



**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI  
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**Priests of the  
Institute of Charity  
(Rosminians)**

**Pastor**

Fr. Edison Bernavas, I.C.

**Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Bibin Mathew, 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

APRIL  
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2020

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.  
LUKE 24:35

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

- Saturday**  
4:30 p.m.  
†Robert Hutchens  
by Soresina Hutchens  
Spanish mass-
- Sunday**  
9:00 a.m.  
**April 25**  
Intentions for Michael Puerto  
by Dad & Stephanie  
Parishioners of St. Francis  
† Lois Bowersox  
by Janet Buxton
- Monday**  
8:00 a.m.  
†Bill & Penny Holiday  
by David & Monica Brandies
- Tuesday**  
8:00 a.m.  
†Tommy Watson III  
by Pete & Henri Plourde
- Wednesday**  
8:00 a.m.  
**April 29**  
Intentions for Gelina A. Thompson  
by V. Thompson
- Thursday**  
8:00 a.m.  
†Kathryn Castillo  
by Monica & David Brandies
- Friday**  
8:00 a.m.  
**May 1**  
†Don Parker  
by Mary Parker  
†Deceased members of the Claypoole  
& Camero children  
By Jack & Carmen Claypoole
- Saturday**  
4:30 p.m.  
Happy Birthday Father Edison!  
by the McElhatten Family  
Spanish mass-
- 6:30 p.m.  
†Fidel Gonzalez, Sr.  
by Noelia Gonzalez
- Sunday**  
9:00 a.m.  
**May 3**  
†Jane Mason  
by Family  
Parishioners of St. Francis  
† George Belinski Sr.  
by Sharon & Family



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:

Pat Allen, Helen Bacovsin, Jerry Bauer, Joan Barrentine, Lois Bean, Bonnie Beaudry, Sharon Belinski, John Bernal, Patsy Bourassa, Monica Brandies, Mariana Birchell, Dick Boelter, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Margaret Canely, Marie Casale, Buddy Chapman, Katrina Crooks, Vaughn Crooks, Carmen Conners, Todd Davis, Jim Decker, Kayla Dennis, Josie Frisco, Lilah Gill, Howard Hunter, Rhett Keane, Linda Kick, Joan Kirkpatrick, Ethel Kotrady, Blanche Kosierowski, Mary Little, Chuck Lloyd, Joseph Martin, Dillon McDonald, Norman McKenzie, Jim Miller, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Gerry Murray, Iris Mussenden, John Nicklus, Diania Niles, Wyatt Nowicki, Rudy Reers, Diane Openlander, Dympna O'Reilly, Antonio Pascual, Mike & Eva Presley, Judy Ragan, Jordan Schadrie, Adalina Scimeca, Ed Shea, Andy Silva, Sue Soleau, Bernadette Suppa, Joe Suppa, Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Mary Edwina Binwa Sylvester, Christy Torres, Heather Trotto, Amorette & Hadley Tweed, John Vicario, David Weddermann, Janice Weddermann, Robby Weddermann, Loraine Wenner, Lorraine Welch, Kurt Wicker, Donna Wiley, Mary Winiarski, Addy Wright, John Yeninas, Richard Young, the Doug Shoup Family, Linda Dixon & Family, the Homebound and their Caregivers.

*In repose of the souls of* Aroqyam Anthony, Marie Colvin, Mercelita Stroz, Rev. Paul Mizener, Rachel Harlor, Nicholas Fabic & John Waylan.

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](http://www.twitter.com/pontifex) as he shares his wisdom, thoughts, and blessings!

Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:

- Anthony Jordan Casale  
Casey James Casale  
Alejandro Cuesta  
Tony Cuesta  
Matt Daniels  
Spencer Dewey  
Jesse Doyle  
Remy Herrero  
Jeanine Hatfield  
Dan Holder  
Christopher Jeffers  
Patrick Junker  
Wesley Kosierowski  
Nicholas Kosierowski  
Leobardo Martinez  
Michael Mulhern  
Collin Newman  
Keenan Newman  
Donovan O'Connor  
Magaly Oliu  
Paul Michael Presley  
Derrick M. Shea  
& Logan

(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 Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today's famed Gospel account recounts the story of Jesus appearing to the two, down-hearted disciples walking away from Jerusalem, on the road to nearby Emmaus.

