



# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## **Priests of the Institute of Charity (Rosminians)**

### **Pastor**

Fr. Edison Bernavas, I.C.

### **Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Henry Sebastian, I.C.

Deacon Dick Beaudry

## **Mass Schedule**

### **Vigil Mass (Saturday):**

4:30 p.m. (English)

6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

### **Sunday Masses:**

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

4:30 p.m.

### **Weekday Masses**

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary 30 minutes before each Mass

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday thru Friday

After 8:00 Morning Mass to 4:00 p.m.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 p.m.

First Friday: 7:30 a.m.

or Anytime by Appointment with  
Priest

AUGUST 26, 2018

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AS FOR ME AND  
MY HOUSEHOLD,

*we will serve  
the Lord.*

JOSHUA 24:15

# Mass Intentions for the Week



- Saturday August 25**  
 4:30 p.m. †Deacon Jerry Thomas  
 by Rachel Harlor  
 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Sunday August 26**  
 8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi  
 10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the  
 Wicker Family by Dyanne Mattice  
 4:30 p.m. †John Openlander  
 by Barbara & Bill Manck
- Monday August 27**  
 8:00 a.m. †Mary Leung  
 by Sally Lee
- Tuesday August 28**  
 8:00 a.m. †Penny Haladay  
 by Bill Haladay
- Wednesday August 29**  
 8:00 a.m. †Robert Strickland  
 by Frances Strickland
- Thursday August 30**  
 8:00 a.m. Intention of Mary Ellen Burke  
 by Nonie Riley  
 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Friday August 31**  
 8:00 a.m. †Richard Fugallo  
 by Ada Scimeca
- Saturday September 1**  
 4:30 p.m. †Deacon Jerry Thomas  
 by Barry & Pam Caskey  
 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass: Int. of Lazabara Family
- Sunday September 2**  
 8:30 a.m. †Don Parker by Mary  
 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi  
 4:30 p.m. †Angel Alvarez  
 by Gladys Alvarez

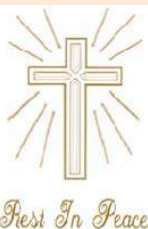
IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, please pray for those who are ill, home-bound, or confined to hospitals and nursing homes, especially for the following:

Marion Alexander, Pat Allen, Benjamin Ambrose, James Barry, Bonnie Beaudry, John Bernal, Carmela Blair, Dick Boelter, Eileen Boyle, Dee Brown, Richard Brown, Dana Calvani, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Paul Casagrande, Maria Celani, Helen & Jack Clark, Susan Conely, Carmen Connors, John Danet, Doug Dimick, Marisa Dunn, Rick Eisenhard, Barbara Fellabick, Kenny Gay, Scott Gill, Brian Goldbach, Bill Haladay, Ada Hall, Charles Hall, Ken Hall, Rachel Harlor, Colleen Harmon, Ronald Lee Hayes, Olivia Hicks, Coleman & Marlene Hill, Norma Homs, Doyle James, Ben Jones, Patricia Koch, Jill Kotowski, Norma Martinez, Father Jim McAteer, Shawn McConnel, John & Charlotte McFaul, Joyce McKinney, Billie Morrow, John Mulhern, George Mulhern, Darryl Mummert, Ed & Gerry Murray, Beverly Natter, Tess Ocampo, Charles Paisley, Tim Pasden, Mary Elizabeth Pumbo, Luisa Puerto, John Poulos, Pat Racic, Theresa Redgrave, Mary Ellen Riley, Pat & Barbara Riley, Elise Rowe, Harry Santos, Ada Scimeca, Tom Seals, Ed Shea, Gail Shoyren, Bill Shumsky, Catherine Mary Skidmore, Laura Spivey, Stanton Sullivan, Bernadette Suppa, Joseph Suppa Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Betty Valleri, Alice & Terry Veinotte, Martin Vicario, Carol Wagner, Gabriel Wagner, George Wagner, Joan Wagner, Joan Warner, Lorraine Wenner, Kurt Wicker, Paul Wicker, Mary Winiarski, Georgiana Zawlocki, Ron Ziegler, the Homebound and their Caregivers.

**LORD,**  
 Look upon me with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

**Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:**

|                    |                        |                      |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Daniel Hutton      | Jesse Witt             | Remy Herrero         |
| Aran Miller        | Brittany L Jones Baker | Leobardo Martinez    |
| Jarred Taracido    | Adam Baker             | Alejandro Cuesta     |
| Joseph Michalek    | Zachary Trinkle        | Wesley Kosierowski   |
| Juan Cruz          | Dan Holder             | Nicholas Kosierowski |
| Spencer Dewey      | Jesse Doyle            | Christopher Jeffers  |
| Kris Urquhart      | Kenneth Urquhart       | Jared Michael Null   |
| Mickey Reese       | Aaron C. Lint          | Haley Elizabeth Null |
| Christopher Heacox | Lawrence Morgan Null   | Donovan O'Connor     |
| Ryan Levy Cruz     | John Andrew Marple     | Jaiden Andrus        |
| Jeff Calvani       | James E. Desaulniers   | Tony Cuesta          |
| Ryan Hurley        | Brennan Tyska          | Michael Mulhern      |
| J.P. Zotomayor     | James Kropp            | Jeanine Hatfield     |
| Helen Castillo     | Robin Brown            | U.S.S. Alabama Crew  |
| Derrick M. Shea    | Josh Silva             | Magaly Oliu          |
| Nathan Berry       | Charles Laing III      | Michael Baez         |
| Devon M. Callicoat | Mario Perez            | Collin Newman        |
| Matt Daniels       | Joshua Eicholz         | Trey M. Bushee       |
| Ryan Dimick        | Kevin Lime             | Shaun R. Bushee      |
|                    | Patrick Jonker         |                      |



Eternal rest, grant unto them,  
 O Lord, and let perpetual  
 light shine upon them.  
 May the souls of the faithful  
 departed through the mercy  
 of God rest in peace. Amen.

