



SANTA MARIA *del* MAR

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CATHOLIC PARISH *by the sea*

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

AUGUST 22, 2021



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

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Parish Resources During the COVID-19 Crisis

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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), 10:30-10:50am (before 11am Mass) 12:30-12:50 (before 1pm 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 jsnandmijn@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 Police Department 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.

A Choice WE ALL MUST MAKE

GOSPEL REFLECTION

"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised "more." But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only "feels" true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance

with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make.

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TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:
"Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."
(Jos 24:18)

PSALM:
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

SECOND READING:
This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the church.
(Eph 5:32)

GOSPEL:
Simon Peter answered him, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."
(Jn 6:68)

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

MON AUG 23
ST. ROSE OF LIMA
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10
Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]
Mt 23:13-22

TUES AUG 24
ST. BARTHOLOMEW
Rv 21:9b-14
Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]
Jn 1:45-51

WED AUG 25
ST. LOUIS
ST. JOSEPH
CALASANZ
1 Thes 2:9-1
Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]
Mt 23:27-32

THU AUG 26
1 Thes 3:7-13
Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]
Mt 24:42-51

FRI AUG 27
ST. MONICA
1 Thes 4:1-8
Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]
Mt 25:1-13

SAT AUG 28
ST. AUGUSTINE
1 Thes 4:9-11
Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]
Mt 25:14-30

SUN AUG 29
22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Dt 4:1-2, 6-8
Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



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

2nd Week
August 2021

Offertory:
\$13,094

Online Giving:
\$5,047.50

2nd Week
August 2020

Offertory:
\$20,902

Online Giving:
\$2,991

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@dosafll.com. To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.

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

STEWARDSHIP ~ A WAY OF LIFE

Call to the Lord for mercy; taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Faith and love are bound together. We will receive eternal life if we heed the words of Jesus. Jesus speaks for the Father enthused by the Holy Spirit. Simon Peter responded to Jesus, "You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe." We also have the words of eternal life but as *Stewards* of others, how do we exhibit our beliefs?

TASTE AND SEE
God's goodness.

Psalm 34



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

THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

The Catholic Church calls us to respect the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. This direction applies to all the unborn including those of an unplanned pregnancy destined for abortion. This calling also includes consideration and prayers for individuals with special needs, those who are incarcerated, facing the death penalty or facing end-of-life decisions.

The Santa Maria del Mar Respect Life Ministry, through its parishioners and outside donors, supports faith-based pregnancy centers like Alpha Women's Center with funds raised by our annual Baby Bottle Campaign, needed items and supplies are donated to Alpha from our annual Baby Shower. The Knights of Columbus Coastal Laps for Life team, which included the Notre Dame Council of our parish, donated an Ultrasound Machine giving expectant mothers the opportunity to see a live image of their unborn baby.

The Respect Life Ministry wants all parishioners to be aware of ways to support and respect life. So we invite you to join together to pray the rosary prior to First Fridays Mass (8:30am) and to meet with the group (following Mass) to further understand this ministry that wholeheartedly protects, encourages and supports all forms of human life.

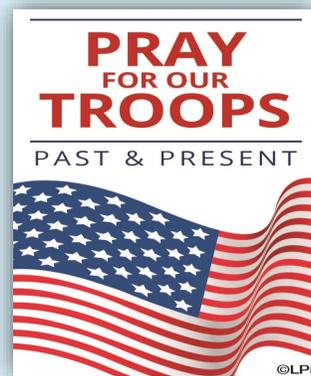
We honor and salute those people who have accepted the challenge to be involved in safeguarding all aspects of the gift of life. SMDM Respect Life Ministry members include Deacon Dan Rindge, Josie Garcia, Janice & Duane Berreth, Michael & Sherry Boullion, Terry Coviello, Ron & Debbie Wolak, Marie Lane, Kenneth Moffa, Susan & Bob Conochalla, Jack & Mary Pulick, and Patti & Paul Gloekler.

Your own spiritually can be enriched by taking part in a group that has compassion and defends those who desperately need protection. For further information contact Patti Gloekler, 386/310-4084.

