THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 5, 2019

PASTOR
Rev. Msgr. John F. Barry, P.A.

ASSOCIATE PASTORS
Rev. Joseph Kammerer
Rev. Rick Prindle

DEACONS
Fred Rose, Derek Brown
Chris Amantea, Dick Williams

BUSINESS MANAGER
Bob Hodges

WEEKEND MASS
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 APPEARANCE TO THE SEVEN DISCIPLES
Jesus said to them, “Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something.” John 21:6
We welcome you to American Martyrs Catholic Community

Parish Facilities

RECTORY / PASTORAL CARE
Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM | Sat, 10AM-1PM
310-545-5651 | fax 424-327-9703

PARISH CENTER:
700 15th St., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

WELCOME CENTER, 310-545-5651
Mon-Thurs, 8AM-6PM | Fri, 8AM-5PM
Sat, 4:30-6:30PM | Sun, 8:30AM-1PM & 4:30-6:30PM

ELEVATOR from Plaza/Welcome Center to Parish Offices/Deegan Place and Church crosswalk

PARISH OFFICES, Mon-Fri, 9AM-4:45PM

O’DONNELL HALL - Use Plaza entrance.

ST. KATERI ROOM - Use Deegan Place entrance or East parking lot entrance.

ELEVATOR to St. Kateri/upstairs rooms in Blessed Virgin Mary wing inside East St. Kateri entrance

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY WING:
OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL
Ground level - Enter from Plaza.
For the 2nd floor rooms, use either of the either exits or entrance - Blessed Virgin Mary or St. Kateri:

OUR LADY OF FATIMA
ST. JUAN DIEGO
ST. MOTHER TERESA

AMERICAN MARTYRS SCHOOL
310-546-4734 | 1701 Laurel Ave, MB 90266-4805

AMERICAN MARTYRS PRESCHOOL
310-802-8149 | 1705 Laurel Ave, MB, 90266-4805

GYM - 310-802-8720 | 701 15th Street

HOLY FAMILY HOUSE - Use O’Donnell parking structure. Cross 15th St., past Gym, through gate, and up the stairs on the left side to the front door.

PARISH HOUSE - 659 15th Street

SACRED HEART HOUSE - Use O’Donnell parking structure. Cross 15th St., and enter the schoolyard, and walk to the far side.

SPIRITUALITY CENTER - 770 17th Street
Use O’Donnell parking structure, and walk to 17th St.

Next Weekend’s Mass Celebrants

SAT 5:00PM: Fr. Rick Prindle
SUN 7:00AM: Fr. Rick Prindle
8:00AM: Fr. Joe Kammerer
9:30AM: Msgr. John Barry (Livestream)
11:30AM: Msgr. John Barry
5:00PM: Fr. Joe Kammerer
This schedule is subject to change.

We are happy that you have joined us today. 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.

RESERVING A FACILITY

Email your facility request for (or 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

Daily Prayers of the Church

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL
Mon-Fri, 7AM-8PM | Sat, 7AM-5PM | Sun, 1PM-5PM

For off-hour access contact JBritton@AmericanMartyrs.org

DAILY ROSARY: Mon - Sat, 7:30AM

MORNING PRAYER: Tues after 6:30AM Mass

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP (DEVOTION & BENEDICTION):
Tues after 8AM Mass

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN: Wed after 5PM Mass, followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Pray for the Sick

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

Karla Caldwell  Nancy Smith
George Bleecker  Esram Alvarado
Matthew Fuenté  Florence Hannaway
Vickey Mowrey  Stephen Jagatich
Peter Champagne  Walt Dougher
Julia Bero  Sheri Skulick
Drake Walker  Tim Breen
Blake King  David Weber
Kathy O’Mara  Helene Grik
Matthew Leon

In Memoriam

Jim Buckley  Ruben Shehigian
Dr. Paul Randau  Ruben Castro
Helen Jenkins

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

Holy Matrimony

Congratulations:
Jericho Balderian and Kristine Paslima
First Banns:
George Chen and Jennifer Davis

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.
No class in May; next class is Sunday, June 10 at 7:00PM.

