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Rev. Rick Prindle

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Chris Amantea, Dick Williams

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

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

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

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

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October 19 / 20
10 AM - 5 PM 10 AM - 4:30 PM

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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 Pl. and Church crosswalk

PARISH OFFICES, Mon–Fri, 9am–4:45pm

ODONNELL HALL – Use Plaza entrance.

ST. KATERI ROOM – Use Deegan Pl. 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 meeting rooms, use either of the eastside entrances – Blessed Virgin Mary or St. Kateri

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

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310-545-8599 | 1701 Laurel Ave, MB 90266

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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. Rick Prindle

SUN 7:00AM: Fr. Rick Prindle

8:00AM: Fr. Joseph Kammerer

9:30AM: Msgr. John Barry (Livestream)

11:30AM: Fr. Rick Prindle

5:00PM: Fr. Joseph Kammerer

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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

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
Capt Evan Bernstein – U.S. M.C.
Michael Concannon – U.S. Army
Sharron Schaffer
Kathy O’Mara
Jamie Bogdanowicz

Pray for the Sick

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

Nancy Smith
Drake Walker
Virginia Freedman
Helene Grik
Michael Concannon
Alice Henning
Jay Harkenrider
Sharon Schaffer
Kathy O’Mara
Sheri Skulick
Peter Champagn
Alan Krippner

In Memoriam

Wayne Sanger
Michael McOsker
Donald Vogt
Msgr. Andy Tseu
Dianne Kelly
Eileen Tremonti
Martha Corbett
Dr. Lawrence Marinelli
Efraim Alvarado
Rachel Hamilton
Jack Winkler
Shirley Inglehart
Blake King
Peter Champion
Karen Sweeney

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

Holy Matrimony

Second Banns
Ryan Coleman and Caitlyn Huttin

First Banns
Stephen Spencer and Marie Brillo

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, October 13 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
ccamantea@AmericanMartyrs.org | yamantea@AmericanMartyrs.org

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### Calendar, Mass Intentions & Readings

#### This Week

**MONDAY, October 14**
- 9:00 AM PH: Monday Morning Faith Sharing
- 7:00 PM HFH: Al-Anon Meeting

**TUESDAY, October 15**
- 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
- 3:45 PM SCH: SRE Grades 1-6
- 6:00 PM HFH: Teen Tuesday
- 7:00 PM HFH: Beginning Again
- 7:00 PM OLMM: Bereavement Support Group
- 7:00 PM SCH: Women’s AA Meeting
- 7:30 PM StMT: Al-Anon Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, October 16**
- 10:00 AM SK: Mission Bridge
- 10:00 AM StJD: Weekly Scripture Reading with Fr. Joe
- 3:45 PM SCH: SRE Grades 1-6
- 7:30 PM SK: RCIA

**THURSDAY, October 17**
- 5:30 AM PH: Men’s AA Meeting
- 9:00 AM OLMM: Career Bridge Builders Workshop
- 11:00 AM SpC: Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings

**FRIDAY, October 18**
- 11:15 AM SpC: Silent Meditation
- 3:00 PM SpC: Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings

#### Next Weekend

**SATURDAY, October 19**
- **PARISH FAIR**
  - 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- 10:30 AM B&B: Latin Chant Class

**SUNDAY, October 20**
- **PARISH FAIR**
  - 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM
- 10:00 AM SpL: Spiritual Library (until 4:00 PM)
- 6:15 PM SK: AMYM Life Night

#### Mass Intentions and Readings for the Week

**MONDAY, October 14 - St. Callistus I**
- **Readings:** Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcede, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32
  - 8:10 Kathleen McPharlin † (Komick Family)
  - 12:10 Jerry Farley † (Walmer Family)
  - 5:00 Special Intention (Martha Wagner)

**TUESDAY, October 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus**
- **Readings:** Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41
  - 5:00 Karen Schloemer  (Joanne & Larry Conley)
  - 12:10 Roseann Schall † (Dona Bouffard)
  - 8:10 Norman Ishizaki † (Patti & Dick Willliams)
  - 3:00 Bobo Kalinowski † (Donia Lugo)
  - 5:00 Karen Schloemer (Joanne & Larry Conley)

