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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.

## CLERGY

### Pastor

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora

### Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

### In Residence

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes

### Weekday/Weekend Associates

Rev. Fr. Timothy Canaan

Rev. Fr. David Carr

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

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Bob Bonney & Chuck Dolce

### Music

Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Clanaven Baldonado & Men's Choir

### Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

### Altar & Clergy Vestments

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## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### Ladies Guild

President Nancy McDonald

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Bob Budd

### Legion of Mary

President Maude Cassagnol



## 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

## 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.

**561.496.2480**

## PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, Oct. 05

9:00A..... Confession  
5:30P..... Birthline Walkathon

### Sunday, Oct. 06

9:00A..... KoC Mass  
1:00P..... OCIA Class  
2:15P..... Pet Blessing

### Monday, Oct. 07

6:30A..... Adoration  
1:00P..... Movie Mondays

### Tuesday, Oct. 08

6:30A..... Adoration  
10:00A..... Faith Sharing  
07:00P..... KoC Officers Meeting

### Wednesday, Oct. 09

6:30A..... Adoration  
4:00P..... SoulCore  
6:00P..... Legion of Mary Meeting

### Thursday, Oct. 10

6:30A..... Adoration  
9:00A..... Anointing of the Sick  
3:00P..... Holy Hour  
6:30P..... AA Meeting

### Friday, Oct. 11

6:30A..... Adoration  
6:30P..... Taize

### Saturday, Oct. 12

9:00A..... Confession  
9:00A..... Lay Cistercians Meeting

### Sunday, Oct. 13

9:00A..... Ladies Guild Mass  
1:00P..... OCIA Class  
1:00P..... Baptism Prep Class  
1:00P..... OCIA Class



**"IT IS NOT 'PROGRESSIVE' TO TRY TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS BY ELIMINATING A HUMAN LIFE."**

- POPE FRANCIS

## FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE

Marriage brings joy and laughter, but it can also bring pain and suffering. Of course, life itself brings all these things, whether a person is married or not, but the pains and joys associated with our closest relationships touch us where we are most vulnerable. Jesus is talking to us today about those times when the joy and laughter is gone and the wife or the husband, or perhaps both, decide to call it quits. Everyday observation tells us the value our society places on marriage declines year by year. There are hundreds of statistics about marriage, but there are two that I think are of special significance. One is that the percentage of second marriages that end in divorce is considerably higher than the percent of first marriages. It shows that simply changing partners doesn't necessarily eliminate problems. The people themselves so often haven't really changed, and many of the same problems that caused the first marriage to fall apart are carried with people into a second or third relationship.

The second statistic is significant in that, couples who live together before marriage have a slightly higher rate

of divorce than couples who are more conventional and who do not live together until after they are married. This statistic destroys the assumption that it's better to test it out before tying the knot. Even those who find out what it's like to live together before they get married cannot find out what it's like to be committed to someone until they really are committed to someone else. You can't try out the commitment of marriage until you've made the commitment.

The origin of marriage is from God and God has some ideas about what marriage should be like. It's not just a private affair that allows two people to determine what the rules and regulations are. In marriage two people make a promise to each other but, at the same time, their promise is called a vow because that promise is also made to God. God made rules about marriage because he wants it to be a blessing for his people. Every way of life has its joys and its difficulties. Whether we're married or not, our major task in life is learning how to grow in love. That's what it's all about and that will be our joy in this life and in heaven

—Fr. Zamora

## Saint of the Day—Saint John XXIII (November 25, 1881 – June 3, 1963)

**POPE JOHN XXIII**

The Saint Who Launched Vatican II and Inspired the Modern World



Although few people had as great an impact on the 20th century as Pope John XXIII, he avoided the limelight as much as possible. Indeed, one writer has noted that his "ordinariness" seems one of his most remarkable qualities.

The firstborn son of a farming family in Sotto il Monte, near Bergamo in

northern Italy, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was always proud of his down-to-earth roots. In Bergamo's diocesan seminary, he joined the Secular Franciscan Order.

