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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LABOR DAY
Together with a culture of work, there must be a culture of leisure as gratification. To put it another way: people who work must take the time to relax, to be with their families, to enjoy themselves, read, listen to music, play a sport.

Pope Francis
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
Summer hours (through August 20) are:
Mon-Thu, 8:30am-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 eastside entrances - 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

American Martyrs Preschool
310-802-8149 | 1705 Laurel Ave, MB, 90266

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. Joseph Kammerer
Sun 7:00pm: Fr. Rick Prindle
8:00am: Fr. Joseph Kammerer
9:30am: Msgr. John Barry (Livestream)
11:30am: Fr. Rick Prindle
5:00pm: Msgr. John Barry

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 (or for a table outside weekend Masses) including the date, time, number 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

Day of Prayers

Daily Prayers of the Church

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
Mon-Fri, 7am-8pm | Sat, 7am-5pm | Sun, 1pm-5pm
For off-hour access contact Tbritton@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:

Joe McFaul - Dr. Lawrence Marinelli
Theresa Wilson - Mitchell Woods
Jack Radville - Kathy O’Mara
David Weber - Blake King
Sheri Skulick - Peter Champagne
Stephen Jagatich - Davis Warren

In Memoriam

Greg Stratton - Elias Kuncar
Marge Martin - PJ Smith

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

Holy Matrimony

Third Banns
Andrew Leahy and Lauryn Lyskin

Second Banns
John Leonard and Meghan Beck
Lee Wizda and Alex Katchadourian

Sacramental Information

Infant Baptism - 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 1:00pm
Complete the Family Information Form online at our website and then contact Deacon Fred Rose, 310-545-5651.
Pre-Baptism instruction for parents and godparents is required.
Next class is Sunday, September 15 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
CALENDAR, MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

THIS WEEK
MONDAY, September 2
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED - LABOR DAY
7:00AM HFH Al-Anon Meeting

TUESDAY, September 3
5:30AM PH Men's AA Meeting
10:00AM OLM Intercession of Mary
3:30PM PH Legion of Mary
6:00PM HFH Teen Tuesday
7:00PM HFH Beginning Again
7:00PM SpC Bereavement Support Group
7:00PM SK Virtus Training "Protecting God's Children"
7:00PM SCH Women's AA Meeting
7:30PM StMT Al-Anon Meeting

WEDNESDAY, September 4
8:30AM SK First Communion Parent Meeting
9:00AM SK SRE New Parent Orientation
4:00PM B&B Latin Chant Class
7:00PM SK AMS Back to School Night - Upper School

THURSDAY, September 5
5:30AM PH Men's AA Meeting
9:00AM OLM Intercession of Mary
9:00AM HFH Mothers Outreach Ministry
11:00AM SpC Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings

FRIDAY, September 6
11:15AM SpC Silent Meditation
3:00PM SpC Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings
6:00PM PH Arlene's Lighthouse

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

FACILITIES:

CHANGE IN DAILY MASS SCHEDULE
Weekday "8AM Mass" has changed to an 8:10AM Mass. On Tuesdays, AMS lower grades (1st-4th) will attend 8:10AM Mass and on Fridays, AMS upper grades (5th-8th) will attend 8:10AM Mass. On these days, Mass will be celebrated at the main altar. Saturday morning Mass will remain at 8AM.

NEXT WEEKEND
SATURDAY, September 7
10:00AM HFH AA Women's Meeting
7:30PM SCH AA Meeting

SUNDAY, September 8
7:45AM ODH Pancake Breakfast
8:00AM ODH AMS Used Uniform Sale
10:00AM SpL Spiritual Library (until 4:00PM)

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK
MONDAY, September 2
Readings: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30
8:10 Anna Gurbach † (Condon Family)

TUESDAY, September 3 - St. Gregory the Great
Readings: 1 Thes 5:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-41
6:30 Diane Schlabach (Carlo Abcede)
8:10 Special Intention (The Quilliam Family)
12:10 Kathleen Condon † (Condon Family)
5:00 Nonito Zamora (Zamora Family)

