Parish Office Hours
Monday through Friday
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL
4:15 PM

SUNDAY
7:30 AM,
9:30 AM &
5:00 PM

MON-SAT
8:00 AM

HOLY DAYS
8:00 AM &
6:00 PM

CONFESSIONS
Every Saturday at
3:30 PM
in the Chapel
(or by appointment)

ADORATION
Mon-Fri
8:30 AM—1 PM
Tues. Evening
6– 7 PM

SUNDAY
TV MASS
9:30 AM
Direct TV—66
Frontier—4
Comcast—9

HAPPY Independence DAY
ONE NATION Under God
Our PARISH STAFF
941-378-1703

FR. PAUL NGUYEN
ADMINISTRATOR   EXT. 302
FatherPaul@ChurchofStPatrick.org

FR. RUSSELL WRIGHT
PAROCHIAL VICAR   EXT. 310
FatherRussell@ChurchofStPatrick.org

DEACON HARRY ANTRIM   EXT. 309
DeaconHarry@ChurchofStPatrick.org

DEACON KIM COHEN   EXT. 300
DeaconKim@ChurchofStPatrick.org

BUSINESS MANAGER
KATHY DAVIES   EXT. 313
Kathy@ChurchofStPatrick.org

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION & YOUTH
DEACON HARRY ANTRIM   EXT. 309
DeaconHarry@ChurchofStPatrick.org

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE
TOMASZ PISKORSKI   EXT. 304
Tomasz@ChurchofStPatrick.org

HEALTH MINISTRY/PARISH NURSE
LINDA MOSTEK   EXT. 305
ParishNurse@ChurchofStPatrick.org

MUSIC
GREG MURRAY   EXT. 308
Greg@ChurchofStPatrick.org

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION
LORI ANN DELLASALA   EXT. 300
LoriAnn@ChurchofStPatrick.org
&
JANE LANGE   EXT. 303
Jane@ChurchofStPatrick.org

Our Tabernacle Light is Lovingly Lit in Memory of Richard E. Gilbert †

Our Altar Flowers are displayed in Loving Memory of Don Hentz †

Mass Intentions

Sat. 7/04  8:00 AM  Jacob & Beena Joseph † †
          4:15 PM  Julio Moreno †

Sun. 7/05  7:30 AM  Louise Anderson †
          9:30 AM  Joe Kastein †
          *  Joey Parotino †
          5:00 PM  Angela Maraia †

Mon. 7/06  8:00 AM  Mass for the People of St. Patrick

Tue. 7/07  8:00 AM  Patricia Haylett †

Wed.07/08  8:00AM  Paul Caravan †

Thur. 7/09  8:00 AM  Irene McCallister †

Fri. 7/10  8:00 AM  Todd Renna †

Sat. 7/11  8:00 AM  Gus Theodos †
          4:15 PM  John Myers †

Sun. 7/12  7:30 AM  Frank Sweterlitsch †
          9:30 AM  Patricia Radeke †
          (private mass)
          *  Florence & Henry Finley † †
          5:00 PM  Barbara Klingenberg †
Kissing the Altar at Mass

Question
Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Answer
Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the “General Instruction of the Roman Missal” — we read: “The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the “Book of the Gospels” after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the “living stone” (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the “household of faith” (see Galatians 6:10).

To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 1382-1383).

WEEKLY Readings for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33

Observances for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Tuesday: & Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Friday:
Saturday: St. Benedict, Abbot

Liturgy Intentions

WEEKLY Readings for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33

Observances for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Tuesday: & Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Friday:
Saturday: St. Benedict, Abbot

Liturgy Intentions

NOTICE Regarding 2021 Intentions

We are accepting requests for 2021 Mass, Altar Flowers and Tabernacle Light Intentions. Please note that effective July 1, 2020, due to the increase in vendor costs to us, we are in need of having our prices increased as follows:

Altar Flowers - $50
Tabernacle Light - $35
Mass Intentions - $10 (remain the same)

To request an intention for 2021, please do so by visiting or telephoning our office during business hours or emailing your request to: LoriAnn@ChurchofStPatrick.org
June 26, 2020

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the Church anticipates the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, please accept my cordial greetings along with the prayer that through the intercession of the Apostles, the Lord will bless you and your family.

As restrictions due to the Coronavirus have been somewhat lessened and, at the same time, confirmed cases of Covid-19 are on the rise in Florida, it is opportune to provide an update as to how the Diocese of Venice is maintaining pastoral vigilance and following public health guidance. The Faithful of the Diocese of Venice are to be commended for their cooperation and compassion during these difficult times. We are all in this together, and your support and assistance are needed and deeply appreciated.

