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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

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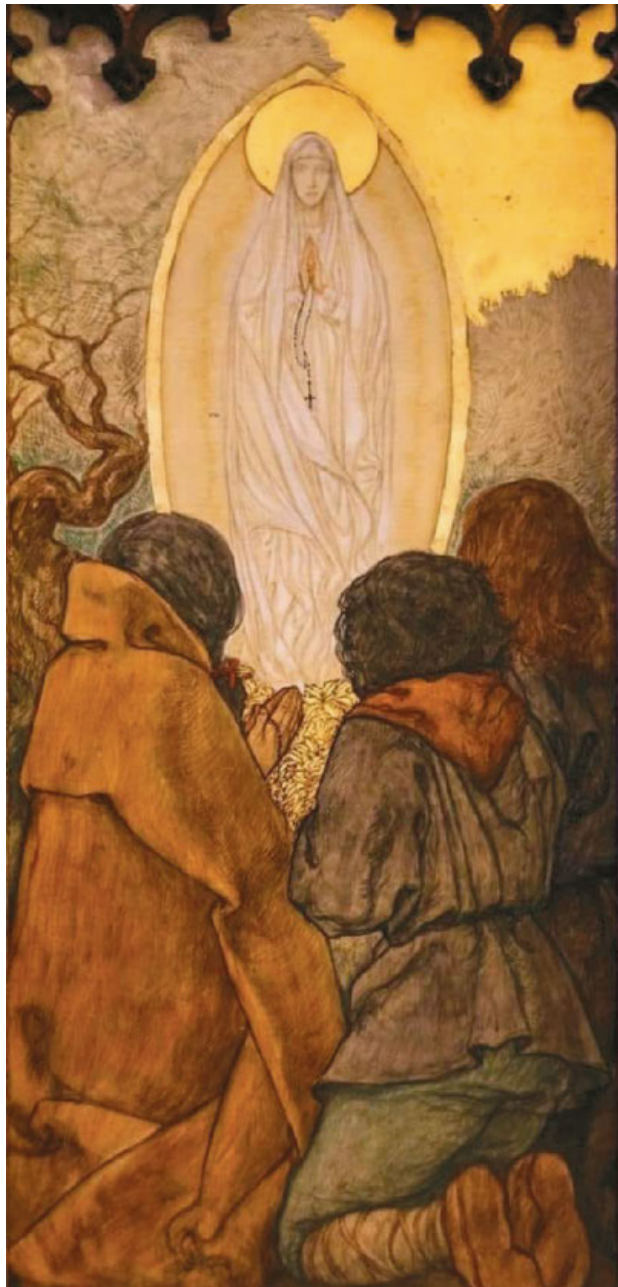
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OFFICE HOURS

M,T, Th, F 9:00am-3:00pm

Closed Wednesday



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA

“I have come to warn the faithful to amend their lives and ask pardon for their sins.

They must not continue to offend Our Lord, Who is already too much offended.”

- Our Lady to the 3 children of Fatima

### **SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

**Daily Mass: T, W, TH, F - 8:30 AM**

**Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM**

**Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:15 AM**

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David Collins

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MARCH 6, 2022



**Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday MARCH 8**  
 8:30am  
 2nd Int.:  
 Req. BY:  
**+POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY**  
**+ELISA RODRIGHEZ**  
 Mayra Newman

**Wednesday MARCH 9**  
 8:30am  
 Req. By:  
 6:45 Pm  
 Req. By:  
**+GARY SHAFFER**  
 Antoinette Mangini  
**+PETER & ANNA**  
 Ann Nguyen

**Thursday MARCH 10**  
 8:30am  
 Req. By:  
 2nd Int.  
 Req. By:  
**+WARD FAMILY**  
 Cheryl Wyler  
**+BETTY SOUKUP**  
 Cheryl Wyler

**Friday MARCH 11**  
 8:30 am  
 Req. By:  
 2nd Int.  
 Req. By:  
**+MARY G. VALV O**  
 Richard & Carol Valvo  
**+TED KREGER**  
 Kreger Family

**Saturday MARCH 12**  
 4:00pm  
 Req. By:  
**+FRANCA APRILE**  
 Frank & Kathie Giumpa

**Sunday MARCH 13**  
 8:00 am  
 Req. By:  
 10:15am  
 Req. By:  
 2nd Int.:  
**+DARREL DeRUZZO**  
 Healy Family  
**+RICHARD SOLECKI**  
 Dambrowski Family  
**PARISHIONERS**  
**SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** For registered and active parishioners: Please contact the Church Office. Baptism instruction is required for Parents. **Reconciliation** (Confessions) Saturdays 2:00-3:00 PM in Adoration Chapel Or by Appointment

