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Saturday Vigil: 5PM
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7PM, on the first Sunday of the month

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8:10AM, 12:10PM, 5PM
Tuesday / Thursday:
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Saturday: 8AM

Holy Day Mass
Vigil: 5PM
Holy Day:
6:30AM, 8:10AM, 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
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4-4:30PM
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ELEVATOR from Plaza/Welcome Center to Parish Offices/Deegan Pl. and Church crosswalk
PARISH OFFICES, Mon-Fri, 9am-4:45pm
O’DONNELL HALL - Use Plaza entrance.
ST. KATERI ROOM - Use Deegan Pl. entrance or East parking lot entrance.
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BLESSED VIRGIN MARY WING:
OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL
Ground level - enter from Plaza.
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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. Joseph Kammerer
8:00AM: Msgr. John Barry
9:30AM: Msgr. John Barry (Livestream)
11:30AM: Fr. Joseph Kammerer
5:00PM: Fr. Rick Prindle

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, # 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
EUCHARISTICADORATIONCHAPEL
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:
Gert Shoemaker | Kelly Thormosgaard
Jerry Sanders | Blake King
Sheri Skulick | Peter Champagne
Rachel Hamilton | Elise Whithworth
Nancy Smith | Helene Grik
Anne Filek | Gwen Duffy
Donald Snider | Be Enochs

IN MEMORIAM
Margaret Taylor | Joseph Clark
Norbert Loepse | Lupe Diaz

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

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, February 9 at 9:00PM.

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

Armee Forces

We pray for those serving overseas in our Armed Forces, especially:

Sgt Ciriacyo 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
Sgt Charles Koffman - U.S. Army
2d Lt Dominick Lucenti - U.S. Air Force
1LT Nicholas Marquez - National Guard
Capt Evan Bernstein - U.S.M.C.
Sgt Ciriaco Ayala - U.S.M.C.

The LORD is my light and my salvation.
### THIS WEEK
#### MONDAY, January 27
- **9:00 AM** PH: Monday Morning Faith Sharing
- **5:00 PM** B&B: Latin Chant Class
- **6:30 PM** ODH: Italian Catholic Federation
- **7:00 PM** HFH: Al-Anon Meeting
- **7:00 PM** StMT: Natural Family Planning

#### TUESDAY, January 28
- **5:30 AM** PH: Men’s AA Meeting
- **9:15 AM** SpC: Tuesday Morning Scripture Study
- **3:30 PM** PH: Legion of Mary
- **3:45 PM** SCH: SRE Grades 1-6
- **6:00 PM** HFH: Teen Tuesday
- **6:30 PM** StJD: Parkinson’s Resource Support Group
- **7:00 PM** SK: Bereavement Support Group
- **7:15 PM** SCH: Jr. High SRE
- **7:30 PM** StMT: Al-Anon Meeting

#### WEDNESDAY, January 29
- **10:00 AM** OLMM: Weekly Scripture Reading with Fr. Joe
- **3:45 PM** SCH: SRE Grades 1-6
- **7:00 PM** SCH: Jr. High SRE
- **7:30 PM** SK: RCIA

#### THURSDAY, January 30
- **5:30 AM** PH: Men’s AA Meeting
- **9:00 AM** SK: Career BridgeBuilders Workshop

#### FRIDAY, January 31
- **11:15 AM** StJD: Silent Meditation
- **3:00 PM** SpC: Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings
- **5:00 PM** ODH: Men’s Cornerstone Retreat

### NEXT WEEKEND
#### SATURDAY, February 1
- **7:30 PM** SCH: AA Meeting

#### SUNDAY, February 2
- **7:45 AM** ODH: Pancake Breakfast
- **9:30 AM** OLMM: Children’s Liturgy
- **10:00 AM** SpC: St. Angela Merici
- **11:15 AM** StJD: Silent Meditation
- **3:00 PM** SpC: Matthew 25 Saturday Blessings
- **5:00 PM** ODH: Men’s Cornerstone Retreat

### Facilities:
- **B&B**: Sts. Brigid & Brendan Music Room
- **CH**: Church
- **GYM**: Gym
- **HFF**: Holy Family House
- **ODH**: O’Donnell Hall
- **ODK**: O’Donnell Kitchen
- **OLF**: Our Lady of Fatima
- **OLMM**: Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
- **PH**: Parish House
- **Plz**: Parish Center Plaza
- **SpC**: Spirituality Center
- **SpL**: Spirituality Center Library
- **SCH**: School
- **SK**: St. Kateri
- **StJD**: St. Juan Diego
- **StMT**: St. Mother Teresa
- **WC**: Welcome Center

