

EMMANUEL gad with us

JUNE 11, 2023 ISSUE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass <u>Monday - Thursday:</u> 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.

<u>Friday:</u> 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 6:00 p. m.

Weekend Mass <u>Saturday:</u> 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. * 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p. m



Confession
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Or by appointment.
* Children's mass

PRAYER FOR
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE
MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(CORPUS CHRISTI)

O LORD JESUS CHRIST,
YOU WHO HAVE GIVEN US
YOUR PRECIOUS BODY
AND BLOOD TO BE OUR
MEAT AND DRINK,
GRANT THAT THROUGH
FREQUENT RECEPTION
OF YOU IN THE HOLY
EUCHARIST, I MAY BE
STRENGTHENED IN MIND
AND BODY TO DO YOUR
HOLY WILL, AMEN.

What's New Inside

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New to "Quick Response" codes? Check out this quick tutorial now! Open your phone camera. Point the focus to the QR code, like these images on either side. As the QR image sharpens, a window prompt opens, with the lines and text in yellow, saying "Open in Chrome". On click, a browser window will take you to an expanded source of reference.



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.

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

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Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

Altar & Clergy Vestments

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

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Patti Gomez 561-293-9761

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies GuildPresident 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

12 Monday

6:30am Adoration

1:00pm Monday at the Movies

13 Tuesday

6:30am Adoration 10:00am Faith Sharing

14 Wednesday

6:30am Adoration 4:00pm Soul Core

15 Thursday

6:30am Adoration

9:00am Anointing of the Sick (in Church) 3:00pm Holy Hour for Priests, Religious,

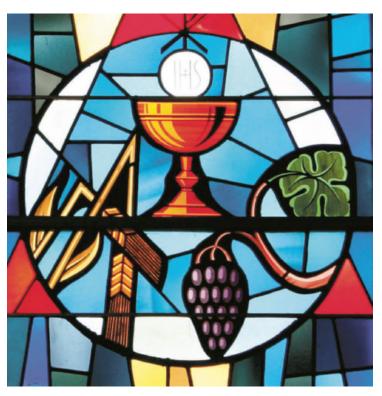
Missionaries, & Vocations

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17 Saturday

9:00am Confession



PENTACOST SUNDAY

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JUNE 11, 2023

DT 8:2-3, 14B-16A | PS 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 | 1 COR 10:16-17 | JN 6:51-58

THE HOBBIT WENT TO HOLY COMMUNION

J.R.R. Tolkien was the creator of the great fantasy world of Middle Earth. The greatest and most well known of his stories to take place in this world being the Lord of the Rings and the Hobbit. I'm sure many of you have either read the books or watched the movies. These tales of adventure, friendship, love and sacrifice fascinate and inspire all of us because the truths that they speak about are truths that we all desire in our lives. We all desire a love story similar to Aragorn and Arwen, the faithful friendship of Sam and Frodo, or the grand adventure of their epic tale to destroy the Ring of Power. The imaginative genius of J.R.R. Tolkien

can seem daunting at times and you can wonder where he got all the inspiration for his stories.

In a letter to his son Christopher, Tolkien reveals the secret of his inspiration and the source to which goes to fulfill all the incredible things we see in his stories. It is the Eucharist. He writes to his son that, "I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Eucharist. There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves on earth, and more than that..." This is quite the statement to make, especially from a man like Tolkien.

The reason that I bring this up is that we are celebrating the Solemnity of the Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ today. If we follow what Tolkien says, then we will begin to understand that, when we come forward to receive communion, we are receiving the fulfillment of all our desires for romance, honor, glory, fidelity, etc. Everything that we could hope for or desire are found in Jesus and, in the Eucharist, we take Jesus into us and we are taken into him.

How often do we think of Jesus as the fulfillment of all the desires of our life? How often do we let him draw close enough to touch us and give us the deepest longings of our hearts? This is the reality that Tolkien is trying to tell his son about. Nothing else in this life, no matter how good it is, will fulfill these desires. Your spouse will not fulfill all your desires for romance, nor your friends for fidelity and friendship. Your titles and accomplishments will leave you wanting and feeling unfulfilled. Only Jesus will give you the honor and glory that your heart yearns for.

So on this feast of the Most Precious Body and Blood of Jesus, the feast of the Eucharist, will we let Jesus begin to enter into our lives and our hearts and fulfill in even greater ways than we could imagine, the depths of our hearts? He is desiring to give us so much more than we could ever hope for.