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 | • Maureen Guiglotto | • Susan Musella |
| • Baby Avery | • Joey | • Jean O'Brien |
| • Kelly Baffa | • Beth Keefer | • Barbara Orandello |
| • Jennifer Bagshaw | • Paula Kiley | • Maria Palicio |
| • Brittney Baker | • Ann Kozanecki | • Marylou Pape |
| • Joseph Beneducci Jr. | • Sivestre Labaredas | • Patricia Perszyk |
| • Mary Alice Bevaque | • Scott Lavonas | • Diane Pires |
| • Leo & Barbara Blank | • Frank Leonardo | • Pat Reilly |
| • Kathy Bless | • Sean Liston | • Rick Rider |
| • Sheri Bless | • Donald Longo | • Robert Rizzo |
| • Julie Callahan | • Frank Magee | • Lenaj Rocco |
| • Fabienne Carlisto | • Dina Mancuso | • Amanda Schark |
| • 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 |
| • Jonah Finn | • Theresa Mincey | • Jeffrey Wheeler |
| • Jamie Fischer | • Tony Monopoli | • Bruce Williamson |
| • Kelly Fitzgerald | • Ralph Morello | • Mary-Ann Woika |
| • Fr. Sal | • Americo Morgado | |
| • James Green | • Barbara Motta | |
| • Susan & Roger Gronert | • Diana Musella | |



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)
- Cpl. David DiSorbo (US Army)
- Nate Guerreiro (US Navy)

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!



WE COMMEND TO GOD'S LOVING EMBRACE

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| † John Fischer | † Rosemary Gorman |
| † Peter Brehm | † Mary Gurnee |
| † Joan Roberti | † Margaret Janus |
| † Sal Mangano | † Elizabeth Westenheiser |

Mass INTENTIONS

- 08/25: 9am †Edna Marie Horsman, †Joan Roberti, †William Charbonneau.
- 08/26: 9am †Ruth Morrisey, †Juan Antonio Cantu.
- 08/27: 9am †Angelo Graca, Jessie & Yanick Gourdet (Anniversary), †Matthew Pape.
- 08/28: 4pm †Josefa Diaz, †Nancy Dvorak, †Brian McCabe.
- 08/29: 9am †Dorothy Jensen, †Sal Mangano.
1pm Patricia Wadleigh (Birthday).

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST



Dear Brother or Sister of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Welcome to the Adoration Ministry. "Thank You" for choosing this ministry.

*"Know this, my daughter (or my son), that you are already
tasting now what other souls will obtain only in eternity."
(Saint Faustina — Diary, 969)*

You, a Guardian of the **Blessed Sacrament**, commit to spending a quiet hour of prayer in the Real Presence of Christ, once a week.

1. You asked: What is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament? The Church instructs us about the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, saying:

In the liturgy of the Mass we express our faith in the real presence of Christ under the species of bread and wine by, among other ways, genuflecting or bowing deeply as a sign of adoration of the Lord. "The Catholic Church has always offered and still offers to the sacrament of the Eucharist the cult of adoration, not only during Mass, but also outside of it, reserving the consecrated hosts with the utmost care, exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and carrying them in procession [Paul VI, MF 56] (CCC, 1378)..

"Eucharistic adoration is the act of worshipping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist. Since the Last Supper, when Jesus broke the bread and distributed the wine, saying, "This is my Body" and "This is my Blood", Catholics know that the bread and wine is the actual living presence of the Second Person of the Trinity. Spending time before the Blessed Sacrament, in prayer and devotion, is exactly the same as spending time before the living God.

2. Why do we adore the Blessed Sacrament?

The tabernacle was first intended for the reservation of the Eucharist in a worthy place so that it could be brought to the sick and those absent outside of Mass. As faith in the real presence of Christ in his Eucharist deepened, the Church became conscious of the meaning of silent adoration of the Lord present under the Eucharistic species. It is for this reason that the tabernacle should be located in an especially worthy place in the church and should be constructed in such a way that it emphasizes and manifests the truth of the real presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament (CCC, 1379).

We should deeply desire many opportunities to spend time with our Lord. He is waiting there in the tabernacle for our visits. A whole hour is not necessary for our time with Jesus to be meaningful. I tell folks to visit the chapel or church even for a short time, perhaps squeezed between errands, or on the way to or from work.

Hopefully, you'll also schedule longer times of Adoration, too. Kneeling before Him and pouring out our hearts melts away our concerns and fears. Nourished by His love, we leave with grace, renewed hope, and peace.

- He is really there! "I myself AM the Living Bread come down from Heaven." (Jn 6:35)
- Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because of his Infinite love for us!
- The specific way that Jesus asks you to love Him in return is to spend one quiet hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament. ...

