

Saint Lucie Catholic Church

Port St. Lucie, Florida



Franciscan Friars

Pastor:

Fr. Mark A. Szanyi, OFM Conv.

Parochial Vicars:

Fr. Paul Gabriel, OFM Conv.

Fr. Milton Torres, OFM Conv.

Assisting:

Fr. Curt Kreml, OFM Conv.

Deacons:

Vincent Cookingham,
Charles Immordino, Dale Konas,
Carlos Melendez

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

- 7:30 AM In thanksgiving to God for Mildred
Orrange on her 99th birthday
by Fr. Mark
- 8:30 AM Rose Pipino✙
by Louise Nardo Sulzer

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

- 7:30 AM Members of the Ashley Family,
living and deceased✙
by Glen and Jane Ashley
- 8:30 AM Mr. Michele Macari✙
by Ethel Salvo Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

- 7:30 AM Living Benefactors of the
Franciscan Order
- 8:30 AM Andrew Frachette✙
by Vivian Lombardi

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

- 7:30 AM Peggy Wall✙
by Rosary Makers of St. Lucie
- 8:30 AM Michael Pepe✙
by Fred Krass

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

- 7:30 AM Mary A. DiDona✙
by Her daughter
- 8:30 AM Margaret Doherty✙
by Ethel Salvo and Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

- 8:30 AM James Jaworski✙
by Richard and Barbara Jaworski
- 4:00 PM Loretta and John Fairweather✙
by The Hannan Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

- 7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Lucie
- 9:30 AM Bernadette Hreso✙
by The Prince Family
- 11:30 AM Lynne Nungesser✙
by Ed and Jean Nystrom
- 5:00 PM Patricia Foster✙
by Rich and Joan Amione
- 7:00 PM Deceased Benefactors of the
Franciscan Order✙

Have you remembered St. Lucie Parish In your will and estate planning? Gifts provided through wills and trusts enable donors to make significant contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime. Thank you for your consideration.

Thank you for your offertory donations! Comparison

September 8, 2019	September 6, 2020
\$ 11,681	\$ 10,039 Church Offering
\$ 2,680	\$ 5,027 On Line Giving

OFFERTORY

Next weekend, September 19th and 20th, there are two collections. The first supports St. Lucie Parish. The second collection helps with Catholic school support at St. Lucie. Thank you for your generosity!

2020 Diocesan Services Appeal – St. Lucie Parish Goal: \$199,000

To date, we have **673 donors** donating
\$180,295 in cash and pledges. Thank you!
We need \$18,704 to meet our goal!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the deceased of the parish, especially those who passed away recently. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please remember in your Masses and prayers, the sick whose names have been placed before our altar this week. If possible, try to participate in one of our Masses to join fellow worshipers in praying for them.

QUESTIONS OF CHURCH TEACHINGS?

Send questions to Deacon Vincent P. Cookingham, Ph. D.
– deacon@Reagan.com

NEW PARISH EMAIL!