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

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
Capt Evan Bernstein - U.S.M.C.
Jonathan Concetti - U.S.M.C.
SSG Eric Cothren - U.S. Army
2d Lt Dominick Lucenti - U.S Air Force
1LT Nicholas Marquez - National Guard
CDR Mike McIlroy Mullen - U.S. Navy
Sgt Ciriaco Ayala - U.S.M.C.
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### This Week

**MONDAY, May 6**
- 9:00 AM  PH  Monday Morning Faith Sharing
- 7:00 PM  HFH  Al-Anon Meeting
- 7:00 PM  SK  Pastoral Council Meeting

**TUESDAY, May 7**
- 5:30 PM  PH  Men’s AA Meeting
- 9:15 AM  SpC  Tuesday Morning Scripture Study
- 10:00 AM  OLMM  Senior Fellowship Group
- 3:30 PM  PH  Legion of Mary
- 4:00 PM  HFH  Teen Tuesday
- 7:00 PM  HFH  Beginning Again
- 7:00 PM  SpC  Bereavement Support Group
- 7:00 PM  PH  Matthew 25 Meeting
- 7:00 PM  SCH  Women’s AA Meeting
- 7:30 PM  StMT  Al-Anon Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, May 8**
- 10:00 AM  OLMM  Weekly Scripture Reading with Fr. Joe
- 3:45 PM  SCH  SRE Grades 1-6
- 7:30 PM  SK  RCIA

**THURSDAY, May 9**
- 5:30 AM  PH  Men’s AA Meeting
- 9:00 AM  OLMM  Career BridgeBuilders Networking Group
- 7:30 PM  StMT  LGBTQ Meeting

**FRIDAY, May 10**
- 11:15 AM  SpC  Silent Meditation
- 3:00 PM  SpC  Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings
- 6:00 PM  PH  Arlene’s Lighthouse

### Next Weekend

**SATURDAY, May 11**
- 10:00 AM  HFH  AA Women’s Meeting
- 7:30 PM  SCH  AA Meeting

**SUNDAY, May 12**
- 10:00 AM  SpL  Spiritual Library (until 4:00 PM)

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### Mass Intentions and Readings for the Week

**MONDAY, May 6**
**Readings:** Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- 8:00  Grace Skope (Donatucci Family)
- 12:10  Judith Roldan (Dianny Shaw)
- 5:00  Michael Walter Lee (Lee Family)

**TUESDAY, May 7**
**Readings:** Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- 6:30  Dr. John DiMeglio (Tom Klimasz)
- 8:00  Tom Goepel (Patrice & Jerry Jackson)
- 12:10  Walter H. Moret (Catherine Harris)
- 5:00  Keith LaRue (Katie Frank)

**WEDNESDAY, May 8**
**Readings:** Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- 8:00  Robert Schonauer (Tom Utsch)
- 12:10  Edna Guzzo (Traci & John Britton)
- 5:00  Christine Murphy (Marianne Hickey)

**THURSDAY, May 9**
**Readings:** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- 6:30  Danny Kammerer (Kammerer Family)
- 8:00  Debbie Feeley (Altar Society)
- 12:10  Busty LaSpina (Emily Piemonte)
- 5:00  Special Intention

**FRIDAY, May 10** - St. Damien de Veuster
**Readings:** Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- 8:00  Alan James Perry (Mari Bellas)
- 12:10  Jim Walsh, Sr. (Bob Sikonia Family)
- 5:00  Anh Hong Chan (Randy Urista)

**SATURDAY, May 11**
**Readings:** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69
- 8:00  Margaret Limp (Gunderman Family)
- 5:00  Ed & Camille Mucha (Jane & Bob Sullivan)

**SUNDAY, May 12** - Fourth Sunday of Easter
**Readings:** Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30
- 7:00  Mothers Day Novena
- 8:00  Rev. Rick Prindle
- 9:30  For the Parishioners, Living and Deceased
- 11:30  James Walker (Bardy Ryan)
- 5:00  Jim Knebel (Carolyn & Don Merritt)

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### Planned Giving

Do you have an appreciated asset that you would like to turn into income today, but you don’t want to pay the capital gains taxes? You have options.

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

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**Facilities:**
- CH-Church  ·  CHP-Church Patio  ·  GYM-Gym  ·  HFH-Holy Family House  ·  ODH-O’Donnell Hall  ·  ODK-O’Donnell Kitchen  ·  OLM-Our Lady of Fatima  ·  OLMM-Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal  ·  PH-Parish House  ·  Plz-Welcome Center Plaza  ·  SpC-Spirituality Center  ·  SpG-Spirituality Garden  ·  SpLC-Spirituality Center Library  ·  SCH-School  ·  SHH-Sacred Heart House  ·  SJK-St. Joseph’s Chapel  ·  SK-St. Kateri  ·  SJD-St. Juan Diego  ·  STJ-St. Joseph’s  ·  STM-St. Therese  ·  WC-Welcome Center

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

Find this bulletin online at AmericanMartyrs.org
View Fascinating and Unique Homes

