



SANTA MARIA *del* MAR

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CATHOLIC PARISH *by the sea*

WELCOME TO SANTA MARIA DEL MAR CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 4, 2021

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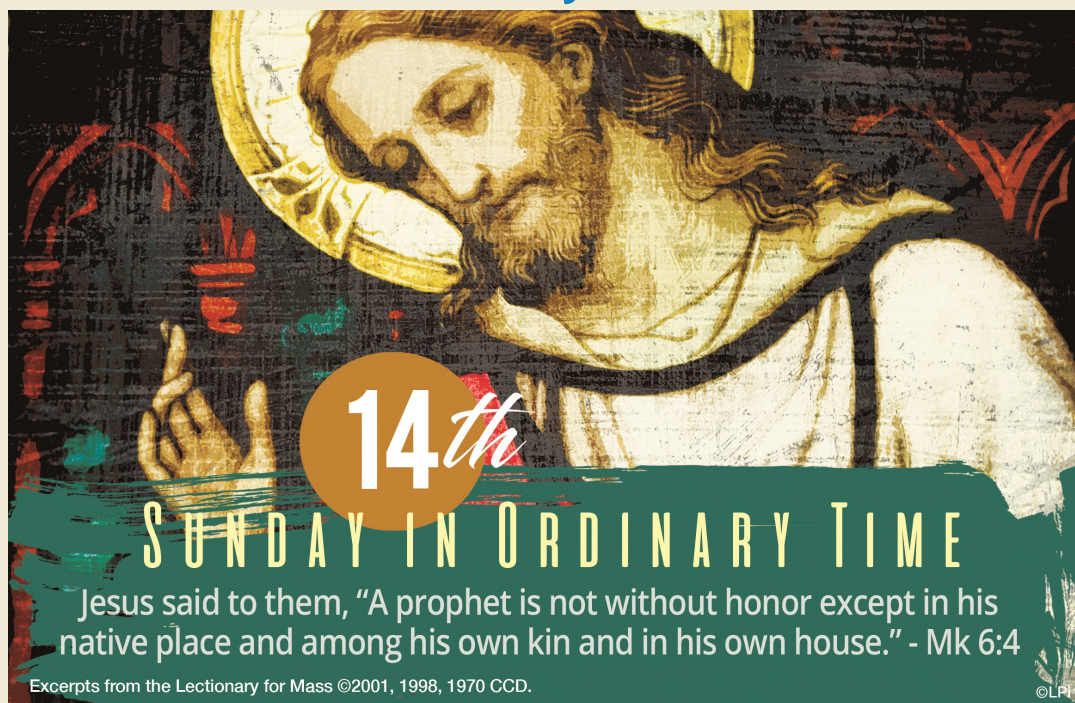
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Wed-Fri: 9am
Sat (Vigil): 4pm
Sun: 9&11am
Sun: 1pm



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Parish Resources During the COVID-19 Crisis

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www.smdmcc.org • [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/smdmcc/) (www.facebook.com/smdmcc/)

Parish Office: The parish office is open Tuesday-Friday, 9am-4pm with a break for lunch. All other buildings are closed until further notice. Please see Mass schedule below:

- **Sunday Mass** will be celebrated at 9 am, 11am and 1pm in the church. .
- **Saturday Vigil Mass** will resume at 4pm.
- **Weekday Masses** will be celebrated on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9am in the church.
- **High-Risk Individuals**—Sunday 1pm Mass is recommended as the attendance is low.
- **Adoration**—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:30am-2pm. (Please contact Ginette Consentino (508) 423-9360 to sign up for Adoration)
- **Confessions**— Saturday 3:30-3:50pm (before 4pm Vigil Mass), Sunday 8:30-8:50am (before 9am Mass) and 10:30-10:50am (before 11am Mass).

Visit the parish website for additional information.

Daily Readings: [Daily Mass readings \(http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings\)](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings) and brief video reflections (<http://www.usccb.org/bible/reflections/>) are available from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Spiritual Communion: The Church encourages us to make an act of 'spiritual communion' when we are prevented from receiving the Eucharist at Mass: "My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen." (*St. Alphonsus Liguori*)

Your Offertory Contributions: If at all possible, please continue to support Santa Maria del Mar by mailing your offerings (checks only) to the church (address above) or use our convenient [online giving system \(https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748\)](https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748).

Rosary by Phone: Join the Legion of Mary daily at 4:20pm via conference call: 862-799-9790. For more information, Contact Steven at jsnandmjn@outlook.com or at 215-527-7411.

Diocesan Resources: The [Diocese of St. Augustine \(https://www.dosafl.com/\)](https://www.dosafl.com/) has a special [Coronavirus resource page \(https://www.dosafl.com/coronavirus/\)](https://www.dosafl.com/coronavirus/), including links to televised, online, and radio Masses in our diocese and beyond.