### Mass Intentions and Readings for the Week
#### MONDAY, January 27 - St. Angela Merici
- **Readings**: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30
- **8:10** Rosalie Piemonte (Emily Piemonte)
- **12:10** Lise Artinian (Lucy Artinian)
- **5:00** Kathy Bruneck (Lucy & Robert DaGiau)

#### TUESDAY, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas
- **Readings**: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mk 3:31-35
- **6:30** Jose Armando (Bob & Shirley Eshbaugh)
- **8:10** Margaret Keenan (Condon Family)
- **12:10** Irene Pfeifer (Don & Edna Murphy)
- **5:00** David Lavin (Joanne Hewitt)

#### WEDNESDAY, January 29
- **Readings**: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20
- **8:10** Carmen Popescu (Ildi Halloran)
- **12:10** Dan Cole (Kretzmer Family)
- **5:00** Jack Fulkerson (Gary & Judy Gonser)

#### THURSDAY, January 30
- **Readings**: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11; Mk 4:21-25
- **6:30** Evelyn Afable (Aurora Elayda)
- **8:10** Allison & Matt Parlee (Stewardship Commission)
- **12:10** Special Intention
- **5:00** Mary Jo Hill (The Hill Family)

#### FRIDAY, January 31 - St. John Bosco
- **Readings**: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
- **8:10** Joseph Michael Foley (Norah K & Baby Rex)
- **12:10** Vivencio O Cabal Sr (Joyce Payne)
- **5:00** Ryan Nugent (Rosemary Gray)

#### SATURDAY, February 1
- **Readings**: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mk 4:35-41
- **8:00** Mario Gonzalez (Gabriela Jimenez)
- **5:00** George Newburn (Newburn Family)

#### SUNDAY, February 2 - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
- **Readings**: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32
- **7:00** Chet Nguyen (Don Ruane)
- **8:00** Julia M Barry
- **9:30** For the Parishioners, Living and Deceased
- **11:30** Joyce Wales (Michael Schmitt)
- **5:00** Julie McGinity (Stewardship Commission)

### 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

### NOTE:
Dates and locations are subject to change without notice. Please check with the ministry to verify event.
Young adults in their 20s & 30s are invited to join us on FEBRUARY 22nd for a retreat that will inspire you to rest, reset, and renew.

Date: Saturday, February 22, 2020
Time: 8:45am-6pm (6pm Mass will conclude our Retreat experience)
Location: American Martyrs, Manhattan Beach CA - St. Kateri Room
Cost: Optional, but a $30 donation is appreciated and will help cover breakfast and lunch and also supports the growth of our T&T ministry

For more info about registration email TNT@AMERICANMARTYRS.ORG

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Special Orders or Other Info: Contact the Scrip office at 424-327-9608 | ScripDesk@AmericanMartyrs.org

Are you interested in having your child attend American Martyrs School for the 2020–21 school year? Please join us for the following events:

Open House
Thursday, January 30
On this evening during Catholic Schools Week, current school families visit their child’s classrooms. This is an opportunity for you and your child(ren) to explore the campus, visit all the classrooms, see student work and meet our teachers

Meet the Mustangs (for Prospective Families)
Wednesday, February 5
Please RSVP online at AmericanMartyrsSchool.org
A great opportunity to view the school in action. Starting at 8:45AM, 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.
Coffee & Donuts in O’Donnell Hall

American Martyrs School is hosting Coffee & Donuts after the 7AM, 8AM, and 9:30AM Masses.

NEXT WEEK: Pancake Breakfast Ministry is serving pancakes, eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee in O’Donnell Hall after the 7:00, 8:00, and 9:30AM Masses.

Italian Catholic Federation

Please join us for our first General Meeting to kick off the new year on Monday, January 27 at 6:30PM in O’Donnell Hall. Everyone is welcome, and you need not be Italian to be a member.

We will gather with a fun Italian mixer activity to get to know one another. Dinner will be served at 7:00PM (pizza, salad and dessert) and then our General Meeting where we’ll present our upcoming event plans for discussion and create committees. After the meeting, will be Bingo and some new BIG games for the children.

Dinner tickets: Adults $10; Children eat for free.

If you would like to come but are not yet a member, please RSVP to Monica Rossi, 310-795-9755.

