



# EMMANUEL

*God With Us*



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**I WILL  
COME BACK  
TO YOU.**

— JOHN 14:28 —

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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**PRAY FOR VOLUNTEERS**

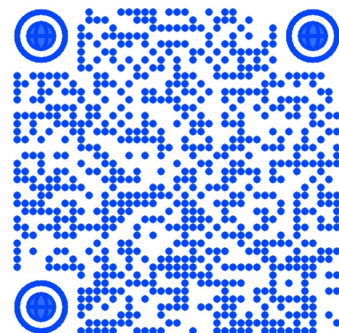
"Lord, please bring volunteers to serve at VBS. Fill their hearts with your love and patience to be poured out upon the kids. Give them strength, health, and an overwhelming joy to serve! We pray that our volunteers are given the opportunity to help children experience you and that they would grow closer to you!"



**MAY 26, 2025**

**WE REMEMBER**

**MEN'S RETREAT SEP 26-28**  
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# 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.

## CLERGY

### Pastor

**Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora**

### Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

### In Residence

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes

### Weekday/Weekend Associates

Rev. Fr. Timothy Canaan

Rev. Fr. David Carr

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

## PARISH MINISTRIES

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### Hospitality / Ushers

Bob Bonney & Chuck Dolce

### Music

Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Men's Choir

### Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

### Altar & Clergy Vestments

Carol Chapman, Nancy McDonald,

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Fr. Theo Ihedoro | Ext. 1004

## PARISH STAFF

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### Finance Council

### Parish Council

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### Ladies Guild

President Nancy McDonald

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Bob Budd

### Legion of Mary

President Maude Cassagnol





## PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

### 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-1:00pm**

**Tuesday Closed**

Thursday & Friday **8am-1pm**

**Saturday Closed**

4th Sunday of the Month **10:00AM- 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

## SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Inquiries regarding possible adjustments (to date or time) of scheduled parish events or activities this week should be addressed to the parish office during business hours. Call us at **561.496.2480**.

## PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, May 26

#### MEMORIAL DAY (office is closed)

6:30A..... Adoration

6:00P..... Legion of Mary

### Tuesday, May 27

6:30A..... Adoration

10:00A..... Faith Sharing

7:00P..... KoC General Meeting

### Wednesday, May 28

6:30A..... Adoration

4:00P..... SoulCore

### Thursday, May 29

6:30A..... Adoration

9:00A..... Anointing of the sick

3:00P..... Holy Hour

6:30P..... AA Meeting

### Friday, May 30

6:30A..... Adoration

6:30P..... Taize

### Saturday, May 31

9:00A..... Confession

### Sunday, June 01

9:00A..... KoC Mass



Bon Voyage to all the folks who left on 5/18 for the Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes sponsored by the Emmanuel Ladies Guild with Fr. Theo as their Chaplin! May they have safe travels, enjoy their time away, and make many new friends along the way! God bless you all!!!

# PARISH LIFE

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### CLERGY & MASS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, May 25

7:30A Fr. Zamora    9:00A Fr. Carr  
10:30A Fr. Carr    12:00P Fr. Zamora  
6:00P Fr. Zamora

