

St. Martha Catholic Church

PALLOTTINE FATHERS AND BROTHERS (Society of Catholic Apostolate) AND U.S.A. CIRCUS CHURCH
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2012
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2012 Catholic Faith Appeal

Very Rev. Fausto Stampiglia S.A.C., Pastor

Rev. R. Patrick Wilson, S.A.C.
Rev. Andrew Kozminski, S.A.C.
Rev. Peter Czerwonka, S.A.C.
Rev. John Hoang, C.M.C.
Rev. John Krozser, USAF, ret.
Rev. George "Jerry" Hogan, Circus
Rev. Deacon William Ladroga
Rev. Deacon C. Patrick Macaulay
Rev. Deacon Kevin McKenney
Br. William Hudspeth, S.A.C.
Br. Tom Flanagan, S.A.C.
Sr. Cathy Bonfield, S.S.N.D.
Sr. Marianne Baehr, C.S.J.

PARISH STAFF

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Tracey Robustelli, Religious Ed. Assistant
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Jean Grossheim, Sacristan
Sally Chasse, Sacristan
Miguel Jimenez, Maintenance Supervisor

BAPTISM

Classes are held on the 2nd Monday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Baptism will take place regularly every Sunday at 5:00 p.m. or by appointment with your choice of clergyman.



"Above all, let your love for one another be intense...As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."
- 1 Peter 4: 8-10

MASS SCHEDULE

Church opens 30 minutes before each service and is closed afterwards.

SATURDAY: 7:30 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.; (**Vigil**) 4:00 & 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: Church - 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m., 12 noon, & 5:30 pm
Parish Hall - 8 a.m. (Spanish), 9 (Family), 10:30 a.m. & 12 noon (Vietnamese)
WEEKDAY: 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12 noon & 5:30 p.m.
SCHOOL DAYS: 1:50 p.m. (*only on school days in Deacon Wren Chapel at Bishop Nevins Academy*)
HOLY DAY: (Vigil) 4 & 5:30 p.m.; 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12, & 5:30 p.m.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Carosella Chapel: Tues., and Fri., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Church: First Friday of the month from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

(In addition, the chapel is open everyday for quiet prayer)

CHURCH: Church is open 1/2 hour before all Masses, and *1st Friday of the Month*, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (If no other services are scheduled)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Saturdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

CONFESSION

During the **Lenten Season** (Feb. 22—Apr. 7) the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be available in every parish: **Friday Evening from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. and Saturday Morning from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

In addition, St. Martha will continue the weekly schedule: **Sunday—Friday: 11:30 a.m. - 12 noon (Church entrance) and Saturday: 9—11 a.m.; 3—4 p.m.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be every Friday at 9:00 a.m., immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sun., Feb. 19

8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Coffee—Geenen Hall
 11:45 a.m. RCIA Program—RCIA Room

Mon., Feb. 20—Presidents' Day—Church Office Closed

7:00 p.m. Bible Study - Fr. John—Geenen Hall

Tues., Feb. 21—St. Peter Damian, bishop & doctor

9:30 a.m. Bible Study - Fr. John—Geenen Hall
 6:30 p.m. Quest Prayer Group—Library
 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Choir Rehearsal—East Hall

Wed., Feb. 22—ASH WEDNESDAY—Chair of St. Peter

8:30 a.m. St. Martha School Bible Study—Conf. Rm.

Thurs., Feb. 23—St. Polycarp, bishop & martyr

6:00 p.m. "Christian Spirituality" course—Geenen Hall
 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice—Choir Room

Fri., Feb. 24

7:00 p.m. AA (Spanish) Group—Geenen Hall

Sat., Feb. 25

9:15 a.m. Legion of Mary—Conference Rm.

From Our Pastor, Fr. Fausto ...

