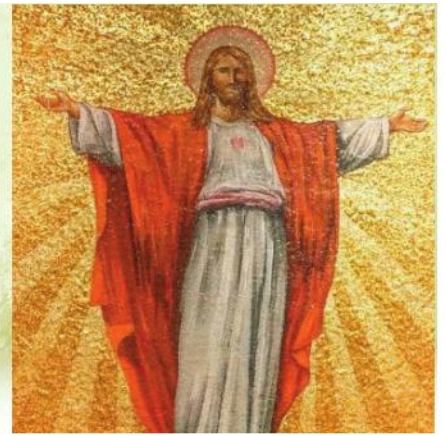


Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

Making and Strengthening Disciples of Jesus



Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is the time of year when school yearbooks are handed out. Perhaps you have memories of looking through the pages, reliving the school year just past, and collecting classmates' messages. Even though I did not find my picture often, I still valued my yearbooks. They told a story that I had been a part of and I wanted to remember that story.

Have you ever considered a spiritual yearbook? Take this past year, for example. If someone presented you with your spiritual yearbook for 2022-2023, what would be captured in it?

Yearbooks typically have pages of student pictures – people with whom we shared the school year. Who would be pictured in your spiritual yearbook? Who has shared your spiritual journey this past year?

There are pages dedicated to sports, of course. While that doesn't apply directly to your spiritual life, you might want to consider the successes of the past year. What spiritual victories did you celebrate? A restored relationship, an especially meaningful confession, or finishing one or more spiritual books are all things you might find in your yearbook.

"I pray that each of us has grown in some way – taken a few more steps on our spiritual journey."

Other pages in school yearbooks show clubs and other extracurricular activities. In what way have you been involved in the life of the parish this year? Perhaps you can imagine pictures from events in which you've participated or group pictures showing all the members of a ministry.

Is your spiritual yearbook for 2022-2023 worth keeping?

That's the big question, I think. Some years, the answer may well be, "No." We haven't grown much in our faith and have little to celebrate. I hope this past year does not fit that description. I pray that each of us has grown in some way – taken a few more steps on our spiritual journey. If that's the case, please take a moment to thank God for all the people who have helped you take those steps. And, if there is less growth than you'd like, there's no reason why that situation has to remain. Remember that another year is already starting, and the photographer is ready to take pictures for the 2023-2024 spiritual yearbook. We can all make the next book better than this past one. We just have to want to do it.

Thanks for helping me on my spiritual journey this past year. I'm so grateful.

In Christ,
Fr. Kevin



Weekly Mass Intentions



Saturday, May 6

8:00 a.m. John Siroky
4:00 p.m. Jennifer Wong
6:00 p.m. †Francisco Perez

Sunday, May 7

7:30 a.m. †Jaime and Victoria Quezon
9:30 a.m. Children making their First Communion today
11:30 a.m. †Anthony DiLuzio

Monday, May 8

8:00 a.m. †Felicita Figueroa

Tuesday, May 9

8:00 a.m. †Gregory Martin

Wednesday, May 10

8:15 a.m. †Mark Wordehoff
6 p.m. For the recently departed

Thursday, May 11

8:00 a.m. Carol Root

Friday, May 12

8:00 a.m. †Luis Cruz

Saturday, May 13

8:00 a.m. Debbie & Doug Williamson
4:00 p.m. For all mothers
6:00 p.m. For all mothers who have gone before us

Sunday, May 14

7:30 a.m. For all mothers who have gone before us
9:30 a.m. For all mothers
11:30 a.m. For all expectant mothers

Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle burns for the ministry of Fr. Amaro Vasquez Ortiz

