SAINT ISABEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

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October 17, 2021

Mass Intentions for the week

Wednesday	October 20
8:30 AM	**†Theresa Dalton**
	By John & Chris Dalton
Thursday	October 21
8:30 AM	**†Catherine Crifasi**
	By Denise & Bill Baumert
Friday	October 22
8:30 AM	**†Barbara McGarry**
	By Arline Ford
Saturday	October 23
5:00 PM	**†William Scheer**
	By His Family
Sunday	October 24
9:30 AM	**†Parishioners & Visitors**

Need a Mass Intention?

Our 2022 Mass Book is open. If you would like to get a Mass Intention for either 2021 or 2022 please call or stop by the parish office 239.472.2763.

Sacraments

Baptism - For registered and active parishioners: must be arranged with the pastor 6 months before the date desired.
Confessions – Saturdays 4 PM – 4:45 PM in Church Confessional.
Communal Anointing of the Sick: By appointment when facing serious illness or surgery.
Weddings - For registered and active parishioners: must be arranged with the pastor at least 12 months before the date desired.
A priest is on call 24/7 for each of the following hospitals: Gulf Coast - St. John XXIII Parish 561-2245; Lee Memorial - St. Francis Xavier Parish 334-216; Health Park & Hospice at Health Park - St. Columbkille Parish 489-3973.

GOD IN HEAVEN, GRANT COMFORT TO OUR SICK:

Chris Dalton, Charlotte Davenport, Jean Dedouvre, Lucille Hanselman, Mary Lou Krukar, Bettina Larson, Charleen Ostrowski, Dave Paulin, George Sanker, & Annie Schreck.

Pray for our Military LT Benjamin Bellet, LT Brandon S. Davis, PO Eric Derhammer, Major Daniel Falvey, LtCol Jeffrey Greenwald, LCDR Justin Halligan, LTJ Erin Hanratty, Capt. Kyle Hanratty, LCpl John Helms, LCDR Jim Lipford, Cadet William Schreck, CDR. Gregory Sickels, LT Jack Taiclet, LCpl Greg Thomas, LT Matthew Palmer Warnecke.

The prayer list is updated weekly. Names will remain on the list for one calendar month and may be removed sooner by request. Please call the parish office each month to continue to keep a name on the list.

Today's Scripture Readings

First Reading: Is 53:10-11
Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16
Gospel Reading: Mark 10:35-45

PASTOR
Fr. Edward Martin

Business Manager
Khristy Scheer

Director of Faith Formation
Dr. Sue Ellen Nolan

Cantor
Maria Zoltek

Contact us
Website: www.SAINTISABEL.org
Email: parishoffice@saintisabl.org

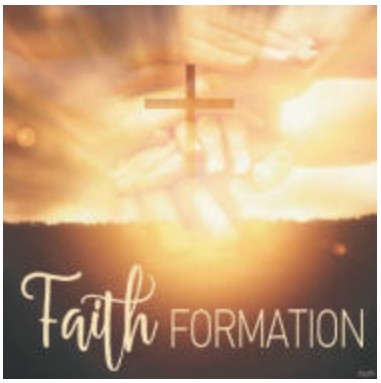
St. Isabel's Regular Mass Schedule
May thru December
Saturday: 5:00 PM & Sunday 9:30 AM

LET'S STAY CONNECTED!

Parish Membership is maintained by registration in the Parish, active participation in the Sunday Eucharistic Worship, living a positive Christian moral life, Stewardship, and Support of the St. Isabel Parish, the Diocese of Venice, and Universal Church. Through baptism we become God's sons and daughters, and brothers and sisters to each other in Christ. **Every family in the parish is encouraged to properly register and receive numbered offertory envelopes.** Registration forms for permanent members can be obtained by visiting or calling the Parish Office during regular office hours.
Registered Parishioners: Changes in your household – Move, email change, Births, Deaths, Marriage? Please email us parishoffice@saintisabel.org or call the office at 239-472-2763.

