

# February 12th, 2023

#### **Parish Staff**

Rev. Vincent Clemente
Pastor

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Parochial Vicar

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Office Hours

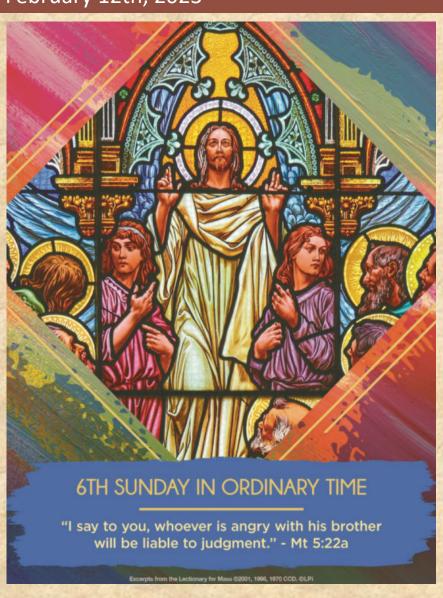
Mon.-Fri.: 9:00AM—3:00PM

#### **Mass Schedule**

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM 1st Saturday of Month - 9:00 (with Anointing of the Sick)

Saturday (Vigil)
4:00 PM
Sunday
October—May
8 AM & 10:00 AM
June—September
9:00AM
Holy Days
Vigil 7:00 PM, 9:00 AM

**Confessions**1/2 hour before weekend Masses



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# Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament**

**Thursdays** After 9:00 AM Mass - 12:00 PM

#### Sacraments

**Baptisms** 

Last Saturday of the Month or by appointment

Weddings Contact Parish Office

## Anointing the Sick & Homebound

Please contact the parish office at least 2 days prior to admission to hospital, if possible.

#### **Altar Flowers**

To contribute to the flower fund or to sponsor flowers for Sunday

services in memory of a loved one or for any special intention, please fill out a flower fund envelope and place it in the offertory basket. Checks should be made payable to: CCW of Lake Placid.

# **Holy Water**

The holy water dispenser is located in the vestibule of the church.

#### **Votive Candles**

Votive candles are located in the church and in the chapel.

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# Readings for the week of February 12th

**Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (1b)/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26

**Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/ Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145: 2-3, 4-5, 10-11/ Mk 9:2-13

Next Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

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# **Please Pray for:**

Nick Drury	Bob Zhawred
George Zinkler	Thomas family
Ted Phalen	Andrew & Emily Lewis & family
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Walter Nagel	Shadde McAllister
Joan Welsh	Madelin Amanda Cabrera

Rosemary Moseley Maxine Henderson

Linda Waldt

Diana Patricia

Cabrera

# **Weekly Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, February 13th, 9:00 AM

†Dianna Muennich, by James & Elaine Hutten

Tuesday, February 14th, 9:00 AM

**†Lloyd Lueken**, by Ed & Janet Roberts

Wednesday, February 15th, 9:00AM

**†Kenneth Disaldo,** by Marie Murray

Thursday, February 16th, 9:00 AM

†James J. Mellon, by Roseann Wojcik

Friday, February 17th, 9:00 AM

†Deborah Gayle Hyman, by Paula, Carey, Allen & family

> Saturday, February 18th, 4:00 AM (Vigil)

†Terry Triggs (16 years), by Patricia Triggs

Sunday, February 19th, 8:00AM

†George Boucher, by Dave & Joan Boyer

10:00AM

†Frank Ruggiero, by Michael & Glenda Brannen



My Dear People,

Many people thought that since Jesus was kind and generous, especially in the way he dealt with people, that he was going to relax the law. Conversely. Jesus did not come to relax the law but to make it stricter, and he included the interior disposition which the Mosaic law did not contain. For example, Moses allowed people to be divorced. Jesus says that if one divorces his wife he causes her to commit adultery, pure and simple. In another passage where it says you shall not kill, Jesus goes further and says whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment. Jesus goes as far as saying whoever calls his brother "you fool" is liable to the fires of Gehenna. This shows that Jesus came to make clear what the commandments say and their intent.