Magnificat: This monthly publication used for our weekday Masses is offering [complimentary access online \(https://us.magnificat.net/free\)](https://us.magnificat.net/free) and via its [iOS](#) and [Android](#) apps.

Laudate: The free Laudate app ([iOS](#) and [Android](#)) is a gateway to many Catholic prayers and other resources.

Formed: [FORMED.org](https://www.formed.org) has given SMdM limited-time free access to its library. It has great resources for all, including kids. Click Sign Up; select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization;" find Santa Maria Del Mar by parish name, address, or zip code; enter your email—and you're in!

Want to help others? You can help others in our community by mailing donations to [Society of St. Vincent de Paul \(https://www.facebook.com/flaglersaintvincentdepaul/\)](https://www.facebook.com/flaglersaintvincentdepaul/), P.O. Box 1328, Flagler Beach FL 32136. Contributions for international relief can be sent to [Catholic Relief Services \(https://www.crs.org/\)](https://www.crs.org/).



The Flagler Beach Sheriff's Office has asked that we be mindful of the speed limits when arriving and leaving the Church. Thank you for adhering to the posted speed limits.

Click on any link (blue highlight) to take you directly to the referenced website. Last updated Nov. 8, 2020.



GOD'S LIFE-GIVING PRESENCE

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It's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are so engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinary-ness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what he has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either.

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

But you shall say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD! And whether they heed or resist — for they are a rebellious house — they shall know that a prophet has been among them. (Ez 2:4-5)

PSALM:

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy. (Ps 123)

SECOND READING:

I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. (2 Cor 12:9)

GOSPEL:

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." (Mk 6:4)

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

MON JULY 5
ST. ANTHONY
ZACCARIA
ST. ELIZABETH OF
PORTUGAL
Gn 28:10-22a
Ps 91:1-2, 3-4,
14-15 ab [cf.
2b]
Mt 9:18-26

TUES JULY 6
ST. MARIA GORETTI
Gn 32:23-33
Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6
-7ab, 8b and
15 [15a]
Mt 9:32-38

WED JULY 7
Gn 41:55-57;
42:5-7a, 17-24a
Ps 33:2-3, 10-
11, 18-19 [22]
Mt 10:1-7

THU JULY 8
Gn 44:18-21,
23b-29; 45:1-5
Ps 105:16-17,
18-19, 20-21
[5a]
Mt 10:7-15

FRI JULY 9
ST. AUGUSTINE
ZHAO RONG &
COMPANIONS
Gn 46:1-7, 28-
30
Ps 37:3-4, 18-
19, 27-28, 39-
40 [39a]
Mt 10:16-23

SAT JULY 10
BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY
Gn 49:29-32;
50:15-26a
Ps 105:1-2, 3-4,
6-7 [cf. Ps
69:33]
Mt 10:24-33

SUN JULY 11
15TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
Am 7:12-15
Ps 85:9-10, 11-
12, 13-14 [8]
Eph 1:3-14 or
1:3-10
Mk 6:7-13



STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE

Your offering of as little as one hour's wage will help us meet our daily needs.

Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Thank you! Please consider making your weekly donation to Santa Maria del Mar online at:

www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

3rd Week
June 2021

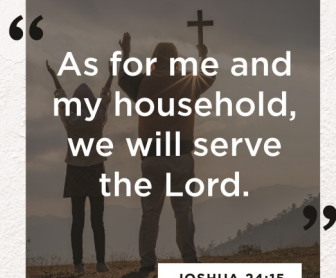
Offertory:
\$11,572

Online Giving:
\$3,382

3rd Week
June 2020

Offertory:
\$8,336

Online Giving:
\$2,800



JOSHUA 24:15

Keep up-to-date on announcements from the Diocese of St. Augustine regarding COVID-19 here:
www.dosafl.com/coronavirus/

STEWARDSHIP ~ A WAY OF LIFE

REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

Many are invited,
but few are chosen.

- MATTHEW 22:14

We have been exposed to people preaching who are not presenting the truth, but in our Catholic beliefs we have priests ordained as true Disciples of Christ.

Many are called but few are chosen. We need to give respect and be grateful for those called in faith to lead us and teach us about the life of Christ and how His life reflects on our priests, deacons and those consecrated to religious life. We are all called by name in our actions, reactions and how we stand out in faith to others. We are all called to be *Stewards* as we touch other lives.

THIS MONTH'S MINISTRY SALUTE

IN GRATITUDE FOR GOD'S GIFTS OF TIME AND TALENT
TO US, WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE AND BLESS:

CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

Are you interested in exploring your relationship with Christ?
Do you long for a personal relationship with Christ?
Is your prayer life in a dry spell?