**THURSDAY, October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch**
- **Readings:** Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
  - 6:30 Irene Sawa † (Jane & Dave Centofante)
  - 8:10 Gary Grant Neilson † (Merlyn R. Neilson)
  - 12:10 Ed Rumsey † (Dorothy Rumsey)
  - 5:00 Greg Stratton

**FRIDAY, October 18 - St. Luke**
- **Readings:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
  - 8:10 Bob Kalinowski † (Nonito & Bel Zarora)
  - 12:10 Phyllis Soto † (Cathy & Albert Lugo)
  - 5:00 Kathleen Callahan † (Frank Scott)

**SATURDAY, October 19 - Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, and Companions**
- **Readings:** Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12
  - 8:10 K. Sudharma SasiDharan † (Kala Dharan)
  - 12:10 Ed Rumsey † (Dorothy Rumsey)
  - 5:00 Kathleen Callahan † (Frank Scott)

**SUNDAY, October 20 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **Readings:** Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8
  - 7:00 Maura Harrington † (Jon & Cathy Strauss)
  - 8:00 Jack Fulkerson † (Gunderman Family)
  - 9:30 For the Parishioners, Living and Deceased
  - 11:30 AMS Class of 1969, Living and Deceased
  - 5:00 Rita Boland † (Ellie & Cliff Allison)

**Planned Giving**

Don’t cancel life insurance you no longer need!

By naming American Martyrs as beneficiary, you provide lasting financial support and possibly qualify for tax benefits as well. For information, contact Bob Hodges at 310-545-5651 or bhodges@AmericanMartyrs.org

Find this bulletin online at AmericanMartyrs.org
Silent Auction Donations
Do you have a special talent you might consider sharing with the parish?
Every year our special experience section at the Silent Auction is one of our most profitable. We are looking for hosted special dinners in private homes, themed parties, pie or cake of the month or anything unique and experiential you can think of! We are also happy to create a beautiful display to show case your donation.

Looking for all overs of fine wines and food.
The Silent Auction needs you! Did you know that wine is one of the biggest sellers at our Silent Auction? Any donation of wine, nonperishable food items to basket, or gift certificates to your favorite restaurants would be greatly appreciated.
Call Tina Sarafa, 310-502-5792, if you have questions.

Pre-Sale Fair Tickets
Presale Food & Game Tickets are available after all Masses this weekend and in the Welcome Center during the week.
Tickets include a 20% ticket bonus when purchased before Fair weekend. Tickets are good for food, drinks, and games.
Tickets purchased at the Fair are $1 each.
You may also purchase tickets online at AMParishFair.com and then pickup at the Welcome Center.
You must purchase your tickets (or pick-up your pre-purchased tickets) by 5:00pm on Friday, October 18.

Questions about the Fair?
Contact us at ParishFair@AmericanMartyrs.org or contact one of the Chairs directly:
Kristen Scherlacher, kscherlacher@AmericanMartyrs.org
Mike Kersey, mkersey@AmericanMartyrs.org
Beth Bayerd, beth.bayerd@AmericanMartyrs.org

2 Ways to Find Out if You Are a Winner

Website: Winners will be posted to the AMC website starting at 5:30pm Sunday. Click the Silent Auction Winner Board link.

Text Message/Emails: A text message and email indicating you have won will be sent; include a cell phone/email when you register for your bid number.

Item Pick-Up and Payment
Doors are open for check out Sunday, 6-10pm and Monday, 7am-12noon.
Please make every effort to pick-up your items on Sunday.
All winning items will be charged to your credit card on file.
You may switch to check or cash at the Gym check-out.
All items must be PICKED UP by NOON on Monday.
After NOON on Monday all unclaimed items will be charged to your credit card on file & donated to St. Lawrence of Brindisi.

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Mike Kersey, mkersey@AmericanMartyrs.org
Beth Bayerd, beth.bayerd@AmericanMartyrs.org
Coffee & Donuts in O’Donnell Hall
Adoption & Foster Care Ministry will host Coffee & Donuts after the 7AM, 8AM, and 9:30AM Masses.

NEXT WEEK:

Visit Divine Sweets & Treats at the Parish Fair!
Enjoy delicious homemade egg casseroles and coffee cakes, juice, coffee and other breakfast goodies. You will find something for every member of the family!

