



# SANTA MARIA *del* MAR

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

—SURSUM CORDA—

CATHOLIC PARISH *by the sea*

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**MASS TIMES**  
Tues (Portuguese) 9am  
Wed-Fri: 9am  
Sat (Vigil): 4pm  
Sun: 9am, 11am & 1pm

**APRIL 3, 2022**

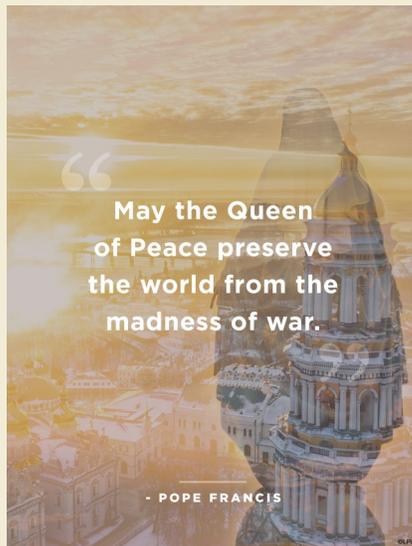
**5<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY  
OF LENT**

Jesus said,  
"Neither do I  
condemn you.  
Go, and from  
now on do not  
sin any more."  
- Jn 8:11b

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### **A PRAYER FOR PEACE**

Lord Christ, at times we are like strangers on this earth,  
Taken aback by all the violence, the harsh oppositions.  
Like a gentle breeze, you breathe upon us the Spirit of peace.  
Transfigure the deserts of our doubts, and so prepare us to be bearers of reconciliation wherever you place us, until the day when a hope of peace dawns in our world. Amen.

*Brother Roger of Taize, The Taizé Office*

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# KNOWING YOUR FAITH *with Father Manny*

## #6 HOW TO PRACTICE FORGIVENESS

Jesus taught his followers to pray...

- Matthew 6:12...and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors
- Luke 11:4...and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us..."

Jesus taught his followers to extend forgiveness to others having received it themselves.

- Mathew 6:14...For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Receiving forgiveness from God necessitates extending forgiveness to others. (Matthew 6:12-15, Mark 11:25,26, Luke 11:2-4)

Letting go of hurt, helplessness and anger in order to forgive someone increases confidence, hope and happiness. By practicing forgiveness you can learn how to release unwanted hurts and grudges from the past, opening yourself to happiness, peace and love.

### How to Forgive, Forget and Let Go – Some practical suggestions:

1. Think through your concerns regarding the person or happening in your life, noting exactly what was done that hurt you. Share your feelings about the matter with someone you know and trust. (Close friend, Spiritual director, counselor).
2. Get perspective on what is happening with your feelings. Realize that your main stress is due to thoughts and physical upset you are suffering now,

and the hurt you endured is in the past. This realization can help to heal hurt feelings.

3. Focus your energy toward seeking another way to overcome negativity by prayer and on focusing on simple, positive goals. Seek new ways to get what you want and need from relationships and life. Be anchored on Scripture and the Sacraments.
4. Know that practicing forgiveness does not necessarily mean reconciling with the person that hurt you. Forgiving is to find peace. Christ Jesus is the ultimate peace.
5. Pray and look for the love, beauty and kindness in your life that faith in Christ brings, rather than dwelling on the hurt from the past.



## Parish Resources During the COVID-19 Crisis

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**Parish Office:** The parish office is open Tues—Fri, 9am-4pm with a break for lunch. Mass schedule below:

- **Sunday Mass:** 9 am, 11am and 1pm in the church. .
- **Saturday Vigil Mass** at 4pm.
- **Portuguese Mass:** Tuesday at 9am
- **Weekday Masses:** Wed—Fri at 9am in the church.
- **High-Risk Individuals**—Sunday 1pm Mass is recommended as the attendance is low.
- **Adoration**—Wed—Fri, 9:30am-2pm. (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*)

**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](https://us.magnificat.net/free) online (<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.

**Want to help others?** You can help others in our community by mailing donations to [Society of St. Vincent de Paul](#) 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/>).

