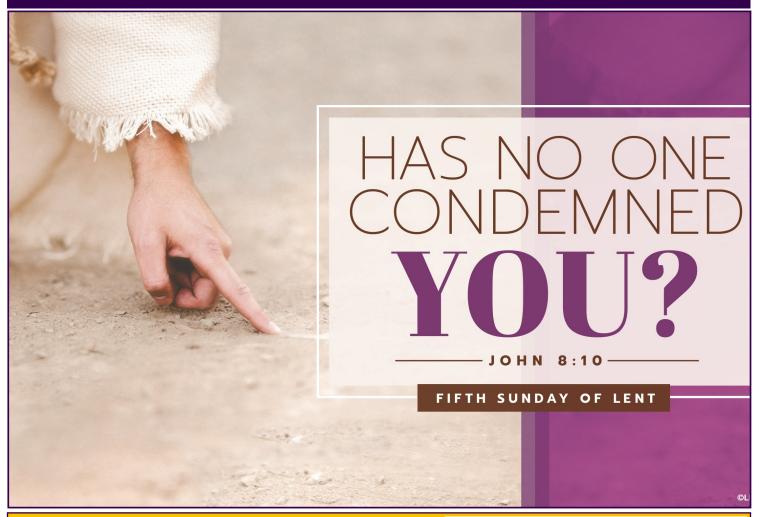


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SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION.

Wednesday of Holy Week, April 16 is our Parish Lenten Confession. I encourage everyone to come and receive the grace of forgiveness from our Lord as we prepare ourselves for the great celebration of Easter. At 5:30 pm, we will start with a short penitential service in the church. Confession will be outside. We have enough priests to help with our confession. The members of the ministry of hospitality and the knights of Columbus will direct you to which priest you want to go. This is a great opportunity to all of us as we reconcile ourselves to God, so please come.

Please go to PAGE 8 for our guide on how to examine our

conscience before we go to confession. Read it and examine your conscience so that you have a good confession. Fr. Zamora

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church.

April 7,8 9 (Mon through Wed) at 6:30 pm in the church.

THEME:

Pilgrims of Hope.

PRESENTER: Fr. Timothy Canaan



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

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Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora

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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

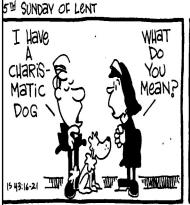
RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Do you want to make sure there have been no sudden time changes to any event or activity you want to join this week? Call the parish office during business hours.

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PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 07

6:30A	Adoration
1:00P	Movie Mondays
6:00P	Legion of Mary Meeting
6:30P	Parish Lenten Mission

Tuesday, April 08

6:30A	Adoration
10:00A	Faith Sharing
6:30A	Parish Lenten Mission
7:00P	KoC Officers Meeting

Wednesday, April 09

6:3UA	Adoration
2:00P	School of Christian Formation
4:00P	SoulCore
6:30P	Parish Lenten Mission

Thursday, April 10

6:3UA	Adoration
9:00A	Anointing of the Sick
3:00P	Holy Hour
6:30P	AA Meeting
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Friday, April 11

6:3UA	Adoration
9:00A	Station of the Cross/around the lake
4:30P	Fish Fry
5:30P	Station of the Cross/Church
6:30P	Taize
7:00P	Young Adult Group

Saturday, April 12

9:00A	Confession
9:00A	Lay Cistercians Meeting
10:00A	Children's Triduum Event

Sunday, April 13 (Palm Sunday)

9:00A	Ladies Guild Mass
1:00P	OCIA Class
1:00P	Pre-Baptism Class

PARISH LIFE

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CLERGY & MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 06

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

Monday, April 07

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Zamora 12:00P Fr. Carr

Tuesday, April 08

7:30A Fr. Carr 8:30A Fr. Theo 12:00P Fr. Theo

Wednesday, April 09

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Leone 12:00P Fr. Carr

Thursday, April 10

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Theo 12:00P Fr. Timothy

Friday, April 11

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Carr 12:00P Fr. Timothy 6:00P Fr. Theo

Saturday, April 12

8: Fr. Theo

4:00P Fr. Timothy 5:30P Fr. Timothy

Sunday, April 13

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



5th SUNDAY

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:6b-7



OUR GIFTS TO GOD

March 30, 2025

First Collection \$ 14,942.00 Second Collection \$ 3,398.00 Online (03/29) \$ 1.257,49 **TOTAL** \$ 19,597.49

