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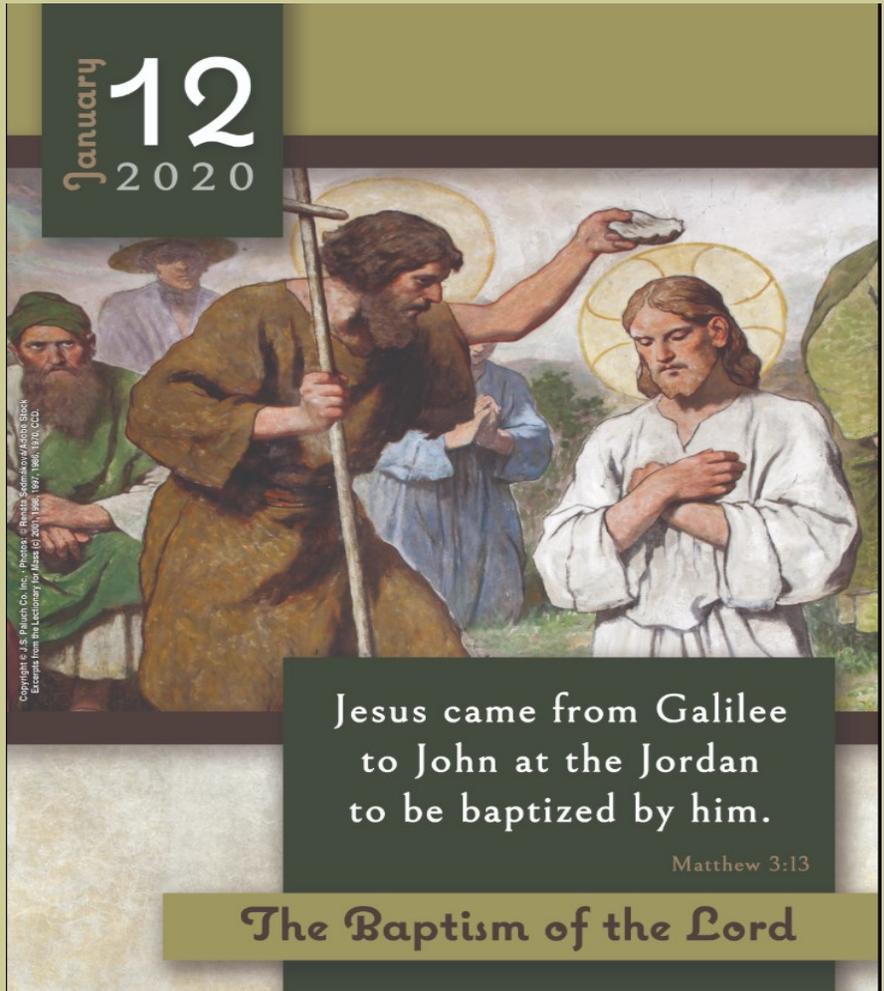
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# ASCENSION CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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### ASCENSION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

www.ascensioncatholic.org  
U.S. Department of Education  
School of Excellence

Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth Grade

#### FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

Pre-K3- Gr. 3 Tuesdays, 2:00-3:30pm  
Pre-K3- Gr. 6 Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.  
Pre-K3- Gr. 6 Wednesdays, 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.  
Gr. 1-6 Wednesdays, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

Ascension Catholic Life Teen

Sundays 6:45-8:30pm

Edge (Grades 7&8) Wednesdays 6-7:30pm

#### OUTREACH

Ascension Thrift Store: 259-7291  
Ascension Social Concerns: 259-5685

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass

4:30 pm

Sunday Masses

7:30 am

9:30 a.m. (free childcare)   
(choir)

11:30 am (free childcare)

5:30 pm

(Contemporary Music)

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am

Sat. 9:00 am

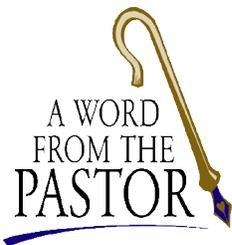
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:15 - 4:25 pm

Wednesday: 5:00 pm

(or by appointment)

As a good steward of the Lord's blessings, please remember to consider your Parish Family or School Endowment in your Last Will and Testament.



### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE Sunday

- ◆ Spirituality of Financial Giving
- ◆ Annual Fiscal Report
- ◆ 5 Reasons for Supporting your Parish Financially
- ◆ 3 Practical Suggestions

In this four-page report on 'Stewardship of Treasure' Sunday, you will find:

- Remarks on the spirituality of money
- Nine levels of giving to the offertory collection in 2019
- Our Annual Financial Report with some explanatory notations
- Information on electronic giving and credit card giving

First of all, a **BIG THANK YOU** to all of you who, week after week, month after month, and year after year, faithfully share with your parish family a portion of your financial resources. Your faithful and generous giving enables us to pay a fair wage to our full-time and part-time parish staff who maintain our facilities and oversee the daily administration of the parish and many of our ministries. For more on all this, see our Fiscal Reports on pages 4 and 5.

