



Reaching up, Reaching out, Reaching in.

March 16th, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent



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)

Sunday Masses

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

Confessions

Friday at 4:00 PM
Saturday at 11:00AM

Baptisms

Sunday
at the end of 11:15AM Mass

Weddings

Saturday at 1:00 PM

St. Bernadette's Place

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Wednesday 10:00 AM - NOON

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On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

Weekday READINGS

- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-13/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: Is 1:10-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-23/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-16/Ps 89:2-5, 27,29/Rom 4:13-22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
- Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-46
- Saturday: Mi 7:14-20/Ps 103:1-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday: Ex 3:1-15/Ps 103:1-11/1 Cor 10:1-12/Lk 13:1-9

In today's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, "Listen to him." The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus' words even if they did not yet understand everything that he had taught them. During Lent, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to one another. In the pace and noise that often characterizes family life, how well do we listen to one another? What opportunities do we have for quiet prayer?

As you gather as a family, count the number of pieces of equipment in your home that produce sound: televisions, radios, CD players, computers, video games, etc. Observe if sometimes more than one piece of equipment is playing simultaneously and how this might affect communication. Discuss the question: What is it like to try to talk with one another when this equipment is on? Spend a few such moments as a family, asking God to help you listen well to one another and to Jesus.

QUESTIONS & CATHOLIC ANSWERS

The Imposition of Ashes on Ash Wednesday
by Father Edward McNamara

This rite may be celebrated by a priest or deacon who may be assisted by lay ministers in the distribution of the ashes. The blessing of the ashes, however, is reserved to a priest or deacon. A lay minister may also lead a slightly varied version of the rite of distribution using ashes previously blessed by a priest or deacon, for example, when bringing ashes to the sick.

Although the Roman Missal makes no explicit mention of the use of lay ministers to assist in the distribution of ashes blessed during Mass. I believe, however, that the indication in the Book of Blessings also applies to this situation whenever such help proves necessary.

The most important thing is to live the rite according to its true meaning. As No. 125 of the Directory for Popular Piety says:

"The act of putting on ashes symbolizes fragility and mortality, and the need to be redeemed by the mercy of God. Far from being a merely external act, the Church has retained the use of ashes to symbolize that attitude of internal penance to which all the baptized are called during Lent. The faithful who come to receive ashes should be assisted in perceiving the implicit internal significance of this act, which disposes them towards conversion and renewed Easter commitment."

