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Ash Wednesday

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From the desk of Fr. Jose Panthaplamthottiyil

Lent: Springtime of the Spirit

The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (Sacrosanctum Concilium, December 4, 1963) is a beautiful document by Vatican Council II. This document on the liturgy talks about the two-fold character of the Lenten Season. The first character of the Lenten Season is that it recalls our baptismal promises and reminds us to remain faithful to the teachings of Jesus.

In other words, the Lenten Season is meant to help us seek the Lord with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our mind and with all our strength (Mark 12:30). We all seek God and love God, but we do that halfheartedly, and God is not often the center of our lives.

During the Season of Lent, we are called to review our relationship with God and also with one another. We are asked to make our relationship with God stronger and healthier.

According to the Council document, the second characteristic of Lent is that it stresses the penitential spirit. That means the Season of Lent is considered a season of penance and prayer. It is a time to repent of our sins. It is a time to do penance for the forgiveness of our sins. It is a time to discipline ourselves and control our passions.

Emperor Alexander the Great had a teacher called Diogenes. One day, Alexander said to Diogenes: "Teacher, you should be proud of me because I am the master of the world." Then Diogenes said with a smile, "You are also a slave to your passions."

Alexander the Great was a great leader, and he was almost like the master of the world. But he was also a slave to his passions. Like Alexander the Great, most of us are slaves to our passions. Even though we claim to be independent and strong, we are often weak, and we fall into temptations.

Lent is the time to discipline ourselves and overcome our passions and weaknesses through prayer, fasting, and penance. It is really the springtime of the spirit. As Prophet Joel says in the first reading, it is a time to return to the Lord with fasting, weeping, and mourning. It is the time to taste the goodness of the Lord; it is the prime time for God in our lives.

Someone once said that the tragedy in our life is that things are broken; the tragedy is that things are not mended after they are broken. Well, Lent is a time for us to mend broken things and our broken relationship with God and one another.

As we begin the Season of Lent by receiving ashes on

our foreheads, let us make a commitment to mend our broken relationships, especially our relationship with God. Let us try to return to the Lord with our whole heart and receive healing and forgiveness from him during this Season of Lent.

Lenten Season: This year, the Lenten Season Begins on February 22, which is Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday: This is a day of universal fasting and abstinence from meat. Ashes will be distributed during all the Masses.

Ash Wednesday Masses: The Masses are at 7 am, 8.30 am, 12.10 pm, 5 pm, & 7 pm.

Lenten Fasting and Abstinence: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from

age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

Lenten Devotions at Mother Seton: Please join us for Stations of the Cross at 7 pm on Fridays of Lent. As part of the Lenten preparations, please also try to attend Mass on weekdays and join the Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am to 10 am. On Fridays, the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the altar is from 9 am to 9 pm.

Lenten Retreat: Our Parish Lenten Retreat is from March 20 to 22 (Monday- Wednesday). You may find more details about the retreat elsewhere in this bulletin.

Lenten Penance Service: Our Lenten Penance Service will be at 5 pm on Thursday, March 23. More than a dozen priests will be present to hear confessions.

Lenten All-Day Adoration and Confession: For the sake of those who are unable to come for confession during the Lenten Penance Service, we will have Eucharistic Adoration and the opportunity for Confession from 9 am to 9 pm on Monday, April 3. However, I encourage you to come for confession during the Lenten Penance Service, for which several priests will be available to hear your confession.



Cuaresma: Primavera del Espíritu

La Constitución sobre la Sagrada Liturgia

(*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 4 de Diciembre de 1963) es un hermoso documento del Concilio Vaticano II. Este documento sobre la liturgia habla del doble carácter del Tiempo de Cuaresma. El primer carácter del Tiempo de Cuaresma es que recuerda nuestras promesas bautismales y nos recuerda permanecer fieles a las enseñanzas de Jesús.

En otras palabras, el Tiempo de Cuaresma está destinado a ayudarnos a buscar al Señor con todo nuestro corazón y con toda nuestra alma y con toda nuestra mente y con todas nuestras fuerzas (*Marcos 12:30*). Todos buscamos a Dios y amamos a Dios, pero lo hacemos a medias, y Dios no suele ser el centro de nuestras vidas.

Durante la temporada de Cuaresma, estamos llamados a revisar nuestra relación con Dios y también entre nosotros. Se nos pide que hagamos nuestra relación con Dios más fuerte y saludable.

Según el documento Conciliar, la segunda característica de la Cuaresma es que subraya el espíritu penitencial. Eso significa que la Temporada de Cuaresma se considera una temporada de penitencia y oración. Es un tiempo para arrepentirnos de nuestros pecados. Es tiempo de hacer penitencia para el perdón de nuestros pecados. Es un tiempo para disciplinarnos y controlar nuestras pasiones.

El Emperador Alejandro Magno tuvo un maestro llamado Diógenes. Un día, Alejandro le dijo a Diógenes: "Maestro, debes estar orgulloso de mí porque soy el amo del mundo". Entonces Diógenes dijo con una sonrisa: "Tú también eres esclavo de tus pasiones".

Alejandro Magno fue un gran líder, y era casi como el amo del mundo. Pero también era esclavo de sus pasiones. Como Alejandro Magno, la mayoría de nosotros somos esclavos de nuestras pasiones. Aunque afirmamos ser independientes y fuertes, a menudo somos débiles y caemos en tentaciones.

La Cuaresma es el tiempo para disciplinarnos y superar nuestras pasiones y debilidades a través de la oración, el ayuno y la penitencia. Es realmente la primavera del espíritu. Como dice el Profeta Joel en la primera lectura, es tiempo de volver al Señor con ayuno, llanto y lamento. Es el momento de gustar la bondad del Señor; es el mejor momento para Dios en nuestras vidas.

Alguien dijo una vez que la tragedia en nuestra vida es que las cosas se rompen; la tragedia es que las cosas no se reparan después de que se rompen. Bueno, la Cuaresma es un tiempo para reparar las cosas rotas y nuestra relación rota con Dios y con los demás.

Al comenzar la Temporada de Cuaresma recibiendo cenizas en la frente, comprometámonos a reparar

nuestras relaciones rotas, especialmente nuestra relación con Dios. Tratemos de volver al Señor con todo nuestro corazón y recibir sanidad y perdón de él durante este Tiempo de Cuaresma.

Temporada de Cuaresma: Este año, la temporada de Cuaresma comienza el 22 de Febrero, que es el Miércoles de Ceniza.

Miércoles de Ceniza: Este es un día de ayuno universal y abstinencia de carne. Las cenizas serán distribuidas durante todas las Misas.

Misas del Miércoles de Ceniza: Las Misas son a las 7 am, 8:30 am, 12:10 pm, 5 pm y 7 pm.

Ayuno Cuaresmal y Abstinencia: El Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo son días obligatorios de ayuno y abstinencia para los Católicos. Además, los Viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia obligatoria. Las normas sobre el ayuno son obligatorias desde los 18 años hasta los 59 años. Cuando se ayuna, se permite a una persona comer una comida completa, así como dos comidas más pequeñas que juntas no equivalen a una comida completa. Las normas relativas a la abstinencia de carne son vinculantes a partir de los 14 años. Si es posible, el ayuno del Viernes Santo se continúa hasta la Vigilia Pascual (en la noche del Sábado Santo) como el "ayuno pascual" para honrar el sufrimiento y la muerte del Señor Jesús y prepararnos para compartir más plenamente y celebrar más fácilmente su Resurrección.

