THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 23, 2020

St. Thomas Aquinas
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

700 Brown Chapel Road
St. Cloud, FL 34769

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Parish Office Hours:
M-Th 8:00 am—5:30 pm
Fri 8:00 am—12:00 pm

Mass Times

Weekdays
9:00 am

Saturdays
4:00 pm

Sundays
8:30 am, 10:00 am,
11:30 am (Span.), 6:00 pm

Confession

Saturdays
3:00—3:45 pm

Adoration

Tuesdays & Thursdays
9:30 am—12:00 pm

Faith Formation Classes

Wednesdays
6:30—8:00 pm
407-957-4495 x230

St. Thomas Aquinas School
407-957-1772 (O)
www.stacschool.com

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CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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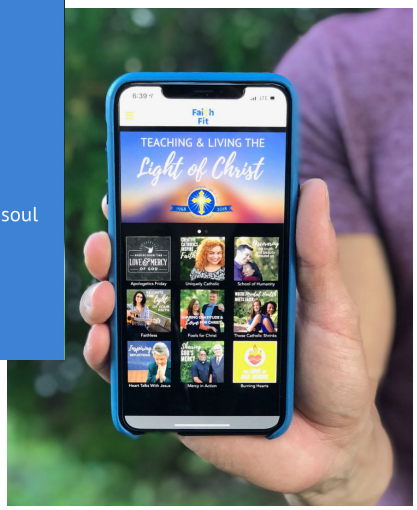


New Parishioner Registration
Complete online at stacatholic.org/register or visit us at the office.

Online Giving
Your donations to our parish can now be set up electronically (EFT) at stacatholic.org/give. For help or questions regarding Online Giving, please contact the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick
Call Parish Office during business hours. If after hours emergency, 863-513-2493 / 407-433-4472.

Sacraments
For Baptisms through Marriage, visit: stacatholic.org/sacraments.
For Vocations, visit orlandodiocese.org.

E-Prayer Requests
Submit names to prayer list at: stacatholic.org/pray or sign-up to receive our prayer list via email.

Hall Rental
Visit stacatholic.org/rentals for info packet and date request form.

Mass Intentions
Mass Intentions can be scheduled for a deceased loved one at the parish office during office hours. $10.00 suggested donation each. Please be aware, Masses fill up 6-8 months in advance.

Godparent/Sponsor Certificate
Request online or call 407-957-4495 x221.

Job Connection
Local postings: stacatholic.org/jobs.

February 2020

My Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him, this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:9,10

What God has prepared for those who love Him! The mystery of God is His plan for the salvation of His people, for you and me! This mystery is revealed to us through Jesus Christ and His journey to the Cross. Jesus' power is the tenderness of His very heart which gives life to us. God does not act like the powerful of the earth. He humbles Himself to welcome each one of us in our human frailty, our own uncertainty. God is close to us like a loving father, a caring mother, a shepherd who loves his sheep, a person merciful to the stranger. God seeks us always to be in a relationship with Him . . . a relationship of love because God is love.

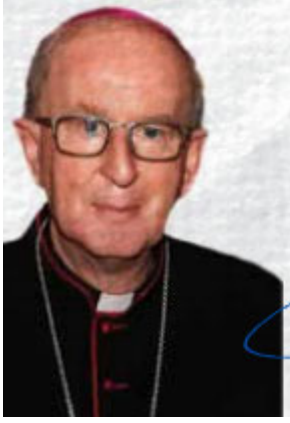
I ask you to consider this relationship; this beautiful gift bestowed upon us in Baptism, a seed placed upon our soul, that we might love each other as God loves us. That love, blossoming forth, yields the ministries supported by you, who choose to participate, through Our Catholic Appeal.

The financial support you offer forms our seminarians who become priests and pastors of your parishes; it celebrates the religious sisters whose ministries quench the thirst within us; it journeys with men who are ordained deacons to serve our parish communities and those who are 'outside the walls' to bring them the gift of God's love. Each gift you give provides for the training of our teachers and catechists so they are prepared to assist you with the spiritual growth of your children.

The smallest amount is your offering to God to evangelize His people and help us to trust in God that we might live. The homeless, the hungry, the forsaken are blessed by our offering to God.

My sisters and brothers in Christ, we are called to be the source of peace, hope and love within all of human society, renewing our world in Christ and collaborating with Christ to transform His people into the kingdom of God. This kingdom was revealed as present in the person and actions of Jesus Christ. This kingdom is ours to also fulfill with God through the ministries supported by Our Catholic Appeal which invite Him into our daily living. Please support Our Catholic Appeal. May we come to know what God has prepared for us who love Him!

The Lord be with you and may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, descend upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.



