

Oscar Ray Bolin, Jr. is scheduled to be executed by the State of Florida on January 7 at 6:00 p.m. for the 1986 murder of Teri Lynn Matthews. Bolin is serving a separate death sentence for the murder of Stephanie Collins and received a life sentence for the murder of Natalie Blanche Holley. Prior to Bolin's scheduled execution, Catholic faithful and members of the community will gather at the following times and locations to pray for victims and aggressor, and their families, for our society which continues to impose violence in return for violence, and for an end to the use of the death penalty.

Archdiocese of Miami

St. Martha Catholic Church, 9401 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami Shores, Thursday, January 7, following 11:45 a.m. Mass. Contact: Juan Di Prado, (305) 762-1046, jdiprado@theadom.org.

In front of the Key West courthouse, intersection of Whitehead and Fleming Streets, Key West, Thursday January 7, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Contact: Patrice Schwermer, pschwermer@ccadm.org.

Diocese of St. Augustine

In front of the St. Augustine Beach City Hall, corner of A1A and 16th Street, St. Augustine Beach, Thursday, January 7, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Contact: Nancy O'Byrne, (904) 461-9216, obyren@bellsouth.net.

In front of the new Duval County Unified Courthouse, 501 W. Adams Street, Jacksonville, Thursday, January 7, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Contact: Jackie Gunning, (904) 449-3328, jacqueline.gunning@bmcjax.com or Sr. Maureen Kelley at (904) 704-0313, mkelleyop@att.net.

In front of the Flagler County Courthouse, 1769 E. Moody Blvd, Bunnell, Thursday, January 7, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Contact: Don Gregg, (386) 445-9637, dgregg2@cfl.rr.com.

Across the highway from the Florida State Prison Execution Building, Starke, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Contact: John Linnehan, (904) 504-1004, metanoia.mx@gmail.com.

A carpool will be leaving from the parking lot of St. Augustine Church and Catholic Student Center, 1738 W. University Avenue, Gainesville, Thursday, January 7, 4:30 p.m. to attend the prayer service at Florida State Prison near Starke. Contact: Michelle Garcia, (352) 372-3533, info@catholicgators.com.

Additional Contact: Kathleen Bagg, Office of Communications, Diocese of St. Augustine, (904) 262-3200.

Diocese of St. Petersburg

Spirit FM 90.5 WBVM Tampa will be praying on air, Thursday, January 7, 5:50 p.m. Spirit FM is also available on the internet (www.spiritfm905.com).

St. Vincent DePaul, 4843 Mile Stretch Drive, Holiday, Wednesday, January 6, 5:00 p.m. Contact: Sabrina Burton Schultz, Diocese of St. Petersburg, (727) 344-1611, sab@dosp.org.

Diocese of Orlando

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 526 North Park Avenue, Winter Park, Tuesday, January 5, 5:00 p.m.

St. Patrick Catholic Church, 6803 Old Hwy 441 South, Mt. Dora, Wednesday, January 6, 11:00 a.m.

A bus will be leaving from the parking lot of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 201 University Blvd., Daytona Beach, Thursday January 7, 2:30 p.m. to attend the prayer service at Florida State Prison near Starke.

Contact: Office of Advocacy and Justice, advocacyjustice@orlandodiocese.org or (407) 658-1818 ext. 2086.

Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel, 19 N Palafox St, Pensacola, Thursday, January 7, 11:00 a.m. (CDT). Contact: (850) 438-4985.

Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 10650 Gulf Beach Hwy., Pensacola. Contact: (850) 492-0837

St. Mary Catholic Church, 110 St. Mary Ave SW, Fort Walton Beach, Tuesday, January 5, 6:00 p.m. (CDT). Contact: (850) 243-3742.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 1008 Fortune Avenue, Panama City, Monday, January 4, 7:00 p.m. (CDT). Contact: (850) 763-1821, stj.office@knology.net.

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 4665 Thomasville Rd, Tallahassee, Wednesday, January 6, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Contact: (850) 339-7847.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2750 South Byron Butler Parkway, Perry, Thursday, January 7, 3:00 p.m.

Additional Contact: Deacon Ray Aguado, (850) 435-3531, aguador@ptdiocese.org.

Tallahassee Citizens Against the Death Penalty will sponsor an interfaith prayer vigil scheduled for Thursday, January 7 at 6:00 p.m. in front of the Governor's Mansion in Tallahassee and a service of remembrance in the Capitol Building Plaza Level Rotunda the day after the execution, Friday, January 8 at noon. Contact: Sheila Meehan, (850) 524-0080.

Diocese of Palm Beach

Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola, 9999 N. Military Trail, Palm Beach Gardens, Thursday, January 7, 5:30 p.m. The service will be followed by a procession and silent vigil in front of the Cathedral from 5:45-6:15 p.m. Contact: Dianne Laubert, (561) 313-2280, dlaubert@diocesepb.org.

Diocese of Venice

St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church, 1922 SW 20th Avenue, Cape Coral, Wednesday, January 6, 7:00 p.m. Contact: Maria, (239) 540-7096, maria1403@juno.com.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 425 South Tamiami Trail, Osprey, Thursday, January 7, 5:30 p.m. Contact: Parish office (941) 966-0807.

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 2500 Easy St., Port Charlotte, Thursday, January 7, 5:45 p.m.

Sacred Heart Church, 211 West Charlotte Ave., Punta Gorda, Thursday, January 7, 5:30 p.m.

San Pedro Church, 14380 Tamiami Trail, North Port, Thursday, January 7, 5:30 p.m.

Additional Contact: Jeanne Berdeaux, (941) 441-1101 or berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org.