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From the desk of Fr. Jose Panthaplamthottiyil

# When Life Crumbles

The Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis (1906-1975) was once the darling of the international media. Wherever he went, the paparazzi followed him. "All that really counts these days is money" he once said. "And the people with money that are royalty now" As he had already amassed enormous wealth when he was young, he was able to live like royalty throughout his life. A TV movie was made about him in 1988 under the title, The Richest Man in the World.

Onassis was born in a wealthy family in Smyrna in modern-day Turkey. He got the best possible high school education of his time. However, due to the Greek-Turkish War of 1919-1922, his family lost everything and fled to Greece for safety. Onassis stayed there with his family for one year before he migrated to Argentina in 1923 at 17. He immediately found a job as a telephone operator and studied for a degree in commerce and port-duty administration.

However, he did not wait to venture into business. While pursuing his studies, he started an Argentine import-export company and imported English and Turkish tobacco products, which made huge profits. He had learned the trade secrets by eavesdropping on the tobacco importers and telephone conversations when working as a telephone operator.

After becoming a citizen of Argentina in 1929, he started a shipping company and expanded his business worldwide. His freighters and tankers grew in number, and eventually, he became the owner of the world's largest privately-owned shipping fleet, with 70 vessels. With his shipping business, he invested considerable amounts in Monaco and took possession of Monte Carlo Casino and the Monaco Yacht Club. In the meantime, he also started a whaling business off the west coast of South America, which was highly profitable.

In 1956, when the Greek airlines was in financial trouble, he took over its operational control investing millions of dollars. He ran this airline under the name Olympic Airways until 1974, when he relinquished his control, giving it back to the Greek government. It was often said that he was married to the sea, but the sky was his mistress. He always took pride in owning an airline.

Onassis was already world-famous when he married Jacqueline Kennedy, the widow of President John Kennedy, in 1968. His marriage to Jacqueline brought him additional publicity as it startled the world and made him the cynosure of all eyes. With more money than he ever needed and with glamorous Jacqueline on his side, he appeared to be the happiest man in the world. However, his whole world crumbled when his only son Alexander died in a plane crash on January 23, 1973. Nobody could console him, not even his daughter Christina, at his terrible loss.

Onassis had everything money could buy, including the most lavish yacht in the world with marble floor bathrooms and gold-plated faucets. However, he had nothing to hold on to when his son met with a tragic death. He was devastated. After Onassis died on March 25, 1975, someone commented, "When he died, he was a sad, tired old man. He had no inner resources to deal with life's tragedies. He only had a placebo, his wealth, and it was not enough."

Yes, wealth was not enough to soothe the pain of his soul. Besides wealth, he had nothing to rely on when his soul was crushed. Like Onassis, many consider money the most important thing in life. Hence, they spend all their time and every ounce of their energy making money. Of course, we need money for our livelihood. Without money, we cannot meet our daily needs. However, money cannot meet all our needs, especially our spiritual needs.

Only God can meet our spiritual needs, especially when our soul is crushed, dragging us into despair. As we read in Psalm 46, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging." (1-3). The Psalmist knew how to hold on to God as his lifeline, not only in times of trouble but also at other times. When we have God as our lifeline, we will never be crushed, no matter what happens in life. On the contrary, we will overcome all our tragedies by finding new life in God. Moreover, our lifeline to God will bring us eternal life at the end of our life here on earth, which is the most important thing we need as this life is transient and lasts only for a moment compared to eternity.



## Funny Stories



**No thanks."** Evangelist Billy Graham tells of a time during the early years of his preaching ministry when he was due to lead a crusade meeting in a town in South Carolina, and he needed to mail a letter. He asked a little boy in the main street how he could get to the post office. The boy gave him directions. Billy said, "If you come to the Central Baptist Church tonight, I'll tell you how to get to Heaven, God the Father's house." The boy replied, "No thanks. You don't even know how to get to the post office, and you are going to teach me how to go to Heaven?!"

**To the Father's House with two bags of currency:** A stingy old lawyer who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness was determined to prove wrong the say-

ing, "You can't take it with you." After much thought and consideration, the old ambulance-chaser finally figured out how to take at least some of his money with him when he died. He instructed his wife to go to the bank and withdraw enough paper currency to fill two pillowcases. He then directed her to take the bags of money to the attic and leave them directly above his bed. His plan was that when he passed away, he would reach out and grab the bags on his way to Heaven. Several weeks after the funeral, the deceased lawyer's wife, while cleaning the attic, came upon the two forgotten pillowcases stuffed with currency. "Oh, that darned old fool," she exclaimed. "I knew he should have had me put the money in the basement so that he could take it on his way down to Hell."



Desde el Escritorio del Pastor, Padre Jose Panthaplamthottiyil

## Cuando La Vida Se Desmorona

El magnate naviero Griego Aristóteles Onassis (1906-1975) fue una vez el favorito de los medios internacionales. Dondequiera que iba, los paparazzi lo seguían. "Todo lo que realmente cuenta en estos días es el dinero", dijo una vez. "Y las personas con dinero que son la realeza ahora" Como ya había acumulado una enorme riqueza cuando era joven, pudo vivir como realeza durante toda su vida. Se hizo una película para televisión sobre él en 1988 con el título *El Hombre Más Rico del Mundo*.

Onassis nació en una familia rica en Smyrna en la actual Turquía. Recibió la mejor educación secundaria posible de su tiempo. Sin embargo, debido a la guerra Greco-Turca de 1919-1922, su familia lo perdió todo y huyó a Grecia en busca de seguridad. Onassis se quedó allí con su familia durante un año y ahí se emigró a Argentina en 1923 a los 17 años. Inmediatamente encontró trabajo como telefonista y estudió la licenciatura en comercio y administración portuaria.

Sin embargo, no esperó para incursionar en los negocios. Mientras realizaba sus estudios, fundó una empresa Argentina de importación y exportación e importó productos de tabaco Ingleses y Turcos, lo que generó enormes ganancias. Había aprendido los secretos comerciales escuchando a escondidas a los importadores de tabaco y conversaciones telefónicas cuando se trabaja como telefonista.

Después de convertirse en ciudadano Argentino en 1929, fundó una compañía naviera y expandió su negocio a todo el mundo. Sus cargueros y petroleros crecieron en número y, finalmente, se convirtió en el propietario de la flota de transporte privado más grande del mundo, con 70 buques. Con su negocio naviero, invirtió cantidades considerables en Mónaco y tomó posesión del Casino de Montecarlo y del Club Náutico de Mónaco. Mientras tanto, también inició un negocio de caza de ballenas frente a la costa oeste de América del Sur, que fue de muchas ganancias.

