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Catholic Church

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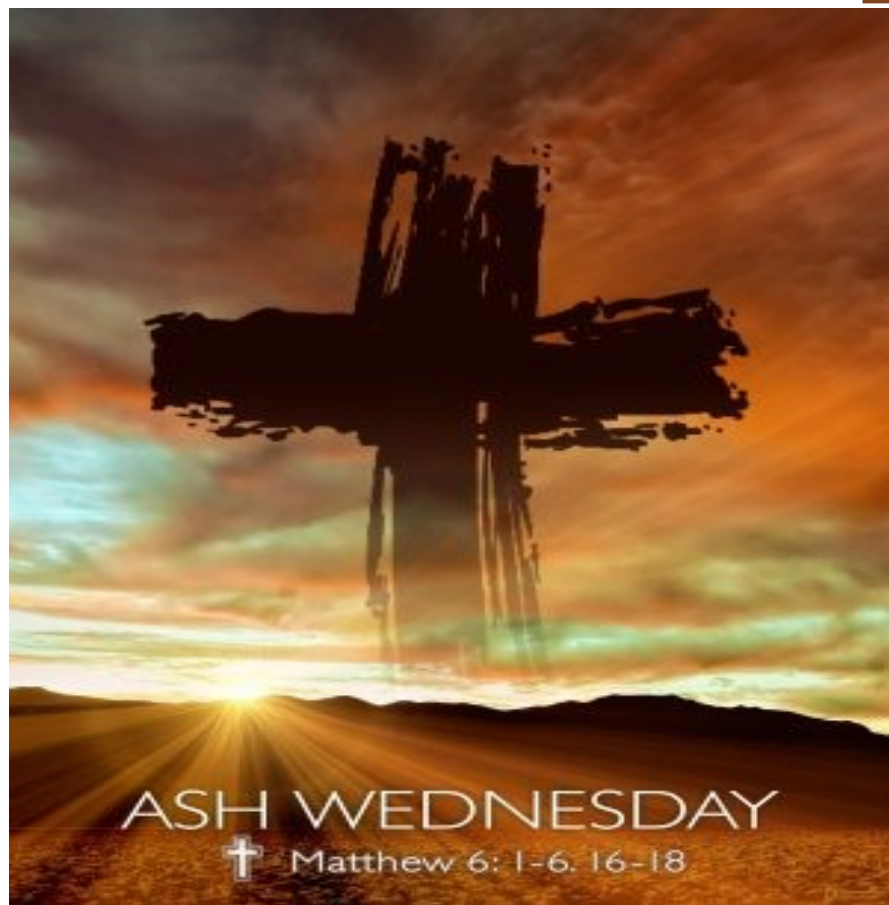
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021

Masses Sat. 4:00 pm, livestream.

Sunday, 7:30, 10:00, 11:30

Sun. 8:30 Vietnamese,

Please wear a mask, sanitize hands, keep social distance inside the church. Keep everyone safe



Ash Wednesday.

Masses 8:30 am, 4:00, 8:00 pm

Benediction 3:00

Thursday. Confessions

3:00-4:00 & 7:00-7:30.

Daily Mass 8:30 am

Adoration Mon-Fri 9-12:00

Wed & First Fri to 5:00

Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass.

Anointing of the Sick request after Mass.

Focus on the Family this Lent. These 40 days call us to spend time in prayer as a family. Scripture reading and the rosary are good family activities. The Stations of the Cross is encouraged. Join us at 3:00 each Friday of Lent.

Jesus teaches us about prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These are the three traditional “pillars” of Lenten observance. During Lent, we are encouraged to focus on prayer. This can be done by adding or increasing silent prayer time each day, taking time to pray as a family, attending Mass more regularly, experiencing Eucharistic adoration, in addition to other options. We are also asked to fast during Lent, which includes abstaining from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays, plus observing a day of fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Lent is a call to repent and believe in the Gospel. This also includes having a daily 40 practice to help us grow in holiness. The purpose of fasting is to help us be detached from the pleasures of this world and focus our attention on God. Finally, almsgiving refers to acts of charity. This can include offering more of our time, talent, and/or treasure in service of God. With all these practices of Lent, Jesus in this Gospel passage calls us to be humble and do them with the right intention of serving and worshipping God. Lent draws us to the heart of God to receive mercy and new life.

