



Our Lady of Grace Parish

"Gathering in Faith ~ Striving in Hope ~ Serving in Love"

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil
4:00 PM

Sunday Masses
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
12:30 PM Spanish Mass

Weekday Masses
9:00 AM Monday to Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays
9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays
2:30 to 3:15 PM

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

**Give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good, his love is
everlasting**

Psalm 118:1

APRIL 16, 2023

Baptisms: Registered parishioners should contact the office to make arrangements. If possible, this should be done at least three months before the birth of your baby. Baptisms will be celebrated in **April, August, and December.**

Marriages: Registered parishioners should contact the office at least one year in advance of making marriage arrangements.

OCIA: This process is open to anyone interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith. Please contact the office.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact the office if you need a priest to come to your home to anoint you, or to be anointed at a weekday Mass.

St. John Paul II Catholic School:

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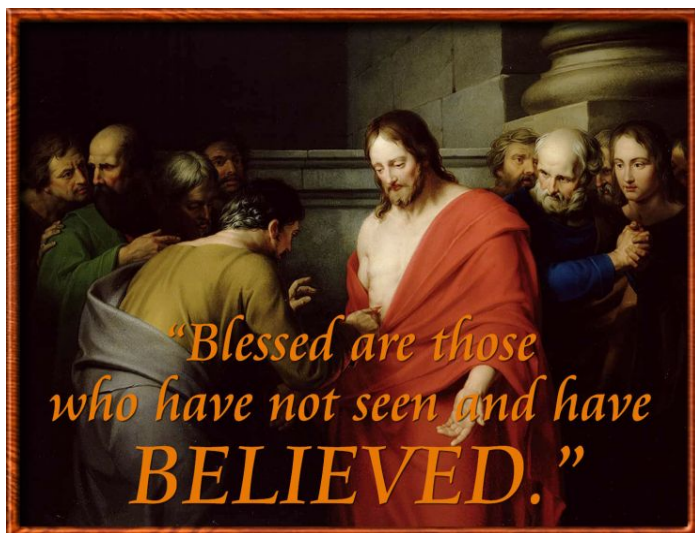
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**Scripture Readings
For the Week of April 16, 2023**

Sunday	Divine Mercy Sunday Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31
Monday	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn: 3:7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday	Third Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

PRAYER

“God of mercy, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth in the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. In celebrating Christ’s resurrection renew your gift of life within us.”
Amen.

Peace be with you



THE EIGHTH DAY IS FREEDOM

Every year, we prepare for Easter with 40 days of penitence, then celebrate Christ’s Resurrection for 50 days! Every day of the Octave of Easter is one long Easter Sunday, liturgically speaking; a week-long day of rejoicing, encompassing the “first day of the week” (Easter Sunday) and the “eighth day” of the week (Divine Mercy Sunday). This “eighth day” becomes the new “first day”, the symbol of the new creation Christ has set in motion.

The eighth day as a sign of holiness and freedom is seen in Scripture, particularly in the Book of Leviticus. On this day, children were circumcised, becoming purified and receiving the seal of the covenant (Lev 12:2-3). Animals were ceremonially unclean before their eighth day, and could not be sacrificed before then (Lev 22:27). All people who were unclean for any reason remained so until the eighth day, when they were accounted clean (Lev 14:8-10; 15:13-14). Even the vessels for ministry and the priests went through seven days of purification, and were “clean” on the eighth day.

The Gospel tells us that Jesus rose on “the first day of the week,” which is the same as the “eighth day.” The Jewish people hold Saturday, the seventh day, as a day of rest and worship, because God rested on the seventh day of creation. But Christians acknowledge that Jesus’ sacrifice on Calvary fulfilled every Levitical oblation and sacrifice, and the resurrection on the “eighth day” points to the NEW creation and the final fulfillment of all creation. In the early Church, the baptismal font was often octagonal, to symbolize that through this font that we become a new creation in Christ!