Altar flowers can be offered by anyone and provide a meaningful way to remember loved ones through memorials, offer thanksgivings, or recognize a birthday, baptism, wedding, anniversary, or special event. The fee is $100 which helps to support this ministry. All flower offerings are recognized each Sunday in the worship bulletins. For more information contact the parish office at 239.472.2763.

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Children's Christian Formation

Let's get back to teaching about our Catholic Faith!
We all need our faith during these times! Our children need to be formed in our faith during the years of their youth! Join our dynamic, Christ-centered program for this year!

St. Isabel's Children's Christian Formation classes for the 2021-2022 program have begun

We meet Wednesdays, 4:30pm—6:00pm

All students, new and returning, must register. Pease call the parish office to make an appointment or request registration forms for the new season. A baptismal certificate is required for all new students.

Need to enroll? Please call Dr Sue Ellen Nolan for more information @ 472-2763, extension 214

Tuition 2021-2022

One Child	$65.00
Two Children	$90.00
Three Children	$115.00
Four Children	$140.00

Visitors to the Homebound

Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound assist the Pastor of the parish in distributing communion to the homebound. They are called not only to distribute the Body of Christ, but also to take on Christ's likeness. They accomplish this by strengthening their faith from within and sharing it with the homebound.

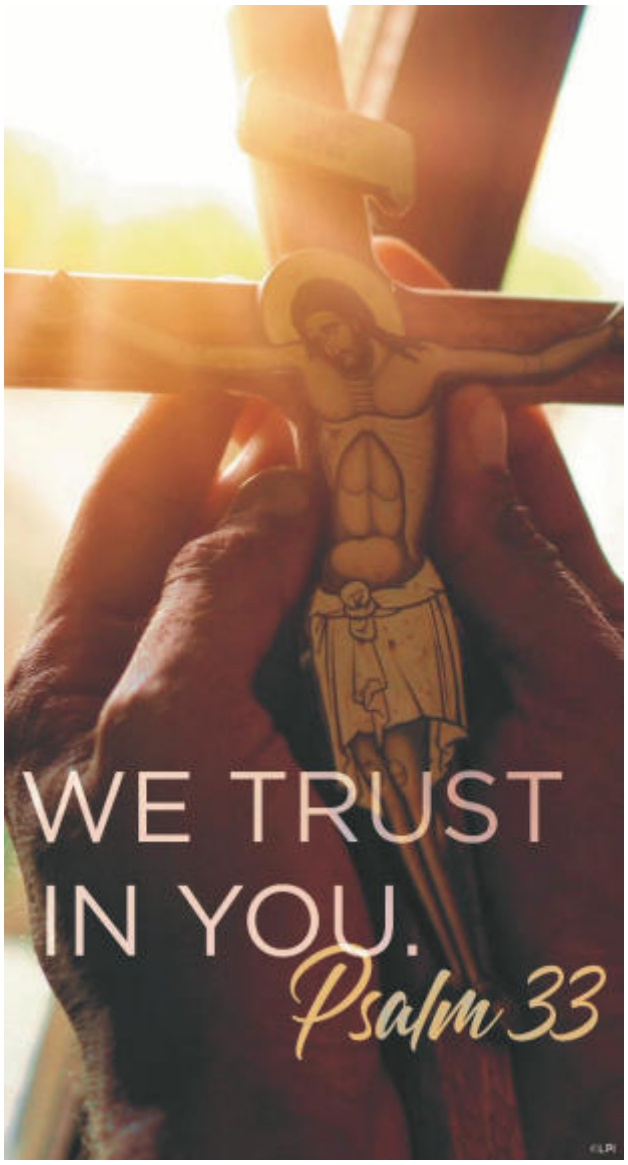
The Homebound Ministry at St. Isabel Catholic Church was established to bring Our Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist, to homebound parish members. A person may be homebound due to age, illness, physical and/or mental incapacities and unable to attend Sunday Mass. The ministry also strives to help the homebound person stay connected to parish activities by bringing the bulletin.

During a homebound visit, a prayer format is followed which includes introductory and penitential rites, liturgy of the Word, prayers of the faithful, liturgy of Holy Communion, and a concluding rite.