Devociones de Cuaresma en Mother Seton: Únase a nosotros para las Estaciones de la Cruz a las 7 pm los Viernes de Cuaresma. Como parte de los preparativos para la Cuaresma, trate también de asistir a Misa entre semana y únase a la Adoración Eucarística de 9 a. m. a 10 a. m. Los Viernes, la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento en el Altar es de 9 am a 9 pm.

Retiro de Cuaresma: Nuestro Retiro de Cuaresma Parroquial es del 20 al 22 de Marzo (de Lunes a Miércoles). Puede encontrar más detalles sobre el retiro en otras partes de este boletín.

Servicio de Penitencia de Cuaresma: Nuestro Servicio de Penitencia de Cuaresma será a las 5 p. m. el Jueves 23 de Marzo. Más de una docena de sacerdotes estarán presentes para escuchar confesiones.

Adoración y Confesión de Todo El Día de Cuaresma: por el bien de aquellos que no pueden venir a confesarse durante el Servicio de Penitencia de Cuaresma, tendremos Adoración Eucarística y la oportunidad de confesión de 9 a. m. a 9 p. m. el Lunes 3 de Abril. Sin embargo, Los animo a que vengan a confesarse durante el Servicio de Penitencia de Cuaresma, para lo cual varios sacerdotes estarán disponibles para escuchar su confesión.



Quaresma: Primavera do Espírito

A *Constituição sobre a Liturgia Sagrada (Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 4 de Dezembro de 1963) é um belo documento do Concílio Vaticano II. Este documento sobre a liturgia fala sobre o duplo carácter da Temporada Quaresmal. A primeira personagem da Temporada Quaresmal é que lembra as nossas promessas baptismas e nos relembra de permanecermos fiéis aos ensinamentos de Jesus.

Noutras palavras, a Temporada Quaresmal destina-se a ajudar-nos a alcançar o Senhor com todo o nosso coração e com toda a nossa alma e com toda a nossa mente e com toda a nossa força (Marcos 12:30). Todos procuramos Deus e amamos Deus, mas fazemos isso sem devoção total, e Deus nem sempre é o centro das nossas vidas.

Durante a Temporada da Quaresma, somos chamados a rever a nossa relação com Deus e também uns com os outros. É-nos pedido que tornemos a nossa relação com Deus mais forte e saudável.

De acordo com o documento do Concílio, a segunda característica da Quaresma é que salienta o espírito penitenciário. Isto significa que a Temporada da Quaresma é considerada uma época de penitência e oração. É a hora de nos arrependermos dos nossos pecados. É a hora de fazer penitência pelo perdão dos nossos pecados. É a hora de nos disciplinarmos e controlarmos as nossas paixões.

O Imperador Alexandre, o Grande, tinha um professor chamado Diógenes. Um dia, Alexandre disse a Diógenes: "Professor, devias estar orgulhoso de mim porque sou o mestre do mundo." Então Diógenes disse-lhe com um sorriso: "És também escravo das tuas paixões."

Alexandre, o Grande, era um grande líder, e era quase como o mestre do mundo. Mas também era escravo das suas paixões. Como Alexandre, o Grande, a maioria de nós somos escravos das nossas paixões. Apesar de afirmarmos ser independentes e fortes, muitas vezes somos fracos e caímos em tentações.

Quaresma é o momento de nos disciplinarmos e superarmos as nossas paixões e fraquezas através da oração, jejum e penitência. É realmente a primavera do espírito. Como diz o Profeta Joel na primeira leitura, é hora de voltar ao Senhor com jejum, choro e luto. É o momento de saborear a bondade do Senhor; é o momento certo para pôr Deus nas nossas vidas.

Dizem que a tragédia das nossas vidas é que as coisas estão partidas; a tragédia é que as coisas não são reparadas depois de quebradas. Quaresma é a altura para repararmos as coisas partidas e as nossas relações quebradas com Deus e com uns com os outros.

Começamos a Temporada de Quaresma recebendo cinzas na nossa testa, e vamos comprometer-nos a

consertar as nossas relações quebradas, especialmente a nossa relação com Deus. Vamos tentar regressar ao Senhor com todo o nosso coração e receber a sua cura e o seu perdão durante esta Temporada de Quaresma.

Temporada da Quaresma: Este ano, a Temporada da Quaresma começa a 22 de Fevereiro, que é Quarta-feira de Cinzas.

Quarta-feira De Cinzas: Este é um dia de jejum universal e abstinência da carne. As cinzas serão distribuídas durante todas as missas.

Missas na Quarta-feira De Cinzas: As Missas são às 7:00, 8:30, 12:10, 17:00, e 19:00.

Jejum da Quaresma e abstinência: Quarta-feira de Cinzas e Sexta-Feira Santa são dias obrigatórios de jejum e abstinência para os Católicos. Além disso, as Sextas-feiras durante a Quaresma são dias obrigatórios de abstinência. As normas de jejum são obrigatórias a partir dos 18 anos até aos 59 anos. Ao jejum, uma pessoa é autorizada a comer uma refeição completa, bem como duas refeições menores que, juntas, não são iguais a uma refeição completa. As normas relativas à abstinência da carne são a partir dos 14 anos. Se possível, o jejum da Sexta-Feira Santa continua até à Vigília da Páscoa (no Sábado à noite) como o "jejum pascal" para honrar o sofrimento e a morte do Senhor Jesus e prepararmo-nos para partilhar mais plenamente e celebrar mais facilmente a sua Ressurreição.

Devoções Quaresmais na Mãe Seton: Juntem-se a nós para as Estações da Cruz às 19h às Sextas-feiras durante a Quaresma. Como parte dos preparativos Quaresmais, tente também assistir à Missa nos dias da semana e junte-se à Adoração Eucarística das 9h às 10h. Às Sextas-feiras, a Exposição do Santíssimo Sacramento no altar é das 9h00 às 21h00.

Retiro da Quaresma: O nosso Retiro Quaresmal é de 20 a 22 de Março (Segunda a Quarta-feira). Procure e encontre mais detalhes sobre o retiro noutra página neste mesmo boletim.

Serviço de Penitência Quaresmal: O Nosso Serviço de Penitência Quaresmal será às 17h00 na Quinta-feira, dia 23 de Março. Mais de uma dúzia de padres estarão presentes para ouvir confissões.

Quaresma Adoração e Confissão: Para bem daqueles que não puderem vir para se confessarem durante o Serviço de Penitência Quaresmal, teremos Adoração Eucarística e a oportunidade de Confissão das 9h às 21h na Segunda-feira, 3 de Abril. No entanto, encorajamos a confessarem-se durante o Serviço de Penitência Quaresmal, para o qual vários padres estarão disponíveis para ouvir a vossa confissão.

Sunday Readings Explained- 188- Fr. Tony Kadavil



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; I Corinthians 3:16-23; Mathew 5:38-48

Forgive, Pardon, and Be Generous

Introduction

Today's readings explain the basis of Jewish and Christian morality: the Holiness of the loving, merciful and compassionate One God. God's chosen people were, and are, expected to be holy people sharing in God's Holiness by embodying His love, mercy and forgiveness.

