

Mass Schedule

Saturday 7:30am • 8:30am • 4pm *Vigil* • 5:30pm *Vigil*

Sunday 7:30am • 9am • 10:30am • 12pm • 5:30pm

7:45am Spanish Parish Hall • 12pm Vietnamese Parish Hall

Weekday 7:30am • 8:30am • 12pm • 5:30pm

Confession - Reconciliation Room

Saturday 9-10am • 3-4pm Sunday-Friday 11:30am-12pm

Eucharistic Adoration - Carosella Chapel

Tuesday-Thursday 9am-12pm

Rosary & Morning Prayer Devotions

Rosary prayed after 7:30am Mass, followed by Morning Prayer

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From Our Pastor, Father George

Dear Parishioners of St. Martha,

Sunday Sermon — 11th Sunday of the Year

From Deacon Pat:

HAPPY FATHERS DAY! May each of you be rewarded by our Father in Heaven for all of the sacrifices, nurturing, and guidance you have given or are giving your children! Fathers, together with their wives, by word and example, are the first witnesses of the faith to their children in Christ Jesus our Lord. Put another way, they lead in the evangelization of their families. (You'll recall: the role of evangelizer in the family setting is what you, as father, received a Blessing to accomplish during your child's Baptism).

A definition is in order here. Evangelism is the act of sharing the Gospel message and teachings of Jesus Christ. You'll notice that the word *evangelize* has the word *angel* embedded in it. I like to think that we are called to be angels to our family members as well as to others in our circle of influence.

Evangelization is a theme in this Sunday's Readings. In Ezekiel, we are assured that we will be *dearer to God by listening to Him and keeping His Covenant*. The point here is that we cannot be effective and efficient teachers of God's intent in our families, without learning our Faith. A good place to start is to understand the meanings of each phrase in the Apostolic and Nicene Creeds.

In Paul's Letter to the Romans, he argues that we must trust God's providence with our lives totally, no matter where we find ourselves (ie Rich or Poor, Sickness or in Good Health).

The Gospel tells us that we must proclaim *The Kingdom of Heaven is at handWithout cost you have received; without cost you will give.* In other words, we are to **give of our spiritual selves unselfishly**. This is the definition of Divine Love or **Agape**.

How do these readings apply to the role a father is called to fulfill in these days? Days where we find ourselves in a country:

- that is relativistic and divided;
- that no longer has shared moral values; moral values that created our American character and shaped our nation to be the envy of the world;
- that has moved away from meaningfully teaching civics, praying, and pledging allegiance to our flag in schools. These teachings are our foundation to being productive citizens;
- is attempting to change natural law by encouraging genders different from male/female (i.e., XY/XX chromosomes);
- where the majority of the citizens have not read, or understand, the Constitution;
- whose cross-national ranking places the United States as 38th in math and 24th in science. It seems that the United States is spending the most per capita student to only achieve international mediocrity.

In other words, our country is in a very dangerous period. This is the environment that fathers are now called to nurture their children. Quite a challenge!

So, I suggest that fathers continue to educate themselves and their families about the importance of having spiritual lives; spiritual lives where wholesome relationships with God and with others are of utmost importance. These fathers, with their wives, must teach their children lasting truths about life and death, sin and salvation, worth and unworthiness. These fathers must instill in these children the importance of hard work, the beauty of marriage and the sexes, the value of all human life, the pitfalls of pride, and their need for humility and forgiveness. View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com



The Father's Day – June 18, 2023

Our thoughts are with you, Dear Fathers, on this special day. May God bless you all!

Welcome Mary Jo Hanson as a new Principal Teacher in St. Martha Primary School! I ask for your prayers for Mary Jo who will take on her new responsibility in our School in July. Congratulations and may God grant you his blessing!

The Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist - Friday, June 24, 2023 The Church's *Ordo* for Florida tells us that, this feast, dating from the 4th century came to be celebrated, in accord with LK 1:36, six months before the Lord's birth; quoting Jn 3:30. St. Augustine found this date (near the summer solstice) appropriate for, after the birth of John, daylight begins to grow shorter, whereas after Jesus' birth, it begins to increase.

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May God bless you all!"

- Father George

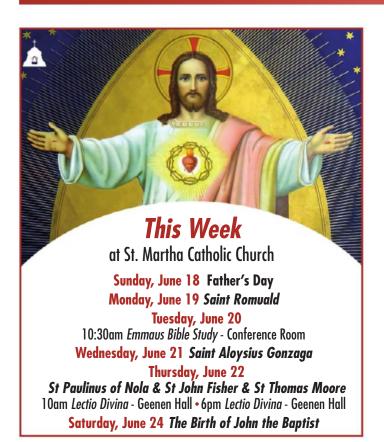
May God bless all holiday makers! St. Patrick's prayer: Love, blessed Trinity of three, Bound in unity, Who guides my journey. I will arise with strength of heaven, Trusting in Your light, To guide my journey, Shine before me, Lead me home. Power to guide me, might to hold me, Wisdom teach me, watching o'er me. Ear to hear me, hand to guard me, Love to conquer every fear.

Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season - O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, our beloved Mother we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen.

Next Sunday (June 25) – 12th Sunday of the Year

With prayers for God's blessing to you and your family, Father George







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Upcoming Events

Theology on Tap Sarasota All young adults are invited to the Garden for food, refreshments, presentations, and discussions about the Catholic Faith. Third Thursday, Monthly at 7pm Mandeville Beer Garden 428 N. Lemon Ave, Sarasota

Independence Day Parade - Ave Maria Parish hosts the 7th Annual God Bless America: Independence Day Bike and Golf Cart Parade on Tuesday, July 4 from 10am, at the Piazza in front of the Church, 5088 Annunciation Circle, Ave Maria. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Ave Maria Assembly 3862, the route is approximately two miles long with a shorter route available. Bikes, trikes, golf carts, skateboards, and stroller are welcome. The ride also includes a reflection of freedom, patriotic songs, prayer for our country and the Blessing of Bikes. For more information call 239.261.5555.

The 14th Annual Ave Maria University

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Youth and Young Adults - Totus Tuus Summer Camp

Program! Totus Tuus (a Latin phrase meaning totally yours) is a summer Catholic youth camp program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. The weeklong Parish summer catechetical camp program assists parents and parishes in evangelizing and catechizing youth by complementing the work they are already doing at the parish and at home. To register for one of the camps, or for additional information, please visit the Diocese of Venice website.



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Weekly Mass Intentions

	Ex 19:2-6a; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8
7:30am[JV]	
	(Hall/Span) For All Fathers
9:00am [FS]	For All Fathers
10:30am [CF]	For All Fathers
12:00pm [CF]	For All Fathers
	(Hall/Viet) For All Fathers
5:30pm [CF]	
	2 Cor 6:1 10; Mt 5:38 42
	Ingrid Fleishmann by Kevin Rutkowski
	Edward Barrett by Edward & Elizabeth Jeselson
12:00pm [JR]	Mulle Hollery
	(L) The Zalameas & Deltettes by Eric & Cecille Zalamea
	2 Cor 8:1 9; Mt 5:43 48
	Victoria Sancho by Marge and Paul Lortie
	Reynaldo Suratos by Glenda Natividad
	Reynaldo Suratos by Gloria Bucay & Dyssa Jordan
5:30pm[JV]	Dec'd Mbrs of the Emick Family by Debbie Griffith
Wed, June 21	2 Cor 9:6 11; Mt 6:1 6, 16 18
7:30am [JR]	Victoria Sancho by Claire Collins
	Louis Zazarino by Bill Rex
	Gerda Vargas by Alina Urdaneta
5:30pm [CF]	Grace Borsky by Walter Serwatka
	2 Cor 11:1 11; Mt 6:7 15
	Joseph Dormeyer by David and Paula Shigley
	Dec'd Mbrs of the Zucaro Family by Catherine Giblin
12:00pm [JK]	(L) John Sheridan by the Family
	Eric Dale by Paul Nardini
	2 Cor 11:18, 21 30; Mt 6:19 23
	Bill Smith by Joan Smith
	Peter A. Fragala by John and Rita Fragala
	Marylou Merner by John & Stephanie Iacopelli
5:30pm [JR]	Poor Souls in Purgatory by Javier and Gloria Olivos
Sat, June 24	Is 49:1 6; Acts 13:22 26; Lk 1:57 66
	Bro. Walter Glum, C.S.C. by Brothers of Holy Cross
	John Oliver Carpenter by Tim Downey
	Stephen Garger, Jr. by Karen Prima and Family
	L & D Mbrs of the Julie Tierney Family by Friend
	Jer 20:10 13; Rom 5:12 15; Mt 10:26 33
	L&D Mbrs of the Aldrich & Costonis Families by Maureen & Terry
	(Hall/Span) (L) Vivian Elder Sheridan by Jack Sheridan
10:30am [FS]	Harry E. Hammond by Ursula and Bob
	Robert John Nappie by Anne and Peter Grant
	(Hall/Viet) Special Intentions
·	L&D Mbrs of the Burch Family by Joe and Betty Plouffe
	other Jan (JR), Father Chris (CF), Father Joseph (JV),
Father Celestno (CG), I	-ather Fausto (FS)



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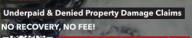
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