



# EMMANUEL

*God is with us*

**MAY 21, 2023**

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekday Mass

Monday - Thursday:

7:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

Friday:

7:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday:

8:30 a.m.

4:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

5:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday:

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. (Children's Mass)

10:30 a.m.

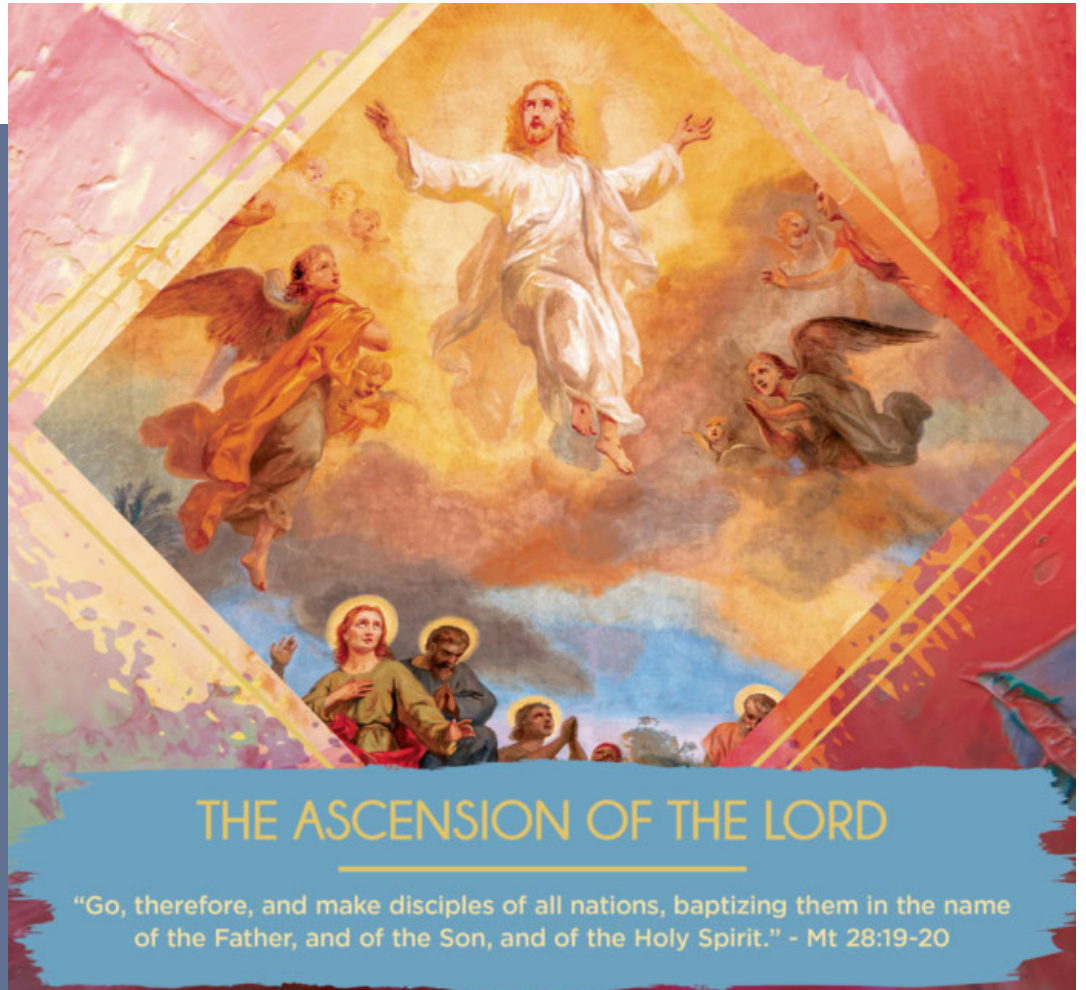
12:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

#### Confession

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Or by appointment




## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:19-20

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## OUR LOCATION

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## Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:00pm | Sat. - Sun. Closed

# WELCOME TO EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## OUR MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church which means, God is with us, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of

life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

## BISHOP OF PALM BEACH

*Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito*

## CLERGY

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora  
Pastor

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro  
Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes  
In Residence