**Weddings:** For registered and active parishioners: must be arranged with the pastor at least 6 months before the date desired. Please contact the Church Office for more details. 941-776-9097

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: 24:Dt 26:4-10  
 Psalms: Ps 91:1-2,10-15  
 Second Reading: Rom 10:8-13  
 Gospel Reading: Lk 4:1-13



Annual Giving Statements

Contribution Statement

If you wish a statement of your 2021 Contributions to St. Frances Cabrini Church, Please fill out the form below. We will email or put your statement in the Narthex. If you want it mailed to your home we can do that also.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



## Readings for the Week

### Monday STS. PERPETUA & FELICITY

224:Lv19:1-2,11-18 Ps19:8-10,15 Mt 25:31-46

### TUESDAY ST. JOHN of GOD

225:Is55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7,16-19 Mt 6:7-15

### Wednesday ST. FRANCES OF ROME

227:Est C:12,14-16,23-25 Ps 138:1-3,7c-8 Mt7:7-12

### Thursday

228:Ez8:21-28 Ps 130:1-8, Mt5:20-26

### Friday

2219:Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8 Mt 5:43-48

## Supporting Our Diocese

Every Diocese asks each Parish to give a certain amount to help fund the different Diocesan Offices, inter-missionary Parishes, Catholic Charities, and Vocations (just to name a few).

Should we not meet this goal, then the parish will have to take out a loan which would put us further in debt.

Any monies we make over our goal, the parish gets to keep!!

### Pro-Life Outreach

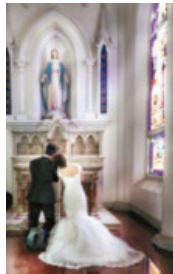


### Tribunal Office

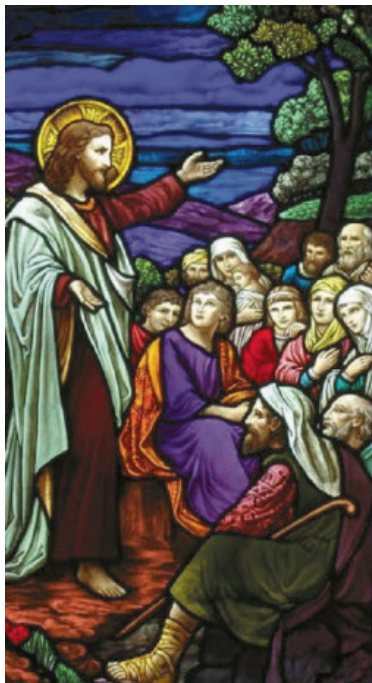


Catholic Education

### Marriage and Family Life Office



### Vocation Office



“Share with the Lord’s people who are in need.”  
Matthew 23:6

2022



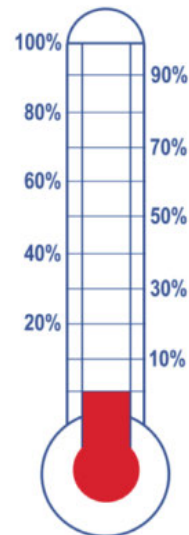
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### Catholic Schools & Education Office



### Mission Outreach Office



Our Goal

\$164,000.00

Thank You!

Raised so far:  
14,633.00

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



The Department of Education with the Diocese of Venice in Florida has partnered with the Franciscan University to offer online classes in scripture, prayer, ethics, sacraments and youth ministry, plus many more courses on Catholicism are available. Each parish in the Diocese of Venice sponsors an annual subscription of these great courses. Many chose to complete a certificate in catechesis or take courses to learn more about the Catholic Faith. Courses are

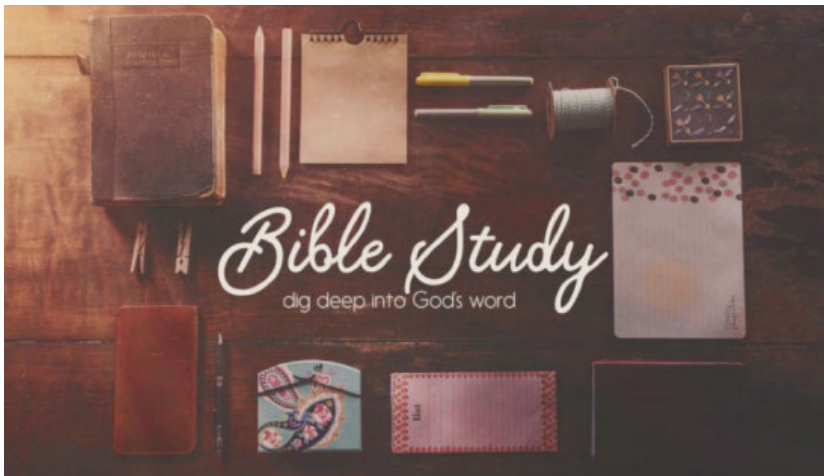
offered online in English or Spanish. To set up an account, go to the Franciscan at Home website and find the Diocese of Venice as a partnering Diocese. Sign up and begin learning the Catholic Faith for no cost!! Please contact for more information, Anne Chrzan, Diocesan Director of Religious Education, at (941) 484-9543 or email: Chrzan@dioceseofvenice.org

