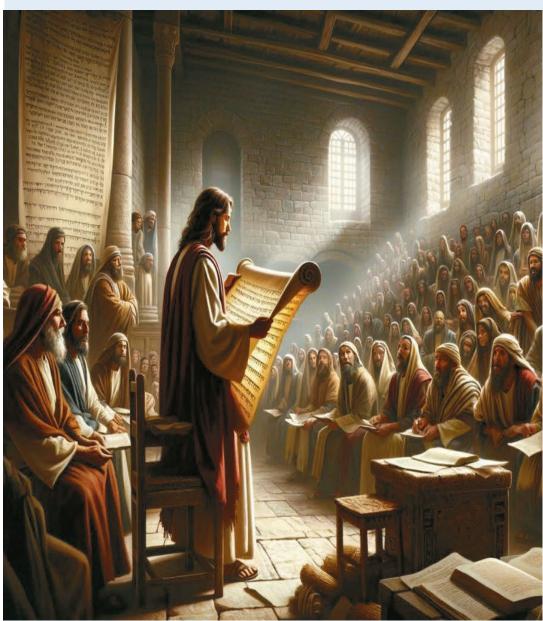




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January 26, 2025



A Marian Parish in West Boca Raton

# Third 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

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In today's Gospel reading, we learn that Luke may have written to a specific person, Theophilus; but the word Theophilus may also be a general reference, functioning as the phrase "Dear Reader" might in contemporary writing.

In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord.

Through this text Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed.

This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God.

### Weekday **READINGS**

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1-6/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2-11/Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1-4/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-6/Mk 4:21-25 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-6, 23-40/Mk 4:26-34 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-75/Mk 4:35-41 Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7-10/Lk 2:22-40



Jesus was the one sent by God to bring salvation to the world. Jesus announced that mission using the framework we hear in today's Gospel from the prophet Isaiah: glad tidings will be brought to the poor, liberty to captives, recovery of sight for the blind, and freedom for the oppressed. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God in his person—through his life, death, and Resurrection. We are charged with the task of continuing the mission that Jesus began. Jesus set the framework for all of us when he announced his ministry in today's Gospel. Jesus also gave us the helper we would need to enable us to participate in his mission. The Holy Spirit has been given to us so that we, the Church, might serve the Kingdom of God.

Gather with your family and suggest that they try to picture the vision that Jesus describes using the words of the prophet Isaiah as you read today's Gospel, Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21. Think about your neighborhood, your community. What are the situations and who are the people who most need to see this vision fulfilled? What steps would be necessary to make the vision a reality for them? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you by praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.



### Jubilee Year 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope What Is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee Year is traditionally proclaimed by the Universal Church every 25 years. It is a particular year set aside to encourage the faithful to embark on pilgrimages, to repent of their sins and forgive the sins of others, and to renew a focus on the spiritual life. In the Hebrew tradition, as recorded in Leviticus, a Jubilee was celebrated every 50 years with the freeing of slaves and the forgiveness of debts. In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII instituted the first Christian Jubilee, and since then the Church has designated each new Jubilee as a special year of grace and forgiveness, offering the faithful an opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence.

The 2025 Jubilee will be centered on the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." As His Holiness Pope Francis so beautifully expressed it: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision." The Jubilee begins on December 24, 2024, with the official opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica, and runs to January 6, 2026, the Feast Day of Epiphany, with the closing of the Holy Door.

### **Mass Intentions**

<u>Saturday - January 25, 2025</u>	
8:00 am	Living & Deceased of
	The Nguyen Family
	By Chris Nguyen
4:00 pm	The Nguyen Family
	By Lana Nguyen
6:00 pm	In Thanksgiving for Matthew
1	By La Tia Maria
Sunday	January 26, 2025
	Ivo Corazza
8:00 am	
0.20	By Theresa Corazza
9:30 am	Gerald DeCandia
11.15	By The Cimillo Family
11:15 am	Parishioners of OLOL
	By Parish Clergy
	- January 27, 2025
8:00 am	Fr. Eddie & Fr. Jopel
	By The Earl Family
5:30 pm	Lilly Alaimo
	By Dorothy Faraldo
	<u>- January 28, 2025</u>
8:00 am	Maria Isabel Rodriguez
	By The Burgos Family
5:30 pm	Jelsy Mabel Suarez
	By Maria Eugenia Suarez
Wednesd	lay - January 29, 2025
8:00 am	Adel D. Lyke
0.00 am	By Dale & Don DiPasquale
5:30 pm	Thomas J. McGovern
5.50 pm	By Renee, Thomas
	& Tiffany McGovern
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8:00 am	Francesca Santiago
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> <u>Collections of January 5th</u> The Epiphany of the Lord

First Collection: \$13,226.77 Online Giving: \$3,981.77

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**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

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# EMORIAL

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If you will like any of your loved ones, living or deceased, to be remember in our

Lourdes Grotto Garden, contact the parish office for information about how to purchase and install a Memorial paver.