We define Christian Spiritual Direction, as help given by one believer (who is trained) to another that enables the latter to pay attention to God's personal communication to him or her, to respond to this personally communicating God, to grow in intimacy with God and to live out the consequences of the relationship.

Santa Maria del Mar Parish has several trained spiritual directors available. If you are interested in a spiritual direction session/relationship, please contact Jeannie Johnson in the parish office (386-439-2791).

So this month we salute and thank the dedicated parish spiritual directors who are available to us to help us grow in our relationship with God.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Heal us, Lord, and we shall be healed; save us, and we shall be saved; for it is You we praise. Send relief and healing for all our diseases, our sufferings and our wounds; for You are a merciful and faithful healer. Blessed are You Lord, who heals the sick.

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| • Lois Ambrosia | • Susan & Roger Gronert | • Susan Musella |
| • Baby Avery | • Joey | • Barbara Orandello |
| • Kelly Baffa | • Beth Keefer | • Maria Palicio |
| • Jennifer Bagshaw | • Paula Kiley | • Marylou Pape |
| • Brittney Baker | • Scott Lavonas | • Patricia Perszyk |
| • Joseph Beneducci Jr. | • Frank Leonardo | • Diane Pires |
| • Kathy Bless | • Sean Liston | • Bob Riley |
| • Juanita & Jim Butler | • Donald Longo | • Robert Rizzo |
| • Julie Callahan | • Frank Magee | • Lenaj Rocco |
| • Fabienne Carlisto | • Dina Mancuso | • Amanda Scharck |
| • John Caruso | • Frankie Mancuso | • Tara Scilabra |
| • Chuck Cella | • Teresa Mancuso | • Cindy Ser |
| • Will Chapel | • Maria Marzano | • Nelson Shaffer |
| • Gwen Chin-See | • Bobi Mason | • Sandy Silva |
| • Valerie Ann Cipolla | • Anthena McPartland | • Stephen |
| • Blonie Deza | • Nicole Merced | • Gina Stokes |
| • Don | • Joseph T. Milici | • Brian Taylor |
| • David Dunn | • Kelly Mincey | • Vera |
| • Nancy Dvorak | • Theresa Mincey | • Jeffrey Wheeler |
| • Jonah Finn | • Tony Monopoli | • Bruce Williamson |
| • Jamie Fischer | • Ralph Morello | • Mary-Ann Woika |
| • Kelly Fitzgerald | • Barbara Motta | |
| • James Green | • Diana Musella | |



WE COMMEND TO GOD'S LOVING EMBRACE

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| † <i>John Fischer</i> | † <i>Frances Musella</i> |
| † <i>Jim Anderson</i> | † <i>Rose Cole</i> |
| † <i>Ronald Charbonneau</i> | † <i>Peter Brehm</i> |
| † <i>Donna Cianciulli</i> | † <i>Joan Roberti</i> |



- 7/07: 9am Jennifer Pakulniewicz (Healing), †Lee Elberts, Dr. Herman Miller (Special Intention)
- 7/08: 9am SMdM Office Staff (Special Intention)
- 7/09: 9am Denise Collins (Birthday)
- 7/10: 4pm †Ruth Morrissey, †Lorraine Kelly, †Rose Cole, †Matthew Pape
- 7/11: 9am †Samuel Natalucchio, †William Ilavsky
11am Ernst Albert (Birthday), †Martha Heeken, †Charles Piscitello, †Norma Celeste



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

- Col. Andrew Morgado (US Army)
- Jay Matthews (US Navy)
- SSG Benjamin Wurtz (US Army/Ft. Benning, GA)
- Honor Otmar (US Air Force)
- Matthew Callegari (USCG)
- Jayson Trucksess (US Navy)
- Chief Gregory Worman (US Navy)
- Joshua Raffaele (USMC)
- Lt. Rachel Mincey (US Navy)
- LCDR Brandon Aten (USCG)
- Joseph Otmar (USMC)
- Casey Henrikson (US Navy)
- Chad M.R. Schuch (USAF)
- Emma J. Schuch (US Navy)
- Col. Daniel O'Connor (USMC)
- Sgt. Sean Collins (US Army)
- Michael Martins (USMC)
- Dr. Nick Patellis (NG/Kuwait)
- Justin Smallwood (USMC)
- ENS Barret Manfre (US Navy/USS San Diego)
- Bryan Donohue (USMC)
- Cpl. Ryan Rindge (US Army)
- Trent Jerdon (US Army)
- Lt. Adam Aten (US Navy)
- Master Chief Samuel Barfuss (USS Theodore Roosevelt)
- Chief Daniel Goodwin (US Navy)
- Capt. Connor Allender (USMC)

If you have a family member in the military and would like us to pray for them, call the parish office to have their name added to the bulletin, or email your request to Denise@smdmcc.org Please advise when a person above is no longer deployed so we can remove their name from our list. God bless them all & continue to pray for them!