I would encourage each of you this week to try and stop by the Church once or twice a week for 10 or 15 minutes and sit in silence before Jesus in the tabernacle. Let him begin to fulfill all your desires for love, romance, honor, glory, friendship and fidelity. He will give us everything and more.

JOE STEGER



DISCUSSION

Need to know more about discernment and what qualities you might not have that you need to work on? Scan this code and grow more!

Pearls are formed when an irritant, such as a bit of food, a grain of sand, bacteria, or even a piece of the oyster's mantle becomes trapped in its mouth. To protect itself, the oyster secretes the substances aragonite (a mineral) and conchiolin (a protein), which are the same substances it secretes to form its shell. The composite of these two substances is called nacre, or mother-of-pearl. The layers are deposited around the irritant and it grows over time, forming the pearl.

If we were all to look back over the course of our lives, would we be able to trace the present character of our resolve back to the first instances of our trials? How do we compare to the oyster, even if only in the context of purpose?

Did we make pearls?

Were we fortunate enough to meet our own Tolkiens and listened enough for an easier journey? Or did we end up taking a bite into the proverbial apple, and stumbled too often?

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH 05

PLEASE NOTE:

The cells colored **BLACK** indicate prayers for the faithful dead. The cells that are colored GREEN denote prayers for encouragement and thanksgiving.

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11	SUNDAY		SUNDAY 11								
7:30 AM	GRATEFUL FOR BLESSINGS	CHRISTINA GRESCHLER		JAY HELGERSON	JOAN EARHART						
9:00 AM	WILLIAM SPENCE	MARGARET SPENCE		ROSARY GROUP AT ABBEY DELRAY SOUTH BY LORI DAVA							
10:30 AM	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACT			CEORGE AUGARN							
12:00 PM	MSGR. LEN BADIA	BARBARA ROSSI		GEORGE AHEARN		BARBARA FRANZESE					
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7:30 AM	GUILLERMO MOTTA	RICE-MOTTA FAMILY		PATTI NARDIELLO SPEDALE		MARK & GAIL VLASEK					
8:30 AM	IRENE D'ANNUCCI	DEACON RICHARD & PAT		LOUISE DON		ROSEMARY &DAVID PARNIGO					
13	TUESDAY			TUESDAY 13							
7:30 AM	RAMON IGNACIO PALMERO	SON		ANTHONHY DONCOVIE	CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN						
8:30 AM	MARK & GAIL VLASEK	SELF		TERESA STEELE		PAT & JOE					
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8:30 AM	KAREN RACITI by ROSEMA	RIE & DAVID PARNIGONI		W. VANCE VLASEK GAIL & MARK VLASEK							
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7:30 AM	JUAN PERAZA	WIFE		LOUISE COVELLO	GARY & BARBARA MORRIS						
8:30 AM	JEANNETTE FARLAND	FAMILY		GERALD & PATRICIA CAOUETTE	FAMILY						
16	FRIDAY	National Contract		FRIDAY 16							
7:30 AM	FERNANDO RODRIGUEZ	MARTINA DEBOISE				GARY & BARBARA MORRIS					
8:30 AM	JOHN STEARNS NARDIELLO	MARK & GAIL VLASEK		MELISSA ALTMANN	TOM & CLARA DEPKO						
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UNSCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS								
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Francine Maltucci	Rose Manuele							
Michael Manuele	Mom							
Paul & Nora Manuele	Mom							
Rhonda Nardiello	Dorothy Deedy							
Herman Guzman	Dorothy Deedy							
Lisa Marie Presley	Alba Barbosa							
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Black is for the faithful dead

Green is for life & thanks

FLOWERS & LIGHTS FOR THE ALTAR

ALTAR FLOWERS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

VIGIL LIGHTS

For the late Msgr. Len Badia By Barbara Rossi

SHRINE FLOWERS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

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WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION

May 28, 2023

Offertory Collection: Second Collection:

Online: Mother's Day: \$8,805.00 \$2,026.00 \$1,148.35

Total:

\$14,166.35





DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL - 2023

Goal: \$173,000 Amount Made: \$123,557.99 Remaining: \$49,442.01

This QR code leads to the DSA donation page. If you are an Emmanuel parishioner wanting to donate to the DSA online, please make sure to click on **Emmanuel Catholic Church** from the dropdown menu.





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.

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.

JUNE 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURS		THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
				6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	6:30am- Adoration 9:30am-4pm Children's VBS 9:00am-5:50pm First Friday Adoration	9:30am-4pm Children's VBS		
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Do you know all you know about the Eucharist? Check off what you know through the word game below!