**Offertory Contributions:** 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](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748): [www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748)



# Lent & Holy Week

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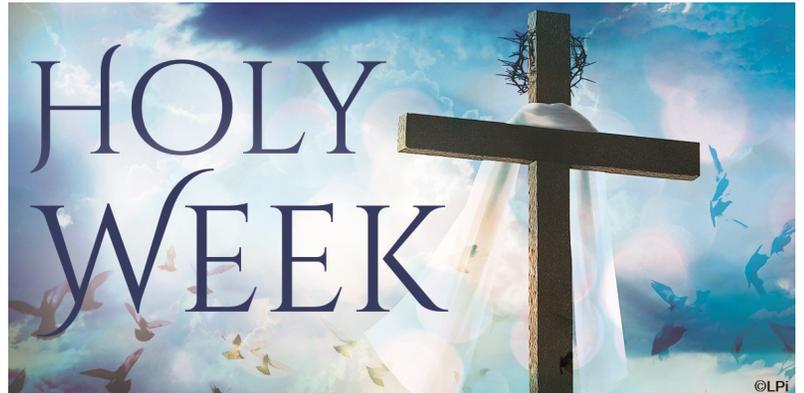
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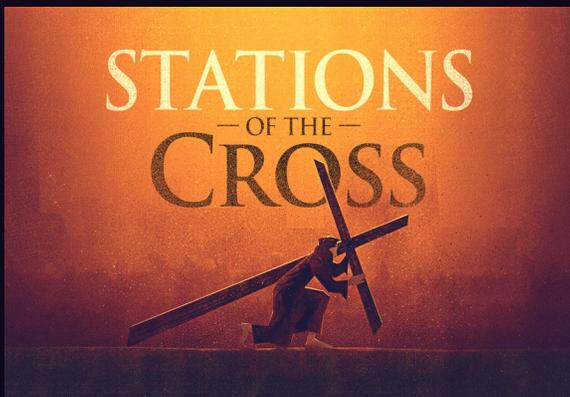
Fish Fry Every Friday\* during Lent  
(\*Except Good Friday)

Serving begins in the SMdM Parish Hall  
After 4:00 PM Stations of the Cross\*

**FREE** for Stations of the Cross Attendees  
(Donations accepted)



- April 9 Palm Sunday Vigil Mass, 4pm
- April 10 Palm Sunday Masses, 9am, 11am, 1pm
- April 14 Morning Prayers, 9am  
Holy Thursday Mass, 5pm
- April 15 Morning Prayers, 9am  
Stations of the Cross, 12pm  
Good Friday Service, 3pm
- April 16 Morning Prayers, 9am  
Easter Vigil, 8:30pm
- April 17 Easter Sunday Masses, 9am & 11am  
Easter Egg Hunt at 10am (on the grass  
between Church & Rectory)



Please join us for Stations of the Cross presented every Friday during Lent at 4pm. The Knights will be offering a Fish Fry immediately following stations!

- April 8: LIVE stations presented by Life Teen at 6pm!
- April 15 (Good Friday): Stations will be at Noon





### 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](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1748)

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY

4th Week  
February 2022

Offertory:  
\$15,401

Online Giving:  
\$4,017.50

4th Week  
February 2021

Offertory:  
\$12,034

Online Giving:  
\$4,700

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP



God the Father has given us the example of how to live through Jesus's example. God always is a loving Father who is compassionate, loving and forgiving.

Reconciliation and forgiveness is what we need to pursue in all our activities. As *Stewards* we are call to turn hatred to love, conflict to peace in our journey toward eternal life with God.

## REPENT & BELIEVE



**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@dosaf1.com](mailto:inquiries@dosaf1.com). To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org).

## THIS MONTH'S MINISTRY SALUTE

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

### THE BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Bereavement wears many hats but in simplest terms, it is an overwhelming emotion that comes from a loss. Loss also wears many hats that include the death of a loved one, a terminal diagnosis, loss of a job, relocating to a different area or any life change that is troubling. Santa Maria del Mar Parish has a ministry that offers support and comfort when we need to deal with the unexpected and unacceptable.



Thank you and we salute the members of the group who share their gifts that help others transit to a new place in their life during a time of change. An important positive thing that the ministry offers is knowing that others can give strength, experience and encouragement. No one is ever alone. For more information, call Lois Ambrosia, 386/871-5371 or the parish office, 386-439-2791.



# RECEIVE the POWER of GOD'S MERCY

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## GOSPEL REFLECTION

We love to make examples out of those who have erred and done wrong. Publicly punishing others serves as a means of demonstrating the consequences for what is deemed inappropriate or wrongful behavior. While this may appear an effective way of achieving conformity to established rules, it runs the real risk of distorting motivation. Obviously, we want people to do what is right and pursue healthy, virtuous behaviors and ideals. But is fear of punishment ever the best motivation for avoiding one action in favor of another?

