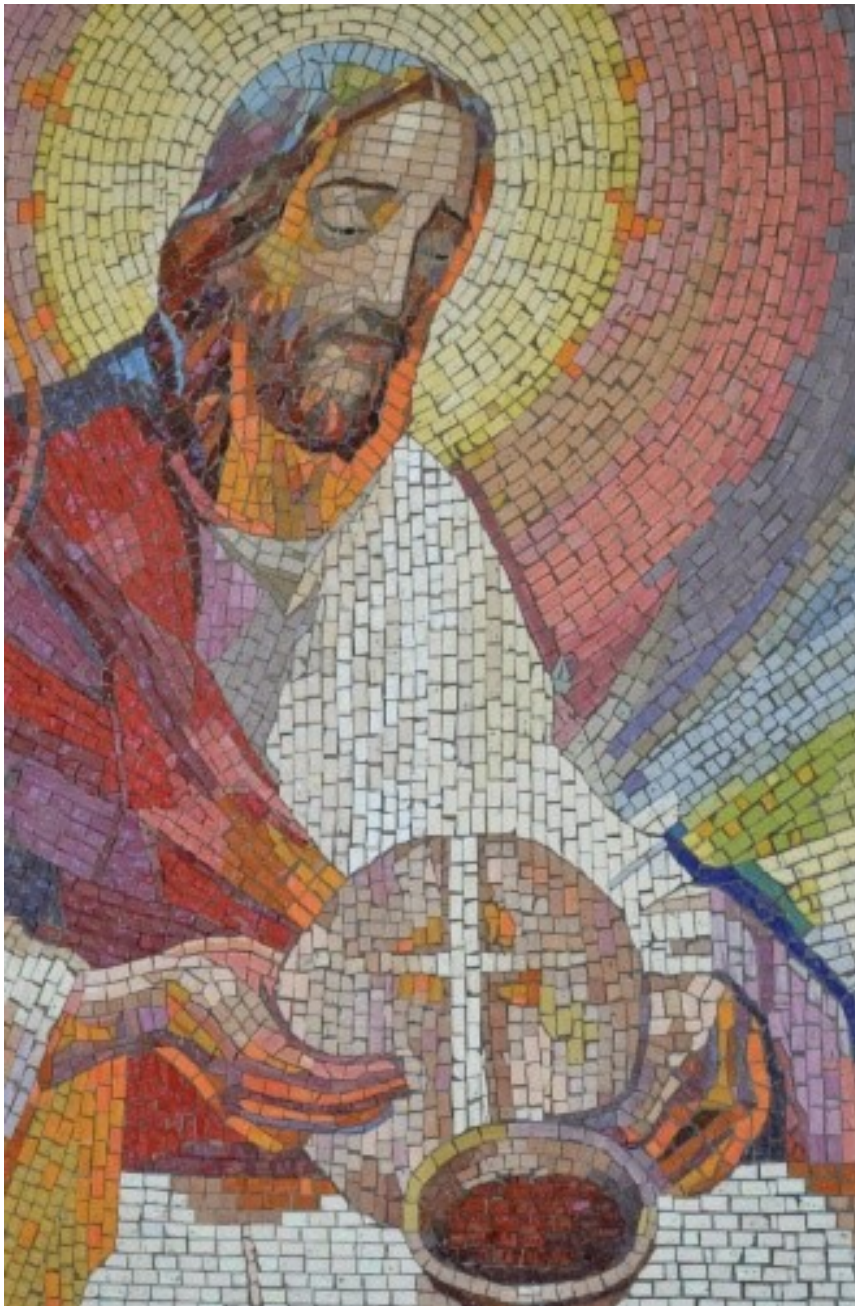




SERVED BY THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CONGREGATION—LIVING THE EUCHARIST IN LOVING SERVICE

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — FEBRUARY 5, 2023



Christ wants to be with you in His Presence of Divine Life shared in the Eucharist as Gift of God. Make every effort to attend the Parish Mission. Your life will be changed in what you receive.

Monday - Wednesday evenings @ 7:00 p.m. with three themes: *Monday*, "Real Presence in Everyday Life." — *Tuesday*, "Jesus, God's Real Presence." — *Wednesday*, "A Real Presence for Others as a Community of Missionary Disciples"

Saturday, Feb. 4 @ 1:00 p.m., bring those in need of healing to celebrate the "Sacrament of the Sick."

Sunday, Feb. 5 @ 4:00 a special prayer service to our Blessed Mother under the title of "Our Mother of Perpetual Help."

Call the office for a time to spend one on one in conversation and/or confession for some spiritual guidance.

Three priests available for three days from 10 AM to 4 PM. Come for Adoration and experience God's merciful forgiveness.