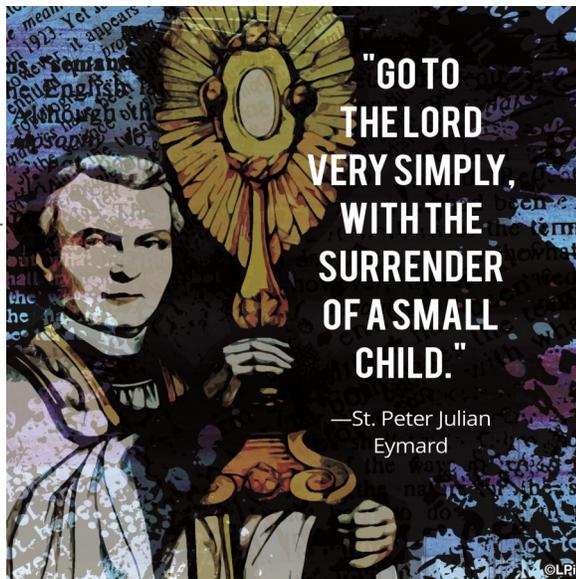
What do we do in adoration?

Fr. Benedict Groeschel points out in "In the Presence of Our Lord: The History, Theology, and Psychology of Eucharistic Devotion" that there are 'four kinds of prayer most appropriate in the presence of the Eucharist, namely: Adoration and praise, thanksgiving, repentance, and trusting intercession'.

Example: One may decide to PRAY THE PSALMS OR THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS.

Remember, whether you are praising, giving thanks, asking for forgiveness, or seeking an answer, the Lord Jesus, who gave His very Life for the faithful servant – the Lover of your soul is hearing you and seeing your very being.

"IF WE WOULD BE EXPOSED TO A RADIOACTIVE ELEMENT IT WOULD AFFECT US; HOW MUCH MORE DOES THE INFINITELY POWERFUL LORD CHANGE US WHEN WE SIT IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT!"



3. Another Suggestion: READ THE LIFE OF A SAINT AND PRAY WITH HIM OR HER (Take one up from our Chapel Library of the "Sacred Heart & Immaculate Heart of Mary".)

Most holy men and women have a great devotion to Our Lord in the Eucharist. Therese of Lisieux, Catherine of Siena, Francis of Assisi, Dorothy Day, and Mother Teresa of Calcutta are just a few. Read about them and pray their prayers before the Blessed Sacrament.

4. POUR OUT YOUR HEART TO CHRIST AND ADORE HIM

Speak to Jesus, aware that you are in His presence, and tell Him all that comes to your mind. Listen for His response. Pray the prayer that St Francis instructed his brothers to pray whenever they were before the Blessed Sacrament "I adore you, O Christ, present here and in all the churches of the world, for by your holy cross you have redeemed the world."

5. ASK FOR FORGIVENESS AND INTERCEDE FOR OTHERS

Think of those who have hurt you and request a special blessing for them. Ask God to forgive you for all the times you have neglected or hurt someone else. Bring before the Blessed Sacrament all those who have asked you to pray for them. Ask the Lord to address their concerns.

6. PRAY THE ROSARY -- Pray with Mother Mary

Pope John Paul II reminds us, "...is not the enraptured gaze of Mary as she contemplated the face of the newborn Christ and cradled him in her arms that unparalleled model of love which should inspire us every time we receive Eucharistic Communion?" (The Church and the Eucharist, 55) Ask Mary to join you as you gaze on Christ in the Eucharist and as you pray the Rosary.

7. SIT QUIETLY AND JUST "BE" IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Think of a visit to the Blessed Sacrament as coming to see your best friend. Sit quietly and enjoy being in each other's company. Instead of talking to the Lord, try listening to what He wants to tell you."

Ginette Consentino – Adoration Ministry
Approved by Pastor Manny Lopez

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Opening on the Parish Council

Do you feel called to serve on the Parish Council? Here's some information to help you in your discernment:

The Parish Council assists the pastor in supporting and cultivating the pastoral vitality of the parish. Its main functions are:

- makes recommendations to the pastor on issues that have significant pastoral impact
- develops the parish's long-term pastoral plan
- helps formulate parish policies and initiatives
- monitors, encourages, and supports the parish's ministries

Candidates for the Parish Council have the following qualifications and qualities:

- adult (age 18+) practicing Catholic
- registered and active in the parish for at least one year
- mindful of the common good, compassionate, prudent, and faithful in stewardship of time, talent, and resources
- willing and able to work cooperatively with others

An application form (required) can be obtained from the parish office or by sending an email to parishcouncil@smdmcc.org. Completed applications, due by August 6, can be returned by email, delivered to the parish office, or dropped in the Listening Post box in the church's gathering area. Questions? Send them to the same email address or contact any current Parish Council member.



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.