Doing something out of fear is never healthy. Focusing exclusively on our behavior and what others expect or think, leads to living life with a self-focused superficiality. We become more concerned about protecting ourselves from something negative and unpleasant, than investing ourselves in the freedom, wonder and awe of being human! We can still find our way to the unacceptable or inappropriate behavior as long as we do not get caught! Being a whole, focused, and God-centered human being requires more. It demands an investment of the heart. Virtuous, moral, and mature lifestyles reflective of the Gospel necessitate love.

When we experience and recognize love,

God's unconditional love, in the depth of our soul, we fall in love with what we have found. We then find ourselves leaving destructive and sinful actions behind in search of something more holy, dignified, true, integral, and loving. This is really "mercy realized." God's tremendous, loving, eternal forgiveness and willingness to bring us back to something more real and tender is transformational. The respect for myself that I receive from God is so life changing that it causes me to run quickly away from anything sinful and self-destructive to things that are whole and holy.

There are many people who want nothing more than to judge or criticize us. What would actually stoning the woman caught in adultery really accomplish? Nothing more than the inflation of the already self-righteous egos of a few men who think they have power. They have no power because they are sinners too, just like everyone else. What all of us have is the humble ability to express sorrow for pursuing destructive thoughts and actions and receive the power of God's mercy. Then, Jesus' request to "go and sin no more" will be one we proudly heed and follow.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**FIRST READING:**  
See, I am doing something new!  
Now it springs forth,  
do you not perceive it?  
(Is 43:19)

**PSALM:**  
The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.  
(Ps 126)

**SECOND READING:**  
I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things (Phil 3:8)

**GOSPEL:**  
"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." (Jn 8:7)

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## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

MON APRIL 4	TUES APRIL 5	WED APRIL 6	THU APRIL 7	FRI APRIL 8	SAT APRIL 9	SUN APRIL 10
ST. ISIDORE Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6 Jn 8:12-20	ST. VINCENT FERRER Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 Jn 8:21-30	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Jn 8:31-42	Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 8:51-59	Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 Jn 10:31-42	Ez 37:21-28 Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 Jn 11:45-56	PALM SUNDAY Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a] Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

# A BLESSED PAST A FUTURE OF hope



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Santa Maria del Mar,

As of the end of March, we are mortgage debt free!!!

God is good! All the time!

You no longer need to contribute funds for the debt reduction as part of the Capital Campaign. Thank you all for the generosity you've all shown over the years.

We have **disabled** the on-line Capital Campaign pay option. Please **discontinue** using the Capital Campaign envelopes in your packet. The envelope will be removed from the next cycle.

We plan to ceremoniously burn the mortgage in all the Masses of the weekend of May 14-15. There will be a celebration BBQ/Meal Sunday, May 15 from 2-4pm.

Once again, thank you all, our Parish Steering Committee, and the Financial and Parish Councils for their work and input, and may the Lord continue to bless all of you and our Parish.

Fr. Manny B. Lopez, Pastor,  
Santa Maria del Mar Parish

# DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.

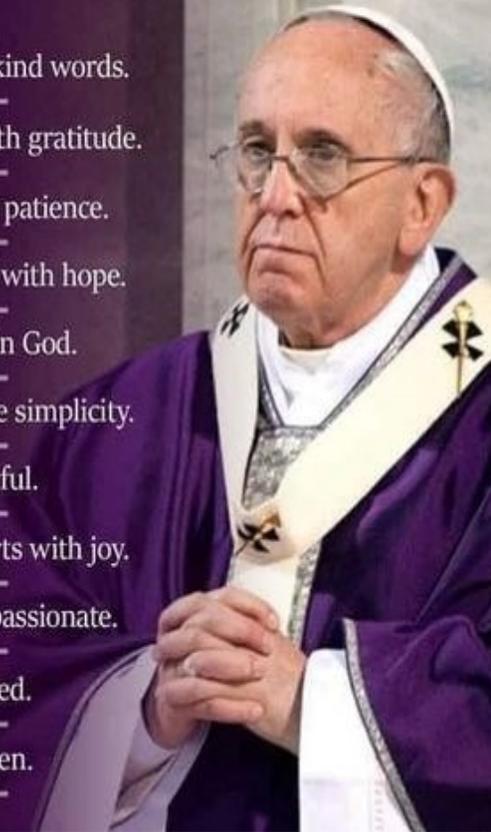
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

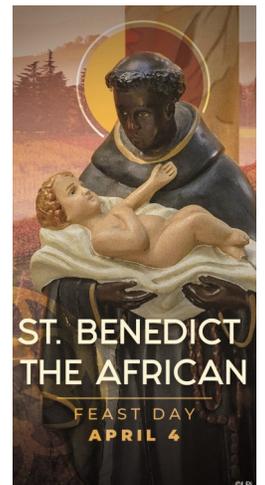
Fast from words; be silent and listen.



