

March 2, 2025  
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule**  
7:30am • 8:30am • 12pm • 5:30pm  
7:30pm in Vietnamese



## ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC CHURCH



### Mass Schedule

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

**Sunday** 7:30am • 9am • 9am (Hall) • 10:30am  
12pm • 5:30pm • 12pm Vietnamese (Hall)

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

### Confession - Reconciliation Room

Saturday 9-10am & 3-4pm • Monday-Friday 11:30am

### Eucharistic Adoration - Carosella Chapel

Tuesday-Thursday 9am-12pm

**Rosary** - Rosary prayed after 7:30am Mass

### St. Martha Catholic Church

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

Sunday, March 2, 2025

**Sermon for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time by Deacon Pat**

The readings address our communication skills which are so very important as we use them to forge or destroy relationships. Stated another way, we are called to understand that language is given to us so that we can praise God with it to build up the *Body of Christ*. Our speech reflects on the spiritual state of our souls!

Sirach teaches that speaking is the test of our spiritual character and uses the fruit of a tree as a metaphor for our souls and our use of language is the fruit it produces. He teaches that the fruit of our mouths speak volumes about the tree that produces it. If our souls are cluttered and diminish the spiritual life within us, our speech will reveal our spiritual anemia.

Luke, in his Gospel, similarly uses the metaphor of a tree and its fruit. He writes: *A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit.*

Jesus describes that discipleship means to bear good fruit as evidence of our Christian living. What does that mean? It means that we are to nurture our souls by positive reflection and action – by prayer and good deeds.

If we desire to love God, we surrender ourselves to Him and do His will. But it is only with the help of the Holy Spirit that we have the ability to do this. Only with the Holy Spirit can we admit and correct our faults. Luke tells us that we have to correct our flaws before we can truly have an impact on our brothers and sisters. Consider: *Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?* Only then can we be truly fruitful in our work in God's vineyard.

Why is this important? I think it leads to an inner tranquility that allows us to weather the turbulence of the storms we encounter in our lives. In Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, he testifies to the resurrection and the hope of immortality we have in Christ. Acknowledging His victory over death gives us strength and hope to face each day because we are united to Him. Consequently we labor for what is eternal.

Because eternal death is defeated, our lives have purpose. The resurrection isn't just a future promise, it shapes and reshapes the present. Every effort for God, no matter how small, matters eternally. Our mortal lives are not in vain because they have an eternal impact.

So our lesson is to look inward, evaluate our relationships and the language we use to support them, admit our faults, seek spiritual guidance through the Sacrament of Penance, enrich our souls through the Eucharist and then give ourselves to the service of others.



Our Pastor, Father George

**From Father George:**

**Grade 10 Students** - are going to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Martha's parish from Bishop Frank J. Dewane on Monday, March 3. Let's support our young parishioners, with our prayers, in their preparation for it and in celebration of the Sacrament.

**Ash Wednesday begins the time of Lent** - There will be Masses at 7:30am, 8:30am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm (and 7:30pm in Vietnamese) in our church and 8am in the School on Wednesday March 5 to mark this special day when we receive ashes with the words: *Repent, and believe*

*in the Gospel or Remember that you are dust, and to dust you will return.* The time of Lent is the time of spiritual renewal through repentance for our sins, which then will help us to prepare ourselves for Easter celebrations.

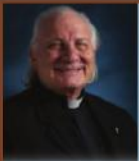
The Annual Collection, which will be taken on Ash Wednesday, is for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. The funds raised will help pastoral efforts in **more than 25 countries that have endured Communist oppression.**

**Lenten Stations of the Cross** - On Fridays in Lent, we will meditate on the Passion of Christ through the Stations of the Cross after the 8:30am Mass.