#### Monday, May 26

7:30A Fr. Zamora    8:30A Fr. Carr

#### Tuesday, May 27

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Papes

#### Wednesday, May 28

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Papes

#### Thursday, May 29

7:30A Fr. Zamora    8:30A Fr. Timothy

#### Friday, May 30

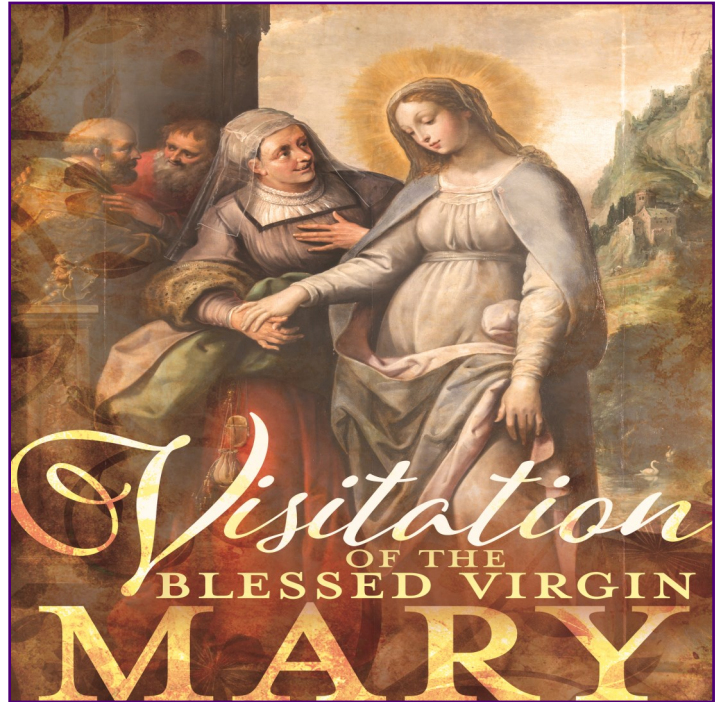
7:30A Fr. Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Timothy  
6:00P Fr. Theo

#### Saturday, May 31

8:30A Fr. Theo    4:00P Fr. Carr  
5:30P Fr. Carr

#### Sunday, June 01

7:30A Fr. Zamora    9:00A Fr. Timothy  
10:30A Fr. Timothy    12:00P Fr. Theo  
6:00P Fr. Theo



### OUR GIFTS TO GOD

#### May 11, 2025

First Collection	\$ 12,637.00
Second Collection	\$ 1,229.00
Online (05/11)	\$ 2,861.30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,727.30</b>

#### May 18, 2025

First Collection	\$ 13,595.00
Second Collection	\$ 2,520.00
Online (05/17)	\$ 5,267.04
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 21,382.04</b>

### DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

#### March 27, 2025

Goal Amount for Emmanuel	\$185,000.00
Current	\$ 101,799.09
Remaining Balance	\$ 83,200.91