Feb. 4, 5pm Candlemas, Family Dinner and Dance
Feb 4—8, Mission, Real Presence—God's Gift



This week our parish extends a warm welcome to **Reverend Father John Thomas Lane, S.S.S.**, Provincial Superior of the United States Province of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament under the patronage of Saint

Ann. Father Lane was elected to this position of leadership during an August meeting of the priests and brothers. Some lay associates from Texas, Florida, and the Cleveland area joined them to celebrate the charism of their founder, St. Peter Julian Eymard. Pope St. John Paul II honored him with the title, "eminent apostle of the Eucharist."

Father Lane SSS, pastor of St. Paschal Baylon Parish, accepted the appointment to the office of provincial superior. His new duties will allow him to continue as pastor while leading the religious Congregation in the U.S. Before returning to Cleveland, Father Lane ministered in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Houston Texas and Salt Lake City, Utah. He earned a graduate degree in liturgy from the University of Notre Dame. Father Lane has been active in liturgical circles and conventions throughout the country presenting many workshops on liturgy.

Others elected to leadership positions were Father William Fickel SSS, former pastor of St. Paschal who serves as pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Holi-

day, Florida. Father John Kamas SSS, from New York City who serves as the pastor of St. Jean Baptiste Church in Manhattan, and Father Thomas Smithson, a native of Albuquerque, servers as the pastor of Corpus Christ Parish in Houston, Texas.

Often called Father JT as his father is also John Thomas Lane. He will have a full schedule of meetings with the parish staff, finance council and stewardship council. He will also take time meeting with Bishop Parkes and the pastoral staff of the diocese. He gives priority to the sacred liturgy and looks forward to the times of worship with parishioners. Father JT also will meet with area Associate members of the Aggregation of the Blessed Sacrament and those in the neighboring diocese of Orlando.

Saturday Vigil Sat 4:00 pm.

Sun: 7:30, 10:00, 11:30. (Vietnamese), 8:30.

Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.

Confession Thurs. 3:00-4:00 and 7:00-7:30 pm.

The church is open 7:30 am to 9:00 pm to visit the Lord for quiet prayer.

Morning Prayer: 8:05 a.m. Exposition: 9:00 a.m. with the rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet.

Benediction: 11:55 a.m.

Call the parish for any need, anointing of the sick or home visits for communion. Office hours 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Parish Staff—Pastor, Fr. William Fickel, SSS; Parochial Vicar, Fr. Dominic Long, SSS
Parish Administrator, Christine DeLiato; Stewardship, Laura Worhacz;
Faith Formation Director, Charlene Vassalli; Choir Director, Tierra Carson Booth;
Secretary, Anabella Batista; Maintenance, Rocky Hieu Nguyen; Chef/Hall Rental, Mark Brose**

PARISH GIVING JANUARY 22, 2023

Sunday Offering \$ 8,635.00

Candle Money \$ 352.00

Total (Thank You!) \$8,987.00

Visit www.svdpl.com for online giving.

Mass Attendance 802

4:00 p.m. 178 \$1978.00

7:30 a.m. 89 \$1007.00

8:30 a.m. 187 \$ 855.00

10:00 a.m. 224 \$1511.00

11:30 a.m. 122 \$1146.00

Mail In \$ 265.00

Additional \$ 352.00

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Thank you for sharing your time with us.

God bless your sacrifices.

The Mass is live streamed on Sat. at 4:00 p.m.



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NEXT ORDER: March 6, 2023

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Thank you for worshipping with us!

**Sanctuary Candle Intention for the week,
Catholic Ministry Appeal**

Sunday	February 5
7:30am	Geraldine Velez+ (Ray & Margaret Flanders)
8:30AM	Parishioners
10:00am	Anthony Joseph McLaughlin+ (Ed Nessler)
11:30am	Frank Q. Picone+ (Marie, wife)
Monday	February 6
8:30am	Repose of the Soul of Sister Nadine, OSSR+ (M. Zunino) and Bernardette O'Connor+ (Mary Lou Flower)
Tuesday	February 7
8:30am	Mary E. Jack+ (Family) and Ruthellen Cyr+ (Sandra Rosseau)
Wednesday	February 8
8:30am	Rosemary McLaughlin Nessler+ (Ed Nessler, husband) and Mary De Pardo+ (Ray & Margaret Flanders)
Thursday	February 9
8:30am	Joseph Nucci+ (Julia Maseo, sister) and Jean Flynn, healing (Ray & Margaret Flanders)
Friday	February 10
8:30am	Raymond Worhacz, intentions (Family) and Intention for those who maintain the Church
Saturday	February 11
8:30am	Intentions of Rev. William Fickel (K.Z. Drez & Parish Family) and Kenneth McMahon+ (Anita McMahon)
4:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory (Serge Laplace)

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of February 5, 2023

Sunday:	Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
Monday:	Gn 1:1-19//Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	Gn 1:20—2:4/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday:	Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

Arts & Crafts

Preparation is underway for our Spring Arts and Crafts show on Friday March 31 9:00-2:00 and 4:00-6:00 and Saturday April 1st 9:00- 2:00.

