



# EMMANUEL

*God With Us*



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# BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD.

— JOHN 1:29 —

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The next **blood drive** will be on **February 8, 2026 @7:30A-1:30P.**

Day Trip on Thursday, February 12th! Cut off date is Monday, February 9th. If interested, contact either Anne Marie Rivieccio (561) 810-5608 or Evelyn Baroni (508) 826-7439!

## Day of Prayer for the LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

### PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION OF DEACON JEDIDIAH PREBLE

*January 31, 2026*  
Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola

COUNTDOWN: 19 DAYS TO OUR ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL! (FEBRUARY 6 & 7)

# 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

#### Pastor

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora

#### Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

#### In Residence

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes

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Fr. Theo Ihedoro | Ext. 1004

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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,

### Homebound / Hospital Ministry

Fr. Theo Ihedoro | Ext. 1004

### Gift Shop

Josephine Joan | Ext. 1009

### Blood Drive

Patti Gomez | 561-293-9761

### Ladies Guild

President Nancy McDonald

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Luke VanHove

### Legion of Mary

Maude Cassagnol

### Men's & Women's Emmaus

Joe & Kathy de Santo

## 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–1:30pm

#### Tuesday Closed

Thursday & Friday 8am–1pm

#### Saturday Closed

Fourth Sunday 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



## 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 on business hours.

561.496.2480

## PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, January 18

1:00P.....OCIA

### Monday, January 19

6:30A..... Adoration

1:00P.....Movie Mondays

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

7:00P..... Young Adult Group

### Tuesday, January 20

6:30A.....Adoration

10:00A.....Faith Sharing

### Wednesday, January 21

6:30A.....Adoration

2:00P.....School of Christian Formation

4:00P.....SoulCore

### Thursday, January 22

6:30A.....Adoration

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

3:00P.....Holy Hour

6:30P.....AA Meeting

### Friday, January 23

6:30A.....Adoration

6:30P.....Taize Holy Hour

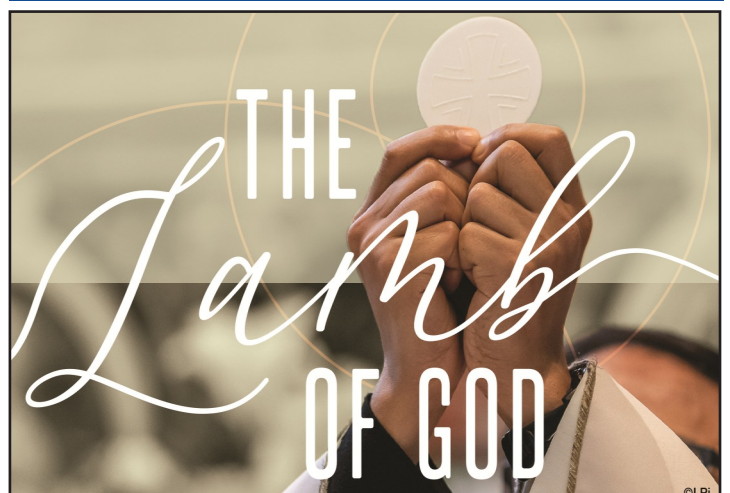
### Saturday, January 24

9:00A.....Confession

6:15P.....Rosary for World Peace

### Sunday, January 25

1:00P.....OCIA



## SCHEDULED INTENTIONS

### Sunday, January 18

7:30am	†Eleonora Pace by Mario Pace	*Joe & Melissa Raygada & Kids by Ella Caraballo
9:00am	†Frank Untener by Linda Untener	†Bob Kosineski by Wife
10:30am	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
12:00pm	†Ann Koppie by Children & Family	†Gerard Aliberti by Sandra Mirabile
6:00pm	†Joan Ford by Lillian & Donal	†Lorene Maniscalco by Friends of the Family

### Monday, January 19

7:30am	†Kate Dieringer by Julie Anne & Michael Roscitt	*Louise Diamon by R & T Sylvestre
8:30am	†Blanca Tavera by German & Carol Sandoval	†Julie Soldano by Son-inlaw

### Tuesday, January 20

7:30am	†Kate Dieringer by Julie Anne & Michael Roscitt	*Karen Caouette by R & T Sylvestre
8:30am	†Eleuteria Tavera by German & Carol Sandoval	†Ron Frankovich by Kathy Weber