Our Stewardship

April 29-30

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Building Fund: \$783.00

His Heart: \$373.00

Other: \$641.00

Total: \$10,244.00

Attendance: 964

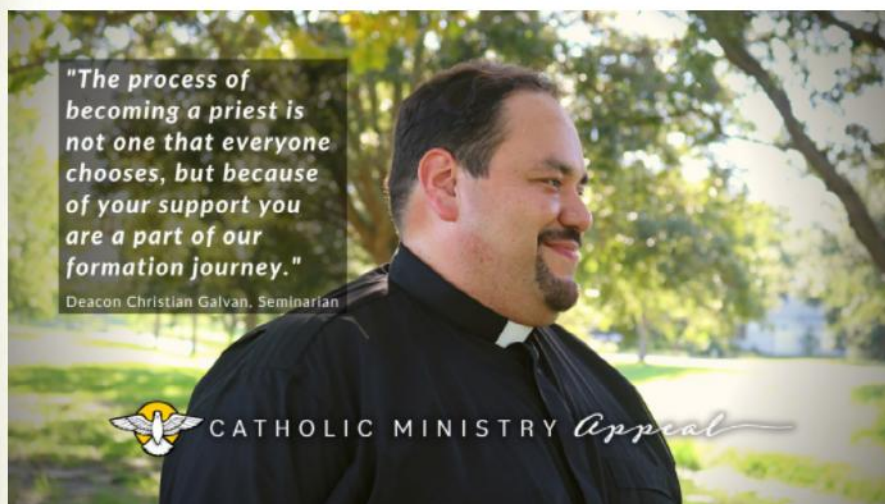
An update on the Catholic Ministry Appeal



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As of last Monday, our parishioners (you!) have given and pledged \$71,643. That's 79.2% of our goal of \$90,479.10. We are so grateful to the 245 families who have made a gift. Last year, 304 families participated and so we are looking forward to hearing from those who haven't yet made a gift this year. And, of course, we want to encourage new gifts as well.

Remember, your donation helps the many important ministries of our diocese. Later this month, for example, Bishop Parkes will ordain a new priest for our diocese. His education and training have been paid for by your past gifts to the appeal. Help us support the next generation of priests by picking up an envelope in the narthex today.



This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, May 7th: The 5th Sunday of Easter:

- Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast after the 7:30 and 9:30am Masses
- Special First Communion Mass, 2pm
- Middle School Youth Group and Confirmation session (with sponsors) 4-5:30pm, Parish Hall

Monday, May 8th:

- Morning Devotions (livestreamed on Facebook), 9am; *Learn a lesson from one of the Saints!*
- Legion of Mary, 9am, Marian Room
- Consolation Ministry meeting, 10am, Retreat House
- Beyond Our Walls prayer group, 5:30pm, chapel. Each week we pray individually for requests we receive throughout the week. Have a request? Cards are available in the narthex.
- Junior Legion of Mary, 6pm, Parish Hall
- Parish Finance Council, 7pm, Parish Office

Tuesday, May 9th:

- Fr. Kevin's Bible study, 9-10:30am or 6-7:15pm.
- His Heart Society: food & clothing distribution, 9-11am

Wednesday, May 10th:

- Bingo, noon, Parish Hall (doors open at 10am, first game at noon)
- Adoration 6:30-8pm; Confessions, 6:30-8pm
- Spanish Prayer Group, 7pm Retreat House
- Columbiettes general meeting, 7pm, Parish Hall

Thursday, May 11th:

- Morning Devotions (livestreamed on Facebook), 9am; *Learn a lesson from one of the Saints!*
- His Heart Society: food and clothing distribution, 9-11am
- Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10am, Retreat House
- God's Housekeepers, 1pm, church

Friday, May 12th:

- Men of St. Joseph, 7pm, Retreat House

Saturday, May 13th:

- Second Saturday of Service, 9-11am, church grounds
- 5th Annual Diocesan Marian Congress
- Mother's Day Dinner Dance, 7pm, Parish Hall

Sunday, May 14th: The 6th Sunday of Easter

- Happy Mother's Day!
- Readings: Acts 8:5-17; Psalm 66; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

It's worth the short walk...

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their monthly pancake breakfast after the 7:30 and 9:30am Masses in the Parish Hall.

The price is just \$3, the food is terrific, and the people you'll meet are even better!



This Saturday!

"Mary and the Eucharist" Saturday, May 13, 2023, Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle.

Bishop Gregory Parkes invites you to the fifth annual Diocese of St. Petersburg Marian Congress! The theme this year is "Mary and the Eucharist." The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith, and we encounter the risen Christ each time we receive our Lord in Holy Communion. Our Blessed Mother has a special role in leading us to her Son, Jesus, in the Eucharist.

