

# Mass Schedule

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

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

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

Rosary prayed after 7:30am Mass

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Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday 8am-12pm and 12:30-4pm



# From Our Pastor, Father George

November 12, 2023

Sunday Sermon — 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time From Deacon Bill Ladroga

Homily, Mt 25, 01-13

Dear Parishioners of St. Martha,

Basically the message of the Gospel boils down to this: the wise and foolish bridesmaids are two types of Christians: those who hear the word and keep it, and those who hear the word of God and ignore it.

But what has the Gospel to do with us this morning? Maybe the question is, are we being foolish or wise when it comes to our preparing for the daily arrival of our groom, Jesus? For He comes to us every day in the people we come in contact with. Do we "miss the boat" at the many opportunities we have every day of being the best people we can be?

We hear the sayings,

Life is full of missed opportunities ...

You only go around this way once ...

Don't let life pass you by ...

Go for the gusto ...

And the one you hear most often these days, *Go for it!*I thought about the times in my life when I didn't *Go for it* with the people whose lives I didn't touch when I should have, the kind word I should have spoken and didn't, the times I remained silent instead of speaking up in the face of injustice, the missed opportunity to be silent and I chose to say the wrong thing, the times I could have helped and didn't.

You bet there are those times when my lamp of charity and love hasn't been lit, but I know that there will be more times, more opportunities for me to say that kind word, to lend that helping hand, to do the right thing. Every day all of us are given the chance to do something about the words of Christ that we have heard, another chance to shed the light of kindness and love on others.

You can bet that we'll get the chance again today. Maybe someone in our family or our neighborhood needs to see our light shine. Maybe there's someone at work, somebody in the hospital or nursing home that needs us. It's never too late to bring the light of Christ to others who are in darkness.

Are we ready today to grab for the opportunity to do good for someone else? Are we ready to *Go for the gusto?* 

You bet we are! And you can count on this: the opportunity for love and service doesn't just present itself once in life, that tiny voice is always speaking into your ear, and it's saying to each of us with the words of the Cursillo movement, *Christ is counting on you!* 



# From Father George

We are rebuilding the church choir for 10:30am Sunday Mass! In response to good number of requests in the parish, I would like to invite volunteers, who would like to sing in the choir, to bring their names and contact phone numbers to the parish office, please! Virginia Bray - our parish Music Director will contact you, invite you to the audition and

will inform you about the next step. We are hoping that together with the choir members, who sung in it before the Covid-19 pandemic, we will hear the choir at our Mass soon.

# Please say a prayer to the Lord for the end of war in Israel & Gaza Strip, Ukraine and other places of conflicts:

O Lord, you have been our refuge through all generations! You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you.

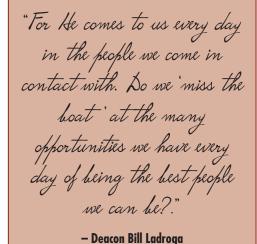
Hear my prayer, LORD; listen to my cry for mercy. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me.
Arrogant foes are attacking me,
O God; ruthless people are trying to kill me—they have no regard for you. But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

Turn to me and have mercy on me; show your strength on behalf of your servant; save me, because I serve you just as my mother did. Give me a sign of your goodness, that my enemies may see it and be put to shame, for you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me. (Psalm 86) 0 Lord, you have

been our refuge through all generations!

We pray for our Dead During November, we are called in a special way to remember "our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection" (Eucharistic Prayer II of the Mass). You may want to say the prayer: Eternal rest grant unto them 0 Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace! Light a candle for them, visit the place of their burial. Pray glorious mysteries of the Rosary for them. Pray Biblical Psalm 50 on their behalf or your own payer.

Next Sunday (November 19, 2023) — is 33rd Sunday of the Year With prayers for God's blessing to you and your family, Father George







# Wednesday, November 15, 2023 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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# Special Mass for Our High School Students Preparing to Receive Confirmation

This year St. Martha's has 41 Sophomore candidates preparing for Confirmation.