#### The way we make and use our money is a spirituality issue

An old and wise maxim concerning the spiritual life states: "The spiritual life is *all* life" and not just those times when we pray and come to Church. If the spiritual life is *all* of life, then the way we deal with our relationships and with life's hurts and losses, as well as the way we handle our money, either help or hurt our relationship with God. When we see financial resources as a gift from God and we prayerfully seek to be wise and generous stewards of this gift, we impact in a positive way our relationship with God. On the other hand, when we leave God out of this area of our life or choose to be greedy with our financial resources, we not only hurt our relationship with God but also our efforts to become the person God has created us to be.

Some years ago, I read that there are over 2,300 verses in the Bible about money and possessions, and the right management of them, but only 500 verses that relate to prayer and faith. Isn't that amazing! I wonder why the Bible talks so much about money way more than I do! 😊 Might it be because God is very aware of how preoccupation with money (especially when we have a sufficient amount of it to pay our bills) can be a big distraction to our relationship with him?

#### FIVE REASONS TO BE SERIOUS AND GENEROUS WITH OUR FINANCIAL RESOURCES

1. **God expects us to do so.** Every day in my morning prayer, I *thank God* for the *material* and *spiritual* blessings in my life and I add: "May I use these blessings in a way that pleases you." Of course the best way to show our gratitude for the blessings we have received is to share them with others especially with our church and with the less fortunate. God did not bless me so that I could be greedy; he blessed me so that I can bless others.

2. **We could have been born in a slum here or elsewhere.** *Everyday*, millions of our brothers and sisters in our global family deal with gross poverty. By an accident of birth, we were fortunate enough not to have been one of them. Reflecting on this reality should be reason enough for all of us to be very generous with the financial blessings that we enjoy.

3. **Consistent financial giving is God's cure for greedy tendencies.** If grief is God's cure for dealing with a loss, and forgiveness is God's cure for healing a hurt, consistent financial giving is God's cure for dealing with any greedy tendencies in us. It's amazing how easily greed can take hold of us—whether we are poor or rich. Some poor and rich people are very generous, and other poor and rich people are very greedy.

4. **Generous financial giving makes us a little more like our good and generous God.** If forgiving life's hurts makes us more like a forgiving God, generous giving of our financial resources makes us more like our good and generous God.

5. **Experience the joy of giving.** There is real joy in giving. I am sure many of you have experienced it.

#### THREE PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS TO PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER

1. **Giving something to the offertory collection basket is always way better than giving nothing.**

Giving nothing to the offertory collection is a vote—intended or unintended—to close the parish. While I feel I am pretty sensitive and often helpful to families who are going through a difficult time financially, I firmly believe it is an act of faith in God to *give something* to the offertory collection no matter how poor we are. Remember how Jesus praised the poor widow for her contribution of a few pennies saying that she gave more than all the rest considering her financial situation.

2. **If currently your practice is to give 'loose change' to the offertory collection, consider moving to the next level.**

The next step up from being a 'loose change' giver is to become a 'percentage giver.' After prayerful reflection, all of us would most likely agree that God's work carried out week after week in every parish deserves more than our loose change, especially when we are in a position to give way more than loose change.

When it comes to this aspect of our spiritual life, most 'percentage givers' to the offertory collection would say that 'doing the math' was a significant and important step. When we have the courage to 'do the math,' we may discover that we are more generous than we thought, or we may discover that we are not as generous as we thought.

If you have never 'done the math' on what percentage you give to Church and charity, please consider doing so.

That would be a big step when it comes to this aspect of your spiritual life. It would mean you are inviting God into an aspect of your life that you may have thus far kept him out of.

### 3. *Work towards or beyond the biblical ideal of tithe.*

In the Old Testament, there are several references to tithing. God asked Israel to give a tithe, i.e., 10% or more, of the harvest to the Temple. In the Book of Sirach, God's Word says to us: *"With each contribution, show a cheerful countenance, and pay your tithes with a spirit of joy. Give to the Lord as he has given to you, generously, according to your means"* (35:8-9).

I assume that some of you reading this column already do set aside 10% of your income for Church or for Church and charity. Perhaps some of you who do not set aside a whole tithe (10%) could do so without too much added sacrifice. The main thing is that we are making a decent effort to move in the direction of giving a full tithe (10%) to Church and charity.

I conclude with a favorite Scripture verse on financial giving: *"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth... Rather store up treasures in heaven"* (Matt 6:19-20). It has also been said: *"We cannot take our money with us, but we can send it ahead of us by supporting the mission of the Church. In doing so, we store up treasures in heaven."*

## TWO WITNESSES

### Tom

Years ago before Tom walked away from the Church, giving was a chore, an imposition and just another obligation.

After returning to the Church, Tom registered and received Church envelopes and thought: "Here we go again..." But a month later, things felt better. An interior voice prompted Tom to "up his game" and increase his level of giving.

