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VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 4

Today is the first day of CCD classes, Grades 6-12.
We will also have classes next Sunday, the 22nd!
Welcome back, students!
Please refer to PAGE 14 of this bulletin for other Religious Education announcements!



Congratulations to Alex Lee, our newest lector.

The Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes (with Barcelona)

sponsored by the Emmanuel Ladies Guild, scheduled for May 18-May 27, 2025, has just 4 remaining seats available for purchase. If you are interested in joining the tour, do reach out to any active member of the guild for details ASAP.



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

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PARISH INFORMATION

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OUR MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church which means, God is with us, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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President Nancy McDonald

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Grand Knight Bob Budd



PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm—7:30pm (after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass or call the parish office

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in advance. Contact Parish Office.

WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday 8am-1:00pm

Tuesday Closed

Thursday & Friday 8am-1pm

Saturday Closed

4th Sunday of the Month 10:00AM-1:30PM

NOTE: Gift shop will be closed when the parish office is closed

ROSARY GROUP

Monday-Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

Our Lady of Sorrons SEPTEMBER 15

SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Do you want to make sure there have been no sudden time changes to any event or activity you want to join this week? Call the parish office during business hours.

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PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Sept. 14

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Knights Membership Drive (all masses)		
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Wednesday, Sept. 18		
6:30AAdoration		
2:00PSchool of Christian Formation		
4:00PSoulCore		
Thursday, Sept. 19		
6:30A Adoration		
9:00A Anointing of the Sick		
3:00P Holy Hour		
6:30PAA Meeting		
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Friday, Sept. 20		
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Saturday, Sept. 21		

Sunday, Sept. 22

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THINKING AS GOD DOES

Caesarea Philippi is located in the northern part of Galilee, near the headwaters of the Jordan. Unlike most of the Holy Land, which is fairly dry, Caesarea Philippi is in an area where there is a lot of water and vegetation. In this place, there are carved a number of niches where statues of Greek gods and goddesses, like the Greek god Pan. Surrounded by all these gods and goddesses, Jesus asked his disciples: "who do people say I am?" Then He asked: "Who do you say I am?"

Here is the true God, the Lord of all creation, asking "Am I on a level with all of those other gods and goddesses?" Do you think I am something greater or something less? Peter said "You are the Christ, i.e., you are the Messiah, the long awaited savior. But Peter didn't understand fully well who Jesus is and his mission so Jesus rebuked him and said, "Get behind me, satan."

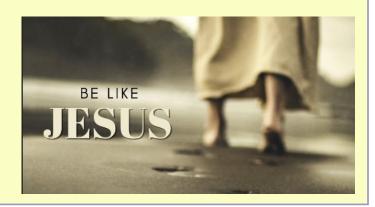
Satan means obstacle.

You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do. The challenge to Peter is to continue journeying with Jesus to Jerusalem so that the apostle will get Jesus

right. He should not put roadblocks to the plan of God for Jesus. That is the work of satan who is there to frustrate God's plan.

Dear friends, our minds as Christians must be transformed into God's so that we can be instruments of God's work. Thus, we need Christian formation. We should also resist our tendency to avoid sufferings. If we don't want to embrace pain, we may still be under the influence of satan.

Fr. Z



Saints of the Day

Saint Andrew Kim Taegon (August 21, 1821 – September 16, 1846); Saint Paul Chong Hasang and Companions (d. between 1839 – 1867)

The first native Korean priest, Andrew Kim Taegon was the son of Christian converts. Following his baptism at the age of 15, Andrew traveled 1,300 miles to the seminary in Macao, China. After six years, he managed to return to his country through Manchuria. That same year he crossed the Yellow Sea to Shanghai and was ordained a priest. Back home again, he was assigned to arrange for more missionaries to enter by a water route that would elude the border patrol. He was arrested, tortured, and finally beheaded at the Han River near Seoul, the capital.

Andrew's father Ignatius Kim, was martyred during the persecution of 1839, and was beatified in 1925. Paul Chong Hasang, a lay apostle and married man, also died in 1839 at age 45.

Among the other martyrs in 1839 was Columba Kim, an unmarried woman of 26. She was put in prison, pierced with hot tools and seared with burning coals. She and her sister Agnes were disrobed and kept for two days in a cell with condemned criminals, but were not molested. After Columba complained about the indignity, no more women were subjected to it. The two were beheaded. Peter Ryou, a boy of 13, had his flesh so badly torn that he could pull off pieces and throw them at the judges. He was killed by strangulation. Protase Chong, a 41-year-old nobleman, apostatized under torture and was freed. Later

he came back, confessed his faith and was tortured to death.