The Celebrant's Challenge Down Which man's trial foreshadowed Jesus' bodily sacrifice for us? 2 The english word for the the Latin "Sacramentum". Two words: He introduced the heresy that because 3. the Mass is a banquet it cannot also be a sacrifice? 5. The accidents of Breead and Wine 8. In a word, what is the best preparation a Christian can do to receive the Eucharist? 9 ----substantiation is the change of the whole substance of bread into the substance of the Body of Christ and of the whole substance of wine into the substance of His Blood His passion informs his homilies, and infuses his masses to the tune of "Oh Sacrament, most holy..." If you ask him, he'll mostly say he's just half the sound of a church bell. All we know, and pretty certain about it, is that he cares deeply and is a worthy servant-leader of our parish ministry 16 Its purpose is to renew God's covenant with his people What is strongly referred to as the proper home of the Bible? 19 Color of the robe that Jesus wore at crucifixion. When he's feeling it, he can sing like Goliath. He commutes in a carr he's been heard to humorously refer to as a "chick mobile." We're not quite sure if he prays the Hail Mary while driving The dogma of the Real Presence was affirmed at which Council?

Across

- A Eucharistic miracle commonly reported is that of the ------ Host.
- The OT prophet who prophesied about a perfect sacrifice tht would be made throughout the earth.
- In the Bible, "New Testament" refers to this; the very sacrifice of the Body and Blood of the Lord.
- 10. What is the Eucharist a sacrament of?
- Comes from the Latin "sacrum facere," which means to make something (or someone) holy.
- Shy and reserved, but he strides through his homilies in a way that strongly reminds you of the ties that bind. He coordinates our homebound and hospital ministry

- The first purpose of receiving the Eucharist is to ----each of us to God.
- he reminds us with every mass he leads how SHALOM can break down any ice and obstacle in our spiritual journey
- 21. The literal meaning of "Eucharist".
- 22. Which day of the Holy week did Jesus Christ institute the Eucharist?
- 24. What did St. Justin Martyr rely on to preaching the Eucharist?
- It is a visible human action through which God works; an outward and visible sign bringing God's grace to us.

Wishing all fathers at Emmanuel and beyond, an advance Happy Fathers' Day from all of us in our faith community. May you live strong!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

10 EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH



Our Stellar VBS Camp 2023 held June 2nd-4th was a STELLAR SUCCESS thanks to all of our volunteers and the leadership of Dr. Sindhu Nadarajan and Nitya Mathew! They spent countless hours to coordinate the volunteers, the set up band this wonderful program for our elementary school kids.

"We honor God when we serve others. His desire was for us to use our diverse types of gifts from Him to benefit those around us" 1st Corinthians 12:4-6.

We are blessed to have such amazing talented volunteers who all lended their gifts to work together and share the fun with our campers. A shout out and thank you to all of our volunteers who made this camp possible:

Amanda Abraham Neha Joseph **Bethany Rook** Daniel Rook Michelle Pullorkunnel Abigail George Nitya Mathew Sindhu Nadarajan John Nadarajan Rosie Nadarajan Jacinta Nadarajan Gianna Nadarajan Jerome Antony Geoff Merz Alvin. Kalappurackal Theresa Antony Tanishtha Kurrikalot **Judy Ward** Xena Periera Rayna Periera Jobe Cenkar Madeline Cenkar Theresa Mathew Geo Roncy Hima Raju Carolyn Selwocki Nicole Prado Angela Shultz Eddie Shannon Carl Dejano Mike Necela Juanita Marin Castro Clare Haiikes Michael Kirk Jithin & Yamile George Michael Capizola Nicholas Capizola Joe Capizola Valerie Benvenuto



These individuals were key to transforming the space into a stellar production, to preparing snacks and lunches for all participants, creating t-shirts, sourcing & preparing all the supplies, being crew leaders, station leaders and the list goes on. May we all say a prayer of thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ for these volunteers who have heard his calling and use their talents and gift of discipleship to share with our most precious children.

I am personally grateful for all those who helped and most of all for Father Zamora. Thank you for greatly supporting and promoting these wonderful family activities for our parish. I also want to thank you, our parishioners, for your generosity which helps support us financially and prayerfully. I welcome you to see the fun we had by using the QR code attached for a 2023 Stellar VBS Camp Video

Jean Krokus





ONE EXCITING ADVENTURE IN FAITH AND TRAVEL

Two Itinerary Options

October 8 to 20 2023 Leaving From Palm Beach Beach/Miami Rev. Alex Vargas

THE HOLY LAND, KINGDOM OF JORDAN, AND ITALY

For those who have been to I then you should join men Kingdom where God granted of the Promised Land befor home to Heaven. We will also lost city of wonders and a W Site.