SOPHISTICATED SNOOP 2019
American Martyrs Parent Association
46th Annual Home Tour

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
May 17, 18 & 19
10am–4pm

Donation: $35.00
Presale: $30.00

Tickets Available:

Manhattan Beach
American Martyrs School
Grow ~ The Produce Shop
Patterson Cleaners • Tabula Rasa
Bristol Farms • Pages • Look! Optometry

Hermosa Beach
Uncorked ~ The Wine Store

Rolling Hills
Bristol Farms

Redondo Beach
Card de A

Homes on Tour

Manhattan Beach Tree Section – Traditional home features many custom amenities with a Colonial/Modern flare
Manhattan Beach Sand Section – Beachy Boho Contemporary home with ocean and mountain views above Sand Dune Park
Manhattan Beach Walk Street – Classic treasure on peaceful walk street setting embracing active beach lifestyle
Manhattan Beach Sand Section – Totally renovated Mediterranean home that celebrates curated coastal living
Hermosa Valley Section – Eclectic California home exemplifies spirit of indoor/outdoor living in Hermosa Beach

Coffee, lemonade & gourmet homemade cookies will be served at one of the homes.

For more details or tickets by mail call: 424-327-9572
www.americanmartyrs.org
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)

There is no coffee and donuts next week.

This Weekend is the Collection for the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity

Here’s Hope since 1951 for those in Crisis Situations throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Your contribution goes directly toward emergency needs for children, adults, and families.

Your gift provides a one-time emergency help for Food, Utilities, Transportation, Medical, Housing or Funeral Expenses. Each day of the year, a special Mass intention is offered for all who contribute to the Fund.

We walked together in harmony in the house of God. Ps 55:14

Senior Fellowship Group

Please join us Tuesday, May 7 for our gathering in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. Fellowship and games at 10:00 AM, and then Potluck Lunch at 12:00 Noon. Bring a dish for 6-8 people for the lunch.

New Members welcome and would be a pleasant surprise!

Call Judy Parnin, 310-374-9804, if you have questions.

Arlene’s Lighthouse

We invite you to join us on Friday, May 10 at 6:00 PM in Parish House for our monthly meeting.

We will be gathering to do the Stations of the Cross by Jean Vanier, and then will join the community at O’Donnell Hall for the Lenten dinner.

We invite everyone to join us.

Questions? Contact Regina Dell’Oro, goldcroms@gmail.com

Mothers of Young Children

Wednesday, May 15

9:30-11:00 AM, Spirituality Center

Please join us with your kids for our End-of-Year Mother’s Day Mass.

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 Contact: Joanne Rees, 831-320-9828

MOYC@AmericanMartyrs.org

Pastoral Council Meeting - Monday, May 6

Each Pastoral Council meeting features an opportunity for parishioners to make suggestions or offer comments. This session is available from 7-7:15 PM.

Join us on Monday, May 5, at 7:00 PM in St. Kateri if you have a suggestion or comment.

Future meetings are on the first Monday of the month.

For more information, contact Vanessa Reyes-Smith, PCPresident@AmericanMartyrs.org.

Stop by the Welcome Center to see our new Spiritually Inspired Jewelry Collection.

We have a wide variety of necklaces and bracelets, and specifically items for First Communion, Baptism, and Confirmation.

Upcoming Workshops - Career BridgeBuilders

All are welcome; there is no fee.

Please RSVP: text 310-779-6099, or to the email below.

Create Focus in your Job Search - Andrea Connolly

Thursday, May 9, 9:00 – 11:00 AM

If you are in transition or considering a career move, now could be the right time. Before you update your resume, get back in touch with your personal self, strengths, values and passions. Set personal boundaries and create focus in your life.

Kickoff Your Job Search & Networking Session - Andrea Connolly

Thursday, May 16, 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Launch your job search by setting priorities and creating a personal plan.

Job Market Trends & How to Identify Your Target Companies - Andrea Connolly

Thursday, May 23, 9:00 – 11:00 AM

With an unemployment rate at record lows and a hot economy, now may be the time to consider that next career move. We will discuss trends and how to define your target companies list.

Resume Development Workshop - Grace Moniz

Thursday, May 30, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

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 Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room.