Documents that govern a Synod

There are several documents which govern the workings of a Synod. The Apostolic Letter of Pope St. Paul VI, *Apostolica sollicitudo* (1965), is a general outline for future synods. *Ordo synodi episcoporum* (1966) contains the norms regarding how themes are chosen, organizational details as well as some very specific details for the gatherings themselves. This document is updated to reflect current structure or needs. The *Code of Canon Law* (1983) has a chapter dedicated to the Synod of Bishops. Most recently, Pope Francis issued *Apostolic constitutio episcopalis communio* (2018) which is the current governing document for Synods. The essential change that Pope Francis made to the previous documents is the inclusion of the entire People of God in both the consultation and implementation phases.

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



AUGUST 23

Kristin Brinker, Anthony Casabona, Claire Hamel, Andrew Hoffman, Ellie Kalcounos, Allyson Lawless, Scott Lyons, Christine Mesta, Regina Reifinger, Morgan Salinsky, Cathy Schuch

AUGUST 24

Alejandra Blaine, Andrew Bochnari, Michael Jozefek, Bella Klepper, Sandy Liskiewicz, Mary Jayne Murphy, Lino Palajs, Donald Petruzzelli, Mary Rhoads, Charles Ward

AUGUST 25

Francis Auletti, Julianna Bracher, Gloria Carlisi, Dennis Connelly, Mary Geiger, Justin Jensen, Nicholas Lilavois, Mike McCabe, Thomas Polk, Timothy Radford, Roman San Nicoles, Jeanie Yerby

AUGUST 26

Theresa Agiga, Duane Berreth, Noel Bethea, Robert Calabrese, Randy Collins, Jana DiNatale, Michael French, Aubriana Marshall, Collin Noucher, Braedem Osborn, Sarah Paul, Jarrod Shupe, Ana Smith, Mary Vamos

AUGUST 27

Marie Durigan, Jo Ellen Honer, Margarita Japitana, Teri Knight, Andrew Machado, Alfred Maurer, Alexis Nunes, Gregory Pitt, Tom Roane, Karen Sariano, Emily Stoughton

AUGUST 28

Kyla Barnett, Mellisa Cabellaro, Jon DeWitt, Ethan Forbes, Lee Katsikos, Nomari Marrero, Ken Pado, Joanne Priscdandaro, Elizabeth Radford, Judy Smith, Loucas Throne, Michael Ticconi

AUGUST 29

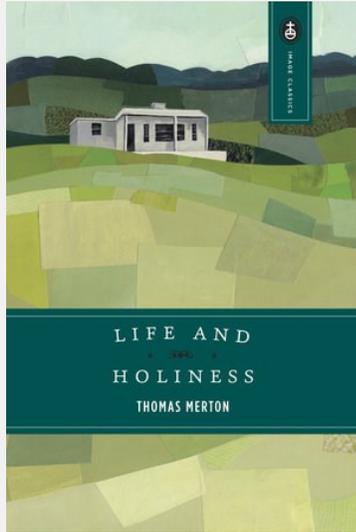
Isaac Echevarria, Ana Gagliardo, Celina Hubbert, Bonita Kelly, Anne Madden, Gerardo Malagisi, Marilyn Marczynski, Rev. James May, John McCarthy, Elizabeth Salinsky, Janet Ward



BOOK REVIEW

LIFE AND HOLINESS Author: *Thomas Merton*

Henri Nouwen wrote the introduction to this book. He states that "Thomas Merton writes with humility and conviction, with gentleness and force, with humor and wisdom." Don't we all need these qualities in our life and in ourselves?



Perfection in life is an ongoing process which can only be attained by faith—faith that God does exist and that Christ has left us his teachings, the sacraments of the Church and all the counsels by which he shows us the way to live more perfectly in him and for him.

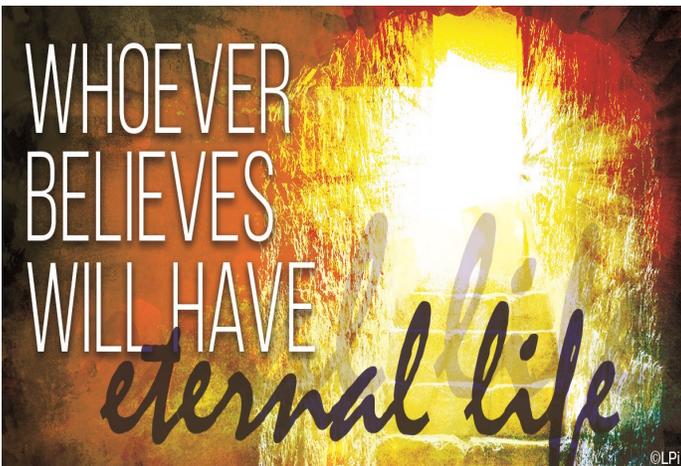
Thomas tells us that our response to Christ means taking up our cross, and shouldering responsibility to seek and do all things with justice and charity. He suggests that the beatitudes are the map to follow.