If this is your first Pilgrimage to The Holy Land, then I want to lead you to sacred places of Jesus' birth, ministry, death, and Resurrection.



REUNITED FOR ITALY

Then Jordan and the Holy Land groups will rejoin to explore magical Italy: San Giovani Rotondo, the Amalfi Coast, the Island of Capri, Naples, Monte Casino, Pompey, and much more.

Pray and Sign up Today for a Trip of a Lifetime.

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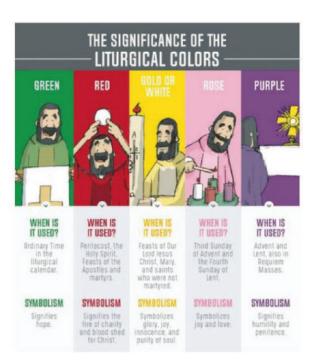
Pope Francis

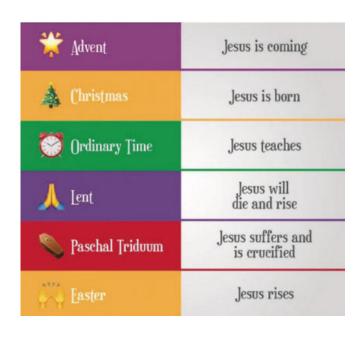
At one of the first calls Pope Francis made as a newly elected pope: "Good morning, I am Pope Francis and I would like to speak to the Father General," he said to the receptionist of the Jesuits.

And the young religious replied, "Yes, and I'm Napoleon!"



LITURGY INFOGRAPHICS









STORY OF SAINT JOHN FRANCIS REGIS

FEAST DAY: JUNE 16

Born into a family of some wealth, John Francis was so impressed by his Jesuit educators that he himself wished to enter the Society of Jesus. He did so at age 18. Despite his rigorous academic schedule, he spent many hours in chapel, often to the dismay of fellow seminarians who were concerned about his health. Following his ordination to the priesthood, John Francis undertook missionary work in various French towns. While the formal sermons of the day tended toward the poetic, his discourses were plain. But they revealed the fervor within him and attracted people of all classes. Father Regis especially made himself available to the poor. Many mornings were spent in the confessional or at the altar celebrating Mass; afternoons were reserved for visits to prisons and hospitals.

The bishop of Viviers, observing the success of Father Regis in communicating with people, sought to draw on his many gifts, especially needed during the prolonged civil and religious strife then rampant throughout France. With many prelates absent and priests negligent, the people had been deprived of the sacraments for 20 years or more. Various forms of Protestantism were thriving in some cases while a general indifference toward religion was evident in other instances. For three years, Father Regis traveled throughout the diocese, conducting missions in advance of a visit by the bishop. He succeeded in converting many people and in bringing many others back to religious observances. Though Father Regis longed to work as a missionary among the Native Americans in Canada, he was to live out his days working for the Lord in the wildest and most desolate part of his native France. There he encountered rigorous winters, snowdrifts and other deprivations. Meanwhile he continued preaching missions and earned a reputation as a saint. Upon entering the town of Saint-Andé, one man came upon a large crowd in front of a church and was told that people were waiting for "the saint" who was coming to preach a mission. The last four years of his life were spent preaching and organizing social services, especially for prisoners, the sick and the poor. In the autumn of 1640, Father Regis sensed that his days were coming to a conclusion. He settled some of his affairs and prepared for the end by continuing to do what he did so well: speaking to the people about the God who loved them. On December 31, he spent most of the day with his eyes on the crucifix. That evening, he died. His final words were: "Into thy hands I commend my spirit."

John Francis Regis was canonized in 1737.

Reflection

John longed to travel to the New World and become a missionary to the Native Americans, but he was called instead to work among his own compatriots. Unlike many famous preachers, he isn't remembered for golden-tongued oratory. What people who listened to him heard was his own fervent faith, and it had a powerful effect on them. We can recall homilists who impressed us for the same reason. More importantly for us, we can also remember ordinary people, neighbors and friends, whose faith and goodness touched us and brought us to deeper faith. That is the calling most of us must follow.



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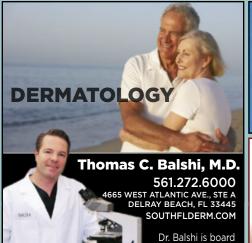
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