Mothers of Young Children

Wednesday, February 5
9:30–11:00AM, 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 Contact: Joanne Rees, 831-320-9828
Elizabeth Serrano, 310-245-4459
or mail us at MOYC@AmericanMartyrs.org

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.

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

Tuesday, January 28
Friday, January 31

We are flexible and do tours all the time though!

Questions? Call the preschool office at 310-802-8149.

Altar Society

Please join us on Thursday, February 13, immediately following the 12:10 Mass, in St. Kateri.

There will be a light lunch and a presentation by Christine Watkins on Cultivating Wellness and Healthy Habits.

Bring a friend or neighbor. 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 by text 310-779-6099, or to the email below.

Developing Your Story - Grace Moniz
Tuesday, January 30, 9:00AM–11:00AM

A practical application of story-writing to develop awareness about oneself and one's career direction and to form the foundation of a resume and the achievements contained therein.

Considering a Career in Education?
Tuesday, February 6, 9:00AM–11:00AM

Are you considering transitioning into education as the next chapter of your career? EnCorps was founded to help professionals from STEM careers move into teaching. Our speaker, Bethany Orozco from EnCorps will explore the pros/cons of this career path, the importance of "your why," and offer specific resources on where to go next for more information.

CBB workshops are held in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal room.

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

Clearing Out as this New Year begins?

Please think about your Holiday Decor and Home Decor that would be a perfect fit for our Parish Fair’s Silent Auction. (Yes, we are already planning for the October Parish Fair!)

Bring your smaller items to the Welcome Center, or call Tina, 310-502-5792, if you have larger pieces/furniture.
I have a confession. I am often afraid to be the steward of what God has given me. I fear I will run out of time, treasure, or talent. I fear that I won’t have enough for the task at hand and that I will be found lacking. I have been asked to volunteer at Coffee & Donuts, but I don’t want to commit - something might come up that I would rather spend my time on. I’ve also thought about participating more in the Matthew 25 activities or contributing to another charitable cause, but sometimes prioritize my household tasks and finances above helping others in need. When I hold onto these fears thus stopping me from engaging, I find myself unhappy.

In her book Where there is Love, there is God, St. Mother Teresa zeroes in on why I am unhappy. She says, “We fear the future because we are wasting the today.” This caused me to realize that the purpose of fear in my life should make me act, not make me freeze!

I find encouragement in today’s Gospel. It encourages me to take the next step; to believe that I have all that I need to do His will. In the Gospel, Jesus calls to a bunch of fishermen to drop what they are doing and to follow him. First, Jesus calls Peter and Simon moving on to call James and John. All of them were busy working their jobs, yet they dropped everything and trusted that Jesus had what they needed. Their faith drew them, as the Gospel goes on to say, to help Jesus with His ministry, “He (Jesus) went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people.”

Today, I want to act boldly with the gifts God has given me. I am inspired by the words of today’s responsorial psalm:

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The LORD is my life’s refuge; of whom should I be afraid?”

Join me - act boldly and believe that the Lord has given you all you need to fearlessly share your gifts with those around you!

Please contact us at Stewardship@AmericanMartyrs.org, with questions or comments about Stewardship.
Matthew 25 Ministry is serving at the St. Francis Center grocery service on Saturday, February 1. The Center (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 8:45 AM** 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 1:00-1:30 PM. Openings are available for up to 8 volunteers.

**To reserve your spot, please RSVP by Tuesday, Jan 28, 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 Feb 1.**

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 5:45 AM in the O’Donnell Hall parking lot, arrive in DTLA at 6:30 AM and finish around 8:00 AM.

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

**We are in need of these items:**
- Mens sneakers · Mens jeans · Sweatpants, sweatshirts
- Warm jackets · Blankets · Sleeping Bags · Tents

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

Pregnancy Help Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser

If you picked up a baby bottle, don’t forget to donate coins, bills or checks in the bottle.

Volunteers from the Center will be back next weekend, February 8-9, to collect the full bottles.

**Or donate online** supportphctorrance.org/contribute

For information about LIFE AND FAMILY MINISTRY, contact Steve Perry, 818-800-5653 | LifeandFamily@AmericanMartyrs.org

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

**The next meeting is Tuesday, February 4 in the Parish House.**

Thursday, February 13

7 pm

American Martyrs Parish
O’Donnell Hall
Manhattan Beach, CA

**Admission:**
- Adults: $15 Pre-Sale/$20 At the door
- Students: $10 Pre-Sale & At the door

**Tickets at AMERICANMARTYRS.ORG**

Suitable for Ages 10 & Up
Theology Roundtable with Fr. Joe
TONIGHT, January 26 at 6:30PM
Parish House

Please come and join in the conversations, and discussions, and question and answers, and share your thoughts - all which are about our faith.