After his ordination in 1904, Fr. Roncalli returned to Rome for canon law studies. He soon worked as his bishop's secretary, Church history teacher in the seminary, and as publisher of the diocesan paper. His service as a stretcher-bearer for the Italian army during World War I gave him a firsthand knowledge of war. In 1921, Fr. Roncalli was made national director in Italy of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. He also found time to teach patristics at a seminary in the Eternal City.

In 1925, he became a papal diplomat, serving first in Bulgaria, then in Turkey, and finally in France. During World War II, he became well acquainted with Orthodox Church leaders. With the help of Germany's ambassador to Turkey, Archbishop Roncalli helped save an estimated 24,000 Jewish people. Named a cardinal and appointed patriarch of Venice in 1953, he was finally a residential bishop. A month short of entering his 78th year, Cardinal Roncalli was elected pope, taking the name John after his father and the two patrons of Rome's cathedral, St. John Lateran. Pope John took his work very seriously but not

himself. His wit soon became proverbial, and he began meeting with political and religious leaders from around the world. In 1962, he was deeply involved in efforts to resolve the Cuban missile crisis.

His most famous encyclicals were *Mother and Teacher* (1961) and *Peace on Earth* (1963). Pope John XXIII enlarged the membership in the College of Cardinals and made it more international. At his address at the opening of the Second Vatican Council, he criticized the "prophets of doom" who "in these modern times see nothing but prevarication and ruin." Pope John XXIII set a tone for the Council when he said, "The Church has always opposed... errors. Nowadays, however, the Spouse of Christ prefers to make use of the medicine of mercy rather than that of severity."

On his deathbed, Pope John said: "It is not that the gospel has changed; it is that we have begun to understand it better. Those who have lived as long as I have...were enabled to compare different cultures and traditions, and know that the moment has come to discern the signs of the times, to seize the opportunity and to look far ahead."

"Good Pope John" died on June 3, 1963. St. John Paul II beatified him in 2000, and Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

### Reflection

Throughout his life, Angelo Roncalli cooperated with God's grace, believing that the job at hand was worthy of his best efforts. His sense of God's providence made him the ideal person to promote a new dialogue with Protestant and Orthodox Christians, as well as with Jews and Muslims. In the sometimes noisy crypt of St. Peter's Basilica, many people become silent on seeing the simple tomb of Pope John XXIII, grateful for the gift of his life and holiness. After his beatification, his tomb was moved into the basilica itself.

## CLERGY & MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30A Fr. Theo    4:00P Fr. Carr

5:30P Fr. Carr

### Sunday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> (Respect Life Sunday)

7:30A Fr. Theo    9:00A Fr. Timothy

10:00A Fr. Theo Fr.    10:30A Fr. Timothy

12:00P Fr. Zamora    6:00P Fr. Zamora

### Monday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

7:30A Fr. Zamora    8:30A Fr. Carr

### Tuesday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>

7:30A Fr. Theo    8:30A Fr. Carr

### Wednesday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Timothy

### Thursday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30A Fr. Theo    8:30A Fr. Zamora

### Friday, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Timothy

6:00P Fr. Theo

### Saturday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>

8:30A Fr. Zamora    4:00P Fr. Timothy

5:30P Fr. Timothy

### Sunday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30A Fr. Zamora    9:00A Fr. Carr

10:00A Fr. Carr    10:30A Fr. Theo

12:00P Fr. Zamora    6:00P Fr. Theo



## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### DSA UPDATE - Sept 20, 2024

Goal Amount .....	\$ 169,000.00
Current Donation Total .....	\$121,381.98
Balance Remaining .....	\$ 47,618.02

### CHURCH OFFERINGS

#### September 22, 2024

First Collection .....	\$ 11,591.00
Second Collection .....	\$ 2,648.00
Subtotal.....	\$ 14,239.00
Online (9/21/2024).....	\$ 1,865.99

#### September 29, 2024

First Collection .....	\$ 9,910.00
Second Collection .....	\$ 2,396.00
Subtotal.....	\$12,306.00
Online (9/28/2024).....	\$ 6,525.26

Thank you so much for your continued generosity and support!

# WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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## SCHEDULED INTENTIONS

### Monday Oct. 07

7:30am †Servant of God Maria Esperanza Bianchini by Parishioner †Marcelino Jaramillo by Renel Sevilla  
8:30am \*Timothy Gidseg & Family by Didi Gidseg \*Frank Cottone by Martha Rodriguez

### Tuesday, Oct. 08

7:30am \*Madison Gidseg by Didi Gidseg †Megan Macario by Jack Kelly  
8:30am †Francesca Giuliana by Rosalia Giuliana \*Daniel Fernandes by Mari & David Fernandes

### Wednesday, Oct. 09

7:30am †Marcos Hidalgo H. by Soledad Robinson †Jana Sheets by Jack Kelly  
8:30am †Marrietta Colosi by Brother Dominick Riccardo †Deceased members/Fitzgerald Family  
By Robert Fitzgerald

### Thursday, Oct. 10

7:30am \*Bauer Family by A. M. †James "Scotty" Cassidy by Chris Clarke Family  
8:30am \*Jerry Turci by Clara Depko \*Linda Wilson by Martin

### Friday, Oct. 11

7:30am †Holy Souls in Purgatory by Martina DeBoise †Philip Wyatt by Patricia Nealis  
8:30am †Eleanor McCarthy by Tom, Monica & Evan Land †Salvatore J. Fusco by Donald & Alyse Correa  
6:00pm FOR PRIESTS FOR PRIESTS

### Saturday, Oct. 12

8:30am \*Daniel Fernandes by Mari & David Fernandes †Salvatore J. Fusco by Donald & Alyse Correa  
4:00pm BOOK OF THE DEAD BOOK OF THE DEAD  
5:30pm †Arthur Messenger by Leslie Sanmiguel †Dorothy Cillo by Marnina Perrottino

### Sunday, Oct. 13

7:30am \*Sara Melisi by Tom & Clara Depko \*Maggie Zaharoiu by Mother  
9:00am \*Ladies Guild by Ladies Guild †Andres Berdecia by Antonia Berdecia  
†Linda Seidler by Mother Marge Giaquinto  
10:30am PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS  
12:00pm †Sr. Mary Clare Fennell by John & Christine Wilkens Living/Deceased KoC 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assembly  
2003 by Al Attard  
6:00pm †Sr. Mary Clare Fennell by Anita & Gene Fernandez †Sr. Mary Clare Fennell by Cathy Bonchick

## UNSCHEDULED

\*Lorraine Golden by Christine Shento †Deceased members/Flaherty & Eardley Families by Frank & Mary Eardley  
\*Dorothy Deedy by Ladies Guild \*Thanksgiving to St. Jude \*Dorothy Deedy by Anita Wypych  
†Helen Brisson by Brisson Family \*Dorothy Deedy by Judy & Dennis Smith