We may see ourselves in these disciples, as we watch them walking along recounting the terrible events they had recently witnessed. They sadly discussed the betrayal by Judas, the hatred the religious authorities bore for Jesus and other sorrowful memories, so fresh in their minds. This momentary, oppressive darkness obscured the fullness of their recent experience.

It wasn't until their encounter with Jesus in the "the breaking of the bread", that their minds flew back to the powerful events that played out in the Upper Room. Only then could they make any sense of the unspeakable sight of the broken and bloody body of Jesus, hanging on His cross. This perspective gave them renewed hope and joy in the wake of so much darkness.

Like those disciples, we are walking through dark times. Like a large wave, this virus is sweeping over our lives, changing our familiar landscape, our normal pattern of movement and replacing our security with uncertainty. Such radical changes are bound to affect our feelings and emotions.

As we move forward through Lent, we need to, as they needed to, peer through the momentary darkness, and turn to Jesus. In prayer, we will find the needed discernment and perspective to apply as much normalcy to our daily lives as we can, even continuing to look after our brothers and sisters.

As we take it one day at a time on the road to Easter, can we learn to recognize Jesus in human brokenness? That's the key; that's what opens our eyes to His presence among us. When we encounter people with broken hearts, Jesus is there. When we try to offer comfort to someone with a broken spirit, Jesus is there. When we encounter someone who is experiencing loss, pain, and suffering, Jesus is there.

The mystery of Christ's suffering, death, and Resurrection isn't something that simply took place long ago. No. It is on-going; it is going on in our days. True, we live in times when men and women have sinned, and our own sins have obscured the face of Christ. At times He is not recognized in our world and at times even when He is recognized there are many who seek to get rid of Him. Nailing Him to the Cross is something that is still happening

But it is there that He reveals Himself. It is in suffering and broken humanity that He is present. It is there that He is to be revered. And it is *from* there that we receive the promise of Easter – resurrection and new life.

We are all walking our own roads through life. Can we — will we — like the disciples, recognize that Jesus is walking with us? Will we recognize Him in "the breaking of the bread"?

I wish you all a blessed week ahead.

~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 it in the Parish Drop Box, located in the door by the water fountain in the lobby.



## **Today's Readings**

First Reading — God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us (Acts 2:14, 22-33).

Psalm — Lord, you will show us the path of life (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Our faith and hope are in God, who raised Jesus from the dead (1 Peter 1:17-21).

Gospel — Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35).

### **First Reading — Acts 2:14, 22-23**

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words. Jesus the Nazarene was a man commanded to you by God with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs, which God worked through him in your midst, as you yourselves know. This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. For David says of him:

I saw the Lord ever before me,  
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.  
Therefore my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted;

my flesh, too, will dwell in hope,  
because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,  
nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption.  
You have made known to me the paths of life;  
you will fill me with joy in your presence.

"My brothers, one can confidently say to you about the patriarch David that he died and was buried, and his tomb is in our midst to this day. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption. God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear."

## Second Reading — 1 Peter 1:17–21

Beloved: If you invoke as Father him who judges impartially according to each one's works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb.

He was known before the foundation of the world but revealed in the final time for you, who through him believe in God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

## Gospel — Luke 24:13–35

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

## Please Join our FORMED Online Community

As a member of the FORMED community, you will have access to movies, inspiring audio talks, informative bible studies, and much more. St. Francis of Assisi parish is 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, visit us here: <https://stfranciscc.formed.org>** and use Parish Code: Y499KR.



## No Masses Scheduled Until Further Notice

### Facebook Live Mass stream

Follow the Parish Facebook page "St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church" or <https://www.facebook.com/stfranciscc/>. Masses are streamed:

Monday—Friday: 8:00 a.m. in English

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. in English and 6:30 p.m. in Spanish

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. in English

**Eucharistic Adoration** will continue during regular Parish hours but you must enter the Sanctuary NOT the Chapel. We want to keep everything in open areas.

### Parish Office Hours

The office will remain open during the regular hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will continue to serve lunch for those in need.

### Dinner for the Needy

Dinner for the Needy will continue, unless told otherwise, every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Dinner Hall. The dinner will be served and distributed in to-go boxes.

### Confessions

Call the Parish office at (813) 681-9115 to schedule a Confession with Fr. Edison or Fr. Bibin.