The Tree of Life offers you а great opportunity to remember your loved ones in a very tasteful way while you make a contribution to your Parish. Each brass leaf holds more than the name of your father or mother, husband or wife, son or daughter. It is a memorial of gratitude meant to last. For information, more please contact the Parish Office. Mav God bless you.

# Wills & Bequests

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.



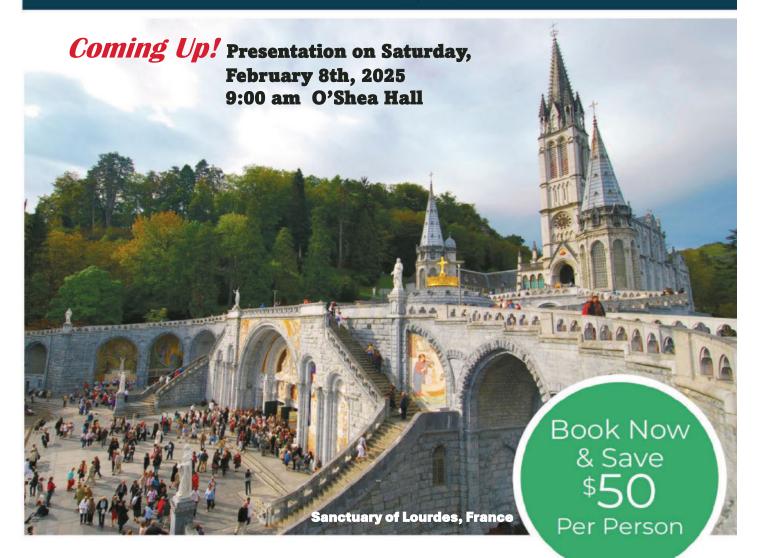
Our Lady of Lourdes welcomes charitable donations made by bequest through your Will or through Trust. In remembering our Church you also leave a lasting legacy.

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# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church presents... **Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes with** Barcelona

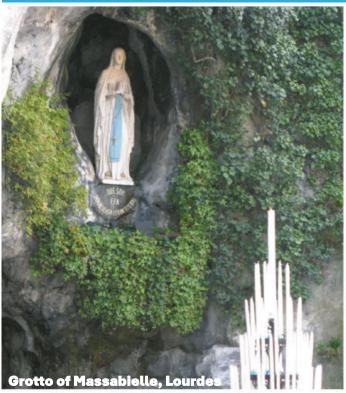
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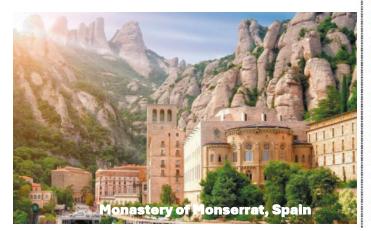


10 Days • 14 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Fatima, Aljustrel, Valinhos, Cathedral of Burgos, Lourdes, Grotto of Massabielle, Barcelona, Barcelona Cathedral

### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Hotel Estrela de Fatima , Fatima
Days 4, 5	Silken Gran Teatro, Burgos
Days 6,7	Hotel Mercure Imperial Lourdes , Lourdes
Days 8, 9	Occidental 1929 Hotel, Barcelona
(	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



### Available Option: The Wonders of Lisbon • \$70pp

Day 1: Sunday, March 8, 2026 Overnight Flight Travel overnight to Portugal, one of Europe's most hospitable countries. Here, you can enjoy a superb climate, historic sites, and beautiful scenery.

Day 2: Monday, March 9, 2026 Fatima, Portugal - Tour Begins Your tour begins in Fatima, Portugal's world-famous religious center. (D)

Day 3: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 Fatima - Aljustrel - Fatima You may celebrate Mass\* before traveling to the original town of Fatima and the parish church where the children Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia were baptized. Continue to Aljustrel, where the children lived, and view the site of the fifth apparition in Valinhos. Later, return to Fatima\*\* to enjoy free time for personal worship and to explore the basilica and its grounds. You may want to join an optional experience to the centuries old capital of Lisbon. (*B*, *D*)