Christianity came to Korea during the Japanese invasion in 1592 when some Koreans were baptized, probably by Christian Japanese soldiers. Evangelization was difficult because Korea refused all contact with the outside world except for taking taxes to Beijing annually. On one of these occasions, around 1777, Christian literature obtained from Jesuits in China led educated Korean Christians to study. A home Church began. When a Chinese priest managed to enter secretly a dozen years later, he found 4,000 Catholics, none of whom had ever seen a priest. Seven years later there were 10,000 Catholics. Religious freedom came to Korea in 1883.

Besides Andrew and Paul, Pope John Paul II canonized 98 Koreans and three French missionaries who had been martyred between 1839 and 1867, when he visited Korea in 1984. Among them were bishops and priests, but for the most part they were lay persons: 47 women and 45 men.

Reflection

We marvel at the fact that the Korean Church was strictly a lay Church for a dozen years after its birth. How did the people survive without the Eucharist? It is no belittling of this and other sacraments to realize that there must be a living faith before there can be a truly beneficial celebration of the Eucharist. The sacraments are signs of God's initiative and response to faith already present. The sacraments increase grace and faith, but only if there is something ready to be increased.

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Saturday, Sept. 14th

8:30A Fr. Zamora 4:00P Fr. Papes 5:30P Fr. Zamora

Sunday, Sept. 15th

7:30A Fr. Theo 9:00A Fr. Theo 10:00A Fr. Fr. Zamora 10:30A Fr. Carr 12:00P Fr. Carr 6:00P Fr. Theo

Monday, Sept. 16th

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Zamora

Tuesday, Sept. 17th

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Carr

Wednesday, Sept. 18th

7:30A Fr. Carr 8:30A Fr. Theo

Thursday, Sept. 19th

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Timothy

Friday, Sept. 20th

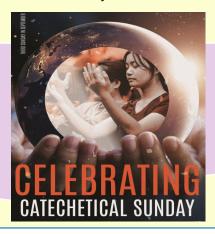
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Saturday, Sept. 21st

8:30A Fr. Zamora 4:00P Fr. Theo 5:30P Fr. Theo

Sunday, Sept. 22nd

7:30A Fr. Zamora 9:00A Fr. Carr 10:00A Fr. Fr. Carr 10:30A Fr. Timothy 12:00P Fr. Timothy 6:00P Fr. Zamora





STEWARDSHIP REPORT

DSA UPDATE - June 20, 2024

Goal Amount	\$ 169,000,00
Current Donation Total	
Balance Remaining	\$ 54,648.02

CHURCH OFFERINGS

September 8, 2024

First Collection	\$ 10,797.00
Second Collection	
Subtotal	\$ 12,046.00
Online (9/7/2024)	\$ 2,417.18

September 1, 2024

First Collection	\$ 10,931.00
Second Collection	\$ 2,240,00
Subtotal	\$14,171 00
Online (8/31/2024)	\$ 782.63

Thank you so much for your continued generosity and support!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 16-SEPT 22, 2024 | 06

SCHEDULED INTENTIONS

Monday, Sept. 16

7:30am †Ann Provost by James Hageney & Daughters †Ann Provost by West Chester Men's Group 8:30am †Susan Manuele by Rose †Ray Sanchez by Dominic & Anne Scaduto

Tuesday, Sept. 17

7:30am *Fran Abrami by Dennis & Judy Smith † Irene Gocayne by Dennis & Judy Smith

8:30am †Eric Albertson by Anne & Dominic Scaduto *Albert Fernandes by Mari Fernandes & Family

Wednesday, Sept. 18

7:30am †Jennifer Corey Smith by Mom & Dad *David Strompf by Ida Giannettine & Rosella D. Guido

8:30am †Scotty Cassidy by Anne & Dominic Scaduto †All Souls in Purgatory by Margaret Maj

Thursday, Sept. 19

7:30am †Carlos & Angela Henriod & Percy Cannon Sr. by Cannon Family †Lucia Giraldo Betacur by Tom & Clara

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†Oscar & Laura Martin by Hermoine Family 8:30am †Agnes & Francis Martin by Hermoine

Friday, Sept. 20

7:30am *St. Jude Prayer Group by Dennis & Judy Smith †Yvonne Price-Madnick by Jean Blacker