The Office of Christian Formation is joining with the Province of Atlanta as an affiliate member to host this virtual conference. This means that anyone in the diocese will be able to attend the conference for FREE. With more than 90 workshops everyone can find something of interest in the areas of: adult faith formation, RCIA, methodology, disabilities, youth ministry, theology. Most workshops will be “on demand” meaning that you can view them throughout the August 12-15 timeframe.

Register here: <https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/SCC2021>



SOUTHEAST CATECHIST CONFERENCE 2021

<https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/SCCWaitlist>

All are welcome, catechists, youth ministers,
parents, all who want to learn!

August 12-15, 2021

On demand recordings available at
8 am. Keynotes, Featured Speakers
and Live Chats! Free Registration.

Registration Opens June 22

Keynote Addresses: Say the Word: Stories that Heal

Julianne Stanz • Jose “Pepe” Alonso • Peter Le • Danielle Brown

Featured Speakers

- Start with Jesus: We the Missionary People, Julianne Stanz, Loyola Press
- Why YM? Evangelizing to Disaffiliated Teens, Mark Hart, Lifeteen
- How Parents Witness Faith to Children, Joe Paprocki, Loyola Press
- Enjoying the Mass – 10 Pathways to Better Celebrations, Fr. Ronald Nuzzi, Notre Dame
- The Impact/Implications of Bible in a Year Podcast, Fr. Mike Schmitz
- El nuevo Directorio para la Catequesis: Un llamado a compartir la fe con espíritu renovado, alegre y misionero, Dr. Hoffsman Ospino, Boston College
- Live not by Lies: Evangelizing in a New Era, Deacon Steve Mitchell, Acts XXIX
- Faith, Reason & Science, Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., Magis Center of Reason and Faith

All workshops ON DEMAND beginning Thursday, August 12:

Theology

- Feisty Gospel Women, Kathy Coffey, Orbis Press
- Gender Ideology and Catechesis, Dr. Theresa Farnan, Catholic Women's Forum at the Ethics and Public Policy Center
- A Pastoral Response to Gender Ideology, Mary Hasson, Catholic Women's Forum at the Ethics and Public Policy Center
- From Boredom to Wonder: Developing Catholic Dispositions in the Age of Zoom, Dr. Tim O'Malley, Notre Dame
- Parents of Children with SSA, Fr. Richard Samour, Archdiocese of San Antonio
- Spirituality of the Catechist, Sr. Janet Schaeffler, Faith Formation Matters
- Faith & Moral Development (Part 1 & 2), Dr. Joseph White, Our Sunday Visitor
- What the Church Believes (Part 1 & 2), Joe VonKanel, St. Thomas Aquinas, Alpharetta, GA

...And lots more!



SYNODUS EPISCOPORUM

“For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission”

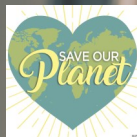
XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops

The fifth synod of the pontificate of Pope Francis will follow a different protocol than previous synods. This one will have the normal three phases, but these phases will be: local, continental, and universal. Bishop Estévez has appointed a Steering Committee and co-chairpersons for the synodal process. The consultations for this local phase will be broad, engaging with as many people as possible. The first thing that we must do is to have formation on the concept of synod and synodality.

What will be the work of the Synodality Steering Committee? Bishop Estévez has appointed a committee with vast representation from across the diocese to enact our local diocesan synod consultation over the next several months. Over the next months, you will be reading more about this 3-step process. The first step will be held in every diocese across the world. The second step will be a national consultation. The third step will be held in Rome in 2023.

The official kick off weekend across the world will be Sunday, October 17. Our event will be held at St. Joseph Parish, starting with a 2pm Mass, followed by formation and information.

WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE MAYBE FOR NOW!



Water is an indispensable part of our life. It covers 70% of the earth, but only 3% is clean and usable. Water conservation plays an important part in protecting the environment.

One tip is to save water from the tap. Remember when brushing your teeth, washing your hands, showering or washing dishes turn off the faucet after preliminary soaping up. You'll save money and the environment.