My Dear Friends,

Today's Gospel shows Jesus as God, because only God can forgive sins, a truth deeply embedded into the faith of the Jews, our ancestors in that same faith. The scribes strongly objected to Jesus using the sentence: "My son, your sins are forgiven" with their statement: "He commits blasphemy. Who can forgive sins but God alone?" And they were right! It is blasphemous for any human being to arrogantly claim for him/herself a divine power. They looked at Jesus as just another Rabbi, a man, not a God, who uttered a meaningful sentence of forgiveness, but without any power whatsoever to be effective. For the scribes, it was an empty and ineffective promise, just empty words! And so Jesus decides to convince them that His sentence was not an empty promise, and asks them the question: "Which is easier to say: Your sins are forgiven or stand up, pick up your mat and go home?" And the miraculous, sudden, unexplained miracle happens, to prove to them that Jesus is Divine! It goes without saying that Jesus looked too much like a common Jewish man to be considered a God. And besides, if God is one, how can God have a son? How can God become man? For the Scribes, it was too much of a mystery to even consider, and the more Jesus performed miracles to convince them, the more the Scribes were repulsed and infuriated and, above all, threatened and shaken in their faith in one God. For us Christians, the unity and trinity of God is not a stumbling block, but the acceptance of a mysterious God WHOM we accept in faith. By the way, some people ask me often: "If only God can forgive sins, why do we confess them to a priest?" The answer is simple, only God can truly forgive sins, but Jesus told the apostles, whose successors are the Bishops, with their helpers priests and deacons: "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven, and whose sins you retain are retained." The Council of Trent defined that this power is exercised in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. So we priests use the God-given power to forgive sins, not because we are better than the rest of the Church, but just to obey Jesus' command. My guess is that Jesus wanted to use us sinners (Popes, bishops, priests, deacons, are sinners like everyone else) so that sinners will not be scared to ask God's forgiveness, and that they may hear in their own ears the consoling words: "You are forgiven, go in peace!"

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT, which prepares us to celebrate the most solemn Christian feast of Easter, starts this coming Ash Wednesday, February 22, when we Catholics mark our foreheads with blessed ashes as the external sign of our inner determination to correct our faults, to make penance for our sins, and to achieve a closer union with Jesus, Our Eternal Love.

We Catholics renew this commitment, in these 40 days of Lent, to Jesus, and we solemnly express such commitment in the renewal of our baptismal promises at Easter. You are very familiar with my rhymes about becoming a SAINT with the capital "S":

- Sacrifice of the Mass, every day, or an extra weekly Mass during Lent.

4TH ANNUAL DIOCESE OF VENICE MEN'S CONFERENCE

All Men & their sons (15 & up) are welcome
 Saturday, February 25, 2012



Featuring Catholic Speakers:

Jack McKeon: of the 2003 World Series Champion Florida Marlins. A daily communicant even while his team is traveling.

Doug Barry: Co-host of "Life on the Rock" and founder and director of the Catholic apostolate RADIX, specifically for Catholic men.

Raymond DeSouza: a distinguished international lay Catholic apologist. He is founder and director of St. Gabriel Communications, an international Catholic apologetics outreach.

Eric Sammons: director of evangelization for the Diocese of Venice. He is the author of *Who is Jesus Christ? Unlocking the Mystery in the Gospel of Matthew*.

Bishop Verot High School
 5598 Sunrise Dr., Fort Myers, Florida
 From 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Registration 8 - 9 a.m. Conference starts at 9 a.m.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Day concludes with Mass at 2 p.m. with Bishop Dewane

Cost: Pre-registration: Adults \$20, Students \$5

Registration at the door: Adults \$25, Students \$10

Register online at www.dioceseofvenice.org or call the Diocese of Venice at 941-4849543.

If you ordered a name badge in the last six months, it is available in the Parish Office, and can be picked up Monday—Friday, 9 a.m to 4 p.m.

CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL COMMITMENT SUNDAY—February 19, 2012

- Scripture reading, a chapter or two of the Bible a day!
- Spiritual practices such as going to confession, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- Search and Save your friends not attending Church any more.
- Serve the poor by volunteering at Caritas, Bethesda House, or the St. Vincent De Paul store.
- Sweets: no cookies, pies, candies until Easter.
- Sausages, Salami, Prosciutto and other delicacies...no!
- Smoking Forbidden for 40 days (aaaargh!!)
- Sober for 40 days from alcohol (eat lasagna with Coca Cola).
- Shows: TV, movies, operas, parties (except St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's Day).
- Sex...a renewed commitment to say no to X or R rated movies...no pornographic magazines...no sexual or racial harassment...no dirty jokes...(how about listening instead to WBVM, 90.5 FM)

*Ash
Wednesday*

**Masses on Ash Wednesday are
7:30, 8:15 (BNA), 8:30, 10:30 a.m.,
12 Noon, 4:00, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
(Vietnamese/Hall).**

Also, on Ash Wednesday, we will have a special collection to aid the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe to provide food, shelter, medical care, catechesis, and companionship for the lonely in a region still struggling in the aftermath of atheistic Soviet rule. Your donations help to restore the strength of the Church in the region.

ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY are days of fast. On days of fast one full meal and two lesser meals are allowed. Eating between meals is not permitted. Catholics who have **completed their 18th year are bound by this law until the beginning of their 60th year.**

ASH WEDNESDAY and ALL THE FRIDAYS OF LENT are also days of **ABSTINENCE.** On days of abstinence, **meat may not be taken.** The law of **abstinence binds all Catholics** who have completed their **14th year.**

One of the Lenten sacrifices is spending less money on ourselves ... and giving it to **Catholic Relief Services** through **Operation Rice Bowl**, which is a program of prayer, fasting, education and alms giving, an opportunity to pray, share and be united with all God's people. Of the money collected through Rice Bowl, 25% remains in the diocese, the rest is used by CRS to support programs that give hope to a world in need.

TODAY IS 2012 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL (CFA) COMMITMENT SUNDAY, and Bishop Frank J. Dewane is asking us to support our diocesan family by achieving 100% participation of all the households that make up St. Martha Parish. This year, St. Martha's assessment is \$266,000. As Bishop Dewane recently said: *"Your gift to the Catholic Faith Appeal helps to support the important work accomplished in your parish and throughout the Diocese. It is YOUR generosity through the Catholic Faith Appeal that allows them to continue the mission and expand it when needs arise. This*



the work of love and sacrifice..."

Today, there will be a pew collection where you will be asked to make your pledge for this year's appeal. **Pledge cards will be available in the pews.** You dear parishioners have four choices:

1. Give a gift; 2. Make a pledge; 3. Indicate you already made a pledge; or 4. Indicate that you cannot give a gift.

(Making a pledge allows you to spread your gift throughout the year, which may make it easier for you to pay, and may also allow you to give a larger gift. Pledge statements are sent out monthly unless otherwise requested. These are simply reminders and not bills. You can pay your pledge anytime before the end of the year. If your situation changes, you may also cancel or increase your pledge.)

Smile, God loves you and so does Fr. Fausto with your St. Martha's priests: Frs. Patrick, Andrew, Peter, John Hoang, John Krozser & Jerry; Deacons Bill, Patrick, & Kevin; Brs. Bill, Tom, and Srs. Cathy & Marianne

A Message from our Bishop...



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Church has a rich history in the United States. Today, we continue to build the Church by the witness of our lives as baptized Catholics.

The American Catholic Community has supported the Annual Collection for the Black and Indian Missions since its establishment in 1884. Your contributions from here in the Diocese of Venice support missionaries in the United States who are evangelizing in the African American and Indigenous Catholic communities, as well as Eskimo and Aleut communities. Churches and Schools in these impoverished areas depend on evangelization grants for pastoral ministry, Catholic schools and religious education programs.

The theme for the 2012 Collection echoes the recent announcement of Pope Benedict XVI being a special "Year of Faith." The theme is ***"Faith: Anchored in Jesus, Alive in Mission."***

The weekend of February 25 and 26, all will be asked to participate in the Black and Indian Mission Collection. We evangelize by the witness of our faith and by our sacrifice for the Black and Indian Missions. Remember, be anchored in Jesus, alive in mission! Thank you for your continued generosity.