ALTAR FLOWERS

VIGIL LIGHTS

SHRINE FLOWERS

**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 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 Mary Loveland Sam Falcone Patricia Golstein Taylor Dosh Marilyn Martino Gulshan Modena Maggie Dolan Amelita Coz- Zarraga Heather Martin Tailor McGee Ronald Griffiths	Margie Giaquinto 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 Sue Madden Hank Missig Charles C. Tufano Angela Discepola Anna Halford Sal Yanello Victor Rivera William Lindner Lisa Della Femina Maria E. Quiñones- Mercado Diane Daniels Carmen Jones Bill Hamilton Ralph Senese Ramona Ash Gaballah Karen Ramey Tom Tripi Mary Ann Lisa Payne Marilyn Green Joseph Salamone Slayder Salamone Phyllis Lomitola Maria Amaro Aniela Ignaczak Ronald Campayno Lillian Campayno	Terry Schwinge Tom D'Amico Gabriel Zamora Vincent Blum Ricardo Blum Gina Marie B. Cohen David Strompf Sal Hanono Chris Angotti Heather Smith Jason Smith Ronald Merhige Roshan Karen Jensen Cynthis Martin Garry Solomon Ilda Sosa Botero Carlos Tobon Jill Forshey Gerry Santilli Gail Hill Chrissie Budrick Frank Dazzo Dina Quelch Stewart Librizzi Thomas Land Dorinda Johansson Agatha Saccio Linda Kelly Robert Albertson Patricia Pagano Rafael Botero Albert Fernandes Kathy Gambardella Joe Gambardella Doreen Romano Mark Vlasek Gail Vlasek Britney Closson Jeanette Gallegos Adriana Elejalde Oswaldo Cesar Monasterio Michael Cecere Jahaziel Roldan Abigail Chin-Lenn Gertrudis Rivera Martinez
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**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:

That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one flesh. (Gn 2:24)

### Psalm:

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives. (Ps 128)

### Second Reading:

He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin. (Heb 9:11)

### Gospel:

"Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." (Mk 10:9)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

To follow Jesus, we must cast off all illusions of importance and wisdom. We must embrace our own smallness, rejoice in our own weakness. In doing that, we become like true children, and discover the saving strength of our God.

## Observances for the week of October 6, 2024

- Sunday:** 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** Our Lady of the Rosary  
**Wednesday:** St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;  
 St. John Leonardi, Priest  
**Friday:** St. John XXIII, Pope  
**Next Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This new Parish Organization known as **Legion of Mary, Praesidia name: Ark of the Covenant**, will meet every Wednesday evening beginning on September 18, 2024 at 6:00PM in the large classroom. They will have Legion prayers and will report on their spiritual works such as visiting nursing homes, Hospice and the homebound handing out sacramentals to those who might have requested them. Our Pastor, Fr. Zamora, has been assigned Spiritual Director! Maude Cassagnol will be the President and Ann-Marie Knight will be the Vice President. A Secretary and a Treasurer will be elected.

There are no "dues", but a "Secret Donation Bag" will be passed around to cover the minimal supplies, etc!!

**All men and women of the parish are encouraged to join!!!**

For further information, please contact **Maude Cassagnol @ (561) 860-5806.**

## Prayer for Marriage

God, pour Your blessings upon those You have called to marriage. Strengthen the bonds of their unions. May Your love be revealed in the ways they cherish and support each other, in good times and bad, for richer or poorer, in sickness and in health. Amen.



# Liturgical Life

## ( PRACTICING ) CATHOLIC

### The Hardness of Your Hearts

As far as I know, no one has ever woken up in the morning, looked out the window, and thought, “This is a beautiful sunrise. I’ll have to be very careful not to let it make me happy.”

But I’m certain that every day, lots of people — including, on not-infrequent occasions, myself — have woken up and remembered something that happened the day before. Something that made us feel upset or frustrated or insulted. And we thought to ourselves, “That makes me so, so angry.” And we’ve pictured the face of the person who made us feel that way, and we have scoffed with disgust.

And we hold onto that anger because anger feels so much better than sadness. And deep within ourselves, in the place where we feel all the love and pain and confusion that is inherent in human existence, we harden.

Nobody ever intends to be hard-hearted. That’s just the stuff of Bond villains and horror flicks. No, in real life a hardened heart isn’t a conscious choice. It’s a reflex. It’s just us trying to protect ourselves, to be strong — or, at least, to embody the version of strength offered by a fallen world.

A heart of stone is not so easily scratched, you see. But it’s also not so easily warmed or touched or moved.

A heart hardened by resentment and pain and anger is not just protected from injury. It is protected from the impact of the whole spectrum of tender feelings. It is not open to forgiveness, so it cannot feel the rush of life-giving mercy. It is closed off to new ideas, so it can never feel the awe of discovery.