EMAIL: parishoffice@stlucie.cc

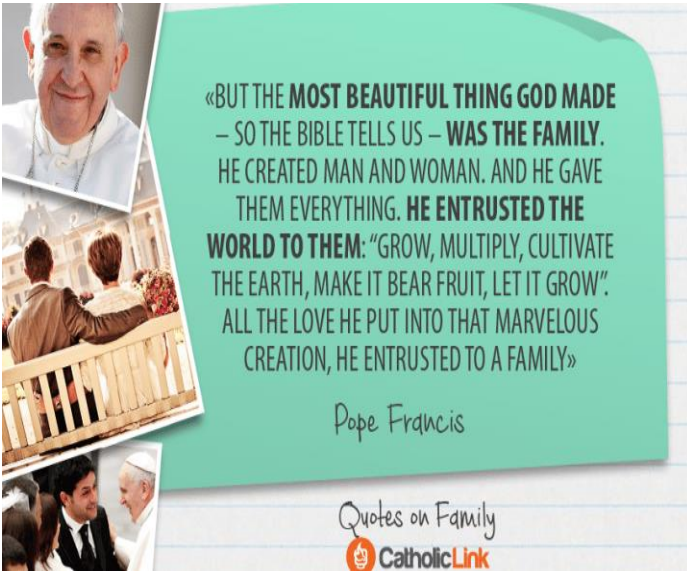
EUCCHARISTIC INTENTION

The bread and wine for Sunday, September 13 through Saturday, September 19, 2020 was donated in thanksgiving for blessings.
Anonymous

Many of the debts we owe to God are payable to man.

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2020

READING(S) 1 st	2 nd	RESPONSORIAL PSALM	GOSPEL
Sun. 09/13 SIR 27:30—28:7	ROM 14:7-9	PS 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12	MT 18:21-35
Mon. 09/14 NM 21:4B-9	PHIL 2:6-11	PS 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38	JN 3:13-17
Tue. 09/15 1 COR 12:12-14, 27-31A		PS 10:1B-2, 3, 4, 5	JN 19:25-27
Wed. 09/16 1 COR 12:31-13:13		PS 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 AND 22	LK 7:31-35
Thu. 09/17 1 COR 15:1-11		PS 118:1B-2, 16AB-17, 28	LK 7:36-50
Fri. 09/18 1 COR 15:12-20		PS 17:1BCD, 6-7, 8B AND 15	LK 8:1-3
Sat. 09/19 1 COR 15:35-37, 42-49		PS 56:10C-12, 13-14	LK 8:4-15
Sun. 09/20 IS 55:6-9	PHIL 1:20C-24, 27A	PS 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18	MT 20:1-16A



FORMED®

Stlucie.formed.org is the place to go for free movies, audios, books, etc... Try this site out. Our parish has a special subscription so that all parishioners may access the site!

TODAY IS GRANDPARENTS DAY

Lord Jesus,
 you were born of the Virgin Mary,
 the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
 Look with love on grandparents the world over.
 Protect them! They are a source of enrichment
 for families, for the Church and for all of society.
 Support them! As they grow older,
 may they continue to be for their families
 strong pillars of Gospel faith,
 guardians of noble domestic ideals,
 living treasures of sound religious traditions.
 Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
 that they may pass on to future generations the fruits
 of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,
 help families and society
 to value the presence and roles of grandparents.
 May they never be ignored or excluded,
 but always encounter respect and love.
 Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed
 in all the years of life which you give them.
 Mary, Mother of all the living,
 keep grandparents constantly in your care,
 accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,
 and by your prayers, grant that all families
 may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,
 where you await all humanity
 for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

Pope Benedict XVI, 2008

St. Lucie Gift Shop

280 SW Prima Vista Blvd.
878 -4135

Monday:	Closed	Credit cards accepted. No Tax,
Tuesday:	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	
Wednesday:	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	
Thursday:	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	
Friday:	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	
Saturday:	1:30 PM – 5:30 PM	
Sunday:	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM	

*Accept what is, let go of what was,
 and have faith in what can be.*

WHAT SHALL I RETURN TO THE LORD FOR ALL THE LORD HAS GIVEN TO ME?

Psalms 116:12



Please remember to use your offertory envelopes. During this pandemic there aren't extra envelopes available in the pews. You may use any envelope with your name and ID number on the envelope wrapping your donation inside. If you plan to be a sponsor, godparent, get a price reduction at a Catholic School, or enroll your children in Religious Education, offertory envelopes show us that you are attending Mass. It is the Church, not just the parish, which insists that signs of a good faith commitment be present on these occasions. You must be able to demonstrate that you are a practicing Catholic. While the parish depends on the financial support of parishioners, it's not the amount of the donation but the fact you are attending Mass and doing what you are able to contribute to the support of the Church. Being a registered member of our parish also enables us to provide you with a record of your contributions for tax purposes at the end of the year. If you choose to give by donating electronically, all the better! This saves the church from receiving check processing fees and it frees you on having to remember to bring your envelopes every week. Thank You for your support, we are very blessed!

