



# ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

*We Are Ambassadors for Christ*



August 25, 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Thank you for joining us today!  
¡Gracias por acompañarnos!



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## MASS SCHEDULE



**Parishioners are invited to come  
celebrate with us the real presence of  
Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.**



**Monday-Friday**                           **9:00 AM - Eng.**

**Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday**   **4:00 PM - Eng.**  
**Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday**   **6:00 PM - Sp.**  
**Sunday**   **8:00 AM - Eng.**                   **10:00 AM - Eng.**  
              **12:00 PM - Sp.**                      **6:00 PM - Sp.**

### Confessions:

**Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM, English & Spanish,  
or by appointment.**

**Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370.  
Thank you!**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, August 24, 2024

4:00 PM           † Isabel Arias  
6:00 PM           † Agustin Muniz Borrero

### Sunday, August 25, 2024

8:00 AM           † Joseph Chauby  
10:00 AM          Jean Modaffer (100th Birthday Intention)  
12:00 PM (Sp.)    † Nery Miranda  
6:00 PM (Sp.)     † Rosa Maria Calderon

### Monday, August 26, 2024

9:00 AM           †

### Tuesday, August 27, 2024

9:00 AM           † Joseph Chauby

### Wednesday, August 28, 2024

9:00 AM           † Memorial Mass Association.

### Thursday, August 29, 2024

9:00 AM           † Marie Art Brockman

### Friday, August 30, 2024

9:00 AM           †

### Saturday, August 31, 2024

4:00 PM           † Mariela Laino  
6:00 PM (Sp.)    † Jose Ruis Perez Torrez

### Sunday, September 1, 2024

8:00 AM           †  
10:00 AM          Intentions of Fr. Alfonso Cely  
12:00 PM (Sp.)    † Margarita Gonzales  
6:00 PM (Sp.)     † Angela Malagon Gonzales

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## PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### August 17 & 18, 2024

Regular Offertory: \$14,921  
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$5,393  
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$176  
Faith Direct July 1-14: \$  
Miscellaneous: \$1,670



### OCA 2024 Update:

**Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.**

Goal: \$193,346.72  
Pledged to Date: \$173,683.41  
Cash received to Date: \$119,347.60  
Still needed in Pledges: \$19,433.32

*While we have made a lot of progress in pledges,  
there is an amount in pledges that needs to be covered.*

*Thank you for helping to spread the  
good news of salvation!*



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
will take place all day on **Fridays** in the church  
from 9:30 AM-6:30 PM.

**\*Every first Friday of the month, the reposition will  
be at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass in Spanish.**



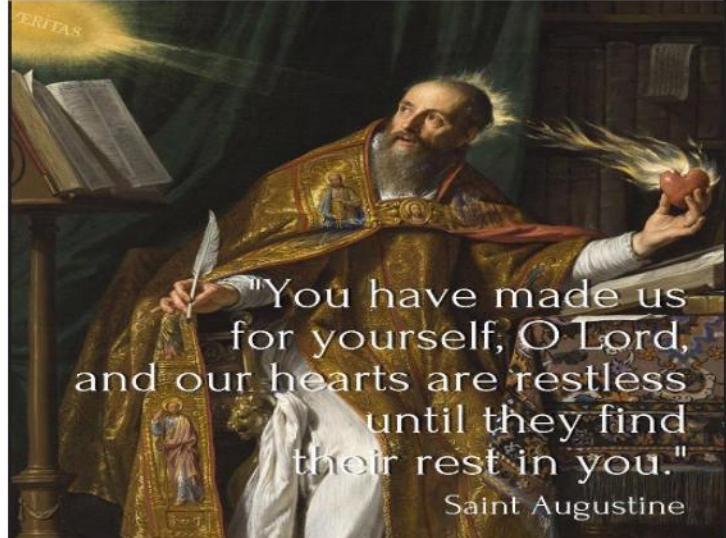
Grupo devoción a San José se reunirá el mes de  
Agosto en el hogar de la familia de:

**Ediberta  
112 Shepard Ave.  
Dundee, FL 33838**

## FAITH DIRECT

If you haven't already, please consider enrolling. You may visit [faith.direct/FL1031](http://faith.direct/FL1031) or through our website [www.stannhc.com](http://www.stannhc.com) to enroll for regular Offertory and our Buildings & Grounds fund securely on-line. Also, "text to give" is available at **(863) 400-1077**. You can text to enroll and text any dollar amount.

We pray for your continued good health and safety in this time of change, and always know you are in our prayers. God Bless You!



## HE HAS COME FROM HEAVEN



After almost six weeks of listening to the long discourse on “the bread of life,” which is only described in Chapter 6 of the Gospel of John, this Sunday, we have reached a conclusion. In this Chapter, Jesus explains that He is the Bread of Life, given so that those who believe in Him may have eternal life. This preaching follows the miracle in which Jesus fed five thousand men, women, and children, with only five loaves of bread and two fish. Accepting the miracle that prolonged their lives and soothed their hunger was not a difficult task for people. But when the Lord promised everlasting life by receiving him as the bread from heaven, people rejected Him. They questioned Him and argued among themselves about the impossibility of understanding what He said to the crowd.

Jesus' answer confirmed that He had come from heaven. But to understand this mystery, it is necessary to be chosen by the Father, which means that this kind of revelation is not for everyone. It is important to know that by first opening our hearts to the grace of our heavenly Father through the Holy Spirit, we will see His glory in our midst. We have heard in today's Gospel that his preaching caused a lot of confusion. As a result, many people left, but when we say many, there were more than five thousand, thereby reducing the number of future disciples of the Lord to only twelve. To this group, Jesus asked a drastic question: Are you going to leave, too? Simon Peter's response to Jesus' question was to speak on behalf of the other eleven and place all of his companions in the interesting position of believers with His profession of faith. Jesus is the one from God who has found the path to eternal life.

