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8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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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

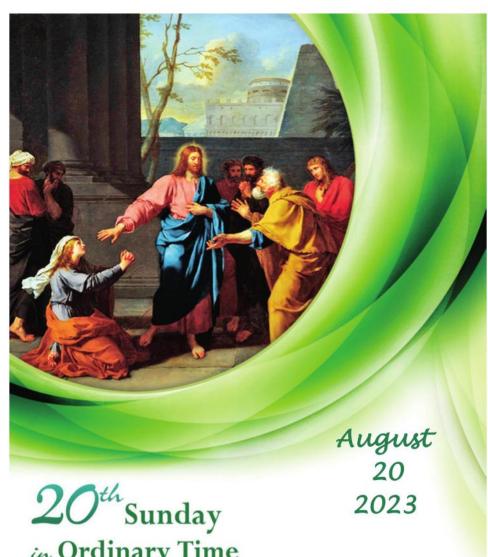
9:00 AM Monday to Friday

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

First Fridays 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays 2:30 to 3:15 PM



in Ordinary Time

"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that hour.

Matthew 15:28

Christ and the Canaanite Woman by Jean Germain Droug

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#### **PRAYER**

"God our Father, may we love you in all things and above all things and reach the joy you have prepared for us beyond our imagining." Amen.



Scripture Readings For the Week of August 20, 2023

**Sunday 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom

11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Monday Memorial of St. Pius X, Pope

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-

40; 43ab & 44; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday** Memorial of the Queenship of the

**Blessed Virgin Mary** 

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14;

Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday Memorial of St. Rose of Lima,

Virgin

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt

20:1-16

Thursday Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13,

17-18: Jn 1:45-51

Friday Memorial of St. Louis of France

and St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-

6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2,

3, 4, 5; Mt 23:1-12

**Sunday** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8;

Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



All ladies of Our Lady of Grace Parish are invited to come and join our group of shawl makers. We meet every first Wednesday of each month

at 11AM in the PLC. Please contact the Parish Office 746-2144 or Pat Howland 746-1626 for more details. Starting September 6<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you!

#### A CLEVER WOMAN OF FAITH

Why is Jesus being so difficult with the Canaanite woman? At first he seems to be putting her off. He does this not to discourage her, but to draw a response of faith. He wants to see how persistent she is in her request.

We can tell ourselves that we are people of faith, but how easily are we discouraged? Do we think God has forgotten us when we experience trouble? The woman's clever reply to Jesus reminds us that she trusted in Jesus' power and willingness to help. She refused to give up and stop asking.

Jesus was also teaching his disciples that faith is more important than nationality. Long after Jesus' resurrection, the church struggled with the question of non-Jewish believers. Today, we may be doing the same thing in reverse. Some people think that only Catholics can be saved and that there is no hope for Protestants, much less for Jews. But though some rejected Jesus, God never rejected the Jews.

Finally, Jesus responded to her persistence. He shows us that we can keep praying till we get an answer to our prayer. The more time we spend in prayer, the more likely we are to listen to God's answer. Prayer can help us come to the peaceful acceptance that God only does what is best for us.

### Parent Support Group for those with Children on the Spectrum



Are you a parent who would be interested in gathering with other parents loving children on the Autism Spectrum? If so, please join us the first Tuesday of each month beginning September 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm-7:30pm in the educational wing of the Parish Life Center. We will meet to learn, build relationships and share information.



#### **CHARISMATIC COMMUNITY**

Prayer Meeting

Every Tuesday at 3 PM will resume September 5<sup>th</sup> at the PLC. Everybody is invited.



Join us in praying the rosary at 8:00 AM before the Mass starts, Monday-Friday.

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, August 21

9:00 AM VALERIE MITCHELL By Aveline Perkins

**TUESDAY, August 22** 

9:00 AM & LINDA QUILANETA By Myrna Sokol

**WEDNESDAY**, August 23

9:00 AM DELOUAN MCARTHY By husband, Michael

**THURSDAY, August 24** 

9:00 AM THANKSGIVING-ACOSTA FAMILY By Cora & Ben

FRIDAY, August 25

9:00 AM ⊕ DEAN VALENTINE

By Eileen Banko & Barbara Barthels

SATURDAY, August 26

4:00 PM ♥ 60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY By Herbert & Delphine Murfin

SUNDAY, August 27

8:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30 AM ⊕ MATTEO CARUSO

By wife, Annette

#### Pray for our sick...

Vince Wojteczko, Mary Gruss, Alma Eberle, Ken Goss, Sasha Orbino,

Andrea Gumaskas, Joanie Hayward, Alberto Sitchon, James Smith, Ileen Jervis, Anna Palmer, John Rodgers, Diego Bertagna, Gene Brizuela, Mary Iosso, Michael Alberts, Bonnie Johnson, Angelita Uy, Aline Castonguay, Enoc Moreno, Jr., Ed Matos, Remy Natividad, Mary Petersen, Johnny Rodriguez, Patricia Wescott, Odie Malave, Jaimie Farmer, Diane Citron, Richard Cangelosi, Bill Ward, Robert Bland, Al LeBlanc, Karen & George Yantis.