Day 4: Wednesday, March 11, 2026 Fatima - Burgos, Spain Attend a morning Mass\* before traveling east to Burgos, known as the cradle of the Castile region. Situated on the Pilgrims Road, Burgos stands on the banks of the Rio Arlanzon with the slender, elegant spires of its famous cathedral rising into the sky. Mass\* is available this evening. (*B*, *D*)

Day 5: Thursday, March 12, 2026 Burgos Join a local expert on a walking tour of Burgos' medieval town center. Spend time at Burgos Cathedral, a masterpiece of Spanish Gothic architecture and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The cathedral, the third largest in Spain, offers such masterpieces as the filigree work in the spires of the towers, the starry dome, the choir, the sarcophagi, and the golden staircase. Next, visit a monastery and learn about monastic life and architecture. Mass\* is available this evening. (*B*)

Day 6: Friday, March 13, 2026 Burgos - Lourdes, France Today, travel northeast through the Pyrenees mountains to Lourdes. This is where the Virgin Mary appeared in the Grotto of Massabielle to the poor shepherd girl Bernadette a total of 18 times between February 11 and July 16, 1858. Since then, this little market town has been a world-renowned pilgrimage site. Tonight you may wish to partake in a candlelight procession.\*\* (B, D)

**Day 7: Saturday, March 14, 2026 Lourdes** After morning Mass,\* enjoy a walking tour of Lourdes, visiting the places associated with the life of St. Bernadette: the "Boly Mill" (the site of her birthplace), the "Cachot" (the former prison where she and her family lived), and the parish church housing the saint's baptismal font. Later, enjoy some time at leisure to explore the town's rich historical and natural heritage. Become immersed in the atmosphere of the time of the apparitions and revel in the spirit of brotherhood that is still present today. (*B*, *D*)

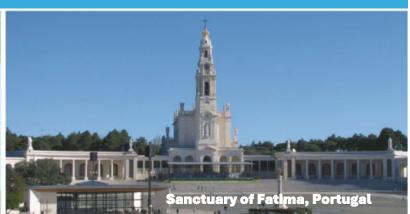
Day 8: Sunday, March 15, 2026 Lourdes - Barcelona, Spain Celebrate Mass\* before crossing back into Spain on your way to Barcelona, one of Europe's most fascinating cities. (B)

Day 9: Monday, March 16, 2026 Barcelona Get to know Barcelona with a panoramic tour showcasing the Columbus Monument and Parc de Montjuic and end the morning among the narrow streets of the Gothic Quarter. Spend this afternoon at leisure exploring the city further or choose an optional excursion to the quaint mountain village of Montserrat. This evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a dinner celebrating the end of a memorable tour. (B, D)

Day 10: Tuesday, March 17, 2026 Barcelona - Tour Ends Return home eager to share vivid memories of a beautiful land with an old, rich, and diverse cultural heritage. (B)

More than 2,000 years ago, Romans told tales of Lisbon, a city of seven hills rumored to have been founded by Odysseus. This afternoon, after a two-hour ride, begin your Lisbon tour in the seaside Belem Quarter, where the façade of Gothic Jeronimo's Monastery awaits you. Continue to the avenues of the Downtown of Rossio Square and Terreiro do Paco. End your afternoon by experiencing the history of Lisbon from its founding to the present day. Duration: Approximately 5 hours. Transportation is included.





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The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

During our Barcelona walking tour in the Gothic Quarter, expect to walk around 1 mile on cobblestone streets and uphill at times.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

We are visiting medieval towns with steep, uneven, cobblestone ground, and stairs and steps are everywhere.

As this tour travels to 3 countries, expect 3 days of long bus transfers.

\*Mass is subject to availability and may not be offered in English.

\*\*In Fatima and Lourdes, there is a candlelight procession every night at 9:30 PM and 9:00 PM.

Breakfasts in Lourdes are Continental.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Due to traffic regulations, buses cannot reach historic city centers. This means at times, the bus may drop the group off at one location but pick it up elsewhere. If you opt out of an activity, you'll need to arrange your own transfer to the next bus pick-up spot, as passengers cannot remain on the bus during stops due to European regulations.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Our air passengers will arrive into Lisbon, Portugal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Lisbon airport for Fatima. Travel time from Lisbon to Fatima is approximately 2 hours.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights should arrive prior to 2:00 p.m.

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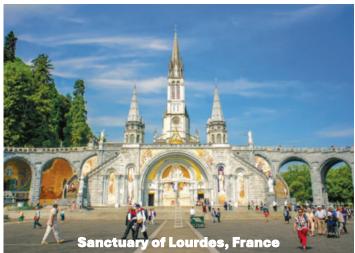
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