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

Pastor

Fr. Edison Bernavas, 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.

Rosary 35 minutes before
each weekend Mass

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

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

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

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

March 31, 2019



Fourth Sunday

of

Lent

Whoever is in Christ
is a new creation:
the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Saturday March 30**
 4:30 p.m. †Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Sunday March 31**
 8:30 a.m. †Cataria Chuog
 by Tran Family
 10:30 a.m. †Fernando Velez & Consuelo Lucca
 4:30 p.m. Caitlen Corrigan
 by Nora Costello
- Monday April 1**
 8:00 a.m. †Richard Mathelier
 by Pierre & Mona
- Tuesday April 2**
 8:00 a.m. †Helen O'Connor
 by Joe & Family
- Wednesday April 3**
 8:00 a.m. †Donald Parrish
 by Louisa & Jerry Moore
- Thursday April 4**
 8:00 a.m. †Florence, Jim, & Shirley Gable
 by Billie
 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Friday April 5**
 8:00 a.m. †Don Parker by Mary Parker
- Saturday April 6**
 4:30 p.m. †Lilah & Albert Allen
 by Sue Soleau & Lilah Gill
 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
 †Humberto Benitez
 †Euodocia Vega by Noelia Gonzalez
- Sunday April 7**
 8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
 10:30 a.m. †Karen Irving
 by John & Dottie Mabe
 4:30 p.m. †Euodocia Vega
 by Noelia Gonzalez

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

Pat Allen, Lois Bean, Bonnie Beaudry, Patsy Bourassa, Tasha Brown, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Marie Celani, Marie Casale, Terry Cliburn, Katrina Crooks, Thereas Crooks, Ralph Fehr, Scott Gill, Rachel Harlor, Rhett Keane, John McFaul, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Martin Murphy, Ed & Gerry Murray, Christine Musser, Mary Elizabeth Polumbo, Pat Racic, Mary Ellen Riley, Renee Schiele, Bernadette Suppa, Joe Suppa, Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Eleanor Trevains, Ann Vogt, George Wagner, David, Janice, & Robby Wedderman, Kurt Wicker, Mary Winiarski, John Yeninas, Ron Ziegler, the Homebound and their Caregivers and the repose of the soul of Charlotte McFaul.

Please remember to call the parish office if you need to have a name added to our prayer list. Names will remain on the list for four weeks, unless otherwise specified or they are considered a long-term illness. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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.

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 as he shares his wisdom, thoughts, and blessings!



Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:

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| Casey James Casale | Patrick Junker |
| Alejandro Cuesta | Wesley Kosierowski |
| Tony Cuesta | Nicholas Kosierowski |
| Matt Daniels | Leobardo Martinez |
| Spencer Dewey | Michael Mulhern |
| Jesse Doyle | Collin Newman |
| Remy Herrero | Keenan Newman |
| Dan Holder | Donovan O'Connor |
| Christopher Jeffers | Paul Michael Presley |

(To have a name added to this list, please call the parish office.)



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.

From the Pastor...

My Dear Brother and Sisters in Christ!

The Parable of the Prodigal Son is likely one of the most quoted and most versatile of all the stories in the Gospels. It is so because it is so easy for us to identify with one or all of these three characters at various times in our lives. Of course, our reasons for identifying with them can be interchangeable, such as when we prefer to put ourselves in the shoes of the generous father. He has been deeply wronged, and his youngest son has been a keen disappointment. We've all been there. And there is more than a hint of disappointment to be found in the eldest son, who complains that he has not gotten proper recognition from the father. We've all been the aggrieved elder brother. But unlike the father, are there times when we've preferred to wallow in grief and refuse to turn the page and move on?

We've also been in the shoes of the penitential son, who returns from a wasted life, hoping to begin all over again. If truth be told, most of us have a hard time imagining ourselves doing such horrible things from which we need to repent. Repentance and change of life are generally what other people need to do, while each of us, without much trouble, could compile a list of friends and neighbors who are in need of a healthy dose of repentance.

So, we end up with a story in which one person desperately wants forgiveness; a second wants to give it freely; and a third begrudges the easy forgiveness that the undeserving brother gets. But therein is the struggle that goes on daily in our lives.

Just for today, let's pretend that we are not the generous father. Let's pretend that we are not the virtuous older brother, who does everything right and get so little recognition in return. For a moment, let's pretend, hypothetically, of course, that we are the younger brother – the sinner, the guy who needs to turn his life around. If you have to, stretch your imagination on this, even if you've never been there.