Most Reverend John Noonan
Bishop of Orlando

Our Catholic Appeal

Addressing Food Insecurity with Harmonized Ministries

More than 86,000 people were provided fresh and healthy food through mission markets and mobile food pantries

OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL
The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

Weekly Calendar

MON 24	9:00 am	Daily Mass [Eng.]	CHA
	6:30 pm	Father's of the Church Bible Study	AUG
TUES 25	9:00 am	Daily Mass [Eng.]	CHA
	9:30 am	Exposition & Adoration	CHA
	9:30 am	Father's of the Church Bible Study	AUG
	12:00 pm	Benediction	CHA
	6:30 pm	RCIA	SCH
	6:30 pm	Young Adult	YH
	7:00 pm	Grupo de Oracion	SH

WED 26	6:30 am	Prayer Service with Ashes	CHU
	9:00 am	Ash Wednesday Mass [Eng.]	CHU
	12:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass [Eng.]	CHU
	5:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass [Eng.]	CHU
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass [Span.]	CHU
	6:30 pm	Faith Formation Classes	SCH
THU 27	9:00 am	Daily Mass [Eng.]	CHA
	9:30 am	Living the Sacraments Bible Study	AUG
	9:30 am	Exposition & Adoration	CHA
	12:00 pm	Benediction	CHA
	6:30 pm	Cursillo	SH
FRI 28	9:00 am	Daily Mass [Eng.]	CHA
	7:00 pm	Spanish Choir Practice	CHA
SAT 29	3:00 pm	Confession	SH
	4:00 pm	Mass [Eng.]	CHU
SUN 1	8:30 am	Mass [Eng.]	CHU
	10:00 am	Mass [Eng.]	CHU
	11:30 am	Mass [Spanish]	CHU
	6:00 pm	Mass [Eng.]	CHU

ANN	Annex	**GYM**	Gymnasium
AQ	Aquinas Room	**SF**	School Field
AUG	Augustine Room	**SH**	Social Hall
BRZ	Breezeway	**SCH**	School
CAF	Cafeteria	**PO**	Parish Office
CHU	Church	**TL**	Teacher's Lounge
CHA	Chapel	**YH**	Youth House

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After 8:30 & 10:00 Sunday

Mass Intentions

Monday 2/24	Tuesday 2/25	Wednesday 2/26	Wednesday 2/26	Wednesday 2/26
9:00 am **Jowel Vieux** - Wife & Kids	9:00 am **William Vincent Romano** - Mr. & Mrs. Howard Flaxer	9:00 am **Shirley Osborne** - Family	12:00 pm **Rose Amato** - Cohen Family	5:00 pm **Tony Casorio** - Winter Family

Wednesday 2/26	Thursday 2/27	Friday 2/28
7:00 pm **Jenny Diana Nunez** - Mom, Dad & Familia	9:00 am **Edna Thacker** - Mary Gorham	9:00 am **Luz Vega-Perez** - Son & Family

Saturday 2/29	Sunday 3/1	Sunday 3/1	Sunday 3/1	Sunday 3/1
4:00 pm **Kyle Scott Smith** - Grandma	8:30 am **Mattie & John Starke** - Starke Family	10:00 am **Living & Deceased Members of the Senior Social Group** - STA Senior Social Group	11:30 am **Bertha Cuza** - Sheila Stone	6:00 pm **Pablo Jose Morillo Diaz** - Martiza Diaz y Familia

Pray For Our Military & First Responders

Army
Francisco J Noda
Korey Heineman
Shawn McGinley
Laura Reiber
Caleb Cousins
Peter Morales
Harry E Johnston IV
Jason T. Heineman
Steve Holmberg
Gregory Fried
Valeria Pete
Ana Canot-Suarez
Serenity Luna
Tyler Dupont
Cassandra Vieira
Grisell Acevedo
Joshua Christian Cox
Christopher Ronan
Antuan Lendor
Gabriel Rivera Monge

Navy
Jon DeYoung
Nathaniel Lee Grigsby
Derrick Lee Smith
Robert Dupont
Anthony U. Tambio
Erik Feliciano
Eric E. Garcia
Jose B. Nieves-Paugh

Air Force
Anthony Toro
William
Tyler J. Connard
Stephen James, Jr.
Karlos Malave
Diana Tesoriero
Cassandra Russo
Adrian McCullers
Christopher J. McGinley
Francisco Rivera Monge

Marines
Jason Garcia
Jose A. Trejo
Ginger Headley
Jacob O'Toole

Law Enforcement Officers
Timothy Brown
Eric Morales
Jennifer Passarella
Justin Lunsford
Kevin Valencia
Andrew Holmberg
James Allgood
Frankie Perez
T. Jason Sibley
Michael Johnson

Fire Service
Daniel K. Ronan
Thomas Murphy

To ensure an updated list, please submit all military & law enforcement/emergency worker prayer list requests (full name and branch) to us via: **www.stacatholic.org > Parish Community.** Thank you! List will be updated annually.