Mass Intentions

Saturday - March 15, 2025

8:00 am **Santiago Correa & Family** Fr. Padit
By Maria Dolores Carvajal

4:00 pm **John DeStefano** Fr. Briese
By Nicole LeBlanc

6:00 pm **Blas J. Rodriguez** Fr. Armando
By Maria E. Rodriguez

Sunday - March 16, 2025

8:00 am **Mark R. Kurincak** Fr. Padit
By Milagros Gonzalez

9:30 am **Rose Spondello** Fr. Padit
By Patricia Lambert

11:15 am **Parishioners of OLOL** Fr. Briese
By Parish Clergy

Monday - March 17, 2025

8:00 am **Peter Le Duy Le** Fr. Padit
By Gia Le

5:30 pm **Ed & Sally Acerra** Fr. Padit
By Betty Acerra

Tuesday - March 18, 2025

8:00 am **Laura Mongillo** Fr. Padit
By Joseph Mongillo

5:30 pm **Evelia Gonzalez** Fr. Padit
By Milagros Gonzalez

Wednesday - March 19, 2025

8:00 am **Corazza & Pastore Parents** Fr. Padit
By Ivo & Theresa

5:30 pm **Michael Gaudio** Fr. Padit
By Your Sister, Louise

Thursday - March 20, 2025

8:00 am **Mary Biscardi** Fr. Padit
By Daughter, Annette

5:30 pm **Chester Banning** Fr. Padit
By Maria Eugenia Suarez

Friday - March 21, 2025

8:00 am **Joseph Pho Pham** Fr. Padit
By Gia Le

5:30 pm **Beatriz Tarbay** Fr. Padit
By Milagros Gonzalez

Saturday - March 22, 2025

8:00 am **Bienvenido Burgos Carrera** Fr. Padit
By The Burgos Family

4:00 pm **Paul Lallier** Fr. Padit
By Lois P. Gomez

6:00 pm **Jose Naranjo Gomez** Fr. Armando
By Maria Eugenia Suarez

Sunday - March 23, 2025

8:00 am **Claire Labrecque** Fr. Briese
By Marianne Lange

9:30 am **Living & Deceased Members** Fr. Briese
Of the Hodges Family

11:15 am **Parishioners of OLOL** Fr. Padit
By Parish Clergy

Altar Bread Offered
In Memory of
Frances Maiorino
Requested by
Meril Stumberger



Sanctuary Lamp Offered
In Loving Memory of
Tom & Phyllis Acerra
Requested by
Betty Acerra



PARISH GOAL
\$187,000

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Collections of February 23rd
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Collection: \$12,373.69
Online Giving: \$2,815.77

Outreach for the Poor & Hungry: \$3,919.60

Thank You!

PRAYER *time*



7:30 am and 5:00 pm
Prayer of the Rosary before Mass
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 our Sick and Homebound



Keep us informed about your need for prayer

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| Fred Hengel | Cynthia Pierpaoli | |
| Philip Henrici | Consuelo Pinto | |

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.

Dear Parish Family:

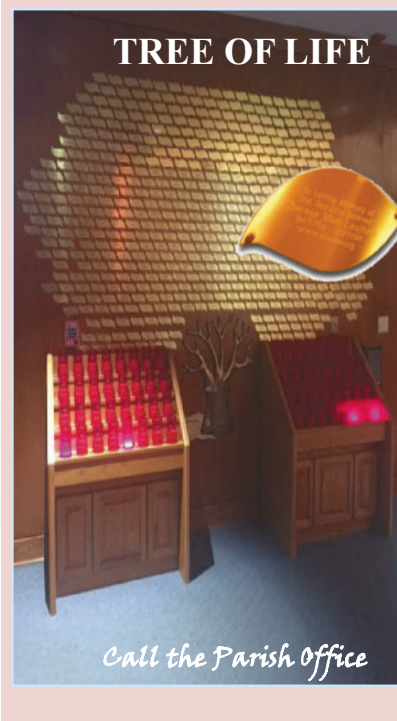
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561-483-2440 Ext # 1418.



The Tree of Life offers you a 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 more information, please contact the Parish Office. May God bless you.



MEMORIAL *Pavers*

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

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

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.

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.



Lenten Meditations

Exposition, Meditation, Benediction



TUESDAY, APRIL 8th, 2025

AT 7:00 PM

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TO JOURNEY THROUGH THE TRANSFORMING
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LENTE MEN RETREAT

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

- Open to all men in the Parish
- Exposition of Most Blessed Sacrament
- Mediations & time for personal prayer
- Benediction

DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 14TH, 2025
TIME: 7:00 PM TO 9:30 PM
VENUE: ROOM 210
LED BY FATHER JOEPEL PADIT



Lent


A Time to Renew

FILIPINO LENTE RETREAT

FRIDAY, April 4th, 2025
7:00PM Room 210

LENTE Confessions

FRIDAYS OF LENT
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
SATURDAYS OF LENT
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
FRIDAY, APRIL 11
10:00 AM to 12 Noon



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Fridays
March 7, 2025
March 28, 2025
April 4, 2025
April 11, 2025

6:00PM in O'Shea Hall




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from Joe Paprocki

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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).

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!