HELPING HANDS



THURSDAY DISHWASHER NEEDED

Our Thursday Soup Kitchen is in dire need of a VOLUNTEER DISHWASHER around noon in the Parish Hall. The volunteer must be responsible and committed to volunteer hours. Contact Lourdes in at 333-4252.

Inspiration plus perspiration combine to produce success.

Commemorative St. Lucie Parish Cookbook



We are looking ahead to our 60th anniversary celebration of St. Lucie Parish to take place in 2021! Lots of activities will be planned one of which is a parish cookbook. During the next months we welcome parishioners to share their favorite recipes. Please submit your recipe to Doreen Recco at St. Lucie Parish Office: 425 SW Irving Street, PSL, FL 34983. Submit your recipe by Friday, October 25, 2020. Your recipe should be **printed or typed** - no script. You may submit more than one recipe. Follow the format below:

- Give your name and (phone number - We need to contact you if we have questions).
- Include category of recipe: appetizer, salad/dressing, soup, (entre: meat, fish, vegetarian), bread, dessert, drink
- Name of recipe.
- List of ingredients and amounts.
- Directions (include oven temperature and cooking time and any necessary cooking equipment such as parchment paper, bundt pan, blender.)
- Your name will be included with your recipe in the cookbook.
- Submit a name for our cookbook. Winner receives a free cookbook. If two cookbook names are alike, we will consider the first submission.

BULLETIN NEWS

Our parish bulletin is submitted to the publisher, J. S. Paluch Company, electronically every Monday or Tuesday morning for the following weekend. This deadline necessitates that the bulletin be written nearly two weeks early! It takes a few writings and proofs before ready for print. Ideally, every ministry desiring an article in a bulletin should submit it earlier than 14 days to Annette De Luca at the Parish Office. This allows Annette time to sift through material and create adequate space with appeal to the reader. Annette welcomes material weeks or even months ahead! She can never be "too" prepared.

ST. LUCIE ... GROWING!

We are a vibrant parish and proud of our most recent parishioners who have registered since January 2020. We are pleased to have you as part of our St. Lucie family!

JANUARY 2020

M/M Nick and Lillian **Crespo**
 Ms. Marjorie **Laster**
 M/M Robert and Lucille **Liquori**
 M/M Daryll and Josephine **Bachota**
 Mr. Julio **Barrantes** and Mrs. Monica **Angulo**
 M/M Steve and Kathleen **Hailey**
 Ms. Dolores **Gabay-Bowyer**
 M/M Anthony and Victoria **Mallery**
 Drs. Garcia and Sophia Chery **Pierre-Pierre**
 M/M Rafael and Diana **Acevedo**
 Ms. Evelyn **Rodriguez**
 Mr. Jashua **Mulhern** and Ms. Nicole **Vena**
 M/M Victor and Patricia **Latvis**
 M/M Frantz and Zuimie **Desgranges**
 Mr. Gabriel **Fleiner**
 Mr. Christopher **Fogal**
 M/M Kevin and Lisa **Sullivan**
 Ms. Raymonda **Tasker**
 M/M William and Deloris **Sheehan**
 M/M Arnold and Jogeily **Jean-Baptiste**
 Mrs. Carmela **Spano**
 Miss Rosemarie **Johnston**

