

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. - Lk 9:16

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



Saturday 5:30 P.M.	June 18 † Selestine Griffin † Pedro and Genoveva Balcarce † Jose and Josephina Garcia † Matilde Narpier † Frank De Palma
7:00 P.M.	† Francisco Silva † Carmen Silva † Carmelo Silva † Oscar Otero, † Aracelis Gomez
Sunday 7:30 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M. 12:00 P.M.	June 19 - Father's Day <i>Happy Father's Day</i> <i>Happy Father's Day</i> <i>Happy Father's Day</i> <i>Happy Father's Day</i>
Monday 8:00 A.M.	June 20 † Rosa Solano † David Dragon † Henry Thevenool † Norma and Alfred Hermelijn <i>Thanksgiving Virgin Guadalupe</i>
Tuesday 8:00 A.M.	June 21 † Luis Cuza † Oscar Dragon † Fernando Fuentes † Anthony San Filippo † Eugenio Lascurain
Wednesday 8:00 A.M.	June 22 † Gilberto Cerda † Hilda Llavona † Rocco D'Orio † Richard Almeida † Maria R. Castillo de Garcia
Thursday 8:00 A.M.	June 23 † Charley Muller † Ignacio Martinez † Victor D'Agostino † Ruth Manzo, † James D'Orio
Friday 8:00 A.M.	June 24 † Luther and Helen Carlton † John and Madelyn Campbell † Maria del Rosario Trujillo † James V. Steszewski † Julio, Angela and Teresa Velasquez
Saturday 8:00 A.M.	June 25 † Frank Menoscal † Javier Lasaga † Donald and Carolyn Carlton <i>Parish Family</i>
5:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	† Melva H. Suarez † Amira Rodriguez † Marianna D' Stepano † Omar Reveiz † Domingo Luis Gonzalez
Sunday 7:30 A.M.	June 26 † Josephine and Bill Huppertz † Nancy Jane Villemaire † James Paine Jr., † Jacques Beauvoir
9:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M. 12:00 P.M.	† Butch DiLella, † Dolores Costner † Ernesto Perez † Maria Capocci † Cecilia and Patty Eggink † Carlos Borrego

Masses

Weekdays

Monday - Saturday 8:00 A.M.
First Friday 7:30 P.M. Spanish

Weekends

Saturday Vigil 5:30 P.M. Folk Mass
7:00 P.M. Spanish
Sunday 7:30 A.M., 9:00 A.M.
10:30 A.M., 12:00 Noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
Every Wednesday 5:00– 7:00 P.M.

Sacraments

Confessions

Wednesday and Saturday 8:30 A.M. English
Wednesday 5:30 – 6:30 pm English
Tuesday 6:30 P.M. Spanish
Anytime by appointment

Baptisms

Sundays following Noon Mass.
Call 6 weeks in advance

Marriages

Please arrange six months in advance.

Communion and Confirmation

Two years of religious instruction required.

Rev. Edmond Prendergast, Pastor
Rev. Peter Sutinga, Parochial Vicar

Permanent Deacons

Rev. Mr. Joseph Pearce
Rev. Mr. Domingo Vasquez
Rev. Mr. Nestor Cardenas
Rev. Mr. Stephen James Pyle

Visiting Clergy

Rev. Michael Hippee
Rev. Miguel Gil-Diaz, O.C.D. Discalced Carmelites

Scripture Readings For The Week



Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/1 Cor 11:23-26
Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40
Thursday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26
Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/
Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62



*The Most Holy
Body and Blood of Christ
June 19, 2022*

*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.*

(1 Cor 11:26)

Corpus Christi is the feast on which we pay special homage to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. In a sense we are repeating the beautiful Last Supper gathering in the upper room with the celebration it deserves. This was not possible on Holy Thursday because on that occasion the shadow of the cross loomed large in the background. Jesus Christ, in order to keep alive the memory of his great act of love on the Hill of Calvary, on the night before he died left his body and blood as spiritual food to be received in every generation.

This solemnity is a splendid opportunity to reflect on God's most striking gift to us and a timely reminder to renew our faith and deepen our appreciation of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. He is the living bread sent down from heaven as food for our souls to satisfy our deepest spiritual hunger. The Eucharist proclaims that Christ died for our sins so that we might have life and salvation. The Son of God could not have given us a greater proof of his love.