### Wednesday, January 21

7:30am	†Kate Dieringer by Julie Anne & Michael Roscitt	*Enrique Lanata by Familia Gonzalez-Lanata
8:30am	†Guy Saieh by Sister	†Dina de Toledo by Claudia Pardo

### Thursday, January 22

7:30am	†Robert Benabio by Ron & Stella Mandolfi	†Celia Brito by Nancy Brito
8:30am	*Gregory Koop/Birthday by Mother	*Marilyn DeOliveira/Healing by Family

### Friday, January 23

7:30am	†Nance Singleton by Anna Allen	†Barry Brandenburg by Nancy Jackson
8:30am	†Peggy Corkett by Husband	†Dominic Canazaro by Tom & Clara Depko
6:00pm	FOR PRIESTS	FOR PRIESTS

### Saturday, January 24

8:30am	*Ricarda Vargas by Evelyn Santiesteban	*Ricarda Perez Vargas by Caraballo Family
4:00pm	BOOK OF THE DEAD	BOOK OF THE DEAD
5:30pm	†Sharon Fanning by Friends	†Fr. Richard Messina by Family

### Sunday, January 25

7:30am	*Gabriel & Kyla Caraballo & Children by Elsa Caraballo	†Ana & Ramon Sandoval by German & Carol Sandoval
9:00am	†Anthony DeFrancesco by Family	†Darren Charles by Uncle Jerry & Aunt Jane
10:30am	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
12:00pm	†Linda Scotti by Sister & Family	†Rodolfo Rivas by Wife & Family
6:00pm	†Nate Wells by Christine Shento	*Sophia Palmerin by Marie & Darren Guzman

## UNSCHEDULED

*Agnes Sardinha & Family by Maureen	*Kathy Cattung by Maureen	*Fran Ferrero by Maureen
*Pat Hullstrum by Maureen	*Ann Szewicz by Maureen	*Tony by Maureen
*Jack by Maureen	*Toni Maureen	*Colleen Roberts by Dorothy Deedy
†Domenick Infante by Dorothy Deedy	†Larry Sutton by Dorothy Deedy	†Gloria Carta by Deschenes Family
*Fabian Mehrgut by Dorothy Deedy	†Carl Sferrazza by Mr. & Mrs. Cutrone	