March 23, 2025

First Collection \$ 14,306.00 Second Collection \$ 3,229.00 **TOTAL** \$ **17,535.00**

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

MARCH 31-APRIL 06, 2025 | 05

SCHEDULED INTENTION

Monday, April 07

7:30am *Marie Fernandes by Family 8:30am †Donna Petricone by Husband 12:00pm †John Roach by Anne Roach

†Thomas Connolly Jr. by Robert Conroy †Kevin Johnston by James Johnston

*Frank Sr. & Frank Jr. BuonBrisco by Larry & Michaelene Hearn

Tuesday, April 08

7:30am *Clare & Chris Paone/Anniversary by Plummer Fam *Susan & Raymond Stevens by Larry & Michaelene Hearn

8:30am †Marie Fitzgerald by Bob Fitzgerald

*Carol Accuso by Larry & Michaelene Hearn

12:00pm *Charles Cassagnol by Mom & Dad

*Haiti/Liberation by Cassagnol Family

Wednesday, April 09

7:30am *Christine & Tom Rosa by Larry & Michaelene Hearn

*Larry Hearn by Wife

8:30am †Leodegario Ganzon by Sister 12:00pm *Amirah Leonidas/Birthday by Mom

†Anna Mecedes Tavera & Ramon Sandoval by German & Carol Sandoval

†Mother Emmanuel of Holy Family OCD by Susan Cerino

Thursday, April 10

7:30am †Michael Vetessi by Robert Conroy 8:30am †Eleonora Pace by Mario Pace

12:00pm †Jose A. Renderos by Dilcia Guardado & Family

*Joe DeFelice/Healing by Clara Depko *Tom Depko by Wife Clara Depko

*Macdonel Guardado by Wife & Family

Friday, April 11

7:30am †Ramon Ignacio Palmero by Son, Ramon Palmero 8:30am †Salvatrice & Sally Diprima by Maria & Tony Amato 12:00pm †Jose A. Renderos by Dilcia Guardado & Family

6:00pm **FOR PRIESTS**

†Joseph Murphy by Robert Conroy †Rudolf Tatusch by Wife, Marie †Giuseppe Berardi by Maria Giordano

FOR PRIESTS

Saturday, April 12

8:30am †Alfredo Rodriguez by Wife

†Richard Paquette by Deacon Tony & Kevin

BOOK OF THE DEAD 4:00pm

5:30pm †Arthur Messenger by John & Colleen Freitas

†Bernard Suppa by Angela & Mark

BOOK OF THE DEAD

†Angelina Marco by Camille & Lou Gilardi

Sunday, April 13

7:30am †Richard Stephens by Cookie Anastasi

9:00am *Ladies Guild by Ladies Guild

†Matilde Zuasula by Baldonado Family

PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS 10:30am 12:00pm †John Trepanier by Woodruff Family

6:00pm †Rosa Furnari by Gambino Family

†Vinny Rizzo by Dorothy Canazaro

*Danny Mackey by Soledad Robinson †Felicia & Theodore Facciuto by Theresa Facciuto

PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

*Monica & Ryan Holley by Lori Davanzo †Arthur McCarthy by Jean McCarthy

UNSCHEDULED

*Eva & Olivia Strano by Price Family †Loren & Dana Price by Price Family */† Strano Family by Price Family */†Tardugno Family by Price Family †Chris Bardalang by Price Family †William Creppage by Price Family †Kim McKinley by Price Family *Yvette Michaels & Family by Nino Paradiso †Eugene Minervini by Susan Cerino †Patrick Minervini by Susan Cerino

> **ALTAR FLOWERS VIGIL LIGHTS** SHRINE FLOWERS

PRAYER LIST: WHISPER A PRAYER FOR ME I 06

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

Scott Ellison Evangeline Ezeilo Michael Gehres Karen Sullivan Sean Zahul Darren Guzman Mary Lou Connie Panepinto Amalia Mazzolin Leon Martin Joe Delagami Rose Marie Reaner Michael Manuele Carla Ruiz Benjamin Robelo Karen McCarty T.J. Genzale Dave Ruiz Victoria Robelo Ms. S. Rose Borsella Lexie Helgerson David Smeraldo Janette Cole Steven Martin Sikes Gianna Pagan Suzanne Puleo Sr. Frances Vass OSC Mary Loveland Sam Falcone Patricia Golstein Taylor Dosh Marilyn Martino Gulshan Modena Maggie Dolan Amelita Coz-Zarraga Heather Martin Ronald Griffiths Margie Giaquinto Maria Fernandez Raphael Roman James Ezeilo Brenda Ezeilo Cynthia Martin Francis Martin Hermoine D'Cruz Brigitte Knops Toni Kreamer Gerry Gerhard **Euclides Cerutti** Samuel Gonzales Victorio Ray Wolff