En 1956, cuando las aerolíneas Griegas estaban en problemas financieros, él se hizo cargo de su control operativo invirtiendo millones de dólares. Dirigió esta aerolínea bajo el nombre de Olympic Airways hasta 1974, cuando renunció a su control y se lo devolvió al gobierno Griego. A menudo se decía que estaba casado con el mar, pero el cielo era su amante. Siempre se enorgulleció de ser dueño de una aerolínea.

Onassis ya era mundialmente famoso cuando se casó con

Jacqueline Kennedy, la viuda del presidente John Kennedy, en 1968. Su matrimonio con Jacqueline le trajo publicidad adicional, ya que sorprendió al mundo y lo convirtió en el centro de todas las miradas. Con más dinero del que nunca necesitó y la glamorosa Jacqueline por su parte, parecía ser el hombre más feliz del mundo. Sin embargo, todo su mundo se derrumbó cuando su único hijo, Alexander, murió en un accidente aéreo el 23 de Enero de 1973. Nadie pudo consolarlo, ni siquiera su hija Christina, por su terrible pérdida.

Onassis tenía todo lo que el dinero podía comprar, incluido el yate más lujoso del mundo con baños con piso de mármol y grifos dorados. Sin embargo, no tenía nada a lo que aferrarse cuando su hijo tuvo una muerte trágica. Estaba devastado. Después de la muerte de Onassis el 25 de Marzo de 1975, alguien comentó: "Cuando murió, era un anciano triste y cansado. No tenía recursos internos para hacer frente a las tragedias de la vida. Solo tenía un placebo, su riqueza, y no era suficiente".

Sí, la riqueza no fue suficiente para calmar el dolor de su alma. Además de la riqueza, no tenía nada en lo que confiar cuando su alma fue aplastada. Al igual que Onassis, muchos consideran que el dinero es lo más importante en la vida. Por lo tanto, pasan todo su tiempo y cada onza de su energía haciendo dinero. Por supuesto, necesitamos dinero para nuestro sustento. Sin dinero, no podemos satisfacer nuestras necesidades diarias. Sin embargo, el dinero no puede satisfacer todas nuestras necesidades, especialmente nuestras necesidades espirituales.

Solo Dios puede suplir nuestras necesidades espirituales, especialmente cuando nuestra alma está aplastada, arrastrándonos a la desesperación. Como leemos en el Salmo 46, "Dios es nuestro amparo y fortaleza, nuestro pronto auxilio en las tribulaciones. Por tanto, no temeremos, aunque la tierra se deshaga y los montes se desplomen en el corazón de los mar, aunque bramen y se turben sus aguas, y tiemblen los montes a causa de su bravura" (1-3). El salmista sabía cómo aferrarse a Dios como su salvavidas, no solo en tiempos de angustia sino también en otros momentos. Cuando tenemos a Dios como nuestro salvavidas, nunca seremos aplastados, pase lo que pase en la vida. Al contrario, superaremos todas nuestras tragedias encontrando nueva vida en Dios. Además, nuestra línea de vida con Dios nos traerá la vida eterna al final de nuestra vida aquí en la tierra, que es lo más importante que necesitamos ya que esta vida es transitoria y dura solo un momento en comparación con la eternidad.



### Historias Graciosas



**No, gracias."** El Evangelista Billy Graham habla de un momento durante los primeros años de su ministerio de predicación cuando debía dirigir una reunión de cruzada en un pueblo de Carolina del Sur y necesitaba enviar una carta. Le preguntó a un niño en la calle principal cómo podía llegar a la oficina de correos. El niño le dio instrucciones. Billy dijo: "Si vienes a la Iglesia Bautista Central esta noche, te diré cómo llegar al Cielo, la casa de Dios Padre". El niño respondió: "No, gracias. ¿Ni siquiera sabes cómo llegar a la oficina de correos y me vas a enseñar cómo ir al cielo?!"

**A la Casa del Padre con dos bolsas de dinero:** Un viejo abogado tacaño a quien le habían diagnosticado una enfermedad terminal se empeñaba en probar que el dicho

"No te lo puedes llevar" es falso. Después de mucho pensar y considerar, el viejo cazador de ambulancias finalmente descubrió cómo llevarse al menos parte de su dinero cuando muriera. Le indicó a su esposa que fuera al banco y retirara suficiente papel moneda para llenar dos fundas de almohada. Luego le indicó que llevara las bolsas de dinero al ático y las dejara directamente encima de su cama. Su plan era que cuando falleciera, extendería la mano y agarraría las bolsas en su camino al cielo. Varias semanas después del funeral, la esposa del abogado fallecido, mientras limpiaba el ático, encontró las dos fundas de almohada olvidadas llenas de dinero. "Oh, ese maldito viejo tonto", exclamó. "Sabía que debería haberme hecho poner el dinero en el sótano para que pudiera llevárselo de camino al infierno".





## Quando a vida se desfaz

O magnata dos navios Grego, Aristóteles Onassis (1906-1975) foi o preferido dos jornalistas internacionais. Por onde passava, os paparazzi seguiam-no. "Tudo o que realmente conta nos dias de hoje é o dinheiro", disse uma vez. "As pessoas com dinheiro são agora realeza". Como já tinha acumulado enorme riqueza quando era jovem, ele foi capaz de viver como a realeza durante toda a sua vida. Um filme para TV foi feito sobre ele em 1988 sob o título, O Homem Mais Rico do Mundo.

Onassis nasceu numa família rica em Smyrna, na actual Turquia. Ele obteve a melhor educação secundária possível do seu tempo. No entanto, devido à Guerra Greco-Turca de 1919-1922, a sua família perdeu tudo e fugiu para a Grécia para segurança. Onassis ficou lá com a sua família por um ano antes de emigrar para a Argentina em 1923, aos 17 anos. Imediatamente encontrou um emprego como telefonista e estudou para se formar em comércio e administração portuária.

No entanto, ele não esperou para se aventurar nos negócios. Enquanto prosseguia nos seus estudos, fundou uma empresa Argentina de importação e exportação e importou produtos de tabaco Ingleses e Turcos, que produziram enormes lucros. Tinha aprendido os segredos comerciais através de escutas dos importadores de tabaco e conversas telefónicas quando trabalhava como telefonista.