**Altar Flowers**

**Vigil Lights**

**Shrine Flowers**

## PRAYER LIST

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 FOR:**

Maggie Dolan	Thomas Land	Olga Galarza	<i>Bonomo</i>
<i>Amelita Coz-Zarraga</i>	Agatha Saccio	The Taffe Family	Nancy Kelley
Heather Martin	Rafael Botero	<i>Alexander Barone</i>	<i>Harvey Shackman</i>
Ronald Griffiths	Albert F. Romano	Joanne Liantonio	TJ Genzale
Cynthia Martin	Britney Closson	John Petrich	Ronnie Falcone
Francis Martin	Jeanette Gallegos	Mary Karten	<i>Michael Amalfi Jr</i>
Hermoine D'Cruz	Adriana Elejalde	Luca Diomampo	Raphael Roman
Brigitte Knops	<i>Monasterio</i>	Michael Manuele	Patti Shannon
Toni Kreamer	Michael Cecere	<i>Robert</i>	Raphael Roman
Gerry Gerhard	Jahaziel Roldan	<i>Wiczkowski Mady and Ruth Petersen</i>	Maria Lauria
Euclides Cerutti	<i>Abigail Chin-Lenn</i>	Ann Carro	Gwen Dambra
Samuel Gonzales	<i>Gertrudis R. Martinez</i>	Debbie Boburka	Maria Lauria
Victorio	Merrill Tucker	Ricarda Vargas	
Ray Wolff	Maggie Dazzo	William Sheldon	
Josette Weber	Martha Gutzman	Steve Valtri	
Ann Cavaseno	Noah Altherios	<i>Bernadette &amp; Bucky McGann</i>	
Charles C. Tufano	Anthony Spirito	<i>Raymond Perez Sr</i>	
Angela Discepola	Rhea Reacher	Jochi Castellui .	
Anna Halford	Doug Rodgers	Steve F.	
Sal Yanello	Doris Vourinen	Sean Zahul	
Victor Rivera	<i>Sr Veronique DCSO</i>	Jeanne G.	
William Lindner	Eleanor Hemmer	<i>Tania R. Espinosa</i>	
Lisa Della	Joseph Lauria	Anne Noel	
Femina	Judy Lew	<i>Lisette Woodward</i>	
María E.	Ernie Skelton	Juan Silva	
Quiñones	Carlotta	<i>Rocco &amp; Susan Marcone</i>	
Mercado	<i>Josefa &amp; Dolores Echavarria</i>	Maria A. Carmen	
Diane Daniels	<i>Amparo Longalong</i>	<i>Rosa &amp; Marie Vactorin</i>	
Carmen Jones	Annie Lee	Philip Charles	
Bill Hamilton	Eugene Langel	<i>Avangaline Ezeilo</i>	
Ralph Senese	Delma Langel	Sal Cherch	
Ramona	William Ward	Jennifer Nicholas	
Ash Gaballah	Alexis Thompson	Antonia Hyde	
Karen Ramey	Griffin Bates	Keith Melville	
Mary Ann	Miriam Texeira	Mark Sinobio	
Lisa Payne	Kevin Marshall	Joselito Bengua	
Marilyn Green	Andrea Anastasi	Joan Egan	
Joseph Salamone	John & Alma	<i>Michele Sambuco</i>	
Maria Amaro	Gardner Elaine	Gregg Dollinger	
Aniela Ignaczak	Garofano	Fred Hoffman	
Lillian	Julia Lea	Bonnie Artman	
Campayno	Buddendorf	<i>Bob &amp; Kathy Moran</i>	
Terry Schwinge	Albertina Hughes	Tom Trippi	
Tom D'Amico	Kamm Trumble	Carole Liantonio	
Gabriel Zamora	Linda Beamish	Rosemary Perez	
Vincent Blum	Quinn Morris	Mary Aloise	
Ricardo Blum	Henry Morris	Craig Artman	
Gina Marie B.	Marcia Riopol	Michelle Duffy	
Cohen David	Mumtaz Begum	Rose Borsella	
Strompf	Lance Joseph	<i>Catherine Shannon</i>	
Sal Hanono	John Wilmere	Kelly Keyser	
Heather Smith	Keith Johnson	Freddy Bellise	
Jason Smith	<i>Betty Lou Johnson</i>	Daisy Allen	
Ronald Merhige	<i>Christine Thurman</i>	Astrid Castañeda	
Roshan	Connie Panepinto	Jo-ann Suffield	
Karen Jensen	Edwin Villarosa	<i>Walsh &amp; Joseph</i>	
Cynthia Martin	Brian Sullivan		
Garry Solomon	<i>Dominic Canazaro</i>		
Ilda Sosa Botero	<i>Kyle Buenconsejo</i>		
Carlos Tobon			
Jill Forshey			
Gerry Santilli			
Gail Hill			
Chrissie Budrick			
Frank Dazzo			
Dina Quelch			
Stewart Librizzi			

## PRAYER BEFORE HOLY 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 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 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.

## PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

### GRIEF SHARE AT ST VINCENT FERRER

- SVF Grief Share Spring 2026 Session (14 Week Group)  
Ongoing – April 18th  
10:00A–12:00N every Saturday

**For more info or to sign up, visit:  
SVF Grief Share Spring 2026 Session  
Or call  
SVF Grief Ministry  
561.289.2542**



**FEBRUARY 6TH & 7TH, 2026**  
**15700 S. Military Trail, Delray Beach, FL 33484**

**PROGRAMME:**

**Friday, February 6th**  
**4:00pm to 8:00 pm**

Food, Flea Market,  
 small raffles, 50/50,  
 entertainment.

**Saturday, February 7th :**  
**8:00am–7:00pm**

8:00am  
 Flea market, 50/50,  
 small raffles,  
 11:00am  
 Food, entertainment, car  
 show, kid games.

**7:00 pm**  
**Grand Raffle Draw**

PRIZE	AMOUNT	SPONSOR	COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS
FIRST	\$5,000		96
SECOND	2,500	Anonymous	48
THIRD	1,500		24
CONSOLATION	200	Anonymous	6
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*Our Gifts to God*  
**January 04, 2026**