**40 Days for Life Spring Campaign, March 5 - April 13** - 40 days for Life is an international 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. Campaigns are held in the spring and in the fall. In the Diocese of Venice, 40 Days for Life campaigns are held in three locations: Sarasota, Fort Myers, and Naples. Sarasota will hold a special Spring Campaign Kick-off event on **Monday, March 3, in the parking lot of Community Pregnancy Clinic, 1419 7th Street, Sarasota.** The event will feature **Shawn Carney**, who led the first-ever 40 Days for Life campaign in Texas in 2004. To learn more about how to support or participate in 40 Days for Life in the Diocese of Venice, click on a location below, or visit [dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife](http://dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife).

**Next Sunday, March 9, 2025**, is the First Sunday of Lent.

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



**Join Father Fausto**  
**for a Bible Study on the Book of Genesis**  
Fr. Fausto will conduct a seven-week program discussing the Book of Genesis. Participants can attend an evening or morning session:  
**Evening session** 6-7:30pm • Thursdays from February 27 to April 10  
**Morning session** 10-11:30am • Fridays February 28 to April 11  
Held in Brother Geenen Hall • Refreshments served • Bibles provided upon request  
Participants are encouraged to read the Book of Genesis prior to the program and bring a Catholic Bible to the sessions.  
**Reserve a seat** 941.366.4210 ext 0 • email [mbrand@stmartha.org](mailto:mbrand@stmartha.org)  
**About our speaker:** Fr. Fausto Stampiglia PhD, MA, MS, our retired Pastor of St. Martha, serving from 1991-2022, is a Pallottine member of the Society of Catholic Apostolate since 1953. Fr. Fausto is a member of the Pontifical Academy of Liturgy in Rome since 1961. Upon the gracious presentation of our Bishop Dewane, Pope Benedict conferred in 2010 to Fr. Fausto the Papal Medal for Meritorious Service to the Pope and to the Church. Fr. Fausto has been named Theologian to the Bishop from 1987 to 2022 by the Bishop of Venice.

*Anniversary Masses in 2025*

**March 8 at 11am at St. Thomas More Parish, 2506 Gulf Gate Dr.**  
For married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries: 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 50 plus years. Mass celebrated by **Bishop Frank J. Dewane**, a reception, and a photo opportunity with Bishop Dewane.

Couples must register through their Parish. Registration information is forthcoming and will be mailed to Parishes directly.



Thomas Conyer on Unplash



Walking With Purpose

# The Way Of Love

## Women's Retreat

A transformative experience designed exclusively for women to connect, recharge, and leave feeling healed and inspired. Taking St. Thérèse of Lisieux as our guide and model, we will dive into what it means to experience God's love and forgiveness, and step forward in trust.

**Dates** March 14, 2025  
**Time** 9:30am-3:30pm (check in begins at 8:45)  
**Location** St Martha's Parish Hall

**Retreat Overview:**  
 Walking with Purpose welcomes all the women of the parish and their guests to a full-day retreat that will open our hearts to God's love through song and Scripture. Catholic singer/songwriter Marie Miller will lead us on a journey through St. Thérèse's *Little Way of Trust and Love*. The day includes breakfast, retreat sessions, praise and worship music, Adoration, Mass, and lunch.


**Speaker: Marie Miller**  
 Marie Miller, a Catholic singer/songwriter, has enjoyed radio and recording success, including her #1 charting song *You're Not Alone*. She has performed throughout North America and Europe, with her most memorable performance being for Pope Francis and 750,000 attendees at the Philadelphia Festival of Families.

There is no fee for the retreat, but cash donations will be gratefully accepted. Come and experience a day filled with faith, fellowship, and inspiration!

**Sign up:** [stmarthawwp.godaddysites.com/sign-up](http://stmarthawwp.godaddysites.com/sign-up) (or use the QR code)


**More Information Contact Kelly Rizzo**  
 410.905.1090 • [stmarthawwp@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarthawwp@yahoo.com)

**walkingwithpurpose.com**



REGISTER

# Save the Date



**The St. Martha Legacy Society Finance Seminar**

Come attend a one hour complimentary workshop, free of charge, on Financial Planning, a topic that is important to your life.

