



**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

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FIFTH
SUNDAY OF
Easter



Jesus said,
"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places."

JOHN 14:2

Mass Intentions for the Week



- Saturday May 9**
 4:30 p.m. Parishioners of St. Francis
 6:30 p.m. Spanish mass-
- Sunday May 10**
Happy Mother's Day
 9:00 a.m. †Estella Florence Santa
 by Billie
 †Ann Maliaros
 By Dottie Mabe
 † Pierre, Josette & Michael Casagrande
 by Anne & Jose
- Monday May 11**
 8:00 a.m. †Tim Pasden
 by Monica & David Brandies
- Tuesday May 12**
 8:00 a.m. †Shirley Kuehn
 by The McElhatten Family
- Wednesday May 13**
 8:00 a.m. †Merzelita Stroz
 by Chito & Maria Ocampo
- Thursday May 14**
 8:00 a.m. †Ruth Pope
 by Frances Strickland
- Friday May 15**
 8:00 a.m. †Betty Muley
 By Justin & Sarah Norris
- Saturday May 16**
 4:30 p.m. †Robert Strickland
 By Frances Strickland
 6:30 p.m. Spanish mass-
- Sunday May 17**
 9:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis
 †Frank Vass
 by Family
 † Ingrid Ramos
 by Carl Francis Kosierowski

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, Helen Bacovsin, Jerry Bauer, Joan Barrentine, Bonnie Beaudry, Sharon Belinski, John Bernal, Patsy Bourassa, Monica Brandies, Mariana Birchell, Dick Boelter, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Margaret Canelly, Marie Casale, Buddy Chapman, Katrina Crooks, Vaughn Crooks, Carmen Connors, 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, Bruce & Cathy Meeks, Jim Miller, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Gerry Murray, Iris Mussenden, John Nicklus, Diania Niles, Wyatt Nowicki, Diane Openlander, Dymna 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, Benny & Edwina Sylvester, Christy Torres, Heather Troto, Amorette & Hadley Tweed, John Vicario, David Weddermann, Janice Weddermann, Robby Weddermann, Lorraine Wenner, Lorraine Welch, Kurt Wicker, Donna Wiley, Kelsey Whitmer, Mary Winiarski, Addy Wright, John Yeninas, Richard Young, the Doug Shoup Family, Linda Dixon & Family, Dr. Tony, the Homebound and their Caregivers.

In repose of the souls of Aroqyam Anthony, Marie Colvin, Merzelita Stroz, Rev. Paul Mizener, Rachel Harlor, Nicholas Fabric, John Waylan & Jose Daniel.

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

Rest In Peace

From the Pastor...

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Five-year old Johnny is in the kitchen with his mother who is preparing supper. She asks him to go to the basement and fetch a can of tomato soup. "It's dark in there and I'm scared" replies Johnny. The mother tries to convince him it is safe to go to the basement alone but without much success. Finally, she says, "It's all right, Johnny, Jesus will be in there with you." Johnny walks hesitantly to the door and slowly opens it. He peeps inside, sees that it is still dark in there, and starts to go back. Then, suddenly he gets an idea. He opens the basement door a little and yells: "Jesus, if you're in there, would you hand me a can of tomato soup, please?"

Johnny's fear is similar to the fear of the disciples, as the time draws near for Jesus to leave them. They are afraid to face the world alone. In today's gospel reading, Jesus does pretty much what Johnny's mother tried to do, namely, convince the disciples that there is no need to be afraid, even when He is not there with them.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled" (John 14:1a). The text reveals that the disciples are already afraid and Jesus is asking them to master their fears. What reason does Jesus give them? It is both simple and profound: "You believe in God; believe also in Me" (John 14:1b).

It is easy to believe in God, a Spiritual Being that we cannot see. The challenge is to believe in ordinary, flesh-and-blood human beings whom we know all too well already. The challenge is to believe in the Incarnation, that the all-knowing, all-loving, and all-powerful God is present and active in ordinary human beings who are often lacking in knowledge, in love, and in moral strength. You believe in God (that is the easy part), believe also in Me, a presumably frail human being (that is the hard part).

Today, many of us are like Philip; our prayer is, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied" (verse 8). What does Jesus answer? "How can you say, 'Show us the Father?'" when God is so deeply involved in the events of the church and of the world?

When we see things happening in the church or in our world in the way they should not, it is not time to blame God for abandoning us to our own failures. No, God is always with us. It is rather a time for serious soul searching, a time for us as individuals and as a church to ask ourselves: Where did we miss it? How can we get back on God's track? What is God saying to us in these events? We should not let our hearts be troubled. We believe in God, let us now believe in men and women, made in the image and likeness of God.

So, what I really would like us to consider today is ... how can I contribute to the work of the church? Jesus has not set any limits on this, He has simply said that we will do greater works than He did. Peter tells us today in his epistle: "You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of Him, who called you out of darkness and into His marvelous light."

