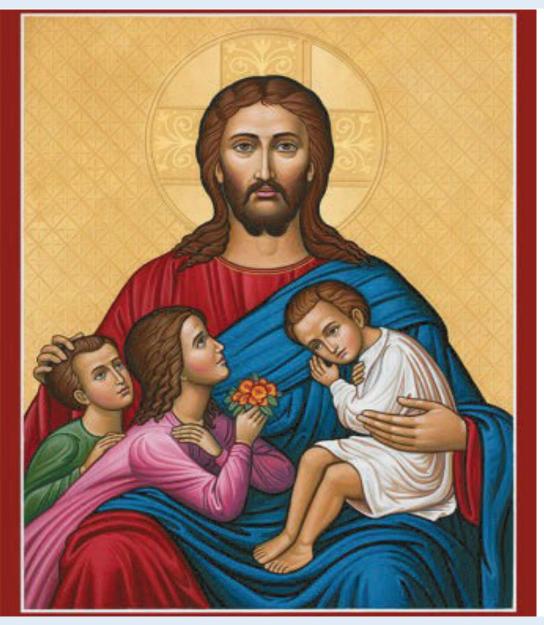




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September 22, 2024

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Daily Mass Monday through Friday 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM Saturday - 8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Masses 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM (Español)

<u>Sunday Masses</u> 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM

Holy Day of Obligation 5:30 PM Vigil Mass 8:00 AM & 5:30:00 PM

<u>Confessions</u> Friday at 4:00 PM Saturday at 11:00AM

Baptisms Sunday at the end of 11:15AM Mass

> <u>Weddings</u> Saturday at 1:00 PM

<u>St. Bernadette's Place</u> Food Pantry Wednesday 10:00 AM - NOON

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In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

Weekday **READINGS**

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-5/Lk 8:16-18 Tuesday: Prv 21:1-13/Ps 119:1, 27-35, 44/Lk 8:19-21 Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29,72,89,101,104,163/Lk 9:1-6 Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-9b/Lk 9:7-9 Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b-4/Lk 9:18-22 Saturday: Eccl 11:9,12:8/Ps 90:3-6,12-17/Lk 9:43b-45 Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8-14/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-48 Conversations such as the one described in today's Gospel are common in family life. Perhaps these examples are familiar: "I should get the first piece of cake because I am the youngest;" "I did the dishes yesterday; someone else should do them today." How might we respond if Jesus asked about our family arguments? What would Jesus say to us in reply? All of us need the reminder found in today's Gospel: To be great in God's Kingdom is to be the servant of all.

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As you gather as a family, recall a recent family argument about household chores or an example of bickering among family members. Talk about what was at issue in the argument. Together imagine that Jesus entered the room just as the argument ended. What would you tell Jesus your argument was about? What might Jesus say in reply? How was your family argument like the argument among Jesus' disciples?



Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

> Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

Mass Intentions

	<u>y - September 21, 2024</u>		
8:00 am	Walter Ibarrola	Fr. Eddie	
	By Elena Vetro		
4:00 pm	Lucy & Greg Pratt	Fr. Briese	
	By Alisa & Michele		
6:00 pm	Almas del Purgatorio	Fr. Eddie	
	By Maria E. Suarez		
Sunday -	September 22, 2024		
8:00 am	Jean Addorisio	Fr. Eddie	
	By Marty & Paul Megna		
9:30 am	Anne Marie Jacques	Fr. Briese	
	By The Jacques Family		
11:15 am	Parishioners of OLOL	Fr. Eddie	
	By Parish Clergy		
Monday	<u>- September 23, 2024</u>		
8:00 am	Peter Thanh Nguyen	Fr. Eddie	
	By Gia Le		
5:30 pm	Jairo Tamayo	Fr. Eddie	
	By Su Esposa & Hijos		
	<u>- September 24, 2024</u>		
8:00 am	Maria Acosta & Ercilia Pacheco	Fr. Eddie	
	By Edith Acosta		
5:30 pm	Anthony Catalfo	Fr. Eddie	
	By Judith Catalfo		
Wednesd	lay - September 25, 2024		
8:00 am	Mary Margaret Battaglia	Fr. Eddie	
	By Donald & Dale DiPasquale		
5:30 pm	Lana's Family	Fr. Eddie	
•	By Lana Nguyen		
Thursda	y - September 26, 2024		
8:00 am	Leticia Guilatco	Fr. Eddie	
	By Emma Abucay		
5:30 pm	Barney Smith	Fr. Eddie	
	By Joe & Pam Garofalo		
Friday - September 27, 2024			
	The Deceased Members of	Fr. Eddie	
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5:30 pm	Vincent De Grezia	Fr. Eddie	
•	By Daughter, Lucia De Grezia		
Saturday	y - September 28, 2024		
8:00 am	Vicky Fiorexile	Fr. Eddie	
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4:00 pm	Ramon & Mercedes Gonzalez	Fr. Eddie	
···· r	By Carmen		
6:00 pm	Emilio & Orodina Doreste	Fr. Eddie	
	By Lazara Diaz & Family		
Sunday -	September 29, 2024		
8:00 am	All Holy Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Briese	
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9:30 am	Michael Carroll, II	Fr. Eddie	
	By Cecilia Carroll	11. 24410	
11:15 am	Parishioners of OLOL	Fr. Eddie	
	By Parish Clergy		