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Entrance: O Bless the Lord (#559)

Refrain: O bless the Lord, the God of our salvation,
Rock of strength and a refuge sure! O bless the Lord, the
God of every nation, over all the earth!

Verse 1: O bless the Lord, highest heavens above!

Bless the Lord! Glorify his name!

Sun in the day, moon and stars in the night, worship and
praise! (to Refrain)

Verse 2: Let all the earth sing with joy to the Lord,
all the seas, creatures of the deep!

Mountains and hills, birds and beasts in the fields, worship
and praise! (to Refrain)

Presentation: In Every Age (#467)

Verse 1: Long before the mountains came to be
and the land and sea and stars of the night,
through the endless seasons of all time,
you have always been, you will always be.

Refrain: In every age, O God, you have been our refuge.

In every age, O God, you have been our hope.

Communion: Ubi Caritas (#324)

Refrain: Ubi caritas est vera, est vera:

Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est. Verse 1: The love of Christ joins us
together. Let us rejoice in him, and inner love and care for
all now love God in return. (to Refrain) Verse 2: In true
communion let us gather. May all divisions cease and in
their place be Christ the Lord, our risen Prince of Peace.

Sending Forth: We Are Called (#618)

Verse 1: Come! Live in the light!

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain: We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly,
we are called to serve one another;
to walk humbly with God.

Verse 2: Come! Open your heart!

Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called to be hope for the hopeless,
so all hatred and blindness will be no more! (to Refrain)

Sending Forth (10 AM Only): Great God

Verse 1: You deliver me from evil, you show your righteousness.
You save me from the darkness, you bring your truth
and light.

Refrain: My God is a great God, my God is a great God,
my God is a great God, he's a great God.

Verse 2: In your house are many strangers. At your door
you heal the sick. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for they
shall be made new. (to Refrain)

Lent – A time for Spiritual Growth

Lent gives us Forty (40) days to cultivate a spiritual training to grow in holiness. Have you noticed when you try to abstain from candy, deserts or soda; you begin to hunger even more for them and can't wait until Lent is over to return to these enjoyments?

This Lent build into your day a personal encounter with the Holy One who dwells in you. If you have a daily commute, build some prayer time into your travel. When stopped at a red light say out loud, "For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world." Or some other short prayer, "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace." Download an app to listen to the Bible. Or use this time to pray the rosary.

With a daily practice, you will be asking God to be there for you. First activity on waking greet the presence of God in you. Take a moment and welcome the day by offering all that will happen to the praise of God. On going to bed look back over the day, give thanks for all the blessings, and ask pardon for any failures. Sleep in peace.

The kitchen is another good place to pray. Your table is the altar of your home. Simplify your meals. Set a rice bowl on the table as an extra guest sharing a portion of your meal. Add a short scripture passage to your meal. "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." Matt 4:4. This is another great way to pray as a family during the season.

Decide what it is you want to do for 40 days so a poor daily habit gives way to a good habit or routine. Our hope is for you to develop a new habit this Lenten season. Come up with one of your own to deepen your relationship with God. Practice this new habit on a daily basis for the 40 days of Lent and commit to it. Connect this habit to something you already do. Start small and increase bit by bit. Plan for obstacles and develop an accountability partner. Acknowledge milestones along the way and celebrate them. Finally reflect on how this new habit is enriching your life.

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Sunday Jan. 31—Parish Offering \$56,266.00

Candles—\$140.00 / Needy—\$1,581.00

Total—\$7,987.00—Thank You!

Masses Attendance was 545 people

4:00 - 127; 7:30 - 68; 8:45- 127; 10:00 - 142; 11:30 - 81

Thank you sharing your time with us.

God bless your sacrifices.

Follow the Mass on Facebook live streaming on

Saturday at 4:00 pm.

Visit www.svdpfl.com for online giving!

SCRIP PROGRAM at St. Vincent de Paul.

The gift cards listed available at the Parish Office or Gift Shop for immediate purchase! You can simply walk in and **purchase them on-site.**

This is a great way to support your Parish, while doing everyday shopping.

