast...": Twists in the Plot of the Story of King David
Dr. Daniel Smith-Christopher
St. James School
Torrance, O’Gorman Center

March 20
7-1 The Art of Aging Gracefully in the Spiritual Life
Rev. Jim Clarke
St. John Fisher
Rancho Palos Verdes -Barrett Hall

7-2 Sacred Heart of Jesus: Fountain of Infinite Love
Rev. Pat Torres
St. Lawrence Martyr
Redondo Beach, Church

March 21
8-1 Christians, Muslims and Mary: Any Similarities
Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith
St. John Fisher
Rancho Palos Verdes -Barrett Hall

8-2 Were some of the Biblical Prophets Social Revolutionaries?
Dr. Daniel Smith-Christopher
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque
Lomita, Hegarty Hall

Find this bulletin online at AmericanMartyrs.org
**Men's Cornerstone Retreat**  
February 1-2, 2019

Register online at AmericanMartyrs.org

The 26 hour retreat begins Friday at 6:00PM and ends Saturday at 8:00PM. **The Cornerstone team will feed you and send you home in plenty of time to rest up for Super Bowl Sunday!**

**Gain a new perspective** by giving some time to strengthen your faith and deepen your life with family and God.

Don’t miss out on the retreat, give yourself this gift.

**Questions?** Mike Delanty, 310-995-8623, or Mike Wilk, 310-292-7774

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**Women's Cornerstone Retreat**

**Still Accepting Applications!**

**Deadline To Register is January 21, 2019**

The Women’s Cornerstone Weekend is February 8-9, 2019

**Registration options:**
- Register online at AmericanMartyrs.org
- Submit an application to the Welcome Center
- Email application to WomensCornerstoneRetreat@AmericanMartyrs.org

Applications are available in the Welcome Center and in the church vestibule.

**Give yourself the Gift of Cornerstone.** Reflect and revitalize your relationship with God. Gather with ordinary women for this extraordinary experience!

**Contact:** Donna Falzon, 310-940-9886 or WomensCornerstoneRetreat@AmericanMartyrs.org

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**The Knights of Columbus Blood Drive is Today**

**Give Blood**

**You can save a life**

**Drop-ins are welcome!!**

8:00AM-1:00PM, St. Kateri Room

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Although I have often abandoned you, O Lord, you have never abandoned me. Your hand of love is always outstretched towards me, even when I stubbornly look the other way. And your gentle voice constantly calls me, even when I obstinately refuse to listen.

St. Teresa of Avila