#### **BREAD & WINE**

August 14-20, 2023

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By wife, Barbara

#### **AUGUST 2023**



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By wife, Vener



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PATRICIA GRIFFIN FREDA

By husband, Michael

# Discipleship through Stewardship and Sacrificial Giving

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable."

—Romans 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.

August 13, 2023	
Offertory	\$7,555.22
Online Giving	\$1,197.00
Assumption 8/15	\$2,109.00





Cereal, Soup, Toilet Paper, Mac & Cheese

DROP OFF DAYS Sept. 12th & 19th A.M. ONLY



OPENING Starts September 9<sup>th</sup> PLC



#### Remember Our Deceased

We remember our brothers and sisters who have died recently. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light

shine upon them.

SHIRLEY PELL LORRAINE STRONG

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#### What You Need to Know about the National Eucharistic Revival?

June 23, 2023 | The National Eucharistic Revival, which launched on the feast of Corpus Christi in 2022, has a mission to "renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the holy Eucharist," as stated on its website. Sponsored by the U.S. Catholic bishops, the revival aims to inspire people to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist.

Here is what you need to know about the National Eucharistic Revival:

#### What is the National Eucharistic Revival?

The National Eucharistic Revival is a three-year initiative by the U.S. bishops that aims to inspire, educate, and unite the faithful in a more intimate relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist. In a society where the Lord is often forgotten and even a majority of Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the revival is meant to rededicate the entire nation to the eucharistic Jesus.

The U.S. bishops hope to change the lives of Catholics and non-Catholics alike through a series of Eucharist-centric events including Eucharistic pilgrimages across the nation and a National Eucharistic Congress in 2024.

As the campaign organizers say on the revival's website, those who have been "healed, converted, formed, and unified" by the Eucharist have a mission to teach others "for the life of the world." This is what the National Eucharistic Revival envisions for the future of this movement.

#### Why are the U.S. bishops doing this?

According to <u>Pew Research Center</u>, only 31% of Catholics believe in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. It is up to that 31% to spread the truth to all. As the revival website says: "We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith — his real presence in the holy Eucharist."

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#### Official Announcement

#### Office of the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs

#### **Decline to Sign Petitions for Dangerous Pro-Abortion Ballot Initiative**

An extremely grave initiative is underway in Florida that seeks to erase pro-life protections by banning government regulation of abortion in our state constitution. A network of abortion activists are working to gather petition signatures to have a pro-abortion constitutional amendment placed on the statewide ballot in the November 2024 election. In order to do so, they need nearly 900,000 thousand signatures and are working right now in communities across Florida to collect them.

This amendment is deeply concerning because it will allow all abortions to be obtained until viability and includes a broad "health" loophole, essentially allowing abortion on demand up to birth. The amendment would hinder the Florida legislature's ability to protect women and children from abortion. It could also nullify current laws requiring parental consent before minors obtain abortions and a 24-hour waiting period prior to abortions, as well as the 15-week and 6-week abortion laws recently passed by the legislature.

Floridians should not sign the petition. Declining to sign is not impeding the democratic process; it is taking a stand against what would be a terrible state policy. The FCCB is following developments in the initiative process closely and diligently preparing to help defeat it. Continue your prayers for the protection of the unborn and spread the word to your spheres of influence.

Thank you for helping to protect and respect all human life, especially the most vulnerable. To see more resources and information from the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops, please go to <a href="https://flaccb.org/">https://flaccb.org/</a>.



Make a Difference: Your time and efforts will directly impact the lives of pregnant women, couples, and families in need. Together, we can provide the support and care they deserve, and save lives.

Build Relationships: Connect with a diverse group of individuals who share your passion for helping others. Forge lasting friendships and create a supportive community.

Receive comprehensive training and ongoing support from our experienced team.

Gain valuable skills and experience in counseling, communication, and community outreach.



As we approach the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the Flea Market it gets more and more exciting to see the increased

Interest from both vendors and shoppers. If you have not yet visited us on the first Saturday of the month perhaps you would enjoy the experience. We are open from 8:00 to 1:00.

Donations are welcome for us to sell at our church table. Ready to donate? Just call the parish office to arrange a time for drop-off and the garage will be open for you.



The canteen (food counter) must be available for the vendors as well as the workers. This requires more help than usual since the PLC is our church! One or two people to cover the beverages from the door to the

kitchen and more help from the temporary kitchen being set up in classroom A-B. You will be taking orders and dealing with the customers, not cooking. Please help us keep this available for those who work so hard at the market. Call Rose Mary 352-527-6459 for more information and to volunteer.