8:30am *Daniel Fernandes by Mari & David Fernandes *Nathalie Day by Margaret Maj

6:00pm FOR PRIFSTS **FOR PRIFSTS**

Saturday, Sept. 21

8:30am *In thanksgiving by Chris & John †Holy Souls n Purgatory **BOOK OF THE DEAD BOOK OF THE DEAD** 4:00pm

5:30pm †Marguerite Dawson by Catherine Shannon & Kids †Kathy Conroy by Sylvia Galanti

Sunday, Sept. 22

7:30am †Pelagio Cuizon by Ricardo & Lydia Dejano

9:00am †Phyllis Rivieccio by Daughter

PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS 10:30am

12:00pm †Gail Guggino by Family

6:00pm *Rocky Boga by Mari Fernandez

†John Vincent Verderame by Mom & Dad

†Phyllis Rivieccio by Daughter

†Gabrielle Roque by Steve & Angela

PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

†John Palmieri Sr. by Wife Joan

†Fernando Ortiz by Maria Ortiz

UNSCHEDULED

*Juana Blum by Celia *Vincent Blum by Celia *Jose Blum by Celia *Jesus Bianchi by Celia *Colleen Robert by Dorothy Deedy *Sam Ferri by Anne & Gerry Gerhard *Jaqueline Serafin by Anne & Gerry Gerhard *Gerry Gerhard by Wife †Romeo Borja by Pedro & Charito *Gail & Mark Vlasek by Dorothy Deedy †Nancy Harney by Dorothy Deedy †Frank Badsteubner by Dorothy Deedy †Elizabeth Henderson by Carol Schwab †Marilu Rojas by Carol Schwab *Robert Albertson by Carol Schwab *Linda Kelly by Carol Schwab

ALTAR FLOWERS VIGIL LIGHTS SHRINE FLOWERS

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PRAYER LIST: WHISPER A PRAYER FOR ME I 07

Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers: For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness:

For men and women in the Armed Forces, and their families:
AND FOR ALL LISTED BELOW

David & John Helen Cruz Lenore Curatolo Marilyn Boyle Andrea Anastasi Shelly Fiorini Fran Abrami Ed Bush

Margarito D. Berciles

Arthur Chiusano Bob Oberholzer John Wilkens Scott Ellison

Evangeline Ezeilo

Michael Gehres Karen Sullivan Sean Zahul Darren Guzman Mary Lou

Connie Panepinto

Amalia Mazzolin Leon Martin Joe Delagami

Rose Marie Regner

Michael Manuele
Carla Ruiz
Benjamin Robelo
Karen McCarty
T.J. Genzale
Dave Ruiz
Victoria Robelo
Ms. S.
Dennis Gilbride
Rose Borsella
Lexie Helgerson
David Smeraldo
Janette Cole

Steven Martin Sikes

Gianna Pagan Suzanne Puleo

Sr. Frances Vass OSC

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Amelita Coz-Zarraga

Heather Martin
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Ronald Griffiths Margie Giaguinto Maria Fernandez Raphael Roman James Ezeilo Brenda Ezeilo Cynthia Martin Francis Martin Hermoine D'Cruz Brigitte Knops Toni Kreamer Gerry Gerhard **Euclides Cerutti** Grace Cassagnol Samuel Gonzales Victorio Ray Wolff Patricia Tripi

Giraldo
Ida Giannettina
Tom Hickey
Josette Weber
Vincent Rizzo
Louis Perticone
Ann Cavaseno
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Angela Discepola
Anna Halford
Sal Yanello
Victor Rivera
William Lindner

María E. Quiñones-Mercado

Lisa Della

Femina

Diane Daniels
Carmen Jones
Bill Hamilton
Ralph Senese
Ramona
Kathy Garrett
Rich Sotis
Ash Gaballah
Karen Ramey
Tom Tripi
Mary Ann
Lisa Payne
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Joseph

Joseph Salamone Slayder Salamone

Phyllis Lomitola Maria Amaro Aniela Ignaczak

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Agatha Saccio

Robert Albertson

Albert Fernandes

Joe Gambardella

Kathy Gambardella

Patricia Pagano

Rafael Botero

Linda Kelly

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION. Lord, I believe and profess that You are truly Christ, Son of the Living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as I partake of your mystical supper, O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord be not for judgment or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body and Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM STORMS. God our Father, Creator of the Universe, and Lord over all creation, we humbly stand before You as your children in thanksgiving for your loving care and protection. We ask that you keep us safe from hurricanes which may threaten us in the coming seasons. Protect us from all fear and anxiety of storms and give us an ardent trust and hope in your love and mercy. You alone have the power to command the sea, the wind and the rain. You alone bring peace, calm and safety. Father we thank you in advance, for you are our only Refuge. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. Mary, Queen of the Apostles, and Patroness of our Diocese, pray for us. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS. Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