As pilgrims on the road of life we suffer from many hungers but the greatest hunger of all is the yearning for a deeper meaning to life. This is something that no earthly bread can satisfy. In our struggle to find purpose, the Eucharist is of great help because it is an invitation to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. By setting out on the road he travelled and by doing our utmost to imitate his life of caring and sharing we are gradually brought to see the importance of placing the common good of people before our own self-interest.

If sharing in the Eucharist is to more than going to Mass and providing nourishment for our own private spiritual lives, we must rise above the divisions and injustices of society which keep us apart and prevent us forming a closer bond within the community. This will mean opening the doors of our hearts and of our homes and accepting people as they are.

In our daily round we are asked to forgive, overlook weaknesses and understand the failure of friends especially when they hurt us. The Eucharist means to live as brothers and sisters of Jesus. There is no way we can offer ourselves to God in the Eucharist and not try and love our neighbor who has failed us during the week. For God to love through us we must try to be loving also. We are to go out and touch the lives of others, to be the healing presence, the helping hand, the voice of sympathy and words of encouragement when they are needed. In this way we will be shaped and formed by what we celebrate.

***Celebrating the feast of Christ's own body and blood we stand with confidence
in the presence of God the Father and make our petitions to him.***

God Bless,

John E

St. Bonaventure Parish Happenings

Divine Will



Book of Heaven, Volume 3, pg. 96, Jesus to Luisa:” My daughter, if the Eucharist is the pledge of the glory to come, the cross is the payment that purchases it. If the Eucharist is the seed that prevents corruption, giving immortality to the soul and to the body, and is like those aromatic herbs used to preserve corpses from corruption, then the cross beautifies the soul. The cross is so powerful that if there are any debts to be paid, she becomes the guarantor and more surely obtains the receipt for the debt that was owed. After she has satisfied every debt, she sets up the most radiant throne for the soul in the glory to come. Oh yes, the cross and the Eucharist take turns, and each one operates more powerfully than the other. The cross is My bed of roses; not that I didn’t suffer atrocious pains on it, but by means of the cross I birthed so many souls into grace. I saw so many beautiful flowers blossoming that yielded so many heavenly fruits. So in seeing so much good, I held that bed of sorrows as My delight, and I delighted in the cross and in suffering.”

For information on living in the Divine Will call Rosalie 954-290-0436 or Cecilia Gomez DelCampo 954-240-5731 In the Will of God, Always !

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 8:30 am English
 Wednesday 5:30 – 6:30 pm English
 Saturday 8:30 am English
 Tuesday 6:30 pm Spanish

Estudio Bíblico en Español



Todos los Martes via Zoom
 7:30pm a 9pm
 For Zoom login information
 contact: Freisy@gmail.com

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET
 THE POOR BOXES AT
 THE CHURCH DOORS**

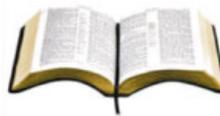
Bereavement Support Group

The Bereavement Ministry is meeting on various Wednesdays at 7 PM. Please call or text Mary Sedlak at 305 409-3807 to check the schedule. Our ministry is to provide support and comfort during these difficult times.

Home Visitation of the Sick

Not able to come to Sunday Mass because of health reasons, and would like to receive Holy Communion, call the Church Office at (954 424 9504) Monday - Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm.

Online Bible Study



"Please see information about a weekly bible study offered on Tuesday evenings, on line, beginning at 8pm. Look under the Spiritual-Life tab on our parish website: Compassionate Bible Circles at the Arms of Love. Contact: Carrie Roach M.A.B.S. chrisconversations@gmail.com"

ADOM Detention Ministry



"I was in PRISON and you VISITED me" MATT 25:36. If you are interested in visiting the incarcerated, as the Pope has urged us to do, please visit www.detentionministry.org for more information and/or email: mdearmas1@comcast.net (for women's jail) alfredobernalb@hotmail.com (for men's jail)

Virtual Women's Emmaus Reunion First Saturday Morning of Each Month



**Emmaus Sisters
 Only**

For more information email Linda Frohring at lindakids@aol.com. Information will be sent through our Emmaus emails prior to each reunion with zoom log in instructions. Let's come together in faith, worship and fellowship.