### Plastic Bags

We are running low of plastic bags that are used to hand out lunches for the needy. If you have extras at home and would like to donate them, please bring them in to the Parish office. Thank you!



### Eucharistic Adoration in Sanctuary

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 p.m. - 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.

### 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 ..... 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## This Week at St. Francis

### April 27-May 2, 2020

**Sunday  
April 29**

Dinner for the Needy

4:30 p.m.

## Ways to Worship God and Practice our Faith while Masses are suspended

- ◆ Spend time with the Scriptures both as individuals and as a family. Catholics can find the Sunday and Daily Mass Readings online at USCCB.org in both written and audio form.
- ◆ Use your normal worship time to practice a more contemplative way of praying through Lectio Divina which is simply meditating on or contemplating the texts of Holy Scripture, allowing them to lead you to a deeper prayerful communion. Visit [www.dosp.org](http://www.dosp.org) for suggestions.
- ◆ Parish groups can make use of social media to gather virtually for prayer, the rosary or the Liturgy of the Hours.
- ◆ Individuals and groups can worship God by performing the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy and other acts of charity.
- ◆ Rather than hoarding essential items, families and neighborhoods can organize ways of looking out for others and sharing what is needed.

## Lost & Found

There are a couple of items that have been left here at the Parish. If any of these belong to you, please call the Parish office at (813) 681-9115 and we will write your name and hold for pickup. We have a couple of phones, glasses, watches, jackets and hoodies, toys, and a kid's backpack.



## World Wide Marriage Encounter

**MARRIED COUPLES:** Have a good marriage? Want learn a new and exciting way to communicate with your spouse that will not only enkindle the romance of your love, but give you ways to deal head on with the problems that confront us all in daily married life? Join us for a World-wide Marriage Encounter and discover a real path to joy and romance in your marriage. For information call the Application Couple at (813) 270-7832 or go on-line at <http://www.wwme-tampabay.org>. Assuming the restrictions against gatherings are lifted, we tentatively plan to hold the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in this area on July 31 to Aug. 2d at the Franciscan Center in Tampa. Space IS limited, so please apply early!

## Parish Assistance Program

### Your Life, your Faith, your Well-Being

Confidential counseling and support, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

**You can call when you are struggling with:**

- ◆ Anxiety and depression
- ◆ Stress
- ◆ Relationship issues
- ◆ Family Issues
- ◆ Grief & Loss
- ◆ Addictive behaviors



Confidential help is just a phone call away: **(800) 878-5470** or email at: [BayCareCAP@BayCare.org](mailto:BayCareCAP@BayCare.org)

## Helping the Faithful to support their Parishes

With the suspension of public Masses and social distancing in place to support community efforts to slow the spread of illness, a reality our parishes face is that basic operational expenses are addressed through active participation in offertory giving. The intent is for our parishes to continue ministering and serving our communities through this time, and therefore support is not just appreciated, it is vital to the health and stability of each parish, even when the doors are not open on the weekend for Mass.

While some are facing financial hardship themselves, others may be searching for a way to continue supporting their parish. For those not currently utilizing online giving, the Office of Stewardship and Development has created a resource to connect parishioners with their parish's giving site. Click visit <https://www.dosp.org/stewardship/supporting-your-parish> and select "St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Seffner"

## Date Change!

### Walk/Run For Life 2020 - Tampa Bay

Saturday - MAY 30th, 2020 at 7740 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway. Registration: 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and Walk/Run Begins: 9:00 a.m. Benefitting Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center: Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco & Pinellas. Knights Women's Center, Project Rachel & Perinatal Comfort Care.

You can also register today by calling Ben T. Beach at (813) 631-4393, by email at [foundationsoflife@cccdosp.org](mailto:foundationsoflife@cccdosp.org) or register online at: [FoundationsofLife.org](http://FoundationsofLife.org)

## Courageously Live the Gospel by helping provide medical care for those in need

The Catholic Charities Free Medical Clinic's primary fundraiser - "Birdies for Charities"- run with the Valspar (Golf) Championship must change since the tournament's cancellation. BUT, our **brothers and sisters in Christ** who have **NO health insurance** and receive medical care through Catholic Charities Free Medical Clinics **STILL NEED YOUR HELP!**

Make your gift part of your Lenten Almsgiving!