Rev. Fr. Timothy Canaan  
Weekday/Weekend Associate

Rev. Fr. David Carr  
Weekday/Weekend Associate

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

## PARISH STAFF

### Bookkeeper

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### Secretary

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### Parish Pastoral Program Coordinator

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### Property Manager

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## PARISH MINISTRIES

### RCIA & Sacramental Preparation

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

### Religious Education

Jean Krokus Ext. 1005  
[religiouseducation@emmanuelcatholic.church](mailto:religiouseducation@emmanuelcatholic.church)

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Fr. Theo Ihedoro Ext. 1004

### Lectors

Fr. Theo Ihedoro Ext. 1004

### Hospitality / Ushers

Bob Bonney & Chuck Dolce

### Music

Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Clanaven Baldonado & Men's Choir

### Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

### Altar & Clergy Vestments

Maryann DiBiase, Carol Chapman, Nancy McDonald, & Imelda Kirk

### Homebound / Hospital Ministry

Fr. Theo Ihedoro Ext. 1004

### Giftshop

Josephine Joan Ext. 1009

### Blood Drive:

Patti Gomez 561-293-9761

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### Ladies Guild

President Carol Chapman

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Luke VanHove

## PARISH SCHEDULE

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every first Friday from 9:00am - 5:55pm  
 Followed by the 6:00pm Mass  
 Morning Adoration 6:30am - 7:30am (Monday - Friday)

### TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm-7:30pm  
 (after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass  
 or call the parish office

### BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in  
 Advance. Contact Parish Office.

### WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass  
 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

### GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday 8am-1:30pm

**Tuesday Closed**

Thursday & Friday 8am-1pm

**Saturday Closed**

First Sunday of the Month 10:30AM- 1:00PM

Second Sunday of the Month- **Temporarily Closed**

Third & Fourth Sundays of the Month 10am- 1:30pm

**NOTE:** Gift shop will be closed when the parish office  
 is closed

### ROSARY GROUP

Monday-Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

## PARISH EVENTS

### 22 Monday

6:30am Adoration  
 1:00pm Monday at the Movies

### 23 Tuesday

6:30am Adoration  
 10:00am Faith Sharing

### 24 Wednesday

6:30am Adoration  
 4:00pm Soul Core

### 25 Thursday

6:30am Adoration  
 9:00am Anointing of the Sick (in Church)  
 3:00pm Holy Hour for Priests, Religious,  
 Missionaries, & Vocations

### 26 Friday

6:30am Adoration  
 6:30pm Taize

### 27 Saturday

9:00am Confession





# THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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**MAY 21, 2023**

ACTS 1:1-11 | PS 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 | EPH 1:17-23 | MT 28:16-20

There are many things that can bring enjoyment to our lives. Our family and friends, hobbies and career. Do we think of our relationship with God as a source of enjoyment and pleasure though? Oftentimes when people talk about the Church and God they speak about it in terms of obligations. It is the do's and don'ts which most often define our relationship with God and the Church.

One of the best examples of this is the Ten Commandments. While these are of fundamental importance, they are the basics of the faith, we rarely move beyond them. They are like the basic movements that a weightlifter or a dancer needs to learn before they can move on to more advanced movements. Most Christians though never move onto anything more advanced. They never go beyond the basics of the faith, beyond the do's and don'ts.

Finding pleasure and enjoyment in something can only happen as a person grows beyond the basics. In the beginning of studying a language you have to memorize conjugations, lists of vocabulary and rules of grammar. It isn't until you have gone through the pain of mastering these basics that you will be able to find pleasure and enjoyment in a new language. Most Christians stay bogged down in the fundamentals and the basics, struggling their whole lives to improve in these areas.

This is not to say that we forget or don't focus on these fundamentals. A good dancer or weightlifter will still spend large amounts of their time making sure that their base skills stay strong. They do this though so that they stay strong enough to move to higher skill levels with safety and ease.

Most Christians though don't know that there is anything beyond the basics. They are unaware of

the pleasure and delight that relationship with Jesus has to offer. Jesus doesn't want to just give us a list of do's and don'ts. Rather he wants to take us to the heights and depths of life and love. Through relationship with Jesus there is so much more. He wants to give us a love so deep and unimaginable that we could never have even hoped for it.