FEBRUARY 2020

M/M Robert and Carol **Bliss**
 Ms. Dorothy **Garbacz**
 Ms. Nuby **Osso**
 Ms. Jeanette **Zerella**
 Mr. Roger **Eichler** and Ms. Barbara **Eberle**
 Mr. Julio **Monzon** and Mrs. Jullieth **Lopez**
 The **Achury** Family
 Mr. Vitales **Castillo**
 Mr. Miguel **Moreira** and Miss Kristen **Leal**
 M/M Thomas and Debra **Quinlan**
 Ms. Carmelita **Inchima**
 M/M Lucius and Debora **Norris**
 Miss Andrea **Johnbaptiste**
 M/M Kenneth and Pauline **Mann**
 M/M Grant and Tabitha **Van Rooyen**
 M/M Christian and Itzel **Avalos**
 Mr. Stephen **Gabin**
 Miss Jonelle **Henderson**
 M/M Emilio and Teresa **Razo**
 Mr. David **White** and Mrs. Fabiola **Hernandez**
 Mr. Luis **Valdes** and Ms. Yudelquis **Comas**
 Mrs. George **Messa**

M/M Danny and Mariuxi **Pilpe**
 M/M John and Linda **Filippelli**
 Mr. Steven **Williams**
 M/M Jeff and Krystina **Schulze**
 M/M Rey and Kaylyn **Tarrats**
 Ms. Dorothy **Clagett**
 Ms. Dolly **Guerrero**
 Mr. Wilfredo **Laureano** and Ms. Elisabeth **Vega**

MARCH 2020

Ms. Carmen **Rivera**
 M/M Douglas and Natalie **Campbell**
 Mrs. Nelsy **Echeverria**
 Mr. Richard **Martinez** and Mrs. Roymara **Carrizalez**
 Mr. Rojelio **Munoz**
 Dr. and Mrs. James and Sandee **McAleer**
 Ms. Helen **McNally**
 M/M Clay and Alisha **Naiser**
 M/M Donald and Mercy **Carpenter**
 Mr. Pedro **Franco**
 Mr. Edgar **Arcila**

APRIL 2020

Mrs. Virginia **Kwiatkoski**
 Ms. Katta **Adoracion**
 Mr. Baron **Collier**
 Mr. Marc **Guitard**
 Mr. Kenneth **Holz**

MAY 2020

M/M Joseph **Schaub**
 Mr. Jack **Borchers**
 Ms. Fanny **Marzan**
 M/M Todd and Bridget **Trumpore**
 Ms. Pat **Donahue**
 M/M Manuel and Barbara **Paulino**
 M/M John and Maria **Jonas**

JUNE 2020

M/M Stephen and Carolyn **St. Pierre**
 Ms. Belinda **Malzacher**
 M/M David and Jessica **Gomez**
 M/M M/M Oscar and Maria **Robles-Garcia**
 M/M John and Azure **Karpinski**
 M/M Joseph and Carol **Biagetti**
 M/M Santo and Cecilia **Quinonel**
 M/M Patrick and Christine **Harrington**
 Miss Michaela **Linderman**
 Mr. Salvatore **Petito**
 Mr. Jason **Taylor** and Ms. Devon **Taylor**

JULY 2020

Mr. Chad **Pearlman**

Ms. Evelyne **Solages**
Miss Nicole **Mastroianni**
Miss Theresa **Iuliucci**
Ms. Molly **Reding**
M/M Cristian and Neskys **Paguero-Liriano**
M/M Charles and Elizabeth **Krape**
M/M Joseph and Victoria **Mastromonaco**
M/M Hectory and Melissa **DelValle**
M/M Marco and Maria **Colon-Vazquez**
Ms. Zena **Rosa-Hamilton**
Ms. Donna **Calderone**
Ms. Sandra **Vasquez**

AUGUST 2020

M/M George F. **King, Jr.**
M/M Nathan and Anna **Treadaway**
M/M Lawrence and Rhonda **Jones**
M/M Michael and Laura **Morse**
Mr. Edward **Ayala** and Ms. Kendy **Trejo**
Mr. Victor **Martinez** and Ms. Meredith **Flynn**
M/M Harryson and Teylar **Arroyo**
Ms. Amy **Carl**
Mr. David **Flory** and Ms. Vanessa **Dunn**
M/M Michael and Christina **McGinley**
M/M Lawrence and Denise **Tiernan**
M/M Luis and Maria **Rivas**
Dr. William and Mrs. Susan **Stolzer**