## Happy Birthday Father Manny!

### ST. BENEDICT THE AFRICAN April 4

St. Benedict the African (1524-1589), was born in San Fratello, Sicily to Cristoforo and Diana Manasseri, Africans who had been taken as slaves. Some accounts claim that because of his parents' loyal service that Benedict was given his freedom at birth, other sources say that his freedom was granted when he turned 18. At 21 Benedict joined a society of hermits living under the rule of St. Francis of Assisi. Eventually he succeeded his friend, Jerome Lanze, as their leader. When the Pope disbanded the independent hermit society, Benedict joined the Order of Friars Minor and he was sent to Palermo, to the Franciscan Friary of St. Mary of Jesus. There Benedict worked in the kitchens and despite being illiterate and a lay brother (not a priest), he also served as Master of Novices, and as Guardian of the Community. St. Benedict was known throughout his life as a brilliant cook under whose hands food seemed to multiply miraculously, a healer, and a spiritual leader with profound understanding. He is recognized as the patron saint of African Americans.



Please pray for our RCIA group as they enter into full communion with the church this Easter!

## FRATELLI TUTTI STUDY GROUP

Pope Francis' encyclical letter, Fratelli Tutti (Brothers and Sisters All), was released in October 2020. An invitation to renewed social friendship and universal fraternity, this encyclical was published as the global community was seven months into the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fratelli Tutti provides a starting point for renewing our commitment to caring for our neighbor and a global society built on justice and the common good. (USCCB)

The Social Justice Ministry is facilitating a study group to read, discuss, and reflect upon the encyclical. **Join us on the fourth Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm via Zoom.** All materials are free. For more information or to join the study group, send email to [socialjustice@smdmcc.org](mailto:socialjustice@smdmcc.org).

## FREE AARP TAX-AIDE PREPARATION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

AARP Tax-Aide Foundation volunteers will be available through April 15 at multiple sites in Flagler County for free tax preparation.

### Locations:

- Government Services Building, Bunnell (T, W)
- Flagler County Public Library, Palm Coast (Thurs)
- First Baptist Church of Palm Coast (Mon, Fri)
- Palm Coast Aquatics Center/Frieda Zamba Pool (Fri, Sat)
- Flagler Beach United Methodist Church (Tues)

All sites are on an "Appointment Only" basis! Call 386-313-4048, between the hours of 9am-4pm, Mon-Fri.

APRIL 24, 2022

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

## Knights of Columbus Assembly Family Picnic



Shaded Pavilion



BRING A CHAIR FOR YOUR COMFORT

The Corpus Christi Assembly 2810 would like to invite you and your family to our **SPRING PICNIC AT HOLLAND PARK.**

This is our annual Assembly Fundraiser. Proceeds go to support local charities.

### Menu

- Hamburgers
- Hot Dogs
- Sides
- Desserts
- Beverages

### Games

- Bocce Ball
- Horse Shoes

## HOLLAND PARK EXPLORE PAVILION

18 Florida Park Dr N, Palm Coast, FL 32164

Cost: \$10 Per Person  
Ages 12 and Under Free

Tickets will be sold after masses on April 10 or send a request for tickets to Bob Conochalla: [email bconochalla@gmail.com](mailto:bconochalla@gmail.com) or call 859-509-2108



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## WELCOME TO SANTA MARIA DEL MAR SPIRITUAL UNIVERSITY

Father Manny's *Bible Study* sessions are held the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10am in the Learning Center.

Morning sessions, Fridays, 10-11:30am, Learning Center

- Dr. Ed Sri's *"No Greater Love, A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion"* Apr 8, 15 (\$27 for study materials)

Evening session, Thursdays 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.*



## **URGENT BABY BOUTIQUE NEEDS**

Thanks to our generous donors, we are able to keep a beautiful baby boutique for clients to get diapers, baby clothing, and other goods.

Urgently needed are:

- Newborn size diapers
- Diapers size 4 and 5
- DESITIN® diaper rash cream
- Boys sleepers and clothing of all sizes
- Girls and boys clothing size 2T

We are available to receive donations M-F from 10am-4pm

Thank you for your support!



## **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](mailto: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.

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. 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](mailto:pag32124@gmail.com).