So while we always need to stay grounded and stay strong in the basics, we should also strive, in the love of Jesus, for the heights. In 1st Corinthians 12:31 St. Paul says this very thing when he says, "Strive eagerly for the higher gifts". These are not things that we attain on our own effort though. These are gifts as St. Paul says. They are gifts which God freely bestows upon those who ask for them. So let us begin to ask for more in our relationship with God. Let us not settle for a relationship of do's and don'ts but rather for the depths of loving relationship with God. Relationship which will bring with it enjoyment, pleasure and delight.



# MAY 21, 2023 - WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

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## 21 SUNDAY

- 7:30am** †Venusto and Clarita Bengua by Rose Baldonado, & †Frank and Mary Palladino by Frank and Barbara Palladino  
**9:00am** †Joseph Massarella by Paula and Tom Rowlett, & 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly 2003 by Al Attard  
**10:30am** Parishioners & Benefactors  
**12:00pm** MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA  
**6:00pm** †Diane Marry by Mark and Bernadette Marry, & †Marianne Gaeta by John Gaeta

## 22 MONDAY

- 7:30am** MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA  
**8:30am** †Sara Lopresti by -----, & †Tim Brisson by Mother

## 23 TUESDAY

- 7:30am** †Joseph Le by Le Family, & \*Betania by Kristin Brooks  
**8:30am** \*Alden DSouza by Family, & †Mr. Vidal by Mr. and Mrs. Siciliano

## 24 WEDNESDAY

- 7:30am** \*Kristin by Kristin Brooks, & †Jennifer Corey Smith by Mom and Dad  
**8:30am** †Vera Margega by Gallegos, Pale, and Rico Family, & †Adele Palumbo by Darcy Mennella

## 25 THURSDAY

- 7:30am** \*Sister Mary Clare by Kristin Brooks, & †Alicia Simpson by Dennis and Judy Smith  
**8:30am** †Judith Watson by Joseph and Joann Tomasco, & †Jane Hall by Linda and Thomas Clayton

## 26 FRIDAY

- 7:30am** \*Emmanuel Religious by Kristin Brooks, & †Joseph Suresh by Nadarajan Family  
**8:30am** †Mary and Bill Walsh by Children and Grandchildren, & †Ken Kunzman by Norm Gross  
**6:00pm** Intentions Of The Presiding Priest

## 27 SATURDAY

- 8:30am** †William Kelly by Christopher and Dory Fircano, & †Pearl and Joseph Budd by Son  
**4:00am** Book of the Dead  
**5:30pm** †Donna Petricone by Husband, & †Andrea and Justo Arencibia by Mom and Dad

## 28 SUNDAY

- 7:30am** †Bob Stott by Fe Stott, & †Henry and Pauline Levandoski by Frank and Barbara Palladino  
**9:00am** †Angelo Falcone by Joe Squicciarini, & †Rosemary Truelove by Carol Schwab  
**10:30am** Parishioners & Benefactors  
**12:00pm** †Baby Michael Lind by Mom, & \*Baby Zoe by Lee Family  
**6:00pm** †Antonia Malandrucolo by Santoro Family, & †Fiorino Salsiri by Santoro Family

## UNSCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS

*Mullen Family	by Bev & Bob
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*Christopher Doubrava & Family	by Bev & Bob
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†Kobe Bryant	by -----
*Christopher Doubrava & Family	by Bev & Bob
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## PRAYER LIST

Mark Valentino  
 Jo-Ann Alsgaard  
 Nicholas Cerino  
 Lillian Fenton  
 Kim Durmer  
 Eugenio Santaella  
 Hermione DeCruz  
 T.J Genzale  
 Michael Manuele  
 Sister Frances Vass OSC  
 Kim Swass  
 Marguerite Dawson  
 Evangeline Ezeilo  
 Mark Sinobio  
 Carver Family  
 Josephine, Daniel Sr.  
 Margaret Hilferty  
 Daniel Carver Sr  
 Gino Carver  
 Gerry Jackson  
 Marty Trahan  
 Amalia Mazzolin  
 Nancy Rossi Smith  
 Brian Howland

