



# EMMANUEL

*God With Us*

JULY 30, 2023

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Welcome!*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekday Mass

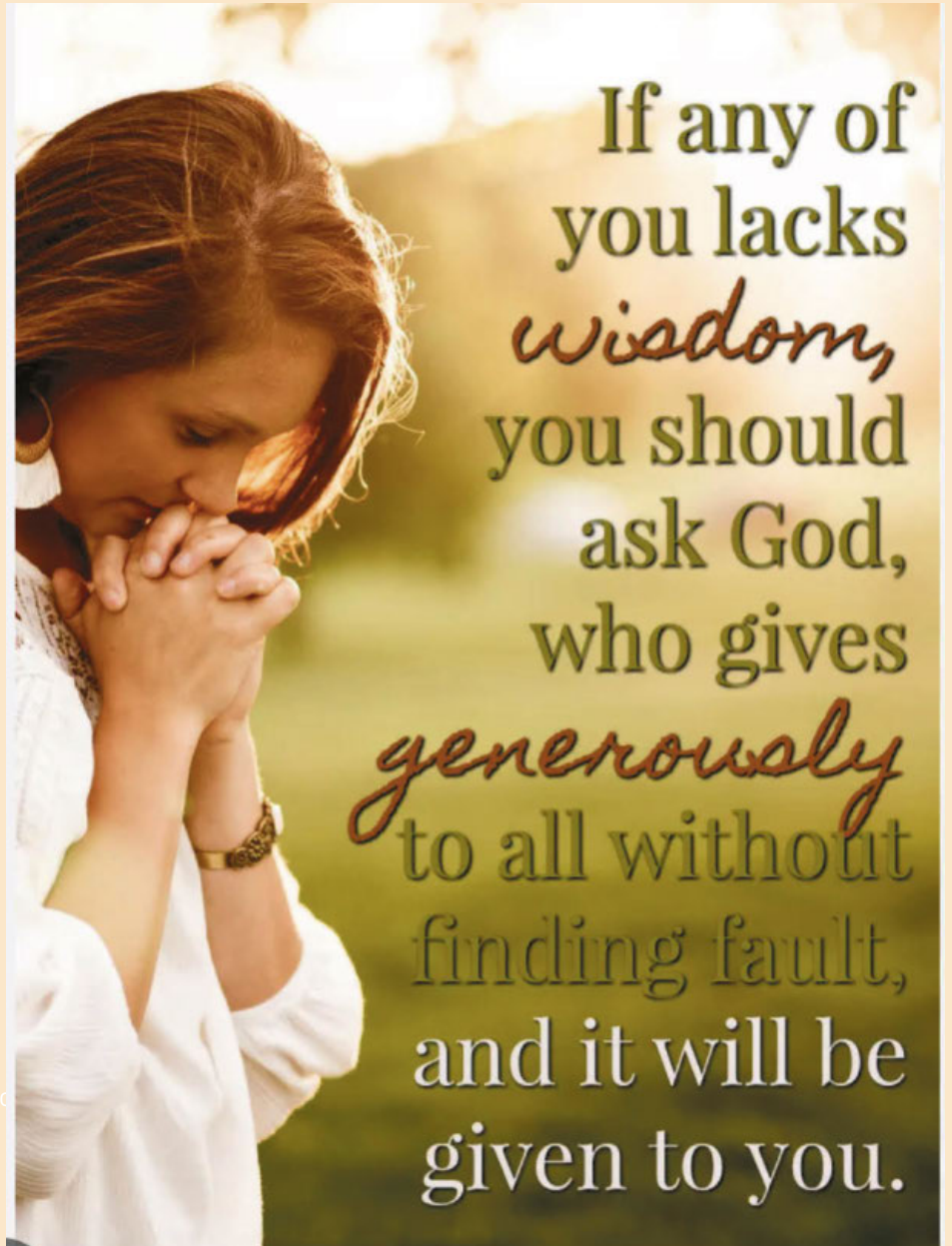
Mon - Thurs | 7:30a, 8:30a |  
Fri 7:30a, 8:30a, 6:00p

### Weekend Mass

Saturday | 8:30a,  
Vigil 4:00p, Vigil 5:30p  
Sunday | 7:30a, 9:00a,  
10:00 (CM)  
10:30a, 12:00p, 6:00p

### Confession

Saturday | 9:00a  
Other | By Appointment



If any of  
you lacks  
*wisdom,*  
you should  
ask God,  
who gives  
*generously*  
to all without  
finding fault,  
and it will be  
given to you.