Altar Flowers Offered In Memory of The Deceased Members of Hearts & Crafts Requested by The Members of Hearst & Crafts

Altar Bread Offered In Loving Memory of Ana Cecilia Arevalo Requested by Sandra Murcia







Thank you to all who have supported the DSA in the past and have helped our Parish to meet its goal. The funds collected helped our Diocese of Palm Beach in assisting those struggling with their needs, and provided funding for various programs throughout the Diocese. Please, consider participating in such a charitable endeavor as an expression of personal gratitude for the Lord's countless blessings. Thank you. Finance Council

Parish Goal	\$175,000.00
Total pledge / collected	\$149,652.57
Shortfall	\$25,347.43

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Collections of September 1st 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Collection: \$11,342.71 Online Giving: \$3,420.77

Lourdes Grotto & Garden: \$3,021.53

Thank You!





7:30 am and 5:00 pm <u>Prayer of the Rosary before Mass</u> *Monday through Saturday*

On Saturdays after Morning Mass, we invite you to join either of our two Prayer groups that gather in the Church and Chapel.

PRAY for the safety of all Men and Women in the MILITARY



VOCATIONS CHALICE PROGRAM



Contact the Parish Office, the Knights of Columbus, or Mr. Jack Viadero, to receive the Vocations Chalice to pray throughout the week for vocations.





FRIDAY

4:00pm - 5:00pm

SATURDAY 11:00am - 12 Noon

The Church is open for prayer throughout the day, from 6 am to 6 pm. After hours, the Grotto of Lourdes and Prayer Garden continue being available to the faithful for prayer and meditation.

Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Keep us informed about your need for prayer

Phyllis Atwell Morela Benavides Pedro Benavides Edna Bireta Derrick Bliss Marilyn Block Michael A Blondina II Ruth Bloom Edythe Bonavisa Patricia Bruno London Burgess Don Burkle Rochelle Bynum Richard Caliandro Rose Canadeo Laurie Carrea Manuela Carvalho Bill Cea Cecil Cedeno Lisa Cestari Neville Chamberlain Jeanne Cimillo Lucy Cimillo Neil Coira Ivo Corazza Martin Cunningham Rob Curto Maria D'Amato Vincenzo D'Amato Don Damm Stephanie De Frank Nick De Julio Flor DeLabat Mary Z Delgado Lee Derocher Maribel Diaz Don DiPasquale Mary Dougherty Tom Dulev Marie Dyszer Michele Effron Jose Escalona Medard Etienne Frank Euvino Noah Fahling Peggy Falzarano Robert Fantazzo Dorothy Faraldo Laura Fasola Debbi Ferguson Cali Fragala Debra Furnari Nicholas Furnari Steven Furnari Armando Perez Garcia Joe Garofalo Ron Glantz Brenda Gomez Milagros Gonzalez Helen Greco Richard Hardin George Haynes Fred Hengel Philip Henrici

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This Anointing and Prayer for Healing is available to all Catholics living within Parish boundaries, registered members of the Parish or not.