This day of joy, renewal, and prayer will include dynamic speakers, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a multicultural Rosary, and Mass with Bishop Parkes. Also, you will have an opportunity to renew your consecration or to be consecrated to Jesus through Mary for the first time. To learn more, visit www.FloridaMarianCongress.org.

Mother's Day Dinner Dance

Saturday, May 13th 7-11pm in the Parish Hall. The Hispanic Community of Sacred Heart is hosting this special event to support the ministries of the parish. This is an evening of fantastic food, music, and fun! Tickets are available in the church office or at the door. For more information, please contact Spanish Ministry Coordinator Patricia Tovar by calling the church office or by email at sagradocorazonpp@gmail.com



Our Current Liturgical and Devotional Schedule

Weekday Mass

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, & Sat: 8am

Wed: 8:15am & 6pm

(Rosary prayed before morning Masses at 7:25am)

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil

4pm and 6pm *(Spanish)* *(Rosary prayed in Spanish at 5:30pm)*

Sunday

7:30am, 9:30am *(live-streamed)*, &

11:30am

(Rosary prayed at 7am)

Confessions

Wednesdays: 6:45-7:45pm *(English)*

Saturdays: 2:45-3:45pm *(English)*

Saturdays: 5:15-5:45pm *(Spanish)*

(If you need more time with the priest in confession, please contact the parish office for an appointment)

Morning Devotions

Monday & Thursday at 9am

(livestreamed):

Fr. Kevin provides some background and a short devotion on the saint of the day.

Our Chapel is Open for Prayer

Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 8:30am-5pm

Wednesday: 9am-8pm

Saturday: 8:30am-4pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays: 6:30-8pm

First Friday:

Exposition: 8:30am-8pm

Masses: 8am and 8pm

First Saturdays with Mary:

8:30-10am (includes Adoration)

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Tuesdays, after the 8am Mass

Our Mother of Perpetual Help:

Thur., after 8am Mass

Santo Nino (Infant Jesus) Novena:

2nd & 4th Wednesdays, after the 6pm Mass

Livestreamed liturgies and devotions can be found at sacredheartpinellaspark.com (look for the "Live" link at the top of the page) or on Facebook (SacredHeart Parish PinellasPark).

Get Involved! Help Out!

The Consolation Ministry will be meeting May 8th, 11am in the Retreat House. Current and new members are invited to discuss the ministry and plans for the future.

God's Housekeepers meet monthly to help in the cleaning of the church. The more hands they have, the more work they can accomplish. And, this is an act of evangelism, since a clean, attractive church may encourage visitors to return. They are meeting this Thursday, at 1pm. No need to sign up in advance. Stop in and introduce yourself to these dedicated parishioners.

Can you smile?

We need more ushers at each Mass so that both parishioners and visitors are properly greeted as they enter and leave our celebrations. You need to be willing to arrive a bit early and stay a few minutes later than most and we are willing to work with your schedule. Assisting once or twice a month would be a big help to our weekly ushers.

Can we pray for you? Will you join us in praying for others?

Each Monday afternoon at 5:30 in the chapel the Beyond Our Walls prayer group prays for individuals by name. The prayer time is divided into four segments separated by Taizé chants. After a time of thanksgiving, we pray for the sick, then for special needs, for members of our parish, and finally for those who have fallen away from the faith or who are not of the faith. This is a different style of prayer that allows us to pray specifically for the needs of our parishioners, friends, family, and our community. You are welcome to join us any Monday.

Can we pray for you? Write your request on a card in the narthex and drop it in the basket.



How does the story of Esther end?

Fr. Kevin's Tuesday Bible study will finish their study of Esther this Tuesday covering chapters 8-10. Attend the 9-10:30am or 6-7:30pm session. If you missed the previous sessions, don't worry! You'll still pick up plenty of lessons with just these chapters.

Congratulations, Faith Formation Students!

Last Sunday we capped off another year of Faith Formation celebrating the children with a special session (including food!) and presenting them with their certificates. It is also a time for gratitude.