**Highlights.** Sister Mary Clare has a message for all of us in Page 5. It's all about the School of Christian Formation and enrollment updates in page 6. Check page 10 for an important update on the proposed Holy Land Tour 2024. July 30 is Fr. Theo's 30 Year anniversary since his 1993 ordination. Carmella Donnino's 90th on Page 11. Much more. Check out this issue to take home with you and, per Fr. Zamora, READ IT!

# PARISH INFORMATION

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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

#### Director of Finance

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#### Secretary

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#### Receptionist

Rose Marie Baldonado Ext. 1000 [receptionist@emmanuelcatholic.church](mailto:receptionist@emmanuelcatholic.church)  
& Christine Wilkens

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### OCIA & 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,

### 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

### 31 Monday

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

### 01 Tuesday

6:30am Adoration  
10:00am Faith Sharing

### 02 Wednesday

6:30am Adoration  
4:00pm Soul Core

### 03 Thursday

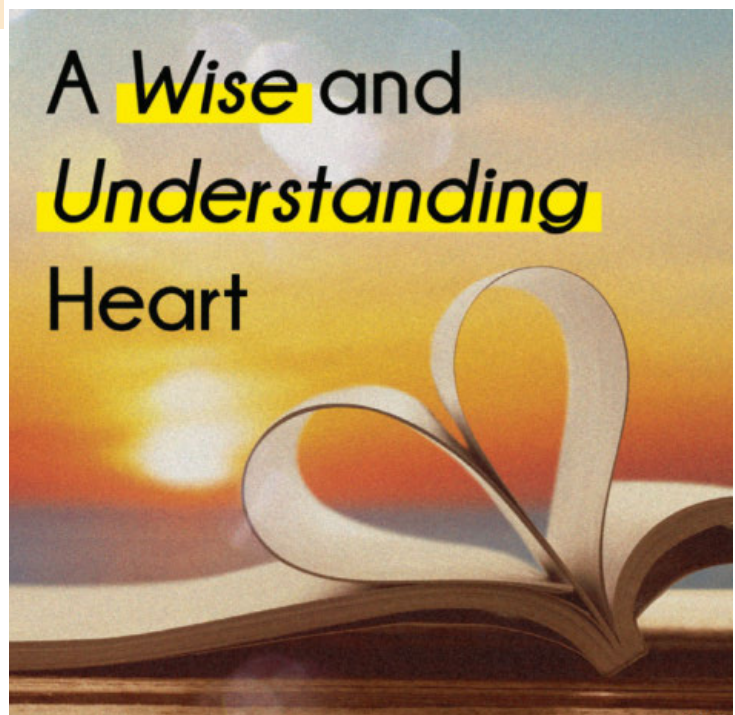
6:30am Adoration  
9:00am Anointing of the Sick (in Church)  
3:00pm Holy Hour for Priests, Religious,  
Missionaries, & Vocations

### 04 Friday

6:30am Adoration  
6:30pm Taize

### 05 Saturday

9:00am Confession





### SO SHALL THE WORLD KNOW YOU"

EX 24:3-8 | PS 50:1B-2, 5-6, 14-15 | ROM 8:26-27 | JN 11:19-27

All you need to do is turn on the television or read a news article and pretty much all you'll see are divisions and disagreements in society and politics. People who disagree with each other claiming to be conservatives or liberals. Demonizing the opposing side and making them out to be evil incarnate. This sort of rhetoric has not restricted itself to the political sphere though. It has even seeped into the Church and people identify themselves. You will hear people say that I am a conservative/traditional Christian or I am a progressive/open minded Christian. The adoption by Christians of these sorts of titles is very dangerous though.

What is the danger in taking on these titles within the Church though? Shouldn't we distinguish ourselves from those we disagree with in defense of our own belief? The danger is not so much in claiming a title for the sake of distinguishing oneself from people that you disagree with. The problem is that those titles begin to define your identity. As Catholic Christians we don't believe that our identity comes from being either conservative or liberal, traditional or progressive. Our identity comes through our baptism and our living relationship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We are not defined and should not give our thoughts, beliefs, feelings and lives over to political and social movements. As disciples we surrender ourselves to only one thing. The love of Jesus Christ. Every other thing in this world, what we think, how we act, the words we use, the choices we make are supposed to be the result of our lives being completely yielded to the person of Jesus Christ.