WEDNESDAY, September 4
Readings: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-41
8:10 Marcial Tiangha † (Zamora Family)
12:10 Judy Vavrek † (Tom Vavrek)
5:00 Sara V. Dominguez † (Tom Klimasz)

THURSDAY, September 5
Readings: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-41
8:10 Abel Cabal (Joyce C. Payne) AND Nora Albarado † (Gia Jimenez)
12:10 Suzie Rose †
5:00 Special Intention

FRIDAY, September 6
Readings: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-41
8:10 Gwendolyn H. Welters (Carolyn Ashwal)
12:10 Warren W. Welters (Mr & Mrs R. A. Mondello)
5:00 Michael Bamrick † (Nathan Chianta)

SATURDAY, September 7
Readings: Col 1:21-23; Ps 98:2-3, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
6:30 Samantha Amato † (Anne Marie & Dale Bebele)
8:10 Abel Cabal (Joyce C. Payne) AND Nora Albarado † (Gia Jimenez)
12:10 Suzie Rose †
5:00 Special Intention

SUNDAY, September 8 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Readings: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Phlmn 9-10, 12-17, Lk 14:25-33
7:00 Maura Harrington † (Eastom Family)
8:00 Jack Fulkerson † (Ron & Angie Babick)
9:30 For the Parishioners, Living and Deceased
11:30 Bill Tribolo † (Carolyn Ashwal)
5:00 Alan Stassi † (Dave & Nancy Kinninger)
Stop by the Welcome Center to see our new Spiritually Inspired Jewelry Collection.

We have a wide variety of necklaces and bracelets, items for Baptism and a new selection of Men's items.

VIRTUS - PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

VIRTUS is an awareness program on Child Sexual Abuse and a requirement for all parents in AMS and SRE, as well as all liturgical ministers and volunteers in the parish. The course certification is valid for four years.

Virtus Training (Protecting God's Children):

Tuesday, September 3, 7:00-10:00PM, St. Kateri

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.

For other dates, check the session listings on the Virtus website under Los Angeles - San Pedro Region or Los Angeles - Our Lady of the Angels Region for other opportunities.

Scrip etc

It's time for the annual RE-REGISTRATION FOR RALPHS

All Ralphs contributions to our scrip program ended on August 31. All members MUST RE-REGISTER for the new term at www.ralphs.com on September 1, or thereafter.

Whether you go to the store or do your shopping online, purchase scrip for these vendors before you shop and your dollars will also fund our schools and ministries! Thank you!

SCRIP IS CLOSED TOMORROW FOR LABOR DAY

Scrip Hours:  Weekdays: 8AM - 4PM (Fridays til 1PM) Sunday: 8:30AM - 11:30AM

Special Orders or Other Info: Contact the Scrip office at 424-327-9608 | ScripDesk@AmericanMartyrs.org
NO COFFEE & DONUTS TODAY

NEXT WEEK - PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS BACK ON!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST MINISTRY is serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice & coffee in O’Donnell Hall after 7AM, 8AM and 9:30AM Masses.

Please pay at the door.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Welcome back to our Pot Luck and Game Day on Tuesday, September 3 in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room.

Fellowship and games at 10:00AM, and then Potluck Lunch at 12:00NOON. Bring a dish for 6-8 people for the lunch.

New Members welcome and would be a pleasant surprise!

Save the date of September 17 for our membership renewal ($5.00) Brown Bag Event at Judy’s Gazebo Gardens.

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

ARLENE’S LIGHTHOUSE

Arlene’s Lighthouse is associated with the International movement Faith and Light which was started by Jean Vanier. We are a small community made up of persons with an intellectual disability, their families and friends, particularly young friends, who meet together on a regular basis in a Christian spirit, to share friendship, pray together, party, and celebrate life.

If your family has been touched by intellectual disability, or if you want to be a friend of our community, please feel free to join us.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, September 6 at the Parish House, at 6:00PM. We welcome everyone!

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

MOTHERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Wednesday, September 11
9:30–11:00AM, St. Kateri

Please join us for our first meeting of 2019!