I take this opportunity to extend to you my continued consideration and my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida



FAMILY MINISTRY

Sunday Morning Pancakes: March 4, 8:30 a.m. to 12Noon in the parish kitchen. All are welcome for a small donation of \$3 for pancakes with butter/syrup and sausage links. Hope to see you there.

Monthly Dinner: Tuesday, March 6, 6:00 pm, in Parish Hall. **Menu:** Corned beef, cabbage, boiled potatoes, tossed salad & Irish soda bread. All are welcome!
Tickets are available at \$5.00 donation per person. Come see Gary or Leslie in Geenen Hall at Sunday Morning Coffee between 10:30 a.m. to noon to get your tickets.



PRO-LIFE CORNER

We see in today's readings that the Church extends God's mercy to all. That includes those have been involved in abortion.

For confidential help after an abortion, contact Project Rachel at 1-888-456-4873 or go to www.hopeafterabortion.com



Our Sympathy is extended to the families of all those who have recently died. We pray for you and your loved ones, especially for:

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| Arthur Savoy | Margaret Loeschman |
| Edna Grundy | Jeannine Oakes |
| Penny Wilson | Rueben Anastacia |
| Viola Heavrin | Frank Pallaria, Jr. |
| Eusebia Delbene | Virginia Rzepecki |
| Sieglinde "Linda" Schiller | Caroline Quarto |
| Arcangelo Scarcella | Beatrice Horwitz |
| Thomas VanZandt | Paul Dean |



HOSPITAL MINISTRY

WE CARE ABOUT YOU ...CALL US WHEN YOU ARE SICK

Let the parish Hospital Ministry know if you or a loved one is taken to the hospital by calling the Parish Office. It will make it easier for a priest and the extraordinary ministers to find you, to be able to receive daily Communion. This is particularly important if you are admitted through the Emergency Room because then there will be no record of your religious affiliation. To learn more about



St. Martha Council of Catholic Women

The CCW would like to thank all members for their dedicated help before and during the Rummage Sale; to the parishioners and other parishes for their donations to the Sale; and everyone for coming out and supporting St. Martha and the CCW efforts. God will bless you!!!

"CALLING ON ST. MARTHA FAMILIES"

ST. MARTHA RELIGIOUS EDUCATION "FOOD DRIVE"

FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 11

The Caritas Organization is in need of specific foods for their food kitchen (see list below). The Caritas Organization was established in 1980 by Reverend Jerome A. Carosella, pastor of St. Martha Church (1973-1986.) Caritas is a cooperative effort of several downtown Sarasota churches that provide emergency assistance to the poor and needy. ALL DONATIONS WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

- MAC & CHEESE
- PEANUT BUTTER
- BAKED BEANS
- CAN FRUIT
- CAN STEW
- TUNA



DROP-OFF BOXES WILL BE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH & IN THE PARISH HALL



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

St. Thomas More Parish is looking for a part-time Coordinator of Youth Ministry (CYM). The Coordinator of Youth Ministry is a member of the parish staff whose responsibility is to minister comprehensively to middle school and high school aged youth (grade 6 - 12). Please forward resumes to Mr. Jim Selinski, Director of Operations & Stewardship at

jim@stthomasmoresrq.org



COME SADDLE UP WITH... ST. MARTHA YOUTH MINISTRY (6TH-12TH GRADE)

**Saturday, February 25
 Laurel Valley Ranch, Sarasota
 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Cost: \$15**

Come join us for an afternoon at the stables riding horses and picnic snack!!

RSVP NECESSARY: NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 23 to Tracey Robustelli at 366-4210 ext. 237 or reym@stmartha.comcastbiz.net



Father Fausto's Festa Italiana—Saturday, March 24, St. Martha Parish Hal, 6:30 p.m. cocktail reception, 7:00 p.m. dinner. Music and dancing by Tony "D", \$20 per person. Tickets available at the Parish Office.

Annual Feast of Abraham—Thursday, March 29, at 6 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Gathering Service and Dinner. Tickets available at the Parish Office (Donations accepted.)