Yes, Jesus taught us the law of love and the beatitudes which are positive. This means we must have a humble heart, and a clean heart. We must be willing to do what God wants from us, not to the least, but to the most.

In order to accomplish the law the way Jesus wants, it must be with the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is given not to excuse us from the law or give us a license to sin but rather to empower us to fulfill God's law perfectly, not merely externally but also internally. Jesus' teaching in this passage tends, after all, to direct our attention to the interior disposition (like anger) that are the root of external actions (like murder).

Jesus's moral standards are much more demanding than those of the Pharisees. The Pharisees tended to be concerned only with the exteri- Yours in Christ, or performance of the law, and they became expert in developing contorted and convoluted legal chains of reasoning in order to circumvent the demands of divine law. In particular, they permit-

ted divorce and remarriage for any number of reasons, with some rabbis saying that any cause at all sufficed for a divorce, even the mere fact that a man found a younger, more attractive woman.

Jesus was radically opposed to this effort to extrapolate legal reasoning in order to get around the clear demands of morality and divine law. He warns his followers: "Unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." It must exceed their righteousness because their righteousness was largely external and relied on exterior actions in accord with the traditional interpretations of the old law. It was not a righteousness motivated by love. It was a righteousness that said, "What is the least I have to do and the most I can get away with and still not formally break the divine command?" Jesus's attitude, like the attitude of the psalmist, is rather, "What is most pleasing to God? That is the only thing I desire to do."

It is not easy to follow Jesus's laws—in fact, it is impossible unless we share his Spirit. Then, we can rejoice with St. Paul that "hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us."

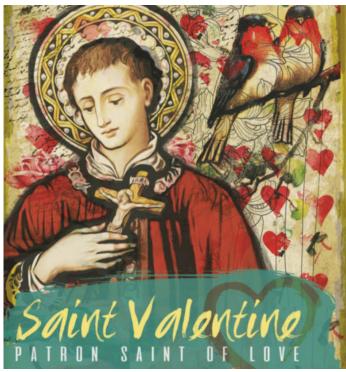
We receive the Holy Spirit at Baptism and Confirmation. Let us pray that the Eucharist will replenish the Holy Spirit's love in our hearts, that we may love and not resent the law of God and see it for what it truly is: the way of peace and communion with the Lord.

Fr. Vincent Clemente

Some of this passage is from "the "Word of the Lord" by Dr. John Bergsma







# PRAYER Walk

#### Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023

8:00 a.m. Mass, Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Celebrant St. John XXIII Church, 13060 Palomino Lane, Ft. Myers

Rosary after mass in front of Planned Parenthood, 6418 Commerce Park Drive Approximately 9:30 a.m.

A free shuttle bus will be provided from the church as parking is limited. Only parking on grass is permitted.

( All tires must be off pavement. No parking permitted in business parking lots.)



The Prayer Walk marks the opening of 40 Days for Life which runs from February 22 to April 2.



For more information: 941-374-1068 or Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org

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in the Gospel, Jesus says, "Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God."

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Our RCIA program meets Mondays at 6 PM in the Social Hall. **RCIA** All are welcome to attend one or all of

the evening teachings. The following topics will be presented:

Feb. 13. Election: Saying Yes to Jesus

Feb. 20. Living Lent

Feb. 22. Ash Wednesday

Feb. 27. Scrutinies: Looking Within

Mar. 6. The Creed

Mar. 13. The Way of the Cross

Mar. 20. The Lord's Prayer

Mar. 27. The Meaning of Holy Week

Please give us a call if you have questions. Elsie 863-633-8142 or Lynda at 863-655-2370.