Who is actually the Prodigal Son in this story? I think it is the elder son. Look at the way he behaves. He is so angry at his brother. He does not even call him a brother, but just says "when your son returns, who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf". Look how much hatred he has towards his brother. He doesn't even want to go into the house and rejoice with the others.

If you read at the beginning of Chapter 15, Jesus starts off talking about the Pharisees and Scribes, who thought of themselves as righteous but had evil intentions in their hearts. It is they who needed repentance. There are moments that we cannot forgive our own parents, children, brothers or sisters. We have shown hatred or anger towards our loved ones. All these represent the elder son. Let us think about the moments that we have failed to show forgiveness to the people whom we love and care about the most.

We are all called to become a new creation in Christ, in order to do that we need a clean heart without hatred towards our family and our neighbors. Let us rejoice because our brother or sister has returned home.

I wish you all a Blessed Lenten Journey with the Lord, Who's memory we remember each and every day of this season.

Fr. Edison Bernavas 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.

Today's Readings

First Reading—The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalms—Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading—Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel—This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



MARRIED COUPLES- Prepare for Easter in a special way this year. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and to God. The next weekend in the Tampa area is April 12-14 at the Franciscan Center in Tampa. Space IS limited, so please apply early! For more information about taking a private time away, check out flwc-wwme.org or call 813-270-7832.

Volunteers Needed



The Parish Office is looking for volunteers that can commit to one half day per week to help answer the phone and pass out lunch and coffee to the needy. It is necessary to be able to communicate in English both orally and in writing, but bilingual is a plus. Please call the office if you are willing and able to make this commitment. (813) 681-9115.

The Food Pantry is looking for volunteers who can help out on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12:30—3:00 p.m. Call Marie Colvin at (813) 357-4999 if you are able to help out any or all of those days.

Women's Guild News

The Women's Guild will be having its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** in the Social Hall. New members are invited to attend! Bring your ideas and a friend and join us for spiritual enrichment and fellowship.

Ministries Schedule - April 6 & 7

Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Deirdre Bristol
Altar Servers: Adult Volunteers
Lector: Barry Caskey
E.M.H.C.: Subko, J. & J. Angelo, Benn, Caskey, Lyons, Claypoole

Sunday - 8:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Henri Plourde
Altar Servers: Adult Volunteers
Lector: Sharon Belinski
E.M.H.C.: H. Tran, Boucher, N. T. Do, Ganske, Gergen, Jervey, Belinski

Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: John Mabe
Altar Servers: Brown Family (2 please), J. Moylan
Lector: Rick Zawlocki
E.M.H.C.: Erlendsson, Klosterman, Nguyen, Oliu, Paden, N. Tran

Sunday - 4:30 p.m.. Mass

Rosary Leader: Theresa Redgrave
Altar Servers: S. Iyog, Y.Mai
Lector: Grace Alfonso & Christina Lukban
E.M.H.C.: Balzano-Gray, Harper, Redgrave, Smith Whitehead

Homebound E.M.H.C.

First Friday: April 5

Priest Visits the Homebound

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

Contact parish office to receive required instruction.

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

March 31—April 6, 2019

Sunday March 31	Faith Formation	5:30 p.m.
Monday April 1	Cub Scouts	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday April 2	Legion of Mary Boy Scouts Women's Guild	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday April 3	Dinner for the Needy Choir Practice RCIA	4:30 p.m. 6:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday April 4	Bible Study	8:30 a.m.
Friday April 5	Fish Fry Stations of the Cross	4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

Fish Fry

Please join us **Friday, April 5**, in the Dinner Hall from **4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.** for our annual **Lenten Fish Fry**, sponsored by the Legion of Mary. Dinner will be \$8. To-Go boxes will be available upon request.

Statewide Stewardship Day

The Office of Stewardship and Development is pleased to announce our second Statewide Stewardship Day, "Engaging the Family through the Four Pillars of Stewardship," will be held on Saturday, May 4 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Hilton Miami Downtown. At this incredible day of formation, the seven dioceses of Florida will join together to explore how we can implement stewardship through **PRAYER, FORMATION, HOSPITALITY and SERVICE.**

The registration fee of \$35 includes two keynote speakers, 12 nationally recognized presenters (in both English and Spanish!), continental breakfast and lunch. For more information, please visit www.adomdevelopment.org/statewidestewardshipday.