As the months went by and with the help of the annual witness homily on financial giving, Tom continued to increase his level of giving even though he worried about paying all his bills.

A couple of years ago, Tom ended up in the hospital and spent a month at home in recovery and made up his missed donations over the next several weeks.

Even though Tom's increase in giving meant tightening his budget belt, he and his wife (who comes from another Christian faith tradition) realized that they were doing fine. They continued to grow in their sense of gratitude for blessings in their lives. One of Tom's blessings was unexpected raises at work.

Tom now "firmly believes that blessings will flow in abundance when one gives from one's heart"—something Tom experienced first hand.

### John & Hope

John and Hope initially gave \$5-10 a week.

Gradually, they increased their giving by 10%. They say that their practice of tithing has helped them to see everything as God's gift and blessing.

In and through tithing, they see themselves as supporting the Church's ministries and outreach efforts. The practice of tithing helps them to fight the lure of consumerism.

Have a blessed week,

*Fr. Eamon*

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## Nine Levels of Giving: Jan 1-Dec 31 2019

Annual Contribution	Number of Parishioners 2019
\$ 7,500 - 14,999	19
5,000 - 7,499	33
4,000 - 4,999	34
3,000 - 3,999	69
2,000 - 2,999	122
500 - 1,999	619
250 - 499	262
249 - 101	249
101 - below	317
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,724</b>

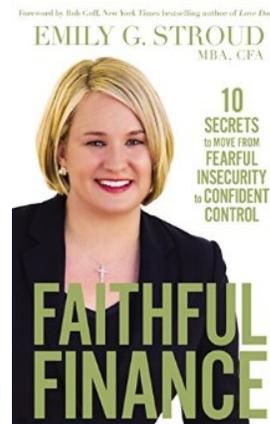
**QUESTIONS:** Where are you on this chart? How much of a sacrifice would it take for you to be on the next level up?

## A BOOK TO HELP WITH FINANCES

*Faithful Finances: 10 Secrets to Move from Fearful Insecurity to Confident Control*  
By Emily Stroud

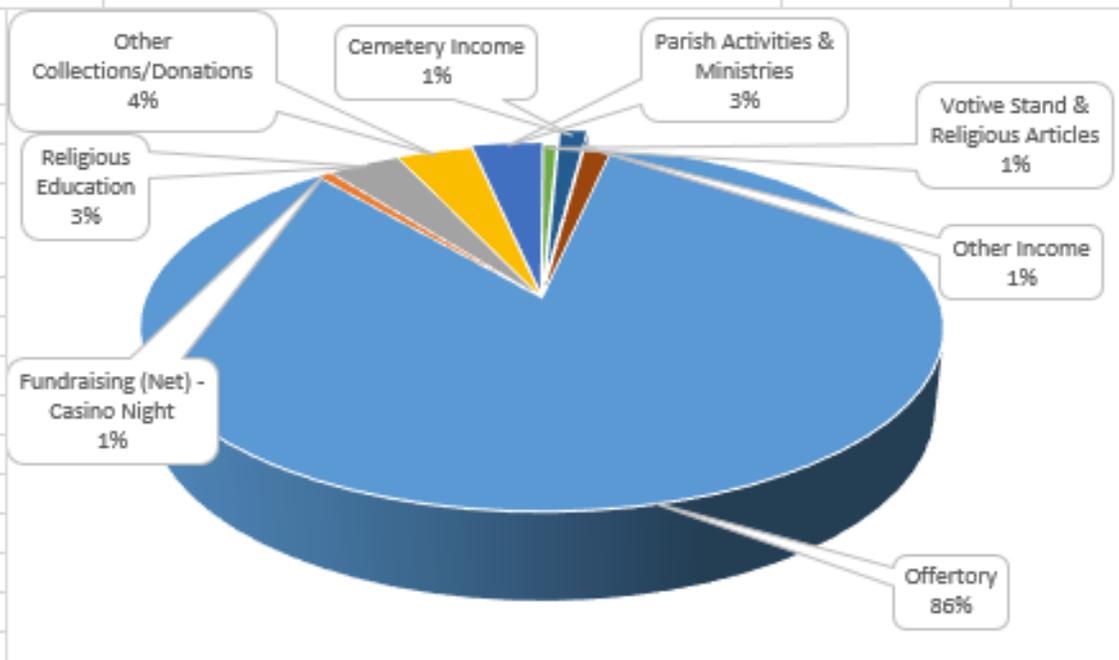
Emily, a mother of young children, has been a financial advisor for nearly 20 years. For more about her, google the internet.

I, Fr. Eamon, heard her interview on the Catholic Channel. Her book might be good one to read or give as a present.



## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT - REVENUES

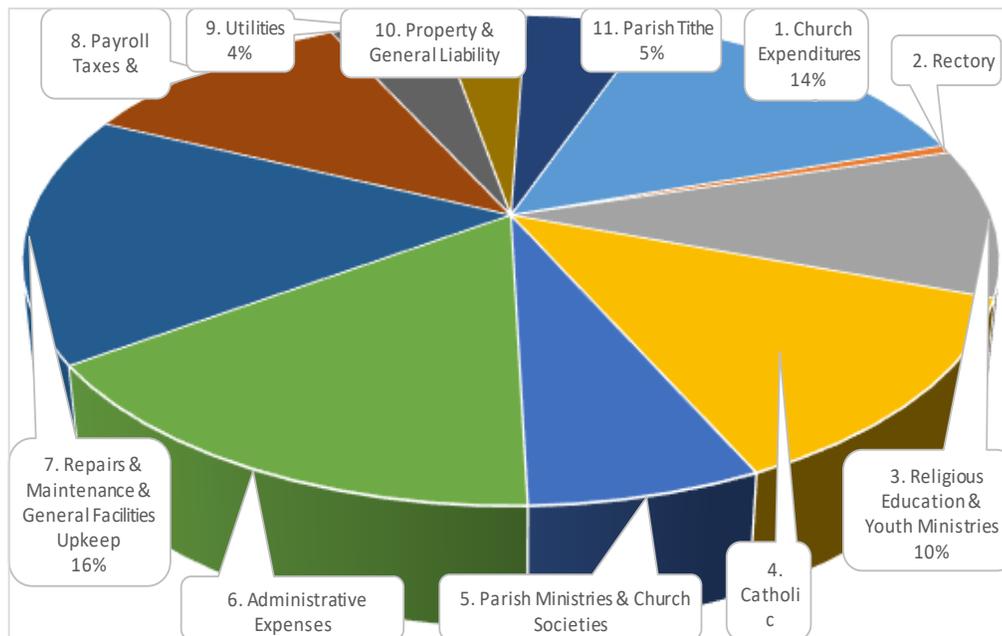
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2019			
	REVENUE SOURCE	6/30/2019	
1	Offertory	2,052,230	
2	Fundraising (Net) - Casino Night	16,805	
3	Religious Education	82,511	
4	Other Collections/Donations	86,275	
5	Parish Activities & Ministries	80,461	
6	Votive Stand & Religious Articles	15,197	
7	Cemetery Income	31,500	
8	Other Income	31,503	
<b>Operating Revenue</b>		<b>2,396,482</b>	



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| 1 | Sunday Collections; Mailed-in offerings; Credit card and direct giving   |
| 2 | Casino Night helps us support our school   |
| 3 | Fees for Religious Education programs; Youth Ministry & Middle School retreats, activities and event fees  |
| 4 | Mass offerings; donations for flowers; other unrestricted direct donations; School Envelope portion that goes through Church and transferred to Ascension School |
| 5 | Parish social; donuts; Fish Ministry; Church Societies, Miscellaneous Ministries   |
| 6 | Candle Shrine; literature rack; religious book sales   |
| 7 | Memorial Garden  |
| 8 | Bulletin revenue; interest income; miscellaneous   |

## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT - EXPENDITURES

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2019	6/30/2019
1. Church Expenditures	345,927
2. Rectory Expenditures	12,472
3. Religious Education & Youth Ministries	235,611
4. Catholic School Support	303,505
5. Parish Ministries & Church Societies	156,567
6. Administrative Expenses	379,080
7. Repairs & Maintenance & General Facilities Upkeep	393,882
8. Payroll Taxes & Benefits	264,031
9. Utilities	101,918
10. Property & General Liability Insurance	84,433
11. Parish Tithe	118,907
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,396,332</b>



1. Church Expenditures Includes: Clergy and Extra Clergy; Liturgy and Music; other support personnel; Church repairs, maintenance & insurance
2. Rectory: Repairs & maintenance; Housing Allowance
3. Religious Ed and Faith Formation: program costs; Director of Faith Formation; Youth & Middle School Minister; support personnel; Adult Education programs
4. Catholic Schools Support: our offertory support for our school  
Melbourne Central Catholic support
5. Parish ministries; ACCW; Retirees
6. Parish office staff; office expenditures; legal; telephone; printing; advertising; parish review program (audit); banking fees; miscellaneous expenses
7. Maintenance & custodial workers; repairs & maintenance costs for all facilities: grounds; equipment; parking lot; memorial garden
8. Payroll taxes; health insurance; pension fund; dental; life insurance
9. Utilities for all facilities, electric, water, garbage removal
10. Property taxes (land); liability insurance for all facilities & vehicles
11. Parish Tithe: support for the poor - locally, nationally and globally

## AUTOMATIC GIVING

We thank all parishioners who choose to use the automatic method of giving to their Church family. We find more and more people who prefer to give in this way, mostly due to the convenience and accessibility of options. Giving electronically allows us to be faithful and consistent in our giving.