**Wednesday, March 12**

Financial Planning Michael Morse, Executive Director of the Catholic Community Foundation at the Diocese of Venice, will provide you with the knowledge you need to make critical health, legal and financial decisions for yourself and loved ones.

**Register Contact Samantha McDonald, Parish Hall**  
 941.366.4210 or [smcdonald@stmartha.org](mailto:smcdonald@stmartha.org)

- Seminar from 11am-12pm in the St Martha Parish Hall Conference Room
- No Charge
- Refreshment served

# CATHOLIC FAITH Appeal

Celebrating 40 YEARS




**“Whoever cares for the poor lends to the Lord...”**  
 Prov 19:17

## YOUR GIFT IN ACTION




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5%	VOCATIONS & CLERGY
50%	MINISTRY & PROGRAMS



**DIOCESE OF VENICE**  
IN FLORIDA

**Eucharistic Conference**  
Becoming Eucharistic Missionaries  
March 29, 2025

**Bishop Frank Dewanc**

**Dr. Scott Hahn**    **Mrs. Kimberly Hahn**

**Mrs. Mary Ann Wiesinger-Puig**    **Mr. Andrés Arango**

**Charlotte Harbor**  
Event & Conference Center  
Punta Gorda, FL

To register: <https://dioceseofvenice.regfox.com/eucharistic-conference>  
For information contact Jim Gontis at: [gontis@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:gontis@dioceseofvenice.org) 941-486-4754



2025 **Pregnancy Solutions**

**WALK FOR LIFE**

A MOSAIC OF HOPE

**March 1, 2025**  
Port Charlotte

**March 8, 2025**  
Venice & Arcadia

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[www.pregnancysolutions.org/walk](http://www.pregnancysolutions.org/walk) | 941-408-7100

**LIGHT UP THE KNIGHT**

**Casino NIGHT**

JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OUT FOR DINNER, DRINKS, CASINO GAMES, SILENT AUCTION DJ AND DANCING, PHOTO BOOTH & MORE!

**Saturday, March 8, 2025**  
GROVE, 10670 Boardwalk Loop, Lakewood Ranch  
6:00 PM

**Individual Event Tickets: \$150.00 Per Person**

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets & sponsorships. All proceeds directly benefit the students at St. Martha Catholic School.





March 5 - April 13

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

**HELP SAVE LIVES IN Sarasota!**

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

**With God's help**, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over **25,000** saved babies
- More than **150** closed facilities
- More than **250** converted workers

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

- Vigil location:** Outside Planned Parenthood, 736 Central Ave, Sarasota
- Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- Local contact:** Rich, 941-343-0672

**Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up** for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!



**Emmaus Journey Bible Study**

**Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am**

St. Martha Catholic Church, Conference Room – All are welcome!  
Bring your Bible and a desire to share and learn with participants,  
a facilitator, and parishioner **Lindy Donahue**.  
**Call Lindy 724.263.8285 lindydonahue@mac.com**