**Thank you all for your continued support and generosity!**





# WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 26—JUNE 01, 2025 | 05

## SCHEDULED INTENTIONS

### Monday, May 26

7:30am †Francisco Santiago by Joseph & Caterina Stasolla

8:30am †Donna Petricone by Husband

†Frank Kennell by Sheila & Paul Walshin

†Mary & Bill Walsh by Children

### Tuesday, May 27

7:30am †Jane A. Fuscaldo by Vincent & Mary Ann Oriolo

8:30am \*Beverly & Vanessa Gama by Mom

†Louis John Vingelli III by Adam & Michelle Cohen

†Marano Family by Elisa & Kevin McDonnell

### Wednesday, May 28

7:30am †Bob Stott by Fe Stott

8:30am †Baby Michael Lind by Mom

\*Carisema Saint Jean & Family by Carisema Saint Jean

†Rose Leirer by Geri Mocerì

### Thursday, May 29

7:30am \*Evelyn Santiesteban by Elsa Caraballo

8:30am \*Evelyn Santiesteban/birthday by Evelyn Santiesteban

\*Lukas & Elaine Wohlfarth by Alex Lee

†Anthony Taglienti by Maria & Tony Farazoli

### Friday, May 30

7:30am \*William Buenconsejo by Family

8:30am †Edward Fiorenza by Loving Wife

6:00pm FOR PRIESTS

\*Tabor Slaughter by Alex Lee

†Bob & Vicki Stimolo by Vicki Melito

FOR PRIESTS

### Saturday, May 31

8:30Am †Theresa Antao by Christina

4:00pm BOOK OF THE DEAD

5:30pm †Robert A. Trahan by Family

†Anthony & Trevor Antao by Christina

BOOK OF THE DEAD

†Patrice J. Wolfson by Mary & Ed Hochman

### Sunday, June 01

7:30am \*Liberation of Haiti by Cassagnol Family

9:00am \*Knights of Columbus by Blessed Mother Council 1333A

10:30am PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

12:00pm †All Souls in Purgatory by Soledad Robinson

6:00pm †Bukowski-Urbanowicz Families by Family

†Leo DeBiase by Paolina DeBiase

†Alan & Colleen Transleau by Transleau Family

PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

†Anthony Taglienti by Maria & Tony Ferazoli

†Matilde Rodriguez by Victor Rivera

## UNSCHEDULED

†Helen Crespi by Carol Schwab

\*Margie Prendergast by Carol Schwab

\*Griffin Bates/healing by Margie Prendergast

\*Griffin Bates/healing by Margie Prendergast

\*Griffin Bates/healing by Margie Prendergast

\*Kimberly Summas by Diana

†Judith Kinkela by Lori Davanzo

\*Joann Sansone/healing by Clara Depko

ALTAR FLOWERS

VIGIL LIGHTS

SHRINE FLOWERS

**Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers: For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness:**

**For men and women in the Armed Forces, and their families: AND FOR ALL LISTED BELOW**

Joe Delagami	Diane Daniels	Debra Serritella
Rose Marie	Carmen Jones	Anthony Spirito
Regner	Bill Hamilton	Rhea Reacher
Michael Manuele	Ralph Senese	Doug Rodgers
Carla Ruiz	Ramona	Doris Vourinen
Benjamin Robelo	Ash Gaballah	SrVeronique DCSO
Karen McCarty	Karen Ramey	Danny Berciles
T.J. Genzale	Mary Ann	Eleanor Hemmer
Dave Ruiz	Lisa Payne	Joseph Lauria
Victoria Robelo	Marilyn Green	Judy Lew
Ms. S.	Joseph	Ernie Skelton
Rose Borsella	Salamone	Carlotta
Lexie Helgersen	Maria Amaro	Josefa & Dolores
David Smeraldo	Aniela Ignaczak	Echavarria
Janette Cole	Lillian Campayno	Amparo Longalong
Steven Martin	Terry Schwinge	Annie Lee
Sikes	Tom D'Amico	Eugene Langel
Gianna Pagan	Gabriel Zamora	Delma Langel
Mary Loveland	Vincent Blum	William Ward
Sam Falcone	Ricardo Blum	Cindy Free
Patricia Golstein	Gina Marie B.	Gaetano Sansone
Taylor Dosh	Cohen	Alexis Thompson
Marilyn Martino	David Strompf	Griffin Bates
Gulshan Modena	Sal Hanono	Miriam Teixeira
Maggie Dolan	Heather Smith	Kevin Marshall
Amelita Coz-	Jason Smith	Andrea Anastasi
Zarraga	Ronald Merhige	John & Alma
Heather Martin	Roshan	Gardner
Ronald Griffiths	Karen Jensen	Elaine Garofano
Margie Giaquinto	Cynthia Martin	Julia Lea
Maria Fernandez	Garry Solomon	Buddendorf
Raphael Roman	Ilda Sosa Botero	Albertina Hughes
James Ezeilo	Carlos Tobon	Dale Hillman
Brenda Ezeilo	Jill Forshey	Kamm Trumble
Cynthia Martin	Gerry Santilli	Karen Liljedahl
Francis Martin	Gail Hill	Linda Beamish
Hermoine D'Cruz	Chrissie Budrick	Quinn Morris
Brigitte Knops	Frank Dazzo	Henry Morris
Toni Kreamer	Dina Quelch	Marcia Riopol
Gerry Gerhard	Stewart Librizzi	Mumtaz Begum
Euclides Cerutti	Thomas Land	Bruce Renz
Samuel Gonzales	Agatha Saccio	Olga Gamble
Victorio	Robert Albertson	Lance Joseph
Ray Wolff	Rafael Botero	Michelle Pierno
Ida Giannettina	Albert Fernandes	John Wilmere
Josette Weber	Romano Britney	Keith Johnson
Ann Cavaseno	Closson Jeanette	Betty Lou Johnson
Charles C. Tufano	Gallegos Adriana	Christine Thurman
Angela Discepola	Elejalde Oswaldo	Connie Panepinto
Anna Halford	Cesar Monasterio	Edwin Villarosa
Sal Yanello	Michael Cecere	
Victor Rivera	Jahaziel Roldan	
William Lindner	Abigail Chin-Lenn	
Lisa Della Femina	Gertrudis Rivera	
Maria E. Quiñones	Martinez	
Mercado	Merrill Tucker	
	Maggie Dazzo	
	Martha Gutzman	
	Noah Altherios	

**PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION .** 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 I partake of your mystical supper, O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord be not for judgment 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 and Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL** St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR 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 and illness which may threaten us in the coming seasons. Protect us from all fear and anxiety 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.

**PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY.** Almighty God We stand before you in supplication, Asking Your Divine mercy and protection, To envelop with Your invincible armor, Our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength Against all enemies, Both spiritual and physical, And hasten their safe journey, Back to their homes and families. If it be Your Holy Will That they be gathered to Your bosom, With the eternal vanguard of the saints, Let their journey to Your everlasting arms Be swift and painless, Where they may stand in honor and glory, Praising You for all eternity. Amen



**TO ALL CONCERNED:** Please help us maintain the Prayer Requests Column with timely status updates. Thank you all!



## THE SCARS BEAR WITNESS

I have always wondered why Jesus, in spite of his resurrection and assumption of a glorious body, still bore the scars of his wounds in his hands, feet and heart. There were scars on his head where he was crowned with thorns; scars on his face where he received blows from the soldiers; scars on his back where he received severe lashing; scars on his knees when he fell on the ground.

I came across a poem by Rev Charles Cook entitled "Scarred People are Beautiful". This somehow explains the presence of scars in Jesus' body even after his resurrection.

*I've been hurt, Lord. I have trusted and been betrayed sometimes. I have loved and received nothing in return. I have tried hard to care and failed often. I have shared my secrets and heard them whispered to others. I have been warm and received a cold shoulder. Look Lord, I'm all covered with scars.*

**My son, maybe you haven't understood enough; Maybe you haven't learned that human life is like that; all the saints are scarred. I know that many people stop loving**

**so they won't be hurt again. The great people are those who continue to love with their scars and they are beautiful people.**

Dear Friends, let us look at ourselves, at our parents, at our husbands and wives. Over the years of struggle and hurts, we are full of scars and our human beauty may be gone. But if we come to think of it, all the more we radiate with beauty. Real beauty is not in the face. This will fade away. It emanates from the scars etched by serving and loving. These will remain living testimonies of how we have lived our discipleship with Christ, the Lord who is beautiful, because he is full of scars — Fr. Zamora



## Saint of the Week - St Philip Neri

(July 21, 1515 – May 26, 1595)

At an early age, Philip abandoned the chance to become a businessman, moved to Rome from Florence, and devoted his life and individuality to God. After three years of philosophy and theology studies, he gave up any thought of ordination. The next 13 years were spent in a vocation unusual at the time—that of a layperson actively engaged in prayer and the apostolate.

As the Council of Trent (1545-63) was reforming the Church on a doctrinal level, Philip's appealing personality was winning him friends from all levels of society, from beggars to cardinals. He rapidly gathered around himself a group of laypersons won over by his audacious spirituality. Initially, they met as an informal prayer and discussion group, and also served poor people in Rome.

At the urging of his confessor, Philip was ordained a priest and soon became an outstanding confessor himself, gifted with the knack of piercing the pretenses and illusions of others, though always in a charitable manner and often with a joke. He arranged talks, discussions, and prayers for his penitents in a room above the church. He sometimes led "excursions" to other churches, often with music and a picnic on the way.

Some of Philip's followers became priests and lived together in community. This was the beginning of the Oratory, the religious institute he founded. A feature of their life was a daily afternoon service of four informal talks, with vernacular hymns and prayers. Giovanni Palestrina was one of Philip's followers, and composed music for the services. The Oratory was finally approved after suffering through a period of accusations of being an assembly of heretics, where laypersons preached and sang vernacular hymns!

After spending a day hearing confessions and receiving visitors, Philip Neri suffered a hemorrhage and died on the feast of Corpus Christi in 1595. He was beatified in 1615 and canonized in 1622. Three centuries later, Cardinal John Henry Newman founded the first English-speaking house of the Oratory in London.