World Mission Sunday Collection is Next Weekend
Next week is World Mission Sunday. We are called through our baptism to be part of the Church’s missionary efforts, through prayer, self-sacrifice and support of missionary vocations through material aid.
Remembering that we are baptized and sent as a Universal Church of Christ on mission in the world, we can...
† PRAY for the Church’s worldwide missionary work

Senior Fellowship Group
Join us on Tuesday, October 15 in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room for another fun “Game Day” at 10:00AM. Bring your own brown bag lunch for the noon break. Dessert and beverages provided.
Please join the fun! Questions? Judy Parnin, 310-374-9804.

Mothers of Young Children
Wednesday, October 23
9:30–11:00AM, St. Kateri
Please join us for our annual Halloween party! Have your children wear their costumes and come ready to trick or treat!
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

Does American Martyrs Have Talent?
The Parish Fair Talent Show (ages 1-18) is Saturday, Oct 19.
E-mail us, ParishFair@AmericanMartyrs.org with subject line "AMGT."

“SuperSize” Your Prize!
‘SuperSize” is a great upgrade option for kids ‘of all ages’ to win more valuable prizes when they win games at many of the participating booths!
How it Works When you win at a booth with the SuperSize option, you can choose to receive a SuperSize ticket instead. Simply fill out your ticket with your contact info and enter it into the drawings occurring regularly at the SuperSize booth. There is no limit to the number of times a person may enter and all tickets remain in the drawings until the end of the Fair. Winners will be selected throughout the weekend and need not be present to win.
Donate Scrip For Super Size? It’s easy! While at the scrip office, you can donate gift cards directly to the “Super Size” prizes collection - just drop them in the box on the counter.
We appreciate any size donation - thank you!
Lisa Baker (310-869-5303)

Upcoming Workshops – Career Bridge Builders
All are welcome; there is no fee.
Please RSVP: text 310-779-6099, or to the email below.
Job Market Trends and Marketing Your Search - Andrea Connolly
Thursday, October 17, 9:00–11:00AM
Now may be a good time to make that job change. We will discuss market trends how to define your target company list.
Career Bridge Builders Networking Group
Thursday, October 24, 9:00–11:00AM
Whether you are considering a career change, or in the middle of a job search, launch your search with CBB. Participants will network, discuss challenges, share best practices and energize your search efforts.
All sessions are in 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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We are not far from our Annual Stewardship Renewal when we reflect on using our God-given gifts to support our families, our parish, and those in need. Since stewardship is often referred to as an attitude of gratitude it seems fitting that this weekend’s readings emphasize gratitude.

Not surprisingly, we have covered gratitude in other messages and, each time we do, I am amazed by the number of books, scientific papers, homilies, essays, etc. that have been written on the subject. Why does it seem there is so little of it in the world?

I couldn’t possibly read all that has been written about gratitude so I don’t have an answer to the question. I did find a very interesting interview that a faith-based organization had with Dr. Robert Emmons, Professor of Psychology, at UC Davis. When asked what gratitude was, Dr. Emmons responded, “Gratitude is an affirmation of the goodness in one’s life and the recognition that the sources of this goodness lie at least partially outside the self.” I’m going out on a limb here, but I’m sure he is saying that we owe a big “Thank You” to someone (maybe God) other than ourselves for who we are.

Another question to the Professor was, “Are you saying that gratitude works for our own self-interest and well-being?” The response says a lot. “Gratitude heals, energizes, and transforms lives in a myriad of ways. Gratitude takes us outside ourselves where we see ourselves as part of a larger, intricate network of sustaining relationships, relationships that are mutually reciprocal.” It seems to me that he is referring to relationships very similar to what we have in the Body of Christ. He goes on to say, “It (gratitude) is a positive state of mind that gives rise to the passing on of a gift through positive action. As such, gratitude serves as a key link in the dynamic between receiving and giving. It is not only a response to kindnesses received, but it is also a motivator of future benevolent actions.”

This approach to gratitude seems to say that we all have gifts bestowed on us by someone outside of ourselves and we are expected to share them within our community. Simply put, stewardship must be active in the Body of Christ for the Body to grow!

Please contact us at Stewardship@AmericanMartyrs.org, with questions or comments about Stewardship.
**Heal The Bay Beach Clean-up**

Join Matthew 25 at the Manhattan Beach Pier on **Saturday, October 19**

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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**Will you Help the Hungry?**

**Looking for a way to help those in need? Do you have an hour to give?**

Join us on Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM to enjoy service, community, prayer, and a glass of your favorite beverage.