**Diocese of Venice**

1000 Pinebrook Road, Venice, FL 34285. . . . . 941.484.9543

**Outreach Ministries**

Altar Servers . . . . .	Dn. Vern Smith . . . . .	dcvern@stmartha.org
Catholic Charities . . . . .	Joan Pierce . . . . .	941.366.4210
Community Pregnancy Clinics . . . . .		941.260.5427
Casa Santa Marta . . . . .		941.366.4448
Choir/Cantor . . . . .	Thomas Varas . . . . .	tvaras@stmartha.org
Eucharist Adoration . . . . .	Parish Office . . . . .	941.366.4210
Extraordinary Ministers . . . . .	Dc. Pat Macaulay . . . . .	dpat@novavista.com
Finance Council . . . . .	John Corey . . . . .	coreyjjj5@gmail.com
Family Ministry . . . . .	Gary Kerschner . . . . .	fmosm@comcast.net
Herrig Caritas (9-11am, M-F) . . . . .	Tony Cocco, Chair . . . . .	941.366.5620
Hospitality Ministry . . . . .	Beth Cannata . . . . .	941.321.2953
Knights of Columbus . . . . .	Tom Gillis . . . . .	941.400.6991
Lectors . . . . .	Dc. Pat Macaulay . . . . .	dcpatrick@stmartha.org
O.C.I.A. . . . .	Sue Thompson . . . . .	941.350.9466
Parish Council . . . . .	Beth Cannata . . . . .	941.321.2953
Prayer Line . . . . .	Parish Office . . . . .	941.366.4210
Respect Life Ministry . . . . .	Kate Shaver . . . . .	ksshaver@comcast.net
Rosary Makers . . . . .	Maxine Brand . . . . .	941.374.6605
Solve Maternity Homes . . . . .	Peggy Kerwin . . . . .	941.748.0094
Ushers . . . . .	Steve Mislyan . . . . .	941-993-0997
Volunteer Coordinator . . . . .	Stuart Love . . . . .	941.780.7834
Witness to Love . . . . .	Jim & Agnes Rutushni . . . . .	941.960.5128

**Neighboring Diocesan Parishes**

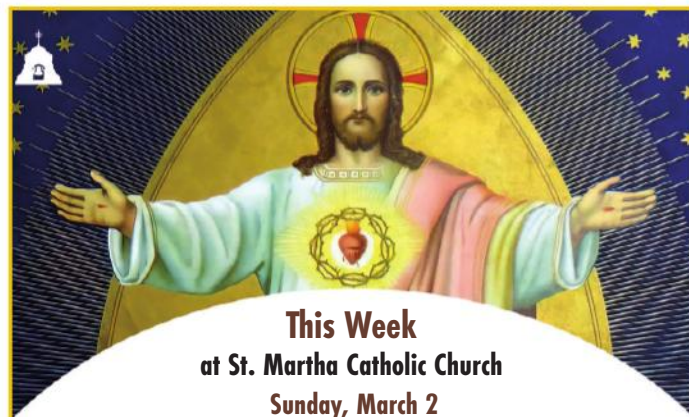
St. Jude . . . . .	Sarasota . . . . .	941.955.3934
Christ the King . . . . .	Sarasota . . . . .	941.924.2777
Incarnation . . . . .	Sarasota . . . . .	941.921.6631
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs . . . . .	Sarasota . . . . .	941.755.1826
St. Patrick . . . . .	Sarasota . . . . .	941.378.1703
St. Mary Star of the Sea . . . . .	Longboat Key . . . . .	941.383.1255
St. Thomas More . . . . .	Sarasota . . . . .	941.923.1691
St. Joseph . . . . .	Bradenton . . . . .	941.756.3732
St. Michael the Archangel . . . . .	Siesta Key . . . . .	941.349.4174
Our Lady of the Angels . . . . .	Lakewood Ranch . . . . .	941.752.6770

**Bishop Nevins Academy**

4380 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL 34232  
St. Martha Catholic School. . . Principal Mrs. Mari Jo Hanson 941.953.4181  
St. Mary Academy. . . . . Principal: Mrs. Rebecca Reynolds 941.366.4010

**Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School**

4171 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL 34232 . . . . . 941.371.4917



**This Week  
at St. Martha Catholic Church**

**Sunday, March 2**

- 10:15am **Religious Ed Classes** - *Upstairs Classrooms*

**Tuesday, March 4**

- 10:30am **Emmaus Bible Study** - *Conference Room*

**Wednesday, March 5**

- 7:30am, 8:30am, 12pm, 5pm, 7:30pm (Vietnamese) **Ash Wednesday Mass**
- 9:30-11:30am - **Walking with Purpose** - *Parish Hall*

**Thursday, March 6**

- 10am - **Lectio Divina** - *Geenen Hall*
- 6-7:30pm - **Bible Study - Book of Genesis** - *Geenen Hall*

**Friday, March 7**

- 10-11:30am - **Bible Study - Book of Genesis** - *Geenen Hall*

*Welcome New Parishioners!*

We are so happy to welcome you to  
St. Martha Catholic Church  
and are glad you have joined us!