So also faith of itself,

if it does not have works, is dead. (Jas 2:17)

Gospel:

"But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." (Mk 8:29)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Take up your cross and follow me," Jesus tells us. We are called to have a faith that is defined by the willingness to go where Christ has gone, and to do what Christ has done, to see Christ in others and to love them as he loves us.

Observances for the week of September 15, 2024

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Catechetical Sunday

Monday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,

Bishop, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of

the Church; Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Friday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul

Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Saturday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Secular Carmelites Washington Province

Do you feel called to a deeper life of prayer?



Are you interested in following Jesus more closely in the spirit of St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross?

The OCDS Community invites you to consider life as a Secular Carmelite – a beautiful way of life open to lay Catholics, married or single! As Secular Carmelites, we embrace spiritual disciplines for the good of the Church. These include praying the Liturgy of the Hours and practicing mental or contemplative prayer daily. We also gather as a community once a month to be strengthened, encouraged, and to receive ongoing formation in the ways of Carmel.

For more information, please contact:

- Mary Alicia Mares, OCDS, at (561) 271-7550, or
- Pam Lee, OCDS, at (561) 307-1233, or
- Amy Powers, OCDS at (561) 307-5622.

Prayer for Catechism Students

Dear God,

You never stop drawing us

closer to You.

Pour Your grace upon these young disciples as they learn

about You.

Attract them. Challenge them.

Love them. Guide them.

Bless them.

Amen.

Liturgical Life

CATHOLIC

Take Up Your Cross

When I'm interviewing people for my job as a staff writer at an archdiocesan newspaper, I like to ask them this question: at the end of your life, when you meet God, what do you want to hear Him say?

I've gotten a lot of interesting answers.

"I called and you listened."

"What tee time would you like tomorrow?"

"What were you thinking?"

"Your service made things better."

It's a question I've thought a lot about, personally. What I want to hear God say when I finally see His face is this: "You can put it down now."

When Jesus asks his disciples "Who do you say that I am?" he is not just asking them to verbalize an answer. He is asking them to do something: pick up the cross. Find the problems in this world, in this life, and throw your arms around them. Drag them to God, even if it kills you. It's not enough to stand by the sidelines, watching Christ ascend to Calvary, nodding your head in approval. Yes, I agree. Yes, I believe. Yes, Jesus, good job! You have to follow in every bloody footprint he leaves in the dust. Set your face like flint. And when you meet him at the top, you better not be empty-handed. He has a cross, he will expect you to have one, too.

I hope that I can do it. I hope that I am strong enough. I am not one of those great, hardy souls. I stumble terribly under the weight of my very small cross. I grumble as I shift it from shoulder to shoulder. But every time I have been almost at the point of giving up, almost ready to lay it down, there is something — Someone — who supports my drooping arm. The Lord God is my help.

If, at the end of everything, I hear the words, "You can put it down now," then I will know I have made it. I will know I have not failed: I took up the cross.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." Matthew 16:24

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is holy water and how do I explain the reason that it is placed at the entrances of churches to my non-Catholic friends?

Answer:

Holy water is a sacramental, a reminder of the life of the Church expressed and celebrated through the sacraments. God's grace is mediated through word and gesture (the outward signs). This comes to us through Jesus (instituted by Christ) as he entrusts to the Church his saving mission (to give grace). In turn the Church, through the sacraments, shares that grace and mission with us.