Visits can be arranged by calling the parish office and requesting homebound visitation. The homebound minister will contact the homebound person and arrange a mutually convenient time. Visits are usually done on a weekly basis. If you would like a visit from St. Isabel's Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound please contact the parish office at 239.472.2763.

40 Days for Life - The Fall 40 Days for Life campaign runs worldwide beginning Wednesday, September 22 through Sunday, October 31, including in Fort Myers. Prayerfully discern where God is calling you. Is it to peaceful sidewalk prayer? Fasting? Adoration? Please consider the many ways in which you can participate. Check www.40daysforlife.com/fortmyers for location and details or to sign up.

Join the monthly respect life meetings on the third Wednesday of the month in the Parish Life Center at St. John XXIII Parish in Fort Myers following the 8:00 a.m. Mass (approximately 8:45 a.m.). All are welcome! Contact Maureen at 239-823-6800 with questions.



Safe Environment for Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults

The Diocese of Venice is committed to protecting children, youth and vulnerable adults. Together, and with God's help, we can continue to promote a culture of openness and awareness, and a commitment to safety within our Church and in the larger community.

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment. For further information, visit the Diocesan website at: https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/programs/safeenvironment/

An allegation of sexual abuse of a minor by anyone should be reported immediately to: Florida Department of Children and Families Child Abuse Hotline – 1-800-96abuse (1-800-962-2873) or visit https://reportabuse.dcf.state.fl.us. If the alleged abuser is a diocesan employee or volunteer, including clergy, also notify Victim Assistance Coordinator Susan Benton at 941-416-6114.

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The Rosary

The Rosary begins after the 8:30 AM Daily Mass (**Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday**) and is open to **everyone**, so please come and spend precious time with Jesus.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for October

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

St. Isabel's Men's Retreat

Our Men's Retreat is open to all Men of the Parish and our greater faith community. The retreat is at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center, Venice, Florida. Retreat Date: Jan 23 – 26, 2022, Sunday Noon thru Wednesday 1PM. Costs: $360 Private Room and Bathroom

Questions: John Temporiti 314.409.3568 or email temporiticonsulting@gmail.com

Additional details will be provided to confirmed candidates. Fr. Ed Martin, our Pastor, plans to attend. Transportation provided if needed. Partial Retreat option possible if rooms available. Please send payment: By check to: St. Isabel Church (Memo) "Men's Retreat 2022" Mail check to: John Temporiti, 680 Gopher Walk Way, Sanibel, FL 33957.

Lectors Ministry

The Year C, 2022 Lector Workbooks are available in the Sacristy. Please pick up your copy. Thank you!!

November is the Month of All Souls, a time when we remember those who have gone on before us. We have placed a Book of Remembrance in the Narthex of the Church and people were are encouraged to write the names of their deceased loved ones in the book. During the Month of November our parish prays for those souls.

If you need our assistance, the staff will add your loved ones to the book. Please send names to parishoffice@saintisabel.org no later than October 29, 2021.

All Volunteer Ministries – if you will be away or have returned for season, please call the office so we can schedule accordingly. Thank you!

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 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 stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

[Composed by Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981), Second Bishop of Lafayette (1956-1973), following Hurricane Audrey in 1957]

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be the Difference That Makes a Difference - Use your God-given talents to make a difference in the lives of others. There are many ways to share your time and talent at St. Isabel Parish. We have great opportunities for volunteers from all walks of life and all age groups. Most of our ministries require no special expertise — just willing hands, a big heart, and a few hours each week or each month.

Extraordinary things happen when ordinary people do a little extra Choose one or more of the many ministries shown below to respond to God's call to you in the Gospel to Stewardship. Don't worry that you might be signing away all your free time. We'll match your interests and available time with St. Isabel Parish ministry needs. Many volunteers are snowbirds, others have full-time, demanding careers. You can TRY ON any of our ministries at any time to see if you'd like to get more involved.