To Register, please  
scan the QR code or  
visit [stmartha.org](http://stmartha.org)



**St. Martha Clergy**

- Rev. George Suszko, S.A.C. Pastor
- Rev. Jan Rykala, S.A.C.
- Rev. Gennadi Romachko, S.A.C.
- Rev. Joseph Vu, C.R.M.,  
Hospital Chaplain
- Very Rev. Fausto Stampiglia,  
S.A.C. (Retired)
- Rev. Deacon Robert Gaitens
- Rev. Deacon C. Patrick Macaulay
- Rev. Deacon Vern Smith
- Sr. Cathy Bonfield, S.S.N.D.
- Br. Lawrence Skitzki, C.S.C.
- Br. William Dygert, C.S.C.

**St. Martha Parish Staff**

- Samantha McDonald,  
Business Manager
- Patricia Sileo,  
Director of Religious Education
- Blanca Goetz, Event Coordinator
- Pamela Paulson,  
Reception/Data Entry
- Maxine Brand, Reception
- Thomas Varas, Music Director
- Susie Runnells, Sacristan
- Janet Cocco, Sacristan
- Joe Angelicola, Sacristan
- Miguel Jimenez, Facilities Manager
- Eris Nunez, Maintenance
- Carlos Sierra Napoles, Maintenance
- Claudia Moschini, Rectory Chef

## St Martha's Caritas Pantry

**Caritas Outreach Ministry** provides assistance with utility payments, transportation, food, prescriptions, and work attire for thousands in Sarasota in acute financial need. **Thank you all** for your donations and help in serving our community when we are in such a great need.

### Caritas Food Ministry for January 2025

Serving **964 households** and **1,539 individuals**

	2025	2024	2024
<b>Households</b>	964	677	528
<b>Unique Households</b>	321	259	—
<b>Clients Served</b>	1,539	1,185	855
Adults	1,315	1,016	709
Children	224	169	146

We now serve five times a week, up from three times a week in the previous year. **YOU** are essential in helping fulfill our commitment to serve our unhoused population in Sarasota!

### HELP WANTED at St Martha Welcome Ministry Volunteer

- Reaching out to new residents • Insure a safe environment for all worshippers
- Providing tours • Orienting new parishioners • Staffing the Welcome Table

Contact: Stuart Love, *Volunteer Coordinator*  
941.780.7834 • volunteer@stmartha.org



**ST. MARY ACADEMY**  
*12th Annual*  
**CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Sunday, May 18, 2025**  
**University Park Country Club**  
**Sarasota, FL**  
**\$150.00 per player**  
**Shotgun starts at 1:00 p.m.**

**Includes:**  
Golf Cart & Green Fees, Range Balls, BBQ Dinner, Drinks, Snacks, Prizes, Awards, Principal's Auction, Silent Auction, Best Goody Bag Ever

Bang Bang Shrimp provided by 



For more information, please contact Connie Taft at (941) 366-4010 Ext. 318 or ctaft@stmarysarasota.org. St. Mary Academy is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating children with special learning needs.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

**Sun, Mar 2** ..... **Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45**

7:30am ..... [JR] .... Donald Lee Bullock by Aeden and Noreen Dowling  
9:00am ..... [GR] .... Charles Eschmann by Ann Crowley  
9:00am ..... [FS] .... (Hall) (L) Joshua Duarte by Adriana  
10:30am ..... [GS] .... For All Parishioners  
12:00pm ..... [JR] .... Greg Schalk by Bridget and Scott Hekes  
12:00pm ..... [JV] .... (Hall/Vietnamese) Special Intentions  
5:30pm ..... [GR] .... L & D Mbrs of the Plouffe Family by Joe and Betty Plouffe