On Ash Wednesday, we receive ashes on our foreheads to remind us of our origins, humbly created from the dust. But by blessing ourselves with holy water, we are reminded of our destiny! We are baptized sons and daughters of God. This is also a call to conversion, to live more fully our baptismal call to live as disciples of Jesus. We see holy water whenever we renew our baptismal promises. This will occur during the Easter liturgy as well, reminding us that we are indeed on a journey of faith and renewed in Christ. Blessing ourselves with holy water reminds us that we are baptized into a community faith, and always in need of turning from sin and toward God. Holy water is a visible sign of our baptism.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of September 15, 2024

Sunday:

Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/ Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday:

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/ Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday:

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/ Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday:

1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday:

1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/ Lk 7:36-50

Friday:

1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday:

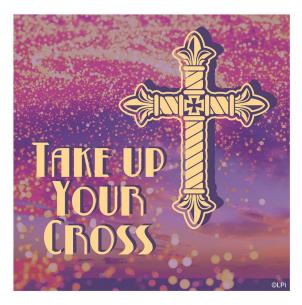
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Next Sunday:

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/ Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37







Gospel Meditation

Seek a deeper understanding of Scripture

This morning I received a text message that a member of my extended family will likely die of cancer within the next few hours. His name is Luke. He is a 45-year-old husband and father of six. Though I am not as close to him as my sister (she is his sister-in-law and knows him well), I wonder: how can we, including Luke himself, manage such a terribly awful and unfair situation?

The words of this Sunday's Gospel offer a powerful and challenging path. Jesus says, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34). Today I see with new freshness the starkness and strangeness of the words take up. The cross stands for suffering which is unjust, absurd, seemingly hopeless, and humiliating. Jesus doesn't say "accept" or "endure" or "tolerate," but "take up." Embrace it, actively. Choose it and lift it up for others to see what terrifies and sickens us. But somehow, for Jesus, this is the path to "saving one's life." A new world is breaking in, one in which love is everything, when no relationship can be wounded or die. I trust that in the embraced suffering of Luke and his loved ones, Jesus is taking up his cross and saving us all.

By the time you read this, barring a miracle, Luke will have died. He will be carrying his cross no longer. But we all still face suffering. This week let's not just endure, but take up our crosses, big and small. That's our only hope for saving our lives.

- Father John Muir

FIND GOD IN ORDINARY MOMENTS

CAN YOU WALK THE WALK

I've met and talked with enough people to feel confident that if you polled 100 fallen-away Catholics about why they didn't want anything to do with the Church, the term "accountability" would pop up in almost all of their answers.

And to be fair, a lack of accountability isn't just a Catholic problem. Talking the talk but not walking the walk has been a shortcoming handed down throughout the ages, across all creeds and nationalities.

Loving our neighbor, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, feeding the poor — it all sounds fantastic, especially when we're the ones saying it. But the doing — well, that's a different story, isn't it? We would do well to remember that Christ calls one of his best friends "Satan" when Peter tries to convince Jesus to stray from his destiny.

Have you ever been called Satan by one of your good buddies? I'll bet it's not a great feeling. But think about what Peter was doing. He had just said, "You are the Christ." And now, mere moments later, he's saying: "Don't say these things. Don't say you're going to suffer. Don't say you'll be killed."

He was telling Christ to squander what the Lord had given him. He was telling him that having faith was fine, but being faithful? It's just a little too hard. God has a destiny for you, too, and He's asking you to be open to it. Maybe it's not in your comfort zone. Maybe you don't think you can do it.

Lord, give us faith — but help us, also, to do the work — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi







"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you"

Jeremiah 1:5

West Palm Beach 40 Days for Life
Prayer & fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach.

FALL 2024 | Sept 25 to Nov 1 | 9am to 5pm | Mon to Sat Sat, Nov 2, we close with a 10 am Eucharistic Procession

We pray across from Presidential Women's Center (The abortion business in our area from 1980)
100 Northpoint Parkway, 33407

Park in Miracle House lot, 3115 45th Street, 33407

Bishop Barbarito will pray with us Thurs, Sept 26, 11am

We urge you to pray with us once a week across from the abortion center. We are present six days a week, 9 to 5 pm. Experienced leaders change every two-hours. In the past, women left the abortion center to approach our vigil and babies were saved. Kindly, sign up for one shift per week.

Join a prayer shift: 9-11am, 11-1pm, 1-3pm or 3-5pm.

Text or email: (561) 410-4337; Palmbeach 40days@yahoo.com

Sign up in your parish or online: www.40daysforlife.com/westpalm

Pray over this invitation. Your presence may be the last sign of hope for the unborn and first sign of mercy for the mother.