There is a reason we are called to guard ourselves against hard-heartedness. God gave us hearts of flesh and blood. They are hearts that can be broken, yes — but also, they are hearts that can be made new.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Why do we do that?

#### Catholic Life Explained

##### Question:

I read in the catechism that marriage is indissoluble. Why then does the Church issue annulments?

##### Answer:

Sacramental marriage is indeed indissoluble. You can find this in several places in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Indissolubility is foundational to the union of marriage (CCC 1646) and required by spousal love (CCC 1644). This quality of marriage draws its meaning from the fidelity of Jesus to his Bride, the Church (CCC 1647). Spouses give themselves forever to each other. Through the vows and their consummation, the spouses form a covenantal bond that binds them as one. Indissolubility presumes and depends on this sacramental bond between the spouses.

Sometimes, however, there are impediments to marriage that are overlooked, poorly understood, or unknown. It is possible that at the time of the vows, something was either present or absent that made the consent invalid. The ceremony itself does not bring about the sacrament. The priest is the official witness of the Church, but he is not the minister of the sacrament. The husband and wife are the ministers of the sacrament to each other. Without the full, free, and able consent of the man and the woman, no sacrament takes place. An annulment does not destroy the marriage bond. It is an acknowledgement that the sacramental bond did not form in the first place.

## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of October 6, 2024

#### Sunday:

Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (see 5)/  
Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

#### Monday:

Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/  
Lk 10:25-37

#### Tuesday:

Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/  
Lk 10:38-42

#### Wednesday:

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

#### Thursday:

Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/  
Lk 11:5-13

#### Friday:

Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26

#### Saturday:

Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
Lk 11:27-28

#### Next Sunday:

Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 (14)/  
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



### Gospel Meditation

#### Seek a deeper understanding of Scripture

As a young pastor years ago, I met with a middle-aged couple who had been divorced and civilly remarried. They were frustrated that an annulment had to precede a Church marriage. Sympathizing with their plight, I promised to walk with them along their journey. Once as we sat in my office, the man said to me, “Why is the Church so difficult on marriage?” I replied, “Actually, Jesus’ teaching is what’s difficult.” He furrowed his brow and asked what I meant.

We opened the Bible and together read today’s gospel passage from Mark 10:12 in which Jesus says, **“Whoever divorces his wife and marries another, commits adultery with her...”** My two friends sat in silent astonishment. Surely Jesus understands the complexities of human life and sexual love. The words hung thick and heavy in the air. How could the merciful Lord be so seemingly unrealistic in his expectations, especially with so much divorce and remarriage in our world?

I didn’t know what to say. So, we kept reading. Next, Jesus says, **“Let the children come to me.”** The innocence of children allows them to receive and give love, to trust unconditionally, to believe in love that endures. Most children aren’t yet jaded by statistics, broken hearts, or dysfunctional relationships. Children remind us of the world to come. The couple and I began to talk about child-like trust in Jesus and his teaching, and we continued to move forward. When it comes to the Church’s demanding teaching on marriage, it’s best to approach it as trusting children, whatever situations in which we find ourselves.

— Father John Muir

# PRACTICING CHRISTIAN

## FIND GOD IN ORDINARY MOMENTS

### THEREIN LIES THE....RIB

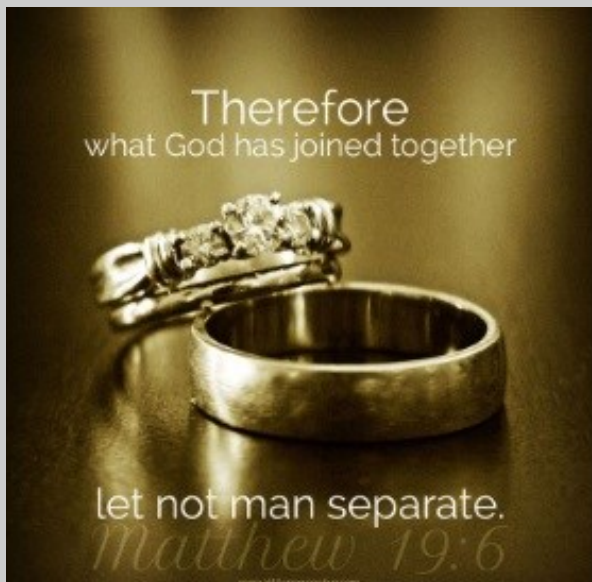
"If I were God..." is a dangerous way to start a sentence, but how many of us do this? Probably more regularly than we would like to admit. Even if we don't verbalize the sentiment, we likely think it from time to time. Most of us finish that statement with some genius, original idea for eradicating difficulty and pain from the world. *If I were God, I wouldn't let anyone go hungry. If I were God, all wealth would be equally distributed. If I were God, war wouldn't exist.*