**Mon, Mar 3** ..... **Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27**

7:30am ..... [JR] .... Bro. Edward Libbers, C.S.C. by Brothers of Holy Cross  
8:30am ..... [JV] .... Louise Caron Lordi by Richard Ottobre  
12:00pm ..... [FS] .... Juan Aguiar by Friend  
5:30pm ..... [GS] .... Gabriele Robinson by Mary Zhelesnik

**Tue, Mar 4** ..... **Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31**

7:30am ..... [GR] .... (L) Chuck Costner by Marge and Paul Lortie  
8:30am ..... [GS] .... Steve Faticone by Noreen and Aedan Dowling  
12:00pm ..... [JR] .... Edwin Monet by Evelyn  
5:30pm ..... [JR] .... Sharon Sweeney by Joy Kozlowski

**Wed, Mar 5** ..... **Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18**

7:30am ..... [JR] .... L & D Mbrs of the Sheridan Family by Shawna Sheridan  
8:30am ..... [GR] .... Andrew Stengel by Mom and Dad  
12:00pm ..... [JR] .... Dennis Sheehan by Cathy and George Phillips  
5:30pm ..... [GR] .... Tony Caragiulo by the Caragiulo Family  
7:30pm ..... [JV] .... (Vietnamese) Special Intentions

**Thu, Mar 6** ..... **Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25**

7:30am ..... [JV] .... Salvatore Iacopelli by John Iacopelli  
8:30am ..... [JR] .... John Olliquist by Cathy and George Phillips  
12:00pm ..... [GR] .... Charles Brimble by Edda Brimble  
5:30pm ..... [FS] .... The Mancini Girls by Lori Ann Mancini

**Fri, Mar 7** ..... **Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15**

7:30am ..... [GR] .... Essbauer & Fleischmann Families by Thomas & Jacqueline Kelly  
8:30am ..... [FS] .... Amy Welsh by Terry  
12:00pm ..... [GR] .... Sharon Sheridan by Shawna Sheridan  
5:30pm ..... [GS] .... Margaret Filic by Violet  
7:30pm ..... [JV] .... (Vietnamese) Special Intentions

**Sat, Mar 8** ..... **Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32**

7:30am ..... [GS] .... Michael Kelly by Marge and Paul Lortie  
8:30am ..... [JV] .... Tom Jackson by John Schaefer  
4:00pm ..... [JR] .... Cynthia Gallagher by Bill and Sue Montague  
4:00pm ..... [GR] .... (Hall) For All Parishioners  
5:30pm ..... [FS] .... Angie Trusty-Griggs by Tanzi Webb

**Sun, Mar 9** ..... **Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13**

7:30am ..... [GR] .... Ryan Halstead by Mom  
9:00am ..... [GS] .... Charles Wilkens by Claire Collins  
9:00am ..... [FS] .... (Hall) Maggie Mendive by the Ordonez Family  
10:30am ..... [FS] .... For All Parishioners  
12:00pm ..... [GR] .... Margaret Mary Hughes by Susan and Michael Hunter  
12:00pm ..... [JV] .... (Hall/Vietnamese) Special Intentions  
5:30pm ..... [JR] .... Mary Roderick by Ellen Roderick

Fr. George (GS), Fr. Jan (JR), Fr. Joseph (JV),  
Fr. Fausto (FS), Fr Gennadi (GR)



# Celebrating the Jubilee Year

## WHAT IS THE JUBILEE?

Pope Francis has designated 2025 as a Holy Jubilee Year. The Holy Father asks us to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope," carrying hope in our hearts, and bringing hope to others. There are many ways to participate in the Jubilee Year, including right here in the Diocese of Venice!



**Epiphany Cathedral**  
310 Sarasota Street  
Venice



**St. John XXIII Parish**  
13060 Palomino Lane  
Fort Myers



**St. Paul Parish**  
1330 East Oak Street  
Arcadia



**St. John the Evangelist Parish**  
625 111th Avenue North  
Naples



**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center**  
3989 South Moon Drive  
Venice

"...a way of discovering the unlimited nature of God's mercy..."