## Reflection

Many people wrongly feel that such an attractive and jocular personality as Philip's cannot be combined with an intense spirituality. Philip's life melts our rigid, narrow views of piety. His approach to sanctity was truly catholic, all-embracing, and accompanied by a good laugh. Philip always wanted his followers to become not less but more human through their striving for holiness.

# Liturgical Life

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** I think of the walls of heavenly Jerusalem, so high and so sturdy, guarded so scrupulously by God's strongest angels. These walls are not barriers. They are shields. They are arms, encircling us, gathering us in.

### My Peace I Give to You

When John has a vision of heavenly Jerusalem, he sees walls.

"A massive, high wall," to be more precise. In the modern lexicon, walls have a negative connotation; we use them as metaphors for all that is exclusionary and rigid. But throughout much of history, walls have meant something very different. In the ancient world, walls meant safety.

Walls meant peace.

"My peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you," Jesus tells his disciples in today's Gospel. "Not as the world gives do I give it to you."

So what's the difference between the peace we know in the world, and the peace we know in Christ?

Well, I would argue that the difference is that the peace we know in Christ *exists*. We know no real peace in this world. Sometimes, we witness a sort of mirage of peace — something *like* it, but just a little off, and always on the horizon, never within reach.

Peace, to me, means rest. It means quiet. It means the absence of confrontation, of conflict, of anxiety. But I can't actually experience any of that in this life, not in a substantial way. I can rest — but I never really feel rested. I can retreat to a room by myself to have silence, but someone always knocks on the door, and even if they don't, my thoughts get pretty loud.

And boy oh boy, are those thoughts full of confrontation. Full of anxiety, full of conflict. Wherever I go to find peace, the world finds *me* and banishes it.

I think of the walls of heavenly Jerusalem, so high and so sturdy, guarded so scrupulously by God's strongest angels. These walls are not barriers. They are shields. They are arms, encircling us, gathering us in.

In Christ alone can we find peace in this world.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that?

### Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

Why do Catholics need to go to Mass every Sunday?

#### Answer:

The heart of the Church's instruction that we are to attend Mass on Sundays goes back to the Third Commandment: "Take care to keep holy the sabbath day as the LORD, your God, has commanded you" (Deuteronomy 5:12). Although the Jewish People celebrate the Sabbath on Saturday, the first generations of Christians began to observe the sabbath on Sunday, recognizing how important it is for Christians to celebrate the day that Jesus rose from the dead. As the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults observes, "Sunday extends the celebration of Easter throughout the year ... It makes present the new creation brought about by Christ" (364).

The focus of our Sunday should be the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass. This is our time to be formed by God's Word and nourished at the table of the Lord, becoming prepared to live out and share our faith in the week that follows. In his encyclical, *Dies Domini*, Pope Saint John Paul II reminded us that Christians "cannot live their faith or share fully in the life of the Christian community unless they take part regularly in the Sunday Eucharistic assembly" (no. 81). This is why the Church teaches us that Sunday Mass is a non-negotiable part of being a Christian (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2192).

Beyond being a time of worship, we should also remember that Sunday is intended to be a day of rest, when we make time for recreation, for sharing meals, and enjoying the company of friends and family. Sunday is given to us as a day to take stock of and enjoy the blessings that God has given us (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2187). Pope Francis reminds us, "The day of rest, centered on the Eucharist, sheds its light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor" (*Laudato Si'*, no. 237).



## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

If you keep free of these,  
you will be doing what is right. (Acts 15:29)

#### Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)  
Or: Alleluia.

#### Second Reading:

The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it,  
for the glory of God gave it light,  
and its lamp was the Lamb. (Rv 12:23)

#### Gospel:

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.  
Not as the world gives do I give it to you." (Jn 14:27)

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### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Thomas needed proof to believe the amazing things that had happened. God, in His mercy, gave him that proof — but it was up to Thomas to accept it. Do we accept the proof we see of God's love every day?