We are in need of old lamp bases made of ceramic or metal, flower pots and clay pots empty and clean, baskets any size and pastel ribbons. We meet every Tuesday in the Education Building from 9:30—11:30. We will also be doing wreath decorations. **Come join the fun!**

Suncoast Catholic Ministries invites you to our **13th Annual Tampa Bay Men's Conference**
Saturday February 25, 2023

featuring **Bishop David L. Toups,**
Fr. Dwight Longenecker,
a **Personal Witness Talk** and special
topic **Breakout Sessions.**

The theme of the conference is **Spiritual Warfare.**
"For though we live in the world, we are not carrying on a worldly war." 2 Corinthians 10:3,
St. Paul knew that behind his visible opponents lurked powers that were invisible and demonic, but he was confident that he was aided and protected by an even greater divine power through the weapons of spiritual warfare - Prayer, Scripture, Sacraments, Evangelization.

Suncoast Catholic Ministries is inspired to build a strong multi-community network of Catholic men passionate about the Lord, to organize meetings for those interested in deepening their own faith in Jesus Christ to kindle in others through their enthusiasm and witness, and to communicate an awareness of faith-based programs, events and materials that have been proven valuable to other parishes and communities throughout the Florida Sun Coast region. you

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Finance Corner

Where does the money go?

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

Thank you for your support in paying these bills: Electric \$64.88, Telephone and Internet Education Building \$179.42, Postage and Meter \$415.45, Food for Concert \$256.00, Candles \$193.83, Internet Church \$122.97, Computer Maintenance Contract \$500.00 and Employee Benefits \$1131.00.

We are open seven days a week and serve many people in the area with our prayers and outreach. To those who are homebound, keep us informed of your needs. Thank you and God Bless you!

Gospel Reflection

I recently decided to learn to cook. As I sit at the feet of various YouTube cooking masters, I notice how much of cooking is adding ingredients that don't provide any more nourishment, like herbs and other seasonings. But man! They make all the difference because they make the meal delightful to eat and share.

Jesus calls his disciples "salt of the world." No one eats just salt. So, Christians are not meant to replace or do away with the world. They are meant to be agents of preservation and glorification. Notice how often these days the Church seeks to preserve what is threatened: the goodness of marital and family love, the desires of young people for greatness, the value of honest work, healthy economics, and altruistic political engagement, the dignity of the poor and vulnerable. Over and over, we say to a world who wants to throw things out, "It's worth saving! We'll preserve it! We'll show you it's wonderful." If we can't engage the world like that, Jesus says we are the ones who get thrown out, because salt alone is worthless.

Jesus only asks us to do for others what he does for us. He is the "salt" of everything in our lives. Is there something in your life starting to rot a bit? Something tasting bland and boring? Let Jesus salt it and see if you like it better.

— Father John Muir, ©LPi



MINISTRIES IN ACTION

DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG | CATHOLIC MINISTRY *Appeal*



WORKING TOGETHER

Thank you for your dutiful response to contribute in joining the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*. Each member of the church helps to nurture spiritual life, embrace God's call to serve and accompany missionary disciples in bringing forth the light of God's love. Last year more than **22,000 households** joined together in support of the ministries and services funded through the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*. Through their generosity and the dedication of our pastors, parish staff and volunteers we exceeded our goal!

This year, we invite all to join us as we work together toward raising \$8.5 million to ensure we can continue bringing ministry to life by loving God, loving others, and making disciples through faith formation for children, adults, and families; supporting our seminarians and priests; and providing shelter, food, and clothing to those in need.

We are blessed to continue the good works we do in God's name as we embark on the 2023 *Catholic Ministry Appeal* and together Courageously Live the Gospel.

WHAT IS THE CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL?

+ The *Catholic Ministry Appeal* invites all Catholics to make an annual donation to fund larger shared ministries and services that no single parish could accomplish on its own.

+ 100% of donations are going to outreach that positively affects people, communities, parishes and schools, such as Catholic Charities, vocation promotion, seminarian support, campus ministry efforts and the Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute. For a full listing, please visit www.dosp.org/catholicministryappeal.

+ Each parish will have a goal for the new appeal to strive for best practices to be paid by the parish if achieved.