- Pope Francis

Bishop Frank J. Dewane has designated **5** Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites in the Diocese of Venice

## HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE IN THE JUBILEE?

Catholics in Southwest Florida can celebrate and participate in the Jubilee by engaging in local Jubilee activities right here in the Diocese of Venice, or making a special pilgrimage to Rome or designated shrine in the United States.

By visiting one of the Pilgrimage Sites in the Diocese and participating in its offerings of Mass, Adoration, Confession, or other activities, one can celebrate the Jubilee, and gain the Jubilee Indulgence.

A variety of other special Jubilee celebration opportunities will be offered throughout the year, which will be regularly updated at [dioceseofvenice.org/jubilee](http://dioceseofvenice.org/jubilee)



**DIOCESE OF VENICE**  
IN FLORIDA

## WHAT IS A JUBILEE INDULGENCE?

An Indulgence is a grace granted by the Catholic Church to remove the temporal punishment due to sin. It does not grant forgiveness – Confession is a necessary part of any Indulgence. The grace received through an Indulgence may be applied to oneself or another who has gone before us.

## HOW DO I GAIN AN INDULGENCE?

### FIRST MEET THE USUAL CONDITIONS

- Be detached from sin and repentant
- Receive the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion
- Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father

These conditions may be met specifically at a Jubilee Site or at your own Parish but should be done on the same day or within a few days of the act of Indulgence.

### THEN A PILGRIMAGE

Undertake a Jubilee pilgrimage to one of the 5 designated Jubilee sites in the Diocese of Venice. The person seeking the Jubilee Indulgence must participate in Holy Mass or any of the following: Celebration of the Word of God, Liturgy of the Hours, Way of the Cross, Marian Rosary, or a penitential celebration, which ends with individual Confession.

### OR A PIOUS VISIT

Devoutly visit any Jubilee site and there, for a suitable period of time, engage in Eucharistic Adoration and meditation, concluding with the Our Father, the Profession of Faith, and invocations to Mary, the Mother of God.

**An Indulgence may be obtained more than once, but only once per day.**

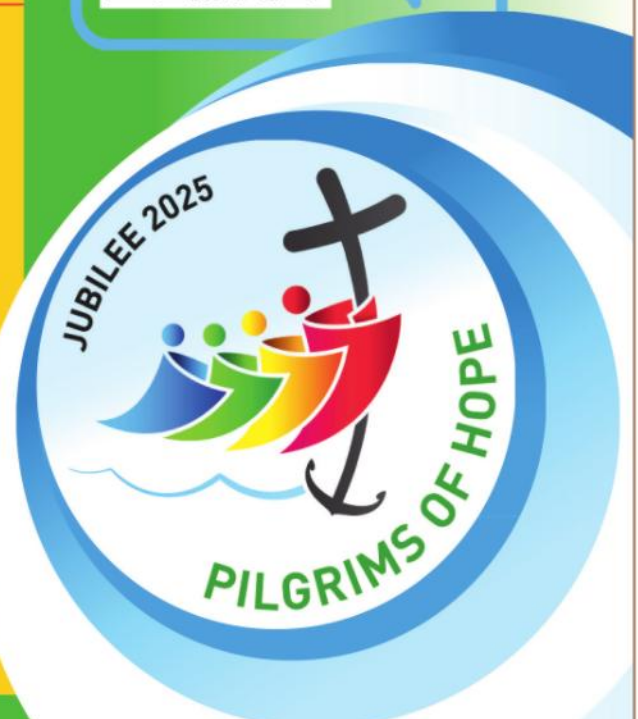


## THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us in your son,  
Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.  
May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.  
May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever. Amen



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INFORMATION





# Celebración del Año Jubilar

## ¿QUÉ ES EL JUBILEO?

El Papa Francisco ha designado el año 2025 como un año Año Santo Jubilar. El Santo Padre nos pide para renovarnos como "peregrinos de esperanza", llevando esperanza en nuestros corazones, y llevando esperanza para los demás. Hay muchas maneras de participar en el Año Jubilar, incluyendo aquí mismo, ¡en la Diócesis de Venice!