**"Abortion and racism stem from the same poisonous root, Selfishness." ~ Alveda King**

Healing from the pain of abortion

(904) 221-3232  
[rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com)

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

## **HEALING THE PAIN OF ABORTION**

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat is a beautiful opportunity for any man or woman who is struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion in their life. Come and receive peace, forgiveness of self and others and the compassion of God. These retreats are private, strictly confidential and for people of all faiths. Our next retreat is May 20-22, 2022. (A Spanish Retreat will be held April 22-24.)

Call 904-221-3232 or send an email to: [rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardjax@yahoo.com).

All calls & inquiries are very confidential.

*Come and be restored!*

# BIRTHDAYS

## APRIL 4

John Holt, Patrick Enright,  
David Eaton, Mike McAleavey,  
Antonio Vicencio III, James Franklin,  
Colleen Rubin, Odilia Tatasciore,  
Nicole Grey, Nicole Marlin

## APRIL 5

William Jaeger, Julian Patterson,  
Adele Large, Frank Large,  
Liz McCrory, Rebecca Magsino

## APRIL 6

Patricia Falvey, Gladys Lago,  
Joseph Roy, Lisa Doyle,  
James Eads, Thomas Tarantola

## APRIL 7

Domenica Juliano, Elizabeth Pellino,  
Marianne Collinson, Thomas Leto,  
Parker Bobbie, Ana Repollet,  
Bill McCracken, Mary Stowe,  
Patricia Mancini, Mary Reney-Reubel,  
Denice Ward, Andrew Tule

## APRIL 8

Brandon Alves, Florence Tauriello,  
James Fisher, Robert McGinnis,  
Edwin Wittwer, Peter Chiodo,  
Paula Geppner, Robert Kennedy,  
Jessie Flaim-Spetsas, Joe Jakubowski,  
Jessica Pfund, Isaiah Rossop

## APRIL 9

Joan Campbell, Patricia Scullion,  
Patrick Paloscio, Mark Sedlak,  
Fayna Lutz, Abilio Santos,  
Brenda Quicksall, Dori Vardy,  
Patricia Watkins, David Santa Maria,  
Rebecca Singh, Jill Ortiz

## APRIL 10

Eris Belen, James Kamalsky,  
Marilyn DeBeradinis,  
Edmund Forand, Gary Masselle,  
Grace Senger, Kira Della Fave,  
Eileen Brennan, Lance Doyle,  
Joseph McKinley, Erin Palermino,  
Thanh Nguyen, Juan Rivera



## 5TH WEEK OF LENT: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Hunger impacts millions of women, men and children around the world. Throughout Lent we have encountered communities in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda that are overcoming this problem so their members can have brighter futures. How is your community working to address hunger or other injustices locally and globally? Visit [csrcece.org](http://csrcece.org) to learn more.

**We all have dreams. What we do to achieve those dreams makes a difference in our lives and the lives of those we love.** Raúl and Lilian achieved their dream of starting a business. Now they hope to grow that business so others can benefit. Noornobi wanted to help his family succeed. Now his niece and nephew can attend school and work towards their dreams. Glorioso and her husband wanted their children to attend a good school. Now they earn enough money to make that happen.

**Many children around the world are malnourished, so their parents and communities are going the extra mile to make sure they get better.** Raúl and Lilian sell their produce to schools so children in their village have fresh fruits and vegetables. Noornobi's family didn't always have enough to eat. Now he makes enough money, so his family can eat every day. Glorioso learned how to prepare balanced meals for her children so they can grow and be strong.

**Sometimes it takes hard work and a desire to learn new things to succeed.** Even though Raúl and Lilian lost many crops at first, they kept trying. Noornobi's land flooded often before he learned how to keep the floods away. Glorioso learned how to save money and apply for a loan to grow her business and support her family.

Although we are in the final days of Lent, there's still plenty of time to continue the three pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to grow with God and our sisters and brothers around the world. Just like how you have to practice reading or math or playing your favorite sport or instrument, we have to practice these pillars regularly—even when it's not Lent.

## REFLECT



As part of God's family, we are all sisters and brothers, no matter where we live.



How can we show love and care for our sisters and brothers around the world?

## ONGOING MINISTRIES AND EVENTS



### WE KNOW IT HURTS & WE WANT TO HELP!

TUESDAYS, 9:30AM,  
LEARNING CENTER  
Contact: Lois Ambrosia:  
386-871-5371.