I imagine that, when we think thoughts like these, God shakes His head and wonders why we don't look a little harder at the whole of His creation — because I can promise you, it's never lacking.

When Adam had a need for a companion, God used what was available: Adam's rib. Everything that He had put into place was already perfect, already complete. Woman was a new creation, but not a new species. Adam searched through all of creation to find the perfect mate, but God had tucked the answer inside of His creation all along.

I'm guilty of it as much as anyone else — looking to Heaven with a chip on my shoulder. "Why haven't you sent me what I need? I've been asking over and over again." But have I even thought to look inside of myself?

Where is the rib you are missing today? What are the opportunities God has set before you? What are the needs that He is ready to fulfill, if only you would stop wasting time lamenting all the solutions that don't fit the bill? — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi



## REGISTER FOR THE EMMANUEL

# OCIA PROGRAM

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a year-long process of prayer, learning, and reflection designed for those seeking to become Catholic, those seeking the sacrament of Confirmation, and for those simply exploring the Catholic faith. It is open to all adults ages 18+.

**Classes are held on Sunday afternoons and starts at 1:00 PM**

Registration information will be provided through the parish office: P561.496.2480

Answers to specific questions will be given once we have your contact info.

Deacon Anthony Cuseo is the OCIA Program Director - P561.496.2480.

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### 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IF PEOPLE TOOK AS MUCH CARE WITH THEIR MARRIAGES AS THEY DO WITH THEIR WEDDINGS, MORE MARRIAGES WOULD LAST A LIFETIME!

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BUT THAT'S NO FUN!



Instagram 

Click on the QR code to follow our NEW Instagram page to stay up to date with our Parish events!



@EMMANUEL\_CATHOLIC\_CHURCH

We had our first Bingo Family fun night on Friday September 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all our teen volunteers who participated in all aspects from setting up to calling and writing the numbers all while earning community service hours!

Thank you also to Monica and Bella who were a great help in organizing our bingo night and arranging all the toy prizes for each age group! Look for more bingo nights and other family fun activities posted on our new Instagram Page!

Shout out to our volunteers: Andrea Maza, Kenny Steckler, Jordy Pozo, Diamitzky Rivera and Kevin & Natasha Strom. Congratulations to one of our winners - Bella Ruci!



**Join our Parish Trunk or Treat on Sunday 10/26 from 3-5pm.**

In order to make this a fun filled event we need volunteers and participants who will decorate cars and hand out candy. Sign up online by clicking the QR code above or sign-up in person on Sunday at Children's mass - sign-up sheets will be located at the back of Columbus Hall.

Is there more to life than this



Alpha

Alpha is a series of sessions meant to help us deepen our faith or introduce faith to those who have none at all. If you come to Church every Sunday but still feel like there is something more you need then join Alpha. If you know a friend who has been away from Church for a long time or

has never been to Church but is open to something more, to something new then invite them to Alpha.

Alpha is an 11 week series with one full Saturday commitment that is for the novice and the experienced, the young and old. It is for anyone who has a questioning mind and an open heart.

Register today! We will be running the series in English and in Spanish according to the schedule below. Every Sunday except for the Sunday of Thanksgiving Weekend. There will also be one full Saturday for a more in depth experience.