# Misión Católica Santiago Apostol

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buen cristiano supone tomar partido conforme a lo
que creemos. Lo
uno o lo otro, sin
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antiguos existía la
división. Las discusiones y habladuría sin fundamento ni compromiso, estaban y
están a la orden

del día. Para tomar partido de alguna decisión importante es necesario sintonizarse con la sabiduría de Dios. Solo así, sabremos gozar de la libertad que él ofrece desde siempre. Sin embargo, muchas veces estamos amenazados por esa belleza de escoger lo mejor para cada uno de nosotros. El plan de salvación de Dios es siempre actual y el ser humano pone en juego su fidelidad a Dios y a lo que cree.

La Primera Lectura ayuda grandemente para clarificar el pensamiento y disponer el corazón a la Palabra iluminadora de Dios: "Si tú quieres, puedes observar los mandamientos; está en tus manos el ser fiel. Ante ti puso el fuego y el agua: extiende la mano a lo que prefieras. Delante de los hombres están la vida y la muerte, a cada uno se le dará lo que ha elegido" (Sirácides 15,15-17). Significa que somos responsables de nuestros propios actos. Los actos de culto no están ajenos de los actos de justicia por una sociedad mejor. Deseo que, en esta Eucaristía, descubramos la sabiduría de Dios que tanto necesitamos, que no cerremos nuestro corazón a lo que ya sabemos, sino que descubramos los nuevos horizontes de Jesús en sus enseñanzas. ¡Así sea! ©LPi

Horario de Misas Domingo: 10:00am Jueves y Viernes: 7:00PM Primer viernes del mes– Misa a las 7:00pm y la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento desde las 5:00pm hasta las 7:00pm

Confesiones: 9:30am domingo Bautismos: 4o sábado del mes a las

4:00 pm

Platicas del bautismo: 3o viernes del mes a las 7:30pm después de la Misa Quinceañeras: hablar con el sacerdote



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Christy Swift/863-399-9072 christy@christyswift.com

#### **CATHOLIC INQUIRY (RCIA)**

Elsie Howe/(863) 633-8142

#### **CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION**

Sunday 10:00 am Mass and Class Connie Rollins/863-465-4361

#### **CHURCH ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY**

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#### **COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN** (CCW), LAKE PLACID

1st Thursday of the Month 10:00am Maxine Henderson/517-944-0990 PO Box 1955, Lake Placid FL 33862

#### **DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP**

2nd Friday of the month 3:00 pm, Social Hall

Mary Webb/863-273-4495

#### **EMMAUS (MEN)**

3rd Sunday of the Month

2:00 pm

Bob Muir/863-441-4754

#### **EMMAUS (WOMEN)**

2nd Sunday of the Month, 2:00pm Elsie Howe/863-633-8142

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1st Monday of the Month 3:00pm 863-840-1168

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#### **YOUTH /CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

Wednesday 6:00 pm/Social Hall Connie Rollins/863-465-4361

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#### FEBRUARY 12th— Sunday.

Faith Formation, 11AM, Social Hall. Women's Emmaus, 2PM, Social Hall.

#### FEBRUARY 13th— Monday. RCIA, 6PM, Social Hall.

# FEBRUARY 14th— Tuesday. Child. of Our Lady, 10AM, Social Hall.

#### PARISH HAPPENINGS

FEBRUARY 15th— Wednesday. Bible Study, 10AM, Social Hall. Confirmation Class, 6PM, Social Hall.

## FEBRUARY 16th— Thursday. Legion of Mary, 1PM, Social Hall. Bible Study, 7PM, Social Hall

#### Knights of Columbus, 7PM, Social Hall **FEBRUARY 17th**— Friday. Kraft Korner, 10AM-Noon, Social Hall.

#### FEBRUARY 19th - Sunday.

Faith Formation, 11AM, Social Hall. Men's Emmaus, 2PM, Social Hall.

#### FEBRUARY 20th— Monday.

OFFICE CLOSED

# RCIA, 6PM, Social Hall.

#### FEBRUARY 21st— Tuesday.

Child. of Our Lady, 10AM, Social Hall.



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