The first reading, taken from the book of Leviticus, gives the Holiness code: "Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am Holy." It also gives us the way to share God's holiness: "Love your neighbor as yourself." The Responsorial Psalm (Ps 103) challenges us to be like our God – kind, merciful and forgiving -- and it shows us the measure of perfection Christ asks us to bring to our relationships. In the second reading, St. Paul gives us an additional reason to be holy. We are to keep our bodies holy because we are the temples of the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit lives in us.

In the Gospel passage, taken from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus confirms, corrects, and expands the Ten Commandments. Here, Jesus condemns even the mild form of the "Law of the Talion, (*Lex Talionis*)," the Babylonian tribal law of restricted retaliation which Moses passed on to Israel. In its place, Jesus gives his new law of love, grace, forgiveness, reconciliation, and no retaliation. For Jesus, retaliation, or even limited vengeance, has no place in the Christian life, even though graceful acceptance of an offense requires great strength and discipline of character, as well as strengthening by God's grace.

The second part of today's Gospel passage is the central part of the Sermon on the Mount. It presents the Christian ethic of personal relationships: love one's neighbors and forgive one's enemies. It tells us that what makes Christians different is the grace through which they treat others with loving kindness and mercy, even if they don't deserve it. We are commanded to love our enemies as Jesus loves us, with *agápe* love, not because our enemies deserve our love, but because Jesus loves them so much that he died for them as he

did for us.

First Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18

The first reading, taken from the book of Leviticus, gives the Holiness code: "Be holy, for I the Lord, your God, am Holy." This passage explains that God of Israel is a transcendent God, beyond human knowledge, and at the same time a God Who wants to be with His people. Therefore, the people are expected not only adore, revere, and love Him, but also to share His Holiness by living holy lives in God's presence. The Divine Nature is that God is Holy, and His Holiness consists of His unconditional and magnanimous love, care, concern, mercy, and forgiveness towards every human being.

It follows, then, that in order to be holy, we have to be kind, loving, merciful, forgiving, and compassionate toward our neighbors – and this is what God wants us to be when He calls each one of us to be holy, to be spiritually perfect. Listening to the voice of the Lord, we thus realize what holiness entails: bearing no hatred in one's heart, foregoing revenge, and holding no grudge, particularly towards a fellow citizen. All this is summed up in "Love your neighbor as yourself." Indeed, the merciful God gently guides His chosen people on the path of holiness. The reading teaches us that we share God's holiness when we obey the two great commandments: 1) "Love your God with all your heart, soul, strength and mind. 2) "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Second Reading: I Corinthians 3:16-23

In the second reading, St. Paul gives us an additional reason to be holy. We are to keep our bodies holy because we are the temples of the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit lives in us. The word *naos*, which Paul uses for temple, refers to the *sanctuary*, corresponding to the Holy of Holies in the Temple at Jerusalem where the Lord God chose to dwell. Paul teaches us all that the presence of the Holy Spirit dwelling in us makes our community and each of its members a holy temple, the *naos* of God. For the Holy Spirit continually gives us His gifts, fruits, and charisms so that we can better live the very life of Christ.

Gospel Reading, Mathew 5:38-48

Mosaic Law of mild retaliation: During their captivity in Egypt, the Jews became familiar with the crude tribal law of retaliation (*Lex Talionis* = Tit-for-Tat), given by the ancient lawmaker Hammurabi during the period 2285-2242 BC. When this law was first developed, it made life better and more civilized. It restricted revenge and made it commensurate with the offense. Moses instructed the Israelites to follow tit-for-tat retaliation, rather than to wreak total destruction upon their enemies. That is, instead of mutilating or murdering all the members of the offender's family or tribe, they should discover the offender and punish only him/her with an equal mutilation or harm. Later, a milder version of this law was substituted. It demanded monetary compensation, as decided by a judge, in place of physical punishment.

Moses also gave the Israelites several laws commanding merciful treatment for the enemy (e.g., Lv 19:18). By advising, "Turn to him the other cheek," Jesus instructs his followers to forgive an insult gracefully and, so, convert the offender. He commands that we are to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us, demonstrating that we are children of a merciful Heavenly Father. The meaning of "turn the other cheek" is "Don't return insult for insult." The message of Jesus is, "Don't retaliate." Instead, we are to win over the aggressor with tough, wise love, so that we may win people to Christ and transform human society into the Kingdom of God.

Tue Christian reaction: Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount rejects even the concession of milder retaliation allowed by Moses. For Jesus, retaliation, or even limited vengeance, has no place in the Christian life, even though graceful acceptance of an offense requires great strength and discipline of character, as well as strengthening by God's grace. Jesus wants his disciples to repay evil with kindness. Instead of retaliation, Jesus gives his new law of love, grace, forgiveness, reconciliation, and no retaliation. Jesus illustrates the Christian approach by giving three examples.

1. Turn to him the other cheek: Striking someone on the right cheek requires striking with the back of one's hand, and according to the Jewish concept it inflicts more insult than pain. Jesus instructs his followers to forgive the insult gracefully and convert the offender. It is interesting that Gandhi said, "Everyone in the world knows that Jesus and His teaching are non-violent, except Christians."

2. "If anyone sues you to take away your coat (*chitona*), let him have your cloak (*himation*) also": (v. 40). A *chitona* is a lightweight garment like a shirt (but long like a robe), worn close to the skin. A *himation* is an outer garment like a coat and is also long. To surrender both *chitona* and *himation* would render a man essentially naked, which suggests that Jesus is using exaggerated language to make the point that we are to defuse conflict by yielding more than is required. Jesus teaches that his followers

should show more responsibility and a greater sense of duty in refusing to fight for privileges.

3. Go with him two miles. Roman law permitted its soldiers and other officials to require people to carry a burden for a mile. Service of this sort could be quite oppressive. Here, Jesus tells us that a Christian has the duty of responding, even to seemingly unjust demands by helping or serving gracefully, not grudgingly. The principle is this: When we respond to an onerous duty with cheerfulness rather than resentment, we may win over the one who gave us the duty.

Christian ethic of personal relationships: The second part of today's Gospel passage is perhaps the central and the most famous section of the Sermon on the Mount. It gives us the Christian ethic of personal relationships: love one's neighbors and forgive one's enemies. Above all, it tells us that what makes Christians different is the grace with which they treat others with loving kindness and mercy, even if they don't deserve it. The Old Law never said to hate enemies, but that was the way some Jews understood it. Jesus commands that we are to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us to demonstrate that we are children of a merciful Heavenly Father. A Christian has no personal enemies. If we only love our family and friends, we are no different from pagans or atheists.

We need to love our neighbors and our enemies too: Love of neighbor is incompatible with hatred of enemies (CCC #1933, #2303). The Greek word used for loving enemies is not *storge* (natural love towards family members), or *philia* (love of close friends), or *eros* (passionate love between a young man and woman), but *agápe*, which is the invincible benevolence or good will for another's highest good. Since *agápe* is not natural, practicing it is possible only with God's help. *Agápe* love is a choice more than a feeling. We choose to love, not because our enemies deserve our love, but because Jesus loves them so much that he died for them. We have in the *Acts of the Apostles* the example of St. Stephen, the first martyr, who prayed for those who were putting him to death.

