

Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church



**Franciscan Friars,
Third Order Regular**

**515 4th Street South,
Saint Petersburg, Florida
33701**

**+Diocese of
Saint Petersburg**

One hallmark of Franciscan spirituality, also epitomized by Pope Francis,
is to extend welcome to all.

On behalf of the Franciscan Friars, Third Order Regular,
and the parish family of Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace, we extend this heartfelt invitation:

*No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church.
No matter what your current family or marital situation.
No matter what your past or present religious affiliation.
No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color.
You are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved here at
Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace.*

In the words of Saint Francis of Assisi:
“May the Lord give you peace.”

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Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00am - Tuesday & Thursday 12:10pm

Weekend: Saturday 4:00pm Vigil. Sunday Mass 8:00am & 11:00 am

Holy Days: Please check within the bulletin for Mass times

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:00—3:45pm and by appointment

If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to one of our Friars. If you are visiting and interested in registering, we ask that you pick up a blue registration form found in the church or visit our Parish Office and once completed either return it to our Office or drop it in the collection basket.

Membership is required for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation. Registration is also required before the pastor can issue a certificate for those asked to be sacramental sponsors.

Matrimony: Arrangements should be made 6 months in advance by contacting our Wedding Coordinator. Participation in a marriage preparation program is required by the Diocese of Saint Petersburg.

Parish Staff:

Pastor

Rev. Fr. Damian Amantia, TOR

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Fr. Laurence Uhlman, TOR

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Michael Menchen

Business & Physical Plant Dir.

Antoinette Magnani (ext 206)

Parish Ministry Assistant

(ext 201)

Director of

Faith Formation

Claudia McIvor (ext 207)

Wedding Coordinator

Alice Coston

Director of Liturgy/Music

Michelle Rego (ext 208)

Sacristan

Jim Kochen

Physical Plant Custodial Care

Calvin Adams

Parish Office Hours:

9am-3pm Mon—Thurs

Office is Closed Friday

(727) 896-2191

Parish Bulletin:

Articles should e-mailed

Wednesday by noon

10 days prior to print date.

(Holidays 15 days prior.)

Parish Website:

www.stmaryolg.org

Parish Email:

info@stmaryolg.org



Knights of Columbus # 2105

For questions or assistance,
please call: (727) 678-0183

Parish Ministries:

Altar Servers

Al Hoel

Ancient Order of Hibernians

Sean Denny

Daystar Life Center-727-825-0442

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Alan and Dale Stewart, Christine Freas

Holy Communion to the Sick

Fr. Larry Uhlman

Faith Community Nursing Ministry

Legion of Mary

Sylvia Gonzales

Faith Formation

Claudia McIvor

Hospitality Ministers/Ushers

John Davis

Ministry to the Deaf

Carol Downing

Music Ministry

Michelle Rego

Readers

Kevin Curran

Saint Mary's Merry Makers

Pam Hatton

Secular Franciscans

Jim Gillis 727-564-1733



LENT, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT SAINT MARY'S

Stations of the Cross

Each Thursday in Lent, March 14 and 21, immediately following the 12:10 pm Mass

Lent Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 6-7 pm in the church

Individual Confession will be available during this time

PALM SUNDAY/March 23-24

4:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 and 11:00 am Sunday

Distribution of Palms at all Masses

CHRISM MASS at the Cathedral of Saint Jude

Tuesday, March 26 at 11:00 am

all are invited to attend this Mass, and so the Friars and Deacon may attend,

Saint Mary's 12:10 pm Mass will be suspended that day

HOLY THURSDAY/Thursday, March 28

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

7:00 pm followed by adoration until 9:00 pm

(No 12:10 pm Mass this day)

GOOD FRIDAY/Friday, March 29

12:10 pm Solemn Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm CELEBRATION of the LORD'S PASSION

(No 8:00 am Mass this day)

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER/Saturday, March 30

8:00 pm Mass

(No 4:00 pm Mass or Confessions this day)



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday, March 31

7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses

(Note that this differs from our normal weekend schedule)

Monday, April 1,

Church and Office will be closed for the holiday,

(No 8:00 am Mass this day)