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Thanks Dad

"God our Father, We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; May they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for Fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; May they know that the God of

compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are mentors and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen"

Happy Father's Day

Respect Life Ministry

Joseph and Ximena Terneus

respectlifestb@aol.com - 954.258.5112

Grupo de Oracion Carismatico

Todos los Miércoles via Zoom: 7:00pm a 9pm
For Zoom login information: y@gmail.com

Parish Contact Information

Parish Administration

954-236-7981
Fax: 954-476-4336

Church Office

954-424-9504
Fax: 954-424-9505

Religious Education

954-476-5204
Fax: 954-476-4336

School Office

954-476-5200
Fax: 954-476-5203

Radio Maria

Radio Maria is a new Catholic radio station now broadcasting in the Miami area on 91.9 FM. Tune in for daily Mass at 9 a.m. Pray the Rosary with us five times during each day and Liturgy of the Hours three times a day. Listen 24/7 to a wide variety of authentic Catholic programming including Bible Study, Catholic Homeschooling, pro-life issues, Divine Will, Catechism, Marian topics, Divine Mercy, and so much more. Listen 3 a.m. - 3p.m. in English; and 3 p.m. - 3 a.m. in Spanish. If interested in volunteering, call Yoli at 305-303-3488.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING ADORATION

Every Wednesday
5:00 - 7:00 PM In The Church



"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth."

St. Teresa of Calcutta

***Come spend some prayerful time
In the presence of Jesus.***

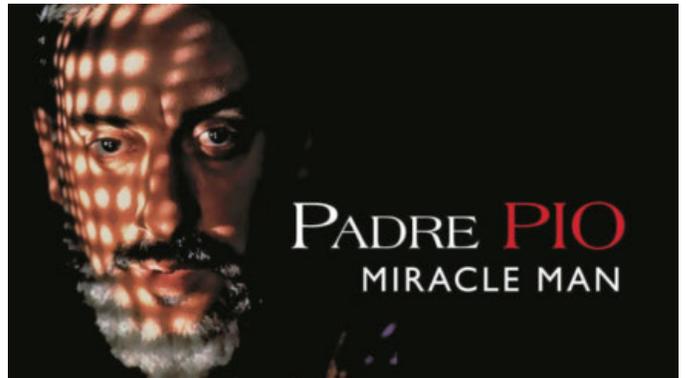
Separation and Divorce Can Cause Anger

Why am I so angry? Will the anger never stop? What do I do now? This is an invitation to anyone separated or divorced to begin the healing process. Come to our separated and divorced support sessions; meet with others who share your feelings and concerns. Join us. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center Chapel Cry Room. For information; please reach out to:

Taylor @ thitaylor@gmail.com
Charles Reeves @ 954-465-0996

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Padre Pio: Miracle Man

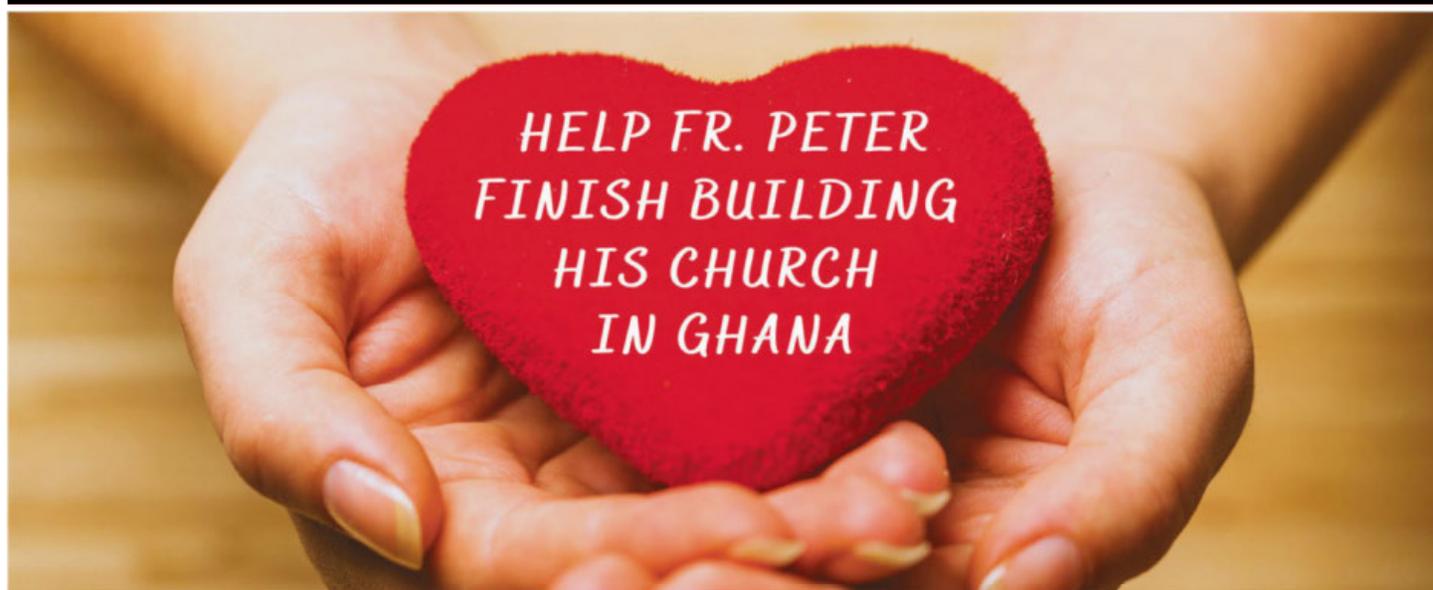
This movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion, and deep spiritual concern for others, as well as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church.