Life Messages

1. We need to have a forgiving heart: Jesus demands that we should forgive, pardon, and be generous whether or not our offenders deserve it, and even if we are not loved in return. He also tells us to pray for those who, it may seem willfully, cause us suffering, hardship and unhappiness.

2. We are to try to be perfect, to be like God: We become perfect when we know God's will and act accordingly. We can do so because the Holy Spirit has been given to us, and He dwells within us, empowering us to do God's will. We become perfect when we try to love as God loves, to forgive as God forgives, and to show unconditional good will and universal benevolence as God does. All this we can do only with His ongoing Grace for which we need to ask, and then to receive and use.

Stewardship Reflections

"So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." Talk about setting the bar high! This verse at the end of today's Gospel passage from Matthew sets the tone for all of the readings this week. The stewardship way of life, giving away the best of our time, talents and treasure to God for His glory and for the sake of others, is the path to holiness. Yet, it appears utterly foolish in the eyes of many.

Our Lord gives us several illustrations today of this "foolish" concept: "When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well... love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." This is the kind of action and attitude that will make us "children of our

heavenly Father." This is the high bar of holiness to which our Lord is calling us.

If your lifestyle and your priorities look a little foolish to the world around you, know that you're probably doing it right in God's eyes. At the same time, you will be filled with a peace that the world around you desperately needs. And your stewardship way of life may just draw those around to the heavenly Father and a life of holiness, too.

So, with God's grace, we can confidently press on in the stewardship way of life, aiming to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. Our all-holy God desires it and deserves nothing less.

— By Catholic Stewardship Consultants

ASH WEDNESDAY

Joel 2:12-18; II Corinthians 5:20--6:2; Mathew 6:1-6, 16-18

Introduction

Ash Wednesday (*dies cinerum*) is the Church's *Yom Kippur* or "Day of Atonement." The very name of the day comes from the Jewish practice of doing penance wearing "sackcloth and ashes." In the early Church, Christians who had committed serious sins were instructed to do public penance wearing sackcloth and ashes. This custom was introduced by Pope Gregory I (served September 3, 590 to March 12, 604; (Richard P. McBrien, *Lives of the Popes*, p. 96), and it was enacted as a universal practice in all of Western Christendom by the Synod of Benevento in 1091 A.D.

Since the 11th century, receiving ashes on the first day of Lent has been a universal Christian practice. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of full fast and abstinence. Fasting is prescribed to reinforce our penitential prayer during the Lenten season. The prophet Joel, in the first reading, insists that we should experience a complete conversion of heart and not simply feel regret for our sins. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 51) provides us with an excellent prayer of repentance and a plea for forgiveness. Saint Paul, in the second reading, advises us "to become reconciled to God." Today's Gospel instructs us to assimilate the true spirit of fasting and prayer, and not just settle for the legal externals.

Blessing with the ashes and the significance of the day:

The priest dipping his thumb into blessed ashes (collected from burnt palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday), marks the forehead of each with the sign of the cross, saying the words, "Remember that you are dust and to dust you will return" or "Repent and believe in the Gospel." By marking the sign of the cross with ashes on the foreheads of her children, the Church gives us:

1- a firm conviction that a) we are created from the earth (as God's beloved dust), that God's grace gives us life, and we are connected with the rest of humanity and with all living things, b) we are mortal beings, c) our bodies will become dust when buried and ashes if cremated, and d) our lifespan is very brief and unpredictable;

2- a strong warning that we will suffer eternal miseries if we do not repent of our sins and do penance. Repentance doesn't mean only to feel remorseful for being so bad. It means to start doing something good, to start practicing what one believes in, and to start doing the things one knows one should do.

3- a loving invitation to realize and acknowledge our sinful condition and to return to our loving and forgiving God with true repentance as the prodigal son did.

Biblical use of ashes: Ashes are a sign of mourning in the Bible, often associated with wearing sackcloth, a coarse material. In Job 2:8, Job "sat among the ashes" when he was stricken. When Tamar is raped by Amnon,

she "put ashes on her head, and tore the long robe which she wore; and she laid her hand on her head and went away, crying aloud as she went" (2 Sm 13:19). In Esther Chapter 4, when Mordecai and the Jews learn of the order for their persecution, they put on sackcloth and ashes. Most famously, in Jon 3:6, when the pagan king of Nineveh was told by Jonah to repent, "he arose from his throne, removed his robe and covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes," and commanded the same for all in his kingdom, including the beasts."

Ash Wednesday Life messages: We are invited to make a real conversion and renewal of life during the period of Lent by fasting, prayer, almsgiving, doing penance, and being reconciled to God. In fasting we sacrifice our love of "Self" so that we can become free to love God and others. In prayer we sacrifice our love of "Time" to make time for the love of God. In almsgiving we sacrifice our love of "Stuff" to make room for the love of others.



We need to do prayerful fasting: a) by following the example of Jesus before his public ministry, and b) by imitating the pagan king and the people of Nineveh (Jon 3:7), who fasted in sackcloth pleading for mercy from the Lord God; of the Syrian King, Ben Hadad (1 Kgs 20:31-34), who did not fast, but wore sackcloth and begged Israel's King Ahab for his life); of the Jewish Queen Esther who fasted "in garments of distress and mourning" and "covered her head with ashes and dung", begging God to save her people (Est 4:16); of the soldiers of Judas Maccabaeus who fasted so greatly they felt too weak to fight (1 Mc 3:17); and of St. Paul who observed "frequent fastings" (2 Cor 11:27).

Historical note: In the past, the Greek Orthodox Christians had 180 days of fasting every year, and the Orthodox as well as Catholic Syrian Christians fasted 225 to 290 days every year. The Roman Church formerly had a number of fast days throughout the year. Technically speaking, fasting is now only required on two days in Lent, namely, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In the United States, in addition, abstinence alone is commanded on all Fridays of Lent). "Lord Jesus, create in us silence so that we may listen to your voice in Creation and in the Scriptures, in events and in people, above all in the poor and suffering. May your word guide us so that we may experience the power of your resurrection and witness to others that you are alive in our midst as source of fraternity, justice, and peace. Amen." (ocarm.org)

Fasting: True fasting is "tearing one's heart and returning to God" with true repentance for one's sins (Joel 2:13). It is "breaking unjust fetters, freeing the oppressed, sharing one's bread with the hungry, clothing with the naked, home with the homeless, and not turning away from the needy relatives" (Is 58:6-7).