After consultation with the Priests of the Diocese, there are several issues to be addressed which I believe will allow us to remain focused on the health and wellbeing of the Clergy and Faithful of the Diocese, as we move forward.

The dispensation given to all the Faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will remain in effect until September 1, 2020. Catholics are encouraged to stay at home if ill or are not comfortable returning to public gatherings for the celebration of the Mass. Please check your Parish website or that of the Diocese regarding the live streaming of Masses.

The wearing or not wearing of masks has become a political statement for some. However, politics was not why the Diocese of Venice included face coverings as an essential part of its protocols. Face coverings are essential because of the guidance that wearing a mask lessens the likelihood of transmission of the virus. Therefore, I ask for your cooperation in wearing masks, particularly at Mass and any public gathering at your Parish. Please consider the use of face coverings a mandatory step taken in genuine concern for the wellbeing of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Many have asked about whether Parish groups can begin to meet again. Our Pastors/Administrators have been asked to use their discretion as to whether small groups who are gathering for prayer or to coordinate ministries may meet safely. Of course, guidance on face coverings and social distancing must be observed. It is not yet time that larger groups assembling for social or fraternal purposes, can meet safely. Please understand that your Priests must use care in determining which groups can meet and those that should not. Your patience and cooperation are appreciated.

Let us remember the importance of prayer for those who are affected by the Coronavirus and for a quick end to the threat associated with the virus. Be assured that Our Merciful Father hears and answers our prayers.

Please know that I empathize with the difficulties being experienced by you during these uncertain times. However, it is very important that we stay united to safeguard the wellbeing of the Clergy and Faithful of the Diocese, as well as those in the larger community.

This opportunity is taken to extend my Apostolic Blessing to you and your family. May God bless you and keep you safe.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of the
Venice in Florida

FJD/nml
Heavenly Father, You have given us the
gifts of life and liberty and entrust to
your people the duty to guard these
gifts wherever they are threatened.

Help us to protect the freedom of all to
follow the Gospel of Your Son, Jesus
Christ, and to bring his light and truth to
the ends of the earth.

Guide all who play a role in enacting
legislation to uphold the freedom of
conscience of all citizens.

Send us your Holy Spirit to inspire in us
the wisdom and courage needed to
witness to the truth and to stand up for
all whose religious liberty is
endangered.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Mary Immaculate, Patroness of
our country, pray for us.

Celebrating Our Freedom

Saturday is the Fourth of July—
Independence Day!

It is the anniversary of the creation of the
Declaration of Independence from Great
Britain in 1776.

It is a day to be grateful to live in a country
that is blessed with many freedoms; among
them the freedom to worship! It’s a day to
pray and give thanks to our service men
and women who gave their lives for us to
enjoy our freedoms.

Thank-You for your service
defending this great country’s
freedoms!

Thank-You for your service
defending this great country’s
freedoms!
Catholic Charities Offers Free Mental Health Counseling!

We are now actively providing Free Youth Tele-Mental Health Counseling Services.

Are your children:
- struggling with anxiety
- showing changed behavior
- feeling depressed

If you need help, please call to speak with Catholic Charities staff for support.

For more information, please contact the number for your area below:

Sarasota/Manatee/DeSoto/Hardee/Highlands counties: 844-385-2407

Charlotte/Lee/Hendry/Glades counties: 844-385-2423

Collier County: 844-385-2404

Counselors are licensed with 5 years of experience.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Diocese of Venice, Inc.

NAPLES CHILDREN
NCEF & EDUCATION FOUNDATION

www.catholiccharitiesdov.org

*We are a licensed HIPAA compliant agency
JUNE 28th Through JULY 31st

Please consider donating non-perishable items to Catholic Charities to help supply and supplement their food pantries.

To date, Catholic Charities have served over 46,000 individuals through their food pantry distribution sites. 46,000! They are currently in dire need of restocking their shelves.

Food pantries are in most need of any and all canned goods: fruits, veggies, canned tuna fish and chicken, as well as pasta, mac n cheese, peanut butter, breakfast / granola bars and any snack-type items.

These Items can be dropped off at our Church, Monday-Friday from 7:30AM until 4PM or before/after any of our weekend Masses.
Do YOU Have Trouble Hearing on your Cell Phone?

Get a FREE Bluetooth phone amplifier from FTRI!

Stay Connected to: Family • Doctors • Telehealth • Services • Community

Contact us for more information!

800-222-3448
www.ftri.org

Who Qualifies:
• Florida Resident
• Over the age of 3
• Has Hearing Loss

Enjoy talking on the phone again!