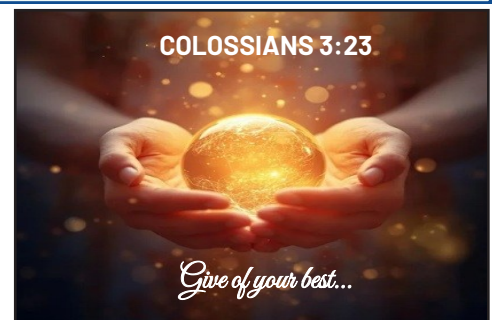
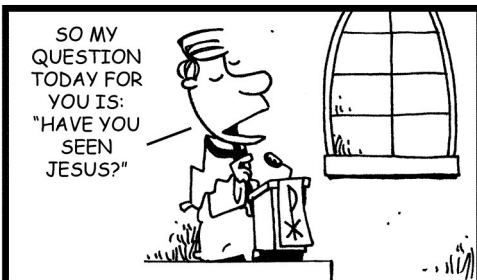
First Collection ..... \$ 15,280.00  
 Second Collection.....3,060.00  
 Online (1/03) .....2,927.14  
**TOTAL ..... \$ 21,267.14**

**January 11, 2026**

First Collection ..... \$ 16,704.00  
 Second Collection.....1,672.00  
 Children’s Mass.....705.00  
 Online (1/10) .....4,230.65  
**TOTAL ..... \$ 23,311.65**

**Thank you Parish Family, for your constant prayers and generous support for our church ministry!**

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## SAINT OF THE WEEK: St. Agnes

St. Agnes, a revered virgin and martyr, is celebrated in the Christian tradition as a symbol of purity and faith. Born around 291 AD in Rome, she was a member of a noble family and dedicated her life to God from a young age. At just 12 or 13 years old, Agnes refused to renounce her Christian faith and accept the advances of a suitor, choosing instead to remain committed to her vows of chastity.

Her unwavering faith led to her persecution. During the reign of the Roman Emperor Diocletian, Agnes was arrested and brought before the authorities. Despite being subjected to various threats and temptations, she remained steadfast in her belief. According to tradition, she was ultimately sentenced to death, becoming a martyr for her faith around the year 304 AD.

St. Agnes is often depicted with a lamb, symbolizing her innocence and the dedication of her life to Christ. She is the patron saint of young girls, chastity, and those who seek purity of heart.

**Motivational Reflection.** St. Agnes's story inspires us to stand firm in our convictions, even in the face of adversity. Her courage at such a young age serves as a

powerful reminder that faith does not depend on our age or experience; rather, it thrives on our dedication to what we believe is right and true.

In a world where we often encounter pressures to conform or compromise our values, Agnes's example encourages us to embrace our identity and stand up for our beliefs. She teaches us that true strength lies not in fighting back with aggression but in embodying love and conviction, even when it is difficult.

Let us reflect on our own lives and consider how we can embody the virtues that St. Agnes exemplified—faith, courage, and purity of heart. In moments of challenge, may we summon the spirit of St. Agnes to guide us, reminding ourselves that we are never alone in our journey of faith. Like her, we are called to be beacons of light and hope, demonstrating resilience in our beliefs and inspiring others to do the same.

As we strive to live out our convictions, let's remember that our actions—however small—can create ripples of change and influence around us. Let us boldly share our faith, standing as witnesses to the love and truth we hold dear, just as St. Agnes did.

## CALLED TO BE LIGHT:

### Reflecting God's Commitment in Our Lives

In today's readings, we are reminded of God's unwavering commitment to us and how we are called to reflect that commitment in our lives.

In Isaiah 49, God speaks of Israel as His chosen servant, destined to shine a light not just for the people of Israel but for all nations. This is a reminder that our purpose extends beyond our immediate circles; we are called to be instruments of God's love and hope in the world. Just as John the Baptist recognized Jesus as the Lamb of God, we too are called to recognize the divine presence in our lives and point others toward it.

Psalms 40 echoes this sentiment with a spirit of gratitude and hope. The psalmist writes of waiting patiently for the Lord and experiencing His saving help. This waiting is not passive; it's an active engagement with God, trusting in His plans and being open to serving as His hands and feet on earth.

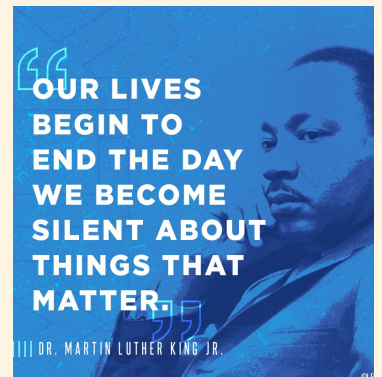
Turning to 1 Corinthians, Paul addresses the community, reminding them of their calling and the grace they have received. Each of us is called to live out our faith with the

assurance that we are beloved by God. We are not isolated believers but part of a larger tapestry of faith that enriches our lives and the lives around us.