All are welcome to come and join our Friday Morning Bible

Study:

**This Semester Topic will be the Gospel of Luke**

**Classes will Begin Friday, March 4th at 9:30 AM In the Cabrini Center.**



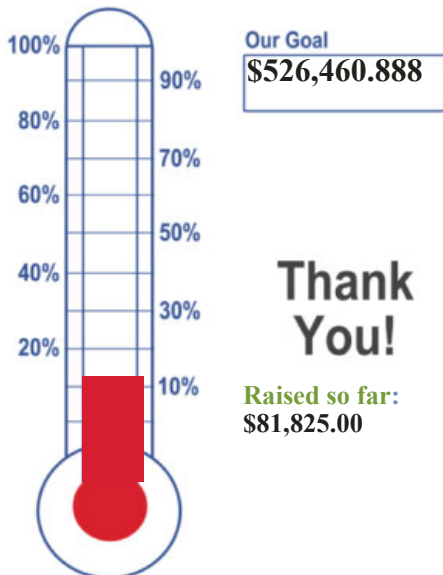
## Stillpoint Mission Migrant and Needy Children Easter Shoe Campaign

Stillpoint Mission is hosting it's Easter Shoe Campaign for those in need. \$25 gives a young child the opportunity to select a new pair of shoes with the size and style they wish. Please make checks payable to "Stillpoint Mission, Inc." with "FOR SHOES" in the lower left corner of the Check.



To mail your donation, the address is Stillpoint Mission, P.O. Box619 Bradenton, Florida 34206. If you would prefer to donate via a Credit Card please visit [www.stillpointmission.org](http://www.stillpointmission.org).

Thank you for your generosity.



## Parish Focused Giving

Helping to relieve our Parish of St. Frances Cabrini!  
Debt Free by 2023

If you would be so kind as to keep your tithing and Debt Reduction checks separate, it would help us tremendously in the office! If each family of the Parish is able to give \$1,000 we will be debt free by 2023!

Thank you for your generosity!



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# JOE Paddy Potluck

March 17

Thursday



At 5:30PM

in the Parish Hall

**Please call the parish office at 776.9097 to RSVP with the number of people who will be attending and the entrée, side dish, or dessert you would like to bring.**



If you have family that loves you, A few good friends, Food on your table and a roof over your head. You are richer than you think.

- Irish Proverb

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# Knights of Columbus

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Every Friday in Lent.

5:00-7:00 PM  
Starting March 4th

## Drive Thru Only @ The Cabrini Center

HOMEBOUND AND NURSING HOMES  
MINISTRY

St. Frances Cabrini Church has an active Homebound and Nursing Home Ministry. Extraordinary Ministers visit our Parish Members who are unable to attend Mass due to illness or physical incapacities bringing them the Eucharist on a weekly basis. If you know of a parishioner who would like to have a Eucharistic Minister visit them please call the Church Office at (941-776-9097).



### **They Sang as they Died: The Martyred Carmelites of Compiègne**

The facts surrounding the death of these women are straightforward. On July 17, 1794, in the final days of Maximilien Robespierre's fiendish leadership over revolutionary France, fourteen Carmelite nuns and two female servants were guillotined at the Place du Trône Renversé (now called the Place de la Nation), in Paris. Their official condemnation listed assorted crimes against the state, and their remains were placed in a common grave along with the over 1,300 other victims of the guillotine.

In the wake of the French Revolution of 1789 and the establishment of the Revolutionary government centered in the Assemblée nationale (the National Assembly), the Church was placed in an increasingly difficult position. French Catholicism had long enjoyed a position of national prominence and possessed seemingly vast wealth. As such, the Revolutionary leadership sought both to strip the Church of her holdings and to curb the influence of Catholics in the new order.