Patricia Tripi Giraldo Ida Giannettina Tom Hickey Josette Weber Vincent Rizzo Louis Perticone Ann Cavaseno Charles C. Tufano Angela Discepola Anna Halford Sal Yanello Victor Rivera William Lindner Lisa Della Femina María E. Ouiñones Mercado Diane Daniels Carmen Jones Bill Hamilton Ralph Senese Ramona Ash Gaballah Karen Ramey Tom Tripi Mary Ann Lisa Payne Marilyn Green Joseph Salamone Phyllis Lomitola Maria Amaro Aniela Ignaczak Lillian Campayno Terry Schwinge Tom D'Amico Gabriel Zamora Vincent Blum Ricardo Blum Gina Marie B. Cohen David Strompf Sal Hanono Heather Smith Jason Smith Ronald Merhige Roshan Karen Jensen Cynthia Martin Garry Solomon Ilda Sosa Botero Carlos Tobon Jill Forshey Gerry Santilli Gail Hill Chrissie Budrick Frank Dazzo

Dina Quelch

Stewart Librizzi

Thomas Land Agatha Saccio Robert Albertson Rafael Botero Albert Fernandes Doreen Romano **Britney Closson** Jeanette Gallegos Adriana Elejalde Oswaldo Cesar Monasterio Michael Cecere Jahaziel Roldan Abigail Chin-Lenn Gertrudis Rivera Martinez Merrill Tucker Debra Tucker Maggie Dazzo Martha Gutzman Noah Altherios Debra Serritella Joseph Reatequi Anthony Spirito Rhea Reacher Doug Rodgers Doris Vourinen SrVeronique DCSO Danny Berciles Eleanor Hemmer Joseph Lauria Judy Lew Ernie Skelton Carlotta Josefa & Dolores Echavarria Amparo Longalong Annie Lee Eugene Langel Delma Langel William Ward Cindy Free Gaetano Sansone Alexis Thompson **Griffin Bates** Miriam Texeira Kevin Marshall Mary Elaine Yemmen Andrea Anastasi John & Alma Gardner Julia Lea

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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 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.

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



Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of April 6, 2025

Sunday:

Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/ Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 *Scrutiny*: Ez 37:12-14/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/ Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday:

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/ Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/ Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday:

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday:

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/ Jn 10:31-42

Saturday:

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/ Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday:

Lk 19:28-40/ls 50:4-7/ Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/ Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle" (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is "left alone before him." A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ's forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— Father John Muir

PASTOR'S DESK

08 I BASED ON THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

AN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.

- Do I seek to love God with all my heart and with all my soul and with all my strength (Dt 6:5)? Do I put anything or anyone above God? Do I pray daily?
- Have I had any involvement with the occult, witchcraft, wicca, ouija boards, seances, tarot cards, new age crystals, fortune telling, or the like?
- ■Have I put faith in horoscopes?
- Have I received Holy Communion in the state of mortal sin?
- Have I abused the Sacrament of Penance by lying to the priest or deliberately not confessing a mortal sin?
- Have I denied a truth of the faith out of concern for the respect or opinion of others?

2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

- Have I used God's holy name irreverently?
- Have I blasphemed God, the Church, Mary, the saints, or sacred places or things?

3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

- Do I try to keep Sunday as a day of prayer, rest, and relaxation, avoiding unnecessary work?
- Have I deliberately come late or left early from Mass without a good reason?

4. Honor your father and your mother.

- Do I honor and respect my parents?
- Have I deliberately hurt my parents?
- Do I treat my children with love and respect?
- Do I support and care for the well-being of all family members?
- Have I neglected family duties?
- Do I honor and obey my lawful superiors?

5. You shall not kill.

- Have I deliberately harmed anyone?
- Have I had an abortion or encouraged an abortion?
- Have I attempted suicide or seriously considered it?
- Have I abused drugs or alcohol?
- Have I led anyone to sin through bad example or through direct encouragement?