*Rest In Peace*

## From the Pastor...

My Dear People in Christ,

The main theme of today's readings is that Christian life is a series of daily choices for God or against God, as we opt to live out or reject the truths He revealed through His prophets in the Old Testament and especially through His Son Jesus in the New Testament. They remind us that the fundamental choice we make determines how we live our lives.

Concluding his long Eucharistic discourse in today's gospel, Jesus challenges his Jewish audience to make their choice of accepting the new covenant He offers in His Body and Blood or to join those who have lost their faith in Him and left Him, in confusion and doubt. Today's passage details the various reactions to Jesus' claims. *"This teaching is difficult."* *"Who can accept it?"* It was Jesus' disciples who made this complaint. They were offended by Jesus' language, imagery and metaphors He used in His Eucharistic discourse. But Jesus did not give any further explanation. He simply challenged them to open themselves to the gift of faith that God was offering them: *"No one can come to Me unless it is granted by the Father."*

Jesus tries to help His remaining followers to make a leap of faith, because it is only with faith that they will be able to see and grasp the triple mystery which has been revealed to them, namely;

(1) the Incarnation (*"I am the bread that came down from heaven"*, John 6:41);

(2) the Redemption (*"the bread that I give is My flesh for the life of the world"*, John 6:51);

(3) the Ascension and glorification (*"the Son of Man will ascend to where He was before"*, John 6:62).

Peter's response, *"Master, to whom we shall go? You have the words of eternal life"*, reflects the faith-filled, free and whole-hearted decision of the early Christian community to follow Jesus and His teaching. Some Bible scholars consider Jesus' question, *"Do you want to leave me, too?"* to Peter and the apostle's response, as parallel to Jesus' question, *"Who do you think I am?"* and Peter's confession of faith at Caesarea Philippi (Mark 8:27-30; Matthew 16:13-20; Luke 9:18-21).

We Christians have accepted the challenge of following the way of Christ and making choices for Christ, fortified by the Bread He gives and the power of His Holy Spirit. The very possibility of choosing for or against Jesus is repeated over and over again in the modern age. We should resolve to take a stand for Jesus and accept the consequences. We recognize, by going to Communion, we accept that challenge to be totally one with Jesus. When the priest gives us Holy Communion saying, *"The Body of Christ"*, we respond, *"Amen."* That *"Amen,"* that *"Yes,"* is not just an act of faith in the Real Presence; it is a total commitment of ourselves to Jesus in the community of which we are members. We must accept Him totally, without any conditions or reservation. Christ's thoughts and attitudes, His values, His life-view must become totally ours, and must govern and shape our lives. Above all, we are to identify with Him in the offering of His flesh and the pouring out of His blood on the cross, the symbol of God's unutterable love for us.

I wish you all a blessed week ahead.

Fr. Edison Bernabas I.C.



## Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi!

We extend a special welcome to all our visitors and new parishioners who have come to celebrate Mass with us today! If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to our clergy. If you live in this area and attend regularly, we invite you to join our parish of St. Francis of Assisi. Registration is necessary for better care of souls, more effective administration of sick calls, and matters pertaining to baptism, education, marriage and burial. Registration is very easy, and the cream *"Parish Registration"* cards can be found in the pamphlet holder above the table in the lobby. After completing, please place in the Parish Drop Box, located in the door by the water fountain in the lobby.



## St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Seffner is seeking a Coordinator of Youth Ministry.

- ◆ This position is part-time, 15-19 hours per week and is a non-exempt position with hours varying according to the needs of the program.
- ◆ The Coordinator of Youth Ministry will work with the Pastor to organize, schedule and oversee the Youth Ministry program for Grades 7 – 12 and is directly accountable to the Pastor. The Coordinator must have an understanding in how to plan and implement a comprehensive approach to youth ministry as outlined in the USCCB document "Renewing the Vision."
- ◆ The Coordinator will provide vision, leadership and coordination for the parish's efforts in establishing and maintaining the Youth Ministry program. The position will require re-establishing the middle school and high school program of the parish. The Coordinator must be a practicing Catholic and self-motivated. Experience and/or formal training in Catholic Youth Ministry is preferred.
- ◆ Successful candidates must pass a Level II FBI Background Screening and complete Safe Environment Training.

Please forward résumés to: Pastor/Search Committee, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, at:

[edisonbernabas@hotmail.com](mailto:edisonbernabas@hotmail.com) or, mail to 4450 C.R. 579, Seffner, FL 33584

## Today's Readings

First Reading—The LORD, our God, protected us along our entire journey (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Psalms—Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading—Christ nourishes and cherishes the church because we are members of his body (Ephesians 5:21-32 [5:2a, 25-32]).