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- Papa Francisco

Obispo Frank J. Dewane ha designado

# 5

el Jubileo Lugares de peregrinación  
En la Diócesis de Venice

## ¿CÓMO PUEDO PARTICIPAR EN EL JUBILEO?

Los católicos en el suroeste de Florida pueden: celebrar y participar en el Jubileo participando en las actividades locales del Jubileo aquí mismo en la Diócesis de Venice, o hacer una peregrinación especial a Roma o santuario designado en los Estados Unidos.

Visitando uno de los Lugares de Peregrinación en de la Diócesis y participando en su ofrendas de Misa, Adoración, Confesión, u otras actividades, se puede celebrar el Jubileo, y gana la Indulgencia del Jubileo. Una variedad de otros Jubileos especiales se ofrecerán oportunidades de celebración a lo largo del año, que será regular actualizado a las [dioceseofvenice.org/jubilee](http://dioceseofvenice.org/jubilee)



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## ¿QUÉ ES UNA INDULGENCIA JUBILAR?

Una indulgencia es una gracia concedida por a la Iglesia Católica para que elimine el castigo temporal debido al pecado. Eso no concede el perdón - la Confesión es una parte necesaria de la cualquier indulgencia. La gracia recibida a través de una indulgencia puede ser aplicado a sí mismo o a otro que ha ido antes que nosotros.

## ¿CÓMO OBTENGO UN INDULGENCIA?

### PRIMERO CUMPLIR CON LAS CONDICIONES HABITUALES

- Desprenderse del pecado y arrepentirse
- Recibir el Sacramento de la Penitencia y Comunión
- Rezar por las intenciones del Santo Padre

Estas condiciones pueden cumplirse específicamente en un lugar de jubileo o en su propia parroquia, pero debe hacerse el mismo día o dentro de unos días del acto de indulgencia.

### LUEGO UNA PEREGRINACIÓN

Emprende una peregrinación jubilar a uno de los los 5 lugares designados para el Jubileo en el Diócesis de Venice. La persona que busca la Indulgencia del Jubileo debe participar en la Santa Misa o cualquiera de los siguientes: Celebración de la Palabra de Dios, Liturgia de las Horas, Vía Crucis, Mariano Rosario, o una celebración penitencial, que termina con la confesión individual.

### UNA VISITA PIADOSA

Visita devotamente cualquier lugar del Jubileo y allí, durante un período de tiempo adecuado, participar en Adoración Eucarística y meditación, concluyendo con el Padrenuestro, el Profesión de Fe, e invocaciones a María, la Madre de Dios.

**Una indulgencia se puede obtener más de una vez, pero solo una vez al día.**



## ORACION DEL JUBILEO

Padre que estás en el cielo,  
la fe que nos has donado en  
tu Hijo Jesucristo, nuestro hermano,  
y la llama de caridad infundida en nuestros  
corazones por el Espíritu Santo,  
despierten en nosotros  
la bienaventurada esperanza  
en la venida de tu Reino.

Tu gracia nos transforme en dedicados  
cultivadores de las semillas del Evangelio  
que fermentan la humanidad y el cosmos,  
en espera confiada  
de los cielos nuevos y de la tierra nueva,  
cuando vencidas las fuerzas del mal,  
se manifestará para siempre tu gloria.

La gracia del Jubileo  
reavive en nosotros, Peregrinos de Esperanza,  
el anhelo de los bienes celestiales  
y derrame en el mundo entero  
la alegría y la paz  
de nuestro Redentor.

A ti, Dios bendito eternamente,  
sea la alabanza y la gloria por los siglos. Amén.



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