Depois de se tornar cidadão da Argentina em 1929, ele fundou uma empresa de navios e expandiu seus negócios em todo o mundo. Seus cargueiros e petroleiros cresceram em número e, eventualmente, ele tornou-se o proprietário da maior frota de navios privados do mundo, com 70 navios. Com o seu negócio em embarcações, investiu quantias consideráveis no Mónaco e tomou posse do Casino de Monte Carlo e do Mónaco Yacht Club. Entretanto, iniciou também um negócio baleeiro ao largo da Costa Oeste da América do Sul, que era altamente lucrativo.

Em 1956, quando as companhias aéreas Gregas estavam com problemas financeiros, ele assumiu o controle operacional investindo milhões de dólares. Ele dirigiu uma companhia aérea sob o nome de Olympic Airways até 1974, quando ele cedeu o seu controle, devolvendo-a ao governo Grego. Dizia-se muitas vezes que era casado como mar, mas o céu era sua amante. Ele sempre se orgulhou de ser dono de uma companhia aérea.

Onassis já era mundialmente famoso quando se casou com Jacqueline Kennedy, viúva do Presidente John Kennedy, em 1968. O seu casamento com

Jacqueline trouxe-lhe publicidade redobrada, pois surpreendeu o mundo e fez dele o centro de todos os olhos. Com mais dinheiro do que alguma vez precisou e com a famosa Jacqueline a seu lado, ele parecia ser o homem mais feliz do mundo. No entanto, todo o seu mundo se desfez quando o seu único filho Alexandre morreu num acidente de viação em 23 de Janeiro de 1973. Ninguém podia consolá-lo, nem mesmo a sua filha Christina, pela sua terrível perda.

Onassis tinha tudo o que o dinheiro podia comprar, incluindo o iate mais luxuoso do mundo, com banheiros com piso de mármore e torneiras banhadas em ouro. No entanto, ele não tinha nada para segurar quando seu filho se deparou com uma morte trágica. Ficou arrasado. Depois que Onassis morreu em 25 de Março de 1975, alguém comentou: "Quando morreu, era um velho triste e cansado. Ele não tinha recursos internos para lidar com as tragédias da vida. Ele só tinha um placebo, a sua riqueza, e não era suficiente."

Sim, a riqueza não era suficiente para acalmar a dor da sua alma. Além da riqueza, ele não tinha nada em que confiar quando a sua alma foi esmagada. Como Onassis, muitos consideram o dinheiro a coisa mais importante da vida. Por isso, gastam todo o seu tempo e cada grama da sua energia ganhando dinheiro. É claro que precisamos de dinheiro para o nosso sustento. Sem dinheiro, não podemos satisfazer as nossas necessidades diárias. No entanto, o dinheiro não pode satisfazer todas as nossas necessidades, especialmente as nossas necessidades espirituais.

Sómente Deus pode satisfazer as nossas necessidades espirituais, especialmente quando a nossa alma é esmagada, arrastando-nos para o desespero. Como lemos no Salmo 46, "Deus é o nosso refúgio e força, uma ajuda presente nas dificuldades. Portanto, não temeremos, embora a terra ceda e as montanhas caiam no coração do mar, embora as suas águas rugam e espumem e as montanhas tremam com o seu surto." (1-3). O salmista soube agarrar-se a Deus como tábua de salvação, não só nos momentos difíceis, mas também noutros. Quando temos Deus como nossa tábua de salvação, nunca seremos esmagados, não importa o que aconteça na vida. Pelo contrário, venceremos todas as nossas tragédias encontrando vida nova em Deus. Além disso, a nossa tábua de salvação para Deus nos trará a vida eterna no final da nossa vida aqui na terra, que é a coisa mais importante de que precisamos, pois esta vida é transitória e dura apenas um momento em comparação com a eternidade.



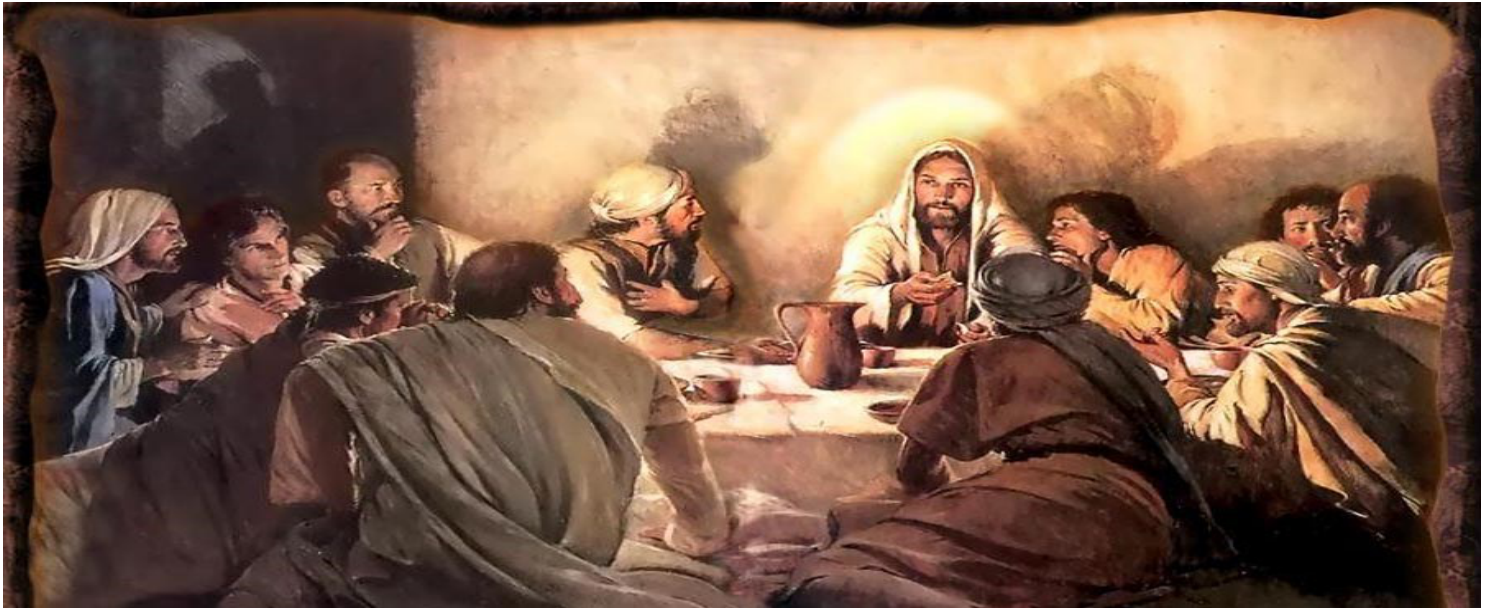
### Aneotas



**Não, obrigado.** O evangelista Billy Graham conta-nos acerca dum momento, durante os primeiros anos do seu ministério de pregação, quando ele deveria liderar uma reunião cruzada numa cidade na Carolina do Sul, e ele precisava enviar uma carta. Perguntou a um rapaz da rua principal como podia chegar aos Correios. O rapaz deu-lhe indicações. Billy disse: "Se você vier à Igreja Baptista Central esta noite, eu lhe direi como chegar ao Céu, a casa de Deus Pai." O rapaz respondeu: "Não, obrigado. Você nem sabe como chegar aos Correios, e vai me ensinar a ir para o céu?!"