Gospel—We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God (John 6:60-69).

**Ministries Schedule - September 1 & 2**

**Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Mass**

**Rosary Leader:** Schedule or sign up  
**Altar Servers:** Adult Volunteers  
**Lector:** John Wilbur  
**E.M.H.C.:** J. & J. Angelo, Benn, Bristol, Hall, Mummert

**Sunday - 8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Rosary Leader:** Schedule or sign up  
**Altar Servers:** Adult Volunteers  
**Lector:** Sam Puleo  
**E.M.H.C.:** Belinski, Boucher, Calvani, Ganske, C. & J. Claypoole

**Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Mass**

**Rosary Leader:** Schedule or sign up  
**Altar Servers:** Brown Family (3 please)  
**Lector:** Paul Nunes  
**E.M.H.C.:** DiRisio, Erlendsson, Klosterman, Moylan, Mussenden, Quintas

**Sunday - 4:30 p.m.. Mass**

**Rosary Leader:** Schedule or sign up  
**Altar Servers:** Y. Mai, S. Iyog  
**Lector:** Tommy Wrobel  
**E.M.H.C.:** Balzano-Gray, Byerley, B. & J. Harper, Redgrave, Smith

**Homebound E.M.H.C.**

**First Group:** Ray & Aggi Mularoni  
**Second Group:** Kathy Carr & Mary Little  
**Third Group:** Stu & Kristin Martin

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday - Friday..... 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Legion of Mary**

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**Novena to Our Lady, Queen of Peace**

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday ..... 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.  
 First Friday:..... 7:30 a.m.  
 or anytime by appointment with priest.

**Anointing of the Sick**

For all those threatened by serious illness: available anytime, but particularly during daily Mass.

**Baptisms**

After required instruction, contact parish office.

**Marriage**

Contact office at least six months before desired date and before setting date.

**Business Office Hours**

Monday - Friday ..... 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**This Week at St. Francis**

**August 26 -- Sept. 1, 2018**

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|----------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Monday August 27</b>    | Cub Scouts   | 7:00 p.m.                           |
| <b>Tuesday August 28</b>   | Legion of Mary   | 8:30a.m.                            |
| <b>Wednesday August 29</b> | Dinner for the Needy<br>Choir Practice<br>Car Show Meeting | 4:30 p.m.<br>6:00 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m. |
| <b>Thursday August 30</b>  | Bible Study<br>Knights of Columbus Officers Mtg.           | 8:30 a.m.<br>6:30 p.m.              |
| <b>Saturday Sept. 1</b>    | I.C. Ascribed  | 10:00 a.m.                          |

**Please Join our FORMED Online Community**

As a member, you will have access to entertaining movies, inspiring audio talks, informative bible studies, and much more. We are providing this resource free of charge to help our members learn and grow in their faith. So please join us.



**To sign up for FREE, just visit us here: <https://stfranciscc.formed.org>** and use Parish Code: Y499KR.

**An Invitation from the Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute**

The LPMI program, in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church; equips Catholics with knowledge and skills to carry out ministry *competently, collaboratively, and professionally*. Through an integrated process of education and ongoing faith formation, we provide an opportunity for Catholics across the Diocese to grow spiritually, intellectually, and pastorally. The 2018-2019 “Year of Discernment” classes begin September 8, 2018.

For more information: visit [www.dosp.org/lpmi](http://www.dosp.org/lpmi); email: [lpmisepi@dosp.org](mailto:lpmisepi@dosp.org); or call 727-344-1611.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

**Married Couples:** The car gets a tune up. The house gets a painting. The job gets our best effort. But when is there time to “brush up” on us? Carve out the time you so richly deserve for yourselves and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and experience the peace, romance and joy that God calls you to! Space IS limited, so apply early! For more information about taking a *private* time away, check out [flwc-wwme.org](http://flwc-wwme.org) or call 813-270-7832. **The next available WWME weekend will be at the Franciscan Center in Tampa, October 12th—14th.**



The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon the way we occupy that place.

~*St. Thérèse of Lisieux*

## RCIA Program News



Another look ... is all that may be necessary for that person who is an alienated Catholic or former Catholic. You can help them take ANOTHER LOOK at the Catholic faith. They may want to join our RCIA process here at St. Francis or perhaps they just like to talk with someone who could help them with their questions.

### Do you feel a nudge in one of the following ways?

1. As a non-Catholic, do you want to learn more about the Catholic Faith?
2. As a Catholic, you want to learn more about your faith?
3. As a Catholic who has not received all the sacraments God has blessed us with, is this your time to do so?
4. As a Catholic, would you like to sponsor someone who wants to enter the church?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, RCIA can be your opportunity to take the next step. **Classes begin on Wednesday, September 12th, at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in this life-changing program or if you have questions, please call the church office at 681-9115.**

## The Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle Announces First-Ever ADORE Event

“ADORE is a time of adoration, prayer, praise, and worship intended not only for our parish community but for all people within the Diocese of St. Petersburg! Because we believe that everyone in the Diocese is a part of our community, we want everyone to encounter Christ in this new, exciting, and holy event,” said Father Alex Padilla, parochial vicar, Cathedral of St. Jude.