### SVDP FOOD COLLECTION UPCOMING FOOD COLLECTION April 2-3, May 7-8, June 4-5

Thank you all for your continued support. Food donations can be dropped off at the Church foyer any time throughout the month. You may drop off food at church foyer any time during the week. For assistance—(386) 693-4806.

### LECTIO DIVINA GOSPEL REFLECTION WEDNESDAYS, 9:45-11:15AM IN CHURCH NEAR CHOIR LOFT

Join us after the 9am Mass for a time of reflection on the Sunday Gospel readings. How is God speaking to you? Where is He touching your heart? What is He calling you to? Come listen, reflect and share as we break open the Word. For more information, [gospelreflection@smdmcc.org](mailto:gospelreflection@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.

For more information, contact Steven Neyer at [legionofmary@smdmcc.org](mailto:legionofmary@smdmcc.org).



Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Wednesday at 12pm in the Chapel.

### ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY, 9:30AM—2PM IN THE ADORATION CHAPEL

God gives us every breath and second of our lives, why not give Him back one hour in Adoration? Contact Ginette Consentino (508-423-9360) for information or to sign up for Adoration.

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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO

Every Tuesday at SMdM Parish Hall. Doors open at 11am. A free lunch is served at 11:30am when you buy a Bingo pack for only \$15. Bingo starts promptly at 12:15pm. Jackpot up to \$200. Contact E.Y. at 986-1163 or John at 225-4456.

### FELLOWSHIP FOR WIDOWS

Are You a Widow Looking for a Fun, Friendly, Godly Group of Women to Join for Fellowship? Try Widow's Next Chapter "WNC" at St. Mark's By the Sea Lutheran Church. Meets once a month for fun outings and activities. All widowed women are welcome! For more information, please call Jean Holzhuetter at 386-986-9266 or email her at [jeanstmarks@gmail.com](mailto:jeanstmarks@gmail.com).

### BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY SUPPER MINISTRY

#### FEEDING THE POOR: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

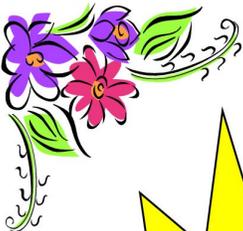
A little over five years ago a new ministry was created at Santa Maria del Mar to help individuals and families in need of food and friendship. The Bread of Life (BOL) Ministry was developed to meet some of those needs.

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.

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. We will contact you with orientation and team assignment.

You can donate to Bread of Life by going to this website: <https://www.osvhub.com/smdmcc/funds/bread-of-life>





# 139<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fair

**Sunday  
April 3,  
2022**

**Noon  
'til 4 pm**

St. Ambrose Catholic Church  
6070 Church Road, Elkton, Florida  
Follow the signs from SR 207 and SR 13



Come One, Come All For ~

**FOOD: Dine In or Take Out: Authentic Minorcan Clam Chowder, Burgers, Hot Dogs, Corn Dogs, French Fries, Pulled Pork Dinners, Pulled Pork Taco Dinners, Ice Cream, Assorted Drinks: Beer, Bottled Water and Soda**

**FUN: Kid's Activities and Hayrides**

**ACTIVITIES: "Better Than a Garage Sale: Treasure & Trivia,"  
50/50 Drawings - every 45 minutes**

**BOOTHS: Bake Sale, Country Store, Silent Auction**

**TOUR: Our beautiful church built in 1907, the Stations of the Cross Garden, and the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes**

**ATM: On Site**

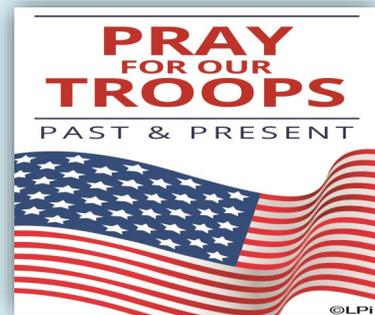
*Proceeds from the fairs always go to support St. Ambrose parish & ministries*