You can donate by:

1. Text **BIRDIES** to **91999** (or go to the online form: [igfn.us/form/ofqcEA](http://igfn.us/form/ofqcEA))

*Ignore the Per Birdie Pledge or the Number of Birdies AND simply make a one-time or sustaining donation.*

2. Call Lou at 727-893-1314 ext 104
3. Email Lou at [lricardo@cccdosp.org](mailto:lricardo@cccdosp.org)

## Parish Ministries

<b>Altar Servers</b>	Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
<b>Church Musician</b>	Ramon Martos .....	334-3454
<b>Clothing Pantry</b>	Contact the Parish Office.....	681-9115
<b>Faith Formation</b>	Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
<b>Food Pantry</b>	Parish Office.....	681-9115
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Pam Caskey .....	651-1165
<b>Helping Hands</b>	Dottie Mabe .....	681-2421
<b>Hispanic Religious Education</b>	Carolina Gonzales.....	451-0637
	Flor Vazques.....	763-7219
<b>Hispanic Baptism Classes</b>	Maria Elena Parilla .....	716-7325
<b>Hispanic Homebound/Visitation a Hogares de Ancianos</b>		
<b>Hispanic Ministry Coordinator</b>	Juanita Vega .....	731-0893
<b>Homebound/Nursing Home Visitation</b>	Janet Ganske .....	943-9928
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Dave Jersey .....	986-7686
<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>	Deirdre Bristol .....	689-3121
<b>RCIA / Hispanic RCIA</b>	Fr. Edison Bernavas.....	681-9115
	Maria y Jose Lopez.....	453-7215
<b>Sacristans</b>	Maria Ocampo .....	653-3011
<b>Scouts</b>	Kathy & Ted Domey .....	685-8242
<b>Tender Care</b>	Parish Office.....	681-9115
<b>Ushers</b>	Ron Mullen .....	661-5983
<b>Women of Faith</b>	Dottie Mabe .....	681-2421
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Debbie Voor .....	245-3294

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## Stewardship Reflections

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." (Colossians 3:2)  
Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.

## Third Sunday of Easter

You have made known to me the paths of life;  
you will fill me with joy in your presence.  
— Acts 2:28



## Grace Poured Forth— An innovation series for Easter season

The Echo Apprentices of the Diocese of St. Petersburg have established a totally new way of reflecting through this COVID-19 Easter Season and wish to invite all people of the diocese into communal fellowship and formation. It is called "GRACE POURED FORTH".

This 7-week adult formation series is meant to meet the challenging times and engage the variety of needs of parishioners, ministry leaders, and friends. This series combines bible study with prayerful reflection, and empowers parish adult groups to gather virtually for discussion. Each Sunday, we will post a new reflection with a guide for personal and communal discussion based on the Sunday's reading from Acts. Although we Echo Apprentices serve at four distinct demographics in four different parish communities, we hope this series unites all the parishes of the Diocese of St Petersburg into common hope that carries us to Pentecost.

To sign up for this series via email, please subscribe to our website <https://gracepouredforth.wordpress.com/>

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**Facebook: [www.facebook.com/gracepouredforth](https://www.facebook.com/gracepouredforth)**

**Instagram: @gracepouredforth**

## Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, April 12, 2020

Offertory Collection.....\$11,5894.26

On Line Giving/Offertory .....\$4,036.00

**Total Offertory for this week.....\$15,630.26**

~ For the Week of April 12, 2020 ~

### POOR BOX DONATIONS

**\$359.15**

### DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS

**\$89.52**

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!!*



## Prayer Against Coronavirus

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illnesses. For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring

healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant them peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease

into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness.

We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy.

Amen.



## Oración—Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Señor Jesucristo, Nuestro Divino Doctor, Te pedimos que nos guardes y protejas del Coronavirus y cualquier otra enfermedad. Te pedimos por todos los que han muerto, te misericordia de ellos; por los que están enfermos, tráeles la cura; te pedimos también por los doctores y enfermeras, dales la Fortaleza y bendícelos. Por los que trabajan para evitar que se propague, dales éxito; para los que están atemorizados, dales la paz.

Que tu preciosísima Sangre se nuestra defensa y salvación. Que por tu gracia esta terrible enfermedad se vuelva en momentos de consolación y Esperanza.