Let's continue to let our light shine in the things we do, and aspire to do even greater things. Have 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 — To meet their growing needs, the community chooses seven reputable men to serve the new Greek believers (Acts 6:1-7).

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — We, like living stones, let ourselves be built into a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:4-9).

Gospel — "Show us the Father," Philip asks Jesus. To which Jesus replies: "Whoever sees me, sees the Father" (John 14:1-12).

First Reading — Acts 6:1-7

As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at tables. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them. The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

Second Reading — 1 Peter 2:4-9

Beloved: Come to him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it says in Scripture: Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame. Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone and A stone that will make people stumble, and a rock that will make them fall.

They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny. You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Gospel — John 14:1–12

Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way.” Thomas said to him, “Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father.”

Fraternal Benefits Night

All Parishioners are invited to an online virtual meeting hosted by your Knights of Columbus council on Faith, Family and Financial Security with up-to-date information on the Secure Act that went into effect this year and the cares act and how all this affects you. Join us on May 21st at 6:00 p.m. by going to this link from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <https://www.gotomeet.me/JohnRuckartKofC/council14278> Those who attend will have a chance to win a \$50 gift card! Stay Safe and God Bless!

Nativity's Virtual Job Search & Preparation

Ministry - Saturday, May 16

Nativity Catholic Church's Job Search & Preparation Ministry has continued as a virtual workshop. Our next session is on **Saturday, May 16 at 9 a.m.** Email lourica@verizon.net to RSVP and receive a link to join the virtual workshop.



This session is focusing on all things LinkedIn. This valuable and free tool may be more important than ever in this uncertain job market. Our speaker is well versed in LinkedIn and will address how to strategically approach its use with tips for anyone from a beginner to those who want to get more out of this online platform. If you are a job seeker and/or concerned about your current position, you won't want to miss our May 16 workshop.

**No Masses Scheduled
Until Further Notice**

Facebook Live Mass stream

Follow the Parish Facebook page “St. Francis of Assisi Saturday: 4:30 p.m. in English and 6:30 p.m. in Spanish Sunday: 9:00 a.m. in English Catholic Church” or <https://www.facebook.com/stfranciscc/>. Masses are streamed: Monday—Friday: 8:00 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 8:30 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

Thank you to all of those who donated their plastic bags. Thanks to you, we will be able to continue serving lunches to those in need.



Eucharistic Adoration in Sanctuary

Monday - Friday8:30 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

Saturday3:30 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 - Friday9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This Week at St. Francis**May 11 —May 16, 2020****Wednesday
May 13**

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 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.

**A Mother's Day Prayer**

Loving God, we Thank You for the love of the mothers You have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. May we see Your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience. We ask You to bless them with your own special love.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

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.

Visit <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/679> or you can also mail your envelope/check to our Parish Office at PO Box 1218, Seffner FL- 33583.

**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!**

You can donate by:

1. Text **BIRDIES** to **91999** (or go to the online form: 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@ccdosp.org

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.



Parish Ministries

Altar Servers	
Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
Church Musician	
Ramon Martos.....	334-3454
Clothing Pantry	
Contact the Parish Office.....	681-9115
Faith Formation	
Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
Food Pantry	
Parish Office.....	681-9115
Eucharistic Ministers	
Pam Caskey.....	651-1165
Helping Hands	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Hispanic Religious Education	
Carolina Gonzales.....	451-0637
Flor Vazques.....	763-7219
Hispanic Baptism Classes	
Maria Elena Parilla.....	716-7325
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	
Dave Jervey.....	986-7686
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	
Parish Office.....	681-9115
Ushers	
Ron Mullen.....	661-5983
Women of Faith	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Youth Ministry	
Debbie Voor.....	245-3294

Stewardship Reflections

“The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.” (1 Peter 2:7)
 Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called “charisms” and they are used to build God’s kingdom on earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember - no gift is too small or insignificant in God’s salvation plan.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“I am the way and the truth and the life.
 No one comes to the Father except through me”
 ~John 14:6



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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Instagram: @gracepouredforth

Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, May 3, 2020

Offertory Collection.....	\$5,623.00
Online Giving/Offertory.....	\$5,348.00
Total Offertory for this week.....	\$10,971.00

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~ For the Week of May 3, 2020 ~

POOR BOX DONATIONS
\$135.00
DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS
\$706.00

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!!*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Wishing all of our Mother's a very special Day.

We hope that you spend this day full of joy and surrounded by the people you love.

Thank you for everything that you do but specially for the gift of life.



FELIZ DIA DE LAS MADRES!



Deseándoles a todas las Madres un feliz y especial día.

Que sea un gran día lleno de dicha y felicidad al lado de sus seres queridos.