This is a simple book to read but potent with thoughts, ideas and suggestions on how we might live a life in Christ.

- *Maria Flake*



- Nelson and Debora Medeiros
- Frank and Charlene Tamburrino
- Steven Mills
- Irene Munson
- Kathleen Donato & Aubrey
- James and Amy Tappen
- Jon and Sarah Reckenwald & Paige-Noelle, Connor
- Troy and Erin Woloszyk
- Jerry Smith
- Elaine Nesbit
- John and Lisa Hartmann
- Terry and Maureen Baur
- Anthony and Kerry Nacinovich
- Eric and Jacklyn Ramirez
- Christopher Godbold
- Jorge and Judy Guerreiro & Kathleen
- Charles and Frances DeMartin
- Claude Thomas and Jennifer Leggett
- John and Donna Harvey
- Kaitlyn Creamer and Benjamin Reynolds
- Borys and Victoria & Elizabeth & Veronica Droniv
- Michael and Nancy Geisler
- Daniel Geisler
- Zach and Stefani & Zander & Skyler Dole



What is NOT a name of the four sets of rosary mysteries?

- a) Joyful
- b) Awakening
- c) Glorious
- d) Luminous

Answer: b

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BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY SUPPER

Feeding the Poor

Santa Maria del Mar Community Supper Ministry

A little over five years ago a new ministry was created at Santa Maria del Mar to help individuals and families in need of food and friendship. The Bread of Life (BOL) Ministry was developed to meet some of those needs. Until the coronavirus hit, the ministry was serving **nearly 80 meals every Monday** night in our parish hall and **sending an additional 100-120 meals to shut-ins and others needing relief**. Any remaining food was packaged and sent to the Family Life Center. This has all been accomplished by a cadre of outstanding cooks and six teams of volunteers totaling over 130 parish members.

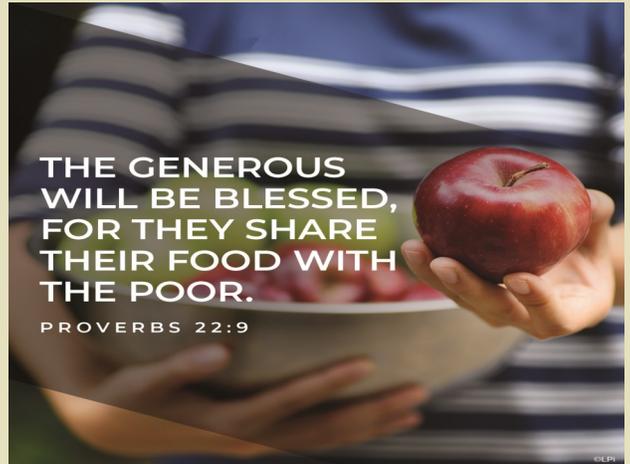
When covid-19 shut down many services throughout the nation, our state and Florida counties, BOL leaders were busy assessing how to service the people we serve in the area. Their need for food would not be diminished by the pandemic.

Mindful of the need for social distancing and similar cautionary protections BOL served its last meal on March 16, 2020. Along with most services in the state, BOL services were shuttered for the next nine weeks. After continued conferences with Fr. Manny and the Flagler County Health Department it was determined we could resume serving the needy under certain health conditions.

As with our last day of service, the ministry had been cleared to provide "take out" food. And so, on May 12 we fired up the ovens and opened the virtual doors to begin take out service once again. We are currently serving nearly 200 meals each week.

Bread of Life has been given the "go ahead" to resume in-house dining and will begin this service starting Monday, September 6 and continue each Monday thereafter with in-house dining served from 4-5pm and take outs available from 5-6pm.

To meet the demands of this new dual-service ministry **we need more volunteers**. Please consider spending a few hours of your time in this very worthwhile ministry. Call the office and leave your name, phone number and email address. You will be contacted to arrange an orientation and team assignment.



SAVE THE DATE
 All Ministry Leaders
 November 3 - 3-5pm
 November 10 - 6-8pm
 RSVP: parishcouncil@smdmcc.org



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

Sept. 4-5 ~ Oct. 2-3

Families Fed in July: 97
 Adults: 174
 Children: 149
 Total Served: 420

Faith formation

2021-2022 Faith Formation registration is open!

Visit our website: www.sdmcc.org or contact Denise@sdmcc.org for more information!