Upcoming Events

Friday, February 24—3rd Annual Rice School Priests Concert! Held at Epiphany Cathedral Hall, Venice, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Come hear Fr. John Ludden, Fr. Michael Cannon, Fr. Dave Cottingham, C.S.Sp., Fr. Fausto Stampiglia, S.A.C., Fr. George Ratzmann, and Msgr. Gerard Finegan perform in a charity concert and dance. There will be light hors d'oeuvres, gourmet chocolates & complimentary drinks. Tickets: \$30. and are available through the Rice School. Call Jennifer at 941-766-7334.

Saturday, February 25—Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School's 38th Annual Dinner Auction, "Mooney Goes Hollywood", Hyatt Regency Sarasota. Tickets: \$100; includes open bar, dinner, dancing, silent and live auctions! (Sponsorships available.) For more information, call Leanne Sharpenter at 941-379-2647 or email: lsharpenter@cmhs-sarasota.org

Saturday, February 25—Miami Nights, Dinner/Auction at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Catholic Church, Father Flynn Hall. Cocktails/appetizers: 5:00 pm, dinner: 5:30 pm. Price: \$30 per person/\$50 per couple. Proceeds to benefit the Youth Ministry at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. For more information: www.olqm.net or call 941-755-1826.

Sunday, February 26—Paul Todd Concert accompanied by his son, Paul Todd, Jr., at St. Patrick's Catholic Church—Parish Center, 7900 Bee Ridge Rd. (East of I-75). Paul Todd is an acclaimed entertainer, singer and composer. Each concert is unique and leaves everyone delighted! Tickets: \$20 donation, call 941-378-1703, Visa, MasterCard, Discover accepted.



Come to the Water Retreats— Our Lady of Perpetual Help Upcoming Dates: February 22—Ash Wednesday, March 14, April 18 and May 9. Schedule includes continental breakfast, lunch, two conferences and the opportunity for Confession. The retreat concludes with Mass in St. Joseph Chapel. Time: 10 am—2:30 pm. Cost \$25 per. For reservations call 941-486-0233.

Columbus Association Fish Fry—Every Friday During Lent: 4:30 to 7:00 p.m., Adults \$8.50 and Children under 12 \$4.00 at the Former Knights of Columbus Hall, 4880 Fruitville Rd., Sarasota. SEE YOU AT THE FISH FRY—ALL ARE WELCOME!

Holy Week Retreat—Easter Triduum of the Passion & Resurrection of the Lord at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center, Thurs., Apr. 5, through Easter Morning, Apr. 8. Cost includes accommodations and meals. Call for details: 941-486-0233 or email: olphinfo@olph-retreat.org

Royal Rummage Sale V— Women's Guild at St. Mary, Star of the Sea, 4280 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key in the Stella Maris Activity Center. Early Bird Sale will be Friday March 2, 2012 from 1-5 pm, \$5.00 admission. The regular sale is Saturday March 3, 2012 from 9am-2 pm, free admission.



Diocese of Venice in Florida 4th Annual WOMEN'S CONFERENCE Saturday, Mary 10, 2012 - 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

All women are invited

"Women of Faith... Women of Action"

Featuring Catholic Speakers:

- **Fr. Leo Patlinghug**, a dynamic speaker and a faculty member of Mount St. Mary's Seminary where he directs the Pastoral Field Education Program for future priests.
- **Johnette Benkovic**, is the dynamic host of the *Women of Grace* television program, which highlights contemporary issues from a Catholic perspective.
- **Gabriela Frei**, a gifted pianist, composer and songwriter. Also a wife and mother. Her music testifies to God's great love and inspiration throughout her life.

COST—Pre-Registration: Adults \$20, Students \$5
At the Door: \$25 and \$10

Bishop Verot High School, 5598 Sunrise Dr., Ft. Myers
Continental breakfast and a lunch will be provided.

The conference will conclude with a Mass celebrated by
Bishop Frank Dewane

AN EXCITING CALLING

God forgives our sins. Jesus came to earth because He loves us so much that He was willing to take the punishment of our sins upon Himself. In today's Gospel, Jesus shows His mercy to a suffering paralytic. He forgives his sins—healing him spiritually and then healing his physical ailments. The spiritual healing was, by far, the most important, even though it was only after the physical healing that people recognized Jesus' power.