Speak up and share and learn from each other.

Fr. Joe can set us straight and help us to understand the teachings and substance of our Catholic faith.

Each week, the participants in the roundtable select a “general” subject for the next meeting.

Questions? Contact Herman Cenci, 310-594-2001 or Lee Dolley, 310-977-7704

The greatest secret of the spiritual life is to be continually open to the guidance of the Spirit of the good God.

ST. JULIE BILLIART

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Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! Register at www.RECongress.org or call the information line, 213-637-7348, to request your own Guidebook.

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, 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 | 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

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 you will be contacted for an appointment.

For information and schedule of classes, go online to www.AmericanMartyrs.org | Sacraments | Baptism.

Next class is Sunday, February 9 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.
Russel Patrick Elliot Gabriel Nash Gil
Dylan Grace Giles George Nicholas Haden
Lucas David Jondrow Kieran Patrick Meyer
Dominic Richard Miller Gianna Marie Miller
Beau Xavier Mitchell Isla Bella Montemagni
Blake William Moore Hobie Louis Navarro
Calista Anne Patisson Eleanor Josephine Payne
Frejya Manet Reid Caia Andrea Ruiz
Dylan Theodore Swisher Yen Marie Watts

Sunday Scripture Readings with Fr. Joe
Do you have a desire to better understand the readings and how they apply in your daily life? Join us for a talk and lively discussion. A prior reading of the upcoming Sunday readings is suggested. All are welcome.

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30AM
Parish House
Questions? Mary Ann Millar, 310-374-9894

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**Faith Formation**

**Families in Faith**

Congratulations to our school age children who were received into the Church on Sunday January 26. *May the Lord bless you and welcome to our family of faith.*

**Children’s Liturgy**

**NEXT WEEK at the 9:30AM Mass**

We invite all children, grades 1-6, to join us for a liturgy prepared just for you.

We meet the 1st Sunday of the month during the 9:30AM Mass in *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.*

*All children are welcome and parents can stay as well!*  

**First Penance**  
Wednesday, February 12 and Thursday February 13  
7:00pm in the church

Our children in both AMS and SRE are preparing for this wonderful sacrament of pardon and peace. Thank you parents and teachers for sharing the love of Jesus Christ!

**SRE Classes**

**Tues/Wed**

Grades 1-6, 3:45-4:45pm | Grades 7-8, 7:15-8:30pm  
January 28/29  
February 4/5  
February 11/12 (except for First Penance students)

**Sunday SRE,**  
Grades 1-8, 10:45am-11:45am  
January 26  
February 2  
February 9

**Director of Religious Education:** Patti Williams, 310-546-4734  
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**SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN**

**Evaluate relationships based on context**

We may think we know enough about appropriate boundaries in relationships, but boundaries are complicated, even for adults. Children rely on adults to define what is appropriate and what isn’t, in the context of the relationship. For example, some touches are “safe” or “unsafe” depending on who is in the relationship - a parent, a stranger, a teacher, etc.

For more information, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article “Keeping in Touch with Important Distinctions” at http://www.la-archdiocese.org/protection/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx

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

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**Youth Ministry**

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

**SEALED. 1 and SEALED. 2 Session**

**Sunday, February 9 at 3:30PM in O’Donnell Hall**

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Teen Tuesday Bible Study** - every Tuesday, 6:00-7:15PM, in the Holy Family House.

**Life Night - Sunday, February 16**

All High School teens are invited to join us at our next Life Night in St. Kateri from 6:15-7:45PM. Life Nights are open to all high school teenagers so bring a friend and we will see you then.

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**American Martyrs School celebrates Catholic School Week with many activities, including:**

**MONDAY**

**Catholic Wear Day** - Add on any Catholic school or university to the school uniform.

**TUESDAY**

**AMS Spirit Wear** - Students show their school spirit by replacing their uniform top with an AMS jersey or T-shirt.

**Family Bingo Night** in O’Donnell Hall (*This is also No Homework Night so families can attend Bingo!*)

**WEDNESDAY**

**Fresh Brothers Dine In Night** - Dine at Fresh Brothers from 11AM-9PM, and 25% of all orders benefit the AM Parent Association.