## FLOWERS & LIGHTS FOR THE ALTAR

### ALTAR FLOWERS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

### VIGIL LIGHTS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

### SHRINE FLOWERS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

## CLERGY SCHEDULE

### 22 Monday

7:30am Fr. Zamora  
 8:30am Fr. Carr

### 23 Tuesday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
 8:30am Fr. Carr

### 24 Wednesday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
 8:30am Fr. Canaan

### 25 Thursday

7:30am Fr. Zamora  
 8:30am Fr. Canaan

### 26 Friday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
 8:30am Fr. Carr  
 6:00pm Fr. Zamora

### 27 Saturday

8:30am Fr. Theo  
 4:00pm Fr. Canaan  
 5:30pm Fr. Zamora

### 28 Sunday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
 9:00am Fr. Papes  
 10:30am Fr. Carr  
 12:00pm Fr. Carr  
 6:00pm Fr. Zamora

## WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION

May 14, 2023

Offertory Collection:	\$10,899.00
Second Collection:	\$1,311.00
Online:	\$923.53
Mother's Day:	\$2,547.00
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Total:	\$15,680.53

## DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL - 2023



Goal: \$173,000  
 Amount Made: \$120,737.99  
 Remaining: \$52,262.01



## PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

O Lord, I believe and profess that you are truly Christ, Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as a partaker of your mystical supper O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord, be not for

judgement or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body & Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

## MORNING OFFERING

O Jesus,  
through the Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
I offer You my prayers, works,  
joys and sufferings  
of this day for all the intentions  
of Your Sacred Heart,  
in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass  
throughout the world,  
in reparation for my sins,  
for the intentions of all my relatives and friends,  
and in particular  
for the intentions of the Holy Father.  
Amen.

## ST. MICHAEL PRAYER

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.  
Be our protection against the wickedness and  
snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we  
humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the  
Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into  
hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through  
the world for the ruin of souls.  
Amen.

## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples  
to make them fishers of men, let your sweet  
invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me!  
Give young men and women the grace of  
responding quickly to your voice. Support our  
bishops, priests and consecrated people in their  
apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our  
seminarians and to all those who are carrying out  
the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your  
service. Awaken in our community a missionary  
eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your  
harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for  
the lack of pastors, missionaries and people  
dedicated to the cause of the Gospel.  
Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every  
vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls  
us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation.  
Amen.





# PARISH CALENDAR

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# MAY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>01</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>1:00pm-</b> Monday at the Movies	<b>02</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>10:00am-</b> Faith Sharing  <b>7:00pm-</b> Ladies Guild Meeting	<b>03</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Feed the Poor Ministry <b>4:00pm-</b> SoulCore	<b>04</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Anointing of the Sick <b>3:00pm-</b> Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	<b>05</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration  <b>9:00am - 5:50pm</b> First Friday Adoration	<b>06</b> <b>10:00am-</b> First Communion
<b>07</b> <b>9:00am-</b> Knights of Columbus Mass  <b>2:00pm-</b> Diocese Marian Fest	<b>08</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>1:00pm-</b> Monday at the Movies	<b>09</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>10:00am-</b> Faith Sharing <b>7:00pm-</b> Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting	<b>10</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>10:30am -</b> Ladies Guild Installation of New Officers Mass & Lunch <b>4:00pm-</b> SoulCore	<b>11</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Anointing of the Sick <b>3:00pm-</b> Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	<b>12</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration <b>6:30pm-</b> Taizé	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <b>9:00am-</b> Ladies Guild Mass	<b>15</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration  <b>1:00pm-</b> Monday at the Movies	<b>16</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>10:00am-</b> Faith Sharing <b>7:00pm-</b> Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting	<b>17</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Feed the Poor Ministry <b>4:00pm-</b> SoulCore	<b>18</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Anointing of the Sick <b>3:00pm-</b> Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	<b>19</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration <b>6:30pm-</b> Taizé <b>6:30pm-</b> Knight at the races	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration  <b>1:00pm-</b> Monday at the Movies	<b>23</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>10:00am-</b> Faith Sharing <b>7:00pm-</b> KoC Gen. Meeting	<b>24</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration <b>12:00pm-</b> Ladies Guild directors meeting <b>4:00pm-</b> SoulCore	<b>25</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Anointing of the Sick <b>3:00pm-</b> Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	<b>26</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration <b>6:30pm-</b> Taizé	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>6:30am -</b> Adoration <b>1:00pm-</b> Monday at the Movie	<b>30</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration <b>10:00am-</b> Faith Sharing	<b>31</b> <b>6:30am-</b> Adoration <b>9:00am-</b> Feed the Poor Ministry <b>4:00pm-</b> SoulCore			



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH 09



Congratulations to the '23-'24 Emmanuel Ladies' Guild Officers!