### Observances for the week of May 25, 2025

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter  
**Monday:** St. Philip Neri, Priest; Memorial Day  
**Tuesday:** St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop  
**Thursday:** The Ascension of the Lord (holy day of obligation in some U.S. dioceses);  
 St. Paul VI, Pope  
**Saturday:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Next Sunday:** The Ascension of the Lord;  
 7th Sunday of Easter;  
 World Communications Day



### Devotions, *Explained!*

Our Lady of Perpetual Help is both a title of the Blessed Mother as well as a corresponding icon that dates to the late Middle Ages, both of which present Mary as a source of strength and comfort for Christ and his followers.

### Prayer for Peace

Fill us with Your peace, Lord, as you promised in Your word.  
 Peace in our comings and goings,  
 Peace that You are working and moving,  
 Peace for what has happened, the places we find ourselves today, and in the future to come.  
 Amen.

## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of May 25, 2025

#### Sunday:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/  
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

#### Monday:

Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and  
9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a

#### Tuesday:

Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/  
Jn 16:5-11

#### Wednesday:

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/  
Jn 16:12-15

#### Thursday:

Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Jn 16:16-20

*Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9  
(6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/  
Lk 24:46-53

#### Friday:

Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
Jn 16:20-23

#### Saturday:

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3,  
4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

#### Next Sunday:

Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/  
Jn 17:20-26

*Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9  
(6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/  
Lk 24:46-53



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### Gospel Meditation

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Jonathan Haidt's 2024 book entitled "The Anxious Generation" argues that today's kids are marked by significant increases in anxiety, as the title suggests. Smartphones, social media, economic uncertainty, the chaos of a global pandemic, fear regarding climate change, and the so-called "meaning crisis" all contribute to strikingly high levels of anxiety in young people today. I'm a bit older than this generation, but I feel it, too. The world can be too much to handle.

The Gospel this week offers a stunning solution for troubled souls. To his overwhelmed and anxious disciples, the risen Jesus says, **"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you" (John 14:27)**. His peace is that of the one who was overwhelmed on the cross and then conquered death by the power of his divinity, his bond of love with the Father. He offers us this unshakeable peace.

Of course, mental illness does not magically disappear because of the risen Jesus. But he does walk with us and offer us his peace in the midst of our suffering. The peace the world gives is not like his because it is weak, uncertain, and self-generated. Jesus' peace is strong, sure, and given as a gift from God. He gives it to us amid our anxiety. Will you receive it as a gift? I hope so. He wants to fill the hearts of this generation with his peace.

— Father John Muir





Pregnant and parenting moms are in our parishes and neighborhoods and need our assistance! We can help by supporting the pregnancy centers and maternity homes right in our local community.

Please help the *Walking with Moms in Need Campaign 2025*  
as we collect **DIAPERS** for pregnant moms!

*Walking with Moms in Need* is a year-long campaign for our community to “walk in the shoes” of local pregnant and parenting women. Catholic Charities and Respect Life Ministry are reaching out to help moms and families throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach.

**When: Month of May**

**What: Diapers (Sizes Newborn, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6) and Wipes**

Please contact the Respect Life Office with any questions concerning drop off or pick up: 561-360-3330



### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

#### Give us the Wisdom to Follow God's Will to Serve

I often lead group prayer with similar words: "Give us the wisdom to know Your will for our lives and the courage to follow it as we seek to make our community a clearer reflection of the Kingdom of God." The words acknowledge that we need to be about God's will, not our own, and in that journey, we will bear greater witness to the transforming power of Jesus Christ.

We talk about how we are called to live a stewardship way of life and that we have been given many good gifts, but it is never truly about us. We are never the main thing. In the same manner, it is never really about our parish. Our combined stewardship may lead to many fruits, like an increased offertory or more vibrancy in parish life. However, it is always about the Kingdom of God and the King, Jesus Christ.