BIRTHDAYS

July 5

Jacob Cosgrave, Jennifer DePiero, Martin Fiasconaro, Grace Langello, James Lavery, Linda Rolla, Kevin Ryan, Kate Thoubboron, Rhett Zuber

July 6

Carmela Carlisi, John Check, Warren Fretterd, Francis Larmore, Patricia McVey, Robert Pisan, Catherine Roane, Conner Shupe, Giovanni Tubolino

July 7

Antonio Armaral, Peter D'Aleo, Raymond Hommel, Benjamin McGuire, Paul Motta, Paula Rodrigues, William White

July 8

Natalie Alvarez, Daniel Caronna, Deborah Culpepper, Joseph DiSpirito, Ruby DiFederico, Joseph DiMauro Jr., Kimberly Falcone, Joseph Falis, Myla Flecha, Javier Martinez, Dorothy McCormack, Ana Medeiros, Phyllis Taylor, Ginabelle Quibuyen

July 9

Andrea Alvarez, Todd Brink, Denise Collins, Joshua Crook, Veronica Cubit, Jenna DelleDonne, Jeff Drucker, Jennifer Goco, Isabella Houle, Jess Sherman, Jane Lavezzoli, Jeff Majewski, Salvatore Mangano, Sandy McCracken, Kathy Salinsky, Donna Schumacher, Mya Tomassini

July 10

Brianna Aloia, Barbara Dahmke-McCarthy, Lisa DelGuercio, Mary DeLisle, Rylee Dolce, Jason Giraulo, Hans Grover, Elizabeth Lugger, Beverly Maggio, Keri Petro, Mike Secora

July 11

Owen Barron, David Bernier, Carlin Blaine, Gwendolyn Butler, Lisa DiBitetto, James Flaherty, Megan Goodwin, Guerino Marchese, Devin McLean, James McLellan, Tanner Paulo, Cesar Pereira, Joseph Portal, Thomas Villano, Katherine Yeager, Bonnie Zanette



Date: July 17th

Serving 3:30 till 5:30

\$12 Per Plate

Menu

Chicken Marsala

Pasta Alfredo

Garlic Bread

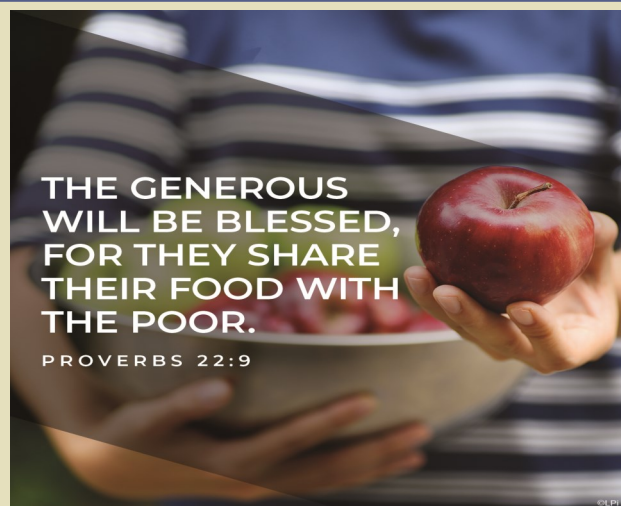
Dessert

We appreciate your past and future participation



**Knights of Columbus
Bingo Returns
Sept. 7!**

Santa Maria del Mar Parish Hall



**THE GENEROUS
WILL BE BLESSED,
FOR THEY SHARE
THEIR FOOD WITH
THE POOR.**

PROVERBS 22:9

BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY SUPPER

Feeding the Poor

Santa Maria del Mar

Community Supper Ministry

We serve a take-out supper to the homeless and people struggling financially on Mondays from 5-6:30pm in the Hall.

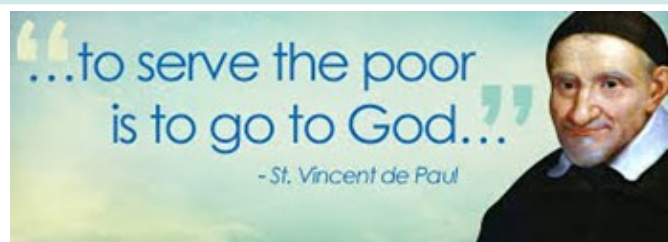
*Our many homeless guests
need your help.*

**** Donations needed please ****

UPRIGHT FREEZER NEEDED!

Camping tents, men's & women's socks,
toothpaste, tooth brushes,
toilet paper, bars of soap

Donations may be delivered
to the Parish Office



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION
UPCOMING DATES**

Aug. 7-8 ~ Sept. 4-5 ~ Oct. 2-3

experience a marriage
encounter!