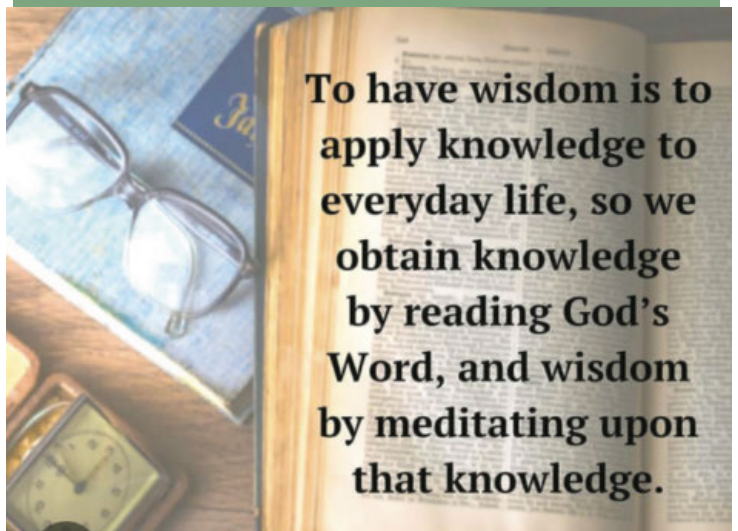
Through a relationship with Jesus, the Father and the Holy Spirit we will begin to think and feel like God does. It is a transformation that will take the whole of our lives. It is not something that will happen overnight. But if you consistently choose to trust Jesus, and his body which is the Church, then everything about who you are will be changed.

This means that your priorities, your beliefs, even how you walk and what you wear will change. Jesus leaves no part of our lives unchanged. He transforms it all. Whereas before you may have thought abortion was alright or contraception was appropriate once you meet Jesus and follow his Church you can't accept that anymore. Once you meet Jesus you can't abuse the natural world for your own selfish gain without calling down condemnation upon yourself. Each side of the political spectrum has certain beliefs that align with Christ and his Church and each one has areas where they are opposed to him.

So what we are called to do as Christians is not let ourselves be sucked into the debates and yelling matches of political and social battles. As St. Paul says, "do not be conformed to this present age" Romans 12:2. Instead we must turn our eyes upon Jesus and receive who we are and what we believe from him.

**Joe Steger**

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# JULY 30, 2023 - WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH 05

SCHEDULED				
DATE	TIME	BENEFICIARY	ST	REQUESTER
31-Jul	7:30 AM	FRANK CORRENTI	†	PAT LEID
		CHARLES & ROBERT PACIENZA	†	NIECE
	8:30 AM	SISTER BERNADETTE	†	SISTER BARBARA
		SISTER MARY ANN COLLINS		SISTER BARBARA
1-Aug	7:30 AM	RICHARD ASBURY	†	ANN ASBURY
		MARIE RAPISARDI	†	LADIES GUILD
	8:30 AM	LIBERATION OF HAITI		CASSAGNOL FAMILY
		FERDINAND D'CRUZ		HERMOINE D'CRUZ & FAM
2-Aug	7:30 AM	SKEHAN FAMILY		LISA VARGAS
		BLAIR SMITH	†	ALBA BARBOSA
	8:30 AM	RUSSELL & THERESE SYLVESTRE		FAMILY
		JAMES FANUZZI	†	
3-Aug	7:30 AM	LOUISE CIOPPA	†	JUDY CIANCIOILLI
		BLAIR SMITH	†	ALBA BARBOSA
	8:30 AM	ELIZABETH FORCE	†	
		HERMAN GUZMAN	†	BARBARA ROSSI
4-Aug	7:30 AM	MONICA, BONITA, FELIPE TOBIA	†	IMELDA & MIKE
		DEBRA SERVIDIO	†	LILLIAN FENTON
	8:30 AM	LOUISE CIOPPA	†	ANN: FRANK AMORASANA
5-Aug	6:00 PM	FOR PRIESTS		
5-Aug	8:30 AM	NONAN - STOTT FAMILY	†	FE STOTT
5-Aug	4:00 PM	BOOK OF THE DEAD		
5-Aug	5:30 PM	DONNA PETRICONE	†	HUSBAND
		ANICIA FRADILLADA	†	NILD & MARIA GALANG
		MARIA HERNANDEZ DE GAVINO	†	GAVINO FAMILY
		RAMON TAVAREZ	†	ESTEBANIA BREA
6-Aug	9:00 AM	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS		BLESSED COUNCIL
		FRANK GIAQUINTO	†	WIFE MARGIE GIAQUINTO
6-Aug	10:30 AM	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS		
			†	
			†	
			†	
6-Aug	12:00 PM	MARY & BILL WALSH	†	CHILDREN/GRANDCHILDREN
		JOSEPH GREVE	†	MELKE FAILY
		ALFRED BUKOWSKI	†	BUKOWSKI FAMILY
	6:00 PM	COZ FAMILY		