Que nuestro temor sea mas contagiarnos del pecado que a cualquier enfermedad.

Nos abandonamos a tu infinita misericordia.

Amén Jesús.



# *St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Easter 2020 Easter Flower Memorials*



The following Deceased and Honorees are  
Memorialized in the Beautiful Easter Flowers that adorn our Altar & Sanctuary on  
Easter.

## *Memorials:*

Frank Vass  
Sean McCoy  
William Braner  
Joan Braner  
Rosa Maria Panizo  
Joseph Quinones  
Juan Panizo  
Betty Muley (2)  
Riccio & Mulé Family  
TeLese & Muley Family  
Emily St. Philips (2)  
Laura St. Philips  
Harry St. Philips  
Earl Stocker  
James P. (Jim) Everett, Jr.  
Jim & Garline Everett  
Deceased members of the Kilkerr family  
Jose Sámano  
Deceased members of the Martinez & Sámano family

## *By:*

Evan Vass  
Anonymous  
Sally & Joe Clark  
Sally & Joe Clark  
Anna R. Shoemaker (Quinones)  
Anna R. Shoemaker (Quinones)  
Anna R. Shoemaker (Quinones)  
Nick A. Muley  
Nick A. Muley  
Nick A. Muley  
Joe St. Philips  
Joe St. Philips  
Joe St. Philips  
Cynthia & Bob McElhatten  
Veronica Everett  
Veronica Everett  
Veronica Everett  
Maria E. Sámano  
Maria Martinez

## *Honorees:*

Fr. Michael O'Neill I.C.  
Catherine F. Mulé  
The McElhatten Girls  
Fr. Edison & Fr. Bibin  
The dedicated Office & Parish Volunteers  
Rolando Martinez & Maria E. Sámano  
The Martinez & Sámano Family

## *By:*

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## Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo!

El famoso relato del Evangelio de hoy narra la historia de Jesús apareciéndoseles a los dos discípulos desanimados que se alejaban de Jerusalén, por el camino cerca de Emaús.

Podemos vernos en estos discípulos, mientras los vemos caminando y relatando los terribles eventos que habían presenciado recientemente. Discutieron tristemente la traición de Judas, el odio que las autoridades religiosas sentían por Jesús y más cosas tristes, con todos esos recuerdos tan frescos en su mente, esta momentánea y opresiva oscuridad empaña la plenitud de su experiencia.

No fue sino hasta su encuentro con Jesús en “el partimiento del pan”, que su mente volvió a los poderosos eventos que se desarrollaron en el aposento alto. Solo entonces podrían dar sentido a la indescriptible visión del cuerpo herido y sangriento de Jesús, colgado en su cruz. Esta perspectiva les dio una nueva esperanza y alegría a raíz de tanta oscuridad.

Como esos discípulos, estamos caminando en tiempos oscuros. Como una gran ola, este virus está arrasando con todo, cambiando nuestro paisaje familiar, nuestro patrón normal de movimiento y reemplazando nuestra seguridad con incertidumbre. Tales cambios radicales afectan nuestros sentimientos y emociones.

A medida que avanzamos a través de la Cuaresma, necesitamos, como ellos, mirar a través de la momentánea oscuridad y volvemos a Jesús. En la oración, encontraremos el discernimiento y la perspectiva necesarios para aplicar tanta normalidad a nuestra vida diaria como podamos, incluso para seguir cuidando a nuestros hermanos y hermanas.

Mientras vivimos un día a la vez en el camino a la Pascua, ¿podemos aprender a reconocer a Jesús en el quebrantamiento humano? Esa es la clave; eso es lo que nos abre los ojos a su presencia entre nosotros. Cuando nos encontramos con personas con corazones rotos, Jesús está allí. Cuando tratamos de ofrecer consuelo a alguien con un espíritu quebrantado, Jesús está allí. Cuando nos encontramos con alguien que está experimentando pérdida, dolor y sufrimiento, Jesús también está allí.

El misterio del sufrimiento, la muerte y la resurrección de Cristo no es algo que simplemente tuvo lugar hace mucho tiempo. No. También en estos momentos; Está sucediendo en nuestros días. Es cierto que vivimos en tiempos en que hombres y mujeres hemos pecado, y nuestros pecados han oscurecido el rostro de Cristo. A veces no es reconocido en nuestro mundo y en ocasiones, incluso cuando es reconocido, hay muchos que buscan deshacerse de Él. Clavarlo a la cruz es algo que todavía está sucediendo.