Gracias por ser unos seres maravillosos y no cansarse en demostrárnoslo.

Gracias Madres por el regalo de la vida.



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.

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo!



Juanito, de cinco años, está en la cocina con su madre que está preparando la cena. Ella le pide que vaya al sótano y busque una lata de salsa de tomate. “Está oscuro y tengo miedo”, responde el niño. La madre trata de convencerlo de que no pasa nada si va solo al sótano pero sin mucho éxito. Finalmente, ella le dice: “Está bien, hijo, Jesús estará allí contigo”. Juanito camina vacilante hacia la puerta y la abre lentamente. Mira hacia adentro, ve que todavía está oscuro y comienza a retroceder. Entonces, de repente se le ocurre una idea. Abre un poco la puerta del sótano y grita: “Jesús, si estás allí, ¿podrías pasarme una lata de salsa de tomate, por favor?”

El miedo de Juanito es similar al miedo de los discípulos, ya que se acerca el tiempo para que Jesús los deje. Tienen miedo de enfrentar al mundo solos. En la lectura del evangelio de hoy, Jesús hace más o menos lo que la madre de Juanito trató de hacer, es decir, convencer a los discípulos de que no hay de que tener miedo, incluso cuando Él no está con ellos.

“No se turbe vuestro corazón” (Juan 14: 1a). El texto revela que los discípulos ya tienen miedo y Jesús les pide que dominen sus miedos. ¿Qué razón les da Jesús? Es a la vez simple y profundo: “Tú crees en Dios; cree también en mí” (Juan 14: 1b)

Es fácil creer en Dios, un ser espiritual que no podemos ver. El desafío es creer en seres humanos ordinarios, de carne y hueso, a quienes ya conocemos demasiado bien. El desafío es creer en la Encarnación, que el Dios que todo lo sabe, todo lo ama y todopoderoso está presente y activo en los seres humanos comunes y corrientes que a menudo carecemos de conocimiento, amor y fortaleza moral. Creer en Dios (esa es la parte fácil), cree también en mí, un ser humano presumiblemente frágil (esa es la parte difícil). Hoy, muchos de nosotros somos como Felipe; nuestra oración es: “Señor, muéstranos al Padre, y estaremos satisfechos” (versículo 8). ¿Qué responde Jesús? ¿Cómo puedes decir, “Muéstranos al Padre?” Cuando Dios está tan profundamente involucrado en los eventos de la iglesia y del mundo?

Cuando vemos que las cosas suceden en la iglesia o en nuestro mundo como no deberían, no es hora de culpar a Dios por abandonarnos en nuestros propios errores. No, Dios siempre está con nosotros. Es más bien un tiempo para una búsqueda seria del alma, un tiempo para nosotros como individuos y como iglesia para preguntarnos: ¿Dónde nos perdimos? ¿Cómo podemos volver al camino de Dios? ¿Qué nos está diciendo Dios en estos eventos? No debemos dejar que nuestro corazón se turbe. Creemos en Dios, creamos ahora en hombres y mujeres, hechos a imagen y semejanza de Dios.

Entonces, lo que realmente me gustaría que consideremos hoy es... ¿cómo puedo contribuir al trabajo de la iglesia? Jesús no ha establecido ningún límite en esto, simplemente ha dicho que haremos grandes obras. Pedro nos dice hoy en su epístola: “Eres una raza elegida, un sacerdocio real, una nación santa, el propio pueblo de Dios para que puedas proclamar los poderosos actos de Él, que te llamó de la oscuridad y hacia Su luz maravillosa.”

Sigamos dejando que nuestra luz brille en todo lo que hacemos, y aspiremos a hacer cosas aún mayores.

Que tengan una semana bendecida.

Párroco, 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 — Eligieron a siete hombres, llenos del Espíritu Santo (Hechos 6:1-7).

Salmo — Señor, que tu misericordia esté con nosotros mientras ponemos nuestra confianza en ti (Salmo 33 [32]).

Segunda lectura — Ustedes son una raza elegida, un reino de sacerdotes (1 Pedro 2:4-9).

Evangelio — Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida (Juan 14:1-12).

Primera Lectura Hechos 6, 1–7

En aquellos días, como aumentaba mucho el número de los discípulos, hubo ciertas quejas de los judíos griegos contra los hebreos, de que no se atendía bien a sus viudas en el servicio de caridad de todos los días.

Los Doce convocaron entonces a la multitud de los discípulos y les dijeron: “No es justo que, dejando el ministerio de la palabra de Dios, nos dediquemos a administrar los bienes. Escojan entre ustedes a siete hombres de buena reputación, llenos del Espíritu Santo y de sabiduría, a los cuales encargaremos este servicio. Nosotros nos dedicaremos a la oración y al servicio de la palabra”.