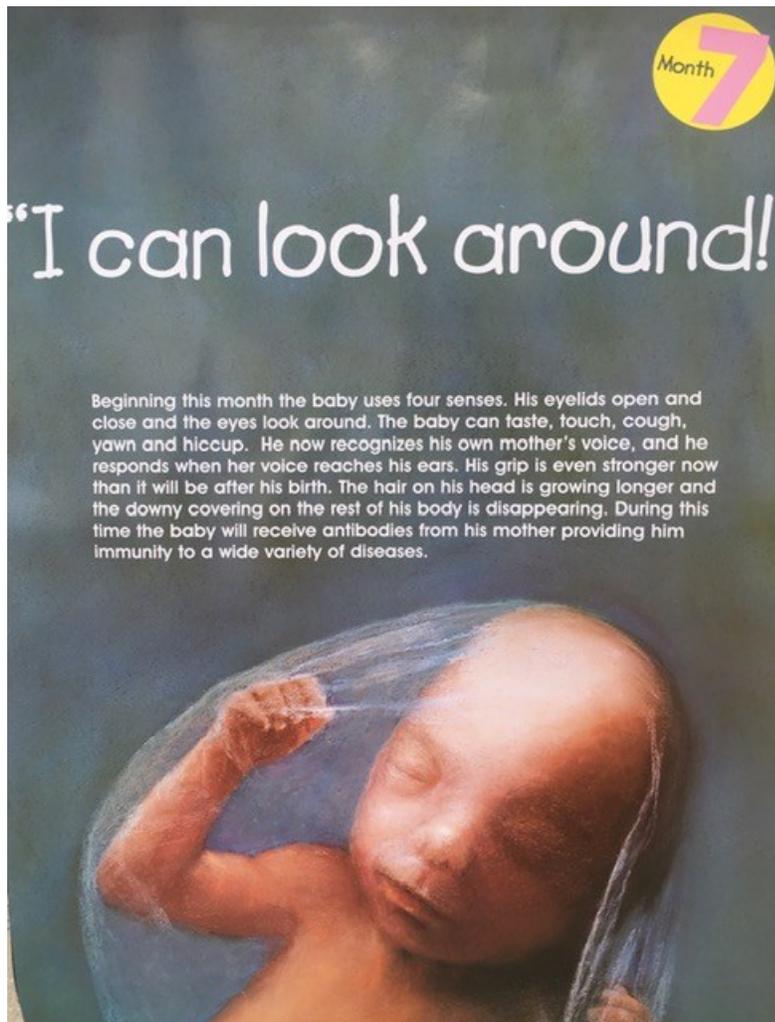
Faith Formation (K-8) Sunday 9:45-10:45

*First Sunday of the Month
Children's Mass at 11am.
Attendance encouraged

Updated June 2021

Aug. 25	Catechist training/meeting 5pm
Aug. 29	Registration/Book Dis. After mass
Sept. 12	First day class
Sept. 19	Class
Sept. 26	Class
Oct. 3	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Oct. 10	Class
Oct. 17	Class
Oct. 24	Class
Oct. 31	NO CLASS
Nov. 7	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Nov. 14	Class
Nov. 21	NO CLASS/ Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 28	Class
Dec. 5	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Dec. 12	Class
Dec. 19	Class/ Pageant Practice/Costumes
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Pageant
Dec. 27	No Class/ Christmas Break
Jan. 9	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Jan. 16	NO CLASS
Jan. 23	Class
Jan. 30	Class
Feb. 6	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Feb. 13	Class
Feb. 20	Class
Feb. 27	Class
Mar. 6	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Mar. 13	Class
Mar. 20	No Class/ Spring Break
Mar. 27	Class
Apr. 3	Class/Children's Mass 11am
Apr. 10	Class
Apr. 17	Easter Sunday
Apr. 24	Last Class
Apr. 30	First Communion time TBA
May 7	Confirmation @ 10am

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



Our Spiritually Adopted Babies are at 7 Months in utero. Please continue to pray that they are delivered at full-term and live the beautiful lives that God has intended for them!

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



SANTA MARIA *del* MAR
CATHOLIC CHURCH
 —SURSUM CORDA—

**Welcome to Santa Maria del Mar
 Spiritual University**

What is the purpose and mission of our Spiritual University?

The purpose and mission is to create opportunities for the Holy Spirit to help us grow together in our understanding of Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church.

How do we fulfill this purpose and mission and put it into practice?

We use approved interactive programs developed by Catholic priests, theologians, scholars and organizations.