This movie is not rated, but was created with an adult audience in mind. It may contain violence indicative of the life and times of the saint or character portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children.

St. Joseph's Assisted Living

Assisted Living facility sponsored by the Archdiocese of Miami with newly furnished apartments/suites, 24/7 nurse and emergency pull cord systems. We provide three meals served daily in our dining room, weekly house-keeping/laundry, plus a FT Activities Director. We offer assistance in bathing, dressing, and monitoring medications. A beautiful chapel with scheduled and private worship for all faiths. Reasonable monthly rates. For additional information call: 954-739-1483.

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**HELP FR. PETER
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IN GHANA**

BUILD FROM THE HEART FUNDRAISER

Sponsor any of the following for St. Anthony of Padua Parish

- Church Pews 110 @ \$290.00 each
- Pew front 4 @ \$140.00 each
- Celebrant Chair 1 @ \$141.00
- Concelebrant Chairs 4 @ \$80.00
- Altar Server Chairs 6 @ \$32.00
- Credence Table 1 @ \$44.00
- Vestment Wardrobes 2 @ \$211.00
- Sacristy Cabinets 2 @ \$140.00
- Main Side Church Doors 4 @ \$158.00
- Main Center Door 1 @ \$2,316.00
- Side Doors 8 @ \$105.00
- Stained Glass Windows Lg. 23 @ \$605.00
- Stained Glass Windows Sm. 23 @ \$223.00
- Church ceiling 1 @ \$4,386.00
- Ceiling Fans 21 @ \$35.00
- Audio System 1 @ \$4,211.00
- Painting The Church 1 @ \$4,210.00
- Or any donation amount you would like

Circle your choice above and pay by a check made payable to St. Bonaventure Church. Note in the Memo "Build From The Heart". Please include your phone number on the check. Place it in an envelope and drop in the collection basket, mail it to us, or bring it to the Parish Administration Office or Church Office.

Prefer to pay by Credit Card?

Simply call us at 954-236-7981 and we can assist you.

All Donors Names will be listed on the Tree of Life in the Church in Ghana.

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THE ROSARY GUILD

will resume face-to-face meetings in the Parish Center the fourth Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. beginning Saturday, June 25 at 9:00 a.m. We look forward to seeing returning members and welcoming new members to this vibrant ministry.

The Rosary Guild was able to make and deliver thousands of Rosaries into outstretched hands around the globe during the past two years...and Mary smiles!

If you have any questions call:

Donna Weddington at 954-296-9507.



Young At Heart

Young at Heart Keeping It Cool!

Come in out of the heat! Join us for an afternoon of cards and board games on Tuesday, June 21 from 12:30pm-4pm in the Parish Center. Summertime Fun! Over 55 years young? This is the place for you! Refreshments will be served. Call Nancy Mechaber at 954-815-6190 for information.



Join Us for BUNCO!