Stewardship

WEEKLY OFFERTORY	OFFERTORY	2ND COLLECTION
2/16/20	$17,952.46	$1,038.02

As always, your support of our parish, St. Thomas Aquinas Church, is greatly appreciated

OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL
The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

To learn more about the amazing work made possible by your generous donations, please visit:
https://www.orlandodiocese.org/our-catholic-appeal/

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11

St. Thomas Aquinas Council of Catholic Women

OLD FASHIONED FISH FRY

Includes potato, salad, dessert and drink!

Adults: $12.00
Children: $5.00
(ages 10 and under)

Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020
5:00 – 8:00 pm

St. Thomas Aquinas Social Hall
Brown Chapel Road & US 192

Tickets / Reservations Available after Masses
February 15-16 and February 22-23

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT CHURCH OFFICE 407-957-4495

STA GIFT SHOP

Located at main church entrance.

Open after all Sunday morning masses!

STA THRIFT STORE

175 E. Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy.

Hours: Tu 9-4, W-F 9-2, Sat 9-3, Closed Su-M.

Call 407-891-0022 to schedule a pick up.

COFFEE & DONUTS MINISTRY

Inside Social Hall after 8:30 and 10:00 am Sunday Masses. To join ministry, contact Dottie Jensen 407-892-5015.

MEDICAL CLINIC

Clinic is open on Wednesdays

Appointment sign up @ 3:30 pm

CENTRAL FLORIDA LAPS FOR LIFE

PROVIDING ULTRASOUND TECHNOLOGY ONE LAP AT A TIME

Support the St. Thomas Aquinas Knights Team!

You can visit http://cf-laps.life and search "Ray Luaders" to pledge towards our goal.

Join us at the big event!
March 7, 2020
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Bishop Moore Catholic High School
3901 Edgewater Drive - Orlando, FL 32804

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Central Florida Councils in the Diocese of Orlando

Fundraiser for Ultrasound Equipment and Support for Pregnancy Centers in the Greater Diocese of Orlando

- Entertainment
- Concessions
- Speakers
- Great Food
- Face Painting
- Pregnancy Center Booths
- Football & Games

FAITH IN ACTION LIFE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

2020 Knights of Columbus
Richard M. Gerst & Joseph Paulson Scholarship

Applications Now Available in the Parish Office

FMI on eligibility requirements and the application process please call 407-957-4495.

Lenten Fish Dinners

Join the KofC on ***Fridays during Lent***, for a ***fish dinner*** including sides, beverages and desserts!

3/6, 3/20, 3/27 and 4/3

STA Social Hall 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Adults: $10 - Children: $5

All Are Welcome!

PRAY FAST GIVE

23 DE FEBRERO DE 2020

SÉPTIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Stgo 3:13-18; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; Mc 9:14-29
Martes:	Stgo 4:1-10; Sal 55 (54):7-11a, 23; Mc 9:30-37
Miércoles:	Jl 2:12-18; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Jueves:	Dt 30:15-20; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 9:22-25
Viernes:	Is 58:1-9a; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Sábado:	Is 58:9b-14; Sal 86 (85):1-6; Lc 5:27-32
Domingo:	Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Sal 51 (50):3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17 -19]; Mt 4:1-11

ORACIÓN PARA NUESTRO LLAMADO CATÓLICO

Oh Señor,

te alabamos por los muchos dones que nos das cada día; desde el momento en que éramos una presencia en el vientre de nuestra madre hasta la salida llena de gracia del sol, hasta la bendición del Sacramento, hasta la noche que nos trae el descanso.

Ayúdanos a crecer en nuestra fe viva. Guíanos para servir como líderes para promover la santidad.

Llévanos a compartirnos desinteresadamente en todas las cosas en un espíritu de amor por Ti.

En el banquete Eucarístico, Te entregaste por completo a nosotros.

Nos entregamos a Ti, oh Señor, con gratitud, sabiendo que nada se compara al regalo de la Cruz que nos trae la resurrección.