**What: ADORE Eucharistic Adoration**

**When: Monday, August 27, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm**

**Where: Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle  
5815 5th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33710**

## Thank you!

St. Francis of Assisi Parish passes out over 200 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches per week, thanks to the generous donations by our many parishioners. We would also like to personally thank those who lend their time on a recurring basis to help make the sandwiches:

**Judy Custer, Alice George, Susan Soleau, Adrienne Helton, Louise Stacey, Nancy Meyer, Paul Scardamaglia, John & Rosemary Cantwell, Margaret Woodard, Karen Chapman, and Barbara O'Brien.**



## Save the Date!



The Catholic Diocese of St. Petersburg will be presenting **Family Faith Fest 50th Anniversary Celebration on October 27, 2018** at Al Lopez Park, Tampa. This event will feature concerts, exhibits, food, and games for children. There will also be confession, Eucharistic Adoration, and Mass with Bishop Parkes. Visit [www.FamilyFaithFest.org](http://www.FamilyFaithFest.org) for further details.

## Faith Formation News

Classes begin **September 9th at 5:30**

**p.m.** Registration forms have been mailed to previously registered families. **Please turn in registration forms by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>** to the office or drop box.

New families may pick up registration forms at the office or from our website, [stfranciscc.com](http://stfranciscc.com). A copy of your child's baptism is required for new registration. **Reminder:** Students must attend 2 consecutive years to receive any Sacrament. Please feel free to contact me at 813-244-2853. Thanks!

*Judy Erlandsson, Faith Formation Director*



## Prayer Against Storms



Father, all the elements of nature obey Your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of your goodness. Give us the fine weather we pray for so that we may rejoice in Your gifts of kindness and use them always for Your glory and our good. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit one God forever and ever. Amen

## Follow the Holy Father on Twitter!

**Pope Francis is on Twitter!** The Vatican uses Twitter as a way for the faithful to interact more closely with the Holy Father and is available in several different languages. Follow him at [www.twitter.com/pontifex](http://www.twitter.com/pontifex) as he shares his wisdom, thoughts, and blessings!



## Adoption – Loving and Life Giving

**Are you pregnant and not ready or able to parent? Are you wanting to complete your family through adoption?** Catholic Charities Adoption Services is ready to provide support and information about adoption. Adoption has changed from being shrouded in secrecy and shame to a wonderful loving and life-giving option for the birth mothers or parents, the adoptive parents, and the child. Adoption allows a mother or parents to find a family to love and care for their baby and for adoptive parents to provide a loving and secure home and future for their adopted child. Contact us at [AdoptionServices@ccdosp.org](mailto:AdoptionServices@ccdosp.org) or call **866-973-8638**. For more information visit Catholic Charities Adoption Services website: [www.CCAoptFL.org](http://www.CCAoptFL.org)

**Parish Ministries**

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| <b>Altar Servers</b>                     |              |
| Judy Erlendsson .....                    | 244-2853     |
| <b>Church Musicians</b>                  |              |
| Ramon Martos .....                       | 334-3454     |
| <b>Clothing Pantry</b>                   |              |
| Contact the Parish Office .....          | 681-9115     |
| <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>             |              |
| Susan Soleau .....                       | 689-6914     |
| <b>Faith Formation</b>                   |              |
| Judy Erlendsson .....                    | 244-2853     |
| <b>Food Pantry</b>                       |              |
| Marie Colvin .....                       | 571-8170     |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>             |              |
| Pam Caskey .....                         | 651-1165     |
| <b>Helping Hands</b>                     |              |
| Dottie Mabe .....                        | 681-2421     |
| <b>Hispanic Religious Education</b>      |              |
| Maday Gonzalez .....                     | 357-7813     |
| Gloria Trejo .....                       | 365-6392     |
| <b>Hispanic Baptism Classes</b>          |              |
| Maria Elena Parilla .....                | 657-0218     |
| <b>Hispanic Ministry Coordinator</b>     |              |
| Juanita Vega .....                       | 731-0893     |
| <b>HomeBound/Nursing Home Visitation</b> |              |
| Janet Ganske .....                       | 943-9928     |
| <b>Knights of Columbus</b>               |              |
| Jack Claypoole .....                     | 850-375-3628 |
| <b>Lectors</b>                           |              |
| Bob Winiarski .....                      | 333-1976     |
| <b>Legion of Mary</b>                    |              |
| Sharon Belinski .....                    | 951-0146     |
| <b>Respect Life</b>                      |              |
| Carl Francis Kosierowski .....           | 546-9440     |
| <b>Rosary Leader</b>                     |              |
| Dawn Silva .....                         | 649-8957     |
| <b>RCIA</b>                              |              |
| Fr. Henry Sebastian .....                | 681-9115     |
| <b>Sacristans</b>                        |              |
| Maria Ocampo .....                       | 653-3011     |
| <b>Scouts</b>                            |              |
| Kathy & Ted Domey .....                  | 685-8242     |
| <b>Tender Care</b>                       |              |
| John Familetta .....                     | 681-9115     |
| <b>Ushers</b>                            |              |
| Ron Mullen .....                         | 661-5983     |
| <b>Women's Guild</b>                     |              |
| Dottie Mabe .....                        | 681-2421     |

**Stewardship of Time & Talent Salute**

In gratitude of God's gifts of time and talent to our parish, we wish to acknowledge and salute, *David and Monica Brandies*, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound. *Thank you, David and Monica!!*

**Stewardship Reflections**

"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (JOSHUA 24:15)

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a partner in the work of the Lord. A partner is a person who invests time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports the parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!

**Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving**

Sunday, August 12, 2018

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Offertory Collection .....                | \$8,132.95        |
| Children's & Youth Collection .....       | \$28.00           |
| On Line Giving/Offertory .....            | \$1,120.00        |
| <b>Total Offertory for this week.....</b> | <b>\$9,280.95</b> |
| Building Fund.....                        | \$1,108.00        |

~ Give Generously From Your Heart ~

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| 4:30 p.m. 170         | 6:30 p.m. 199  |
| 8:30 a.m. 149         | 10:30 a.m. 180 |
| 4:30 p.m. 180         |                |
| Total Attendance: 878 |                |

~ For the Week of August 12, 2018 ~

**POOR BOX DONATIONS**

\$302.53

**DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS**

\$251.78

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**Thank You!**

**Vocation View**

Jesus teaches us to live optimistically. If it weren't for the peak experiences of love, the small and sometimes big miracles in our lives, we could despair. Thank God our doubts of faith ultimately strengthen our love. Pray for your vocation.



## DIocese OF ST. PETERSBURG

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August 17, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am saddened and disturbed by recent news reports about priests and bishops in our country who have harmed so many victims and betrayed our trust through sinful acts and omissions. It is tragic, and I ask for forgiveness on behalf of my brother bishops and priests. This news strengthens my resolve to ensure that no child or vulnerable adult is ever abused.

I want to assure you that safeguards are in place here in the Diocese of St. Petersburg. We require background checks on everyone, including priests, deacons and seminarians, who minister to minors and vulnerable adults. On our website, you will find all of our safe environment policies, as well as the names of priests of the Diocese of St. Petersburg who have been credibly accused of abusing minors.

We consistently urge anyone who has been a victim of abuse or is aware of abuse, to call law enforcement and our victim assistance coordinator at 866-407-4505. This information is also available on the diocesan website.

With all the strides that have been made, we can do more, and we will do more. A national effort is underway to engage laity, experts and the Vatican to determine what changes are needed to improve our protections. I pledge to be accountable to you and to continue to enforce our policies, which includes informing our community when an abuse has occurred and removing the abuser from all ministry.

Please join me in praying for victims whose lives have been wounded by abuse. I pray for each of you that your faith in Jesus Christ will never waver. Let us also pray for our Church and its leaders. May we learn from past mistakes so that we can better safeguard the people we serve.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Gregory Parkes  
Bishop of St. Petersburg

## Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos en Cristo,

El tema principal de las lecturas de hoy es que la vida cristiana es una serie de elecciones diarias para Dios o contra Dios, ya que optamos por vivir o rechazar las verdades que reveló a través de sus profetas en el Antiguo Testamento y especialmente a través de su hijo Jesús en el Nuevo Testamento. Nos recuerdan que la elección fundamental que hacemos determina cómo vivimos nuestras vidas.

Concluyendo su largo discurso eucarístico en el evangelio de hoy, Jesús reta a su audiencia judía a elegir aceptar el nuevo pacto que ofrece en Su Cuerpo y Su Sangre o unirse a aquellos que han perdido su fe en Él y lo han abandonado, en confusión y duda. El pasaje de hoy detalla las diversas reacciones a las afirmaciones de Jesús. *"Esta enseñanza es difícil"*. *"¿Quién puede aceptarlo?"* Fueron los discípulos de Jesús quienes hicieron esta queja. Se ofendieron por el lenguaje, las imágenes y las metáforas de Jesús que utilizó en su discurso eucarístico. Pero Jesús no dio ninguna explicación adicional. Simplemente los desafió a abrirse al don de la fe que Dios les estaba ofreciendo: *"Nadie puede venir a Mí a menos que sea otorgado por el Padre"*.

Jesús trata de ayudar a sus seguidores restantes a dar un salto de fe, porque es solo con fe que podrán ver y captar el triple misterio que se les ha dado, a saber;

- (1) la Encarnación (*"Yo soy el pan que descendió del cielo"*, Juan 6:41);
- (2) la redención (*"el pan que doy es mi carne para la vida del mundo"*, Juan 6:51);
- (3) la Ascensión y la glorificación (*"el Hijo del Hombre ascenderá a donde estaba antes"*, Juan 6:62).

La respuesta de Pedro: *"Maestro, ¿a quién iremos? Tú tienes las palabras de la vida eterna"*, refleja la decisión llena de fe, libre y de todo corazón de la comunidad cristiana primitiva para seguir a Jesús y Sus enseñanzas. Algunos eruditos bíblicos consideran a Jesús 'pregunta,' *¿También tú quieres dejarme?*, a Pedro y la respuesta del apóstol, como algo paralelo a la pregunta de Jesús: *¿Quién crees que soy yo?* y la confesión de fe de Pedro en Cesárea de Filipo (Marcos 8:27-30, Mateo 16: 13-20, Lucas 9: 18-21).