THE SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY (2 of 7)

The Spiritual Works of Mercy have long been a part of the Christian tradition, appearing in the works of theologians and spiritual writers throughout history. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those he ministered to, these Spiritual Works of Mercy guide us to “help our neighbor in their spiritual needs” (USCCA). There are seven Spiritual Works of Mercy and over the next weeks we will touch on each of them. After each work of mercy there are also suggestions and words of advice for living them out in our daily lives. Some actions must wait until there is no longer the threat to the coronavirus.

INSTRUCTING THE IGNORANT

- Go on a service trip or short-term mission trip. No time? Donate to support someone on their service trip.
- Volunteer to help with religious education programs at St. Lucie.
- Invite someone to go to mass with you this weekend.
- Know your faith! Read through the USCCB to find out more about the Catholic faith and how to live it.

26 WEEK CLUB IS BACK!

First drawing, Sunday Nov. 8th

We are advertising early this year in hope that our parish community will support the “26 Week Club” fundraiser. Due to covid most fundraising has had to be cancelled but we can provide for a drawing every Sunday after the 11:00 AM Mass!

The Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring our ever popular **Twenty-six Week Club**. The cost to join is only \$26.00 (the cost of one \$1.00 lottery picket per week) and you could win \$50.00 each week for 26 weeks! On the 13th week, the prize will be \$100.00. On the 26th week, two prizes will be pulled for \$500.00 each. All winning tickets stay in the drawing for the 26 weeks **with 27 chances to win in all!** You may purchase a \$26.00 ticket after the starting date of November 8, 2020 but remember you now have fewer dates to win. The winners will be announced in the Church Bulletin and checks will be mailed to the winners. Winning tickets are drawn after the Sunday 11:30 AM Mass.

We are counting on your support by joining *The 26 Weeks Club*. Just fill out the ticket below and return it with your check or cash to the Gift Shop or Parish Office but get your **registration in** for the most chances of winning! For your convenience we can also accept payment by credit card in the Gift Shop. It is just that easy! All revenue will benefit CCW and all their charitable works, as well as St. Lucie Parish.

Please fill out (PRINT CLEARLY), cut and return **the ticket below** with check or cash of \$26.00 to the Gift Shop, or to the Parish Office. Place “Attention CCW” on the lower left corner of the mailing envelope: 425 SW Irving St., Port St. Lucie, FL 34983.

The 26 Week Club
First Drawing: Sunday, November 8, 2020
Make Checks payable to
St. Lucie Council of Catholic Women- PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Zip _____

Phone: () _____

SACRAMENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: At least one parent must be an active, participating, and registered as a member of the parish. Parental attendance at a two-hour preparatory workshop is required prior to the baptism. The class is usually offered in English on the second Wednesday of every month, and in Spanish on the first Wednesday of every month. Class begins at 7:00 PM in the Parish Office Conference Room located at 425 SW Irving Street. Parents are asked to phone the Parish Office before the class to confirm date and time. All baptismal requirements are outlined in a booklet that will be distributed at the baptismal class. Upon fulfilling and submitting the baptism booklet, all is reviewed and if all requirements have been met, a date for baptism will be set (but no sooner than one month.) Baptisms are celebrated at 12:45 PM on Sundays. Spanish Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Sundays, English Baptisms: 2nd and 4th Sundays.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Please contact Andrea Draper, SOFS, Director of Religious Education, for more information. Call (772) 878-1215. Older candidates wishing to be confirmed must first complete an adult religious education program.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST: First Eucharist is usually celebrated in the second grade. Parents who are registered members of the parish are to contact the Director of Religious Education at (772) 878-1215 to register their child for the First Eucharist Program beginning first grade. Preparation is a two-year program!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Marriages are celebrated on Fridays at various times and Saturdays at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM only. Engaged couples should contact the church office a minimum of six months in advance in order to complete the necessary preparation. At least one member of the couple **MUST** be a registered and participating member of the parish for a minimum of six months prior to initially contacting the church. If the annulment of a previous marriage (Catholic, Non-Catholic, or civil) is required before a Catholic remarriage can take place, please contact the Annulment Advocate, Anne Tienter. For more information call (772) 878-1215.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Reconciliation is celebrated each Saturday from 2:30 – 3:30 PM in the church, or by prearranged appointment with one of the staff priests. It is also celebrated on First Friday from 7:00 to 7:20 AM and 8:00 to 8:20 AM. Seasonal Reconciliation services are also held during both Advent and Lent. “First Reconciliation” for children is celebrated each February for second grade religious education students. Contact the Parish Religious Education Office for information.