**Para a Casa do Pai com dois sacos de moedas:** Um velho advogado mesquinho que tinha sido diagnosticado com uma doença terminal estava determinado a provar errado o ditado: "Você não pode levar isso com

você". Depois de muita reflexão e consideração, o velho motorista de ambulância finalmente descobriu como levar pelo menos parte do seu dinheiro quando morresse. Ele instruiu a sua esposa a ir ao banco e levantar moedas suficientes para encher duas fronhas. Ele então orientou-a a levar os sacos de dinheiro para o sótão e deixá-los directamente por cima da sua cama. O seu plano era que, quando ele falecesse, ele estendesse a mão e pegasse nas malas no caminho ao Céu. Várias semanas após o funeral, a esposa do advogado falecido, enquanto limpava o sótão, deparou-se com as duas fronhas recheadas de moeda. "Oh, que velho maldito", exclamou ela. "Eu sabia que ele deveria ter-me mandado colocar o dinheiro no porão para que ele pudesse levá-lo no seu caminho para o Inferno."



**Easter Fifth Sunday, Acts 6:1-7, I Peter 2:4-9, John 14:1-12**

# **Jesus Is the Way, the Truth and the Life**

## **Introduction**

Today's readings tell us how the early Church accepted the challenge of keeping Jesus' memory alive in the Christian community by fashioning it into a serving and worshipping community (Acts 6:1-7), making of it a spiritual edifice built from the "living stones" of believers upon the "Living Cornerstone of Christ" (I Pt 2:4-5), and, thus, the Father's House (John 14:1-12). Linking the first two readings to each other and to the Gospel, the Refrain of today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 33) has us sing "Lord, let Your Mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You," because His Divine Mercy is the Source and binding power of our unity in Him here and hereafter. Today's Gospel gives us the image of the Church as a Church in glory in the Father's House. It also reminds us of the great truth that Jesus is the Way to God, that he is the Truth of God and that in him and through him we receive God's own Life. Today's readings demand from us real Faith not only in God the Father but also in Jesus precisely because he is "the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (Jn. 14:6), and he instructs us, "You have faith in God; have faith also in Me" (John 14:1).

## **First Reading, Acts 6:1-7**

The first reading shows how and why the early Church developed social institutions and Church offices to keep Jesus' memory alive. It tells us how the apostles and early Christians, as a Church community, prayerfully and amicably solved a community problem. It is the famous account of the selection of the first deacons in the Church. The Greek-speaking widows complained that the Aramaic-speaking food-ministers were short-changing them at meals in favor of the Aramaic-speaking widows. The Apostles solved the problem by convening a meeting of "the whole community of the

disciples" and informing them that they should be the ones to work through their problem. Their task: "Select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to the task" of distributing the food (6:3). Note the names of the chosen seven: "Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicolaus of Antioch." Every single one is a Greek! Luke tells us that the Church believed that if the Greeks in the community had a problem, then the Greeks in the community were important and gifted enough to solve their problem.

The Apostles ratified the choice of these community servants by praying over them and laying hands on them. The apostles' choice to solemnize the choosing by the ancient ritual of the imposition of hands on those chosen suggests something very interesting about service in the Church. The Apostles seem to be saying that the role of the community servant is worthy of what would become known as "ordination." That is, service is so important in the life of the Church, that we cannot be the Church of Christ Jesus if we're without mutual service. Word, and Sacrament, and Service, are the three constituents of the Church which Jesus founded, and the Holy Spirit brought to active life.

## **Second Reading, 1 Peter 2:4-9**

The second reading gives us a view of the Church as a spiritual edifice built from "living stones" upon the "Living Cornerstone of Christ" (I Peter 2:4-5). Our Jewish ancestors in the Faith had once been slaves in Egypt, then nomads in Sinai, then settlers for a few generations, then exiles in Babylon. So the notion of a permanent home, one made (at least in part), of stone, held great appeal for them. Thus, it was natural for



Peter, while addressing the Jewish Christians, to use the stone metaphor to describe the place of Jesus in the plan of God. Peter quotes a famous line from Psalm 118 about the stone rejected by the builders becoming the cornerstone, and he contrasts those Jews who accept Jesus as their cornerstone with those who stumble on the stone. For all human beings, Jesus will either become a “cornerstone,” binding all together, or a “stone that will make them stumble and a rock that will make them fall.” Peter then addresses all Christians, both Jewish and Gentile, using the loftiest titles applied to Israel in the Old Testament: “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of His [God’s] own.”

Peter uses startling images like newborn babies, a living stone, holy priesthood, chosen race, royal people, God’s chosen, God’s own, etc., to promote in all Christians a new sense of identity within the community of Faith. No one has ever expressed the dignity and importance of being a follower of Jesus more perfectly than Peter. We are, “a chosen race,” because we have received the seal of the Spirit of God at our Baptism; “a royal priesthood,” because we share in the priesthood of Christ himself, offering ourselves as living sacrifices by worshiping and serving God daily to help build his kingdom; “a consecrated nation,” because now Christians are set apart to live the new and everlasting covenant, called to be light and salt for the world; and, “God’s possession,” because we have been united with Him in Baptism, serve Him alone as our Master, and are ready to proclaim the Good News of salvation, making it available to all who believe.