We call automatic giving “intentional giving.” It provides the donor peace of mind that his/her donations are accounted for even when traveling away from the parish, while assuring the donee steady and consistent stream of support. It is a win-win for both parties. Generous sharing of our financial resources is the best and most concrete way to say: “Thank you, Lord, for the material blessings in our lives.”

We currently have four methods available for automatic giving. They are: (1) Online giving through the parish website [www.ascensioncatholic.net](http://www.ascensioncatholic.net) (click on the ‘DONATE’ button), or through “My Parish App” available on your smartphone; (2) Automatic debit from your bank account, set up with the Parish Office; (3) Automatic giving through your credit card, set up with the Parish Office (see pg. 7); or (4) Your own arrangement with your bank for automatic payments by check.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mary Russo at the Parish Office  
or through email at [mrusso@ascensioncatholicsch.org](mailto:mrusso@ascensioncatholicsch.org).

### Special projects completed between 7/17/18 and 6/30/19

Parking Lot Improvements - Social Concerns	16,350
Parking Lot Improvement - Church Office Drainage (West Side)	21,328
New Metal Fence - Small Playground by Old Ministry Building	7,500
Church Lighting Project	72,866
Gift Shop Upgrade	5,737
Church Re-roofing Partial Section	18,389
Church Office Flat Section Re-roof	7,185
Old Ministry Building Roof Re-work Skylight Section	9,500
TV/AV Upgrade Parish Hall	14,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$172,855</b>

### New Projects completed between 7/1/19 to 12/31/19

Parking Lot Resurface	32,550
Church Building Paint Repair and Touch-up	5,800
Parish Ministry Building Paint	9,800
School Security Vestibule (Front Office)	21,350
New School Office Windows	19,845
School Re-roof (Elementary School Section)	103,939
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$193,284</b>

### New Projects scheduled for completion by 6/30/20

Audio/Visual Church Sound Upgrade (Estimate)	100,000
School Re-roof Main School Section	65,000
School Security Wall	50,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$215,000</b>

**ELECTRONIC CHURCH-GIVING**

Use this enrollment form to indicate the amount you wish to contribute **each month** to the Church. This amount will be automatically deducted from your bank account. Print your name, envelope #, and complete address. (If you do not know your envelope # or do not have one, leave blank.)

Sign and date this enrollment form. Enclose a voided check (this is very important). Indicate the amount of your gift and the fund you wish it to be credited to. Choose the date of each month for your donation to be sent. (The deduction will begin on the following month's date chosen.) **Please Print**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Offertory/Stewardship monthly offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

School Support monthly offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Building Facilities Upkeep monthly offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Choose date for donation to be sent \_\_\_\_\_ 5<sup>th</sup> of month \_\_\_\_\_ 20<sup>th</sup> of month

For any other special collections, you may give a check or cash.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If at any time you wish to make any changes in your giving, simply notify our office and we will gladly accommodate your request. Any questions? Contact Mary Russo, Parish Bookkeeper, at 254-1595 ext 3078 or [mrusso@ascensioncatholicsch.org](mailto:mrusso@ascensioncatholicsch.org).

**CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Card Type: Visa \_\_\_ MC \_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_ Amex \_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Authorization # (located on back of card, 3 digit#) \_\_\_\_\_

Offertory/Stewardship monthly offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

School Support monthly offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Building Facilities Upkeep monthly offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Choose date for donation to be charged \_\_\_\_\_ 5<sup>th</sup> of month \_\_\_\_\_ 20<sup>th</sup> of month

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

In order to protect your privacy regarding your credit card information, please mail back the completed form or drop it off at the Parish Office in a sealed envelope for the attention of Anne Dorros.  
If at any time you wish to make any changes in your giving, simply notify our office and we will gladly accommodate your request. Any questions? Contact Anne Dorros, Assistant Bookkeeper, at 254-1595 ext. 3074 or [adorros@ascensioncatholicsch.org](mailto:adorros@ascensioncatholicsch.org).



Next Sunday's Readings  
January 19, 2020 A

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 — Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-10  
1 Corinthians 1:1-3 — John 1:29-34

Where does your world need to be  
remade and recreated?

## YOUTH MINISTRY



### Ascension Catholic Life Teen

Action Nights begin after 5:30pm Mass until  
8:30pm. Any high school teen is welcome!  
Come join us for dinner, faith & fellowship.

**SUMMIT MEETING TUESDAYS**  
7:00-8:30pm for all high school teens

### EDGE

**JANUARY 15 - KICKOFF**

For all 7th & 8th graders on Wednesdays 6:00-7:30pm in  
Youth Room Doors open at 5:45pm. Includes dinner.

Questions about Youth Ministry?

Contact Cara Giuliano, Director of Youth Ministry, or Anna  
Nagy, Associate Youth Minister, EDGE program at  
[ascensioncatholicteens@gmail.com](mailto:ascensioncatholicteens@gmail.com) or 254-1595 x 3501.