UNSCHEDULED		
ST	BENEFICIARY	REQUESTER
†	LARRY PRICE	DANA
†	JOHN DWYER	JEANNE MCBRIDE
†	MANUEL ROSARIO	MARY & FRANK EARDLEY
†	JAMES STRAND	DIANA
†	STAN AKUS	BILL & CARMELA SNOW
	MARTHA RICE-MOTTA	FRAN & SUSAN
†	JOSEPH D/SOUZA	RUDDOLF & MARY D'SOUZA
†	LORNA FERNANDES	RUDDOLF & MARY D'SOUZA
†	ROBEERTR ISENHOWER	CINDY HOWARD
	VANEESSA GAMMA	MOM

PRAYER LIST		
Nancy Rossi Smith		T. J. Genzale
Brian Howland		Michael Manuel
Kathryn Fonseca		Sr. Frances Vass OSC
Andres Fonseca		Marguerite Dawson
Robert Wieder		Sam Falcone
Vivian		Patricia Golstein
Gary Petilio		Taylor Dosh
David & John		Marilyn Martino
Helen Cruz		Gulshan Modena
Shelly Fiorini		Betty Powers
Carol Cella		Garrett Hadcock
Lenore Curatolo		Maggie Dolan
Anthony Smith		Amelita Coz-Zarraga
Jo-Ann Alsgaard		Heather Martin
Raphael Roman		Kathleen Mezaros
Ronald G. Griffiths		John Sullivan

"Say a prayer for me, as well, will you? As I do the same thing for you and Emmanuel!"

- Sister Mary Clare





## FLOWERS & LIGHTS FOR THE ALTAR

### ALTAR FLOWERS

\*Sister Mary Clare by Barbara Rossi

### VIGIL LIGHTS

+ Peter Silvestri by Wife

### SHRINE FLOWERS

\* Anthony Paparo by Barbara Rossi

## DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL - 2023



**Goal: \$173,000**  
**Amount Made: \$131,782.99**  
**Remaining: \$41,217.01**

## WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION

June 24, 2023

Offertory Collection:	\$79,513.00
Second Collection:	\$1,981.00
Online:	690.78

Grand Total:	\$24,242.23
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### Update on the School for Christian Formation!

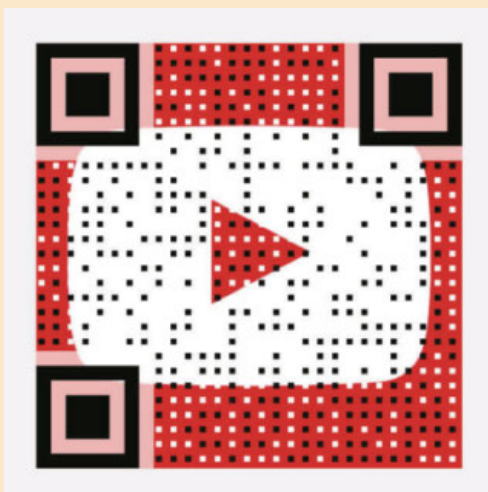
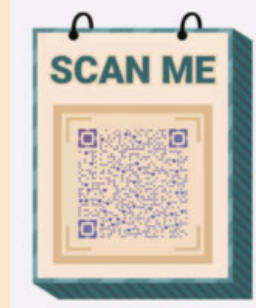
Registration will open the first day of class. (Including payment and receiving the book). So, people do not need to call or come to the parish office ahead of time for anything. They just show up at 2:00pm on the first day of class.

Here at Emmanuel the instructor for all 4 courses will be Elizabeth Potito.