Church Law regulates that each Parish is to provide the needed Pastoral Care of Catholics admitted at any Health Care institution within Parish boundaries whether they are registered parishioners or not.

So please, if you are in need of the Sacraments during your admission at a Hospital, Nursing home or Hospice facility, contact the nearest Catholic Church but also inform your own Parish.

For West Boca Medical Center, Menorah House, the Meridian, and Health Center at the Sinai, call Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church (561 483 2440).

For Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Manor Care, Avante, Boca Raton Rehab Center, and Hospice by the Sea, call Saint Joan of Arc Catholic Church (561 392 0007).

For **Delray Medical Center**, call Emmanuel Catholic Church at 561 496 2480.

For Heartland, Regents Park, Encore/ Whitehall, Edgewater, Willowbrooke Court, St. Andrews Estates North, and Stratford Court, call Saint Jude Catholic Church (561 392 8172).

ATTENTION, ARE YOU A CATHOLIC MAN AGE 18 OR OLDER AND READY TO SERVE OTHERS?

BECOME A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS; A KNIGHT FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH.

Please, fill out & tear off this section of the Bulletin and drop it in the Collection basket OR hand it to an usher. Take the opportunity to join us! **YOU!!**

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Saint Bernadette's Place

WEDNESDAY 10:00 AM - NOON

Saint Bernadette's Place is our Parish Food Pantry, and it is supported by the generosity and donations of our parishioners.

So that we may assist you, the following is required:

- 1. Must reside in the Parish community boundaries
- 2. Picture I.D. with current address (ex: Driver License)
- 3. One additional form of documentation with address

We thank all our parishioners who support us with their donations of imperishable items and financial assistance. Blessings,

Christ's Poor & Hungry Apostolate Committee Members



H.O.P.E. Senior Outreach is a <u>Parish-based ministry</u> committed to Helping Older People Everyday who are <u>parishioners living within Parish</u> boundaries and that are homebound, infirm, or alone. Our H.O.P.E. volunteers wish to share God's love with Seniors in our Parish by <u>providing some assistance and information about</u> <u>community services</u> available to them. <u>We are not an agency of licensed professionals, so we cannot provide</u> <u>professional services</u>. As a volunteer, the time you give to our seniors is invaluable. For more information, please call the Parish Office at (561) 483 2440 or contact Mrs. Mary Viadero.

IF YOU OR YOUR LOVED ONE IS HOMEBOUND, SERIOUSLY ILL OR IN THE HOSPITAL, AND IS IN NEED OF PRAYERS AND OF HOLY COMMUNION, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

CONTACT PARISH OFFICE AT (561) 483 2440 OR MRS. PATRICIA LAMBERT





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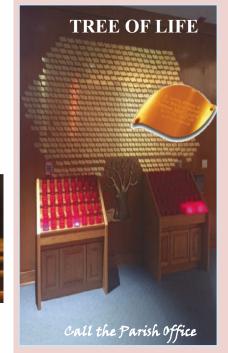
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Wills & Requests

A Bequest, a gift of money or assets left through your will, is vital to your Parish Church and the people the Church serves. It is a unique gift and an investment in the future. By leaving a bequest you are making a lasting difference in the life of the Parish community.

Dear Parish Family:

Have you considered e-Giving ??

e-Giving is a convenient way of automatically giving your offertory or other contributions online using your checking account, credit or debit card. The convenience of not having to worry about weekly envelopes or writing a check before you rush to attend Sunday morning Mass is absolutely valuable for many.



e-Giving guarantees the delivery of your offering on a timely and a predetermined fashion designed by the parishioner, with minimal cost to the Parish. If you decide that this is a convenient way of making your offertories, please fill out our e-giving form and drop it in the offertory basket in a sealed envelop the next time you attend Mass, or bring it to the Office. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our Office of Finance

561-483-2440 Ext # 1418.





Our Lady of Lourdes welcomes charitable donations made by bequest through your Will or through Trust. In remembering our Church you also leave a lasting legacy.