6. You shall not commit adultery.

FOR THE MARRIED

- Am I faithful to my spouse in thought and action?
- Have I used artificial contraception, or been sterilized?
- Was I married outside the Church without proper permission of the Church? For the unmarried
- Have I engaged in sexual activity with anyone of either sex? **FOR ALL**
- Have I deliberately viewed pornographic magazines, videos or internet websites?
- Have I masturbated?
- Have I used impure language or told impure jokes?
- Do I dress modestly?

7. You shall not steal.

- Have I stolen or accepted stolen goods?
- Have I deliberately destroyed the property of others?

- Have I cheated anyone of what I owe?
- Do I gamble excessively?
- Do I share what I have with the poor and the Church according to my means?
- Have I pirated materials: videos, music, software?

8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

- Have I lied? Have I sworn falsely?
- Have I plagiarized or been academically dishonest?
- Have I gossiped? Have I revealed secrets or confidential information without good reason?
- Have I ruined the good name of others by spreading lies or maliciously revealing their faults and sins?

9. You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.

- Have I deliberately and consciously permitted sexual thoughts about anyone besides my spouse?
- Do I guard my imagination and senses?
- Have I watched shows, plays, pictures or movies that contain impure scenes with the deliberate intention of being aroused by them? Am I responsible about what I read?

10. You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.

■ Am I envious of the possessions, abilities, talents, beauty, or success of others?

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

- Do I love my neighbor? Is there anyone whom I do not love or refuse to love? Have I wished harm or misfortune on anyone?
- Do I forgive from my heart those who have hurt me? Do I harbor hatred or grudges? Do I pray for my enemies?
- Have I ridiculed or humiliated others?
- Do I seek to help others in need?
- Do I love myself as God loves me? Do I care for my physical, emotional, and spiritual health?
- Do I forgive myself for my sins after bringing them to God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation?

IMPRIMATUR William E. Lori, S.T.D. Bishop of Bridgeport October 8, 1999



Make A Way

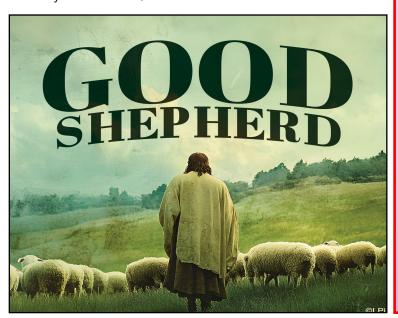
What's your comfort zone: emotionally, professionally, personally? We all have one. But did you realize that you can have one spiritually? Think about what you like and what you don't particularly enjoy when it comes to church, prayer, and liturgy. We all have "those songs" we crinkle our noses at, either because they're too modern or too oldfashioned. We all have "those people" in our parish whose ideas we aren't so sure about, whether that's because they're trying to change too much or because they seem always to be looking toward the past. Also, when was the last time you sat on the OTHER side of the church during Mass?

As much as we may not want to admit it, even (and especially) as people of God, we get deeply attached to our own personal comfort zones — and we tend to view those outside with distrust.

But what if God had a comfort zone? What if He viewed us, in our sin and our misery, as too "far away" from Himself to reach? Thankfully, our God is a God who "opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters." Our God is a God who does "something new."

The call to stewardship demands that we look outside of ourselves. Our thoughts, our opinions, our preferences — these things are not important to the steward. Even if there is a vast, dry desert of discord, or a seemingly endless wasteland of opposing views between us and our neighbor, God challenges us to "make a way" out of our comfort zone, that together we may announce His praise.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday of Holy Week—April 14 Masses: 7:30am, 8:30am & 12 noon

Tuesday of Holy Week - April 15

Masses: 7:30am, 8:30am & 12 noon

11:00AM - *Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Ignatius

Wednesday of Holy Week - April 16 Masses: 7:30am, 8:30am & 12 noon

5:30PM - Penance Service & Confession

Holy Thursday - April 17 8:30AM - Morning Prayer

7:00PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Eucharistic Adoration & Reposition in Columbus Hall until 11:00pm *No Confessions heard this day

Good Friday - April 18 8:30am - Morning Prayer

9:00am - Stations of the Cross (around the Lake)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion:

3:00PM - The Liturgy of the Word, Adoration of the Holy Cross & Holy Communion

*No Confessions heard this day

EASTER SCHEDULE

Holy Saturday - April 19

8:30am - Morning Prayer

12:00N - Blessing of Easter Baskets

7:00PM - Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday Masses - April 20

6:00am (Sunrise Mass by the Grotto)

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am and 12:00pm

*overflow Masses in the pavilion at 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Liturgical Life

CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right. We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them. But when God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

The Allure of Being Right

It wasn't a real question.