For important details, either follow these instructions to manually navigate by your favorite internet browser

- \* Type out [www.diocesepb.org](http://www.diocesepb.org)
- \* At the tabs on top, hover over 'Ministries/Offices'
- \* Hover over 'Ministries'
- \* Hover over 'Ministerio Hispano'
- \* Click 'School of Christian Formation'

OR use your phone camera on this direct link



**GRADUATION 2024**  
 AGENTS OF EVANGELIZATION  
**RETREAT**  
 Saturday April 27, 2024  
 7:30 AM-2:30 PM  
 Cathedral St. Ignatius of Loyola  
 Palm Beach Gardens

**CEREMONY**  
 Wednesday, May 15, 2024  
 6:00 PM  
 Cathedral St. Ignatius of Loyola  
 Palm Beach Gardens

Those that are learned shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they instruct many to justice, as stars for all eternity" Daniel, 12:3

Knowing our scriptural, historical, and theological foundations is fundamental for all Catholics.  
 I highly encourage you to take part of this wonderful program offered by the Diocesan School of Christian Formation. You will learn to evangelize with love and wisdom, and to live by the example of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito**  
 Bishop of Palm Beach

**MORE INFORMATION**  
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 Armando I. Garcia, Coordinator  
[agarcia@diocesepb.org](mailto:agarcia@diocesepb.org)  
[www.diocesepb.org/school-of-christian-formation](http://www.diocesepb.org/school-of-christian-formation)  
 9905 N. Military Trail, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33412  
 (561) 779-9544  
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**ONLINE CLASSES**  
[www.searchlighttv.com](http://www.searchlighttv.com)

**SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

**DIocese of Palm Beach**

**AUGUST 2023 – MAY 2024**



## 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.

## PROTECTION FROM STORMS

God our Father, Creator of the Universe and Lord over all creation, we humbly stand before You as Your children in thanksgiving for Your loving care and protection.

We ask that You keep us safe from all hurricanes which may threaten us in the coming seasons.

Protect us from all fear and anxiety of storms and give us an ardent trust and hope in Your love and mercy. You alone have the power to command the sea, the wind and the rain.

You alone bring peace, calm and safety.

Father, we thank You in advance, for You are our only refuge. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mary, Queen of the Apostles and patroness of our diocese, pray for us.

## 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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## AUGUST 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Fr. Theo ordination Anniv		<b>01</b> 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing 7:00pm- Knights of Columbus Officers Meetin	<b>02</b> 6:30am -Adoration 9:00am- Feed the poor 4:00pm- SoulCore 6:30pm - Ladies Guild	<b>03</b> 6:30am -Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 10:00 - B.S. 3:00pm- Holy Hour	<b>04</b> 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- First Fri Adoration (church) 6:30pm- Taizé	<b>05</b>
<b>06</b> 9:00am- Knights of Columbus Mass	<b>07</b> 6:30am -Adoration 1:00pm- Monday at the Movies	<b>08</b> 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing 7:00pm- Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting	<b>09</b> 6:30am -Adoration 9:00am- Feed the poor 4:00pm- SoulCore 6:30pm - Ladies Guild	<b>10</b> 6:30am -Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 10:00 - B.S. 3:00pm- Holy Hour	<b>11</b> 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- First Fri Adoration (church) 6:30pm- Taizé	<b>12</b> 9:00am - Lady Cistercians meeting (small classroom)
<b>13</b> 9:00am- Ladies Guild Mass	<b>14</b> 6:30am -Adoration 1:00pm- Monday at the Movies	<b>15</b> 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing 7:00pm- Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting	<b>16</b> 6:30am -Adoration 9:00am- Feed the Poor Ministry 4:00pm- SoulCore	<b>17</b> 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	<b>18</b> 6:30am- Adoration 6:30pm- Taizé 6:30pm- Knight at the races	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 6:30am -Adoration  1:00pm- Monday at the Movies	<b>22</b> 6:30am -Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing 7:00pm- KoC Gen. Meeting	<b>23</b> 6:30am- Adoration 12:00pm- Ladies Guild directors meeting 4:00pm- SoulCore	<b>24</b> 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	<b>25</b> 6:30am- Adoration 6:30pm- Taizé	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:30am - Adoration 1:00pm- Monday at the Movie	<b>29</b> 6:30am- Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing	<b>30</b> 6:30am- Adoration 9:00am- Feed the Poor Ministry 4:00pm- SoulCore	<b>31</b>		