On Divine Mercy Sunday, we see Jesus putting Thomas’ doubts to rest by revealing his wounds, through which he poured out mercy on the world. It is through these wounds that Jesus gave us the incredible gifts of cleansing and forgiveness and renewal, and here he gives his disciples the authority to forgive in the sacrament of Penance. In Jesus’ many words and actions and miracles, he proved that Love overcomes every sin and shortcoming. On this “eighth day” of Easter, we glimpse the whole point and hear anew the call to fulfillment of all creation: the final victory over every uncleanness and sinfulness, and our final, glorious rest at the Marriage Feast of the Lamb, celebrating the definitive conquering of death on the mystical eighth day of creation in eternity.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, April 17

9:00 AM ✝ DAVID GUMM
By Fred & Sandy Gumm & family

TUESDAY, April 18

9:00 AM ✝ RAPHAEL WILLIAMS
By Cynthia Williams

WEDNESDAY, April 19

9:00 AM ✝ ROSE MARY ROBERTS
By Jeanne Salasek

THURSDAY, April 20

9:00 AM ✝ JEANETTE ARNOLD
By Andy & Mary Arnold

FRIDAY, April 21

9:00 AM ✝ JAMES TRACY
By Christa Tracy

SATURDAY, April 22

4:00 PM ✝ MICHAEL LUPO
By children, Angi, Elena Maria, & Michael

SUNDAY, April 23

8:00 AM ✝ ROBERT NAUGHTON
By wife, Mary Naughton
10:30 AM ✝ HELEN LANGIS
By Pat & Jim Louque
12:30 PM ✝ ANSELMO COLON
By wife, Rita

Pray for our sick...



Vince Wojteczko, Mary Gruss, Alma Eberle, Shirley Pell, Ken Goss, Andrea Gumaskas, Joanie Hayward, Alberto Sitchon, James Smith, Ileen Jervis, Anna Palmer, John Rodgers, Eric Hoyer, Diego Bertagna, Gene Brizuela, Mary Iosso, Michael Alberts, Bonnie Johnson, Johnny Esteves, Ed Matos, Angelita Uy, Aline Castonguay, Enoc Moreno, Jr., Joe Carta, Remy Natividad, Mary Petersen, Johnny Rodriguez, Patricia Wescott, Odie Malave, Jaimie Farmer, Diane Citron Richard Cangelosi, Pat Reinchuck, Al LeBlanc.

APRIL 2023

ALTAR CANDLES

In Memory of
EUGENE COSTALES
& BELEN LOPEZ

By May & Grace Costales

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of
MR. & MRS. TED LAPOINTE, SR.

By Ted & Pat

BREAD & WINE

In Memory of
ROGER DeGRANDPRE
& LISA ZIEGERT

By Janis DeGrandpre



Discipleship through Stewardship
and
Sacrificial Giving

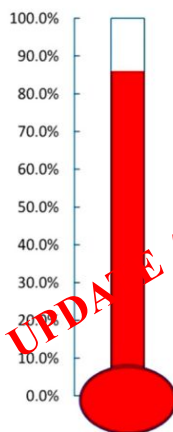
Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides the tangible proof of His resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple? What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?

	April 2, 2023	April 9, 2023
Offertory	\$6,669.11	EASTER
Online Giving	\$ 585.00	\$10,193.79
Catholic School Support	\$1,759.25	



DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG
CATHOLIC MINISTRY Next week's second collection is for Catholic Ministry Appeal.

Our Goal: \$63,812



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CATHOLIC MINISTRY

As of 4/04/2022
Pledged Amt: \$54,744
Pct. Achieved: 85.8%
No. of Families: 850
No. of Pledges: 241
% of Families Pledged: 28.4%



PASCHAL CANDLE

In Memory of
DESI SEGUNDO









By wife, Ely & Family



Please remember...

Our Lady of Grace in your Will
Will terminology for leaving gifts to the Church:

Gregory L Parkes, as Bishop of the Diocese of St. Peterburg, a corporate sole, for the benefit of Our Lady of Grace Church, Beverly Hills, FL."

March/April 2023 WISH LIST		
NEEDS	DEEDS	WISHES
Generosity from the heart. Ministers of Hospitality Please think about joining our Hospitality Ministers at the mass you usually attend. Greeting our Parishioners is one of the important parts of this ministry. 	Ongoing or one time tasks. Altar Servers Have you ever been inspired to serve on the alter at mass? Please consider becoming a server at 4:00, 8:00 or 10:30. Training is provided. Pray over this please. <i>We really need help!</i> Your Church Needs You! 	You can grant a wish! Eucharistic Ministers Home bound and Nursing Homes. We wish for you to consider being a Eucharistic Minister to bring Jesus to our confined members after any mass. This is a most gratifying ministry. Just seeing their smiles is a joy! The Home Bound Needs You 
PROOF READER Our Parish News Letter "NEWS From The PEWS" Needs a Proof Reader Is this your calling? 	READERS At the mass of your choice If you feel a calling to join our Reader Team you would be most welcome. 	FAITH FORMATION  Please consider being a catechist for our SIXTH GRADE Students starting in April. Educating these children in why we follow Jesus as we do is a most rewarding experience.
Sunday Mass Please consider becoming a Eucharistic Minister to serve at the masses. It is such a heart warming experience to assist with the distribution of The Body of Christ!	Feeding the Homeless This ministry depends on donations either monetary or gift cards for Walmart or Winn -Dixie. HELP THE HOMELESS	PLEASE If you know anyone who can make <u>plastic mats</u> from plastic Grocery bags please let them know we need them for the homeless in our area. They can teach us how to do this. 
HOSPITALITY If you like greeting people and welcoming them please consider becoming a Hospitality Minister at the mass you usually attend. Just call the office to sign up.	Feeding the Homeless Should you like to join one of the teams that bring food to the homeless you would be most welcomed. There is always a need for one more!	To reply or make inquiries about any of the items on this page please call the office. 352-746-2144 THANK YOU 