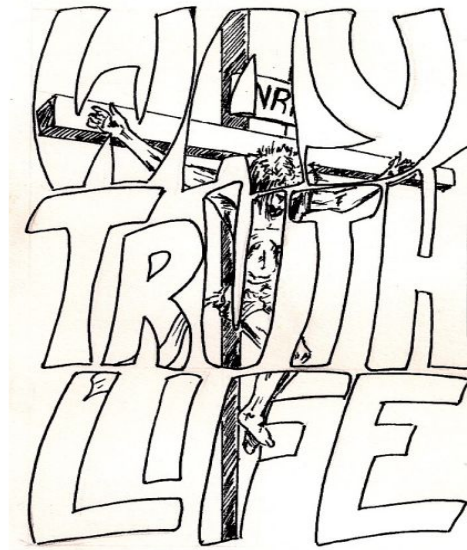
### Gospel Reading, John 14:1-12

**Context:** The disciples are gathered together with Jesus on the last Thursday night of his life in the Upper Room for the Last Supper. The departing Jesus instructs them about how they may preserve his memory and carry on his mission. As his final hours on earth approach, Jesus prepares his disciples by explaining to them the full significance of what will happen. He will return to his Father and send them the gift of the Holy Spirit. And after dedicating their lives to leading others to Faith through the power of that Holy Spirit, they will be reunited with him in his Father’s house. “I am going to prepare a living space for you, a mansion, a place for you for all eternity... I will come again and take you to that place.”

**Misinterpreted words of consolation:** By reproducing the consoling words of Jesus, the apostle John probably intended to bring a note of comfort to a group of early Judeo-Christians struggling to maintain their identity around the close of the first century. John was attempting to give courage and hope to people who found themselves in the midst of a very nasty fight with their passionate and fanatical Jewish neighbors in the

Synagogue. They were frightened, vulnerable and defensive, and their survival as a community of Faith as well as their individual security and safety were in peril. It is clear that John’s aim was pastoral, an attempt to comfort those friends of his who were afraid and who needed assurance. “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in Me... “I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

Tremendous claim by Jesus: Centuries before Christ, the sages of India prayed every morning the “Shanti Mantra” (“Mantra prayer of peace”) taken from Brihadaranyaka Upanishads (1.3.28), composed in 700 BCE, in the Sanskrit language: “From falsehood lead me to truth, from darkness lead me to light, from mortality lead me to immortality” (“Aasato Ma SathGamaaya, Thamaso Ma JyothirGamaaya, Mrtjyor Ma AmrithamGamaaya”).



Centuries later Jesus gave the answer to their prayer through his tremendous claim: “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.” In fact, Jesus took three of the great basic concepts of the Jewish religion and made the unique claim that in him all the three found their full realization. This means that he alone is the surest way to God. He alone, Son of God and Son of Man, can authoritatively and flawlessly teach us truths about God, and he alone can give God’s life to us. John’s central message is that Jesus is both the revealer and the Revelation of God.

If we wish to know who God is, what God thinks, and what God wants of us, we must attend to Jesus the

Word of God. “The Jesus of the Gospel does not only show us the way – his life of humble and generous servanthood is the way; he does not just philosophize about a concept of truth – he is the perfect Revelation of the truth about a God of enduring and unlimited love for his people; he is not just a preacher of futuristic promises – he has been raised up by God to a state of existence in God to which he invites all of us. In embracing the Spirit of his Gospel and living the hope of his Word, we encounter, in Christ, God Himself.” (Connections).

**Jesus is the Way:** We go to God the Father who is Truth and Life through Jesus, and Jesus calls Himself the “Way” because He, the Only-begotten Son of God, is also Son of Man, the visible manifestation in human form of all that his Father is. To those who teach that all religions lead us to God or that religion used is immaterial provided man lead a good life, Jesus has the answer that he is the safest and surest way to God because he came from God and he can lead us to his Heavenly Father. The founders of other religions had either wrong ideas about the way to God or they were not sure guides. Lao-Tse (604-531 BC), the founder of Taoism said: “Get rid of all desires, you will have

contented life on earth, but I am not sure about the next life." Buddha taught people to reach self-realization through total detachment and "nirvana," but he was not sure if these would lead one to God. Confucius confessed that he did not know of an eternal life or the way to attain it. The founder of Islam, Mohammed Nabi, admitted that he had no hope of the future unless Allah should put His mantle of mercy on him. However, Jesus claims that he is the only way to God. When a Person is a Way for us to get to the Father and everlasting life, that Way is found only in our relationship with Him, that is, in our union with Him in mind and heart, in will and action. But Jesus' sure way to God is the narrow way of the cross. It is the least-traveled way of humble, loving, self-giving and committed service to others. To follow the Way of Jesus is to become a special kind of person, a person whose whole being reflects the Truth and the Life that Jesus reveals to us. It is to be a person of Truth and Life who is totally identified with the vision and the values of Jesus. The medieval monk *Thomas à Kempis* the author of *Imitation of Christ* explains Jesus' statement, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life" thus: "Without the way, there is no going; without the truth, there is no knowing; and without the life, there is no living."

**Jesus is the Truth:** Mahatma Gandhi said, "God is truth." Jesus is the Truth because he is the only one who reveals to us the whole truth about God. He teaches us that God is a loving, merciful, providing and forgiving Father. He also teaches us the truth that our Triune God lives in each one of the believers. Jesus is the Truth also because he has borne testimony to truth, demonstrating through his life and death the love of God for human beings. Truth here is that complete integrity and harmony which Jesus himself revealed, not only in what he said and did, but in the total manifestation of his life and person. Jesus is the Truth, the Word of God. To seek the truth elsewhere is to *stumble and fall*, to deal in falsehood and lies. So, we pray in the 86th Psalm, "Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth." For us to live the Truth in that Way is also to be fully alive, to be a "fully-functioning person," responding totally to that abundance of life which Jesus has come to give us.

**Jesus is the Life:** As God, Jesus has eternal life in himself. In addition, he is the one who gives us his life-giving Holy Spirit. Jesus is the Life also in the sense that he allows us to share in God's Life through the Sacraments. Christ rose from the dead for two reasons: first, to give us eternal life; second, to make us fully alive now. His Spirit animates every moment of our lives. To be fully alive is to be in God.