Saint Bernadette's Place

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**WEDNESDAY
10:00 AM - NOON**



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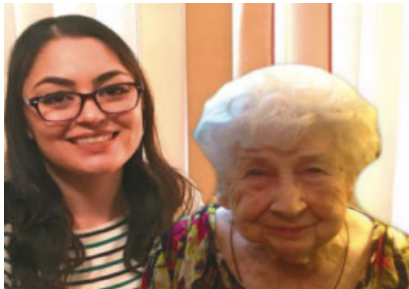
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Blessings,

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Committee Members



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**SENIOR
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H.O.P.E. Senior Outreach is a Parish-based ministry committed to Helping Older People Everyday who are parishioners living within Parish 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 providing some assistance and information about community services available to them. We are not an agency of licensed professionals, so we cannot provide professional services. 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,
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NEED OF PRAYERS AND OF HOLY COMMUNION,
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PARISH MINISTRIES

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Religious Education	Michelle Williamson
Children Liturgy	Muriel Morales, B.S.
R.C.I.A.	DeLisle Callender, M.A.
Adult Formation	Parish Clergy
Women of Grace	Cynthia Hitson
Vocations	Parish Clergy
Vocational Chalice	Jack Viadero

Outreach Ministries

Homebound	Patricia Lambert
H.O.P.E. Senior Outreach	Mary Viadero
Respect Life	Paul Herron
Bernadette's Place Food Pantry	Sharon Benedict
Ministerio de Padres/Familias	Flavio Leon

Stewardship Ministries

Lovely Laundry Ladies	
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	Pamela Fau Chris Laudato
	Greg Fearon Ed Hershberger
	Henry Masone

Cultural Ministries

Filipino Ministry	Nestor Megano
Hispanic Ministry	Deacon Armando De Leon

Liturgical Ministries

Music/Choir	Cecilia Carroll, M.S.
Hispanic Music Ministry	Carlos Gomez
Lectors/EMs	Gemma Pompa (4:00 pm Mass) Alphonse DeFrank (8:00 am Mass) Greg Fearon (9:30 am Mass) Jack Viadero (11:15am Mass) Frank Moore (4:00 pm Mass) Nancy Indyk (8:00 am Mass) Chris Laudato (9:30 am Mass) Ray Manno (11:15 am Mass) Deacon Frank Fau

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12 Steps Groups	

ARE YOU AN ACTIVE PARISHIONER?

A Parish is not simply a "branch office" of the Church, nor a periodic audience of people, nor an occasional public; but it is a formally organized social group. It is a portion of a Diocese under the authority of a priest legitimately appointed to secure in virtue of his office for the faithful dwelling therein, the helps of religion.

The faithful are called parishioners, and they become parishioners by acquiring a domicile or a quasi-domicile within the geographical boundaries or territory of the Parish.

Parishioners could be active parishioners or non active parishioners, and the question of parishioner status is important because parishioners look to their Parish for many services:

parishioner tuition rates in our Catholic schools; the use of our facilities for liturgical services such as baptisms, weddings and funerals; and certification as eligible sponsors at Sacramental celebrations.

These rights and services within the church bring with them certain obligations, as in any form of community.

To be considered "active", parishioners must be registered in the parish; attend Mass faithfully; support the life of the parish by sharing time and talents in service, and sharing treasure (tithing) to build up the community. Active participation in Christian Stewardship makes you an ACTIVE parishioner.



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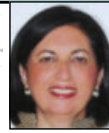
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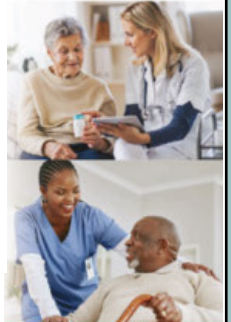
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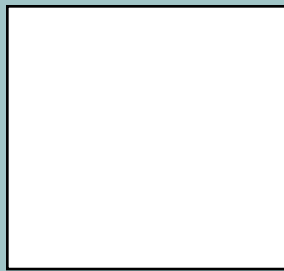
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