**THURSDAY**

**Open House & Science Fair** - 6:30-8:00PM

Parents are invited to see their student’s work as they show off their classroom. Also a chance to see our Upper School scientists at work!

**FRIDAY**

**Catholic Schools Week Liturgy** - 8:10AM in Church

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### Gym, Field & Athletics

#### NEW - Martyrs Men’s League Basketball
**Mondays, 8:00 PM**
E-mail martyrsmensleague@gmail.com with name, age, height, last level of organized basketball played and how often you play now. Entry fee of $125 collected at the first game.

#### Seniors Exercise
**Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00-11:00 AM (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, 8:00-10:00 PM**
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, 8:00-10:00 PM**
Intermediate skill levels and recreational play.
John Wargnier, 310-796-1058 | johnwargnier@AmericanMartyrs.org

### Gym Contact:
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### Gym & Field Reservations:
Contact Pat Breen, Gym Committee Chair
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American Martyrs Rosary available in the Welcome Center

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

Give the gift of Prayer

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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
CATHOLIC CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS
Greater South Bay Catholic Co-ed Adult (Ages 18+) Softball League seeks Players for their NEW & Exciting 2020 Season!
Games are Sunday afternoons in Torrance, February-June. Singles & couples are welcome; female players especially needed.
INTERESTED? Contact Jay Suarez, 310-925-2908 | jjsinmb@yahoo.com

HOLY FAMILY SERVICES, ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE
Holy Family Services is a state-licensed 501 (c)(3) agency established in 1949 that provides full adoption services for adoptive and birth parents. HFS also has free counseling and adoption services for women and teens with unplanned pregnancies.
HFS is currently in need of adoptive parents for infants and older children, and foster parents. If not you, then who? For Orientation times, call 1-800-464-2367. Thank you for thinking of HFS when you care enough to consider adoption!

Mass & Anointing of the Sick
In observance of World Day of the Sick 2020 & the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020 AT 12:30 PM

The Order of Malta invites you to a bilingual World Day of the Sick Mass of healing & anointing on Saturday, February 8, at 12:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels.

Mass will include
• Anointing of the Sick
• Blessing of Caregiver Hands
• Blessing with Lourdes Water

Attendees will receive Lourdes Water and holy card. Complimentary parking is available for people with disabilities.

The Mass will be live-streamed on
youtube.com/losangeles.dioce and facebook.com/losangeles.dioce

The Mass and Anointing are co-hosted by the Cathedral and Los Angeles Location of the Order of Malta in humble observance of the 2020 World Day of the Sick.

The Most Reverend Archbishop Jose H. Gomez will be presiding and the Most Reverend Bishop Marc V. Trudeau will be the homilist.

Would you like to learn more about our Catholic Faith but can never seem to find enough time?
Why not make each car ride an opportunity to learn and grow in virtue?
Simply tune your radio to AM 930 to hear engaging Catholic programming that speaks to the human condition.
Representatives from Relevant Radio will be outside after all Masses with information on the station, mobile app, podcasts, daily readings and more.
**Monthly Food Drive is THIS WEEKEND**

One-pound bags of beans and rice continue to be staple foods in the St. Lawrence community, as are these other items:

- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Instant Oatmeal
- Rice
- Beans
- Lentils
- Spaghetti
- Pasta
- Spaghetti sauce

Peanut butter • Jam • Tuna • Soup • Canned meats • Canned fruit • Mac ‘n’ cheese • Instant mashed potato mix

Your Sunday newspaper inserts and coupons can help save hundreds of dollars each week.

Bring the coupons you receive to the Food Drive table. Thank you!

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American Martyrs LinC Small Group Ministry will be hosting one-hour training sessions for anyone interested in hosting or starting a LinC small group faith community.

Training dates are:

- **Wednesday, Jan 29,**
  St. Juan Diego room, 7-8PM

- **Sunday, February 16**
  St. Mother Teresa room, 1-2PM

- **Wednesday, February 19**
  St. Juan Diego room, 7-8PM

Our Lenten LinC series begins on Sunday, March 1; if you are interested in hosting or starting a LinC Small Group then this training is for you.

For more information or to get involved, please email Matthew Leon, LinC@AmericanMartyrs.org

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**Save the Date Saturday, April 4 for the 8th Annual**

**American Martyrs Day of Volunteering**

A parish-wide Day of Service where you can Make a Difference by helping those in need.