Prayer to Defeat Florida's Abortion Amendment

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety. Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen. Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

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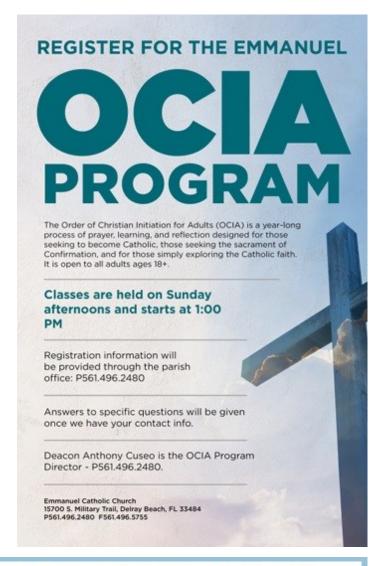
24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Thank you all for coming out to the Blood Drive! Twenty-Three donors registered, five were deferred, with a total of eighteen units collected! Everyone is so grateful for your Life-Saving Efforts! The Guild's next blood drives:

> Sunday, Oct. 13th 730-130pm Sunday, Dec. 11th 730-130pm



WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH IN A RELAXED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT?

The School of Christian Formation for the Diocese of Palm Beach is offering a series of classes and programs for adult Catholics who wish to learn more about the rich traditions of their faith.

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Classes will be taught at Emmanuel Catholic Church. Each class meets from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Wednesday afternoons for a total of six classes __(12 hours) taught during the Fall and Spring Semesters.

You may attend individual courses for credit or follow the entire three-year program which concludes with the granting of a certificate of completion awarded by Bishop Barbarito at the school's annual graduation ceremony.

The Diocese strongly recommends these courses for all the faithful, especially those serving in liturgical, educational and spiritual ministries.

The registration fee is \$10; textbooks range from \$10 to \$20 per course.

Courses for Fall, 2024:

Location: Emmanuel Catholic Church, 15700 S. Military Trail, Delray Beach Instructor: Lily Potito

> Social Justice: August 14, 21, 28; September 4, 11, 18 Spirituality: October 16, 23, 30; November 6, 13, 20

Please contact Emmanuel Church, 561-496-2480, to register for courses, or you may register at the first class.

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One full year of full-color ads

Spotlight your business information with print ads in our parish bulletin AND digital ads online, too! Not sure what your ad should display? Free ad design is included with your sponsorship.





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Ad sales from business owners help cover the printing cost of our church bulletin, so we may continue to spread good news. Think of it this way: we're on mission, together. We appreciate your support!

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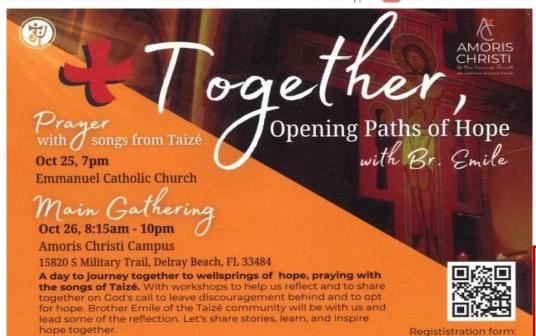
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM EMMANUEL CATHOLIC

CHURCH: Director: Jean Krokus. Assistant: Sandra Gallegos K: Michelle Tagariello. Ist Grade: Meriam Decena.
2ndGrade: Sandra Gallegos. Domenica Wolf.
3rd Grade: Tia Melito. 4th & 5th Grade: Rose Nadarajan
6th & 7th Grade: Marlene Walton 8th Grade: Nitya Mathew.
9th Grade: Jerome Plumber.



WANT TO LEND A HAND?

We are excited to have our student volunteers back lending a hand and earning Community Service Hours for middle school and high school. Speak to Jean or Sandra after class on Sundays to see how you too can earn CSH by volunteering at CCD and special church events!

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Is there more to life than this

You're invited to ALPHA

ALPHA is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the meaning of life and the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open, and informal environment. ALPHA takes people on a journey often leading to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. It enables people to ask their questions, share ideas, build friendships, and experience the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Classes starting soon in both Spanish & English in Columbus Hall, immediately following Children's mass. Please look out for start date in the bulletin.

Religious Education Program



Have you registered your child for CCD this year?

If not, please scan this QR Code for our online registration form.



Class start dates:

Preschool -5th: September 8th @ 10am 6th - 12th: September 15th @ 11:30 am

We welcome all new families to our Religious Education program and request that you become a registered parishioner.

All families must register with the parish before children may be registered in the CCD Program. You may visit the Parish office during office hours to fill out the paperwork.

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Clases comenzarán pronto en español e inglés en Columbus Hall, inmediatamente después de la misa de niños. Esté atento a la fecha de inicio en el boletín.

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