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
Elizabeth Serrano, 310-245-4459
or mail us at MOYC@AmericanMartyrs.org

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

All Parish offices will be closed on Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

There will only be an 8:10AM Mass on that day.

SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS

We love Children’s Items

The silent auction is in need of children’s items, Legos, American Girl dolls, Nintendo DS games, Wii games, bikes, toys, books and more!

All items are appreciated.

Also if you have any connections to Disney or Nickelodeon we would welcome the support.

Call Tina Sarafa, 310-502-5792, if you have questions.

ALTAR SOCIETY

WELCOME BACK!

Please join us for our first meeting of the new year on Thursday, September 12 for a Guided Tour of the Stained Glass windows in our beautiful church!

• Meet & Greet at American Martyrs at 10:45AM
• Tour begins at 11:00AM
• Mass at 12:10PM
• Light lunch to follow in St. Kateri

All are welcome!

We hope to see you there.

MINISTRY CONTACT: Patty Dunn DiMarco, 310-545-2068

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS - CAREER BRIDGEBUILDERS

All are welcome; there is no fee.

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

CAREER BRIDGEBUILDERS NETWORKING GROUP

Thursday, September 5, 9:00–11:00AM
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room

Whether you are considering a career change, or in the middle of a job search, launch your search with Career BridgeBuilders. Participants will network, discuss challenges, share best practices and energize your search efforts.

New Workshops begin soon. Follow Career BridgeBuilders on LinkedIn for more information.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Andrea Connolly, careerbridgebuilders@AmericanMartyrs.org or check out our group on LinkedIn

Find this bulletin online at AmericanMartyrs.org
Sometimes I think I lead two different lives. In one life I am somewhat spiritual. In this life I will ask for God’s help for the “big” things: an elimination to hunger, the health of a family member or neighbor and other “important” matters. In my other life I deal with things on a personal level, thinking that I can handle them without help.

Recently we were dealing with a process (I don’t know what else to call it.) that had me very anxious. It wasn’t associated with life or death of a close relative, a relationship within our family or anything at that level. It was one of those things that many of us deal with when we have “things”. My anxiety level continued to grow as we approached a decision date. If it was something concerning my spouse, children or relatives, I would as for guidance from God, but, for some reason, that response to my anxiety escaped me.

I finally expressed my concern to my spouse, and the response was, “I have been praying about it, have you?” The obvious answer was no. I realized that we should approach God with all our problems - both major and minor ones. We miss a great relationship with the Lord when we only approach Him with the big ones. Most of us are beset with little things every day that distract us from being closer to God. I am sure God listens to my prayers and praying to Him I relieve many of my anxieties.

So, what happened this time? I think the answer is in today’s readings which focus on a key characteristic of a Christian steward: humility. I was acting just the opposite of that characteristic in thinking I could do this by myself without God, my spouse or any other support.

In serving and sharing we should be centered in humility, recognizing that we are all part of the Body of Christ. In addition to serving, we should also be humble enough to be served.

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

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**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, September 3, 7:00-9:00 PM** in the Holy Family House. The topic is “Love.”

**Questions?** Jenny Attanasio, 310-545-5651

**All are Welcome at American Martyrs**

Jesus loves me because The Father breathed life into my soul and made me his child. He invites ALL his children to the table.

**Will you set a place for me at your “table”?**

We lovingly welcome those in the LGBTQ+ community, of all ages and their families, for support and faith sharing on the 2nd Thursday of each month, in St. Mother Teresa room.

**Our next meeting is Thursday, September 12, at 7:30pm.**

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

**Stephen Ministry**

Deacon Dick & Patti Williams, 310-545-8244

*I’ve heard of the Stephen Ministers... what do they do again?*

Stephen Ministry demonstrates one of the key purposes of our parish, to be a compassionate community who reach out to those who are struggling.

We see the value in everyone’s life and we recognize the face of Jesus in every person we meet. Stephen Ministers serve our community by helping carry one another’s burdens. By listening and caring for those who are hurting we offer compassion and God’s healing love when lives seem at their lowest point.

If you are facing a crisis in your life, please call our confidential line, 310-545-8244.