Give your Marriage a
Boost in the New
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July 23-25, 2021 at
Marywood Retreat Center,
Jacksonville, Florida
November 5-7 2021 at St.
Stephen Retreat Center,
Titusville, Florida

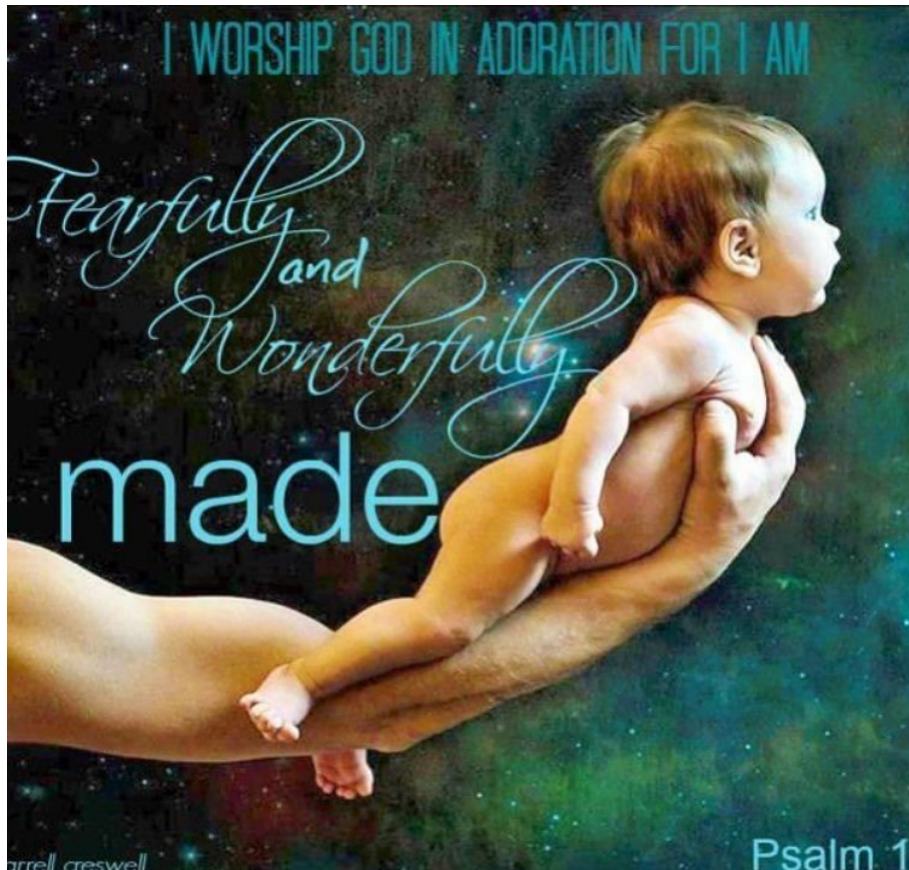
Apply at:

flcn-wwme.org/applyWeekend.php

Questions?

E-mail:

Todd.Kathy.Nennich@wwme.org



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

The Respect Life Ministry is dedicated to promoting the Church's teaching that all life is sacred from the moment of conception to natural death.

Ministry members and guests meet on the First Friday of each month (Meetings will resume in September). The Rosary for Life is recited at 8:30am, prior to the 9am Mass. After Mass, the meeting is held in the Learning Center.

All are welcome to join us, and for more information please contact Patti Gloekler at 386-310-4094, or email pag32124@gmail.com.

"The largest marginalized group in the world can be found in the U.S. They are the **unborn**."

~ Sr. Deidre Byrne



For more information on the Sacrament of Baptism please contact Denise Collins at Denise@smdmcc.org



LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is one of the largest lay apostolic associations in the Catholic Church, with several million members serving in most countries of the world. The goal of the Legion is to make its members better Catholics – through a balanced program of prayer and service in union with the Holy Spirit as He operates through Mary, the Mother of the Church.

Our members participate in the life of the parish by visiting families, the sick (both in their homes, nursing homes, and hospitals), and by collaborating with other ministries in any apostolic undertakings sponsored by the Parish.

Our members meet weekly for prayer, spiritual reflection, discussion, and planning in a family atmosphere. Then, we are assigned an apostolic work and report back the following week.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Wednesday at 1:30 in the Chapel.

For more information, contact Steven Neyer at 215-527-7411.



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST



God gives us every breath and second of our lives, why not give Him back one hour in Adoration?

**Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday
9:30am—2pm in the Adoration Chapel**

Contact Ginette Consentino (508-423-9360) for information or to sign up for Adoration.

**ADORERS NEEDED FOR
WED-FRI 9:30-10:30**

From the Office of the Chancellor
COVID-19 Safety Note: Given Bishop Estévez's recent decision to lift the mask requirement for fully vaccinated persons attending Mass begs the question concerning persons who are unvaccinated. Persons who have hesitated in obtaining the vaccination are strongly encouraged to do so. Until such time, unvaccinated persons older than age two should wear a mask. DO NOT put masks on children younger than 2-years-old. Additional CDC guidance may be obtained at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>

ATTENTION: The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. To Report Abuse, call the police or the Department of Children & Families at (800) 962-2873. Or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email inquiries@dosaf.com. To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.