Amazon \$25	Subway \$10
CVS \$25	The Home Depot \$25
Lowe's \$25	Visa \$50
Starbucks \$10	Walmart/Sam's Club \$25



THE JOURNEY. A WAY TO DEEPEN YOUR EXPERIENCE OF JESUS

The Journey continues. Please join us as we begin the second series of the Journey. The Eucharist is the memorial of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Instituted on the

night before he died during the Last Supper, he commanded his Apostles to celebrate it until his return. As a result, two thousand years later, we have the opportunity to share at his table, which is available to us each and every day at Mass—but most especially gather together as a community of faith on Sunday.

This week, create a plan for how you will prepare for Mass, this might include reading the Sunday Scriptures or opening your heart in prayer. Each time you go to Mass, go a little early to spend time remembering and reflecting on the ways that God is present to you. And lastly, invite someone to join you at the Sunday Mass who does not normally attend.



Thank you for worshipping with us.

Sanctuary Candle: Msgr John Neff+ (Parish Family)

Sunday February 14, 2021

7:30am Steve Boccuzzi+ (Emilia Boccuzzi)

8:30am Parish Family

10:00am Ursula Koenig+ (Anita McMahon)

11:30 Theresa Blee+ (Associates)

Monday February 15, 2021

8:30am Irene Sarvaideo+ & John Thomas Pezzatti+
(RoseMarie Pezzatti)

Tuesday February 16, 2021

8:30am Joan Inguaggiato+ (Morris, husband) &
Esther Leonard+ (Janice daughter)

Wednesday February 17, 2021 Ash Wednesday +

8:30am Protect our Priests from the virus (A friend)

4:00pm **Courage to Live the Gospel this Lent**

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Thursday February 18, 2021

8:30am Helen Halliday+ (Mary & Thomas Mullen) &
William Moran+(Joan Rosamilia)

Friday February 19, 2021

8:30am Daniel Riordan+ & John Flynn+ (Jean Flynn)

Saturday February 20, 2021

8:30am Mothers of the Blessed Sacrament

4:00pm Luis, Pepe, Alba & Antonio Meceli+ (Mena
Meceli) & Terry SangalangSr.--Birthday (Wife)

WELCOME
we're glad you're here

SCRIPTURE READING

Readings for the Week of February 14, 2021

Sunday Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Monday Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

Thursday Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Friday Is 58:1-9; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday Is 58:9-14; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

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Our Call to Community "Make a House a Home"

You will find the Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society. As members of the Catholic Church, we proclaim that human life is sacred and the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society.

We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person. We acknowledge people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

We have an opportunity at this time to be active in these objectives by adopting a person/family to assist as they move from homelessness into permanent housing. The Coalition for the Homeless of Pasco County has received funding to house 225 people/families. However, these individual do not have the basic necessities to make these houses a home. As a community, we can come together and provide them with basic household items for the kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, cleaning and supplies and cooking starters. (Please see a detailed list on our website).

Lent is a perfect opportunity to look at the extras, or unused items in your home that would benefit these new home owners. This is a way to pull our parish together in a common project. You can help make a difference in reaching out to lend a hand in putting this together. Please give a call to the office at 727-938-1974. Put your name and email or phone # on our "Helping Hands" list. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this project.

Finance Corner

WORD OF APPRECIATION

Your offertory gift helps to pay down our operating cost. This past week we paid bills including: Pest Control \$150, Copier Lease \$348, Food Expense \$123.89 and Cleaning Supplies and Paper Products \$403.34.

We thank all who from home still send your contributions to help meet our costs and carry out our ministries. Thank you and God Bless you!



Make Your Gift Today! We have always been a community of steadfast servants of the Lord, coming together to grow in our faith, nurture our children with a love of God and progress toward the greater good. Today, we are asked to affirm our commitment to support diocesan ministries, programs and services that meet the physical, educational and spiritual needs of thousands both within and outside of parish boundaries.

Thank you to those who have returned their pledge cards. If you have not done so, please prayerfully consider what you can do to help those in need of services within our Dioceses and the worldwide programs we support. Thank you and God Bless you.