Through our stewardship, we allow our parish community to shine like a city on a hill for others to see and then be drawn toward Jesus Christ. It is about leading people to heaven. Our actions of stewardship do not point to-

ward us but instead to the one who calls us to this life. Our constant prayer needs to be that we always seek to discern God's will and follow it instead of our own. By doing that, we can transform our own lives, our parish communities, and then the world around us.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS @LPi





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**"No one misses cold air in the church, until there is none !"**  
*Jerome Plummer*  
It was time to say goodbye to a dear friend of 22 years. **AC # 3** – installed in 2003 out lived all expectations by 10 years. She provided **COLD AIR** to thousands. All who entered Emmanuel Catholic church. For Mass , Prayer, Meditation, Contemplation, Adoration , Baptisms , 1st holy communions, Confession ,Weddings , Holy Orders, or any other reason to praise God. Could Count on being **Cool**.  
**Today's Investment to keep it**  
**"Cool at Emmanuel" was \$25,000.00**

Please consider a onetime donation. *Happiness is being on the giving end!* You can place your tax deductible donation in an Envelope Mark it "A/C Help" and Place it in collection basket or drop it off at the office. All donations are tax deductible!



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**CCD REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2025-2026**

Spots are filling up fast, so we encourage you to sign up today. We're excited to welcome all our kids back next year as they continue growing in their faith.

To register, simply scan the QR code below or pick up a paper form at the parish office.

**REGISTER**



**To pay by credit card:**  
Please scan the QR code below to access the Giving section of our website. Scroll down and select "CCD Payment" from the Fund dropdown menu. Cost is \$35 per child.

**PAY**



EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH INVITES YOU TO ITS FIRST

*Men's Emmaus Retreat*



September 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 2025

📍 15820 Military Trail, Delray Beach, FL 33484  
✉️ emmaus.men.emmanuel@gmail.com  
📞 (954) 732-4479 Text / WhatsApp



Scan the QR code to register.





## GOSPEL

Jesus said, "Love each other as I have loved you." He died on the cross so that your sins and mine might be forgiven. Jesus was human like you and me. He shared his food with friends. He visited and healed the sick. He cried when his friends died. He told stories to help people learn about his Father in heaven. When you show love for others, Jesus smiles because he is very proud of you.



## PRAYER

Lord, teach me to love and help others.



## DRAW

Draw yourself taking crackers and a bowl of soup to your mother.

## PRAY FOR OUR KIDS

"Jesus, we pray that through VBS, kids in our community will grow in their relationship with you. We ask that you begin to break down any walls that might be preventing their young hearts from receiving your love. We ask that the truth of who you are sinks deep into their hearts. Let them leave knowing who you are and the overwhelming, joyful love you have for each and every one of them. May the impact of VBS last a lifetime."



## PRAY FOR OUR VBS

"Dear God, thank you for going before us as we prepare for VBS. Help us meet any need of supplies, decorations, and volunteers we may have. Provide the opportunity for families far and wide to attend VBS. Thank you for the opportunity to pour into the lives of these kids in deep and meaningful ways. We pray that above all else you are glorified in our VBS."





# Vacation Bible School (VBS) - June 6-8th



Registration  
is now open  
for our VBS  
Summer

**REGISTER NOW**

Program, which will be held from June 6th to 8th for children in Pre-K through 5th grade at our parish. On Friday and Saturday, drop-off will be at 9:30 AM, with pick-up at 3:30 PM. On Sunday, drop-off will be at 9:00 AM, and pick-up will be at 12:40 PM. To register, simply scan the QR code above. Registration is completely FREE! Don't miss this opportunity for your children to kick off their summer with this three day event filled with engaging, fun, interactive faith-based activities. **SIGN UP TODAY!**



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED!**



We're looking for parents as well as junior high & high school students to volunteer for our VBS Summer Program from June 6th to June 8th! This is a great opportunity to earn community service hours while helping children grow in their faith and learn about God through fun activities. Volunteer hours are from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm each day. We hope the youth of our parish will answer the call and help us make this one of our best summer programs yet. To sign up, simply scan the QR code above!

## DONATIONS NEEDED



Dear Parishioners,

We are reaching out to our generous community to request your support in covering the costs of our Vacation Bible School (VBS) Summer program for children. This program is offered free of charge to families, as we believe that financial barriers should not prevent children from participating in this opportunity to engage in fun, faith-based activities while strengthening their spiritual growth.

If you are able to contribute, we would be deeply grateful for any donation. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office, or to make other arrangements, please contact Jean or Sandra in the Religious Education Department at 561-496-248 Ext. 1005..

Thank you so much for your continued generosity and support!