**Care Notes Can Help You Cope**

Check out the Care Note rack in the Church vestibule. There are many topics, including.

*Prayers of Comfort for Times of Illness*

*Coping When Someone You Love Is Dying*

Please deposit donations in the Poor Box.
M25 Outreach - St. Francis Center

Matthew 25 Ministry is serving at the St. Francis Center grocery service on **Saturday, September 7.** The Center ([www.sfcla.org](http://www.sfcla.org)) serves impoverished adults and children in the South Park and Garment District neighborhoods of downtown LA.

**We meet in the AMC parking lot at 8:45AM** and carpool to the Center. Volunteers help sort through produce and grocery items, and distribute them to needy families, and **return to American Martyrs by 1:00-1:30PM.** Openings are available for up to 8 volunteers.

**To reserve your spot, please RSVP by Tuesday, Sept 3, to Matt Conway, matt.conway.1618@gmail.com, and to John Harder, john.harder.3rd@gmail.com. Give your name and state that you will participate with American Martyrs on Sept 7.**

Matthew 25 meets monthly on the **1st Tuesday at 7:00PM.** Please join us to see how you can get involved in service!

**Our September meeting is next Tuesday, September 10 (the 2nd Tuesday) in the Parish House.**

Matthew 25 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.

**We are in URGENT need of these items:**
- Women’s Size L and XL clothing

And always in need of:
- Tennis shoes - gently used
- Mens boxers and socks - NEW
- Warm jackets
- Mens Medium & Large: t-shirts & sweatshirts
- Mens jeans, sweatpants, jackets
- Womens XL and XXL: jeans, sweatpants, ugg

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

Infant Baptism Preparation
Pre-Baptism instruction for parents and godparents is required to have your child baptized at American Martyrs. Complete the Family Information Form online at our website and then contact Deacon Fred Rose for an appointment.
For information and schedule of classes, go online to www.AmericanMartyrs.org | Sacraments | Baptism.

Next class is Sunday, September 15 at 7:00pm in St. Kateri.
Questions: Contact Deacon Fred Rose, 424-327-9610 or deaconfred@AmericanMartyrs.org

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 (begins September 10)
Tuesdays, 9:15-11:00am, in the Spirituality Center
Contact: Alvin Fletcher, 310-379-5241

Sunday Scripture Reading with Fr. Joe (begins mid September)
Wednesday, 10:00-11:30am, in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Monday Morning Faith Sharing (begins September 9)
Mondays, 9:00-11:00am, in the Parish House
Contact: Joanne Dispoto, jodispoto@gmail.com | 310-344-5833

Silent Meditation
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

Tuesday Morning Scripture Study
Our Fall sessions begins Tuesday, September 10 with the 7-session Little Rock Scripture Study, “Exploring the Spirituality of the Gospel.”

All four gospels call readers to become faithful followers of Christ, but each gospel has a special focus on Christ. Patrick J. Hartin in “Exploring the Spirituality of the Gospel” finds the following:

• in Matthew’s gospel a spirituality based on Christ’s transformative presence within us
• in Mark is found the challenge of martyrdom;
• in Luke the call to embrace the poor;
• in John disciples are called to contemplative virtues springing from grace and love.

The study set includes the Study Guide and a Commentary.

We meet in the Spirituality Center on Tuesdays, 9:15am-11am (770 17th Street). No need to register, just show up!
Contact: Al Fletcher, 310-379-5241 | alvinjerry@hotmail.com

Monday Morning Faith Sharing
Please join us as we begin our new session on September 9.
We meet weekly, on Mondays, from 9:00-11:00am in the Parish House.
Ministry Contact: Joanne Dispoto, jodispoto@gmail.com

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. All are welcome, no advance work necessary.
Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30am
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room
Questions? Call Mary Ann Millar, 310-374-9894

Interested in good books?
Visit the UPPER ROOM in the Spirituality Center, 770 17th Street, M.B. † Sundays, 10am - 4pm

The AMCC collection of 2500+ faith-based books, CDs and DVDs, is available for easy check-out.
See the complete list on the AMCC website under EXPLORING MY FAITH

Questions? Anna Jung, 310-374-0863 or Millie Maloney, 310-938-3125
Teen Tuesday Bible Study
Tuesdays, 6:00PM
in Holy Family House, all high school teens are invited.