Christ offers us His merciful healing and His life of grace in the sacraments. He is there for us. He forgives us our sins in the sacrament of Reconciliation. He pours His mercy upon us, but, like the paralytic, we have to humbly come to Him. We have to be open to receiving that spiritual healing and that new life of grace.

That's what it means to live as a disciple, as a Christian steward – to yield to the grace of God and help others to do the same. It is an extraordinary calling. It is an exciting calling and, as the paralytic in today's Gospel shows us, when we open ourselves to God's grace and regularly receive the sacraments, we receive a new life in Christ, a life that is richly rewarding, spiritually and otherwise.



LEAVEN CONFERENCE—MARCH 24 AT SAN PEDRO CATHOLIC CHURCH, NORTH PORT

The theme of the Peace & Justice Ministry annual conference is "Care for God's Creation - A Principle of Catholic Social Teaching." Among the 15 workshop presentations, the effects of environmental degradation on the poor will be addressed, as well as what efforts are being taken to improve the lives and housing conditions of the vulnerable. Cost: \$10, for students \$5. To register or for more informations, call 941-484-9543 or email:

peace&justice@dioceseofvenice.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Feb. 19 Is 43: 18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; 2 Cor 1: 18-22; Mk 2: 1-12

7:30 a.m. [PW] Joseph Robb by Jack & Toni Robb
 8:00 a.m. [TM] (Span/Hall) Nery Galindo by Maria Galindo
 9:00 a.m. [FS] Jean Quilty by Bob & Ruth Hutches
 9:00 a.m. [JK] (Hall) Anthony Chiginsky by Brian Young Family
 10:30 a.m. [FS] For All Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. [GH] (Hall) Frank M. Giannone by Wife, Gloria
 12:00 p.m. [AK] Donald Panuce by Wife, Marcia
 12:00 p.m. [JH] (Viet/Hall) Special Intention
 5:30 p.m. [PC] Joanne Parr by Henry Parr

Mon., Feb. 20 Jas 3: 13-18; Mk 9: 14-29

7:30 a.m. [JH] Rita Zodda by Evelyn Moya
 8:30 a.m. [PW] Paul Connors by Marie Miles
 12:00 p.m. [AK] Willie Mae Johnson by Anne Belkman
 5:30 p.m. [PC] Jon Z. Schum by Clark & Phyllis Galen

Tues., Feb. 21 Jas 4: 1-10; Mk 9: 30-37

7:30 a.m. [PW] Family of Tom & Marie Kelly by Dr. T. Kelly
 8:30 a.m. [AK] Mary Bolsinger by Peggy O'Connell
 12:00 p.m. [JH] Marguerite Romaine by Claire Collins
 5:30 p.m. [FS] Joan H. Donovan by Mary & Joe Barbetta

Wed., Feb. 22 Jl 2: 12-18; 2Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

7:30 a.m. [GH] Thanksgiving for Family Blessings by Marie
 8:15 a.m. [FS] (BNA) Pedro Moya by Evelyn Moya
 8:30 a.m. [JK] Jeanette Porpora by Paul & Marge Lortie
 10:30 a.m. [FS] All Parishioners
 12:00 p.m. [AK] Barbara Goode by John Goode
 4:00 p.m. [PW] Jacqueline Letourneau by Lynda
 5:30 p.m. [AK] Misty Dailey by Parents
 7:30 p.m. [JH] (Viet/Hall) Special Intention

Thurs., Feb. 23 Dt 30: 15-20; Lk 9: 22-25

7:30 a.m. [PW] Rita Zodda by Mary Ackerman
 8:30 a.m. [GH] Michael Graziano by Claire Power
 12:00 p.m. [JH] Hedy Gerhards by Louis & Diana Soscia
 5:30 p.m. [PC] Misty Dailey by Louise Dailey

Fri., Feb. 24 Is 58: 1-9a; Mt 9: 14-15

7:30 a.m. [JH] Rita Zodda by H. & Emily
 8:30 a.m. [FS] Members of the Altar Society by Mary Ackerman
 12:00 p.m. [AK] Jim Marco by Family
 5:30 p.m. [PC] Gerry Forest by Robert Chicvak