The upcoming 2021-2022 programs will include:

BIBLE STUDY with Father Manny the 3rd Thursday of each month from 10-11:30am starting Sept. 16 in the Peter and Paul room in the Learning Center.

RCIA fall session is in planning and will be announced at a future time.

COURSE STUDIES:

Morning sessions

Fridays at 10-11:30am in the Learning Center

- Dr. Edward Sri's *Biblical Walk Through the Mass* Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- Bishop Barron's *Pivotal Players "Saints Augustine and Benedict"* Nov 5, 12, 19
- Jeff Cavin's *"Revelations"* Jan 7, 14, 21, 28; Feb 4, 11, 18, 25; Mar 4, 11
- Dr. Ed Sri's *"No Greater Love, A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion"* Mar 18, 25, Apr 1, 8

Evening session

Thursday at 6-7:30pm

- Steve Ray's *"Footprints of God"* Apr 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26; Jun 2, 9, 16

We pray the Holy Spirit will move you to join us in these sessions and we invite you to contact Jeannie with any requests or suggestions you may have for other study topics you would like us to offer.



Bring Your Faith to the Marketplace

Looking for a unique gift for a family member, friend, newlywed, graduate, teacher, or coach? Our parish, through the Social Justice Ministry, has a special arrangement with SERRV International, which works with nearly 8,000 artisans and farmers in 24 countries to create a marketplace for the world's most beautiful handcrafts. SERRV artisans and farmers benefit from fair wages, a sustainable income, safe working conditions, education, and equality.

It's never been easier to change lives for the better. When you buy handmade gifts, food items, and home décor using the web link below or by scanning the QR code, not only will you be helping disadvantaged artisans and supporting fair-trade practices, but 20% of your purchase will be donated to our parish. The link is available year-round:



www.serrv.org/?a=smdmfts

Check frequently for discounts, free shipping, and other special offers.

Fair-trade commitments reduce the need for people to migrate. For more information on a Catholic framework for economic justice, visit <https://www.usccb.org/committees/domestic-justice-and-human-development/economic-justice-domestic-poverty>.

SERRV & EARN
 DO A WORLD OF GOOD



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>

Multicultural Youth & Young Adult Ministry (MYAM/PJH)
invites you to a Hispanic retreat

Experiencia Cristo #36



For:

Young Adults 18-35.

When:

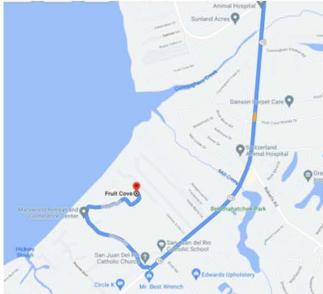
Starts Friday August 27th, 2021, at 6:00pm.

Ends Sunday August 29th, 2021 with Mass celebration at 2:00pm.

NUUESTRO CORAZÓN ESTÁ INQUIETO
hasta que descanse en ti

Where: **Marywood Retreat Center (Camp. St. Johns). 235 Marywood Dr. St. Johns Fl, 32259**

We're having: **Talks/Reflection/Adoration, Games, and much more.**



Music by Pastoral Juvenil Ministry.

For additional information please contact:

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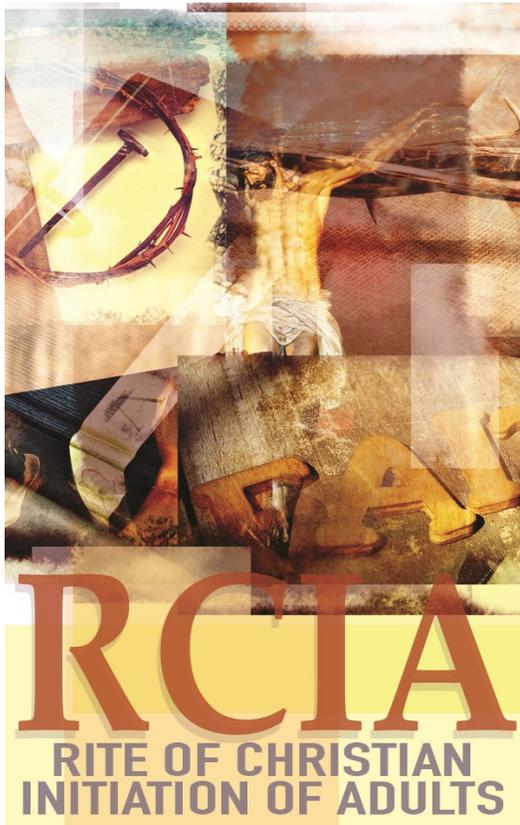


To register and pay online use:
Registrate y paga en línea usa:

Link: <https://dosafil.wufoo.com/forms/experiencia-cristo-36-registration/>

SCAN ME





WELCOME HOME, WELCOME BACK

Have you been away for a bit? Have you ever felt—for whatever reason—you're not welcome here? Do you know someone that falls into that category? There's a breath of fresh air that is blowing through the Catholic Church.