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The first to be targeted were the religious orders—the monks and nuns who held extensive properties and who were condemned. Contemplative religious communities had been among the first targets of the fury of the French Revolution against the Catholic Church. These communities had been required by law to disband. But many of them continued in being, in hiding. Among these were the community of the Carmelite nuns of Compiègne, in northeastern France not far from Paris - the fifty-third convent in France of the Carmelite sisters who followed the reform of St. Teresa of Avila, founded in 1641, noted throughout its history for fidelity and fervor. The sixteen Carmelites resided in the quiet, northern town of Compiègne. The sixteen women were composed of professed sisters, lay sisters, and two servants.

The Carmelites were ordered to leave their Carmel on September 14, 1792, the feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross. Shortly before their eviction, Mother Teresa led her sisters in a communal act of consecration, offering their lives for the end of violence and the sake of peace in their homeland. Following the expulsion from their convent, the women lived in four groups and wore simple clothing. However, they continued to meet for common prayer and their devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The community's staunch fidelity to their vocation along with their refusal to swear allegiance to the new Constitution led to their arrest on June 22, 1794. The women were charged with conspiracy, treason, being royalists, and corresponding with anti-revolutionaries.

On July 17 the sixteen sisters were brought before Judge. All cases were now being disposed of within twenty-four hours as Robespierre had wished; theirs was no exception. They were charged with bearing arms; their prioress, Sister Teresa, answered by holding up a crucifix. *"Here are the only arms that we have ever had in our house."* They were charged with possessing an altar-cloth with designs honoring the old monarchy (perhaps the fleur-de-lis) and were asked to deny any attachment to the royal family. Sister Teresa responded: *"If that is a crime, we are all guilty of it; you can never tear out of our hearts the attachment for Louis XVI and his family. Your laws cannot prohibit feeling; they cannot extend their empire to the affections of the soul; God alone has the right to judge them."*

They were charged with corresponding with priests forced to leave the country because they would not take the constitutional oath; they freely admitted this.

Finally they were charged with the catchall indictment by which any serious Catholic in France could be guillotined during the Terror: "fanaticism." Sister Henriette, challenged the public prosecutor to his face: *"Citizen, it is your duty to respond to the request of one condemned; I call upon you to answer us and to tell us just what you mean by the word 'fanatic.'"*

*"I mean,"* snapped the Public Prosecutor of the Terror, *"your attachment to your childish beliefs and your silly religious practices."* *"Let us rejoice, my dear Mother and Sisters, in the joy of the Lord,"* said Sister Henriette, *"that we shall die for our holy religion, our faith, our confidence in the Holy Roman Catholic Church."*

While in prison, they asked and were granted permission to wash their clothes. As they had only one set of lay clothes, they put on their religious habit and set to the task. Providentially, the revolutionaries picked that "wash day" for their transfer to Paris. As their clothes were soaking wet, the Carmelites left for Paris wearing their "outlawed" full Carmelite religious habit. They celebrated the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in prison, wondering whether they would die that day.

It was only the next day they went to the guillotine. The journey in the carts took more than an hour. All the way the Carmelite sisters sang: the *"Miserere," "Salve Regina,"* and *"Te Deum."*

Beholding them, a total silence fell on the raucous, brutal crowd, most of them cheapened and hardened by day after day of the spectacle of public slaughter. At the foot of the towering killing machine, their eyes raised to Heaven, the sisters sang *"Veni Creator Spiritus."* Before each sister mounted the scaffold, she knelt before the Mother Superior to receive a blessing, kissed a small statue of the Madonna and Child. One by one, they renewed their religious vows. They pardoned their executioners and placed themselves beneath the blade without allowing the executioner to touch them. One observer cried out: *"Look at them and see if they do not have the air of angels! By my faith, if these women did not all go straight to Paradise, then no one is there!"*

Sister Teresa, their prioress, requested and obtained permission to go last under the knife. The youngest, Sister Constance, went first. She climbed the steps of the guillotine *"With the air of a queen going to receive her crown,"* singing *"Laudate Dominum omnes gentes, alleluia"* translates *"all peoples praise the Lord."* She placed her head in the position for death again without allowing the executioner to touch her. Each sister followed her example, those remaining singing likewise with each, until only the prioress was left, holding in her hand a small figure of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The killing of each martyr required about two minutes. It was about eight o'clock in the evening, still bright at midsummer. During the whole time the profound silence of the crowd about the guillotine endured unbroken except for the deadly slice of the instrument of death.

Ten days after the martyrdom of the sixteen Carmelites, Maximilien François Marie Isidore de Robespierre was arrested and executed, and the Reign of Terror came to an end. The sacrifice of the sisters, sustained by their devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, paved the way for the peace they so desired, and died himself beneath the guillotine. The Reign of Terror was brought to a sudden and unexpected end.



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