**LIFE TEEN & EDGE** are hosting a *Movie Under The  
Stars Night* on January 17 at 5:45pm on the outside  
basketball court. They are showing *Toy Story 4*.  
Tickets are \$3 a person or \$10 per family. Conces-  
sions will be available. Please bring your own chair.  
All proceeds benefit teens attending summer  
camps.



### Ascension Catholic School Mission Statement

*Ascension Catholic School, founded by the  
Sisters of Mercy and rooted in the charism of compas-  
sion, is a community of Companions on the Journey. We  
strive to foster the growth of each unique child by living  
the Gospel values, achieving academic excellence, and  
serving our global family.*

## 2019 Donation Statements

Statements for donations made to  
*Ascension Church* and *Ascension School*  
will be emailed or snail-mailed to donors by  
January 31, 2020.

*(Please check your junk email if you do not  
receive your statement by January 31.)*

For additional information, please contact  
Anne Dorros at  
[adorros@ascensioncatholicssch.org](mailto:adorros@ascensioncatholicssch.org)  
or (321) 254-1595 x3074.

Statements for donations made to  
*Our Catholic Appeal*  
will be mailed to donors *directly* from the  
Diocese of Orlando.  
For additional information, please contact  
Marta Sweeney at [mwsweeney@cfocf.org](mailto:mwsweeney@cfocf.org)  
or (407) 246-4840.

## IS IT TIME FOR YOUR SPRING CLEANING?

Maybe you got some wonderful gifts from Secret  
Santa or gift exchanges. Maybe you have started to  
do your spring cleaning. If you have some wonderful  
things you will NEVER use, please consider donating  
them to this year's Ascension Catholic School Gala.  
Just drop them in the School or Parish Office.  
Thank you for thinking of our students!

If you have questions, contact Victoria Dunn at  
[vdunn@ascensioncatholicssch.org](mailto:vdunn@ascensioncatholicssch.org).



**The Basics: Cost & Packing** - Join us as we travel to Washing-  
ton, D.C., for a trip you'll never forget! It will be an opportunity  
to visit our nation's capital, attend Mass with 40,000 other Cath-  
olic teens, and march with hundreds of thousands of people to  
stand up for the voiceless. Open to 10-12 graders. Cost: \$300  
(includes hotel & airfare). We fly out of Orlando. Bring warm  
clothes (it might snow) and \$20 for metro and money for food.

Register with Cara at [ascensioncatholicteens@gmail.com](mailto:ascensioncatholicteens@gmail.com).



## Social Concerns & Food Pantry

To begin the New Year, we would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to community businesses that support us in caring for the hungry, homeless and less fortunate in our community.

**We appreciate** our community neighbors who generously donate goods on a regular basis:

**PEPPERIDGE FARMS** for bread donations twice a week

**PUBLIX** for bread and bakery goods on Wednesdays

**JOE'S BAGELS** for bagels twice a week

**PANERA BREAD** for breads and bagels on Friday

**We appreciate** Ascension School students and parents for their continued support each week, and our parishioners who donate on a regular basis and keep us going strong.

**We appreciate** our **VOLUNTEERS** who make it all happen. Without their time, talent and generous heart, our doors could not stay open. Thank you! You are all amazing. Happy New Year and God bless.



**Pantry Needs:** pasta, mashed potatoes, shelf stable milk, canned fruits, pork & beans, spaghetti's

## Family Promise at Christmas

Many thanks to everyone who donated, volunteered, supported and prayed for our Family Promise group last week. And that would be our entire parish family.

Special thanks to Susan Wright and family who put together the Christmas stockings for every guest, Craft Ladies and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians for the handmade slippers and hats and the gift cards, and the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary for the Lightfest tickets for each family.

We are just one part of a large network of support but every little thing we do makes a difference. One volunteer said: "The kids there were all great. So glad my own kids have the opportunity to be there too. Two years in a row we opened presents Christmas morning and then went to Family Promise to play basketball and video games with some of the kids. I know my kids will always remember that."

We're coming up on our 10th hosting Memorial Day week. Our team is getting weary and needs new energy. Will you commit to one day/night a year to help keep us going? Men are especially needed as night hosts. Consider hosting as a couple.

Contact us at [familypromise@ascensioncatholic.net](mailto:familypromise@ascensioncatholic.net) or 321-720-6268. God bless you and Happy New Year!

## ROSARY-MAKING MINISTRY

Rosary Ministry meets Sundays, 1:00-3:00 pm

Buescher Center, Rm. 410

Next meeting: **January 12**

If interested, call Michi Davis  
at 242-8092.



## VOCATIONS CUP

The Vocations Cup for January will go out at the Sunday 9:30am Mass. Susie Winans will take the Cup home this week.

If you'd like to sign up, please contact Jim Voltaire at 321-610-3538 or [Joanneandjames129@gmail.com](mailto:Joanneandjames129@gmail.com).



The Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary will be conducting another **BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG** beginning January 25 and 26. Please start getting all of those coins you have accumulated together and help us run another successful drive to combat abortion and save some precious little babies.