We gather to make sandwiches for the St. Lawrence of Brindisi Parish Outreach Lunch Program, carrying on a 25 year tradition here at American Martyrs.

If you can spare an hour, our first Tuesday is:

**October 22, in O’Donnell Hall**

**Please RSVP to:**
Traci Britton, TBritton@AmericanMartyrs.org

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**October is Respect Life Month**

- **Join us for Coffee and Donuts today!** Join the Adoption and Foster Care Ministry for Coffee and Donuts. Learn about the work of our ministry.

- **Rosary Procession to Shrine of the Unborn**
  **October 13, 2PM, Holy Cross Cemetery in Culver City**
  Participate in a moving rosary procession from the Mausoleum to the beautiful shrine. A short prayer service will be held followed by singing of hymns. For more info contact Terri Sabosky, 310-937-1003.

- **Join Our Fall Prayer Vigil, now through November 3**
  Join our peaceful prayer vigil and public outreach to end abortion in our communities. We offer hope, mercy, and support to those in a pregnancy crisis or wounded by abortion.
  We are looking for volunteers to join us for 1-2 hours of prayer and outreach during the 40-day vigils. There are 2 Vigil locations:
  - FPA Women’s Health (formerly Family Planning Associates Medical Group)
    - 24241 Hawthorne Blvd, Unit 201, Torrance, CA 90505
    - 12304 Santa Monica Blvd, Los Angeles, CA
    - 40DaysforLife.com/Torrance
    - 40DaysforLife.com/LosAngeles

  The family is called to join in daily prayer, to read the word of God and to share in Eucharistic communion, and thus to grow in love and become ever more fully a temple in which the Spirit dwells.

  - Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia

For information about **Life and Family Ministry**, contact Steve Perry, 818-800-5653 | LifeandFamily@AmericanMartyrs.org

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For information and schedule of classes, go online to www.AmericanMartyrs.org | Sacraments | Baptism.
**Next class is TONIGHT, October 13 at 7:00PM in St. Kateri.**
**Questions:** Contact Deacon Fred Rose, 424-327-9610 or deaconfred@AmericanMartyrs.org

Newly Baptized at American Martyrs

We welcome the new members of our Catholic Community.

Kirby Claire Ankley
Hudson Joseph Hoang Beuthner
Sierra Jean Brown
Jaxyn Adriana Cressman
Lucas Tilmann Gruber
Austin James Miele
Taylor Madison Rusin
Leandro Adler Sistos
Benjamin James Wilhelm

Camden John Banks
Joseph Lawrence Cimmarusti
Maverick Ian Gallemore
Lila Jeanne Huff
Genevieve Louise Olenick
Raegan Marie Shaw
Timothy George Van Pelt

Faith Enrichment & Prayer

Bible Studies
Tuesday Morning Scripture Group
Tuesdays, 9:15-11:00AM, in the Spirituality Center
**Contact:** Alvin Fletcher, 310-379-5241

Sunday Scripture Reading with Fr. Joe
Wednesday, 1:00-11:30PM, 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 | 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

JOIN THE NEW
AMERICAN MARTYRS
YOUTH MASS CHOIR

Grades 2 and up
Rehearsals on Wednesdays 3:15-4 PM
in the School Hall
Monthly Saturday 5 PM Masses

Find registration at our website, AmericanMartyrs.org

Choir Director: Ji Yeon Song, JSong@AmericanMartyrs.org

Silent Meditation - The Prayer of the Heart

Would you like to deepen your realtionship with the Lord, keeping him at the center of your being? Are you interested in learning about meditation? Are you someone who already meditates and would like to share this prayer practice with a faith community?

Silent Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer and is often referred to as ‘the prayer of the heart’. It is found throughout the ages of the Christian tradition and today is widely recognized as a form of prayer that is relevant and much needed for modern people. It is a prayer of silence, stillness, and attention. In meditation we allow the mind and body to become still and silent so we can be in the presence of ‘Christ in us’. We learn in this way to become less distracted and more present to God and ourselves and to those we live and work with.

Let the truth be in your hearts, as it will be if you practice meditation, and you will see clearly what love we are bound to have for our neighbor.
- St. Teresa of Avila

Join us Friday mornings in St. Joseph’s Chapel at the Spirituality Center. (Use Pacific Avenue entrance).