## Life messages

**1. We need to know Jesus the Truth and walk Jesus the Way:** Jesus asked Philip: "Have I been with you all this time and you still do not know me?" He is asking us the same question: "Have I been with you all this time – in the Mass, in the Sacraments, in the Bible in the worshipping community – and you still do not know me?" If we really believe that Jesus is the Way and the Truth and the Life, then we will find fresh and creative ways to keep alive his memory. Jesus asks us to keep alive his memory by reading and praying the Scriptures, by gathering in Jesus' name and celebrating the Eucha-

rist "in memory" of him, by handing on the great tradition of Christian Faith and by living according to his wise teachings. Jesus says, "If you believe in me, you will do the work I do." This is the work he's talking about: creating safe, secure, happy places for one another in which the really important work of life - transformation and big-family building - can happen. We can help one another "get a life" in the same way Jesus did - by recognizing the powerful effect we have on one another, for good or ill, and by consciously deciding to make even our smallest choices add up to safe, secure, happy spaces where every member of our big family can grow whole.

**2. We need to possess Jesus the Life.** We share the Divine life of God by making use of the means Jesus established in his Church: a) by actively participating in the Eucharistic celebration and properly receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion; b) by the worthy reception of the other Sacraments; c) by the meditative and daily reading of the Word of God; d) by following the guidance of the life-giving Spirit of God, living within us; and e) by communicating with God, the Source of Life, in personal and family prayers.

## Anecdote

**True Story:** The phone rang at 1:00am in the home of Leo Winters, a brilliant Chicago surgeon. It was the hospital telling him that a young boy had been tragically mangled in a car accident. Dr. Winter's hands were probably the only ones in the city skilled enough to save that boy's life. He got on his clothes, jumped into his car and decided the quickest route to the hospital would be to drive through a dangerous neighborhood, but since time was critical, he decided to take the risk. He came to a stoplight and when he did, a man in a gray hat and a dirty flannel shirt, opened the door, pulled him out of his seat and screamed, "Give me your car!" The doctor tried to explain that he was on an emergency call, but the thief refused to listen. He threw the doctor out of the car, jumped in and sped off. This doctor wandered for more than 45 minutes looking for a phone so he could call a taxi. When he finally got to the hospital, more than an hour had passed.

He ran through the hospital doors, up the stairs, to the nurse's station. The nurse on duty looked at him and shook her head and said, "Doctor I am sorry, but you are too late. The boy died about 30 minutes ago. His father is in the chapel if you want to see him. He is awfully upset, because he couldn't understand why you didn't come to help." Doctor Winters walked hurriedly down the hallway and entered into that chapel. Weeping at the altar was a man dressed in a dirty flannel shirt and gray hat, whose eyes were blinded by tears.

The boy's father looked up at the doctor in horror and realized his tragic mistake. He had foolishly pushed away the only man in that city who could have saved his son. (Kent Crockett, *Making The Day Count For Eternity*, pp. 27-28.) There is only one person that can save your soul. When you exit this life, at the moment you die, you will enter into eternity. If you intend to go to Heaven, you had better make sure you take the one Way, which is the only Way and His name is Jesus Christ.



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## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE!

### HOUSE BILL 1 (HB1)

Governor DeSantis signed the historic bill that allows all K-12 students who are eligible to attend a Florida public school to receive a scholarship, regardless of income.

### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS FLORIDA TAX CREDIT & FAMILY EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

- Expands eligibility for all K-12 students, regardless of household income
- Converts the scholarships into education savings account (ESA)

THE AVERAGE  
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\$7,700.00  
A YEAR PER STUDENT

OUR OFFICE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU  
FIND A SCHOOL OR APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

## May is Mental Health Awareness Month

This year, we are celebrating with the #MoreThanEnough campaign!

#MoreThanEnough aims to bring everyone together through storytelling and community conversations to address the urgent need to foster belongingness and self-worth across the mental health community.

No matter where you are on your mental health journey — and regardless of your diagnosis, appearance, socioeconomic status, background or ability — #MoreThanEnough is a reminder that you are inherently worthy of life, love and healing.



### CLASES DE INGLÉS COMO SEGUNDA LENGUA (ESL) GRATIS!!!

En St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Todos los miércoles de  
6:30 pm a 8:00 pm  
Comenzando Junio 7, 2023  
En el salón Rectory Meeting Room

## Give Smarter to Your Church

Did you know you can use your IRA, appreciated stock, or real estate to make a smart gift to your parish, Catholic school, or favorite ministry? Your IRA gift may fulfill all or part of your required minimum distribution -Your gift (up to \$100,000) may avoid taxes. Contact: Cliff Evans/Catholic Foundation: c Evans@dosafll.com 904-262-3200, ext. 139

## Pilgrimage to Turkey with Father Mason Wiggins Oct. 9-20

Visit the ruins of the Seven Churches of Turkey which the apostle John wrote about in Revelation (the last book of the New Testament). For more information, email Patti Lombardo at plombardo@hollyfamilyjax.com. This trip is not sponsored by nor associated with St. Elizabeth Ann Seton or the Diocese of St. Augustine. Neither the Parish nor the Diocese makes representations or guarantees concerning this trip.



Register today!

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VBS is going to be a BLAST!

June 19th-23rd  
seaspcfl.org/vbs



## Hard Rock Casino

Join us on our trip to the Hard Rock casino on Friday, June 9. Our bus will leave the parking lot of the church @8AM and will return @approximately 8PM that night. Water and danish will be provided enroute and tip to the driver will be included by the church. The cost is \$40 per person. Call Jim 386-447-9849 or Willie 386-446-0501 for reservations and payment.

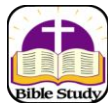
## Tickets Are Available for Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage 2024

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 shortly with costs and other information. A JotForm registration will be available and pilgrimage packages will be offered on a first-come, first-served method.



To follow on Social Media or for more info, visit the SEAS website. at [seaspcf.org/community-groups](http://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. After 830AM Mass most Saturday Mornings in the Rectory Meeting Room.

## Listening for God



The 'Listening for God' Ministry will be on the first Friday of the month from 6:30pm -7:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. For more info call the rectory.

## Priestly Vocation Discernment Retreat, Aug. 4-6

The seminarians of the Diocese of St. Augustine are hosting their annual retreat for young men, ages 16+, who are discerning a vocation to priesthood. This overnight retreat will be held at Marywood Retreat & Conference Center, The cost to attend is \$15. Contact [vocations@dosafl.com](mailto:vocations@dosafl.com)/ (904) 262-3200, x101.



Please contact the parish office if you have changed your phone number or address (especially if you have changed from a landline 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.

# SCAM ALERT!

Fr. Jose never sends out Email or text messages requesting money or gift cards for his personal use or for the benefit of anyone else.

## Did You Know? Sacramentum Caritatis - Benedict XVI

"In the Eucharist Jesus does not give us a 'thing,' but himself; he offers his own body and pours out his own blood. He thus gives us the totality of his life and reveals the ultimate origin of this love".