## Cancer and Healing Prayer Ministry

Wednesday, **February 5**

2:00-3:00pm, Buescher Center, Room 410

The Cancer & Healing Prayer Ministry **WILL NOT** be meeting in January.

If you have prayer requests or questions, please contact Barbara Warwick at (321) 242-2036.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Vacations, illness, absent snowbirds and just life take a toll on the availability of adorers. If you can find an hour to commit to Jesus, consider the Adoration Chapel. Jesus wants you there and through the Holy Spirit is calling you!

For info or questions, contact Sam Rodríguez at 795-9813 or [adoration.ascension@gmail.com](mailto:adoration.ascension@gmail.com).

Sunday	1am, 2am, 3am, 5am, 5pm, 8pm, 9pm, 10pm
Monday	12am, 12pm, 8pm, 11pm
Tuesday	2am, 4am, 11am, 6pm, 8pm
Wed.	1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 5am, 9am, 1pm, 6pm, 11pm
Thursday	12am, 1am, 3am, 9am, 1pm, 2pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm, 7pm, 9pm, 11pm
Friday	1am, 2am*, 3am, 6am, 7am, 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm, 7pm, 11pm
Saturday	1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 5pm, 7pm, 8pm, 9pm

**\*Denotes no adorer at that hour**

*We are Mission!*  
*"People in Love Never Stand Still"*

A DAY OF REFLECTION  
 Presenters:  
 Father Blake Britton & Dr. Carol Razza  
 January 25, 2020  
 St. John the Evangelist Church  
 5655 Stadium Pkwy, Viera  
 8:00 AM – 2:00 Mass \$12.00 Prepaid



**Dr. Carol L. Razza** is a full-time faculty member and formation advisor at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach. She holds an Ed.D in Child and Youth Studies, an M.S. in Counseling Psychology, and a B.S. in Psychology. She serves on the Advisory Board as the Regional Representative for Europe and Asia for the International Magnificat. She has worked in private practice as a psychotherapist for over twenty-five years, is an author of two books and presents seminars, conferences, workshops and retreats nationally and internationally. Married for 50 years to husband Paul, they delight in the blessing of their children and grandchildren.



**Fr. Blake Britton** was born and raised in the Diocese of Orlando, Florida, the oldest of four children. After studying opera at an arts school and the Orlando Opera Company, he applied for the seminary at the age of 18, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Master's Degree in Divinity. He is fluently bilingual in English and Spanish and well-studied in both classical Latin and biblical Greek.

Fr. Blake has a deep devotion to the Cause of Canonization of the Florida Martyrs. He was featured in the EWTN documentary *They Might Be Saints* and is a contributor to "Word on Fire Ministries." He is the parochial vicar at St. Mary Catholic Church in Rockledge.

**EVERYONE IS INVITED!!!**

Or contact Priscilla Allen at 321-724-1542 - [fistmele53@hotmail.com](mailto:fistmele53@hotmail.com).




**Alpha**

Is an invitational opportunity to introduce the basics of the Christian faith. We begin each night with a meal followed by a short talk and then table discussions. Alpha is a non-threatening opportunity to explore the meaning of life and aspects of a deeper faith experience while building community.

**COME AND SEE! ALPHA IS FOR EVERYONE! COME JOIN US AND BRING A FRIEND**

Come and see what Alpha is all about January 15th 2020  
 Ascension Catholic Church at the Parish Hall! Check in begins at 6:30 sharp with dinner following promptly!

Taking **registrations NOW** for **Alpha** at Ascension  
 Begins Wednesday January 15th 2020

For more information or to register please  
 email [msutton@ascensioncatholic.net](mailto:msutton@ascensioncatholic.net) or call 321-254-1595 X 3076 to  
 reserve  
 YOUR spot at the table!  
 See you there!

**QUICK.....SIGN UP NOW! THERE IS STILL TIME!!!!!!!**




## Children's Hunger Project Update

To date we have delivered 1,345 meals to the children at Creel and Croton elementary schools. Our January packing will be done by the Ascension middle schoolers.

February packing will be on Sunday, Feb. 16, 11:00am. We have moved to Sunday morning so those who don't drive at night can participate.

Watch for the SignUp Genius or contact Mary at 321-720-6268 or [childrenshungerproject@ascensioncatholic.net](mailto:childrenshungerproject@ascensioncatholic.net).

Thank you for your ongoing support. God bless you!