As we reflect on these passages, think about the small yet significant ways we can be light for others. Like John, who pointed to Jesus, we have the opportunity to point others toward love, kindness, and hope in everyday interactions. Each of us has a role to play in revealing God's grace and mercy.

In our moments of doubt or uncertainty, let's remember the promise that God works through us, even when we feel inadequate. We are all vessels of His love, called to spread that love in every corner of our world.

So, as we go forth today, let us carry the light of Christ within us, sharing it freely with others, and recognizing the divine purpose in our collective journey. Amen



## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of January 18, 2026

**Sunday:**

Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/  
1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

**Monday:**

1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and  
23/Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:**

1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/  
Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:**

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2,  
9-10/Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:**

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-  
11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:**

1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/  
Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday:**

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/  
Mk 3:20-21

**Next Sunday:**

Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13,  
17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17



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### CLERGY MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday, January 18**

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

**Monday, January 19**

7:30A Fr. Zamora    8:30A Fr. Carr

**Tuesday, January 20**

7:30A Fr. Theo    8:30A Fr. Timothy

**Wednesday, January 21**

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Leone

**Thursday, January 22**

7:30A Fr. Theo    8:30A Fr. Timothy

**Friday, January 23**

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

**Saturday, January 24**

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

**Sunday, January 25**

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

## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

I will make you a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.  
(Is 49:6)

#### Psalm:

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. (Ps 40)

#### Second Reading:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 1:3)

#### Gospel:

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said,  
"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the  
world." (Jn 1:29)

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### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Do we recognize Christ when we see him? Do we have the courage to point him out, to show others who he is? John cried out so the whole world could hear: "He is the Son of God." Always and everywhere, let us do the same.

### Observances for the week of January 18, 2026

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Martin Luther King Day
- Tuesday:** St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr;  
St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Wednesday:** St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
- Thursday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of  
Unborn Children
- Friday:** St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;  
St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
- Saturday:** St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the  
Church
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Celebrate Catholic Schools Week



### Virtues, Explained!

Our modern Catholic understanding of peace is derived from the Hebrew concept of *shalom*, or wholeness, and refers not just to an absence of violence but to a personal reconciliation with one's Creator.

### Blessing of the Beloved

Dear God,  
Bless and anoint us today. You are our Father and guide.  
Remind us of our identity in You: loved, called, and equipped for mission.  
Bless us as we journey, giving us strength for each day and grace in each step.  
Amen.

## Liturgical Life

# (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** John the Baptist recognizes Jesus when he sees him, though there is nothing extraordinary-looking about him. This is how Jesus comes to us today: veiled in the ordinary. He is in the people who are easiest to miss, the easiest to ignore, the easiest from whom it is to turn away.

### Behold the Lamb

“Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.”

Be honest. When the priest or deacon read this line from the Gospel today, did your brain finish it with: “Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb”? (Mine did. And then I almost blurted out: “Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul will be healed.” Because it’s Sunday morning, and I’m tired.)

We hear the words of John the Baptist every Sunday in the *Agnus Dei*. If you have been Catholic since childhood, the words of this rite are probably ingrained in your memory, like a groove worn across a wooden floor by the scratching of an often-used chair. That’s the beautiful thing about our liturgy: it gets inside of you, and it doesn’t leave. I’ve never met a Catholic, however long-fallen-away, who did not recall the responses of the Mass.

When the priest says or chants the *Agnus Dei*, he is showing us the Host — the most ordinary-looking thing you ever did see. Nothing interesting about it whatsoever. Nothing that would make a person give it a second glance.

John the Baptist recognizes Jesus when he sees him, though there is nothing extraordinary-looking about him. There is nothing that would make a person give Jesus a second glance, if that person expected redemption to come in a loud, aggressive show of power.

And this is how Jesus comes to us today: veiled in the ordinary. He is in the people who are easiest to miss, the easiest to ignore, the easiest from whom it is to turn away.

Consider what the world could look like, if an instinct to love and reverence those people were as deeply ingrained in us as the beautiful words so easily on our lips: “Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul will be healed.”

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

How many times a day can a person receive communion?

### Answer:

To find an answer to this question, we need to turn to the Church’s Code of Canon Law. Here we read, “One who has received the blessed Eucharist may receive it again on the same day only within a Eucharistic celebration in which that person participates ...” (no. 917). This tells us that the standard answer would be that we can receive communion twice in a day.