Pero es allí donde se revela. Es en el sufrimiento y la humanidad quebrantada que Él está presente. Es allí donde debe ser venerado. Y es a partir de ahí que recibimos la promesa de la Pascua: La resurrección y una nueva vida.

Todos estamos caminando por los caminos a través de la vida. ¿Podemos, como los discípulos, reconocer que Jesús que camina con nosotros? ¿Lo reconoceremos en “el partimiento del pan”?

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, Bienvenido! 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 — No era posible que Jesús quedara bajo el dominio de la muerte (Hechos 2:14, 22-33).

Salmo — Señor, nos mostrarás el sendero de vida (Salmo 16 [17]).

Segunda lectura — Han sido salvados por la Sangre preciosa de Cristo, como con un cordero sin mancha ni defecto. (1 Pedro 1:17-21).

Evangelio — Reconocieron a Jesús en la fracción del pan (Juan 24:13-35).

## Primera Lectura

### Hechos 2, 14. 22-33

El día de Pentecostés, se presentó Pedro, junto con los Once, ante la multitud, y levantando la voz, dijo: “Israelitas, escúchenme. Jesús de Nazaret fue un hombre acreditado por Dios ante ustedes, mediante los milagros, prodigios y señales que Dios realizó por medio de él y que ustedes bien conocen. Conforme al plan previsto y sancionado por Dios, Jesús fue entregado, y ustedes utilizaron a los paganos para clavarlo en la cruz.

Pero Dios lo resucitó, rompiendo las ataduras de la muerte, ya que no era posible que la muerte lo retuviera bajo su dominio. En efecto, David dice, refiriéndose a él: Yo veía constantemente al Señor delante de mí, puesto que él está a mi lado para que yo no tropiece. Por eso se alegra mi corazón y mi lengua se alborozá; por eso también mi cuerpo vivirá en la esperanza, porque tú, Señor, no me abandonarás a la muerte, ni dejarás que tu santo sufra la corrupción. Me has enseñado el sendero de la vida y me saciarás de gozo en tu presencia.

Hermanos, que me sea permitido hablarles con toda claridad: el patriarca David murió y lo enterraron, y su sepulcro se conserva entre nosotros hasta el día de hoy.

Pero como era profeta y sabía que Dios le había prometido con juramento que un descendiente suyo ocuparía su trono, con visión profética habló de la resurrección de Cristo, el cual no fue abandonado a la muerte ni sufrió la corrupción. Pues bien, a este Jesús Dios lo resucitó, y de ello todos nosotros somos testigos. Llevado a los cielos por el poder de Dios, recibió del Padre el Espíritu Santo prometido a él y lo ha comunicado, como ustedes lo están viendo y oyendo”.

## Segunda lectura

### 1 Pedro 1, 17–21

Hermanos: Puesto que ustedes llaman Padre a Dios, que juzga imparcialmente la conducta de cada uno según sus obras, vivan siempre con temor filial durante su peregrinar por la tierra.

Bien saben ustedes que de su estéril manera de vivir, heredada de sus padres, los ha rescatado Dios, no con bienes efímeros, como el oro y la plata, sino con la sangre preciosa de Cristo, el cordero sin defecto ni mancha, al cual Dios había elegido desde antes de la creación del mundo y, por amor a ustedes, lo ha manifestado en estos tiempos, que son los últimos. Por Cristo, ustedes creen en Dios, quien lo resucitó de entre los muertos y lo llenó de gloria, a fin de que la fe de ustedes sea también esperanza en Dios.

## Evangelio

### Lucas 24, 13–35

El mismo día de la resurrección, iban dos de los discípulos hacia un pueblo llamado Emaús, situado a unos once kilómetros de Jerusalén, y comentaban todo lo que había sucedido. Mientras conversaban y discutían, Jesús se les acercó y comenzó a caminar con ellos; pero los ojos de los dos discípulos estaban velados y no lo reconocieron. Él les preguntó: “¿De qué cosas vienen hablando, tan llenos de tristeza?”