Confirmation:
Monica Leon,
mleon@AmericanMartyrs.org
Nick Waggoner,
nwaggoner@AmericanMartyrs.org

Youth Ministry:
Matthew Leon, matthew.leon@AmericanMartyrs.org

Sunday Preschool Registration for 2019-20 is open
Find the link at the AmericanMartyrs.org website.

We are always looking for new teachers!
Come rediscover the beauty of God’s creation through the eyes of a child.
Questions? Please contact us!
Kathy Glynn, SundayPreschool@AmericanMartyrs.org

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SRE)
Register now for next year’s SRE program for grades 1-8!
Classes begin in September.

NEW FAMILIES TO SRE can find the New Student Application link at our site.

New Parent Orientation
Orientation is required for parents new to SRE, or it’s been awhile. The final date for New Parent Orientation is:
• Wednesday, September 4, 9:30-11:00AM, St. Kateri

2019 First Communion Parent Meeting
Parents of the First Communion Class of 2020 (Second Grade AMS or SRE) attend this important meeting for First Penance and First Communion.

The final date for First Communion Parent Meeting is:
• Wednesday, September 4, 8:30-9:00AM, St. Kateri

Director of Religious Education: Patti Williams, 310-546-4734
PWilliams@AmericanMartyrs.org

AMERICAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
AMS Used Uniform Sale
Sunday, September 8, 8-11AM,
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Kids have sprouted again! It is time to take advantage of our Used Uniform overstock sale.
Great inventory of high quality items, in all sizes. Many of our items literally look brand new and some items still have the tags on them!
As always, all proceeds from this program go to supporting our school Library!
Questions? Debbi Drewry, debbidrewry@yahoo.com | 310-488-1265

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN
The right kind of touch is important for children
Children are often naturally affectionate and trusting, and this can lead to unexpected hugs or touches that indicate their love for the adults in their lives. For adults who are aware that some touching can be inappropriate or can appear to be a boundary violation even though it was initiated by the child, it can be difficult to respond in these instances.

Healthy, appropriate touch is important for children. Use these instances as teachable moments where you can affirm your affection in words and guide an appropriate touch by description and example. Some examples of this could include patting a child on the shoulder or back, high fives, holding hands out of the classroom or when crossing the street, or helping a young child tie his shoelaces.

As part of our commitment, the Archdiocese has updated the www.archla.org/protect website with valuable information and resources on how to protect our children and young people from child sexual abuse.

For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “The Healing Power of Touch, Part II” at http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx.
For particular help, call Assistance Ministry at 213-637-7650.
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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

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**Gym, Field & Athletics**

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**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, 8:00-10:00pm*  
Intermediate skill levels and recreational play.  
John Wargnier, 310-796-1058 | johnwargnier@AmericanMartyrs.org

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American Martyrs Rosary available in the Welcome Center

Blue Glass † Walnut † Rosewood † Pearl

Give the gift of Prayer
Beyond Our Parish

LMU CENTER FOR RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY

"God is My Center" with Rev. Martin Laird Saturday-Sunday, September 7-8 @ LMU University Hall
Fr. Martin Laird will lead participants in a weekend of silent prayer, discussion, and contemplative practice.

Contemplative Practices begins September 7 @ LMU
This program aims to serve as a conduit that supports participants to deepen their awareness of the presence of an already present God. It does so by exposing participants to the key elements of Christian Contemplative practices in the hopes that through reflection, discussion, and practice they can grow into an ever-deepening awareness of the presence of God in their lives.

Registration: cal.lmu.edu | Info: crs@lmu.edu | 310-338-2799

CATHOLIC CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED

Annual Catholic Co-ed Softball League seeks Players for their exciting Fall Season! Games are Sunday afternoons in Torrance, Sept to Nov. Singles & couples are welcome; female players especially needed.
Interested? Contact Fred, 714-369-9516 | fredlawler@hotmail.com.