~Amén

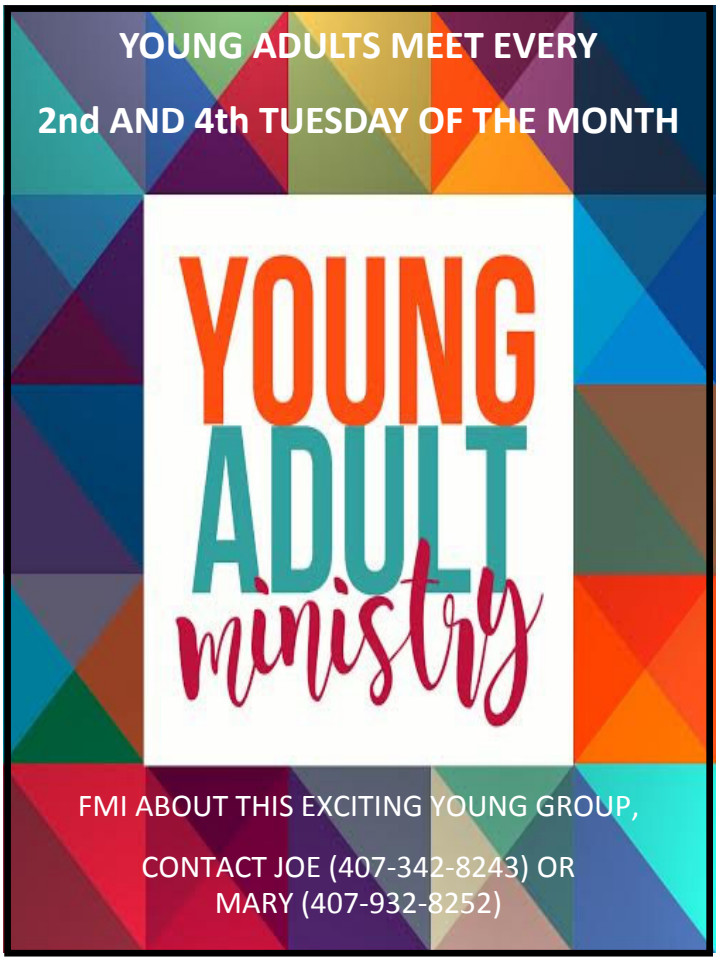
NUESTRO LLAMADO CATÓLICO
The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

Para ver este folleto en español por favor visite www.cfocf.org/oca

FMI text Mary Klemm ~ 407-932-8252

Middle School and High School Students from the Diocese of Orlando and surrounding Dioceses of Florida come and join us on Saturday, March 7th at Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Orlando for the "CALLED" Youth Day Event of the Year. We will be hosting our keynote speaker Mr. Brian Shields Weatherman from WFTV 9 News plus music and entertainment will be celebrated by Doug and Dave from "The Doug and Dave Show". There will be a fee of $29.99 per teen/Adult Chaperone (All youth must be accompanied by an adult chaperone/parent fingerprinted and background checked through the Diocese of Orlando) Lunch will be included and a Youth Day Souvenir Register Now!

https://called2019.eventbrite.com/



We appreciate all that you do.
LETS MAKE OUR 8th YEAR SUCCESSFUL FOR THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN OF ST. CLOUD!

Saint Cloud Cares

We will be collecting after the Saturday 4:00 pm mass and 8:30 am & 10:00 am masses. Please put items in green wagon at the front entrance of church. Food items can also be dropped off at the thrift store during the week.

Feb. 29 - March 1	15 oz. cans of soup (tomato, vegetable, bean, chicken noodle), jar of grape jelly (18oz. Plastic jar, please no strawberry, granola bars
March 7-8	Box of instant oat meal (packs of 6,8, or larger), Vienna sausage (5oz cans), spaghetti O's or Ravioli peanut butter or cheese cracker (ind. wrapped)
March 14-15	grape jelly 18-20 oz. plastic jars, PLEASE NO GLASS, Vienna sausage 5 oz. cans, canned soup (chicken noodle, tomato, and vegetable) 9-12 oz. cans
March 21 -22	Peanut butter (plastic jar, 18oz. Creamy or chunky), Ramen noodles (10-12 packs in one box), canned tuna, box of flavored rice (6-9oz) box

Since August 2012, in partnership with other St. Cloud congregations, we have been providing weekly food sacks to students through the contributions of our church members in the form of food items and financial support. These students have no permanent home and live in motels, camp grounds, vehicles or with other families. School personnel also determine other children in need who would benefit from our program. During the 2018-2019 school year, St. Cloud Cares provided approximately 10,000 food sacks to these children in need.

St. Cloud Cares is a 501 C-3 organization and is operated solely by volunteers from our great community.
Please call 407-288-7901 for more information about St. Cloud Cares.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School

Thank you Knights of Columbus

We would like to thank our Knights of Columbus for all that they do for our school. Here are the students who won the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee and Basketball Free Throw challenges.

Celena in 7th grade won 1st place at the school level. She went on to win first place in the Knights of Columbus District Spelling Bee, second place in the Knights of Columbus Regional Spelling Bee and third Place at the Knights of Columbus State Spelling Bee.

Congratulations to the students who won first place at the school level for the Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw competition. Good luck to everyone who is participating at the District, Regional or State competition.

If you are interested in our school, please contact the front office (407-957-1772) for more information or to schedule a tour of our school. We offer a high quality education from Pre-K 2 through 8th grade.

VPK accepted.