- We are so grateful to the children for their attendance and willingness to grow in their faith.
- We are grateful to their parents who bring their children to Mass and the classes that follow.
- We are very grateful to our dedicated teachers!
- We are grateful to Araceli and Lisa who keep it all running smoothly.

We look forward to next year!



A Bible verse for the Week:

“I came so that they might have life
and have it more abundantly”
(John 10:10).

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A Message from Pope Francis

This is an excerpt from Pope Francis' Wednesday, February 22, 2023, General Audience, where he continues his discussion of evangelization. You can read the entire talk at vatican.va. Click on Audiences and choose the one for Feb. 22nd.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us start, and start anew, as Church, from the Holy Spirit. "It is undoubtedly important that in our pastoral planning we start from sociological surveys, analyses, the list of difficulties, the list of expectations and even complaints. However, it is far more important to start from the experiences of the Spirit : that is the real departure. And it is therefore necessary to seek them out, list them, study them, interpret them. It is a fundamental principle that, in the spiritual life, is called the primacy of consolation over desolation. First there is the Spirit who consoles, revives, enlightens, moves; then there will also be desolation, suffering, darkness, but the principle for adjusting in the darkness is the light of the Spirit " (C. M. Martini, *Evangelising in the Consolation of the Spirit*, 25 September 1997). This is the principle to guide ourselves in things we do not understand, in confusions, even in so much darkness — it is important. Let us try to ask ourselves if we open ourselves up to this light, if we give it space: do I invoke the Spirit? Each of us can answer within ourselves. How many of us pray to the Spirit? "No, Father, I pray to Our Lady, I pray to the Saints, I pray to Jesus, but sometimes I pray the Our Father, I pray to the Father...". "And the Holy Spirit? Don't you pray to the Holy Spirit, who is the one who moves your heart, who carries you forth, who brings you consolation, who brings you the desire to evangelize, undertake mission?". I leave you with this question: Do I pray to the Holy Spirit? Do I let myself be guided by Him, who invites me not to close in on myself but to bear Jesus, to bear witness to the primacy of God's consolation over the desolation of the world? May our Lady, who has understood this well, help us to understand it.



Our Parish Prayer List

Sheryl Acunal	Debbie Hogan	Antoinette Passero
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Kenneth Barcomb	Janet Jacob	Taliah Richards
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Judy Cardone	Elija Johnson	Judy & Mark Rucker
Melina Carmen Chase	Elizabeth Jurado	Joan Salvo
Maryloo Carrico	Deanne Karner	Janet Schaumann
Sean Casey	Liam & Jeanne Kennedy	Maryanne Sirrianna
Paul & Gail Catalona	Dolores Kenney	Patricia Slaymaker
Bill Cauchon	Barbara Klasek	Jeanne Slofkin
Kathy Chabot	Tony Lociech	Fred & George
Joseph I. Chase	Anna Kumari	Sontheimer
Marlene Clark	Charlotte Laliberti	Helen Sullivan
Bonnie Crisafulli	Gail Larson	Norman & Leonette
Una Daigle	Sharn Lundy	St. Germain
Rita Durish	Sheila Lutz	Sherry Taylor
Christina Fabb	George Maier	Gloria Unger
Brooke & Brianna	Katie Malins	
Farnsworth	Connie Marmaro	
Anne Fiamengo	Mary Masterson	
Mitzi Federico	Mary Mattingly	
Florence Garrido	Jeff Odajewski	
Gail Griffin	Diane O'Neill	
Mary Haisch	Rinette Parece	

Bold indicates new name added to prayer list.

To keep this list meaningful, we respectfully ask that requests to be included on the list be renewed every 4 weeks and that you provide a specific prayer intention. To respect the privacy of individuals, please submit requests only with the expressed permission of the person for whom you are requesting prayer. Send requests to fikevinyarnell@gmail.com



Pope Francis May Prayer Intention

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

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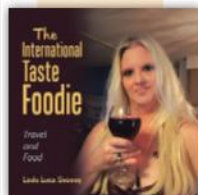
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