



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."



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# 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** — 14th Sunday of the Year

From Deacon Bill Ladroga: MT 11: 25-30

In last weeks Gospel we heard about the conditions of discipleship. In the last lines of today's Gospel, Jesus shows us His compassion while we are on the mission to reach these conditions. Jesus lets us know that the mission of discipleship is not always easy. In fact, it can become very difficult. So He calls to us that when we are burdened to come to Him.

Jesus offers us His voke. A voke is a wooden crosspiece that is fastened over the necks of two animals and used for what otherwise would be back breaking task. The yoke both splits the load evenly and redistributes the force to make the task easier.

A few weeks ago in a homily I brought up a song that exemplified our Lord Jesus in a way that at least helps me understand what His message is. I would like to return to the same song for today's scripture as it really helps us understand what Jesus is also telling us today. The song is Bridge over Troubled Water by Simon and Garfunkel. The song reminds us we can't always go it alone. In tough times often we need help. The first verse goes when you are weary, feeling small, when tears fill your eyes: I will dry them all, I'm on your side. Oh when times get rough, and friends just can't be found. Like a bridge over troubled water, I will lay me down.

In today's Gospel, like the song Jesus is telling us we can't always do it alone. Come to Him! He is always with us. All Jesus is asking us to do is to pull with Him! He will do the heavy lifting. When we work with Jesus, and in the same direction as Jesus, no matter how dark things get (like the song says). He will comfort us and ease our pain.

As last weeks Gospel told us how to be disciples, today's Gospel says no matter how hard the task of discipleship may be, if we couple our yoke to Him the task is not as daunting as it appears. The third verse of Bridge over Troubled Water, goes: ... Your time has come to shine. All your dreams are on their way. See how they shine. Oh, if you need a friend, I'm sailing right behind! Like a bridge over troubled water, I will ease your mind." This is exactly what Jesus is telling us today!

Today Jesus reminds us, if we allow ourselves to be yoked with Him, we will never be alone and we will shine! As difficult as the tasks we encounter are. He will do the heavy lifting and will take our part. Oh, by the way, His burden will be light. Why? Because all He has ever wanted for us is to give the effort that we reciprocate His Love. Jesus will do the rest! We will shine and our minds will be at ease.



Tuesday, July 11 - Memorial of St. Benedict Died in 547; wrote famous monastic Rule noted for its wisdom and moderation and need for obedience; founded twelve monasteries including Monte Casino: Benedictines today number some 6,800 religious; considered the Patriarch of Western Monasticism; a patron saint of Europe.

Friday, July 14 - Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha Died in 1680 at Caughnawaga, Quebec, at age twenty-four, led a life of great austerity and love in spite of ridicule and abuse; called Lily of the Mohawks; first native American to be declared Blessed (1980); canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on 21 October 2021.

Eucharistic Revival in our parish Our Bishops ask us to continue the national Eucharistic Revival and to make a next step, which is to initiate the Eucharistic Revival in our parish community. The aim is to deepen our faith in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Let's pray that the Eucharistic ministry in St. Martha's parish will help many people to experience an encounter with Jesus and we also pray that the Holy Spirit will increase our faith in Christ and show us how to see. really present in the Eucharist. At this time, we have four Masses every day in

> our church, eight Sunday Masses including the Mass in Vietnamese language. We have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Carosella Chapel from 9am until 12pm, Tuesday through Thursday.

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.

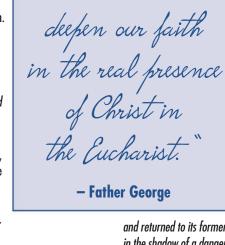
Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of vour children. The Sea of Galilee obeved Your order

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 anary 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 (July 16) - 15th Sunday of the Year

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



The aim is to

for July 2023 We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.







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# Ordination to the Priesthood

Most Reverend Frank J. Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice, invites the faithful to the Ordination to the Priesthood of Transitional Deacons Alejandro Giraldo Roldan and Daniel Scanlan.

Saturday, July 15 at 11am
Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Ave. W., Venice.

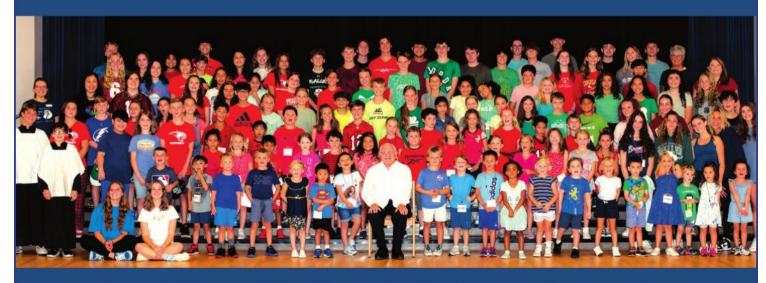
All are welcome and encouraged to attend this important event in the lives of Deacons Alejandro and Daniel as well as the Diocese of Venice.

A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.





# Camp Kindness 2023



Group Photo - Thank you to all the counselors, campers, St Martha staff, sponsor, parents, and friends!