## 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.

- Lois Ambrosia
- Ann Aniti
- Baby Avery
- Kenneth Bebealt
- Joseph Beneducci
- Lorraine Bianculli
- Tina Bjorkum
- Leo & Barbara Blank
- Suzanne Bryant
- Ralph Buchanan Jr.
- Freddie Burns
- Marie Butts
- Joe Celiberti
- Jerry Chabon
- Will and Shirley Chappel
- John Check
- Lisa Dakdduk
- Nicole Davidis
- Patty Davis
- Rosario "Rocky" DiBella
- Noah Dionizio
- Renee Donaghy
- Shalini & Vernon Drego
- David Dunn
- Alfred Durand
- Beth Farmsworth
- Patricia Federico
- Tabitha Fernandez
- Greg Flake
- Frank, Rob
- Freda, Anthony & Lucille
- Fr. Sal
- Yolanda Germano
- Susan & Roger Gronert
- Karl Grunewald
- Fran Hayes
- Franklin Hill
- Judy James
- Patricia Johnson
- Mary Kiely
- Sivestre Labaredas
- Scott Lavonas
- Frank Leonardo
- Ronnie Lyons
- Claude Mancini
- Dina Mancuso
- Frankie Mancuso
- Teresa Mancuso
- Reilly Maresca
- Gordy Maske
- Jane Maske
- Larry Mathies
- Matthew H.
- Jack McCarthy
- Rosemarie Meloni
- Nicole Merced
- Joseph T. Milici
- Americo Morgado
- Stacey Morris
- Amy Motta
- Barbara Motta
- Jackie Mulligan
- Irene Munson
- Carol Natole
- John Newsome
- David O'Bryne
- Shirley O'Hern
- M.F. O'Reilly
- O'Reilly, Thomas, John & Jenna
- Gary Paterno
- Diane Pires
- Vanessa Powers
- Pete Priser
- Rick Rider
- Lenai Rocco
- Frank Ruffalo Jr.
- Frank Ruffalo Sr.
- Judy Sare
- Kim Schanp
- Amanda Schark
- Tara Scilabra
- Russell Scott
- Lois Settles
- Nelson Shaffer
- Michael Sheridan
- Dan Smith Jr.
- Paula Staffer
- Steven G.
- Gina Stokes
- Robin Tracy
- Steven Troxell
- Carol Tures
- Catherine Welscher
- Janice Williams
- David Wiseman
- Derith Witkege
- Mary Ann Woika
- Carol Woodard
- Richard Yerby



## 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)
- 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)
- Lt. JG 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. Conner Allender (USMC)
- Nate Guerreiro (US Navy)
- Lt. Matthew DiSorbo (USAF)
- Lt. Col. Roland Devries (US Army)
- Senior MSGT Fernando Buitrago (USAF) Deployed
- Austin Wozniak (A1C USAF)
- Maj. Christopher Wimsatt (US Army)
- Capt. Franz Haller (US Army)

*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 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



- † Patrick Guiney
- † Landen Prestwood
- † Grace Senger
- † John James Digilio

## Mass INTENTIONS

- 04/06: 9am †Anthony Santagata Jr., †Castula Paglinawan, †Aida Villarosa
- 04/07: 9am †Ruth Morrissey, †Barbara Petrella, †Mary Barrett, †Raymond Fey Sr., †Raymond Fey Jr.
- 04/08: 9am †Lucy Morabito, †Antoinette DeMott, †Clayton Shaw, †Grace Senger
- 04/09: 4pm †Rose Cole, †Fernando Mertola, †Walter Paslowski, †Rafaela Betancourt
- 04/10: 9am †Marie Nordling, †Salvatore & †Anna DiModica, †Thomas & †Mary Cunningham
- 11am †Mary Martinez, †Jack Gabriel, †Robert Rizzo
- 1pm †Leslie Boivin, †George Sparks, Franz Haller (spec. int.)



## WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

**Question:** What is the difference between tithing and stewardship?

**Answer:** Both tithing and stewardship are part of a spiritual way of life that calls us to use all of our resources for the service of the Gospel. Everything we are and everything we have comes from God. Offering back to God what He has given us is part of how we worship and give thanks to God.

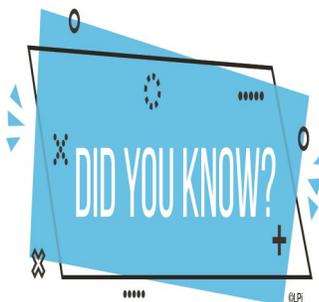
Tithing is the practice of giving back 10 percent of what we earn. It comes from the Old English word for "ten." The first Scriptural example of tithing came from Abraham who gave a tenth of his possessions to the priest Melchizedek. He did so as an act of thanksgiving to God.

Stewardship as a way of life calls us to use well all that we have and all that we are, placing all things in service of others and God. Stewardship helps us see the good we can accomplish by making God and our spiritual life the most important values in our life. Whatever we accumulate in this life stays here. We can't take it with us!

Both tithing and stewardship help us remember that nothing is mine or even ours ... all belongs to God.