## Catholic Charities

Human trafficking is a situation in which an individual is compelled to work or engage in commercial sex through the use of force, fraud or coercion. If the individual is under the age of 18 and engaging in commercial sex they are experiencing trafficking regardless of force, fraud, or coercion. National Human Trafficking Hotline toll-free at 1-888-373-7888 or text "Be free" to (233733).

For more info, contact Ruby Peters, human trafficking educator at Catholic Charities, by email at [rubbygeerspeters@gmail.com](mailto:rubbygeerspeters@gmail.com) or call (904) 448-6555.

## Cursillo-Ultreya

Please join us the third Wednesday of month at 6:30 in the Russo room for Ultreya! Please bring a covered dish to share! Anyone interested in Cursillo is encouraged to attend. Join us for a night of fellowship, witness and song! De Colores!"

## Secular Franciscans

The Secular Franciscans meet monthly on the first Saturday of the month at 9:30 in the Cody Room.

## Knights of Columbus Auxiliary

The Knights of Columbus Auxiliary meets the third Thursday of the month at 11.00 a.m. in the rectory meeting room. Come join us and be a part of this organization of the Knights of Columbus, which does so much for our parish.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Married Couples- Prepare for Easter in a special way this year. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and God. Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on 21-23 July 2023 in Jacksonville, FL, or 3-5 November 2023 in Titusville, FL. For more information visit our website at [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or e mail: [Applications@FLCN-wwme.org](mailto:Applications@FLCN-wwme.org)

Or contact Walt & Viv Paskowski at [waltviv.wwme@gmail.com](mailto:waltviv.wwme@gmail.com) if you have any questions

## Cancer Support Group



Come and join our session of breathing and light exercise provided by OTA during our Cancer Support Group meeting. We meet in the Rectory Meeting Room every 2nd Thurs. at 9:30 am and every 4th Thurs. at 2:30 pm for support, prayers, sharing. Call Louise 386-235-5310.



## 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 first Tuesday 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

For those who have lost a loved one, the 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@seascpl.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 information call Pat at

## 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. More information is available at <https://family.dosafl.com/therapists>.

## Rosary Makers Ministry

Our Ministry is devoted to our Lady of Fatima and assembles rosaries to be distributed and sent to other parts of the world free of charge. Join us to pray the rosary on Mondays at 9:30 am in the Rectory Meeting Room. We offer training and supplies to all members.

## 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@dosafl.com](mailto:inquiries@dosafl.com). To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://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@dosafl.com](mailto:inquiries@dosafl.com). Para denunciar abusos cometidos por um bispo ligue para (800)276-1562 ou visite a website [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org).

## 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 Room.



## 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 9:30am in the Rectory Meeting Room.



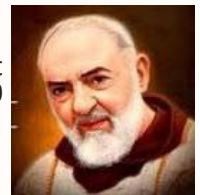
## Caregiver Support Group

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!





# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## Monday, May 8

7:00am George Del Monte  
8:30am Anabel Krier

## Tuesday, May 9

7:00am Willis Roberson  
8:30am Adele Carson

## Wednesday, May 10

7:00am Carol Caputo  
8:30am Deceased members of the Moleski family

## Thursday, May 11

7:00am Peggy Fiore  
8:30am Dorothy McNicholas

## Friday, May 12

7:00am Margaret Fiore  
8:30am Ana Becerro

## Saturday, May 13

8:30am Aniceto Gonda  
4:00pm Helen Kolasa  
6:00pm\* Susan Carrigan

## Sunday, May 14

8:00am Frank DiGiorgio Jr.  
10:00am SEAS Parishioners  
12:00pm Phyllis Rotunno  
5:00pm (S) Francisco Santos  
5:00pm (\*) Robert Storme

\* 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.



Pablo Rivera

June 13, 1939 -  
April 18, 2023

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



## No Borders For Hope

Drive-Through  
Mobile Pantry  
FREE FOOD

Saturday, May 20  
11:30AM—1:30 PM  
St. Elizabeth Ann  
Seton Catholic Church

May 15  
5:00pm  
Seton Hall



## Readings for the Week of May 7

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| Sunday    | <b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b><br>Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12   |
| Monday    | Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26  |
| Tuesday   | Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a   |
| Wednesday | <b>Feast of Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church, and St Damien of Molokai, Priest</b><br>Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8 |
| Thursday  | Acts 15:7-21; PS 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11   |
| Friday    | <b>Feast of Saints Nereus and Achilles, Martyrs, and Saint Pancras, Martyr</b><br>Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 & 12; Jn 15:12-17                           |
| Saturday  | <b>Feast of Our Lady of Fatima</b><br>Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21   |
| Sunday    | <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b><br>Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21  |

## 2024 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Deepen your Catholic faith and join Bishop Erik Pohlmeier on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Jan. 10—20, 2024, with an optional extension to Jordan on Jan. 20-23. The pilgrimage will be led by Select International Pilgrimage Tours and Cruises.

For more details, visit <https://tinyurl.com/24v3ubc9>. Enroll online to guarantee your spot immediately by going to <https://tinyurl.com/yeyjt5tz>.

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## Mark Your Calendar

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

May 6—May 12

### IN MEMORY OF:

**Jim & Roseann Bradley; Donald C. Price;  
David Jose Tavares; Dennis Kelduff; Kevin & Ricardo;  
Avelina B. Torres; Carmen Lydia Torres;  
Michael O'Sullivan; Theresa O'Sullivan**

### FOR INTENTIONS OF:

**Paul Tavares**

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!

Charles Salerno TSgt (US Air Force/Germany)  
CPT. Brendan Leonard (US Army)  
Stephen Hayes (US Air Force/Iraq)  
Kevin Daley (US Navy)  
LCP Dylan Vanore. USMC

"Those who have faith in Me will do the works I do, and far greater than these," Jesus tells His disciples. That's quite an assignment for us as Christian stewards!