Project Hope

For thirty years Project HOPE has worked on uncovering problems and researching solutions for residents of Hillsborough County. Our Church has a history of Catholic social teachings which proclaim the dignity of every human person. Project HOPE is a practical group which fosters social justice. We can all do works of charity individually or in the parish. But doing justice involves banding together with many others to change systems and/or policies.

If you feel led **to learn more**, please attend the 2019 Nehemiah Action at Bible-Based Fellowship Church, 4811 Ehrlich Road, Carrollwood, FL 33624 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. on **Monday, April 1, 2019**. For more information, free tickets, and/or to carpool, call **Marilynn Paden, 813-685-6595**.

Walk/Run For Life 2019 ... Tampa Bay

Ben T. Davis Beach

7740 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway

Saturday - April 13, 2019 Registration: 8 - 9 am

Walk/Run Begins: 9 am

◆ **1 mile • 2 miles • 5K**

Benefitting Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center: Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco & Pinellas, Knights Women's Center, Project Rachel & Perinatal ComfortCare

Register Today at Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center

Phone: 813-631-4393

Email: foundationsoflife@ccdosp.org

Register Online at: FoundationsOfLife.org

Mary Help of Christians Summer Camp!

Where Faith and Fun Become One!

Mary Help of Christians is hosting a summer camp for boys and girls ages 5—15. The camp runs for six weeks from June 10—July 26. Kids can attend one week, or the whole summer. The camp embodies St. John Bosco's vision by creating home, school, church, and playground for the young. Mass is celebrated every morning and there is Faith Time every afternoon.

There are Open Houses scheduled for April 13th and May 18th. Come meet the staff, learn about the camp, take a tour of the property and register for camp. Registration fee is reduced to \$25 with open house attendance. For more information visit www.mhctampa.org or call 813-626-6191.

All Are Invited

In an effort to lead all people closer to the Heart of Jesus, a Marian Congress will be held on Saturday, May 11 that will include witness talks, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Mass with Renewal of Consecration.



FIRST ANNUAL MARIAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Take Mary Into Our Hearts & Homes

Renewing Our Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Personally and as a Diocese

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019

9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

4 P.M. Mass of Renewal

Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle
5815 5th Ave N., St. Petersburg

"May Mary's example be our strength, light and our guide."
Bishop Gregory Parkes

For more information, visit:
www.dosp.org/heartofmary

In Cooperation with the International Consecrated Marian Society

COURAGEOUSLY
Living the Gospel

Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes for February 11, 2019

Attendees: Fr. Edison, Jose Parrilla, Ted Domey, Marie Colvin, Bill Klosterman, James Mukalel, Bill Raynor, Judy Erlendsson, Carlos Rodriguez