Sunday—14th

Faith Formation Classes 11am
Burning of Palms 11:20 am
Youth Group 12:30 pm

Monday—15th

OLG Arts and Crafts 9:30 am
Share the Word 10 am
Divine Mercy 1 pm
Divine Will 3 pm
KOC General Meeting 7 pm
Ladies Aux General Mtg. 7 pm

Tuesday - 16th

Wednesday—17th

Our Lady's Guild Card Party
11 am

Sunday, February 14th at 11:20 our Faith Formation will burn last years palms to make the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. Ashes are a sign of repentance as we begin the 40 days of Lent. Lent culminates with Holy Week, the blessing of palms on Palm Sunday also called Passion Sunday and begins Holy Week. The people used palm branches to welcome Jesus on the day he entered Jerusalem. Here Jesus is betrayed and condemned to death of the cross. Easter resurrection follows.



MARRIED COUPLES OF ALL AGES AND STAGES--YOU ARE INVITED TO

RENEW & ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE

The next virtual weekend is scheduled for
FEBRUARY 19-21, 2021



APPLY TODAY AT FLWC-WWME.ORG OR
CALL STEVE AND SUZIE AT 813-270-7832



Our Lady's Guild

Our Lady's Guild is looking forward to our Card Party on Wednesday, February 17 in Father Farrell Hall from 11-3. The cost is \$7.00 for lunch and the fun of playing the game of your choice with

friends. This day is Ash Wednesday and Chef Mark will prepare a meatless spaghetti.

Arts and Crafts will meet on Mondays from 9:30-11:30. Future announcements about our Spring Craft sale will be posted soon. Join us in the Media Room of the Education Building!

Rosary Makers will meet on Wednesday, March 3 from 1:00-2:30. Rosary making is easy and fun! Over 7,000 rosaries have been sent around the world to spread the love of Jesus and his Mother Mary.

The healing we all desire

"A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him, 'If you wish, you can make me clean.' Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, 'I do will it. Be made clean.'" Mark 1:40-41



Last week we read the story of Jesus healing a woman with a fever. In this weekend's Gospel, we find Jesus encountering a man with leprosy who our Lord heals of his affliction. The church and community saw leprosy as both a spiritual and physical disease. It was considered to be a punishment from God.

According to the law at the time, lepers were banned from the community. In order to be reunited, they had to prove to the local priest that they were healed. In this case, the leper knows the power of Jesus to heal if He wills it. The leper says to Jesus, "If you wish, you can make me clean." In essence, he believes Jesus has the same healing power as God. Jesus had pity and cleansed him of his affliction.

Keep in mind that this was also a spiritual cleansing, so that he can be healed in the eyes of God. Jesus orders him to go to the local priest and offer what Moses prescribed according to the Levitical law—in essence, to do penance.

This healing is the same healing we all desire, a healing from the scourge of sin. Like leprosy, sin could not be cured except by a divine intervention. We utilize the sacrament of reconciliation to relieve us and be healed of our spiritual afflictions which separate us from God and others. Have the courage to recognize your own afflictions and, like the leper, ask the Great Physician, our Lord, to bring healing to your heart, your soul and your mind. Remember, those that asked for healing and had faith received it. Making a good confession is a great way to start.
~ Bishop Gregory Parkes

*Fridays 3:00 Pray the Stations of the Cross.
The church is open until 9 pm. Spend time
in quiet prayer as a family.*

Thursday—18th
SVdP Food Pantry 1pm
The Journey 1 pm
Contemplative Prayer 4pm

Friday - 19th
Coffee Social 8 am
Friday Night Dinner 4:30 pm

Saturday - 20th
Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3 pm

Sunday—21st
Faith Formation Classes 11am
First Eucharist Parent/Child
Meeting 11:30 am
Confirmation Parent/Child
Meeting 1 pm

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Please join us for **The Knights of Columbus Friday night dinners** Fr. Farrell Hall. The Knights will have their monthly General Meeting on Monday February 15, at 7:00 pm. All the Knights are welcome and encouraged to come. Face masks will be worn and social distancing held.

The Ladies Auxiliary next monthly meeting is on Monday, February 15, at 7:00pm, in Father Farrell Hall. Ladies if you would like to come and see what we do and how we go about doing things with the Knights, you are more than welcome to come and join us. Face masks will be worn and social distancing will be in effect.