Take the first step today by filling out our Volunteer Application. Please contact the Parish Office to Volunteer! (239) 472-2763 or parish office@saintisabel.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

ALTAR SERVERS - Parishioners from the third grade through adult may assist in the preparation and celebration of Masses.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - The Environment team decorates and enhances our Church. Tasks may include putting up and taking down of decorations and arrangements for the Liturgical church year.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - Distribute the Body of Christ during Mass. Rotating schedule.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD (LECTOR)-This ministry is for those who have a good speaking voice and are called to proclaim the Word of God in a meaningful and alive manner at Mass. Adequate preparation of the Scriptures is required. Training and coaching provided.

SACRISTANS - Prepare for the celebration of liturgies. If interested in learning about this ministry, consider being an apprentice first to learn the duties. A prayerful attitude is needed.

USHERS AND GREETERS - Greet and welcome all who come to celebrate Mass. Offer assistance and direction to any newcomers. Assist with seating people, taking up the collection, keeping good order during the Communion procession, handing out bulletins, offering aid to the disabled and the elderly, or with any emergencies that might occur.

Sanitizing the church - We are looking for volunteers to sanitize the church each weekend Mass. The goal is to sanitize all surfaces that are touched by hands: i.e. tops of pews, all door handles, light switches, etc. Please sign up if you are interested and able to help out.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CATECISTS – Teachers of the faith to children, youth, families, young adults, and adults

FAITH FORMATION – Family Formation, Adult Formation, Children's Liturgy of the Word, RCIA, and Sacramental Prep

OTHER MINISTRIES

Visitation Ministry – Bringing the Eucharist to those who are homebound and in care facilities. Greeters and Sacristans for funeral celebrations. (Post Covid 19)

Our Mission is to be Women who strive to learn and understand our Catholic faith, who are united in prayer through our devotion to the Eucharist and honor of the Blessed Mother, to be faithful and good stewardesses of our parish after the imitation of St. Isabel our namesake, and to live in unity as sisters, bound by friendship and charity, to live the gospel message in both word and deed, that we might strengthen and inspire our Parish family.

Bread and Roses meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month October thru April. We invite all women parishioners as well as visitors to St. Isabel's to join us for fellowship and spiritual enrichment. If you would like more information, please contact Mary Aufderheide at 239-395-2975 or email at mauf860@gmail.com.

The Society of Bread and Roses is having a Fall Craft Bazaar on November 13th & 14th in our Parish Hall. We invite anyone who has a passion for creating to donate some examples of your craft for our sale. It is a fund raiser for St. Isabel Parish and all proceeds will be donated to the Church. The focus will be on Thanksgiving and Christmas items but any items will be accepted. Please consider sharing your unique talent by taking some time this summer to practice your craft and donate the results to help make this project a success! If you are not a crafter, but would like to help, the opportunity is there! Anyone interested in donating items, helping with the Bazaar, or if you just want more information please contact Mary Aufderheide, 239-395-2975 or email mauf860@gmail.com. The Bazzaar will be open the weekend of November 13 & 14th- November 13th from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM and 4:00 PM-6:30 PM in the Parish Hall; November 14th 10:00AM -Noon.

OUR MISSION: *To offer a men's ministry that provides opportunities for spiritual growth, Christian fellowship, community service, and parish leadership.*

The Men's Society is a great way to make new friendships with your fellow parishioners and strengthen existing friendships.

Please send your dues to Ed Kocourek, Treasurer, 644 Pyrula Ave, Sanibel, FL 33957 or drop them off at the office. Checks in the amount of $25.00 should be made payable to St. Isabel's Church and marked for the Men's Society.

Catholic Charities food pantry needs our help!

Some of the basic food commodities needed: rice, dry beans, pasta, **cereal, macaroni and cheese,** canned meats and fish, tomato sauce, cooking oil and corn flour. Baskets have been placed in the Narthex for canned goods and non-perishable food donations.