- ◆ Meeting began at 7:34 p.m.
- ◆ Prayer by Marie Colvin.
- ◆ Review of minutes: Bill Raynor motioned; James Mukalel seconded; all approved. No corrections needed.
- ◆ Rosary Garden of our Lady: Carlos e-mailed pictures of the plan
- ◆ Fish Fry: (Each group can keep the proceeds.) March 8 – Knights of Columbus, March 15 – Women's Guild, March 22 – MDS, March 29 – Emaus, April 5 – Legion of Mary, April 12 – John XXIII
- ◆ Donuts: March – Emaus, April – Women's Guild, May – Knights of Columbus, June – Boy Scouts, July – MDS, August – Legion of Mary, September – Tran, October – John XXIII, November – Emaus, December – Women's Guild
- ◆ Holy Week: Holy Thursday – 7:00 p.m. (Bilingual) and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 p.m.; Good Friday – Stations at 3:00 p.m. (English) and 6:30 p.m. (Spanish), Mass at 6:00 p.m. (English) and 8:00 p.m. (Spanish); Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. (Bilingual); Easter morning Masses – Sunrise 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)
- ◆ Parish Mission: March 18-20, English 7:00-8:30 p.m. and April 1-3, Spanish 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- ◆ Morning Star School has asked St. Francis to sponsor their tennis tournament fundraiser - \$500. Motioned by Bill Raynor; seconded by Marie Colvin; all approved.
- ◆ 4:30 pm Mass on Sunday: change to 6:00 p.m. It will be discussed later.
- ◆ Father's Day Breakfast: Scouts would like to host on June 16.
- ◆ Proposal for crosswalk at both entrances.
- ◆ Courageously Living the Gospel (Diocese's mission): Bill K. and Jose will go to a workshop to work on SMART strategies.
- ◆ USDA has asked Marie Colvin to help with a food pantry at Brandon HCC. She will meet with them to get the details.
- ◆ Motion to move next meeting to March 4 by Marie Colvin; seconded by Bill Raynor; all approved.
- ◆ Motion to adjourn by Bill Raynor; Marie Colvin seconded.
- ◆ Closing prayer led by Jose Parrilla.
- ◆ Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers	
Judy Erendsson.....	244-2853
Church Musicians	
Ramon Martos.....	334-3454
Clothing Pantry	
Contact the Parish Office.....	681-9115
Eucharistic Adoration	
Susan Soleau.....	689-6914
Faith Formation	
Judy Erendsson.....	244-2853
Food Pantry	
Marie Colvin.....	357-4999
Eucharistic Ministers	
Pam Caskey.....	651-1165
Helping Hands	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Hispanic Religious Education	
Maday Gonzalez.....	357-7813
Juanita Vega.....	731-0893
Hispanic Baptism Classes	
Maria Elena Parilla.....	657-0218
Hispanic Homebound/Visitacion a Hogares de Ancianos	
Hispanic Ministry Coordinator	
Juanita Vega.....	731-0893
HomeBound/Nursing Home Visitation	
Janet Ganske.....	943-9928
Knights of Columbus	
Jack Claypoole.....	850-375-3628
Lectors	
Bob Winiarski.....	333-1976
Legion of Mary	
Sharon Belinski.....	951-0146
Respect Life	
Carl Francis Kosierowski.....	546-9440
Rosary Leader	
Deirdre Bristol.....	689-3121
RCIA / Hispanic RCIA	
Fr. Edison Bernavas.....	681-9115
Maria y Jose López.....	453-7215
Sacristans	
Maria Ocampo.....	653-3011
Scouts	
Kathy & Ted Domey.....	685-8242
Tender Care	
Marie Colvin.....	357-4999
Ushers	
Ron Mullen.....	661-5983
Women's Guild	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Youth Ministry	
Joanna Kauer.....	731-7693

Stewardship of Time & Talent Salute

In gratitude of God's gifts of time and talent to our parish, we wish to acknowledge and salute, *Juan y Silvia Espinal*, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Gracias, Juan & Silvia!

Stewardship by the Book

The stewardship message in the parable of the prodigal Son is that it is never too late to become a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he'd been given.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.
~ 2 Corinthians 5:1



Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, March 10, 2019

Offertory Collection.....	\$8,217.43
Children's & Youth Collection.....	\$26.00
On Line Giving/Offertory.....	\$1,305.00
Total Offertory for this week.....	\$9,548.43
Building Fund.....	\$314.00

~ Give Generously From Your Heart ~

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:30 p.m.	190	6:30 p.m.	204
8:30 a.m.	150	10:30 a.m.	286
4:30 p.m.		195	
Total Attendance: 1025			

~ For the Week of March 17, 2019 ~

POOR BOX DONATIONS

\$375.07

DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS

\$427.30

Thanks to all who so generously support our Poor Box & Dinner Ministry Collections. Because of *your support*, we are able to help those in need. *Thank you and God bless!!*



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**ABIERTO
LUNES
A DOMINGO**

**OPEN
MONDAY
TO SUNDAY**

Miercoles y Domingo Cerramos 5:00 pm
Wednesday and Sunday Closed 5:00 pm

**Atendidos por La Familia García
Attended by the Family García**

Vocation View

Jesus came to forgive. We all stumble and fall. Are you able to forgive as Jesus did?

A Unique Memorial at Easter



REMEMBER a loved one at Easter with a gift of Lilies to beautify our altar and sanctuary area. All those memorialized and honored will be listed in our Easter bulletin insert on April 21st, unless anonymity is requested.

Suggested donation is \$10.00 per Lily plant. Please insert the name(s) in the appropriate section, "**In Memory of**" or "**In Honor of**" on this form. Make your check payable to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, attach it to this form with payment, and place in our offertory basket or in the drop slot in the door in the lobby. Please do so as soon as possible but **no later than Friday, April 12th.**

MEMORIALS (for the deceased)

No. of Lilies _____ Please **print name** as it is to appear in the Easter bulletin insert on April 21st

_____ In Memory of _____

_____ In Memory of _____

_____ In Memory of _____

HONOREES (for the living)

No. of Lilies _____ Please **print name** as it is to appear in the Easter bulletin insert on April 21st

_____ In Honor of _____

_____ In Honor of _____

Total number of Lilies _____ @ \$10.00 EACH = _____

Donor: _____ Ph: () _____ - _____

All flowers will be available for removal and replanting after Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th.