Los cristianos hemos aceptado el desafío de seguir el camino de Cristo y tomar decisiones para Cristo, fortalecidos por el pan que Él da y el poder de su Espíritu Santo. La misma posibilidad de elegir a favor o en contra de Jesús se repite una y otra vez en la edad moderna. Deberíamos decidir defender a Jesús y aceptar las consecuencias. Reconocemos que al ir a la Comunión, aceptamos ese desafío de ser totalmente uno con Jesús. Cuando el sacerdote nos da la Santa Comunión diciendo: *"El Cuerpo de Cristo"*, respondemos: *"Amén"*. Ese "Amén", ese "Sí", no es solo un acto de fe en la Presencia Real; es un compromiso total de nosotros mismos con Jesús en la comunidad de la cual somos miembros. Debemos aceptarlo totalmente, sin ninguna condición o reserva. Los pensamientos y actitudes de Cristo, Sus valores, Su visión de vida deben volverse totalmente nuestros y deben gobernar y dar forma a nuestras vidas. Sobre todo, debemos identificarnos con Él en la ofrenda de Su carne y el derramamiento de Su sangre en la cruz, el símbolo del amor indecible de Dios por nosotros.

¡Les deseo a todos una bendecida semana!

P. Edison Bernavas I.C



## Bienvenidos a San Francisco de Asís!

Damos una especial bienvenida a todos los visitantes y nuevos feligreses que han venido hoy a celebrar la Misa con nosotros. Si usted es nuevo en nuestra comunidad, por favor preséntese a nuestro clero. Si vive en esta área y participa de la Misa regularmente, le invitamos a unirse a nuestra parroquia. Registrarse es importante para asuntos de bautizo, primera comunión, confirmación, unción de los enfermos y funerales.

La inscripción es muy fácil. Los formularios se encuentran a la entrada de la parroquia. Son unas tarjetas de color crema con el título, '**Registro Parroquial**'. Después de completarla, colóquela en el buzón ubicado en la puerta al lado de la fuente de agua en el vestíbulo.



## Casas al Servicio de Dios

Antiguamente, la palabra "familia" tenía un significado muy amplio. Cuando Josué habla hoy de que su familia servirá al Señor, no se refería solo a las personas que vivían dentro de sus paredes ni a sus parientes de sangre o políticos; se refería a los esclavos o criados y sus familias y cualquier persona que estuviera en deuda con él por algún motivo. Incluso su ganado y demás bienes debían consagrarse a servir a Dios. En nuestro mundo, valoramos mucho la libertad de los individuos para elegir de qué manera vivir y no se nos ocurriría poner a nuestras mascotas al servicio de Dios. Pero, al discernir nuestra vocación como discípulos bautizados en Cristo, llegamos a comprender la diversidad de las "familias" de nuestra vida: la manera en que obramos con nuestros cónyuges, hijos, compañeros de habitación o con quien sea que vivamos; nuestro comportamiento con los vecinos o en público ya que cada día nos topamos con muchos "extraños" en los negocios o en la calle, quienes de repente se convierten en "el vecino". ¿De qué manera podemos usar nuestro tiempo, recursos o dones con fines desinteresados en vez de con el fin de obtener algún beneficio personal? Sin importar en qué clase de vida demos testimonio de la Buena Nueva, todos tenemos una "familia" que debe consagrarse al servicio del Señor, nuestro Dios. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



## Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura—Josué urge a los israelitas a que sirvan a Dios o a los otros dioses. Ellos escogieron al Señor (Josué 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Salmo—Gusten y vean qué bueno es el Señor (Salmo 34 [33]).

Segunda lectura—Pablo reflexiona cómo los esposos y esposas deberán darse amor y reverencia mutua (Efesios 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]).

Evangelio—Después de hablar de dar su carne a comer, muchos de los discípulos de Jesús se alejaron. Los doce escogieron permanecer con él; "Maestro, ¿a quién acudiremos?" (Juan 6:60-69)



**Por favor únase a nuestra comunidad en línea**

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**Invitación del Instituto del Ministerio Pastoral Laico**

El programa LPMI, de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica; equipa a los católicos con conocimiento y habilidades para llevar a cabo el ministerio de manera *competente, colaborativa y profesional*. A través de un proceso integrado de educación y formación continua de fe, brindamos una oportunidad para que los católicos de toda la Diócesis crezcan espiritual, intelectual y pastoralmente. Las clases de "Año de discernimiento" 2018-2019 comienzan el 8 de septiembre de 2018. **Para más información: visite [www.dosp.org/lpmi](http://www.dosp.org/lpmi); correo electrónico: [lpmisepi@dosp.org](mailto:lpmisepi@dosp.org); o llame al 727-344-1611.**

**Oración contra las tormentas**



Padre, todos los elementos de la naturaleza obedecen Tus órdenes. Calma las tormentas que nos amenazan y convierte nuestro temor en alabanza de tu bondad. Danos buen tiempo, Nosotros oramos para regocijarnos en tus dones y bondad y usarlos siempre para tu Gloria y nuestro bien. Te lo pedimos por medio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina con el Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios por los siglos de los siglos. Amén

**CATEQUESIS**

La catequesis está por comenzar el 8 de Septiembre, las registraciones ya comenzaron. Por favor de pasar a registrar a sus niños, estaremos en la entrada registrando desde las 5:30 de la tarde y después de la misa por las próximas dos semanas. Recuerden que los niños tendrán que atender dos años a clases para poder recibir sus sacramentos. Para más información por favor de contactar a la señora Maday al (813) 352-7813 en español o a la oficina para más información.