YOUTH GROUP
THIS WEEK WEDNESDAY
7-8:30 PM
PLC
 EVERY 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

ALL YOUTH FROM 6TH-12TH GRADE ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE

IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION TEXT MS. MYLENE AT (352) 422-3491




GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Have you lost a loved one and are now or sometimes feeling the weight of that loss? Have you been through a loss and now feel strength and want to share hope with others? There is support for you in our community. Come and join a group that seeks to find joy in life each day through learning, shared stories, support and scripture. The Grief Support Group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 5:00pm in the conference room of the Parish Life Center. You are welcome to join us.



Coping with DEMENTIA LLC

Annual Dementia Conference
April 20, 2023, 9:30AM-3:00PM

Our church is hosting this conference again this year. There are many speakers expert in their field of "Coping With Dementia". Should you have a loved one, a neighbor, a friend etc. who is suffering with dementia of any kind this is a great opportunity for you to come and listen to these professionals speak. Light lunch is provided.

To reserve please call the parish office, 746-2144.



May 6th is the last market for the season. We close for the summer and reopen Labor Day weekend. Drop off your donations at the parish garage. Call the office when leaving home and we will be ready for you. Sell your goods for \$15 a space, call Rose Mary 527-6459 for reservation.



Various gift items for baptism, confirmation, graduation, etc., are available to purchase at our parish gift shop. Thank you.



**Ladies Auxiliary
Knights of Columbus
Abbot Francis Sadlier Council 6168**



We are having our next monthly meeting on April 26, 2023 at 1 pm in the K of C Hall. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Zachary Rigsby of Brashear's Pharmacy. He will speak to us on diet and exercise, topics near and dear to our heart. This session will be educational!

We are collecting nonperishable food items that will be used to feed the homeless in our community, so any donation you can bring will be appreciated.

Membership is open to all Catholic women in Citrus County. We hope to see you!

Please call Denise Uva at (973) 896-7180 if you have any questions.

Hispanic Ministry FUNDRAISER SUNDAY, April 23, 2023 @ 11:00 AM

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CPR/AED Class in the PLC

There is a plan to offer you a class in CPR/AED (defibrillator) techniques.

The instructor is AHA qualified as well as being a parishioner.

This is being offered especially to the Ministers of Hospitality however it is open to anyone interested. Time and date has not been decided. If interested call Rose Mary at 352-527-6459.

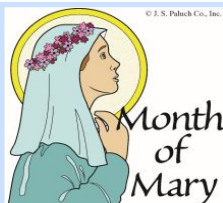


Canned Veggies, Canned Fruit, Soup,
Canned Tuna, Mac & Cheese,
Toilet Paper

DROP OFF DAY
April 18th A.M. ONLY



We would like to deeply acknowledge and thank our seasonal parishioners/snowbirds who join us each year at Our Lady of Grace Church. Your presence is a wonderful addition to our parish and greatly appreciated! See you in Fall!



Month
of
Mary

During the month of May
Rosary at the Grotto
6:00PM Monday-Friday
Bring a chair if needed.
Please come & join us!

2023 Triduum



The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

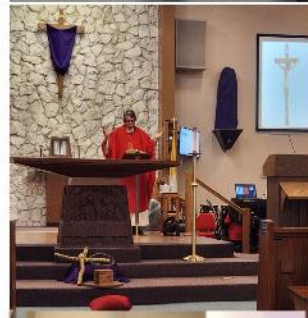
The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

The liturgical services that take place during the Triduum are:

*Mass of the
Lord's Supper
Holy
Thursday*



Lord's Passion



*Mass of the Resurrection
of the Lord*



La misericordia del Señor es eterna

Salmo 117, 1

El Octavo Día es de la Libertad

Cada año, me sorprende que nos preparemos para la Pascua con 40 días de penitencia y luego ¡celebrems la Resurrección de Cristo durante 50 días! Cada día de la Octava de Pascua es un largo Domingo de Pascua, litúrgicamente hablando; un día de regocijo de una semana de duración, que abarca el “primer día de la semana” (Domingo de Pascua) y el “octavo día” de la semana (Domingo de la Divina Misericordia). Este “octavo día” se convierte en el nuevo “primer día”, símbolo de la nueva creación que Cristo ha puesto en marcha.