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

¡Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo!

La parábola del hijo pródigo es probablemente una de las historias más citadas y más versátiles de todos los evangelios. Es así porque es muy fácil para nosotros identificarnos con uno o con los tres personajes en diferentes momentos de nuestras vidas. Por supuesto, nuestras razones para identificarnos con ellos pueden ser intercambiables, como cuando preferimos ponernos en los zapatos de un padre generoso. Él ha sido profundamente ofendido, y su hijo menor ha sido una decepción. Todos hemos estado allí. Y hay más que un indicio de decepción en el hijo mayor, quien se queja de que el padre no le ha dado el reconocimiento adecuado. Todos hemos sido el hermano mayor agravado. Pero, a diferencia del padre, ¿hay ocasiones en que hemos preferido revolcarnos en nuestro dolor y negarnos a dar vuelta a la página y seguir adelante?

También hemos estado en los zapatos del hijo penitencial, que regresa de una vida desperdiciada, con la esperanza de comenzar de nuevo. A decir verdad, a la mayoría de nosotros nos cuesta imaginarnos hacer cosas tan horribles de las que debemos arrepentirnos. El arrepentimiento y el cambio de vida son generalmente lo que otras personas deben hacer, mientras que cada uno de nosotros, sin muchos problemas, puede compilar una lista de amigos y vecinos que necesitan una buena dosis de arrepentimiento.

Entonces, terminamos con una historia en la que una persona desea desesperadamente el perdón; un segundo quiere darlo libremente; y una tercera envidia el fácil perdón que obtiene el hermano indigno. Pero ahí está la lucha que se desarrolla diariamente en nuestras vidas.

Solo por hoy, vamos a pretender que no somos el padre generoso. Supongamos que no somos el hermano mayor virtuoso, que lo hace todo bien y obtenemos tan poco reconocimiento a cambio. Por un momento, pretendamos, hipotéticamente, por supuesto, que somos el hermano menor, el pecador, el tipo que necesita cambiar su vida. Si es necesario, deje volar su imaginación con esto, incluso si nunca ha estado allí.

¿Quién es realmente el Hijo Pródigo en esta historia? Creo que es el hijo mayor. Mira la forma en que se comporta. Él está tan enojado con su hermano. Ni siquiera lo llama hermano, sino que simplemente dice: "cuando tu hijo regrese, quien se tragó tu propiedad con prostitutas, por él matas al ternero engordado". Mira cuánto odio tiene hacia su hermano. Ni siquiera quiere entrar a la casa y regocijarse con los demás.

Si lees al principio del Capítulo 15, Jesús comienza hablando de los fariseos y escribas, quienes se consideraban justos pero tenían malas intenciones en sus corazones. Son ellos los que necesitan el arrepentimiento. Hay momentos en que no podemos perdonar a nuestros propios padres, hijos, hermanos o hermanas. Hemos mostrado odio o enojo hacia nuestros seres queridos. Todos estos representan al hijo mayor. Pensemos en los momentos en que hemos fallado en mostrar perdón a las personas a quienes amamos y cuidamos más.

Todos estamos llamados a convertirnos en una nueva creación en Cristo, para hacer eso necesitamos un corazón limpio y sin odio hacia nuestra familia y nuestros vecinos. Regocijémonos porque nuestro hermano o hermana ha regresado a casa. Les deseo a todos un buen viaje de Cuaresma con el Señor, cuya memoria recordamos cada día de esta temporada.

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. 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.

Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — El pueblo de Dios come de los frutos de la tierra prometida (Josué 5:9a, 10-12) ó

1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Salmo — Haz la prueba y verás qué bueno es el Señor (Salmo 34 [33]) o Salmo 23(22).

Segunda lectura — Ahora somos embajadores de Cristo (Corintios 5:17-21) o Efesios 5:8-14.

Evangelio — Este recibe a los pecadores y come con ellos (Lucas 15:1-3, 11-32) o Juan 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

Día del dicipulado estatal

La oficina de dicipulado y desarrollo se complace en anunciar nuestro segundo día de dicipulado estatal, "involucrar a la familia a través de los cuatro pilares de la mayordomía", se celebrará el sábado, 4 de mayo de 8:00 am a 5:00 PM en el Hilton Miami Downtown. En este increíble día de formación, las siete diócesis de Florida se reunirán para explorar cómo podemos implementar la mayordomía a través de la oración, formación, hospitalidad y servicio.