## Wedding Anniversaries

Edward & Barbara Slevar	75 years	Jan 13
Gary & Joann Monai	56 years	Jan 18
Rich & Maureen Kurtz	56 years	Jan 18
James & Barbara Andrachick	52 years	Jan 13
Tom & Charlotte Wienckoski	35 years	Jan 18
Edward & Jeanne Demuth	30 years	Jan 13



Greg Grasso, Harry Wright, Betty Elko, CVS, Claire Grasso, Mia Moore, Carmelia Navarretta, Peggy McKelvey, Cathi Hurd, Ted Stoner, Betsy Coradine, Joan Barco, Rose Struzinski, Mary Laird, John Kelly, Jim Eisenmann, Laurie Chatman, Marge Pearsall, Ann McKelvey, Terri Sills, K.J. Baker, Richard Furstenburg, Amanda Oudwa, Janice Roberson, Robert Hinnant, Mary Ellen Ritter, Maureen Kurtz, Theo Reaves, Leo Shumaker, Shirley Mattai, John DeStefon, Thomas Horan, Margie Boozer, Whitney Pierto, Jim Warwick, Bill Porzio, Wayne Sabo, Wayne Fogel, Anthony Tynes, Paula Irvin, Amy Carter, John Hemel, John Thorstad, Joan Cantwell, Pat Beall, Tim Durkin, Kathy Jagdmann, Art Coridine, Stella Warnock, Steve Weinhold, Sara Baker, Leslie Selage, Jonah Powers, Phyllis Powers, Ilyana James Ayers, John Ruyane, Werner Schulz, Justine Miller, Cosanne Mistretta, Elizabeth Mengel, Ethel Kenny, Patrick Kenny, Pam Conner, AJ Johnson, Niki Gransberry, Marion Sampieri, Douglas Stillwagon, Ron St. Clair, Brad Golson, Matther Rabel, Fr. Mike DiRenzo, Divina Breckenridge, Anita Byers, Malia Callicotte, Ava Sophia Barone, Pat Neve, Sr., Stephanie Johnson, Elisa Fernandez

**Please pray for those in the nursing homes.**

**Pray for our Armed Forces Personnel overseas**

Joseph Marci, Robert Crowl, Bryan Calenda, David Barlow, Dylan Traver, Marty Martinez, Jonathan Martinez, Bryan Satterwhite, John Kinsora, Josh Grier, Robert Grover, Rory O'Connor, Shane O'Connor, Alex Ritner, Kyle Mimbs, Kristin Agresta, Andrew Nemethy, Lance Freeberg, Theresa Mavity, Matthew Hammond, Daniel Amulong, Dr. Jerry Higman, Margaret-Anne Sytxma, Matt Maurer USAF, Daniel Sosa, Ray Romano, Matthew Cavalcante, Chad Bloomstine, David Molina, Matthew Carney, Logan Solio, Nick Owens

## BEREAVEMENT RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP

The Bereavement Recovery Support Group meets on the first and third Fridays of the month in Buescher Center, Room 413, from 1:30 to 3:00pm.

For more information, call Carol Gessler, group leader, at 779-7850.

**SAVE THE DATE**

***SWEETHEART DANCE***



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

**TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON**

## Mass Intentions For The Week



Week beginning Monday, January 13  
and ending Sunday, January 19

Mon. 7:30 am	† Laura Antonietti
	† Norma Waseleski
Tues 7:30am	† Teresa Brennan
	† Fred Barlow
Wed. 7:30 am	† Don Shuller
	† Doris Grady
8:30 am	† Victoria Banks
	† Antoinette Morency
Thur. 7:30 am	Healing Intention – Ken Hogan
	Healing Intention - Kathy Barach
Fri. 7:30 am	† Paul Wyss
	† Patricia Ann Thomas
Sat. 9:00 am	† Miguel Gomez
	† Daniel Hurtado
4:30 pm	† Len Dela Rocco
	† Mary Frantangelo
Sun. 7:30 am	† Antonia Werner
	† Andrea Alejo Daquel
9:30 am	People of the Parish
11:30 am	† Steven McCairn
	† Elena Duclack Rivera
Spanish Mass 2:30pm	† Doris Desedas
	† Providencia Cortes
5:30 pm	† Linda Coffey
	† Thomas Lloyd Bourn

## SERVERS' SCHEDULE – January 18/19

<b>Sat 4:30 pm:</b>	Marissa McKinney, Rachel Bowes
<b>Sun 7:30 am:</b>	Bella, Evan & Olivia Bolin
<b>Sun 9:30 am:</b>	Carson Chavez, Rohan Jarzin Sebastian Giammarinaro
<b>Sun 11:30 am:</b>	Kendra & Kensly Jean, Julia Graham
<b>Sun 5:30 pm:</b>	Avalynn McDermott, Elisa Perez-Mena Casey Nguyen



You are cordially invited  
to celebrate Sr. Maureen Cannon's 65  
years of consecrated life as a  
Dominican Sister on  
Sunday, February 23, 2020.



Reception following the 11:30 a.m. Mass,  
at the Beuscher Center,  
Ascension Catholic Community,  
2950 N. Harbor City Blvd,  
Melbourne, FL 32935.

Due to limited seating, please R.S.V.P. by  
February 16, 2020, to  
Nancy Garoust, [nagaroust@yahoo.com](mailto:nagaroust@yahoo.com).