El octavo día como signo de santidad y libertad se ve en las Escrituras, particularmente en el Libro de Levítico. En este día, los niños fueron circuncidados, siendo purificados y recibiendo el sello del pacto (Lv 12:2-3). Los animales eran ceremonialmente impuros antes del octavo día y no podían ser sacrificados antes de esa fecha (Lv 22:27). Todas las personas que eran inmundas por cualquier motivo permanecían así hasta el octavo día, cuando eran consideradas limpias (Lv 14, 8-10; 15, 13-14). Incluso los vasos para el ministerio y los sacerdotes pasaron por siete días de purificación, y estaban "limpios" en el octavo día.

El Evangelio nos dice que Jesús resucitó “el primer día de la semana”, que es lo mismo que el “octavo día”. El pueblo judío tiene el sábado, el séptimo día, como un día de descanso y adoración, porque Dios descansó en el séptimo día de la creación. Pero los cristianos reconocen que el sacrificio de Jesús en el Calvario cumplió con cada oblación y sacrificio levítico, y la resurrección en el "octavo día" apunta a la NUEVA creación y el cumplimiento final de toda la creación. En la Iglesia primitiva, la pila bautismal a menudo era octogonal, para simbolizar que a través de esta pila nos convertimos en una nueva creación en Cristo.

En el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, vemos a Jesús disipando las dudas de Tomás al revelar sus heridas, a través de las cuales derramó misericordia sobre el mundo. Es a través de estas heridas que Jesús nos dio los dones increíbles de la limpieza y el perdón y la renovación, y aquí les da a sus discípulos la autoridad para perdonar en el sacramento de la Penitencia. En muchas palabras, acciones y milagros de Jesús, demostró que el Amor vence todo pecado y defecto. En este “octavo día” de Pascua, vislumbramos todo el punto y escuchamos de nuevo el llamado al cumplimiento de toda la creación: la victoria final sobre toda inmundicia y pecado, y nuestro descanso final y glorioso en la Fiesta de las Bodas del Cordero, celebrando el conquista definitiva de la muerte en el místico octavo día de la creación en la eternidad.

En el Diario de Santa Faustina Kowalska, Jesús revela su deseo de que este día sea “refugio y cobijo para todas las almas... En ese día, se abren las profundidades mismas de Mi tierna misericordia. Derramo todo un océano de gracias sobre aquellas almas que se acercan a la Fuente de Mi Misericordia.” ¡Acerquémonos, pues, con alegría a esa Fuente, confesándonos y recibéndolo en la Comunión para acoger el Don de su amor sanador!

Lecturas de las Escrituras Para la Semana del 16 de Abril de 2023

Domingo Segundo Domingo de Pascua, Domingo de Divina Misericordia

Hch 2, 42-47; Sal 117, 2-4. 13-15. 22-24; 1 Ped 1, 3-9; Jn 20, 19-31

Lunes Hch 4, 23-31; Sal 2, 1-3. 4-6. 7-9; Jn 3, 1-8

Martes Hch 4, 32-37; Sal 92, 1ab. 1c-2. 5; Jn 3, 7-15

Miércoles Hch 5, 17-26; Sal 33, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9; Jn 3, 16-21

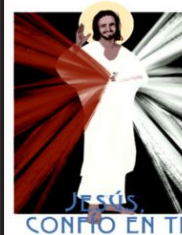
Jueves Hch 5, 27-33; Sal 33, 2 y 9. 17-18. 19-20; Jn 3, 31-36

Viernes Hch 5, 34-42; Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14; Jn 6, 1-15

Sábado Hch 6, 1-7; Sal 32, 1-2. 4-5. 18-19; Jn 6, 16-21

Domingo Tercer Domingo de Pascua

Hch 2, 14. 22-33; Sal 15, 1-2a. y 5. 7-8. 9-10. 11; 1 Ped 1, 17-21; Lc 24, 13-35



ORACIÓN

“Dios de misericordia, que lavas nuestros pecados con agua, nos das un nuevo nacimiento en el Espíritu y nos redimes en la sangre de Cristo. Al celebrar la resurrección de Cristo, renueva tu don de vida dentro de nosotros”. Amen



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