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SAINT ISABEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Presents:

Planning for Tomorrow

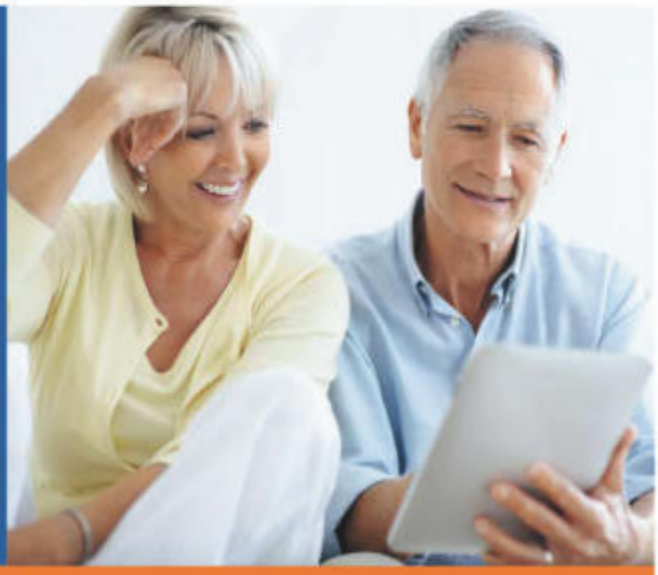
Thursday, January 20, 2022
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the Parish Hall
Followed Immediately by Lunch

A COMPLIMENTARY LIFE PLANNING SEMINAR

St. Isabel Catholic Church has partnered with the Catholic Community Foundation of Southwest Florida and local estate planning experts to host a complimentary seminar and luncheon, which will provide participants with the knowledge they need to make critical health, legal and financial decisions for themselves and/or a loved one.

Attendees will obtain important information on:

Avoiding Guardianship, Wills vs. Trusts, Probate, Durable Power of Attorney, Beneficiary Designations, Healthcare Surrogates, Advanced Directives, Financial Planning, Smarter Ways to Give and more.



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Leaving a legacy of Faith
Remember St. Isabel in your Will

A bequest is a wonderful way to express gratitude to God for a lifetime of blessings! The gift you give establishes a lasting legacy of love for others by helping the Church to continue our Catholic heritage through its many ministries. PLEASE NOTE: Leaving money to the Parish in your will is not assessed and 100% goes to the parish. The following is possible wording for including a bequest in your will: "I bequeath the greater of $_____ or _____% of the residue of my estate to Saint Isabel Parish in Sanibel, Inc., 3559 Sanibel Captiva Rd. Sanibel, FL 33957." The actual wording in your will should be determined by you and your attorney.

MAKING A STOCK TRANSFER When making a stock transfer to the Diocese of Venice on behalf of St. Isabel Parish, please email khristy.scheer@saintisabel.org to let us know you made the request. Sometimes a transfer comes to the Diocese with no name or no parish name. This will help us track the transaction.

To **Bank Electronic Giving** To set up Saint Isabel Church as a recurring donation through online banking:
1. At your bank or bank website, set up Saint Isabel Catholic Church under "add a bill/payee". You will be asked to include the following: a. CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS: St. Isabel Church, 3559 Sanibel Captiva Road, Sanibel, FL 33957. b. ACCOUNT NUMBER: Your envelope number or leave blank.

QUALITIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

Make a Tax-Free Gift with an IRA

Did you know that you may be able to give to St. Isabel Catholic Church and save money at the same time? There are different options depending on your age.

Age 70.5 or Older

If you are 70.5 years or older, you may be able to give an amount (up to $100,000) each year from your IRA directly to St. Isabel Catholic Church without having to pay taxes on the money. This is a popular form of giving that is sometimes referred to as the IRA charitable rollover, or the qualified charitable distribution (QCD).

Additional Benefits for Those 72 or Older

When you turn 72, the transferred funds may begin counting toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) so you do not pay income taxes on the gift.

The funds transferred to charity do not qualify for a charitable deduction, but they may become exempted from taxable income whether or not you itemize deductions.

Lowering your taxable annual income level could also result in lower Medicare premiums and the amount of Social Security subject to taxes.

Your disbursement must come directly from the administrator of your IRA to the parish. You cannot receive the funds first. Please contact the administrator of your IRA with any tax or account-specific questions.