"The law of Moses says we should stone her. What do you say?" the Pharisees asked Jesus as they brought the adulterous woman before him. But they weren't *really* asking. They didn't care what Jesus' answer was. They didn't ask his opinion because they wanted to know. They asked because they wanted to use his words against him.

Righteousness, truth — that wasn't the goal. The goal was being right.

And in the middle of the whole scene, dragged before Jesus, used as a literal prop in this staged drama, is a woman. A real flesh-and-blood woman.

I find myself wanting to know more about her. She had been "caught in the act," they claimed, but I wonder what that even means. With whom was this act committed, and what were the reasons for her participation in it? Was she coerced? Was she scared? Was she confused? Was it really a cut-and-dry, black-and-white situation of adultery, of lust, of making the wrong decision?

We will never know the answers to these questions, and it doesn't matter — it's not our business. God knows the answers. God knows the truth of the matter: what she did, what she chose, what she felt. Because she wasn't a prop to Him. She was a person.

When God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

I worry that we use one another as props even today, when we try like the Pharisees to illustrate "What is Right." We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them.

Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

If someone is interested in becoming a priest, how does he go about it?

Answer:

Discerning a vocation can happen in any number of ways. It might come as a surprise to the person called or to family or friends. Sometimes it is a gradual process. and other times it is as quick and bright as lightning. Regardless of how it starts, a vocation to the priesthood or religious life requires a process of discerning, testing, and preparing. The best place to begin would be with lots of prayer, receiving the sacraments, and attending daily Mass whenever possible. Then talk to your pastor or a priest you know and trust. Your diocese may have a vocation director who can provide you with guidance and information. The Serra Club is also a great resource for information and contacts to help you discern if indeed God is calling you.

Remember that many young Catholic men have considered the priesthood. Some are ordained and others realize this is not their calling. However, we are all called to be of service to others as we practice our faith. These are extraordinary times in which we live, and they require an extraordinary witness to faith and to God's presence in the world. Our work, our ministry as Catholics, is to be the body of Christ with and for others. The Church needs priests. If God calls you to ordained service in the church. He will provide the grace, direction, and support you need. Just listen and respond with all your heart, mind, and soul.

Liturgical Life

Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more." - Jn 8:10-11

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The prophet Isaiah teaches us that the Lord forgets our sins and offers us a new beginning so that we might praise him. What could you do today to honor and praise the Lord?

Second Reading:

Paul tells the believers in Phillipi of his deep desire and hope to know Jesus and the power of his resurrection. In what ways have you drawn closer to Jesus during this season of Lent?

Gospel:

Jesus showed mercy toward the sinful woman when others were quick to judge her. Is there someone in your life who you could show mercy over judgment this week?



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Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Thus says the LORD, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters. (Is 43:16)

Psalm:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Ps 126)

Second Reading:

Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus. (Phil 3:14)

Gospel:

Then Jesus straightened up and said to her,
"Woman, where are they?
Has no one condemned you?"
She replied, "No one, sir."
Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you.
Go, and from now on do not sin any more." (Jn 8:10-11)

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Emmanuel Ladies Guild Spring "Day Trip" will be on Thursday, April 24, 2025!! Cost is \$30 per person. For further details, please call Anne Marie(561) 810-5608.





It's Time For...



The Knights of Columbus' Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Easter Morning AFTER the 9:00 AM Masses

Next to the Rosary Walk behind the Church

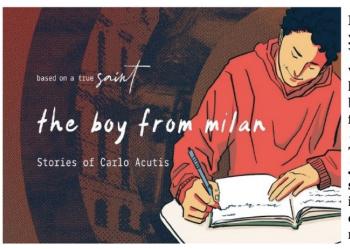
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(Still the best 7 minutes of the year!)