## Grace

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## Holy Eucharist

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Actual	Grace	Penance
Assistance	Habitual	Prayer
Baptism	Helps	Sacramental
Confirmation	Holy Orders	Sacraments
Enlightens	Holy Spirit	Salvation
Eucharist	Interior	Sanctifying
Extreme Unction	Interventions	Second Grace
First Grace	Invisible	State of Grace
Gift	Jesus Christ	Supernatural
God	Matrimony	

Adoration	Holy Communion	Sacerdotal Power
Altar	Holy Eucharist	Sacred Host
Benediction	Host	Sacrifice
Blessed Sacrament	Jesus Christ	Sin
Blood	Last Supper	Tabernacle
Body	Mass	Transubstantiation
Bread	Monstrance	Viaticum
Bread of Life	Mystery	Victim
Calvary	Passion	Wine
Ciborium	Priest	Worship
Consecration	Priesthood	
Faith	Propitiatory	
Grace	Real Presence	



## Pilgrimage to Israel Discovery

with **Option 1** -- Three-Night **Jordan Post-Tour** Extension  
with **Option 2** -- Three-Night Pilgrimage to **Rome Pre-Tour** Extension

### April 3 - 11, 2024

Special Travel Presentation by Collette  
Pilgrimage to Israel Discovery  
April 3, to April 11, 2024

**Presentation Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 in Columbus Hall at 6:00 pm**

Collette will provide a travel presentation and answer any questions you may have regarding the upcoming trip to Israel. Please note that Father Theo will be accompanying us on this trip as our Chaplain and will say daily mass.

- Prices are per person based on double occupancy and guaranteed through September 27, 2023:
  - Double: \$4,249
  - Single: \$5,149
  - Triple: \$4,219
- Deposit: \$698 per person due upon booking reservation
- Optional Insurance: \$449.00 per person due upon booking reservation. Optional insurance not available after reservation is made.
- Deposits are refundable up until October 4, 2023
- Final payment is due on February 3, 2024
- If you purchased optional insurance and cannot go on trip after the final payment is made money is refundable for any reason, (except the cost of the insurance).
- To book your reservation, go online to:

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1185546>

For further details on this trip,  
point your phone camera to the QR code  
to the right, follow the prompt to your  
browser, and check out all the discounts, planned  
stopovers for the trip, etc. You can also take a  
photo of the same QR code to share with friends!

OR for other inquiries, send me an email to  
[cchapman33463@gmail.com](mailto:cchapman33463@gmail.com)





Fr. Theo was ordained for the Archdiocese of Owerri, Nigeria in 1993. Served at various parishes as Vicar and Pastor. Taught at our Minor Seminary-St. Peter Claver for two years before going to Dublin, Ireland for post graduated studies. He was assigned to Emmanuel Catholic Church in 2003, to date.

Fr. Theo says, "I thank God for the grace of the priesthood and the opportunity to serve Him and His people."

Fr. Ihedoro's hobbies include: tennis, basketball, soccer and reading, among many others.

Fr. Theo echoes this St. Francis prayer every day, even as he works to grow daily in his application of it. "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

Celebrating Carmella Donnino. A wonderfully fearless and generously loving person. A parishioner for 30 years. Four different times as Ladies Guild president. Happy 90th!





# CELEBRATION OF LIFE GALLERY

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## SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

**FEAST DAY: AUGUST 1**

Moral theology, Vatican II said, should be more thoroughly nourished by Scripture, and show the nobility of the Christian vocation of the faithful and their obligation to bring forth fruit in charity for the life of the world. Alphonsus, declared patron of moral theologians by Pius XII in 1950, would rejoice in that statement.

In his day, Alphonsus fought for the liberation of moral theology from the rigidity of Jansenism. His moral theology, which went through 60 editions in the century following him, concentrated on the practical and concrete problems of pastors and confessors. If a certain legalism and minimalism crept into moral theology, it should not be attributed to this model of moderation and gentleness.

At the University of Naples, Alphonsus received a doctorate in both canon and civil law by acclamation, at the age of 16, but he soon gave up the practice of law for apostolic activity. He was ordained a priest, and concentrated his pastoral efforts on popular parish missions, hearing confessions, and forming Christian groups.