BOOK REVIEW

7 SECRETS OF THE EUCHARIST

Author: Vinny Flynn

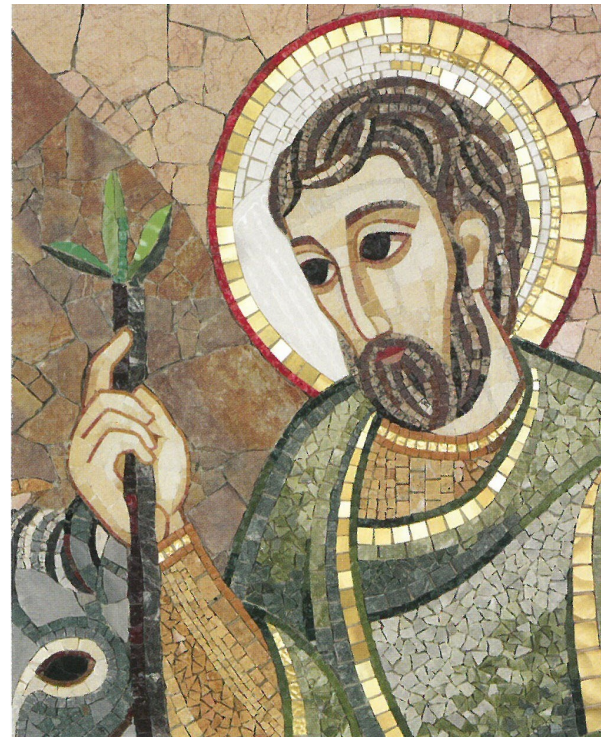
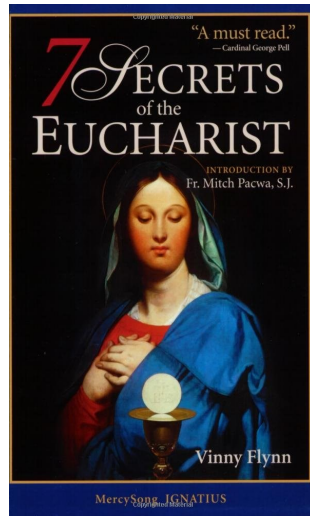
Many devoted Catholics have a limited understanding of this most powerful sacrament (even though we don't think so). Pope John Paul II referred to the Holy Eucharist as "the greatest treasure of the Church."

This publication ties together Scriptures, the saints and the teachings of our most recent popes to further emphasize and reinforce that we are not receiving a wafer or a piece of bread but a living person. There are hidden truths of the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is alive. Would a stranger or non-believer visiting on Sunday recognize who we are receiving and the many strengths and gifts that are attached? Are we really aware of the awesomeness of the living Christ and feel gratitude?

Reading this book will help you to further nourish a personal relationship with our Eucharistic Lord. There are only 107 pages but my approach and outlook to and for the Eucharist was unbelievably deepened. By the way these are not really secrets but a treasure chest of riches to acquire.

- Maria Flake



Prayer to St. Joseph

Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph, whose power makes the impossible possible, come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty. Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome (*here make your request*). My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power. Amen.



1949-2021 This prayer, from a 19th-century French prayer book, has been recited by Pope Francis every day for more than 40 years (cf. Patris Corde, '10).

Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for sharing the prayer with us.



Congratulations to Jack Williamson and Denise Collins on their graduation from the Ministry Formation Program! This is a three year program that through intensive academic, spiritual and pastoral formation, Bishop Estevez commissions the graduates as Lay Ecclesial Ministers.



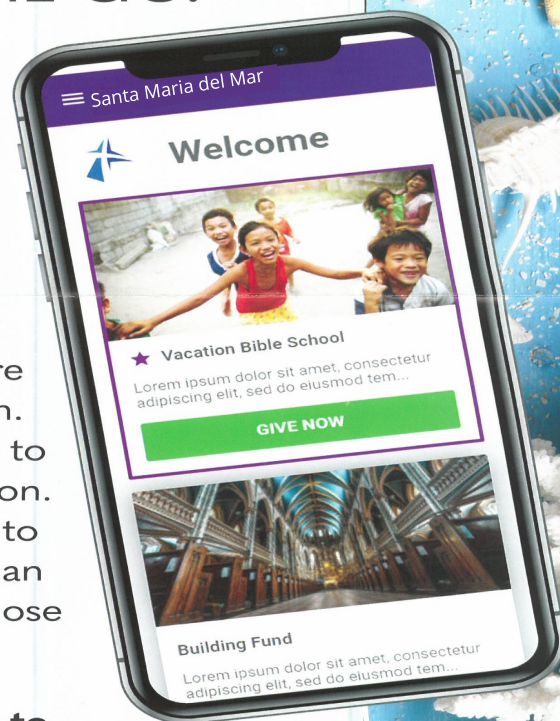
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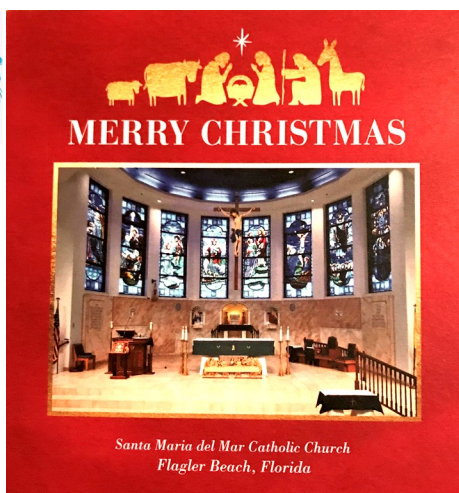
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RCIA: WELCOME HOME, WELCOME BACK