Sat., Feb. 25 Is 58: 9b-14; Lk 5: 27-32

7:30 a.m. [FS] (L) Richard Pardon by Susan Pardon-Dabro
 8:30 a.m. [PC] Agnes Curdo by Sister
 4:00 p.m. [PW] Kathleen Sandburg by Martin Family
 5:30 p.m. [AK] Parents of Tom & Jean Giannaccini
 by Tom & Jean

Sun, Feb. 26 Gn 9: 8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1: 12-15

7:30 a.m. [GH] Rose & Leonard Russo by Barbara & Joe Russo
 8:00 a.m. [TM] (Span/Hall) (L) April Abis by Ila Abis
 9:00 a.m. [JK] Harrison & Kos Families by Baci
 9:00 a.m. [FS] (Hall) Anthony Chiginsky by Brian Young Family
 10:30 a.m. [FS] For All Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. [PW] (Hall) Carlo & Katherine Nicandri
 by Lucy Nicandri
 12:00 p.m. [PC] Donald Panuce by Wife, Marcia
 12:00 p.m. [JH] (Viet/Hall) Special Intention
 5:30 p.m. [AK] Joanne Parr by Henry Parr

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 Fr. Andrew (AK), Fr. John Hoang (JH), Fr. John (JK), Fr.
 Jerry Hogan (GH), Fr. Mata (TM)*

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 Caritas (9-11 a.m., M-F).....366-5620
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 Casa Santa Marta.....(I) 366-4448, (II) 365-7913
 Choir/CantorVirginia Bray, 366-4210
 Christian Meditation.....Pat Prescott, 378-2521
 Council of Catholic Woman.....Claire Collins, 388-3340
 Eucharist AdorationSusan Wenzel, 320-5525
 Family Ministry.....Gary Kerschner, 315-0564
 Finance CouncilJohn J. DeStefano, 306-5014
 Homebound MinistryBro. Bill Hudspeth, 366-4210
 Hospital MinistryMissy Weishaar, 351-2635
 Hospitality Ministry.....Beth Cannata-Keefe, 706-4149
 Jail Ministry.....Louie Faustino, 228-3252
 Knights of ColumbusNigel Mould, 388-2126
 Lectors.....Eric Berman, 720-3083
 Legion of MaryDiane Such, 377-2011
 Ministries Council.....Gary Kerschner, 315-0564
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 Nursing Home Ministry ...Dcn. Kevin McKenney, 706-2665
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 Quest Group.....Jack Suponcic & Diane Such, 377-2011
 R.C.I.A.....Dcns. Bill Ladroga & Pat Macaulay, 366-4210
 Respect Life MinistryJim & Peg Styer, 377-1929
 Rosary Makers.....Don & Maxine Brand, 755-9749
 St. Martha Day Early Learning Center 366-1395
 Solve, Inc.: Bradenton—748-0094; Englewood—475-7408
 Sunday Coffee ServiceGary Kerschner, 315-0564
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4380 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL 34232

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 Principal: Mrs. Siobhan Young
Dreams Are Free School.....366-4010
 Principal: Mrs. Mary Aksentis
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St. Jude, Sarasota955-3934
 Christ the King Mission, Sarasota.....924-2777
 Incarnation, Sarasota 921-6631
 Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Sarasota.....755-1826
 St. Patrick, Sarasota.....378-1703
 St. Mary Star of the Sea, LKB.....383-1255
 St. Thomas More, Sarasota923-1691
 St. Joseph, Bradenton756-3732
 St. Michael the Archangel, Siesta Key..... 349-4174

Our priests & deacons minister at local facilities in Sarasota: **The Pines, Bahia Oaks Lodge, Magnolia, Life Care Center, Horizon Bay, Jefferson Center, Alderman Oaks, Plymouth Harbor, Sarasota Health, Springwood, Casa Santa Marta I & II, Sarasota Bay Club, J.H. Floyd, Sunshine Meadows, Sarasota County Jail.**