**RCIA**

Tiene preguntas a cerca de su fe? Le gustaría saber más sobre ser católico? No es usted católico quiere casarse por la iglesia y no tiene sus sacramentos si es un sí!... Por favor llame a la oficina de la iglesia o al Señor Rafael Rosario al (813)842 -0927. Anímese y no se arrepentirá de dar un gran paso en su vida en los caminos del Señor.

**Esta Semana en Nuestra Parroquia**

|                     |                        |  |
|---------------------|------------------------|--|
| <b>Lunes 27</b>     | 7:00 p.m.              | Grupo de Emaus/mujeres                 |
| <b>Martes 28</b>    | 7:00 p.m.              | Grupo de PJXXIII                       |
| <b>Miércoles 29</b> | 7:30 p.m.              | MDS                                    |
| <b>Jueves 30</b>    | 7:00 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m. | Formación de adultos<br>RCIA           |
| <b>Sábado 1</b>     | 4:30 p.m.<br>5.00 p.m. | Formación de niños<br>Practicá de Coro |

**¡Sigue al Santo Padre en Twitter!**

**¡El Papa Francisco está en Twitter!** El Vaticano usa Twitter como una forma para que los fieles interactúen más estrechamente con el Santo Padre y está disponible en varios idiomas diferentes.



¡Sígalo en [www.twitter.com/pontifex](http://www.twitter.com/pontifex) mientras comparte su sabiduría, pensamientos y bendiciones!

Retiros de Experiencia de Emaús Mujeres  
 Invitamos a las reuniones de formación para retiros de Emaús, cada 15 días los lunes de 7:00pm-9:00pm  
 ¿No sentimos orar nuestra comunión cuando nos hallaba en el camino?  
 Para más información:  
 Miguelina Rodríguez (813)-748-1469 ó  
 Ernestina García (813)-763-4776  
 Emaús Hombres  
 Juan (813) 337-8811 ó Oscar(727) 687-6237  
**¡Jesucristo ha Resucitado!**

**Adoración Eucarística:**

Lunes - Viernes..... 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

**Legión de Maria:**

Martes después de la misa de 8:00 a.m.

**Novena a Nuestra Señora, Reina de Paz:**

Martes después de la misa de 8:00 a.m

**Sacramento de Reconciliación:**

Jueves .....5.00—6.00 p.m.

Sábado .....5.30 p.m.

Primer Viernes:.....7:00 p.m.

O a cualquier hora haciendo cita con el sacerdote.

**Unción de Los Enfermos:**

Para todas las personas amenazadas por una enfermedad grave: este sacramento esta disponible en cualquier momento, pero particularmente durante la misa diaria.

**Bautismo:**

Después de completar la formación requerida, por favor contáctese con María Elena Parrilla.

**Matrimonio**

Contacte a la oficina de la parroquia por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada o antes de fijar la fecha.

**Horas de Oficina:**

Lunes - Viernes ..... 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

EN LA CARIDAD DE SUS ORACIONES, por favor oren por aquellos que están enfermos, encerrados en su casa o confinados en hospitales y hogares para ancianos, especialmente por los siguientes:

Marion Alexander, Pat Allen, Benjamin Ambrose, James Barry, Bonnie Beaudry, John Bernal, Carmela Blair, Dick Boelter, Eileen Boyle, Dee Brown, Dana Calvani, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Paul Casagrande, Maria Celani, Helen & Jack Clark, Susan Conely, Carmen Connors, John Danet, Doug Dimick, Marisa Dunn, Rick Eisenhard, Barbara Fellabick, Kenny Gay, Scott Gill, Brian Goldbach, Bill Haladay, Ada Hall, Charles Hall, Ken Hall, Rachel Harlor, Colleen Harmon, Ronald Lee Hayes, Olivia Hicks, Coleman & Marlene Hill, Norma Homs, Doyle James, Ben Jones, Patricia Koch, Jill Kotowski, Norma Martinez, Father Jim McAteer, Shawn McConnel, John & Charlotte McFaul, Joyce McKinney, John Mulhern, George Mulhern, Darryl Mummert, Ed & Gerry Murray, Beverly Natter, Tess Ocampo, Charles Paisley, Tim Pasden, Mary Elizabeth Polumbo, Luisa Puerto, John Poulos, Pat Racic, Mary Ellen Riley, Pat & Barbara Riley, Elise Rowe, Harry Santos, Ada Scimeca, Tom Seals, Ed Shea, Gail Shoyren, Bill Shumsky, Catherine Mary Skidmore, Laura Spivey, Stanton Sullivan, Bernadette Suppa, Joseph Suppa Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Betty Valleri, Alice & Terry Veinotte, Martin Vicario, Carol Wagner, Gabriel Wagner, George Wagner, Joan Wagner, Joan Warner, Kurt Wicker, Paul Wicker, Mary Winiarski, Georgiana Zawlocki, Ron Ziegler por los que estan en sus hogares y las personas que los cuidan.