Uno de ellos, llamado Cleofás, le respondió: “¿Eres tú el único forastero que no sabe lo que ha sucedido estos días en Jerusalén?” Él les preguntó: “¿Qué cosa?” Ellos le respondieron: “Lo de Jesús el nazareno, que era un profeta poderoso en obras y palabras, ante Dios y ante todo el pueblo. Cómo los sumos sacerdotes y nuestros jefes lo entregaron para que lo condenaran a muerte, y lo crucificaron. Nosotros esperábamos que él sería el libertador de Israel, y sin embargo, han pasado ya tres días desde que estas cosas sucedieron. Es cierto que algunas mujeres de nuestro grupo nos han desconcertado, pues fueron de madrugada al sepulcro, no encontraron el cuerpo y llegaron contando que se les había aparecido unos ángeles, que les dijeron que estaba vivo. Algunos de nuestros compañeros fueron al sepulcro y hallaron todo como habían dicho las mujeres, pero a él no lo vieron”.

Entonces Jesús les dijo: “¡Qué insensatos son ustedes y qué duros de corazón para creer todo lo anunciado por los profetas! ¿Acaso no era necesario que el Mesías padeciera todo esto y así entrara en su gloria?” Y comenzando por Moisés y siguiendo con todos los profetas, les explicó todos los pasajes de la Escritura que se referían a él.

Ya cerca del pueblo a donde se dirigían, él hizo como que iba más lejos; pero ellos le insistieron, diciendo: “Quédate con nosotros, porque ya es tarde y pronto va a oscurecer”. Y entró para quedarse con ellos. Cuando estaban a la mesa, tomó un pan, pronunció la bendición, lo partió y se lo dio. Entonces se les abrieron los ojos y lo reconocieron, pero él se les desapareció. Y ellos se decían el uno al otro: “¡Con razón nuestro corazón ardía, mientras nos hablaba por el camino y nos explicaba las Escrituras!”

Se levantaron inmediatamente y regresaron a Jerusalén, donde encontraron reunidos a los Once con sus compañeros, los cuales les dijeron: “De veras ha resucitado el Señor y se le ha aparecido a Simón”. Entonces ellos contaron lo que les había pasado en el camino y cómo lo habían reconocido al partir el pan.

**No hay misas programadas**

**Hasta nuevo aviso**

**La adoración a la eucarística** continuará durante las horas regulares de la parroquia de 8:30 a.m. a 4:00 p.m.

## Por favor únase a nuestra comunidad en línea

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Como miembro, tendrá acceso a entretenidas películas, inspiradoras charlas en audio, estudios bíblicos informativos y mucho más.

Proporcionamos este recurso de forma gratuita para ayudar a nuestros miembros a aprender y crecer en su fe. Así que únase a nosotros. **Para inscribirse GRATIS, simplemente visítenos aquí:** <https://stfranciscc.formed.org> y use el código parroquial: Y499KR.

## Horario de oficina parroquial

La oficina permanecerá abierta durante el horario normal de 9:00 a.m. a 4:00 p.m. y continuará sirviendo almuerzo para los necesitados.

## Cena para los necesitados

La cena para los necesitados continuará, a menos que se indique lo contrario, todos los miércoles a las 4:30 p.m. en el comedor. La cena se servirá y se distribuirá en cajas para llevar.

## Confesiones

Llame a la oficina de la parroquia al (813) 681-9115 para programar una confesión con el Padre Edison o el P. Bibin.

## Necesitamos su ayuda

En la oficina se nos están terminando las bolsas plásticas que son usadas para repartir los almuerzos a los mas necesitados. Si usted tiene bolsas extra y quisiera donarlas, favor de traerlas a la oficina.

Muchas gracias!



### Adoración Eucarística:

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

### Legión de María:

Martes después de la Misa de 8:00 a.m. (Inglés)

### Novena a Nuestra Señora, Reina de la Paz:

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Sábado ..... 5.30 p.m.

O a cualquier hora haciendo cita con el sacerdote.

### Unción de los Enfermos:

Confiere al cristiano una gracia especial para enfrentar las dificultades propias de una enfermedad grave o vejez.

Este Sacramento está disponible en cualquier momento.

### Bautismo:

Por favor comuníquese con María Elena Parrilla.

### Matrimonio

Llame a la oficina de la parroquia por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada.