## Please Pray for Our Sick

Aquilda Bleakley  
Anna Maria King  
April Anderson  
Ariana Marcette  
Ashley Cooper  
Beatriz Quintero  
Bryanna  
Carmen Theiling  
Cash Krempecki  
Charlie Salerno  
Charles McCloskey  
Charles Scott  
Christine Salerno  
Cynthia Blake  
Dale Nusbaum  
David Leonard  
Deanna Cardillo  
Dennis family  
Derek Patrick Freeman  
Doug Drohan  
Elizabeth Barbonti  
Elizabeth Cretella  
Erik Yoak  
Fran L. Thong  
Gary Martin  
George Bley  
Hank Theiling  
Henry Gardner  
Jack Evans  
Janine Kerry  
Jennifer Cabral  
Jim Popour  
Joan Carter  
Joanie Phillips  
John Frangipane  
John Kortas  
John Relgan  
John Sandor  
Jonathan Schofield  
Joseph Robert Keating  
Joseph Vacellaro



Judy Vershave  
Karen Murphy  
Kathleen Theiling  
Kevin Higgins  
Larry DeCamillo  
Lisa Robak  
Liz Sheehan-Bourke  
Lynn Englehart  
Madison Hope DeVane  
Maria Barros  
Maria Lebone  
Maria Stewart  
Marie Bernadette Lamarre  
Marie Berry  
Mary Callaghan  
Mary Dineen  
Mary Doris Kolesar  
Mary Jane Wahw  
Mason Brian DeVane  
Michell Pinto  
Mina Bico  
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Nancy Wright  
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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 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  
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## 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.







Next week-end is Mother's Day and the SEAS Respect Life Committee will have their annual Mother's Day collection after all masses. These donations will be distributed to our local

pro-life agencies. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

There is so much more to the Respect Life ministry besides saving the unborn from abortion and supporting parents who have chosen LIFE.

Recently the news media has brought attention to assisted suicide. The Catholic Church takes a firm stand against this culture-of-death for a patient to actively end his or her life. The Catechism teaches that "palliative care is a special form of disinterested charity. As such it should be encouraged." CCC #2279 for a full explanation.

The U. S. Catholic Bishops have composed a Catholic Declaration on Life and Death that has been approved by the Florida bishops. "As a gift from God, every human life is sacred from conception to natural death. The life and dignity of every person must be respected and protected at every stage and in every condition." Advance directives: designating a Health Care Surrogate and a Living Will are discussed in "Understanding the Catholic Declaration of Life and Death" -- available at the Respect Life bulletin board (North entrance of Church).

### Prayer for the Grace of a Happy Death

O Blessed Joseph,  
you gave your last breath in the loving  
embrace of Jesus and Mary.  
When the seal of death shall close my life,  
come with Jesus and Mary to aid me.  
Obtain for me this solace for that hour--  
to die with your holy arms around me.  
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
I commend my soul, living and dying,  
into your sacred arms.  
Amen

### \*\*Reminders\*\*

Check Respect Life bulletin board area for current fliers

### Acompañamiento en el proceso del Duelo



"Si estás pasando por la pérdida de un ser querido, dile sí a Jesús y María que quieren acompañarte en ese dolor. Unete al grupo "Acompañamiento en el proceso del Duelo" una vez a la semana y nos ayudamos uno al otro. Para más información comunicarse con Marina Medina en la oficina.

## 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. Éste 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@sacfl.org

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## Homebound and Living Alone?

Do you have a friend or a family member who is a parishioner, homebound, and living alone? If you think they would like to get a phone call from a member of our parish, please give us a call, and we will make arrangements to have someone CALL them.

### Cenáculo

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## This Week In Our Parish

### SUNDAY, May 7

9:00am Coffee & Donuts—Seton Hall  
11:00am SEAS Youth Group Summit—Cody Room

### MONDAY, May 8

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church  
9:30am Rosary Makers-Rectory Meeting Room  
3:30pm Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group—Rectory Meeting Room  
6:00pm Seasons of Hope/Grief Support Group-Rectory Meeting Room  
6:30pm Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group—Men's Club  
7:00pm Baptism Class—Rectory Meeting Room

### TUESDAY, May 9

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church  
9:00am Legion of Mary Meeting-Rectory Meeting Room  
9:15am Health Ministry Meeting—Cody Room  
10:00am Ladies Guild Arts/Crafts—Russo Room  
1:00pm Black Catholic Guild General Meeting—Seton Hall  
1:00pm Building Committee—Rectory Meeting Room  
5:00pm Spanish Choir Practice—Church  
6:00pm Multicultural Group Meeting—Seton Hall  
6:00pm Portuguese Rosary Society-Rectory Meeting Room  
6:00pm Men's Club Meeting—Men's Club  
7:00pm Cenaculo La llama de Amor-Russo Room

### WEDNESDAY, May 10

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  
5:00pm Spanish Bereavement Meeting—Rectory Meeting Room

5:00pm Spiritual Life Committee Meeting—Cody Room  
6:00pm SEASCS Band Concert—Seton Hall  
7:00pm Portuguese Prayer Group—Cody Room

### THURSDAY, May 11

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church  
9:15am Ladies Guild Meeting—Seton Hall  
9:30am Cancer Support Group—Rectory Meeting Room  
1:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group—Russo Room  
7:15pm Divine Mercy Cenacle (Spanish)—Cody Room

### FRIDAY, May 12

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church  
9:30am Library Ministry—Rectory Meeting Room  
9:30am Padre Pio Prayer Group—Cody Room  
1:00pm Sunday Scripture Prayer Group—Rectory Meeting Room  
3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet—Church  
3:30pm Our Lord of Pardon Prayer Meeting—Rectory Meeting Room

### SATURDAY, May 13

9:00am Exposition & Adoration after 8:30am Mass until 10:00am-Church  
9:00am Adoration Prayer Group—Church  
9:00am Lay Carmelite Meeting—Russo Room  
9:30am Respect Life Meeting—Cody Room  
9:30am Great American Bible Study—Rectory Meeting Room  
5:00pm Rosa Mystica Prayer Group—Cody Room

### SUNDAY, May 14

9:00am Coffee & Donuts—Seton Hall  
11:00am SEAS Youth Group Summit—Cody Room

## Ministries

Need to update this list? email [pjenkins@seaspcf.org](mailto:pjenkins@seaspcf.org)

### Prayer And Devotional Groups

#### Adoration

Contact: Gilda Sadio-Kow  
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#### Adoration Prayer Group

Contact: Marilou Mallada  
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#### Adoration of the Most Holy Trinity

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#### Angels of Mercy

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#### Divine Mercy Prayer Group

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#### St. Nino Prayer Group

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#### Lay Carmelites

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#### Hospital Ministry

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| May 13/14                    | Saturday 4:00PM Church            | Saturday 6:00PM St. Stephens | Sunday 8:00AM Church              | Sunday 10:00AM Church                 | Sunday 12:00 PM Church        | Sunday 5:00PM St. Stephens                         |
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