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.

August 22:
Candidate Meet & Greet
after 9am Mass in Learning Center.

If you would like more information please contact:

- Denise Collins, DRE (denise@smdmcc.org)
- Jack Williamson, RCIA Coordinator(buvezvin@aol.com).



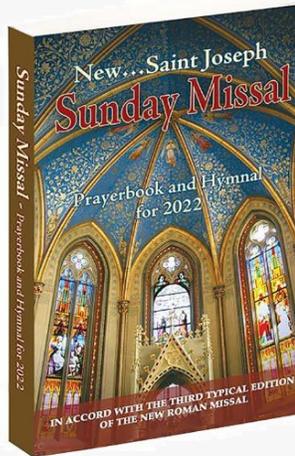
Pre-order the 2022 St Joseph Sunday Missal.

The SMDM Gift Shop is placing an order for 2022 St Joseph Sunday Missals! Order by September 30, 2021, at a price of \$5. Cash, check and credit cards are accepted.

Stop by the Gift Shop and place your order. If you are unable to get to the Gift Shop during the weekend Masses to pre-order your copy, please email giftshop@smdmcc.org or contact the Parish Office.

Pre-order today to guarantee the \$5 price.

If you are unfamiliar with the St Joseph Sunday Missal, it's an easy-to-use 2022 Sunday Missal with the complete Masses for all Sundays and Holy Days, along with the Easter Triduum. This version has large type, people's parts in bold print for quick identification, and a large selection of more popular hymns. Order yours today.



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.

**NEW
SUNDAY
MISSAL
COMING
SOON!**



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

Question: We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

Answer: The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it!

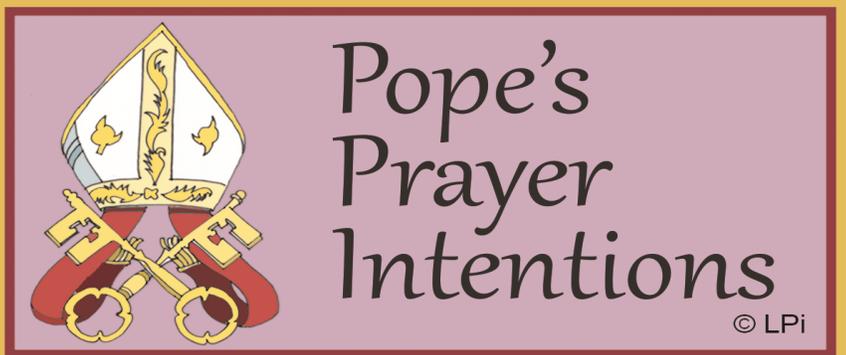
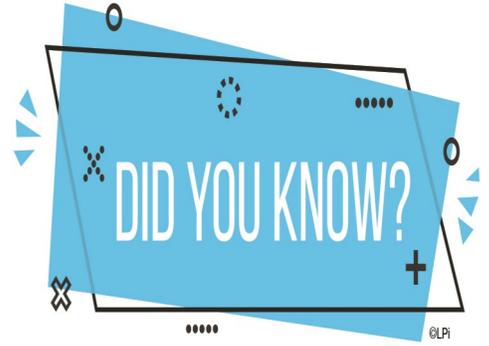
As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, “In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God” (On the Lay Members of Christ’s Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we’re there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children.

We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God!

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Out of respect for God’s holiness, the people of Israel do not pronounce His name. In Sacred Scripture, God’s revealed name YHWH is always replaced by the divine title LORD, which in Hebrew is Adonai and in Greek is Kyrios. By this same title, the divinity of Jesus as Lord is acclaimed. (CCC #209)



AUGUST: THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

CATHOLIC THERAPIST NETWORK

Caring & confidential
Catholic support available

“Trust the past to the mercy of God, the present to His love, and the future to His providence.”

~ St. Augustine

The Catholic Therapist Network is a listing of counselors who are Catholics in good standing and loyal to the theology, traditions, and values of the Catholic faith. Though not affiliates or employees of the Diocese, all participating mental health professionals are independent practitioners, currently licensed and insured. They are committed to extending their expertise and offering full discretion in meeting with clients. Contact information for Network participants is available at family.dosafl.com/therapists/



MENTAL HEALTH