Adult Faith Formation

The Bible in a Year - Saturdays, 10 - 11:30 AM

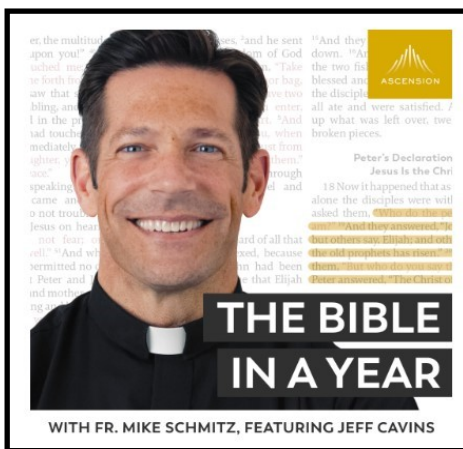
Please join us in the Parish Hall. Enter by the carport door.

Lenten Wednesday group continues through 3/20, 10 - 11:30 AM

Topics include: Conversion and Holy Week. Let us know if you want to join us: claudiamcivor@gmail.com

Men's Group - the first Wednesday of the month - will meet on April 3, 7 pm in the parish hall. Video, discussion and Adoration.

Please call the parish office for full details:
727-896-2191, extension 207



Children and Families Faith Formation

If you have a child grade K through 8 and would like to register for our Faith Formation program, please contact the parish office. Upcoming classes and topics are...

Sunday, March 10
The Triduum, Anointing of the Sick
Saint Bernadette Soubirous

Sunday, April 14
Holy Matrimony, Holy Orders
Saint Gianna Beretta Molla
And ARK assessment

Sunday, May 5
May Crowning in the parking lot
Our Blessed Mother



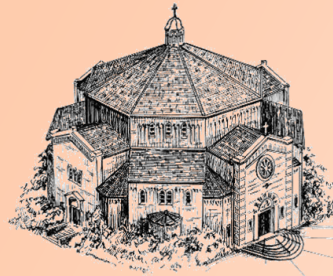
**Sunday 3/10**

8:00am Parishioners and Staff

11:00am †The Cloud Family
by Susanna Bellafante**Monday 3/11**8:00am †Nancy Curry
by The Legion of Mary**Tuesday 3/12**12:10 pm Robert Paul Barnes
by Judge Kovachevich**Wednesday 3/13**8:00am Vocations
†Patricia Agcopia
by Marilyn Caparas**Thursday 3/14**12:10pm †Eric Barmen
by Friends and Family**Friday 3/15**8:00am John Michael Barnes
by Judge Kovachevich**Saturday 3/16**4:00pm †Ted Kasproh
by Henry Kasproh**Sunday 3/17**8:00am †Olga Parker Barnes
by Judge Kovachevich

11:00am Parishioners and Staff

Readings for the day can be
located at: www.usccb.org



Please remember our Poor Boxes. Your donations serve our local community through Daystar Outreach, Saint Mary's Ministry of Mercy. Located at both side entrances.

Heavenly Father, we ask that you bless and comfort our brothers and sisters who are ill.

Surround them with your healing presence and give them strength. Amen.

*Carolyn Wilson,
Kimberly Mullick,
Marie & Don Mulholland,
Karla McClintock,
James Patrick King,
Kent Gilbertson,
Eddie Connaughton,
Nancy Hogan, Lyric Adams,
Daniel Sharpe, Pat Dillinger,
Teresa Russo, Jewel Barron,
Patrick "Bear" Uli,
Judith Miller, Clarice Carpenter.
Angelito Gonzales,
Mary Jean Rego, Lola Walker,
Theo Rennard, Rosalind Flynn,
Linda & Kennedy Johnson,
Tom Foote, and Vincent Russell.*

Please inform the Parish Office of prayer requests as they are updated monthly.

*The flowers at
the statue of
Our Lady of Grace
are in loving
memory of*

†Patricia
Licata-Amantia

requested by

**Ruthann Pullen and
Julie Szucsik**

If you would like to remember a loved one or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, etc.) by having a 2 week candle burn at the statue of Our Lady of Grace, or by contributing toward the cost of the gifts of bread and wine used during Mass on the weekends, please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

A suggested donation of \$10 would be greatly appreciated.