Additional ways to use your IRA to make a gift:

Did you know that leaving your qualified retirement account may be the most expensive asset to leave your children? Unlike individuals, St. Isabel Parish does not have to pay income taxes on inherited IRA's, so the full amount that you direct to us through a beneficiary designation would further the mission of your church family. This is often a very easy way to make a substantial gift as it only takes the completion of a form that your account administrator may provide for you.

Important Step: It is critically important that you contact the parish and let us know of your gift. This is because many retirement plans do not notify the charity of a gift designation. We will monitor the situation to be sure that your plans for giving are indeed followed. Plus, we want to be able to thank you for your generous gift.

To make a gift from your IRA, please follow these steps:

- Seek the advice of your financial or legal adviser if necessary.
- Determine the gift you would like to give.
- Contact Khristy Scheer in the business office of St. Isabel Catholic Church. 239-472-2763 or khristy.scheer@saintisabel.org to inform the parish of your intended gift.
- Ask your IRA administrator about making a direct transfer to the parish or have the administrator send a check from your account to the parish directly. Remember, to be tax free the donation must be made directly from your IRA account to the parish and not pass through your hands.

Your IRA Administrator will need this information:*

Legal name: St. Isabel Parish in Sanibel, Inc.
Legal address: 3559 Sanibel Captiva Road, Sanibel, FL 33957
Federal Tax ID Number: 59-2336842

*This information can also be given to your IRA administrator to make St. Isabel Parish the beneficiary of your IRA or to make a gift from your estate.

Thank you for your generosity to the mission of St. Isabel Catholic Church

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DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

October 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Society for the Propagation for the Faith, will be celebrated the weekend of October 23 and 24, 2021. This annual Eucharistic celebration joins Catholics worldwide into one community of Faith, inviting us to recommit ourselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and sacrifice.

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday this year reflects on the theme, "*We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard*" (Acts 4:20). He encourages us, as Christians, not to keep the Lord to ourselves but to be men and women who, by their testimony of life, help to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel.

Throughout the world, Churches and parishioners with low economic means need your prayers and assistance. In Africa, thousands of young men are preparing for the priesthood, and in Asia, millions of children receive an education from Religious Sisters. In Latin America, Catechists travel to remote areas to bring the Good News of God's great love to families, and in the Pacific, religious leaders bring the Lord's mercy and peace to those in need.

The World Mission Sunday Collection in the Diocese of Venice in Florida will take place on the weekend of October 23 and 24, 2021. Along with your prayers, won't you please support the Missions in the most generous way you are able? Thank you for your kind response and prayers!

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane

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Bishop of the Diocese of
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For more about World Mission Sunday, please visit missio.org/resources for additional materials.

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Please Join Us!

Welcome Back

Friendsgiving

Potluck Dinner

Thursday, November 11
6:00 PM in the Parish Hall

Please RSVP by calling the parish office at 472-2763 with the number of people who will be attending and the dish you would like to bring.

We look forward to seeing you!

DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

September 17, 2021

St. Isabel Parish
3559 Sanibel Captiva Rd
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am privileged to express my profound gratitude for your response to the critical situation in Haiti. Thousands have been left homeless due to the massive earthquake which struck the country on August 14, 2021. This disaster was then followed by massive flooding associated with Tropical Storm Grace.

Your donations are acts of charity and provide timely support for our brothers and sisters in great need. Truly, the generosity of the Faithful of St. Isabel Parish is deeply appreciated. Please know of my enduring appreciation for the kindness of all who answered the need of those so severely impacted by the earthquake and flooding in Haiti.

This opportunity is taken to extend to you the assurances of my continued consideration, as well as my prayers. May God bless you for your thoughtful generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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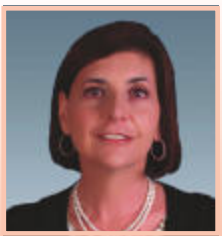

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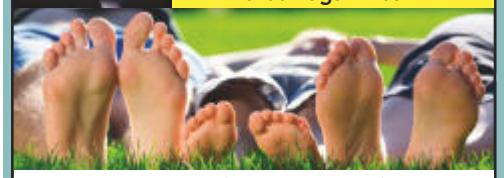

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