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

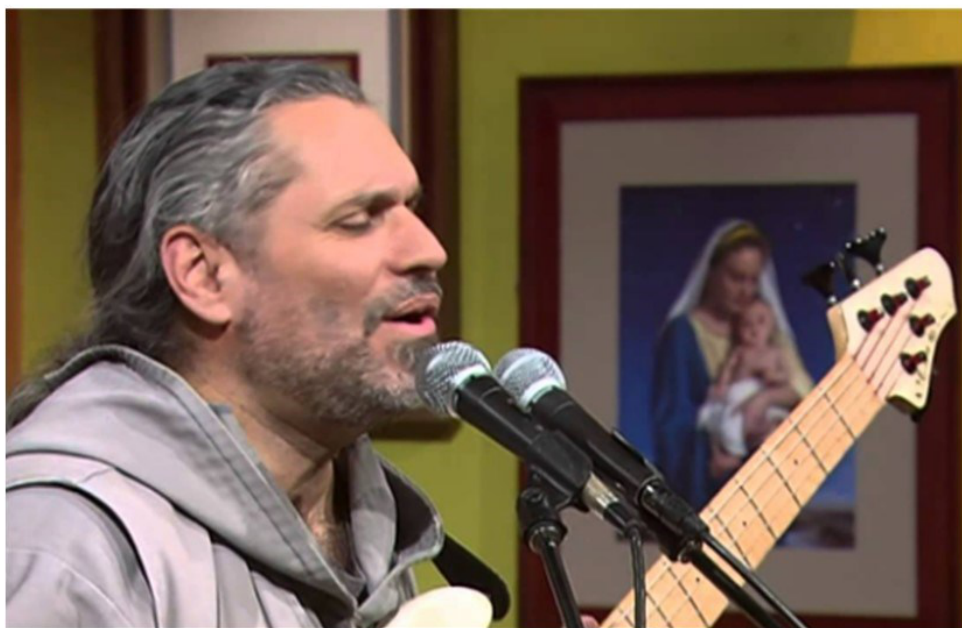
Parish Lenten Retreat

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

“The source and summit of the Christian life”

Retreat Preacher: **Fr. STAN FORTUNA, C.F.R.**

Founding member, Franciscan Friars of the Renewal



March 20 - 22, 2023 (6:00 to 8:00 pm)

Lenten Penance Service: 5 p.m., Thursday, March 23

Fr. Fortuna will preach during all the weekend Masses
and weekday Masses at 8:30 a.m.

SEAS School News



The eighth grade science class lab formed a new substance out of chalk and vinegar. They are currently doing a unit on mass and matter.

Science Lab



The sixth grade science lab was called raindrops falling on the Delta plane. The students showed how erosion happens from rain into a river by slowly picking up sediment.



Fridays during Lent starting Feb. 24.

5pm-7pm
Seton Hall/Verandah
Fried or baked fish
or fried shrimp.
Adults \$10/Children \$6
Drink is included



In today's first reading, the Israelites are urged to love their neighbors as themselves. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out how we are to do that --- to give generously to those who ask of us and not to turn our backs on those who seek to borrow.

Please contact the parish office if you have changed your phone number or address (especially if you have changed from a land-line to a cell phone) to update your info in our files. It is important to have current information on file in the event of an emergency. Thank you.



No Borders For Hope

**Drive-Through Mobile Pantry
FREE FOOD
When: Saturday, March 11
Time: 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

2023 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal

This week, we hope you will make a prayerful decision to pledge a gift to our 2023 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal. Bishop Pohlmeier invites each of us to join as a faith community in support of the beautiful mission of our Church. As good stewards of God's gifts, giving and sharing of ourselves is how we can express gratitude for all our blessings.

Stewardship is an act of faith and should be at the heart of our lives as faithful and active members of our Church. It means we are ready to recognize all that we are and all that we have are gifts from God. Let us now ask what we can do for God.

"Day of Recollection"

The SEAS Ladies Guild and the Black Catholic Guild will be hosting a Day of Recollection on Friday, February 24, 2023, at the Carmelite Monastery.

Please join us on the First Friday of Lent 2023 for a wonderful day of worship, prayer, and meditation. Confessions will be held at 8am and Mass at 9am, followed by Stations of the Cross (outside if weather permits), the Rosary, Scriptural Readings and special fellowship time after the Mass and for lunch. So bring a bag lunch and a bake good to share and enjoy a lovely spiritual day at the Carmelite Monastery.

For more information, call Loretta Lue on 445-8234.

Sunday Matinee at Flagler Playhouse- March 12

to see the show: *ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST*
301 E. Moody Blvd at 2 P.M. \$25.00 per person
Contact: Marie Scott 386-313-1812 or Sue Hee 386-313-5768 or Barbara 386-446-2857

Payment required by February 26th.

Health Ministry

The Health Ministry has resumed monthly meetings at 9:30 AM on Tuesdays in the Cody Room. We will be working on planning our Health Fair for April 2023. Anyone interested in joining us is welcome to attend. Please call Louise Kummer for more info at 386-235-5310

Secular Franciscans

The Secular Franciscans meet monthly on the first Saturday of the month at 9:30 in the Cody Room. If you are interested in learning more about the Secular Franciscans, please join us. Please call Pam Cowles 386-523-7152 for more information.

In Need of Counseling?



The Catholic Therapist Network is a listing of Catholic therapists in the diocese for those in need of counseling and support. These therapists are not affiliated with the diocese but are provided as a referral resource. More information about the network, including the listing of therapists, is available at <https://family.dosafl.com/therapists>.

Tickets Are Available for Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage 2024

The Eucharistic Revival Committee purchased the maximum number of group tickets we were able to purchase before Christmas. We are working with a travel agent to put together packages for the pilgrimage to Indianapolis in July 2024. We just received information on our hotel block. We will have the package ready within the next two weeks with costs and other information. A JotForm registration will be available and pilgrimage packages will be offered on a first-come, first-served method.



This ministry is open to all people outside the parish, so please invite your family and friends.

To follow on Social Media or for more info, visit the SEAS website. at seaspcf.org/community-groups.

Bible Study on St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians



The adventure continues...The Great Adventure Bible Study continues with the book of Revelation. Join us for a 11 week session on the book of Revelation The Kingdom Yet to Come. Beginning on January 28th after the 830AM Mass most Saturday Mornings in the Rectory Meeting Room.



2nd Annual SEAS Men's Club, School PTO, Rummage Sale

is scheduled for Saturday February 25, 2023 from 9 AM 'til 2 PM in Seton Hall.

Donations of gently used, working, contemporary clothing, tools, small appliances, chairs, nothing outdated, broken or worn, will be Saturday February Feb. 18 from 9 AM to 1 PM, Thursday Feb. 23 from 1 to 5 PM and Friday Feb. 24 from 9 AM to 1 PM at Seton Hall.

Coffee and donuts available on sale day in the morning, pizza and soda in the afternoon. Questions, please call Pat, 386-503- 3254 or Ted 386-585-4291.



Listening for God

The 'Listening for God' Ministry will be on the first Friday of the month from 7pm -8pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. For more info call the rectory.

Savannah, Jekyll Island Beaufort Island April 11 - 13, 2023

\$409*

Includes: Motor Coach Transportation
2 Nights Accommodations, Meals (2 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners), Guided Tours Savannah, Jekyll Island, Beaufort Evening Show at Famous Savannah Theatre

\$100 due upon signing/Final payment due Feb 10,
Make checks payable to: SEAS BCG,
Mail to PO Box 351334, Palm Coast, FL 32135
For info, video, or information, visit
www.GroupTrips.com/MotherSetonAMGuild
or call Barbara @ (386) 446-2857

*Double Occupancy,
add \$90 for single occupancy



Health Ministry

**Health Ministry Fair
April 15
9am-3pm/Seton Hall**



St. Patrick's Day Dinner

The SEAS Men's Club invites everyone to attend the annual St. Patrick's Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Saturday March 4, 2023 in Seton Hall. Dinner is served at 6 PM, doors open at 5 PM and donations are adults \$19.00 and children 12 and under \$10.00. Enjoy a full course corned beef, cabbage, boiled potato dinner including dessert and coffee. Soda, wine and beer available. Tickets will be available after Saturday and Sunday Masses, and the Rectory Office from Feb. 11 to the 26th. Call Jim 386-447-9849, John 386-569-5880 or Ted 386-585-4291.