Having said that, we also want to be sure that we pay attention to the entire instruction. The phrase “within a Eucharistic celebration in which that person participates” is important. It means a) that we always have to think of receiving communion as being within a celebration of the Mass and b) we have to be participants in that celebration — we can’t simply show up “in time” for communion.

So, when would this rule apply?

For example, if you attend Mass on a Saturday morning and then take part in the Sunday Vigil Mass on Saturday evening, you could licitly receive communion at both celebrations. Or, another example, if you receive communion at a wedding or funeral Mass, you could also receive communion at a daily Mass or Sunday Vigil celebrated on the same day. We always want to be sure that we observe the rules for fasting from food and drink before receiving the eucharist (see Code of Canon Law, no. 919).

We should also remember that the Code of Canon Law instructs that anyone who is in danger of death or seriously ill may also receive communion a second time (no. 91, §2).



***January 1 - February 2, 2026***

**Keep going!**

**We are on this daily journey together.  
Keep up with your daily readings, and don't give  
up if you are behind.  
Come to the Lord as you are.**

Prefer to watch/hear daily videos  
instead of reading a book?

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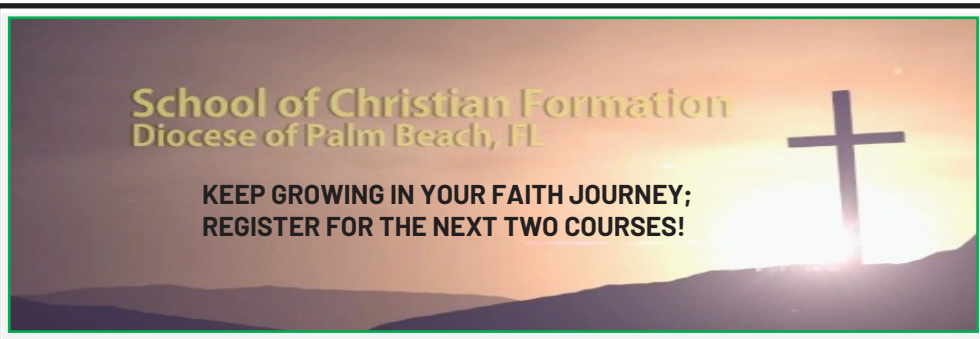
In honor of the Feast of the Holy Family, our parish joyfully hosted a Family Day this past Sunday for all our CCD families—a wonderful afternoon of laughter, games, popcorn, ice cream and fellowship for our parish community.

**A special thank-you to the Knights of Columbus**, who generously prepared and sponsored a delicious meal of hot dogs, hamburgers, and coleslaw for everyone, and for hosting their annual **Basketball and Soccer Challenge**, which brought great excitement and enthusiasm to our youth.

Winners will be announced on **January 25th at the 10:00 AM Family Mass**, and we look forward to celebrating their achievements together.

Thank you to all who participated and to the volunteers who helped make this event such a blessing for our parish family!





**School of Christian Formation  
Diocese of Palm Beach, FL**

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YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH IN A  
RELAXED LEARNING  
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Emmanuel continues to host the School of Christian Formation for the Diocese of Palm Beach. This program offers a series of courses for adult Catholics who wish to learn more about the rich traditions of their faith.

The first course in 2026 **Christology**, began on **January 7**.

The following course, **Vatican II**, will kick off on **March 4**.

Both courses will be taught by Lily Potito, M.A. Theology, Ave Maria University '21.

Each class meets from **2:00PM–4:00PM in the big classroom on Wednesday afternoons** for a total of six sessions (12 hours) per course.

**Registration is \$10 per course; textbooks generally range from \$10 to \$20 per course. Please register at the first class.**

You may attend individual courses for credit or follow the entire three-year program which concludes with the granting of a *Certificate of Completion* awarded by **Bishop Barbarito** at the school's annual graduation ceremony.

The Diocese strongly recommends these courses for all the faithful, especially those serving in liturgical, educational and spiritual ministries.



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- Opportunities to serve the poor in local communities
- Casual hangouts for fun and games!



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*"The glory of God is man fully alive."* - **ST. IRENAEUS OF LYONS**



**Catholic Men for Jesus Christ  
25<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Rally  
Saturday, January 24, 2026  
Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola**



Monsignor James Patrick Shea president of the University of Mary in Bismarck, North Dakota, recent keynote speaker at the National Eucharistic Congress



**Josh Keve** was recently installed as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Congratulations!