### 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 en su casa o confinados en hospitales y hogares para ancianos, *especialmente por las siguientes personas:*

Pat Allen, Katheryn Auton, Helen Bacovsin, Jerry Bauer, Bonnie Beaudry, Patsy Bourassa, Monica Brandies, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Jay Cantwell, Marie Casale, Buddy Chapman, Katrina Crooks, Vaughn Crooks, Todd Davis, James Dailey, Jim Decker, Lilah Gill, Scott Gill, Rachel Harlor, Rhett Keane, Ethel Kotrady, Mary Little, Chuck Lloyd, Dale Mattice, Norman McKenzie, Jim Miller, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Andy Murphy, Ed & Gerry Murray, Diania Niles, Dympna O'Reily, Antonio Pascual Theresa Polak, Ruth Pope, Judy Ragan, Jordan Schadrie, Bruce Scheuerman, Ed Shea, Sue Soleau, Bernadette Suppa, Joe Suppa, Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Mary Edwina Binwa Sylvester, Richard Tompkins, Heather Trotto, John Vicario, David, Janice, David Weddermann, Janice Weddermann, Robby Weddermann, Kurt Wicker, Donna Wiley, Mary Winiarski, John Yeninas, Ron Ziegler, La familia Doug Shoup.

**Por favor recuerde llamar a la oficina si necesita añadir el nombre de un familiar a la lista de oraciones. Los nombres se mantendrán 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**

**Alejandro Cuesta**

**Tony Cuesta**

**Matt Daniels**

**Spencer Dewey**

**Jesse Doyle**

**Remy Herrero**

**Dan Holder**

**Christopher Jeffers**

**Patrick Junker**

**Wesley Kosierowski**

**Nicholas Kosierowski**

**Leobardo Martinez**

**Michael Mulhern**

**Collin Newman**

**Keenan Newman**

**Donovan O'Connor**

**Magaly Oliu**

**Paul Michael Presley**

**Derrick M. Shea**

**& Logan**

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

## Formas de adorar a Dios y practicar nuestra fe mientras se suspenden misas

- ◆ Pase tiempo con las Escrituras como individuos y como familia. Los católicos pueden encontrar las lecturas de misas dominicales y diarias en línea en USCCB.org, tanto en forma escrita como en audio.
- ◆ Use su tiempo normal de adoración para practicar una forma más contemplativa de orar a través de la Lectio Divina, que es simplemente meditar o contemplar los textos de la Sagrada Escritura, lo que les permite llevarlos a una comunión de oración más profunda. Los grupos parroquiales pueden hacer uso de las redes sociales para reunirse virtualmente para rezar, el rosario o la Liturgia de las Horas.
- ◆ Visite [www.dosp.org](http://www.dosp.org) para sugerencias.

## Tercer Domingo de Pascua

Me has enseñado el sendero de la vida  
y me saciarás de gozo en tu presencia.

~Hechos 2:28



## Ayudando a los fieles a apoyar sus parroquias

Con la suspensión de misas públicas y el distanciamiento social para apoyar los esfuerzos de la comunidad para frenar la propagación de la enfermedad, una realidad que enfrentan nuestras parroquias es que los gastos operativos básicos se abordan a través de la participación activa en la ofrenda del ofertorio. La intención es que nuestras parroquias continúen ministrando y sirviendo a nuestras comunidades durante este tiempo, y por lo tanto, el apoyo no solo es apreciado, es vital para la salud y la estabilidad de cada parroquia, incluso cuando las puertas no están abiertas el fin de semana para la misa. Mientras que algunos enfrentan dificultades financieras ellos mismos, otros pueden estar buscando una manera de continuar apoyando a su parroquia. Para aquellos que actualmente no utilizan donaciones en línea, la Oficina de Administración y Desarrollo ha creado un recurso para conectar a los feligreses con el sitio de donaciones de su parroquia. Haga clic en visitar "<https://www.dosp.org/stewardship/supporting-your-parish/>" and select "St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Seffner"

## Dios misericordioso

En tu gran amor por nosotros  
permitiste que tu Hijo Jesucristo hiciera el último  
sacrificio.

Concede que podamos reconocerlo y emularlo  
en nuestras propias vidas por el bien del resto del mundo,  
y escucha estas oraciones que hacemos en su nombre,  
quien es nuestro Señor por los siglos de los siglos.  
Amen.