Todos estuvieron de acuerdo y eligieron a Esteban, hombre lleno de fe y del Espíritu Santo, a Felipe, Prócoro, Nicanor, Timón, Pármenas y Nicolás, prosélito de Antioquía. Se los presentaron a los apóstoles, y éstos, después de haber orado, les impusieron las manos.

Mientras tanto, la palabra de Dios iba cundiendo. En Jerusalén se multiplicaba grandemente el número de los discípulos. Incluso un grupo numeroso de sacerdotes había aceptado la fe.

Segunda Lectura 1 Pedro 2, 4–9

Hermanos: Acérquense al Señor Jesús, la piedra viva, rechazada por los hombres, pero escogida y preciosa a los ojos de Dios; porque ustedes también son piedras vivas, que van entrando en la edificación del templo espiritual, para formar un sacerdocio santo, destinado a ofrecer sacrificios espirituales, agradables a Dios, por medio de Jesucristo. Tengan presente que está escrito: He aquí que pongo en Sión una piedra angular, escogida y preciosa; el que crea en ella no quedará defraudado.

Dichosos, pues, ustedes, los que han creído. En cambio, para aquellos que se negaron a creer, vale lo que dice la Escritura: La piedra que rechazaron los constructores ha llegado a ser la piedra angular, y también tropiezo y roca de escándalo. Tropezan en ella los que no creen en la palabra, y en esto se cumple un designio de Dios.

Ustedes, por el contrario, son estirpe elegida, sacerdocio real, nación consagrada a Dios y pueblo de su propiedad, para que proclamen las obras maravillosas de aquel que los llamó de las tinieblas a su luz admirable.

Por sus llagas ustedes han sido curados, porque ustedes eran como ovejas descarriadas, pero ahora han vuelto al pastor y guardián de sus vidas.

Evangelio Juan 14, 1–12

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: “No pierdan la paz. Si creen en Dios, crean también en mí. En la casa de mi Padre hay muchas habitaciones. Si no fuera así, yo se lo habría dicho a ustedes, porque ahora voy a prepararles un lugar. Cuando me haya ido y les haya preparado un lugar, volveré y los llevaré conmigo, para que donde yo esté, estén también ustedes. Y ya saben el camino para llegar al lugar a donde voy”.

Entonces Tomás le dijo: “Señor, no sabemos a dónde vas, ¿cómo podemos saber el camino?” Jesús le respondió: “Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida. Nadie va al Padre si no es por mí. Si ustedes me conocen a mí, conocen también a mi Padre. Ya desde ahora lo conocen y lo han visto”.

Le dijo Felipe: “Señor, muéstranos al Padre y eso nos basta”. Jesús le replicó: “Felipe, tanto tiempo hace que estoy con ustedes, ¿y todavía no me conoces? Quien me ve a mí, ve al Padre. ¿Entonces por qué dices: ‘Muéstranos al Padre’? ¿O no crees que yo estoy en el Padre y que el Padre está en mí? Las palabras que yo les digo, no las digo por mi propia cuenta. Es el Padre, que permanece en mí, quien hace las obras. Créanme: yo estoy en el Padre y el Padre está en mí. Si no me dan fe a mí, créanlo por las obras. Yo les aseguro: el que crea en mí, hará las obras que hago yo y las hará aun mayores, porque yo me voy al Padre”.

**No hay misas programadas
Hasta nuevo aviso**

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



Oración para todas las madres

Amado Dios, te agradecemos por el amor de nuestras madres, cuyo amor es tan precioso que nunca se puede medir, cuya paciencia parece no tener fin.

Que podamos ver tu mano amorosa detrás de ellas guiándolas.

Oramos por aquellas madres que temen quedarse sin amor, tiempo o paciencia.

Te pedimos que las bendigas con tu amor tan especial.

Te lo pedimos en el nombre de Jesucristo Nuestro Señor.

Amén.

Por favor únase a nuestra comunidad en línea

“FORMED”

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 8:30 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:

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

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:

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, Dymrna 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 para sugerencias.

Quinto Domingo de Pascua

“Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida.
Nadie va al Padre si no es por mí”.
~ Juan 14:6



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/>” y seleccione “St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Seffner”

Noche de Beneficios Fraternal

Todos los feligreses están invitados a una reunión virtual en línea organizada por su consejo de Caballeros de Colón sobre Fe, Familia y Seguridad Financiera con información actualizada sobre la Ley de Seguridad que entró en vigencia este año y la ley de cuidados y cómo le afecta todo esto.

Únase a nosotros el 21 de mayo a las 6pm yendo a este enlace desde su computadora, tableta o teléfono inteligente. <https://www.gotomeet.me/JohnRuckartKofC/council14278>

¡Los que asistan tendrán la oportunidad de ganar una tarjeta de regalo de \$ 50!
Que Dios los bendiga!