There are various forms of bequests that you may make. For example, the proceeds of an unrestricted bequest may be used where needed, whereas a restricted bequest specifies the use of the donation. Bequests may come in the form of a specific dollar amount, securities, real estate, tangible property, and retirement account assets. A residuary bequest allows Our Lady of Lourdes to receive all or a percentage of your estate after all obligations have been met. If a Will or Trust already exists, an amendment can be done by an attorney through a document called a codicil, which adds a new bequest.

Our Lady of Lourdes is a charitable, not-for-profit institution; therefore, all bequests are fully deductible for estate tax purposes.

GRANDPARENTS WEDNESDAYS

1st & 3rd Wednesday of the Month 9:30 AM Room 217

Contact Mrs. Karen Chin or Parish Office for more information.

If you are going to do grandparenting,

do it GRANDLY!



ALTAR SERVE<mark>rs</mark>

Serving the Altar during Mass is an awesome privilege that allows Altar servers to grow closer to God in a very unique way. Not many people could be that close to the holy sacrifice of the Mass when it is offered by the Priest but Altar servers and clergy.

Don't miss this great honor and contact the Parish Deacons at 561 483 2440 ext. 1429 to sign up for training. Altar servers should be Baptized and have received their First Communion. The minimum age is 8 or in 3rd grade.

Boys and girls who wish to become Altar servers should be mature enough to understand their responsibilities, and to carry them out with reverence.





Second Tuesday of the Month

10:00 AM

HOLY FAMILY ROOM -Church

For more information contact the Parish Office

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Legion of Mary

Prayer Group

Meets every Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Holy Family Room in the Church.

JOIN THE LEGION! Contact Mrs. Rita Okwor





RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

CALLED, LED, NURTURED BY THE SPIRIT

We invite all those who haven't been able to complete their sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation) and those who would like to become Roman Catholics, to join us in the new program of preparation (2024-2025) beginning on September 17th, 2024. The sessions are held on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM in the Christian Formation Center, Room 212, and the program goes from September 2024 through the end of April 2025.

As Jesus has said, "come and you will see," (Jn 1:39) the goodness of the Lord and taste the blessing of celebrating the faith in a community that has pledged its support to you in this wonderful journey.

Please, contact the Parish Office at 561-483-2440 or Mr. DeLisle Callender for more information.

AMENDMENT 4 NOT WHAT IT SEEMS - WAY TOO EXTREME

Amendment to legalize any _____ abortion for any age without parental consent

Eliminates all regulations on abortion - even laws that protect women

"viability" NOT DEFINED

BIG LOOPHOLE! "Mental stress" could qualify for the "patient's health" exception

Any "healthcare provider". NOT just medical doctors - could determine viability or exceptions for "patient's health." TITLE: Amendment to Limit **Government Interference** with Abortion

SUMMARY: No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient's health, as determined by the patient's healthcare provider. This amendment does not change the Legislature's constitutional authority to require notification to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion.

ELIMINATES CURRENT PARENTAL CONSENTLAWS meaning parents would be informed of their daughter's abortion, but no longer allowed to give prior consent to their minor's medical procedure.









WARNING



NO DEFINITIONS

Unlike other amendments, Amendment 4 provides ZERO definitions of key words - so voters won't even know what they're voting on. This creates HUGE LOOPHOLES that will result in years of litigation and legal uncertainty.

RUBBER STAMP

Amendment 4 gives abortion clinics a rubber stamp to approve late-term abortions when the baby is capable of feeling pain. Even abortion clinic staffers who aren't doctors would have the authority to decide if the fetus is viable or if a health concern or complaint is significant enough to approve a late-term abortion.

NO PARENTAL CONSENT

Amendment 4 would make abortion the only medical procedure that minors could undergo without parental consent. It only preserves parental notification. Parental consent laws are eliminated by Amendment 4.

BAIT & SWITCH

Amendment 4 pretends to "just bring things back to how they were with Roe vs. Wade" - but it actually goes much further - creating a constitutional right to abortion throughout the entire pregnancy with no protections for the unborn baby.

TOO EXTREME

Amendment 4 repeals all Florida laws that inconvenience an abortion, even commonsense laws that most people on both sides of the issue support.

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