For More Information: Andrea Connolly, careerbridgebuilders@AmericanMartyrs.org or check our group on LinkedIn.
I will praise you Lord, for you have rescued me.
Ps 30

PASTORAL CARE

BEGINNING AGAIN - SEPARATED OR DIVORCED
We offer a welcoming and healing atmosphere for those experiencing separation or divorce.
The next meeting is **Tuesday, May 7, 7:00-9:00 pm** in the Holy Family House. The topic is “Guilt/Rejection.”
**Questions? Jenny Attanasio, 310-545-5651**

ALZHEIMER’S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP - TODAY, MAY 5
We are a Support Group for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer’s Disease and related memory disorders. Bring questions, share feelings, learn from others who have gone through the experience, exchange information, and problem solve together.
We meet in the Parish House, **1:30-3:00 pm, on the first Sunday of each month**. There is no charge to participate.
**Questions? Contact Deacon Dick Williams, 310-545-8244**

ALL ARE WELCOME AT AMERICAN MARTYRS
We lovingly welcome those in the LGBTQ community and their families for support and faith sharing. **Join us in St. Mother Teresa room on the 2nd Thursday of each month.**
Our next meeting is **Thursday, May 9 at 7:30 pm**.

“You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother’s womb. I praise you, so wonderfully you made me; wonderful are your works!”
Ps 139

**Questions? Colleen Finnegan, metwou@pacbell.net**

STEPHEN MINISTRY
**Deacon Dick & Patti Williams, 310-545-8244**

Do you feel loved?
Jesus asks Peter three times if he loves him. God always wants us to know how loved and valued we are. But when we’re experiencing a financial crisis, family problems, job challenges, health issues, or any crisis at all, we need someone to help us to feel that love.
A Stephen Minister can be your confidential partner when times are tough. If you need someone to talk to, leave a message on our Stephen Ministry confidential phone line at **310-545-8244**. Deacon Dick and Patti Williams will meet with you to explore whether a Stephen Minister may be a good fit for you!

CARE NOTES CAN HELP YOU COPE
Check out the Care Note rack in the Church vestibule. There are many topics, including Care Notes for Teens: **Growing in Confidence: What We Reflect to the World**

Please deposit donations in the Poor Box.

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When we look at this weekend’s Gospel Reading from John and compare it to the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we get some insight into the power of the Holy Spirit.

In John’s Gospel, we find the Apostles on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias. This is after Jesus appeared to them for the first time, “On the evening of that first day of the week.” (John 20:19) Apparently that first appearance didn’t make much of an impression because Peter seems to decide to throw in the towel on the disciple thing and go back to his old way of life, declaring, “I’m going fishing.” Upon hearing this, the other disciples follow him.

When they’re back on shore, we see how Jesus treats the disciples during their ‘backslide!’ He is right there with them in the midst of it, already waiting for them on the shore following their unsuccessful fishing trip. Our Lord greets them with tenderness then gives them some fishing pointers. After a miraculous catch of fish, they finally recognize Him as the Risen Lord and they seem to have regained some of their faith in Christ. However, all of this is before they receive the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

This is from the last Chapter of John’s Gospel and it is interesting that the next book of the Bible is the Acts of the Apostles which is the source of our First Reading. This story is set in a time after the disciples have received the Holy Spirit and their attitude is very different; they have truly turned back to the Lord and have embraced His call.

The process of turning back to the Lord is the essence of a stewardship way of life. Good stewards are not necessarily those who have mastered some perfect formula for the giving of time, talent, and treasure. They are those who continue to get back up after each fall, who are willing to continually reevaluate their goals and priorities as they aim for Heaven. Good stewards simply have confidence in the goodness of the Lord and don’t fear their own failures.

During this Easter season, let’s be renewed with hope on our stewardship journey, secure in the knowledge that Jesus is walking alongside us each step of the way.

Please contact us at Stewardship@AmericanMartyrs.org, with questions or comments about Stewardship.
Commission Chair: Jim Kaltsas
SJ0@AmericanMartyrs.org

M25 Outreach - St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Join Matthew 25 on Saturday, May 11 to feed the homeless and needy in the St. Lawrence of Brindisi community. Volunteers meet at O’Donnell Hall at 8:00AM to prepare lunches, pack donations of clothing and toiletries, and then carpool to St. Lawrence to distribute these meals. Donations of clothing, toiletry products, and books are appreciated.

Rockin’ Readers SLB joins us to read and distribute books to young children present with their parents. Volunteers are welcome to bring/donate books, and also to read to the children.

To volunteer or to donate items contact: Jim Quilliam at jimquilliam@outlook.com

The next Matthew 25 meeting is Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00PM in the Parish House.

We invite all parishioners to join us to see how you can get involved in serving those in need!

Knights of Columbus

SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 1 for CASINO NIGHT

The Annual Casino Night Charity Fundraiser is the largest fundraiser of the year and supports Star House, Rancho San Antonio, St. Sebastian Sports Project, Guatemala Mission, and other charities.