Floral arrangement placed at the statue of Our Lady of Grace, in loving memory or a special occasion, is available through the parish office.

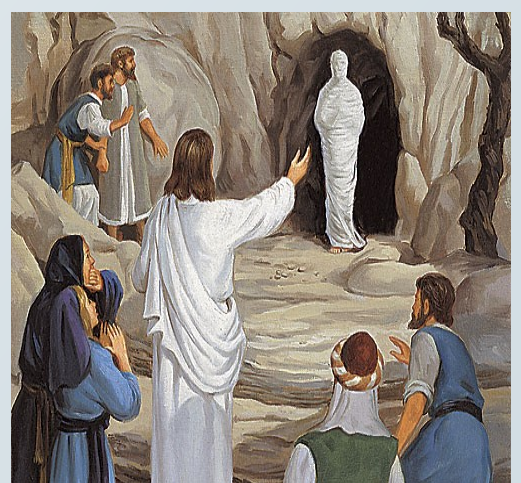
Flowers are \$35 an offering for a bouquet.

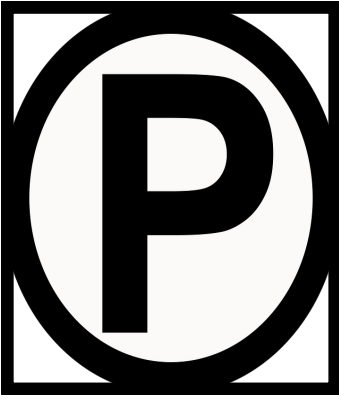
The **SCRUTINIES** are celebrated on the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent, by those people who are preparing to be baptized at Easter, known as "The Elect". They are important and special rites of the Church. The Gospels on the three Sundays on which the Scrutinies are celebrated (Lent 3, 4, and 5) teach the elect about the mystery of sin, and fill them with the Spirit of Christ.

THE SECOND SCRUTINY – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - (MARCH 10/8:00 AM)

THE MAN BORN BLIND

At the 8:00 am Mass this weekend, we are privileged to journey alongside the elect as they prepare for the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil—baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist. On the three Sundays prior to Holy Week, we witness the celebration of the scrutinies, rites of the Church designed to uncover and heal all that is weak or sinful in the elect so as to summon forth and strengthen all that is strong and good. While the scrutinies are addressed primarily to those in)OCIA, we too can participate in them as a way to turn our hearts back to Christ, acknowledging the need for our own ongoing conversion toward the one who guides and shepherds us. Accompanying the three scrutinies are selections from John's Gospel, especially chosen to focus our attention on Christ as Savior and Redeemer. In hearing the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well last Sunday, the spirits of the elect are built up by Christ who is the living water. This Sunday, the cure of the man born blind leads the elect to experience Christ as the light of the world. Lastly, the raising of Lazarus brings the elect to meet Christ as the resurrection and the life. As we listen to these Gospel narratives this Lent, how are we allowing Christ to fortify us with living water, to open our eyes and heal our blindness, and raise us up from death to newness of life with him? (Geoffrey T. Mooney)





SAINT MARY'S PARKING UPDATE:

In a collaboration with our neighbors, Johns Hopkins hospital, Saint Mary's has been given permission to use the grass-only side of the lot that sits adjacent to the parish center. To park here, when our own lot is full, enter the lot from the 6th Avenue side, and proceed to **park on the right. (grassy side of lot ONLY)**

The paved/gravel left side of that lot is for hospital valet parking **ONLY**.

The right side is for our worshippers. In return, the hospital employees and visitors will not be using our church lot, keeping it clear for masses and other parish activities. Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and for your patience!



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STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Dear Lord, Open our minds and hearts to a greater awareness and deeper appreciation of your countless blessings. We pray for the Holy Spirit to transform our parish into a lifelong faith-based community where we generously share our God-given gifts as a true act of faith, reflecting our love for you and our neighbors. We pray through Christ, our Lord.
Amen