He founded the Redemptorist congregation in 1732. It was an association of priests and brothers living a common life, dedicated to the imitation of Christ, and working mainly in popular missions for peasants in rural areas. Almost as an omen of what was to come later, he found himself deserted after a while by all his original companions except one lay brother. But the congregation managed to survive and was formally approved 17 years later, though its troubles were not over.

Alphonsus' great pastoral reforms were in the pulpit and confessional—replacing the pompous oratory of the time with simplicity, and the rigorism of Jansenism with kindness. His great fame as a writer has somewhat eclipsed the fact that for 26 years he traveled up and down the Kingdom of Naples preaching popular missions.

He was made bishop at age 66 after trying to reject the honor, and at once instituted a thorough reform of his diocese. His greatest sorrow came toward the end of his life. The Redemptorists, precariously continuing after the suppression of the Jesuits in 1773, had difficulty in getting their Rule approved by the Kingdom of Naples. Alphonsus acceded to the condition that they possess no property in common, but with the connivance of a high Redemptorist official, a royal official changed the Rule substantially. Alphonsus, old, crippled and with very bad sight, signed the document, unaware that he had been betrayed. The Redemptorists in the Papal States then put themselves under the pope, who withdrew those in Naples from the jurisdiction of Alphonsus. It was only after his death that the branches were united.

At 71, Alphonsus was afflicted with rheumatic pains which left incurable bending of his neck. Until it was straightened a little, the pressure of his chin caused a raw wound on his chest. He suffered a final 18 months of "dark night" scruples, fears, temptations against every article of faith and every virtue, interspersed with intervals of light and relief, when ecstasies were frequent.

Alphonsus is best known for his moral theology, but he also wrote well in the field of spiritual and dogmatic theology. His *Glories of Mary* is one of the great works on that subject, and his book *Visits to the Blessed Sacrament* went through 40 editions in his lifetime, greatly influencing the practice of this devotion in the Church.

### Reflection

Saint Alphonsus was known above all as a practical man who dealt in the concrete rather than the abstract. His life is indeed a practical model for the everyday Christian who has difficulty recognizing the dignity of Christian life amid the swirl of problems, pain, misunderstanding and failure. Alphonsus suffered all these things. He is a saint because he was able to maintain an intimate sense of the presence of the suffering Christ through it all.

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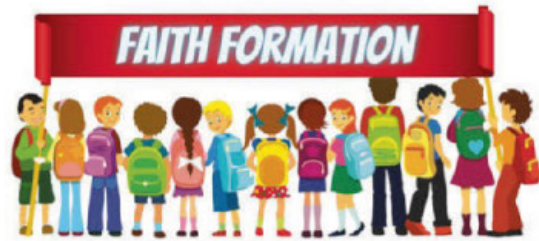


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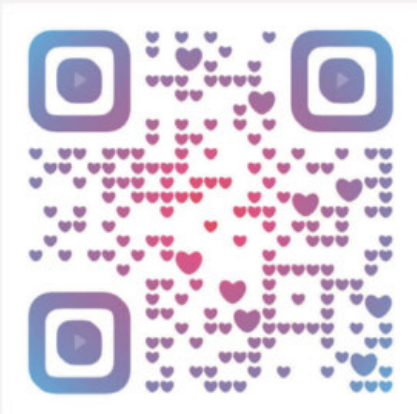
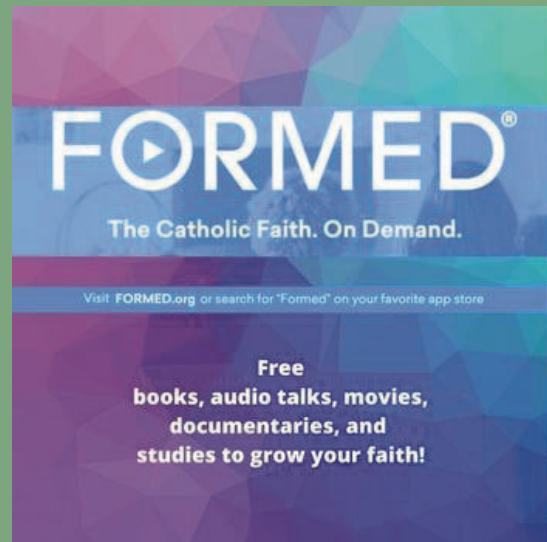
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