Tickets on sale after Masses this weekend.

To be an event or table sponsor, donate goods or services for the raffle and auction, please contact Joseph Fusco, josephrfusco@gmail.com | 310-892-2741.

Knights of Columbus Council #4567 Presents

Casino Knight Charity Fundraiser

Saturday, June 1, 2019
7:00pm - 11:00pm
American Martyrs Catholic Church
O’Donnell Hall

Interested in the work of the Life and Family Ministry?
Contact Steven Perry, LifeandFamily@AmericanMartyrs.org

Life & Family Ministry

WALK FOR LIFE

South Bay

Pregnancy Help Center

424-263-4855

supportphctorrance.org

When

Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 8:30AM

Don’t be late!

Where

Veterans Park, Redondo Beach
(at the South end)

How

Register at: supportphctorrance.org
or the day of the walk at 7:30AM

We are still accepting your Rice Bowl Donations at the Welcome Center.

If you are using a check for your Almsgiving, please make the check payable to American Martyrs and note “Rice Bowl Program” in the memo section.

Questions? Contact Tony Fadale fadaleanthony@gmail.com

We are still accepting your rice bowl donations at the Welcome Center.
Do not be a "part-time" Christian, at certain moments, in certain circumstances, in certain choices. Be Christian at all times! The truth of Christ, that the Holy Spirit teaches us and gives us, always and forever involves our daily lives.

Let us invoke the Spirit more often, to guide us on the path of Christ’s disciples.

~ Pope Francis
SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN
"If you see something, say something"

We see this warning in airports and schools, but experts say it’s also a great way for parents to think about Internet safety for their children. One of the best ways to protect children using the Internet is to actually engage with them in what they’re doing: Play the games they play, check out their profile pages with them. Discuss online respect and rules for what can and cannot be shared.

Regular conversation and monitoring helps keep children safe online. For more information, read the article by Catholic News Service, “Vigilance by Parents and Their Children Called Key to Safe Internet Use.”

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

Our Summer Camp at the Gym & Field is Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm and is open to everyone, ages 5-12.

Information and registration at TheFunCamp.com

Families in Faith

TODAY is the Children’s Liturgy at 9:30AM Mass

We invite all children grades 1-6 to join us at 9:30AM in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal for a liturgy designed especially for them. Then we join the parents in the Church for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Junior High classes have completed their year.

Thank you to our catechists for sharing their time with our young people. Watch for upcoming opportunities for Fun Nites, and 8th grade retreat.

SRE Classes:
Grades 1-6:
May 7/8
May 14/15 (last class)
Sunday SRE:
May 5 (last class)

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Patti Williams, 310-546-4734
PWilliams@AmericanMartyrs.org

Faith-based books for kids are for reading in the Cry Room or in the Church. Please return the books to the cart in the Cry Room at the end of Mass.

Book donations are accepted; drop them off at the Welcome Center; books with themes other than faith will be donated to our sister parish, St. Lawrence of Brindisi.

CONTACT: Mary Hornickel, 310-466-3820
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Registration begins at 9:30AM, followed by our speaker, Deacon Pete Wilson who will speak on "Our Blessed Mother," then we will celebrate Mass, and have lunch, concluding at 1:30PM.

Pre-paid registration is $15. Make checks payable and mail to: Alice Avery, 19126 Pricetown Ave, Carson, CA 90276. Registration deadline is Saturday, May 20.

**Questions?** Contact Alice Avery, 310-637-1364

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What Does The Church Believe About Mary?

Traditionally the Catholic Church has honored Mary, the mother of Jesus, during the month of May. Some parishes hold May processions - participants sing hymns about Mary, recite the Rosary, and crown a statue of Mary with a wreath of flowers. Some people believe, mistakenly, that Catholics worship Mary. Worship is reserved to God alone. From the earliest times, however, Christians have sought Mary's prayers and help. They ask Mary to intercede on their behalf, which is entirely appropriate given Mary's preeminent role in salvation history.

The Church teaches that Mary is the first and the greatest of all the disciples of Christ. Through her 'yes' to the angel, she conceived Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit and truly became the Mother of God. As the Mother of God, it was fitting that she was given the great gift of being preserved from Original Sin. This is called the Immaculate Conception.

Pope Paul VI gave Mary the title of Mother of the Church. Just as Mary prayed with the Apostles and disciples after Jesus' Death, she continue to pray before God for the Church and all humanity.

The Church honors Mary on various days throughout the liturgical year. In many parts of the world there are popular, local devotions to Mary. Mary in her Immaculate Conception is the patroness of the United States. This feast is usually celebrated on December 8.

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