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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

The 14th Annual Ave Maria University Summer Youth Conference REVEALED invites all high school youth to attend a weekend filled with faith, fellowship, music, and engaging speakers on the beautiful campus of Ave Mari University.

July 14-16. \$180 per person. Included is lodging, meals, Conference fee plus a t-shirt. 239.348.4725 / aveconferences.com / aveconferences@gmail.com

Prison Ministry - Volunteers Needed! Join the team of Diocesan volunteers who enter county jails and state prisons within the Diocese of Venice to do pastoral ministry, distribute the Eucharist and facilitate programs. Priests, Deacons, and Lay volunteers are encouraged to assist in this ministry. You will participate in an orientation before entering the facility and will shadow experienced volunteers until you feel comfortable. Times and days vary by facility. Please contact Joe Mallof 224.217.7139 or Bob Hiniker 863.558.0407 to learn where you can fit into this joyful opportunity.

## **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, catechists, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. The week long 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**.

# RESPECT LIFE

In the ongoing effort to protect the life of the unborn, we are fortunate to have Community Pregnancy Clinic in Sarasota

The Clinic, located near the local Planned Parenthood facility, provides a wide variety of services to pregnant women.

This support includes counseling, OB ultrasounds, STI tests, abortion pill reversal, adoption referrals and post-abortion support. The Clinic and Mary's House next door provide all types of material assistance and clothing to mothers and their infants up to three years of age.

Open 8:30am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday Community Pregnancy Clinic 941-260-5427 1419 7th Street • sarasota@communitypregnancyclinic.com



# Camp Kindness - Final Day with Mass & Luncheon



Weekly Mass	Intentions
Sun July 9	Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30
	(L) Kathleen Ann Siegrist by the Kurta and Siegrist Families
	(L) Tony & Edna DiBianca 65th Anniv. by the DiBianca Family
10:30am [GS]	
12:00pm[JR]	Dec'd Mbrs of the Zucaro Family by Catherine Giblin
12:00pm[JV]	(Hall/Viet) Special Intentions
5:30pm[JR]	L&D Mbrs of the Burch Family by Joe and Betty Plouffe
Mon, July 10	Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26
	(L) Paula and David Shigley by Marge and Paul Lortie
	Dorothy Dunn by Rita Dunn
12:00pm[JR]	Jo-Ann Gaughan by Rosemarie
5:30pm[GS]	Henrietta K. Smotzer by Nancy Connors
Tue, July 11	Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38
	Jessica Rana by John Hoey
8:30am [JV]	L & D Mbrs of the Thomas Family by Joe and Betty Plouffe
12:00pm[JV]	Richard Sartori by the Sartori Family
5:30pm [GS]	Gina Buoni by John Buoni
Wed, July 12	Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Mt 10:1-7
	(L) Wanda Welch by David and Paula Shigley
8:30am [GS]	James Meade by Helen, Andrzej, and Children
	Eric Dale by Paul Nardini
5:30pm[JR]	Dec'd Mbrs of Gestepo & Vasquez Families by Gerson Gestepo
Thu, July 13	Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15
	(L) John and James Hughes by Peter Linderman
	Brigid Dillon by Jim and Elaine McCormack
	Pearl Arch by Terry and Lindy Donahue
5:30pm [FS]	Lynn Stelter by the Dudek Family
Fri, July 14	Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23
	Richard Blake by Vivian Blake
	Greg Romano by Carolyn and Joe
12:00pm[JV]	(L) Susan by Linda Blouin
5:30pm[GS]	Judi Nassif by the Dudek Family
Sat, July 15	Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33
7:30am [JV]	(L) Florella Duarte by Mom and Dad
8:30am [FS]	Edward Mongillo by Wife and Family
	Anita Corben by Friend
5:30pm[JR]	Gerald Boryszewski, Jr. by the Boryszewski Family
Sun, July 16	ls 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23
	Steven Jayson by Wife
9:00am[GS]	Letty Maher by Ann Crowley
10:30am [FS]	
	David Jones by Michael and Margaret
	(Hall/Viet) Special Intentions
5:30pm[JB]	Frank Cikovic by Marion
	ther Jan (JR), Father Chris (CF), Father Joseph (JV),



September 9 from 9:30am-3pm Register by Sept 1 St John the Evangelist, 625 11th Avenue, Naples, FL

• 550 per couple includes all registration, materials, and lunch

Couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage in the Catholic Church. A volunteer team of married couples and a priest, share information, enabling couples to be more aware of the responsibilities of marriage.



**Pre-registration is required,** see QR code Contact Carrie Harkey, Family Life Coordinator 941.484.9543 ext 4748 • Harkey@dioceseofvenice.org



# **Emmaus Journey Bible Study**

Bring your Bible and a desire to share and learn with fellow participants with facilitator and parishioner Lindy Donahue. All are welcome! Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am (including Summer) St. Martha Catholic Church, in the Conference Room

Contact Lindy 724.263.8285 • lindydonahue@mac.com



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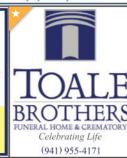


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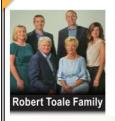
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