## October (11am - 12:30pm every Sunday)

6th - Is There More To Life Than This?

13th - Who Is Jesus?

20th - Why Did Jesus Die?

27th - How Can I Have Faith?

## November

3rd - Why and How Do I Pray?

10th - Why and How Should I Read the Bible?

17th - How Does God Guide Us?

**23rd - Full Day (Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm. \$10 per to cover the cost of lunch.)**

\*Who Is the Holy Spirit

\*What Does the Holy Spirit Do?

\*How Can I Be Filled With The Holy Spirit

\*How Can I Make The Most Of The Rest Of My Life?

24th - How Can I Resist Evil?

## December

8th - Why and How Should I Tell Others?

15th - Does God Heal Today?

22nd - What About The Church?

If you or someone you know are interested, please contact us at [religiouseducation@emmanuelcatholic.church](mailto:religiouseducation@emmanuelcatholic.church) to register.



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Brandon Juvera

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Jayden Berlinger

Samantha Kort-Hand

Santino Unker

Phillipo De Negri Albarran

Moses Pierre Louis

Lillian Forchette

Cristiano Unker

Vincenzo Unker

This month we celebrate our October student birthdays because God created them all incredibly special!



As we enter our second month of CCD classes and welcome the Fall season, we see how our program has experienced tremendous growth. We hit an all time high with enrollment for September totaling 150 students. Ms. Sandra and Ms. Domenica's First Communion Sacraments class is preparing 37 students for their sacraments. Mr. Jerome's Confirmation class has 24

students. Our biggest growth comes from our 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes. Students must complete a 2-year program for their sacraments. The 1<sup>st</sup> grade pre communion class and 8<sup>th</sup> grade preconfirmation class have hit their highest enrollment to date as well. Ms. Meriam 1<sup>st</sup> grade class has 22 students and Ms. Nitya preconfirmation class has 33 students! Our children's mass which began in the big classroom now fills Columbus Hall.

As it was said in the movie Field of Dreams "Build it and he will come" we are building a religious education program that provides a fun faith filled learning experience for the entire family.

Through the guidance and passion of Father Zamora and our teachers and volunteers, we continue to work on programs and offerings for all ages in our families. As we can see by our class numbers the community is growing and thriving. Our next goal is to focus on our teens and our students who have been confirmed. We are grateful for all the support and prayers as we continue to build!

**Come visit our new Padre Pio statue located near the crucifix by the lake.**

Father Zamora blessed the statue in the presence of the Femiano Family and our CCD families. Thank you to **Frank & Donna Femiano** who graciously donated the statue and Padre Pio prayer cards handed out at the blessing.




**ITALIAN HERITAGE NIGHT**

You are cordially invited to a complimentary Italian Heritage evening hosted by the Highland Beach UNICO Chapter for a night with Italian food tastings, cultural information, demonstrations from supported charities, music and more. UNICO is an anachronism for: Unity - Neighborliness - Integrity - Charity - Opportunity whose motto is "Service Above Self." Join us Thursday, October 24th, at the Church of St. Joan of Arc, Mercy Center, 370 SW 3rd Street, Boca Raton, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. RSVP to Lisa Marie Conte Browne (561) 289-4090 or E-mail UNICOhighland@gmail by October 18th. Semper Avanti!

**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!



Together,

Opening Paths of Hope

with Br. Emile

Prayer with songs from Taizé

**Oct 25, 7pm**

Emmanuel Catholic Church

Main Gathering

**Oct 26, 8:15am - 10pm**


Amoris Christi Campus

15820 S Military Trail, Delray Beach, FL 33484

**A day to journey together to wellsprings of hope, praying with the songs of Taizé.** With workshops to help us reflect and to share together on God's call to leave discouragement behind and to opt for hope. Brother Emile of the Taizé community will be with us and lead some of the reflection. Let's share stories, learn, and inspire hope together.


Meals provided. No cost, donations are welcome.

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**REGISTRATION FORM**  
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