The installation of officers took place at a Mass on Wednesday May 10th, celebrated by Fr. Zamora. Officers are:

Barbara- Ann Rossi: Corresponding Secretary

Gail Nardiello: Recording Secretary

Nancy McDonald: 1st Vice President

Carol Chapman: President

Absent: Evelyn Baroni: Treasurer

If you are interested in joining the Ladies' Guild please contact Carol Chapman

[cchapman33463@gmail.com](mailto:cchapman33463@gmail.com)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## Vacation Bible School- Summer 2023



Hi Parents! Send your kids on an out-of-this-world adventure! At Stellar VBS, kids shine Jesus' light! Stellar is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Sciency-Fun Gizmos™, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings®. Get ready to hear that phrase a lot! Please make sure to mark your child's size on the registration form! Volunteers welcome. Call the office for more details! So what are you waiting for fill out the application and let your child have an out of this world good time at Emmanuel VBS 2023! Scan for registration form!



Congratulations to our newly baptized child  
Welcome to the Catholic Church and to our  
Parish Family!  
Aria Angeline

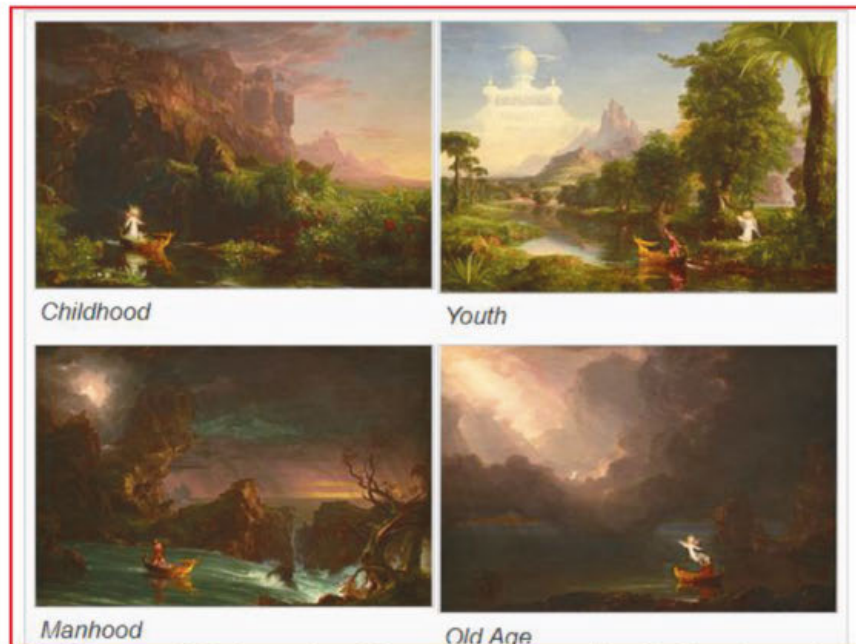






Do you have an incredibly special person  
you want to remember in an incredibly special way?  
**Memorialize your loved one!**

Emmanuel Catholic Church is currently offering opportunity to dedicate six pieces of Fine art, including Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame, separate canvas with story to match the art. Placed in our church and a leaf on or giving tree in memory of the person of your desire.