Wed., June 22nd
6pm-8:30pm
St. Bonaventure
Parish Center
\$5 to Play
Bring your own snack.

Friends,
Fun, Raffle,
and Prizes!

Mental Health Resource Ministry

Adelina Vigilante adelinavigilante@gmail.com

This ministry is dedicated to providing individuals or families with mental health resource information available within our community.

Catholic Hospice

To those families who have a terminally ill patient, there are two hospice agencies available to assist your needs. Catholic Hospice at 1-800-533-3933 or Vitas at 954-777-5396.

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For tech support call: (800) 348-2886

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Vocation Blessing Cup



We invite all parishioners to pray now more than ever for the protection and sanctification of all priests, religious and deacons, to pray for the seminarians and for an increase in vocations. If you are interested in receiving the Vocation Blessing Cup (sanitized) for a week, please call the contacts below. Thank you for your prayers!"

Zeli Torres zelitorres@aol.com
English and Spanish

Ana Cantiello
(954) 424-9504
English, Portuguese and Spanish

Marines Boscan
(786) 287-5987 Spanish

Word of Life

"Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the *irreplaceable* role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!"

Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre,
Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux
"Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"



St. Vincent de Paul Society



Our St. Vincent De Paul Society provides emergency help to the needy within our parish boundaries, regardless of religion and to parishioners in need regardless of their address. If you have furniture, beds or other items to donate, please call our store at 954-462-0716 to schedule a pick up.

**We Continue To Feed Those In Need
Non Perishable Items Can Be Placed In the
Boxes On The Portico.**

**Jelly, Peanut Butter, Corn,
Canned Meats and Boxed Milk.
Grocery Store Gift Cards
are always welcome**

**We are collecting used children's shoes
and clothing "ANY CONDITION"
To be sent to children in Nicaragua.
Drop in boxes on the portico.**



**CHAMINADE
MADONNA
Class of '71
High School Reunion**

Chaminade-Madonna is hosting their **50th Class reunion** from *July 22nd through July 24th* Friday tour on campus, Saturday eve (5pm Mass at Saint David), Saturday night dinner at Tropical Acres, Sunday morning brunch at Tin Cup. RSVP asap to Donna Valentine at dvalentine@hypowerinc.com.

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Corpus Christi

Celebration

Holy Hour with Solemn Benediction
Bilingual
Sunday June 19, 3:00pm @ Church

Celebración

Hora Santa con Bendición Solemne
Bilingüe
Domingo Junio 19, 3:00pm @ Iglesia

A Retreat on Prayer
With the Dominican House of Prayer

COMING TO FULLNESS

Discovering Transformative Prayer

July 29-31, 2022
Ave Maria, Florida

Speakers:

Fr. Ignatius John Schweitzer, O.P. is a Dominican priest of the St. Joseph (Eastern) Province. He was ordained in 2011. He spent six years living as a monk in a Carthusian monastery. He then returned to the Dominicans, discerning a strong call from the Lord to help others grow in the spiritual and mystical life. He is the prior of St. Catherine of Siena Priory in New York City.

Fr. Jesse Maingot O.P. is a Dominican priest of the Irish Province. He was ordained in 2015. He was chaplain to Dominican College, Hendrixville, Ireland where he ministered to hundreds of young people. Across Ireland he was frequently asked to preach talks and retreat days. Fr. Jesse is currently studying for an STL in Dogmatic Theology at the Angelicum University in Rome.

Dr. Thomas Carr, O.P. received his Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary and his Master and Doctorate in Philosophy & Theology from the University of Oxford. A convert to Catholicism and a Lay Dominican, Dr. Carr served as Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies at the University of Mount Union for seventeen years.

Mrs. Ina Carr, O.P. is a mother of two, a Lay Dominican, and a convert to Catholicism. She has a Master in Leadership and Management and a Graduate Diploma in Christian Studies. She has many years of experience in various ministries, e.g., serving the poor in a poor-conflict areas, in a nursing home, in inner-city prison, prayer and deliverance ministries, and as a church planter.

Prayer is the life of the soul. It is our contact with the living God. Many times we erect barriers to God who is constantly drawing us to Himself by His grace. This retreat is about letting ourselves be drawn to Him.