New Program on FORMED: The Carlo Acutis Story

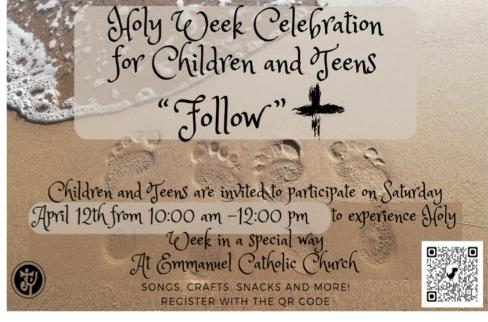


Discover the remarkable journey of Carlo Acutis, the young boy from Milan who is on the path to sainthood. You may know him as the "gamer saint," the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving teenager who captured the hearts of many. But the true story of Carlo goes far beyond the headlines and hashtags. It's a story of deep faith, a love for the Eucharist, and selfless acts of kindness—qualities that made him a model of everyday holiness. This documentary uncovers the heart of a boy who saw Jesus in everyone and never missed an opportunity to share love. Carlo's simple yet profound faith continues to inspire, reminding us that sainthood is within reach for all of us. Be moved by the true story of Carlo Acutis. Learn more here: https://formed.org/the-boy-from-milan#optin

Calling All Angels for the Easter Sunrise Mass!



We are looking for children to join us as Angels in our Easter Sunrise Mass on April 20th. This beautiful outdoor celebration by the lake offers a peaceful and serene setting to honor Easter morning. Please arrive by 5:30am on April 20th. It's a wonderful opportunity for children to be part of a cherished Easter tradition, and we would love to have as many Angels as possible to make this celebration even more special! For more details or to sign up, please contact Jean or Sandra at 561-496-2480 Ext 1005.



We invite children and teens to take part in a Holy Week Celebration to help them deepen their understanding of the Triduum.

Scan the QR Code below to sign up



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Chancellor 561-775-9507

Victim Assistance Coord, 561-775-9558

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VICTIMS OF ABUSE

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness.

Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice.

> Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.

Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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Diocese of Palm Beach

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ.

The Diocese of Palm Beach has pledged to promote healing for victims and continues to refine its efforts to provide a safe environment for all, through its Office of Safe Environment. The Diocese of Palm Beach follows the requirements set out by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

If you or someone you know, is a victim of sexual abuse by any person (clergy, religious or lay) acting on behalf of the Church, please contact us. The staff of the Office of Safe Environment is here to help anyone seeking assistance and wholeness. The Diocese of Palm Beach is committed to promoting healing and reconciliation and responding effectively and responsibly to allegations of abuse.

I ask you to pray for victims who have suffered because of this abuse. May Almighty God bless our continued efforts to protect children and vulnerable adults from harm.

With gratitude for your support and prayers in this and every matter. and with every prayerful wish,

> I am Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito Bishop of Palm Beach

"The Church's aim will thus be to hear, watch over, protect and care for abused, exploited and forgotten children, wherever they are."

Address of His Holiness Pope Francis, "The Protection of Minors in the Church", at the end of the Eucharistic Concelebration, Feb 24, 2019

Office of Safe Environments

Personal safety for our students is our highest priority, especially when it comes to protecting children from sexual misconduct and violence.

We require:

- ⇒ Background Checks
- ⇒ Education and Training for Adults
- ⇒ Children's Training

Our general policies are included in this brochure. For detailed information, or to view our policies, please contact the office or visit our website at: www.diocesepb.org/safe-environments

Victim Assistance Coordinator

The Bishop has a person designated on behalf of the diocese, responsible for the initial pastoral response and the subsequent pastoral care of victims of sexual abuse by church personnel.

Please contact-Lisa Linnell-561-775-9558



Background Checks

All Church Personnel, ages 18 and older, are required to submit a Level 2 criminal background Investigation.

Eligibility for employment, volunteer work, or ministry will be contingent and conditioned upon a satisfactory background investigation. This background investigation will be updated every five (5) years.

Education and Training - Adults

All Church Personnel are required to complete Safe Environment Training through the VIRTUS program, if they are in contact with children.

This training must be renewed every five years and must be completed prior to service.

All employees are required to complete safe environment training upon hiring regardless of their contact with minors and vulnerable adults.

Children's Training

As part of its effort to protect all children from harm, as well as to create safe environments in which children can learn and grow in faith, we provide semiannual safe environment training to all children enrolled in diocesan Catholic schools and parish religious education programs.

In age-appropriate lessons, the children learn about God's love for them; personal space; treating ourselves and others with respect and care; safe and unsafe touches; and how to get help from a trusted adult if needed.