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Baptism remains the foundation of communion even among those who are not in full communion with the Catholic Church. Those who have been properly baptized outside the Catholic Church, and have therefore been incorporated into Christ, are said to be in an imperfect communion with the Church. (CCC #1271)



**2021-2022  
Faith Formation Schedule**  
Visit our website: [www.smdmcc.org](http://www.smdmcc.org)  
or contact [Denise@smdmcc.org](mailto:Denise@smdmcc.org)  
for more information!  
Faith Formation (K-8)  
Sunday 9:45-10:45am

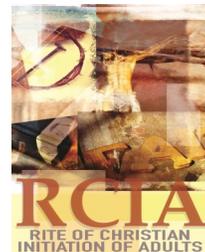
\*First Sunday of the Month Children's Mass at 11am. Attendance encouraged.

- Apr. 3 Class/Children's Mass 11am
- Apr. 10 Class
- Apr. 17 Easter Sunday (Egg Hunt after 9 Mass)
- Apr. 24 Last Class (party on the Lawn!)
- Apr. 30 First Communion @10am
- May 7 Confirmation @ 10am

## WELCOME HOME

*Wednesday 6pm RCIA Classes through June 12*

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. It is a rite which welcomes people seeking to explore the Catholic Faith and join our church family.



*Seeking Volunteers to Assist  
in Faith Sharing!*

For more information, contact:

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

Faith Formation needs a photographer for our upcoming Sacramental events! If you would like to donate your time and talents PLEASE contact Denise as soon as possible! No prints necessary...digital copies only.

[Denise@smdmcc.org](mailto:Denise@smdmcc.org)





**Notre Dame Council 10514  
Corpus Christi Assembly 2810  
11th Annual Corporate Communion**

**ON SUNDAY MAY 1ST AT THE 9:00AM MASS, NOTRE DAME COUNCIL**



10514 MEMBERS WILL BE RECEIVING COMMUNION AS A BODY ALONG WITH MEMBERS OF CORPUS CHRISTI FOURTH DEGREE ASSEMBLY 2810.

**AFTER MASS, EVERYONE (INCLUDING PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS), IS INVITED TO JOIN US (AT THE SANTA MARIA DEL MAR PARISH HALL) IN ONE OF THE BEST COMMUNION BREAKFASTS EVER SERVED!**

THE MENU INCLUDES JUICE, SCRAMBLED EGGS, SAUSAGE, HASH BROWN POTATOES, BISCUITS & GRAVY, PANCAKES AND COFFEE OR TEA.

**TICKETS ARE ONLY \$6.00 PER PERSON (CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER FREE). TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER EACH WEEK-END MASS ON APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup> OR BY CONTACTING BRIAN TAYLOR AT (203) 981-3310.**



**CONTACT JOHN CHECK  
AT 386-225-4456  
FOR MORE  
INFORMATION**

**WE ASK THAT ALL  
MEMBERS WEAR THEIR  
RESPECTIVE  
KOF C SHIRTS.**



**Notre Dame Council 10514  
Corpus Christi Assembly 2810  
Knights of Columbus**

**Invites you to join us in praying the  
Living Rosary**

**Santa Maria del Mar Church  
Sunday, May 1, 2022  
8:30 AM (prior to the 9AM Mass)**

**We will pray  
this rosary in  
honor of the  
Blessed Virgin  
Mary**

**Patroness of Notre  
Dame Council 10514  
Patron Saint of Santa  
Maria del Mar Church**



**THE HOLY ROSARY**

*"There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary."*

*... Sister Lucy of Fatima*



*Our 2022 5K was another HUGE SUCCESS!*

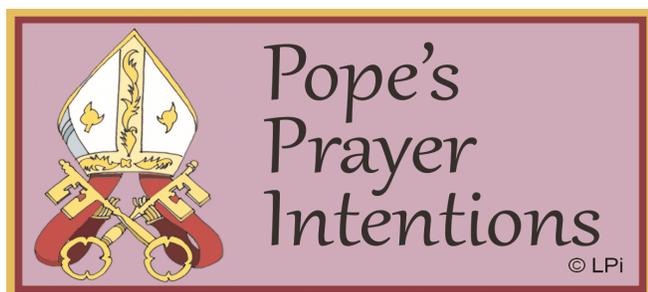


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Salty Gator Vacation Rental	Mezzaluna Pizzeria
Villa Apartments	Farm2Door Organics
Outback Plumbing	Best Value Management: Roofing
Nirvana Wellness	Lighthouse Trips



### HEALTH CARE WORKERS

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



If you have moved or changed your telephone number, please remember to update the parish office with your new contact information.