Delve deep into Catholic tradition through the writing of the saints, to learn how prayer can help us hear the Father more clearly, conform our mind to that of Christ, and be led by the Holy Spirit to the fullness of our calling in life.

Through talks, confession, adoration, worship, and times for contemplation...

Jesus is waiting to transform your life!

\$85/person
For More Information & To purchase ticket go to
www.dominicanhouseofprayer.com

Wednesday Evening Bible Study



Bible Study is now online via Zoom, on Wednesday evenings @ 7PM. If interested send me an e-mail at deaconjoe1981@aol.com for more information.

summer institute

Wrestling Camp

Dates: July 5-8; July 11-15; July 18-22

Times: 9am to 3pm

Grades: Boys & Girls 1-12

Cost: \$150

CONTACT: Coach Morgan

cmorgan@mccarthyhigh.org

For more information or to register visit: www.mccarthyhigh.org

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St. Bonaventure Adult Library



Una de las mejores biografías de San Ignacio, que ha conseguido aunar el relato con la erudición, buceando en todo lo escrito hasta su publicación sobre el santo de Loyola. ¿Por qué leer "Ignacio de Loyola, solo y a pie"? Ignacio de Loyola es un santo de perfil difícil. Exigente a veces, tierno otras. Testarudo, pero dócil al Espíritu. Humilde, aunque fuerte. Crítico con la Iglesia, aunque fiel a ella en todo momento. Peregrino en caminos inciertos. Apasionado y decidido. ¿Místico? ¿Político? ¿Ambos? Su vida, en la Europa del siglo XVI, resulta una sorpresa y una provocación aun para nosotros hoy. Ignacio Tellechea consigue en esta biografía trazar una narración precisa, ágil, en la que muchos lectores se han encontrado con una personalidad fascinante, un hombre que buscó a Dios en los caminos de Europa, desde Loyola a Roma, desde París a Jerusalén. Conoce al soldado y al cortesano. Al herido sin horizontes. Al converso con bastante de fanatismo. Al peregrino en los caminos. Al viajero en Jerusalén. Al predicador acusado de herejía por unos y admirado por otros. Al hombre que atrae a más gentes a imitar su modo de vida. Al estudiante en París. Al trabajador de los hospitales y las prostitutas. Al buscador de la voluntad de Dios. Al fundador y primer superior general de los jesuitas en la Roma renacentista. Al amigo, al santo, al hombre.

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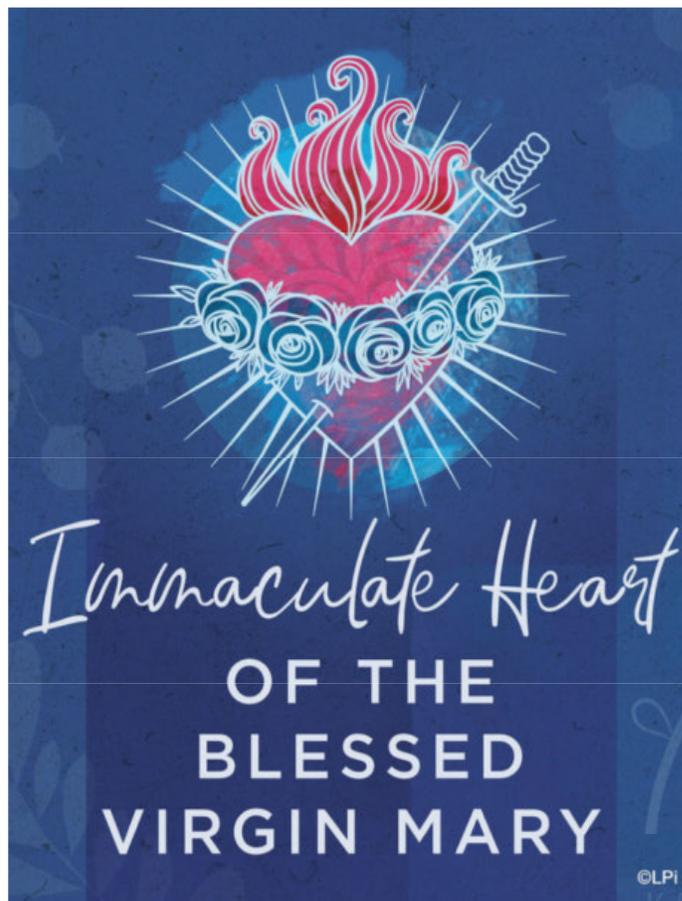
The Religious Education Office and Registration are now closed for the summer. We will resume Registration in mid-August. Please check future bulletins and our website for information and dates and times for August registrations. We wish all of our families a safe and blessed summer.