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The Church of Jesus Christ is all about mercy. Come and find out what you have been missing. Explore our faith more deeply through RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. You will find an open door and a friend inside. The words over the front door of the church say... "*All Are Welcome.*" We mean it.

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. It is a rite which welcomes people seeking a Catholic Church family and a Parish family. Through this Sacrament we are freed from the power of darkness and joined to Christ's death, burial and resurrection.

We have a trained team of parish members who will lead you and accompany you on your journey in faith. Classes are held weekly, but they can be flexible to accommodate your daily schedules. We expect that you will have questions for us. We hope that we will see you at the Sunday Mass and become involved with your new parish family. We hope your journey in faith will be happy, educational and spiritually uplifting.

If you would like to begin this journey please contact:

- Jeannie in the office (386-439-2791) jean@smdmcc.org
- Denise Collins, DRE (denise@smdmcc.org)
- Jack Williamson (buvezvin@aol.com).

The Parish Council Listening Post

Do you have a comment or suggestion for the Parish Council to consider? Submit items on paper by placing them in the **Listening Post** box located on the cabinet under the wall-mounted TV in the Gathering Area, or you can submit items via email by sending them to: listeningpost@smdmcc.org.

All submitted items must be civil and respectful, and be within the scope of the Parish Council, i.e., the pastoral life of the parish.

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

Question: Our Catholic grade school is doing a penance service this Lent. Do young children really need to go to Confession? How much sin can they really have?

Answer: Ask any mom about her children and see how many would say she has a brood of perfect angels! Parents know that kids do things that are wrong ... and they often know they're doing it! Even toddlers have a sense of right and wrong.

The Church recognizes that their minds and consciences are not yet fully developed, however, and typically waits until age seven

to offer the sacrament of Confession. Around that age and beyond, most young people, when asked, can easily explain why something is wrong.

Confession for children is an excellent way to help them reflect on their actions and accept responsibility for their behavior. It helps them to grow in their understanding of sin and how it affects others. This helps them to form their consciences and make better choices in the future.

Most importantly, they learn the value of forgiveness, both given and received. Rather than singling out what's wrong, Confession offers hope and a new start! Children can grow in understanding God's unconditional love and develop a sense of inner dignity that transcends their failings. Not bad for five minutes and an "Our Father" or two!

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Pope's Prayer Intentions

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JULY: Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



The Beatitudes allow us to acknowledge and confront the false idols of our life. This often requires making difficult moral choices but through them we learn to purify our hearts of any bad instincts and vices that may be keeping us from drawing closer to God. We are able to better appreciate the goods that come from the source of every good Himself. (CCC#1723)

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~ St. Augustine

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MENTAL HEALTH

Healing Hearts Grief Retreat

July 16– 18

Join us for a weekend of sharing and support with compassionate friends who are on a similar journey. Together we will laugh, cry, remember, and honor our loved ones. The journey of grief is often difficult and painful. Come and rest in the tranquility and peace of Marywood Retreat and Conference Center overlooking the St. Johns River in St. Johns, Florida.

Licensed professional therapists will guide your retreat weekend providing a balance of small group discussion and sharing, inspiring activities, bonding with others, and time for reflection.



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Fee Options:

- **Commuter Rate (\$250):** includes 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 1 dinner
- **One Night Stay - Single Occupancy (\$350):** includes all the above plus lodging for one person
- **One Night Stay - Double Occupancy (\$300):** includes all the above but with a shared room
- **Two Night Stay Single Occupancy (\$450):** includes all meals during your stay plus lodging for one person
- **Two Night Stay Double Occupancy (\$350):** includes all the above with a shared room

There is a \$50 non-refundable deposit due at the time of registration.

If you would like the double occupancy rate and have a roommate with whom you wish to share a room, please indicate this on the registration form. If you would like to be assigned a roommate, please indicate this on the registration form; however, please be advised that if no other retreatant is available to share a room, you will be asked to pay the single room rate.

For more information or to register, call Linda Turner, LMHC at (240) 319- 6050 or email her at LindaturnerMS@yahoo.com



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