Welcome to Saint Lucie Catholic Church

*A Parish under the care of the
Conventual Franciscan Friars*

Whether you are here for the first time, or are a regular parishioner, you'll discover that St. Lucie is a vibrant community with many opportunities to become involved. Help us to spread the Word of God, and work toward making our parish, our community and our world a better place to live.

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(772) 878-1215

Web: www.stlucie.cc

Email: parishoffice@stlucie.cc

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday:

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Confession

Saturday: 2:30 until 3:30 PM

and **every First Friday**

from 7:00 – 7:20 AM

and 8:00 – 8:20 AM or by appointment.

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Masses: 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM,

5:00 PM, and Spanish 7:00 PM

All Weekday Daily Masses are at
7:30 and 8:30 AM, Monday – Friday
Saturday Daily Mass is at 8:30 AM

MINISTRIES DIRECTORY

EMAIL: parishoffice@stlucie.cc

Parish Offices 878-1215 Parish Fax 878-1299

Office Staff:

Business Manager/Parish Manager	Doreen Recco
Office Manager/Bulletin Editor	Annette De Luca
Parish Secretary	Elsa Monteagudo
Reception Desk/Baptism Preparation	M. Isabel Ricaurte

Spiritual/Educational Formation:

Religious Education Director	Andrea Draper, OFS	878-1215
RCIA/RICA, RCIA Teens, RCIC	Andrea Draper, OFS	878-1215
Youth and Family Ministry	Loretta Barnes	878-1215

Church Ministries:

Altar Servers, Youth & Adult	Fred Marangio	418-1426
Annulment Advocate	Anne Tienter,	878-1215
Bereavement	Office	878-1215
Bible Study	Sat. 9:15-10:30 AM - Library	
Eucharistic Ministers-Church	Tru Hall	561-436-9566
Homebound Eucharist-English	Ann Breitfelder	954-253-8234
Homebound Eucharist-Spanish	Romelia Moreira	486-5667
Funerals	Contact Parish Office	878-1215
St. Lucie Gift Shop		878-4135
Lectors	Mary Agnes Albert	879-3624
	David Majesky	440-522-8503
Marriage Preparation	Contact Parish Office	878-1215
Ministers of Hospitality	Bob Barnes	704-236-6420
Parish Council	Mary Agnes Albert	878-1215
Engaged Encounter	Contact Parish Office	878-1215
Prison Ministry	Dn. Charles Immordino	285-3714

Music Ministries:

Music Minister	Adria Cary	414-628-0147
Music Life Teen Minister	John Sweeney	878-1215
Spanish Music Minister	Jose Rosado	485-7295

Prayer Ministries:

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament - every 1 st Friday and every Thursday	from 9:15 AM-5:00 PM	
Adult Scripture/Catechesis	Saturdays, 9:15 AM	Library
Divine Mercy	Fridays, 3:00 PM	Chapel
Charismatic Prayer	Mondays, 7:30 PM	Chapel
Healing Mass	3 rd Monday/month, 7:00 PM	Church
Liturgy of the Hours	Mon. - Sat., 8:00 AM	Church
Rosary, Weekday	Mon. - Fri., 6:30 & 9:00 AM	Church
Rosary, Saturday	9:15 AM	Chapel
San Damiano First Tue Rosary	7:00 PM	Church
Sp. Rosary/Prayer/Divine Mercy	Tuesdays, 9:30-Noon	Library
Spanish John XXIII Prayer Group	Tuesdays, 7:00 PM	Chapel
Women of Faith	Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 PM	Library

Support Ministries:

Bread Ministry	John Goodness	464-7073
Catholic Charities Counselors	Call for Appointment	844-848-6777
Council of Catholic Women	Katie Kisielewski, Pres.	262-515-0078
Respect Life 1 st Mon. 7:30 PM	Linda A.342-3809 Pauline P.	200-0574
San Damiano Disciples of Men	Larry Williams	359-5822
Seniors' Social Club	Marie Philippe	871-5555
St. Vincent DePaul	Leave message	878-8474
SVdP Thrift Store		344-1341
Substance Abuse: Confidential-Ron & Balla Rena Jones		618-312(8) or (9)

Qué nos enseña el Evangelio de San Mateo (1:21-35)

(Por: Michael Hemm | Fuente: Catholic.net)

“En aquel tiempo, acercándose Pedro a Jesús le preguntó: Señor, ¿cuántas veces tengo que perdonar las ofensas que me haga mi hermano? ¿Hasta siete veces? Jesús le dijo: No te digo hasta siete veces, sino hasta setenta veces siete.”

Dios nos muestra su amor perdonándonos nuestros pecados, deudas infinitas que tenemos con Él. Nos ofrece su misericordia para que también nosotros podamos ser misericordiosos con los demás. El perdón es una característica del amor perfecto de Dios a los hombres. Pero Él necesita de nosotros para que su misericordia llegue a la gente. Quiere que nosotros seamos instrumentos de su perdón. Quiere mostrarles a los hombres su perdón a través de nosotros. Cuando nos invita a amar como Él mismo nos ama, también se refiere al perdón. El perdón es la perfección de la caridad. Nos cuesta mucho porque requiere que venzamos nuestro orgullo y que seamos humildes. Pero solamente así podemos ser sus apóstoles y llevar su amor al mundo. Dios nos necesita y nos llama a esta misión maravillosa: ser instrumentos de su amor y de su perdón. Señor, ¿cuántas veces tengo que perdonar? Con esta respuesta Jesús no nos dice que perdonar sea fácil, sino que es un requisito absolutamente indispensable para nuestra vida. Podríamos decir que es un mandamiento, porque nos dice ¡perdona! De otra forma el corazón se encuentra como una ciudad asediada por el enemigo, la caridad rodeada por el odio y el progreso espiritual sumergido en un pozo profundo. Por otro lado, no debemos preocuparnos por la correspondencia del otro si hemos hecho lo que estaba de nuestra parte. Cada uno es diverso y, por lo tanto, cada uno dará cuentas a Dios de lo que ha hecho con su vida y con sus acciones.

Nuestro corazón deber ser un castillo donde sólo reine Dios. Él es amor, como dice san Juan en su primera epístola, y como tal aborrece el odio. Si, por el contrario, permitimos entrar al odio en nuestro corazón, Cristo abandonará el sitio que estaba ocupando dentro de nosotros porque no puede ser amigo de quien odia. Por este motivo debemos trabajar en amar en lugar de odiar, comprender en lugar de pensar mal, perdonar en lugar de buscar la venganza. Odiando, matamos nuestra alma. El deseo de venganza significa que se quiere superar al otro en hacer el mal y esto en vez de sanar la situación la empeora. Pidamos a Cristo la gracia de contar con un corazón como el suyo que sepa amar y perdonar a pesar de las grandes o pequeñas dificultades de la vida.