#### **Adult Faith Formation**



Join us every Wednesday, at 11:00am in the educational wing of the Parish Life Center as we begin breaking open the scriptures and "discovering the Mass in the

Old and New Testaments." This is a 10 week look through the scriptures with Dr. Brant Pitre of the Augustine Institute in which we hope to grow in our understanding of the Mass so we may more fully encounter Jesus in the Eucharist. All are welcome to join us for Lectio: Eucharist







Explore the depths of life's purpose and what it means for you. Join us to watch and discuss **The Search**, a beautiful new video program that explores life's big questions.

Join us beginning Thursday, Sept. 7th at 10:00am -11:30am OR Tuesday, Sept. 12th at 7:00pm-8:30pm. Join us for 7 weeks as we look at life's deepest questions.

Parishioner Tom Corcoran will facilitate.

Please RSVP to the parish office or
to faithformation@ourladyofgracefl.org
by September 1st



<u>Baptisms</u>: 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 three times a year.

<u>Marriages</u>: 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.

<u>Sacrament of the Sick</u>: 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.

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Lecturas de las Escrituras Para la Semana del 20 de Agosto de 2023

Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Domingo

**Ordinario** 

Is 56, 1. 6-7; Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 6 y 8; Rom 11, 13-15. 29-32; Mt 15, 21-28

Lunes Memoria de San Pío X, Papa

Ju 2, 11-19; Sal 105, 34-35. 36-37. 39

-40, 43ab v 44; Mt 19, 16-22

Martes Memoria de Nuestra Señora María

Reina

Ju 6, 11-24; Sal 84, 9. 11-12. 13-14;

Mt 19, 23-30

Miércoles Memoria de Santa Rosa de Lima,

Virgen

Ju 9, 6-15; Sal 20, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7; Mt

20, 1-16

Jueves Fiesta de San Bartolomé, Apóstol

Apoc 21, 9b-14; Sal 144, 10-11. 12-

13ab. 17-18; Jn 1, 45-51

Viernes Memoria de San Luis y San José

Calasanz, Presbítero

Rut 1, 1. 3-6. 14b-16. 22; Sal 145, 5-6ab. 6c-7. 8-9a. 9bc-10; Mt 22, 34-40

Rut 2, 1-3. 8-11; 4, 13-17; Sal 127, 1-Sábado

2. 3. 4-5; Mt 23, 1-12

Vigésimo Primero Domingo del Domingo

Tiempo Ordinario

Is 22, 19-23; Sal 137, 1-2a. 2bc-3. 6 y 8bc; Rom 11, 33-36; Mt 16, 13-20

#### **ORACIÓN**

"Dios Padre nuestro, que te amemos en todas las cosas y sobre todas las cosas y alcancemos la alegría que nos has preparado más allá de nuestra imaginación." Amén.

#### Una mujer de fe inteligente

¿Por qué Jesús se porta de esa forma con la mujer cananea? Al principio parece que la está desanimando. No lo hace para desanimarla, sino para obtener una respuesta de fe. Quiere ver si va a pedir con persistencia.

Podemos decirnos a nosotros mismos que somos personas de fe, pero ¿nos desanimamos fácilmente? ¿Pensamos que Dios se ha olvidado de nosotros cuando estamos con problemas? La respuesta inteligente de la mujer a Jesús nos recuerda que ella confiaba en el poder y la voluntad de Jesús de ayudarla. No se dio por vencida ni dejó de pedir.

Jesús también estaba enseñando a sus discípulos que la fe es más importante que la nacionalidad. Mucho después de la resurrección de Jesús, la iglesia batallaba con la cuestión de los creventes no judíos. Puede ser que hoy en día hacemos lo mismo pero al revés. Algunas personas piensan que solo los católicos pueden salvarse y que no hay esperanza para los protestantes y mucho menos para los judíos. Pero aunque algunos rechazaron a Jesús, Dios nunca rechazó a los judíos.

Al final, Jesús respondió a su persistencia. Nos demuestra que podemos seguir orando hasta obtener una respuesta a nuestra oración. Mientras pasamos más tiempo en la oración, es más probable que escuchemos la respuesta de Dios. La oración puede ayudarnos a aceptar con tranquilidad que Dios solo hace lo que es mejor para nosotros. Por Tom Schmidt



To learn more:

https://eucharisticrevival.org/ **Diocesan Resource Page:** https://www.dosp.org/revival/

Es allí en Su Eucaristía que Él me dice: "Tengo sed, sed de tu amor, de tus sacrificios, de tu sufrimientos Tengo sed de vuestra felicidad, porque para salvaros vine al mundo, sufrí y morí en la Cruz, y para consolaros y fortaleceros os dejé la Eucaristía. Así tenéis allí toda Mi vida, toda mi ternura" (Madre María de Jesús, fundadora de las Hermanas de María Reparadora).

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