ENCOUNTERING GOD AND NURTURING OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

The Youth and Young Adult Ministry is one of 11 diocesan ministries that embrace God's call to serve, and offer all who seek God an opportunity to encounter Him and enrich our spiritual lives, fostering our response to God's call to serve. Through the Catholic Ministry Appeal, this group of ministries will receive \$3.6 million of the total \$8.5 million appeal goal to carry out their good works.

Rev. Elixavier "Xavy" Castro Chaplain of Tampa Catholic High School, "I've been involved with the Good Samaritan Project since I was a seminarian. I've been invited to help at GSP when I was at my pastoral parish at Our Lady of the Rosary. That pastoral year we had a summer assignment to help out at GSP. Ever since, I went back as a priest, I also would come and visit here. What I greatly appreciate about GSP in general is that it's not just about getting service hours. It's about encountering Christ in each other. But here [GSP] it has been a more concentrated aspect of building up those relationships because we're with each other 24-hours a day for the next five days and you just get so many opportunities and you get to know them much better. They get to share about not just the experiences of the retreat, but they point out something maybe in their own life that they realize they need healing or that the graces that have been there or just to share funny stories and build up those relationships."



DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG
**CATHOLIC
MINISTRY**
Appeal



In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "You are the light of the world," he is calling us to live our Christian vocation in words and deeds.

Be a "light" to those living in poverty and in a world of darkness by giving a donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

God's love is witnessed by the charity given through our care for others in need. Every gift is given to express the love God has shown to us in Jesus his Son. Jesus was incarnated of the virgin Mary and born in a manger. He came as food to nourish a hungry human family of his brothers and sisters. All of us.

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

St. Vincent de Paul Church is hosting it's **Spring Rummage Sale** on Friday, Feb. 17th, from 9 AM to 2 PM and Saturday, Feb. 18th, from 9 AM to 2 PM in Father Farrell Hall located at 4843 Mile Stretch Drive behind St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. There's something for everyone! Come and check us out! For further information please contact Christine DeLieto at 727 938-1974.



We need you to make this a success. We need helpers to set up, clean up and run the rummage sale. A sign up sheet is posted on the Community Events Board in the Social Hall, please take the time to sign up and help.



"You are the light of the world. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Indeed, we are the Light of the World and also the Salt of the World. Jesus tells us that we should become the light of the world. What does He mean?

The light illuminates a space or a place so that we can see, judge and act. In the absence of light we cant do anything tangible.

For us to become the Light of the World as Jesus commands, we are supposed to first, possess the virtues of Christ, hear His teachings and follow Him and secondly, become good examples to others in an open manner by exhibiting all good things that Christ taught us.

Jesus tells us that we will be of no use to the Kingdom of God if our good deeds do not make others to glorify God. Just like salt which cannot make food to taste good, is useless, those whose good deeds do not attract people to God, will be thrown out and people will trample on them.

So, let our good deeds become visible to everyone so that God can be glorified in our work and love for others. Let us become good role models to others and glory and honor will be to the Almighty God.
Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, You have commanded us to become the Light of the World. Give us strength, courage and humility so that we can become perfect examples to others and bring them closer to You. **Amen.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Friday Nite

Dinners Come see us on Friday to enjoy an "ALL YOU CAN EAT" dinner for \$12.95. Spread the word and help us to put a flyer in your club house. Richard will give you one when you come to dinner. Join the Knights of Columbus. We thank all the Knights for showing up for our monthly meeting on the **Third Monday** of each month.

Sacred Heart Parish Men's Retreat

Rev. Brandan McManus, S.J., the bestselling author of *Redemption Road: Grieving on the Camino*, "will lead a guided men's retreat sponsored by Sacred Heart's Men's Prayer Group at the **Franciscan Center** (3010 N Perry Avenue) on **Saturday, February 18th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

The retreat themed to 'walking the walk,' featuring discussions on the Jesuit spiritual tools for navigating life's challenges. This retreat will dive into how to live a more coherent life through the integration of life and faith, with a focus on handling emotions and enhancing decision making. The cost for the retreat is \$50, and includes lunch and refreshments, and will be followed by a Mass. Reserve your spot by contacting Jim Rossman at jrossman719@live.com.

2023 Winter Concert Series at Saint Mary's concludes on February 19th

The annual Winter Concert Series at Saint Mary, Our Lady of Grace Parish in Saint Petersburg will conclude on Sunday, February 19, 2023 at 3:00 pm with a presentation entitled "The Power of Music in Film."

This one-hour, FREE concert features oboist Kevin Chavez, and pianist Joshua Cessna, who will use a variety of woodwind instruments to share beloved film themes from past and present decades,

All are welcome to attend. Saint Mary's is located at 515 4th Street South in Saint Petersburg, 33701. For more information, call Michelle Rego at 727-896-2191 ext. 208.