Free AARP Tax Preparation By Appointment Only

AARP Tax- Aide Foundation volunteers will be available February 1 - April 18, 2021 at multiple sites in Flagler County for free tax preparation.

Locations:

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

To schedule an appointment please go to taxprepfree.net. Or call (386) 313-4048.

Cancer Support Group

Support Group for anyone affected with Cancer at SEAS in rectory meeting room every second Thursday morning of the month at 9:30 am and every fourth Thursday afternoon of the month at 2:30 pm.



Our Lady of Fatima Portuguese Committee

Meetings are at 7:00pm on Wednesdays in the Rectory Meeting Room.

All are Welcome to Kerygma Meeting

The Kerygma Group meets at 6 pm in the Church on the last Monday of every month. The session begins with praise and worship music, followed by a talk on a spiritual topic. The meeting ends after discussions and more praise and worship music. All are welcome to join. For more information, contact: Deacon Mike McKenna, deaconmike430@gmail.com

Seasons of Hope

Grief Support Group meets on Mondays at 6:00pm and Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Rectory Meeting Room. To sign up please call (386) 445-2246 or contact Healthministry@seaspcl.org



Sunday Scripture Prayer Group

You are invited to join a group of parishioners on Fridays at 1pm to prepare for Mass on Sunday. We read scripture, share & pray together in the Rectory Meeting Room. For more information call Pat at 445-2246

St. Joseph & Sorrowful Mother Rosary Makers Ministry

We have resumed our weekly meeting in the Rectory Meeting Room on Mondays at 9:30 am.



Rosary Cenacles

The Rosary Cenacles is in response to Our Lady's call which was made known in her message to Fr. Stefano Gobbi. We pray for the Holy Father and his intentions, for priests, to end abortion and for world peace. We say fifteen decades of the rosary. All are welcome to attend weekly meetings on Wednesday's at 1:00pm.

For more information call Marie Estabrook 386 447-0847

Legion of Mary

The Legion is a lay apostolic organization that meets every Tuesday at 9:30am in the Rectory Meeting Rm.



Charismatic Prayer Group

Please join us on Thursdays at 1:30pm in the Russo Room

Mother Seton Rolling Library

The aim of this library is to spread the word of our faith via Catholic books. The cart is available in the Gathering Space after all weekend masses. These books are free. Monetary donations are graciously accepted and will be used for our school scholarship program. New/gently used Catholic books/bibles can be donated at the cart or rectory. Meetings are on Fridays at 10:00am in the Rectory Meeting Room.

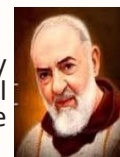


Caregiver Support Group

Support groups create a safe, confidential, supportive environment for participants to develop informal mutual support and social relationships as they deal with a loved one suffering from Alzheimer's/Dementia. We meet the 2nd & 4th Monday at 3:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.

Padre Pio Prayer Group

Our St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet every Second Friday of the month at 9:30 am until 10:30 am. in the Russo. Please join us. All are welcome!



Diocese of St. Augustine- How to Report Abuse

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 and 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.

ATENÇÃO: A Diocese de St. Augustine toma muito sériamente todas as alegações de má conduta sexual e resolve todas as alegações de forma rápida, confidencial e completa. Para denunciar abuso(s), ligue para a polícia ou para o Department of Children and Families pelo (800)962-2873. Ou ligue para o Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator pelo (904)208-6979 ou por e-mail inquiries@dosaf.com. Para denunciar abusos cometidos por um bispo ligue para (800)276-1562 ou visite a web-site www.reportbishopabuse.org.

ATENCION: La Diócesis de San Agustín trata seriamente todas las acusaciones de conducta sexual inapropiada, de manera rápida, confidencial y minuciosa. Para reportar Abuso, llame a la policía o al Departamento de Niños y Familias al (904) 962-2873. O llame al Coordinador Diocesano de Asistencia a Víctimas (904) 208-6979 o envíe un correo electrónico a inquiries@dosaf.com. Para denunciar abuso por parte de un obispo, llame al (800) 276-1562 o visite www.reportbishopabuse.org

PAUNAWA: Ipinagbibigay alam na lubos na pinahahalagahan ng Diyosesis ng San Agustin ang mga paratang sa anumang uri ng abusong sekswal, at agad na masusing sinusuri ang anumang alegasyon habang pinananatiling kumpidensyal. Kung meron kayong nalalamang alegasyon tumawag agad sa Pulisya o kaya ay sa Department of Children and Families (800) 962-2873. O tawagan ang Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator sa (904) 208-6979 o kaya ay mag-email sa inquiries@dosaf.com. Kung ang irereport nyo naman ay isang Obispo, tumawag sa (800) 276-1562 o kaya ay tumungo sa www.reportbishopabuse.org



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, February 20

7:00am Adele Carson
8:30am Robert Dombrowski Sr.

Tuesday, February 21

7:00am Intentions of Anna Postupak
8:30am Bernice Edden

Wednesday, February 22

7:00am Intentions of Jerry Britt
8:30am Harold Connelly
12:10pm James Wood
5:00pm Georgia Martin
7:00pm Intentions of Catalan Vizcarondo Families

Thursday, February 23

7:00am John Capaccione
8:30am Pedro Juan Cruz Sr & Pedro Juan Cruz Jr.

Friday, February 24

7:00am James Weinert
8:30am James Gilbert

Saturday, February 25

8:30am Atanasia Del Valle
4:00pm Intentions of Caroline & Joseph Horter
6:00pm(*) Carol A. Sutton

Sunday, February 26

8:00am Jose Luis Bulerin
10:00am SEAS Parishioners
12:00pm Constance Gallo
5:00pm(S) Bartolo Neris
5:00pm(*) Peggy Fiore

* St. Stephens



Prayer Garden

Our Prayer Garden is a peaceful place for prayer and meditation. Purchasing a brick in the Prayer Garden for someone who has died is a wonderful way to remember that the person is still with you in thoughts and through prayer. The purchase of a brick is \$100.00; please consider honoring a loved one. Contact the Rectory Office for more details.

In Memoriam

We remember all our departed brothers and sisters with love and gratitude.



Stephen Motylinski
May 25, 1963 - January 3, 2023

Sue Aurora

October 30, 1938 - December 24, 2022



William Olafson

March 7, 1933
February 2, 2023

Fred Reodica

April 14, 1949 - January 31, 2023



Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.



Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

Feb. 22
7:00, 8:30 am,
12:10, 5:00 & 7:00pm



Readings for the Week of February 19

Sunday 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Monday Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday Ash Wednesday
Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday 1st Sunday of Lent
Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 or Rom 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11

The Rectory Office will be closed on Mon., Feb. 20 in observance of President's Day

Big Red Bus Sunday, March 5 Sign up oneblood.org

Feeding Hands



February 20 5:00pm

Knights of Columbus

Sunday, February 26
Seton Hall/Adults \$6.00
Children are free!