# Weekly Mass Intentions

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Sun, Nov 12	Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13
7:30am[JR]	Brad Gerdes by Bill and Maria Burger
7:45am[CG]	(Hall/Span) (L) Alex McMahon by Christine Ellison
	Loretta Wilkens by Claire Collins
	(Hall) Frank Todaro by Susan Schussler
10:30am [GS]	
	(L) John McGruder by Mary
	(Hall/Vietnamese) Special Intentions
5:30pm[CF]	Gerald Boryszewski, Jr. by the Boryszewski Family
	Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6
	(L) Ginger Evans by David and Paula Shigley
	James Guerino by James Guerino II
12:00pm [JR]	Roy Deakins by Regina and Dale
5:30pm[GS]	John Theis by Evelyn
	Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:7-10
7.20am [CE]	Gary Giachelli by David and Paula Shigley
	Cary Glachell by Davia and Facia Shigley Lilia Ramirez by Adriana Duarte
	(L) Louise and Joanie by Friend
12.00μm [VA]	John Theis by Evelyn
	Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19
	(L) Erick Dunn by Rita Dunn
8:30am [VA]	(L) Mr. and Mrs. Imme by Rita Dunn
12:00pm [CF]	(L) Jennifer Hines and Sons by Mom
5:30pm[LF]	John Theis by Evelyn
	Wis 7:22b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25
	Josie Alplanalp by Lauri Lykes
	(L) Thanksgiving Mass by Joe and Nora Stephan
	(L) Joann Desrosier by Alison
	Dec'd Mbrs of the Gonzalez & Luna Fam by Adriana Duarto
Fri, Nov 17	Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
7:30am [CF]	Shirley Baumgartner by Paul and Marge Lortie
	The Giovanucci & Bruno Families by Rita Giovanucci
12:00pm [FS]	(L) Pam and Nick Klopfer by Mom
5:30pm[JR]	David Smith by Lucy Nicandri and Richard Davis
Sat, Nov 18	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Ingrid Fleischmann by Kevin Rutkowski
	Sofia Wahl by Chris Deyerling
	Patrick Nash by Don and Barbara Nash
	L & D Mbrs of the Julie Tierney Family by Friend
Sun, Nov 19	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30
7:30am [GS]	Oscar Pernett by Adriana Duarte
	(Hall/Span) Josie Russo by Family
	Jerry DiMora by Mimi and Jim
	(Hall) Elizabeth Barrett by Friend
10:30am [JR]	
	Frances Naglieri by Ida Naglieri
12:00pm [VA]	(Hall/Vietnamese) Special Intentions
	L & D Mbrs of the Burch Fam by Joe & Betty Plouffe
	JR), Fr. Chris (CF), Fr. Joseph (JV),
Fr. Celestino (CG), Fr. Fau	



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The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), the national, antipoverty campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), has been an immeasurable blessing for those in need over the years. CCHD supports organizations that combat poverty and improve the lives of people across the United States. These organizations address challenges that affect communities in both rural and urban areas by giding and advocating for employment opportunities, education. and affordable housing.

Nearly thirty-four million Americans live below the poverty line. By supporting CCHD, you can help break the cycle of poverty through funding community programs that encourage independence. Further, you help local communities in the Diocese of Venice, and across the country, innovate and work together to solve their own unique challenges, especially those impacted by natural disasters.

The Diocese of Venice will take up the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development the weekend of November 18 and 19, 2023. In addition to making an impact nationally, those living in poverty in rural areas of our own Diocese are empowered through the twenty-five percent share of the collection that stays here. Your support of this collection truly makes a difference for those in need. Thank you for your generosity!

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you the assurances of my continued consideration as well as my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ.

Frank J Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

# **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!

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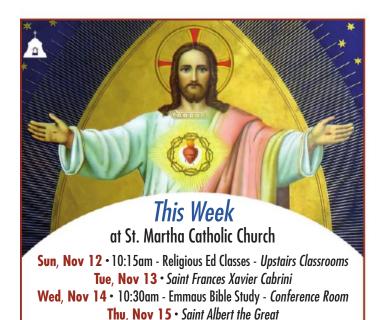
The abortion industry has launched a petition initiative for a radical proposed amendment to the Florida Constitution. If successful, the amendment would mandate unlimited abortion in Florida. It not only could enshrine the return to partial-birth abortions in the state, it would override parental consent for an abortion.

The Florida Council of Catholic Bishops stated in a recent message: "Declining to sign this petition is not impeding the democratic process. It is taking a stand against what would be a terrible state policy."

The petition would expand abortion businesses in Florida and limit state government restrictions on abortion.

**DECLINE TO SIGN!** 





9:30-11:30am - Walking with Purpose Geenen Hall Fri, Nov 16 • Saint Margaret of Scotland and Saint Gertrude 10am - Lectio Divina - Geenen Hall Sat, Nov 17 • Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Sun. Nov 18 • Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

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Interested in the Catholic Faith and want to know more? Are you Catholic, but have not been Confirmed? Are you from another denomination and want to explore and embrace the Catholic Faith?

Contact Fr. George to meet and start your journey! frgeorge@stmartha.org

# Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress

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The Pilgrimage Package is \$1,049 includes National Eucharistic Congress 5-day pass with access to all speakers and events, and four nights' accommodations in a 4-star hotel within walking distance of the convention center. 🌦 🔺

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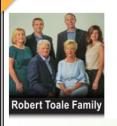
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