**Oramos por las personas que estan luchando con alguna enfermedad. Señor, pasa tu mano sanadora sobre ellas, y líbralas del sufremiento, concédeles una pronta recuperación, fortaleza y cuidado mientras se sanan. Gracias en el nombre de Jesús, Amén**

Por favor recuerden orar por nuestras tropas, especialmente:

|                    |                        |                      |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Daniel Hutton      | Brittany L Jones Baker | Remy Herrero         |
| Aran Miller        | Adam Baker             | Leobardo Martinez    |
| Jarred Taracido    | Zachary Trinkle        | Alejandro Cuesta     |
| Joseph Michalek    | Dan Holder             | Wesley Kosierowski   |
| Juan Cruz          | Jesse Doyle            | Nicholas Kosierowski |
| Spencer Dewey      | Kenneth Urquhart       | Christopher Jeffers  |
| Kris Urquhart      | Aaron C. Lint          | Jared Michael Null   |
| Mickey Reese       | Lawrence Morgan Null   | Haley Elizabeth Null |
| Christopher Heacox | John Andrew Marple     | Donovan O'Connor     |
| Ryan Levy Cruz     | James E. Desaulniers   | Jaiden Andrus        |
| Jeff Calvani       | Brennan Tyska          | Tony Cuesta          |
| Ryan Hurley        | James Kropp            | Michael Mulhern      |
| J.P. Zotomayor     | Robin Brown            | Jeanine Hatfield     |
| Helen Castillo     | Josh Silva             | U.S.S. Alabama Crew  |
| Derrick M. Shea    | Charles Laing III      | Magaly Oliu          |
| Nathan Berry       | Mario Perez            | Michael Baez         |
| Devon M. Callicoat | Joshua Eicholz         | Collin Newman        |
| Matt Daniels       | Kevin Lime             | Trey M. Bushee       |
| Ryan Dimick        | Patrick Jonker         | Shaun R. Bushee      |
| Jesse Witt         |                        |                      |

**Calendario de Ministerios -- Agosto 30 y Sept 1**

**Jueves, 30 de Agosto. Misa 6:30 p.m.**

**Líder de Rosario:** Hayeee Hernandez

**Servidores del Altar:** Por favor regístrate en la sacristía

**Lecturas:** Isabel Núñez

**Ministros Extraordinarios de La Sagrada Comunión:**

Por favor regístrate en la sacristía

**Sabado, 25 de Agosto. Misa 6:30 p.m.**

**Líder de Rosario:** Benjamin Aguado

**Servidores del Altar:** Cross: George, Book: Diana,

Candles: Rita y Emiliano

**Monitor:** Por favor regístrate en la sacristía

**Lecturas:** Por favor regístrate en la sacristía

**Ministros Extraordinarios de La Sagrada Comunión:**

Por favor regístrate en la sacristía

**Donaciones y Ofrendas**

**Domingo, 12 de agosto, 2018**

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Colecta de Misas.....                    | \$8,132.95        |
| Colecta de niños y jóvenes.....          | \$28.00           |
| Ofrendas en línea.....                   | \$1,120.00        |
| <b>Total Ofrenda en esta semana.....</b> | <b>\$9,280.95</b> |
| Fondo de construcción esta semana.....   | \$1,108.00        |

~ De Generosamente Desde su Corazón ~

**ASISTENCIA A LA MISA**

|           |     |            |     |
|-----------|-----|------------|-----|
| 4:30 p.m. | 170 | 6:30 p.m.  | 199 |
| 8:30 a.m. | 149 | 10:30 a.m. | 180 |
|           |     | 4:30 p.m.  | 180 |

Total Asistencia : 878

Vigésimo Primer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
26 de agosto de 2018

En cuanto a mí toca, mi familia y yo serviremos al Señor.

-- Josué 24:15b

~ Para la Semana del 12 de agosto 2018 ~

CAJA DE DONACIONES PARA LOS POBRES

\$302.53

CAJA DE DONACIONES PARA EL  
MINISTERIO DE COMIDAS

\$251.78

**Gracias a todos aquellos que generosamente apoyan nuestras cajas de donaciones para los pobres y para los ministerios de comidas, por su apoyo nosotros podemos ayudar a los más necesitados.**

*¡Gracias y que Dios los bendiga!*



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**Gran kermes Baile,  
sabado 15 de  
Septiembre, ven y  
disfruta con nosotros  
de este gran evento. Se  
contará con venta de  
comida de diferentes  
países.**



**La Iglesia de San Francis  
tiene el honor de invitarlo a  
usted y su familia a  
celebrar con nosotros la  
Independencia de México  
y el mes de la Herencia  
Hispana, con una gran  
kermes-Baile de 7:30 pm a  
12:00 pm.**

**Todos los fondos  
recaudados serán para  
beneficio de la misma  
parroquia, tendremos venta  
de comida típica, vengan a  
disfrutar con nosotros en  
un ambiente sano y  
familiar.**

**La entrada al baile será de  
\$7.00 dólares para los adultos y los Niños menores de  
14 años la entrada será gratis.**

**NO FALTES!**