Mark Your Calendar



March 12, 2023, 2 pm:

Youth Confirmation

March 19, 2023, 1.15 pm:

Concert by Fr. Stan Fortuna, C.F.R in Seton Hall

March 20-22, 2023:

Lenten Retreat with Fr. Stan Fortuna, C.F.R.

March 23, 2023, 5 pm:

Lenten Penance Service

April 3, 2023, 9am-9pm:

All Day Adoration & Confessions

April 15, 2023, 9 am

Health Ministry Fair

April 23, 2023, 2 pm:

First Holy Communion

May 13, 2023, 6 pm:

Marian Gala to honor mothers at Plantation Bay Country Club

May 14, 2023, 6.30 pm:

Concert by Marty Rotella in Seton Hall

October 20-22, 2023

SEAS Community Fall Festival



Ten Candles Burning in the Holy of Holies

February 18—February 24

IN MEMORY OF:

Jim & Roseann Bradley; Angelo & Rosemarie Dappeo;
Salud Gaoat; Germaine Jean; Maria Abendano;
Al Krier; Muriel Mullings

FOR INTENTIONS OF:

Natalie Lowry; Brian Hricik; Hricik Family

In our Holy of Holies, we have ten candles always burning around the tabernacle, just as in the temple in Jerusalem there were ten lights always burning around the Ark of the Covenant. They indicate the presence of our precious Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

The candles used are seven day candles and may be purchased either in memoriam or for the intentions of a loved one for a \$10 donation through the Seton Shop. This space lists the names of those for whom candles have been purchased.

Please Pray for Our Military

Although we pray for all of our military, space does not permit everyone's name to be printed. Please advise when a person below is no longer deployed so we can remove their name from our list. Please contact the parish office if you wish to have the name of someone listed for 4 weeks. As a courtesy please notify the office when the name can be removed or if you wish to have the name continued. Be sure to get the person's permission first! God bless them all & continue to pray for them!

Hannah Marie Lubin (US Navy)
Charles Salerno TSgt (US Air Force/Germany)
CPT. Brendan Leonard (US Army)
Kyle McCrossen (US Army/Iraq)
2nd Lt Christian San Miguel (US Army)
Stephen Hayes (US Air Force/Iraq)
Kevin Daley (US Navy)
Richard Caban (US Marine)
PFC Dylan Vanore. USMC

Please Pray for Our Sick

Aquila Bleakley
Ana Sandlord
Anna Maria King
Ariana Marcette
Ashley Cooper
Avelina Torres
Beatriz Quintero
Bill Capuano
Bill Lippa
Brian Davidson
Bryanna
Carmen Theiling
Charlie Salerno
Charles McCloskey
Charles Piligian
Charles Scott
Christine Salerno
Cynthia Blake
Daniel Medeiros
David Leonard
Deanna Cardillo
Derek Patrick Freeman
Diane Purcell
Doug Drohan
Earl Ruddy
Elizabeth Cretella
Fran L. Thong
Gary Martin
George Bley
Henry Gardner
Jake Romaine
Janine Kerry
Jennifer Cabral
Jim Popour
Joan Carter
John Frangipane
John Medeiros
John Relgan
John Sandor
Jonathan Schofield
Joseph Vacellaro
Karen Murphy



Kayden Henderson
Kennedy Bestenheider
Larry DeCamillo
Linda Colantuono
Liza Mulcahy
Lori Flanagan
Loretta Holmes
Louis Lubin
Madison Hope DeVane
Maria Barros
Maria Lebone
Maria Stewart
Marie Bernadette Lamarre
Marie Berry
Marilyn Betau
Marty Meehen
Mary Callaghan
Mary Doris Kolesar
Mason Brian DeVane
Michell Henderson
Michell Pinto
Mina Bico
Myrtha Darboux
Nancy Wright
Nathaniel Burgess
Nivia Sandoval
Pat Meenan
Patricia Derrig
Paul Masi
Phil Gainey
Renee Verostek
Richard Heinrich
Rita Morris
Robert Storme
Roger Reid
Ruby Strickland
Tara Handsman
Teresa Kinert
Theresa Childs
Theodore Simmons
Timothy O'Connell



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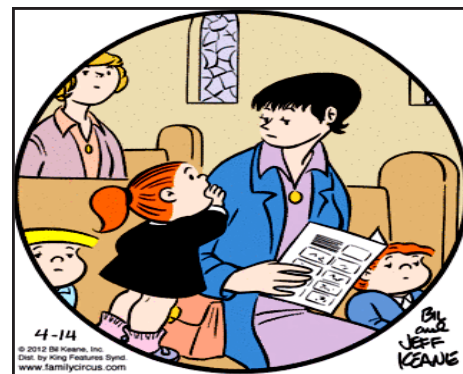
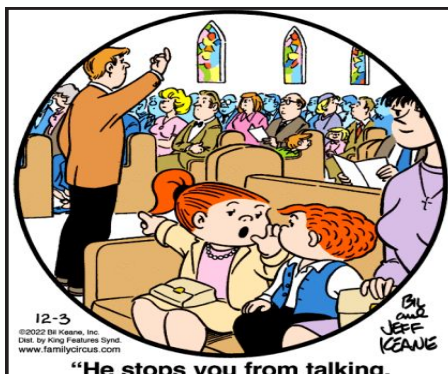
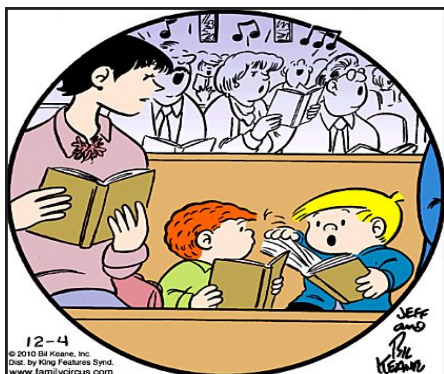
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Be sure to get the persons permission first!

Mass on TV for the Homebound

<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/schedule>
Sunday Mass-8:00am

DIRECTV—Channel: 370/DISH—Channel 261
SPECTRUM— Channel 169/ATT U-Verse Channel 562
SIRIUS Radio—Channel 130 /XM/SPECTRUM—Channel 20





A most gracious thank you to all who so generously and consistently fill the bassinette in the Gathering Area with baby items. And thank you to Fr. Jose, who has set aside this area.

At a recent Prayer Gathering at the Alpha Women's Center, the Director Jennifer Thomann, offered in prayer of thanksgiving for all the local assistance. She also presented the opportunity to be a Prayer Warrior - praying for the special and specific needs of the Center and the expectant mothers. (Registration forms are available at the bassinette.) She also asked for special prayers for the growing need of housing for these moms, many do not live in a safe and healthy environment. She discussed the many ways of further assistance - as recently presented at the Respect Life Committee meeting this past Saturday. They include: spiritual adoption, baby shower and "fill a truck". There is a current "Wish List" (new and gently used items) posted by the bassinette and on the Respect Life bulletin board at the North entrance of the Church.