**The Voyage of Life** is a series of four paintings created by the American artist Thomas Cole in 1840 and reproduced with minor alterations in 1842, representing an [allegory](#) of the four stages of human life. The paintings, **Childhood**, **Youth**, **Manhood**, and **Old Age**, depict a voyager who travels in a boat on a river through the mid-19th-century American wilderness. In each painting the voyager rides the boat on the River of Life accompanied by a [guardian angel](#). The landscape, each reflecting one of the four [seasons of the year](#), plays a major role in conveying the story. With each installment the boat's direction of travel is reversed from the previous picture. In childhood, the infant glides from a dark cave into a rich, green landscape. As a youth, the boy takes control of the boat and aims for a shining castle in the sky. In manhood, the adult relies on prayer and religious faith to sustain him through rough waters and a threatening landscape. Finally, the man becomes old and the angel guides him to heaven across the waters of [eternity](#).

Contact Jerome Plummer 561-247-5448 or email at [jp@bcs1.net](mailto:jp@bcs1.net)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## The Voyage of Life

1. **Childhood** - \$1,000.00 Gift /Leaf on Tree  
Finished Size 25.5" x 17.5" Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame



2. **Youth** - \$1,000.00 Gift /Leaf on Tree  
Finished Size 25.5" x 17.5" Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame



3. **Manhood** - \$1,000.00 Gift /Leaf on Tree  
Finished Size 25.5" x 17.5" Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame



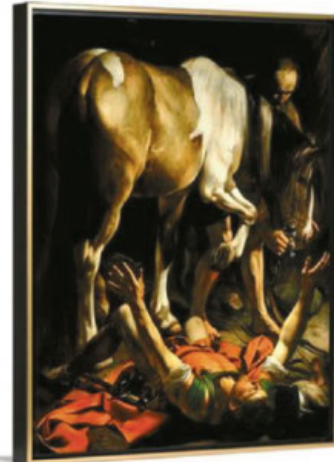
4. **Old Age** \$1,000.00 Gift /Leaf on Tree  
Finished Size 25.5" x 17.5" Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame



5. **The Calling of St. Matthew**  
by Caravaggio  
\$2,000.00 Gift /Leaf on Tree  
Finished Size 25.5" x 17.5" Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame



6. ~~The Conversion of St. Paul, 1601~~  
~~\$2,000.00 Gift /Leaf on Tree~~  
Finished Size 31.5" x 41.5" Solid-Faced Canvas, Gold Floating Frame





## STORY OF SAINT RITA OF CASCIA

**FEAST DAY: MAY 22ND**

Like Elizabeth Ann Seton, Rita of Cascia was a wife, mother, widow, and member of a religious community. Her holiness was reflected in each phase of her life.

Born at Roccaporena in central Italy, Rita wanted to become a nun but was pressured at a young age into marrying a harsh and cruel man. During her 18-year marriage, she bore and raised two sons. After her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons had died, Rita tried to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Unsuccessful at first because she was a widow, Rita eventually succeeded.

Over the years, her austerity, prayerfulness, and charity became legendary. When she developed wounds on her forehead, people quickly associated them with the wounds from Christ's crown of thorns. She meditated frequently on Christ's passion. Her care for the sick nuns was especially loving. She also counseled lay people who came to her monastery.

Beatified in 1626, Rita was not canonized until 1900. She has acquired the reputation, together with Saint Jude, as a saint of impossible cases. Many people visit her tomb each year.

### **Reflection**

Although we can easily imagine an ideal world in which to live out our baptismal vocation, such a world does not exist. An "If only ...." approach to holiness never quite gets underway, never produces the fruit that God has a right to expect. Rita became holy because she made choices that reflected her baptism and her growth as a disciple of Jesus. Her overarching, lifelong choice was to cooperate generously with God's grace, but many small choices were needed to make that happen. Few of those choices were made in ideal circumstances—not even when Rita became an Augustinian nun.

### **Patron Saint of:**

Difficult Marriages  
Impossible Causes  
Infertility  
Parenthood



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Congratulations to all of Emmanuel's First Communion Students who received Jesus for the First time. We pray that every time these 30 students take communion, may the Lord bless these children and may they feel the loving embrace of Jesus with them every single day. They have reached a very special milestone and accomplishment and on behalf of Ms. Sandra and Ms. Domenica, we are very proud of each and every one of them. It has been a wonderful year watching them grow in their faith and in their confidence. We look forward to seeing them move up into our program and working towards their Confirmation in years to come. We pray their parents will bring them to mass each week so their relationship with Jesus will grow and their faith will deepen each time they receive communion.





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