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER - Part-time Development Manager

The Pregnancy Help Center, a pro-life pregnancy medical clinic, is seeking candidates for a part-time Development Manager position.
Responsibilities include individual donor cultivation, grant writing, and coordinating fundraising events. A minimum of three years of development experience is preferred.
Send resume to agross@phctorrance.org.

The Auxiliary of the Little Sisters of the Poor

LIFE, JUSTICE AND PEACE PRESENTS

Moses and Migration: The Radical Response of the Bible to a Modern Crisis
By Prof. Daniel L. Smith-Christopher, Ph.D.

Thursday, September 26
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Parish Auditorium
209 N. Hanford Avenue in San Pedro

- Are today’s issues really so radically different from some of the issues facing the Hebrew people and the writers of the Bible?
- In this discussion, we will propose that - in fact - the Bible has a surprisingly modern approach of compassion and concern about "the foreigner" who lives among us.
- As usual, when we think some problems are beyond the Scripture, or have little to do with Scripture, we are typically surprised with its challenges for us.

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The Carmelite Sisters offer short-term and long-term care for seniors, with the unique blend of social, recreational, educational and religious activities in a caring, tranquil, and home-like environment. Call for further information, tour or application.

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**ATTENTION ALL TWENTIES & THIRTIES!**

**THE T&T MASS IS TONIGHT**

**SEPTEMBER 1, 7:00PM**

**O’DONNELL HALL**

Join us for Praise and worship at 6:45PM, Mass at 7:00PM, and a Social afterwards.

**QUESTIONS?** Monica Leon, mleon@AmericanMartyrs.org

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**BECOMING CATHOLIC - RCIA**

**Are You Someone, or Do You Know Someone Who…**

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

Adults considering entering the Catholic Church follow a process known as the RCIA - the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**. RCIA offers an opportunity to come together to learn more about the faith. We focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season.

**The process goes through 4 stages:**

1. **September thru October** is “Inquiry” – during this stage there is no hard commitment per se; it is a time to consider your decision, a time for questions and answers.

2. **November thru February** is The “Catechumenate” (Study) Period – at this stage you have more or less made the commitment to serious study of the faith.

3. **March thru April** (Lent/Easter) is the “Period of Purification and Enlightenment” - a time of reflection, centered on conversion and preparation for the rites on Holy Saturday.

4. **April thru May** is the “Period of Post-Baptismal Catechesis and Mystagogy.” Through the Easter Season and beyond the newly initiated experience being full members of the Christian community by means of mystagogy, participation in parish ministry and sharing the Sunday Eucharistic celebrations.

You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. Registration is available online through the American Martyrs website.

**RCIA sessions begin Wednesday, September 18 in St. Kateri at 7:30PM.**

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Terri Brown or Deacon Derek Brown, RCIA@AmericanMartyrs.org | 310-220-9368

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**Thank you to**

**MANHATTAN BEACH CREAMERY**

for their donation of the 500 delicious Creamwiches for our Ice Cream Social last weekend!

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**Heal The Bay Beach Clean-up**

Join Matthew 25 at the Manhattan Beach Pier on **Saturday, September 21** **10:00AM - 12 noon**

Meet us near the lifeguard stand next to the bike path for a talk about ocean pollution before the cleanup begins.

Earn service hours, get involved in a project with family or friends, and learn more about why **Care for God’s Creation** includes knowledge of what you can do to help keep the beaches healthy.

No need to RSVP, but it’s encouraged to get waiver forms taken care of and send out info packages.

**CONTACT:** Alexandria Scaltrito, ascaltri@gmail.com

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**Police, Fire, Lifeguard & CERT**

**Appreciation Pancake Breakfast**

**FREE to All Emergency Personnel**

**and immediate family**

**Sunday, September 8, 2019**

**O’Donnell Hall**

**Pancake Breakfast 7:45am – 11:00 am**

**All you can Eat!**

(Pancakes, eggs, sausages, coffee, orange juice, milk, tea)

**Sponsored by:** American Martyrs Pancake Breakfast Ministry