St. Gerard's Campus in St. Augustine is another center caring for younger (under 18) pregnant moms and their newborns as they complete their high school education - living and studying on campus. The young women also learn the skills necessary to be nurturing moms.

Both centers offer FREE pregnancy tests, sonograms and counseling.

A new national initiative of the US Catholic Conference of Bishops - Walking With Moms In Need - is beginning at SEAS, with an assessment of the parish needs. Please contact the Respect Life Coordinator with any ideas or suggestions.

SEAS Respect Life Coordinator - Priscilla Positano
pcposi2324@gmail.com 352-697-9436

Pregnancy Help Line - 800-848-LOVE(5683) National, all services FREE

Alpha Women's Center - Palm Coast - 386-586-0210

St. Gerard's Campus - St. Augustine - 904-829-5516
Human Trafficking Hotline - 888-373-7888

Project Rachel - 904-923-9203 - counseling for post-abortion healing

Daily Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar for adoration after all the weekday Masses at 8.30 am till 10 am. Kindly join us and adore the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Eucharistic Adoration Hours

The hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are from 9 am to 9 pm, seven days a week.

The Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays also are from 9 am to 9 pm. The Blessed Sacrament is also exposed on the altar for adoration on other weekdays after the 8.30 am Mass till 10 am.



Please remember that if the Holy of Holies is filled you are encouraged to pray in the main worship area of the church.

We are asking that you contact Gilda Sadio, (386 225- 7261 or gilda.sadio@yahoo.com) our Adoration Facilitator, and select ONE hour which you will commit to. There's no limit to how many parishioners can be present every hour since it's in the Church not the Holy of Holies, we just want to be sure that there's at least one or two persons who will be present every hour.

Anyone interested in spending time with Our Lord in Adoration should call Gilda Sadio-Kow at 386-225-7261 for availability and information.

Saturday Group Adoration

All are invited to join the Group Eucharistic Adoration led by one of the deacons on Saturdays at 9.15 am. Adoration booklets will be available. For more information, contact Marilou Mallada at 609-468-1477.



Las Reunionés del Comité Hispano

son el último martes del mes a las 6:30pm en el Cody Room adjunto al salón social. Este comité sirve para hablar todos asuntos de la comunidad hispana de la parroquia. Todos son invitados. Para más información llamen a Marina Medina, 386-445-2200.



Noches de Formación de Fe para Adultos

son cada miércoles a las 6:30pm en el Rectory Meeting Room en el edificio de la Oficina Parroquial. El propósito de estos seminarios son para ampliar y profundizar nuestro conocimiento y experiencia de la Fe. Incluyen series en estudio bíblico, teología y misión. Todos son invitados. Para más información llamen a Marina Medina, 386-445-2200 o al Padre Rob Trujillo, 386-445-2246 ext. 105.

Sacraments

Baptism

Every First and Third Sunday of the month after Noon Mass. One preparation class is required. Classes are offered every second Monday of the month at 7 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Please contact the Rectory office in advance.

Holy Matrimony

Please contact the Rectory office at least 8 months prior to wedding.

Anointing of the Sick

If you or your loved one is in need of the Sacrament of Anointing please call the Rectory office. We also have dedicated Eucharistic Ministers to bring Holy Communion to the sick and the homebound.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 2:45-3:45pm, Sunday 30 minutes before Mass, & by appt.

Devotions

Eucharistic Adoration

6 am to 9 pm every day except during the time of Mass. Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 am on Fridays till 9 pm.

Rosary

8 am on weekdays; 4:30pm on Sundays (Spanish)

Miraculous Medal Novena

After 8.30 am Mass every Tuesday.

Novena to St. Joseph

After 8:30am Mass for the Year of St. Joseph

Religious Education

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Classes for Grades 1-8 on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6.15 pm to 7.30 pm. For more information, please contact the Director of Religious Education at the Rectory office (386-445-2246; extension 112)

Children's Catechism Classes

All children from 1st through 8th grade who are not attending Catholic school should be attending PREP classes. Children preparing for the Sacrament of the Eucharist or Confirmation need to attend a two-year catechetical program.

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Children preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist need to attend a two-year catechetical program which includes six Sunday classes of Sacramental preparation prior to each Sacrament.

Confirmation Formation

Children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation need to attend a two-year catechetical program which includes three Sunday classes of Sacramental preparation and the annual Confirmation retreat.

For more information about Catechism, First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please contact Katie Allio at 386-445-2246 extension 112.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Please call the Director of Christian Formation at the Rectory office if any non-Catholic is interested in joining the Catholic Church (386-445-2246; extension 112). Classes will begin in October.

Holy Orders and Religious Life

If you believe that you or someone you know has a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, please contact Fr. Jared DeLeo at frjared@saccfl.org

Prayer for the Unborn

Lord, Creator of Life, you have blessed us with the privilege of bringing new life into the world. May your Holy Spirit open our hearts and minds to recognize Your special gift of children, and Your great love for each of us created in Your image and likeness. You sent Your son Jesus to redeem us and through love He entered our world. We now turn to Mary, our Mother, for her intercession as we struggle to protect innocent unborn children. Following Mary's example may we proclaim the truth of our faith, assist those in crisis and protect those most vulnerable. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



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This Week In Our Parish

SUNDAY, February 19

9:00am Coffee/Donuts—(& 11:00am)
11:00am SEAS Youth Group Summit—Cody Room
2:00pm Showcase —Seton Hall

MONDAY, February 20

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church
9:00am Rosary Makers-Rectory Meeting Room
5:00pm Feeding Hands—Seton Hall
6:00pm Seasons of Hope/Grief Support Group-Rectory Meeting Room
6:30pm Great American Bible Study-Seton Hall

TUESDAY, February 21

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church
9:00am Legion of Mary Meeting-Rectory Meeting Room
10:00am Arts & Crafts—Russo Room
6:00pm Portuguese Rosary Society-Rectory Meeting Room
7:00pm Cenaculo La Ilama de Amor-Russo Room

WEDNESDAY, February 22

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church
10:00am Seasons of Hope/Grief Support Group- Rectory Meeting Room
1:00pm Rosary Cenacle—Rectory Meeting Room
7:00pm Portuguese Prayer Group—Cody Room

THURSDAY, February 23

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church
1:00pm Rummage Sale Collection—Seton Hall
2:30pm Cancer Support Group—Rectory Meeting Room
6:00pm Life Teen— Youth Room
6:00pm RCIA Meeting—Rectory Meeting Room
7:15pm Divina Misericordia Espanol-Cody Room

FRIDAY, February 24

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church
9:00am Rummage Sale Collection - Seton Hall
9:30am SEAS Library Ministry Meeting—Rectory Meeting Room
1:00pm Sunday Scripture Prayer Group-Rectory Meeting Room
4:00pm Fish Fry—Seton Hall

SATURDAY, February 25

9:00am Rummage Sale—Seton Hall
9:00am Adoration Prayer Group—Church
9:30am Great Adventure Bible Study—Rectory Meeting Room

SUNDAY, February 26

9:00am K of C Pancake Breakfast—Seton Hall
11:00am SEAS Youth Group Summit—Cody Room

If your event is not listed it may be that you did not fill out your Facility Request form at the Rectory.

Ministries

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Prayer And Devotional Groups

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