La cuota de inscripción de \$35 incluye dos oradores principales, 12 presentadores reconocidos a nivel nacional (en inglés y español!), desayuno continental y almuerzo. Para más información, por favor visite

www.adomdevelopment.org/statewidestewardshipday.

Reciba aliento cada día

Usted está invitado a inscribirse para recibir las reflexiones diarias de las escrituras sobre la vida valientemente Del Evangelio que le proporcionará sugerencias y oraciones para vivir más audazmente su fe. Puede optar por recibir las reflexiones por correo electrónico o texto. Suscríbese a www.Dosp.org/reflection.

Para Ser Felices

Nunca seremos felices hasta que nos demos cuenta de que los dones de Dios se nos han dado para el bien de todos.

~Anónimo

Retiro de Cuaresma



Nuestro Retiro de Cuaresma se llevara acabo del 1-3 de Abril de 7 - 8:30 pm. En Español, será presentado por el Padre Stephan Brown. **Todos están invitados!!**

Esta es su biografía para que conozcan un poco mas del padre Stephan.

P. Stephan Brown ,SVD es un Misionero del Verbo Divino ordenado en 1993. Durante sus 25 años de sacerdocio ha servido en comunidades multi-culturales. También sirvió como Vice Rector de la Universidad de San Leo en el Apostolado universitario.

P. Stephan fue misionero en México y Brasil y habla cinco idiomas. Ha ayudado en La Diócesis de Saint Petersburg en la comunidad Latina celebrando Misas en Español y Portugués. En julio 2017 fue nombrado párroco de San Jose' St. Petersburg sirviendo a los más marginados y pobres.

Separe la Fecha

Caminata/carrera por la vida 2019... Tampa Bay

Ben T. Davis Beach

7740 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway

Sábado - 13 de abril, 2019

Inscripción: 8-9 am Caminar/correr comienza: 9 AM

~1 milla ~2 millas ~5K

Para beneficio del Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center: Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco & Pinellas, Knights Women's Center, proyecto Rachel & Perinatal ComfortCare

Regístrate hoy

Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center

6515 N. Armenia Avenue, Tampa, FL 33604

Teléfono: 813-631-4393

Correo electrónico: foundationsoflife@ccdosp.org

Regístrese en línea en: FoundationsofLife.org

2019 Apelación Pastoral Anual

Al reflexionar sobre nuestras muchas bendiciones durante esta temporada de oración, ayuno y limosna, seamos conscientes de dar gracias y alabanzas a Dios. El Padre Edison desea expresar su gratitud personal a todos quienes han participado generosamente en la Apelación Pastoral Anual de 2019. Al orar sobre la vida, la muerte y la resurrección de nuestro Señor Jesucristo y recordando el sacrificio sin condición que Él hizo por nosotros y por nuestra salvación, recordemos a aquellos más necesitados en nuestra diócesis y respondamos valientemente con agradecimiento y generosidad.



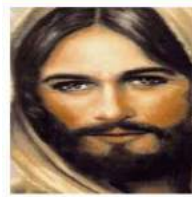
Esta Semana en Nuestra Parroquia

Lunes 1	6:30 p.m.	Emaús
Martes 2	7:00 p.m.	Grupo de Juan XXIII
Miércoles 3	7:30 p.m.	MDS
Jueves 4	7:00 p.m.	Formación de adultos
	7:00 p.m.	RICA
Viernes 5	4:30 p.m.	Pescado Frito
	7:00 p.m.	Estaciones de la Cruz
Sábado 6	4:30 p.m.	Formación de niños
	5:00 p.m.	Practica de Coro

Pescado Frito

El viernes 6 de Abril, The Legion of Mary estarán a cargo de la venta de pescado por la temporada de Cuaresma. Serán \$8 por plato, tendrán las cajitas para llevar a casa si usted lo ordena. ¡Por favor acompañenos!