JOIN our S.V.de P. Society

Wish List This Week: We are still in need of the regular items we pass out such as cereal, soup, canned meat, peanut butter, pancake mix and syrup.

In the Gospel today Jesus moved with pity touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering.

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping.

With a growing number at our door we are in need of both cash donations and food. Cash donations can be put in an envelope marked SVDP Society and placed in the offertory basket or dropped off at the office.

Thank you for your support, the SVdP Society is made possible by your participation in serving this ministry.



Youth Ministry News! Youth Activity Gathering

We look forward to seeing you **today** as we grow together keeping one another safe. There are still many ways to have fun and enjoy friendships.



**February 14, from 12:30—2:30,
Pray Together Play Together**

Family Faith Formation

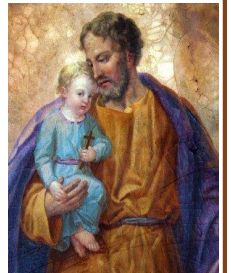


The God Who Never Quits

It is easier for us to see and hear God at work in the world when there is some great event that symbolizes his presence. We speak of acts of God when there are floods and tornados and earthquakes. We want God to step out on the balcony of heaven and make himself known. But he still comes in the still small voices of our existence and is missed many times by those who are looking for something else. Could it be that God has come to most of us many times with something for us to do and that we have missed his commission and do not do his bidding simply because we are not listening carefully?

Year of Joseph – Sanctity

"the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said: Joseph, Son of David, "Do not be afraid to take Mary, your wife into your home. It is through the Holy Spirit that this child is conceived in her."



Dignity bestowed on someone by God supposes a holiness {sanctity} capable of bearing it worthily...Saint Joseph must have been very holy. Without doubt he was the holiest of men, for it was only fitting that God should choose the holiest and most worthy man for so lofty a mission as his charge of Jesus and Mary.

His holiness matches his dignity. He is the spouse of the ever virgin Mary: chastity shines forth in him with all its brilliance at the first indications of Mary's maternity, though he is ignorant of the divine mystery involved. He is the adopted father of Jesus, his legal and foster-father: with fidelity, devotion, and love he watches over Jesus, at Bethlehem, in Egypt, and at Nazareth until his death. Jesus is his only treasure. All the virtues of a faithful husband and a tender father he had, and practiced perfectly toward Jesus and Mary. (Eymard Library. Vol.8: p.8-9)

Holy Joseph, your sanctity endeared you to our heavenly Father and found you worthy to be guardian of Jesus and Mary. Nourish in us the graces of humility, purity of heart, and the same fidelity, devotion and love for Jesus and Mary you exemplified in your care of them. Amen.

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2021-2022

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

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Safe Haven Sunday—Equipping the Family:

This weekend, February 14, the Diocese of St. Petersburg will be celebrating our third annual Safe Haven Sunday. This weekend of awareness provides free resources to you to give you confidence for how to talk to your children about internet dangers, as well as their personal online and offline choices. Please join us with your prayers and presence as we prepare for this unique event. To learn more, visit www.dosp.org/freedom-from-porn/. In the digital age, it's not a matter of if your child will see something inappropriate online. It's only a matter of when. As pastors of the Catholic Church, we offer this state-

Safe Haven Sunday

Technology doesn't have to disconnect you from your kids. Join the Safe Digital Family Challenge by texting **SECURE to 66866** to receive seven days of emailed digital tips!



ment to give a word of hope and healing to those who have been harmed by pornography and to raise awareness of its pervasiveness and harms. In the confessional and in our daily ministry and work with families, we have seen the corrosive damage caused by pornography—children whose innocence is stolen; men and women who feel great guilt and shame for viewing pornography occasionally or habitually; spouses who feel betrayed and traumatized; and men, women and children exploited by the pornography industry. While the production and use of pornography has always been a problem, in recent years its impact has grown exponentially, in large part due to the Internet and mobile technology. Some have even described it as a public health crisis. Everyone, in some way, is affected by increased pornography use in society. We all suffer negative consequences from its distorted view of the human person and sexuality. As bishops, we are called to proclaim anew the abundant mercy and healing of God found in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and through his Church.