11:15 - 11:25AM Optional: Time for Questions/Instruction
11:25 - 11:30AM Opening Reflection
11:30 - 11:55AM Silent Meditation
11:55 - 12:00NOON Closing Prayer

All are welcome!

Ministry Contact: Beverly Busby 310-376-2056
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 at the Welcome Center.

CONTACT: Mary Hornickel, 310-466-3820

Youth Ministry

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

SEALED. 1, Session 2 - TODAY, October 13, at 3:30PM

Families in Faith

The apostles ask Jesus to “increase our faith”. The greatest thing we can do as parents is to ask that the gift of faith be given to our children. Yes, God will work through us, but God will be the primary instrument. We may feel our faith is weak, but with God, all things are possible.

SRE Classes for Grades 1-6

Tues/Wed, 3:45-4:45pm
October 15/16
October 22/23

Sunday SRE Grades 1-8
10:45AM-11:45AM
November 3

We look forward to families gathering at the Parish Fair this month for a wonderful weekend. Be sure to sign up for your shift.

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

You may still register for Sunday Preschool.
Find the link at the AmericanMartyrs.org website.

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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

Safeguard the Children

The Archdiocese is participating in an Independent Compensation Program for Victim-Survivors of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles, along with five other dioceses in California, is participating in an independent program to offer persons who were victims of abuse as minors by diocesan priests, access to compensation as well as access to counseling services if they chose.

Those harmed many years ago and barred from filing lawsuits because of civil statutes of limitations will be eligible to make claims under the Independent Compensation Program for Victim-Survivors of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests. The Archdiocese’s participation in the program is part of a long-standing commitment to supporting and compensating victims of abuse, the protection of children and the vulnerable, and the prevention of abuse and misconduct in Catholic parishes, schools and ministries.

Nationally recognized mediators and private compensation program administrators, Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Biros will administer the program. Funding for the program in our Archdiocese will come from self-insured reserves, monies set aside for this purpose. We pray that this new program might provide another avenue toward healing and hope.

Please visit www.californiadiocesesicp.com for information about the program.

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

SCHOOL STUDENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student’s emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student’s needs.
Independent Compensation Program for Victim-Survivors of Abuse by Diocesan Clergy (ICP) To Begin Sept. 16, 2019

As part of our long-standing commitment to provide pastoral care and to support the healing process for victim-survivors, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, along with five other dioceses in California, is participating in the new Independent Compensation Program by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Diocese of Fresno, Diocese of Orange, Diocese of Sacramento, Diocese of San Bernardino, and Diocese of San Diego for Victim-Survivors of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests (ICP). The ICP is administered independently of the Church by Kenneth Feinberg and Camille Biros, widely recognized as premier dispute resolution administrators in the country.

The program will begin accepting registrations on Monday, September 16, 2019, from any person who has been sexually abused as a minor by diocesan priests of the participating dioceses, no matter when that abuse might have occurred. Funding for the program in our Archdiocese will come from self-insured reserves, monies set aside for this purpose. We pray that this new program might provide another avenue toward healing and hope.

For more information on the ICP, please visit www.californiadiocesesicp.com after September 16.
The 49th Annual Parish Fair
Saturday, Oct 19, 10AM-5PM
Sunday, Oct 20, 10AM-4:30PM
JOIN THE FUN!

Want to win a new 2019 JEEP CHEROKEE?
How About $5,000 cash?
Buy your Lucky 21 tickets today, on sale after all Masses, in the Welcome Center during the week, or download an order form at www.AmericanMartyrs.org.

Want to join the winner’s circle?
Buy your tickets today!

Please support American Martyrs church, school, SRE and outreach programs by participating in one of the year’s biggest fundraisers.

Your Lucky 21 Co-Chairs
Kristina Cappetta, 978-505-7405

Parish Fair Volunteers Needed
The Fair is NEXT weekend and we still need volunteers to staff booths!

Interested?
Come speak with us at the Staffing table after all Masses this weekend.

Visit www.AMParishFair.org to check out what volunteer opportunities are available so you can be a part of this wonderful parish tradition

Questions about scheduling a shift, or need more info? Contact us:
FairStaffing@AmericanMartyrs.org

Purchase tickets at AMParishFair.com
Questions? Contact Meghan Walsh at SaturdayNightDinner@AmericanMartyrs.org