Retiros de Experiencia de Emaús Mujeres
 Invítamos a las reuniones de formación para retiros de Emaús, cada 15 días los lunes de 7:00pm-9:00pm
¿No sentimos andar nuestra cruz sin haberla 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. (English)

Novena a Nuestra Señora, Reina de Paz:

Martes después de la misa de 8:00 a.m (English)

Sacramento de Reconciliación:

Jueves6.00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

Sábado5.30 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 las siguientes personas:*

Pat Allen, Lois Bean, Bonnie Beaudry, Patsy Bourassa, Tasha Brown, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Marie Casale, Terry Cliburn, Katrina Crooks, Thereas Crooks, Jerry Crowley, Ralph Fehr, Nancy Gasperment, Scott Gill, Rachel Harlor, Yolanda Hernandez, Rhett Keane, John McFaul, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Martin Murphy, Ed & Gerry Murray, Christine Musser, Mary Elizabeth Polumbo, Pat Racic, Mary Ellen Riley, Renee Schiele, Bernadette Suppa, Joe Suppa, Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Eleanor Trevains, Ann Vogt, George Wagner, Alex Webb, David, Janice, & Robby Wedderman, Kurt Wicker, Mary Winiarski, John Yeninas, Ron Ziegler, los que estan en sus hogares y las personas que los cuidan y los descansos del alma de Charlotte McFaul.

Por favor recuerde llamar a la oficina si necesita añadir el nombre de un familiar a la lista de oraciones. Los nombres se mantendran en esta lista por cuatro semanas, a menos que usted nos indique que es una enfermedad a largo tiempo. Gracias por su soporte y colaboración.

Oramos por las personas que están luchando con alguna enfermedad. Señor, pasa tu mano sanadora sobre ellas, y líbralas del sufrimiento, 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:

Casey James Casale	Patrick Junker
Alejandro Cuesta	Wesley Kosierowski
Tony Cuesta	Nicholas Kosierowski
Matt Daniels	Leobardo Martinez
Spencer Dewey	Michael Mulhern
Jesse Doyle	Collin Newman
Remy Herrero	Keenan Newman
Dan Holder	Donovan O'Connor
Christopher Jeffers	Paul Michael Presley

(Recuerde que para añadir el nombre de una persona a esta lista deberá llamar a la oficina.)

Calendario de Ministerios—Abril 4 y 6

Jueves, 4 de Abril. Misa 6:30 p.m.
Líder de Rosario: Haydee Hernandez
Lectura: Isabel Nuñez

Sábado, 6 de Abril. Misa 6:30 p.m.
Líder de Rosario: Jose Lopez
Servidores del Altar: Por favor regístrese en la sacristía
Monitor: Natividad Benitez
Lecturas: Marta Carrillo y Edgard Lopez
Ministros Extraordinarios de La Sagrada Comunión:
 Por favor regístrese en la sacristía

Donaciones y Ofrendas

Domingo, 17 de Marzo, 2019

Colecta de Misas.....	\$8,217.43
Colecta de niños.....	\$26.00
Ofrendas en línea.....	\$1,305.00
Ofrenda Total en esta semana	\$9,548.43
Fondo de construcción esta semana.....	\$314.00

~ De Generosamente Desde su Corazón ~

ASISTENCIA A LA MISA

4:30 p.m. 190	6:30 p.m. 204
8:30 a.m. 150	10:30 a.m. 286
4:30 p.m. 195	

Total Asistencia : 1025

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. ¡Sígalo en www.twitter.com/pontifex mientras comparte su sabiduría, pensamientos y bendiciones!



~ Para la Semana del 17 de Marzo 2019 ~

CAJA DE DONACIONES PARA LOS POBRES
\$375.07

CAJA DE DONACIONES PARA EL
MINISTERIO DE COMIDAS
\$427.30

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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**Padre Phillip
(Felipe) Scott**

Fundador de la
Comunidad Familia
de Jesús Sanador

Sábado 6 de abril de 2019

Salón Social
Nativity Catholic Church
705 E Brandon Boulevard
Brandon, FL 33511



Programa (sujeto a cambios):

7:00 am Inscripción
7:30 am Rosario
8:30 am Santa Misa
10:00 am Charlas
12:00 pm Almuerzo
12:40 pm Charlas
4:00 pm Clausura

Para obtener mayor información y boletos visita:

<http://suncoastcatholicministries.com/2a-conferencia-anual-para-hombres>

Boletos individuales: \$35 cada uno

Padre/Hijo: \$25 cada uno

Precio en la puerta \$40 por persona

Entrada para el clero es gratis

(almuerzo y estacionamiento incluido)

Hay un número limitado de boletos