Palabra De Vida

"Que, por medio de nuestras oraciones y mediante la intercesión de san José, patrono de los padres, los padres puedan conocer la función *insustituible* que desempeñan en la vida de sus hijos, ¡y la responsabilidad que comparten al acoger el regalo que Dios le concede de una nueva vida!"

Reverendísimo Shelton J. Fabre,
obispo de Houma-Thibodaux

"La función insustituible de los padres al acoger la vida"



St. Bonaventure Parish Happenings



We invite you to pray the Holy Rosary for the Priesthood, Seminarians and Religious Vocations

Location: St. Bonaventure Chapel

When: Every Thursday at 8:30AM

Sponsored by:
St. Bonaventure Vocation Blessing Cup Ministry
In collaboration with "The Good Samaritan Ministry"
Archdiocese of Miami



RELIGIOUS ARTICLES GIFT SHOP

Visit our Religious Articles Gift Shop located outside on the Northeast corner of the Church.

The Home Blessing Kit is a great gift idea for family and friends and special occasions. It is in English and Spanish and contains the blessed items, prayers, and instructions for blessing and protecting your home and your family. It is available in the Gift Shop for a donation of \$15.00. All proceeds go to HOPEFUL SPIRIT INC to support its project in Haiti.

Also on display, you will find a wide variety of beautiful religious gift items for every special occasion that will enable you to make a statement about your faith, as well as give you an opportunity to symbolically share it with others. We have baby gifts, statues, crucifix, rosaries, jewelry, plaques, frames, auto items and much more! Stop by to see for yourself.

Plan a special night of family entertainment and rent one of our inspirational or educational DVDs for \$3.00 per week.

Saturday & Sundays After Masses
Monday's and Friday's CLOSED
Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 - 5:00 pm
Wednesday 8:30am - 4:30 pm

Prayer and Proof



The old saying that *'The proof is in the pudding'* is hard to argue with. What about the Scripture that advises, *'Taste and see that the Lord is good.'* Why would God encourage the taste test only to disappoint? New tasters would be dissuaded by past tasters who were disappointed.

Behaviors that are rewarded are repeated. If a stray dog comes scratching on your back door and in compassion for the cold and hungry animal you feed it, you encourage it to scratch again. The advice of Jesus to *'ask and you shall receive'* carries the same certainty of reward. It appears then that God is simply waiting for requests to honor. These, however must be prayed in Jesus' name.

Ask in, faith, believing you will receive an answer.

Keep on asking until the answer comes. Delayed answers keep us before God longer – Good!

Pray with a scripture promise in mind, e.g. *"Call to me and I will answer you."* (Jeremiah 33:3).

Approach God with thanksgiving and praise.

Remember that prayer doesn't change God; it changes us. Be prepared to change as He directs.

No request is too small or too big.

Join in prayer with someone. Jesus said that if two of us ask, it will be done.

God isn't Santa Claus, seeing who's naughty or nice.

Answers are based on need and grace, not merit.

Keep a journal of your prayers. Check off those He answered. If God is so faithful in answering prayers for yourself, won't He do the same when you pray for others? So, make prayers 50-50. Make them win-win. Continuing prayer is Christian behavior. Doubt and worry are not. Prove God today, Taste and see.

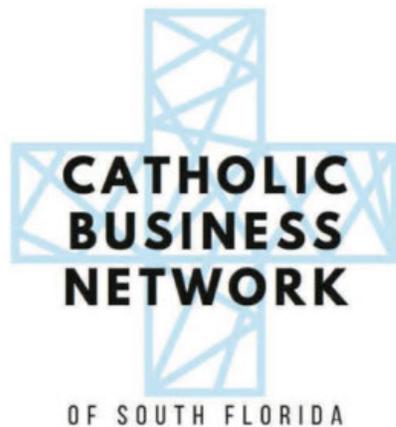
Grand Knight: John Pisula, jpisula@att.net

Joe Cox, Council Lecturer, joecox3000@gmail.com

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