¡FELIZ DIA DE LOS ABUELOS! Septiembre 13, 2020

**Que Dios bendiga a los abuelos con
una larga vida, felicidad y salud**

ORACION POR LOS ABUELOS

Señor Jesús: Tú naciste de la Virgen María, hija de San Joaquín y Santa Ana. Mira con amor a los abuelos de todo el mundo. ¡Protégelos! Son una fuente de enriquecimiento para las familias, para la Iglesia y para toda la sociedad. ¡Sostenlos! Que cuando envejezcan sigan siendo para sus familias pilares fuertes de la fe evangélica, custodios de los nobles ideales hogareños, tesoros vivos de sólidas tradiciones religiosas. Haz que sean maestros de sabiduría y valentía, que transmitan a las generaciones futuras los frutos de su madura experiencia humana y espiritual.

Señor Jesús, ayuda a las familias y a la sociedad a valorar la presencia y el papel de los abuelos. Que jamás sean ignorados o excluidos, sino que siempre encuentren respeto y amor.

Ayúdales a vivir serenamente y a sentirse acogidos durante todos los años de vida que les concedas.

María, Madre de todos los vivientes, cuida constantemente a los abuelos, acompáñalos durante su peregrinación terrena, y con tus oraciones obtén que todas las familias se reúnan un día en nuestra patria celestial, donde esperas a toda la humanidad para el gran abrazo de la vida sin fin. Amén.

S.S. Benedicto XVI, 2008

REGISTROS PARROQUIALES

Necesitamos su ayuda para mantener nuestros registros al día. Si en su familia hay un nacimiento, defunción, matrimonio, mudanza, cambio de números de teléfono, o dirección de correo electrónico, por favor notifíquelo a la Oficina Parroquial.

LAS HERMANAS CLARISAS

Escriban sus intenciones en las tarjetas que están en la parte posterior de la iglesia y pónganlas en la canasta de colecta. Cada quincena enviamos sus peticiones a las monjitas para que recen por nosotros. Las Hermanas Pobres de Santa Clara (Clarisas), o *Poor Clare Nuns*, viven en el convento Christ The King en Delray Beach y forman parte de la orden contemplativa de monjas Franciscanas. El nombre viene de Santa Clara de Asís.

Acerca de la Convalidación

La convalidación es la forma en que un matrimonio celebrado fuera de la Iglesia Católica (un matrimonio civil o uno en una iglesia de otra tradición religiosa) se reconoce como válido y recibe la bendición formal de la Iglesia Católica.



En la Iglesia Católica el matrimonio es un sacramento. Sin un matrimonio celebrado dentro de la Iglesia Católica, los católicos deben abstenerse de tomar la Sagrada Comunión, ir a confesión, o actuar como testigos/padrinos de bautismo o confirmación. Una pareja que se casó fuera de la Iglesia hace años, puede convalidar su matrimonio. Nuestros sacerdotes siempre están ansiosos por reunirse con una pareja y comenzar los pasos para que su matrimonio sea bendecido.

PREPARACION MATRIMONIAL EN SANTA LUCIA



Las parejas que deseen contraer matrimonio religioso en nuestra iglesia deben ser parroquianos registrados y activos. Si se han registrado recientemente, haber estado activos en la iglesia varios meses antes de solicitar el matrimonio. En líneas generales, el proceso preparatorio toma seis meses, a menos que sea necesario tramitar la anulación de un matrimonio anterior.

Para la celebración de un matrimonio católico, la pareja debe entregar partidas de bautismo actualizadas (católicos solamente) y documentos pertinentes, además de presentarse a varias entrevistas con el sacerdote y cumplir con el programa diocesano prematrimonial (participar en un encuentro, reuniones de pareja, etc.) Para más información y consultas, por favor llamen a la oficina parroquial.

POR TU MATRIMONIO

Visiten el sitio web www.portumatrimonio.org, creado para inspirar, ayudar y exhortar a las parejas de habla hispana a vivir más plenamente su relación de pareja.