As people of faith and disciples of the Lord, we make the words of St. Peter ours, and we never will leave Jesus because we have recognized him as the Son of God, the Bread that has come from heaven, and we know that we don't have another way to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Happy Sunday!

Fr. Alfonso Cely  
Pastor

## OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**The Religious Education Office will be closed on the following dates:**

**Monday, August 26      Wednesday, August 28**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

**FOR PARENTS WHOSE CHILD IS RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ON  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

**MEETING ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 - 6:00 PM IN CHURCH**

### **REQUIREMENT FOR ALL CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**

**SUMMER PROJECT:** All students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, September 14, **must** complete the assigned Summer Project. The completed work for the Summer Project **must** be returned upon your arrival at the Confirmandi Retreat on Saturday, September 7. Completion of this project will be factored into the final evaluation of a student's readiness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. If they do not have a copy, contact the office! **IT'S GETTING LATE!**

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT:** All students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, September 14, **must** attend the Confirmandi Retreat on Saturday, September 7. The retreat will begin at 8:30 AM and end after the 4:30 PM Mass. All Confirmandi will attend this Mass. Attendance at the Retreat will be factored into the final evaluation of a student's readiness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**The Project completion and Retreat attendance will be factored into the final evaluation of a student's readiness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.**

## OUR JOURNEY



The first building at St. Ann Parish, where the Eucharist was celebrated, was the Fr. Anderson Building.

There, the people of God gathered every Sunday to celebrate Holy Mass. The building's capacity was 300 people.

We have grown, with our new church building holding 1,057 people.

Let us pray that the Lord continues pouring His Holy Spirit on our community so that, together with Him, we may serve with holiness and justice in His presence.

### FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

*The Altar Flower Arrangements  
for this weekend is a donation in  
honor of the 100th Birthday of  
Jean Modaffer*



### PRAY FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS



A hundred years ago, during the Fatima apparition on July 13, 1917, there was mention of the Rosary, a vision of hell, direction to help sinners, talk of consecration to the Immaculate Heart, and consecration of Russia.

Our Lady began by reminding the children: "I want you to come back here on the thirteenth of next month. Continue to say the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary, to obtain the peace of the world and the end of the war, because only she can obtain it."

That is a directive, an instruction, a motherly order that we should heed and practice now more than ever.

In obedience to the request of the Virgin Mary in Fatima, Portugal, to pray for the conversion of the world, especially for sinners, a Rosary will be offered at St. Ann's every Saturday at 2:30 PM in the church during the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Please join us in saying the Rosary for these intentions.

### CONFIRMATION



St. Ann Parish has been blessed, and we are pleased to share that we have 131 young men and women who will be confirmed on September 14 at the 4:00 PM Mass by our Bishop John Noonan from the Diocese of Orlando.

We cordially invite everyone to join us in this joyous celebration.

**Due to the celebration, the 6:00 PM Mass will be changed to 7:00 PM.**

## SAINT OF THE WEEK: ST. AUGUSTINE'S STORY



A Christian at 33, a priest at 36, a bishop at 41: Many people are familiar with the biographical sketch of Augustine of Hippo, sinner turned saint. But getting to know the man really is a rewarding experience.

There quickly surfaces the intensity with which he lived his life, whether his path led away from or toward God. The tears of his mother, the instructions of Ambrose, and, most of all, God himself speaking to him in the Scriptures redirected Augustine's love of life to a life of love.

Having been so deeply immersed in creature pride of life in his early days and having drunk deeply of its bitter dregs, it is not surprising that Augustine should have turned, with a holy fierceness, against the many demon-thrusts rampant in his day. His times were truly decadent: politically, socially, morally. He was both feared and loved, like the Master—the perennial criticism leveled against him: a fundamental rigorism.

In his day, Augustine providentially fulfilled the office of prophet. Like Jeremiah and other greats, he was hard-pressed but could not keep quiet. "I say to myself, I will not mention him/I will speak in his name no more/But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart/imprisoned in my bones/I grow weary holding it in/I cannot endure it" (Jeremiah 20:9).

**Reflection:** Augustine is still acclaimed and condemned in our day. He is a prophet for today, trumpeting the need to scrap escapisms and stand face-to-face with personal responsibility and dignity.

## HOW SHOULD ONE RECEIVE COMMUNION?



The answer is not as simple as it seems since it involves theological, liturgical, historical, and pastoral aspects. This is a question that many Catholics ask themselves. The answer is not as simple as it seems since it involves theological, liturgical, historical, and pastoral aspects.

The general norm of the Church is that Communion is received in the mouth as an expression of reverence and adoration of the Body of Christ. This is established by the Code of Canon Law, which says: "The faithful receive Holy Communion kneeling or standing, as determined by the Conference of Bishops; when receiving it standing, it is recommended to make the proper reverence beforehand, according to the norms

established by the same Conference" (can. 916). However, the Church has also granted, as an exception, the possibility of receiving Communion in the hand in those places where the Episcopal Conference has requested it and obtained the approval of the Holy See. This practice originated after the Second Vatican Council as a way of recovering an ancient custom from the first centuries of Christianity, which was abandoned due to the growing sense of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the fear of desecration. Communion in the hand has its advantages and its risks.

On the one hand, it can encourage the active and conscious participation of the faithful, who receive the bread of life as a free gift from God. On the other hand, it can generate an attitude of routine or disrespect, which forgets the greatness of the mystery being celebrated. For this reason, the Church has established a series of norms to guarantee the dignity and safety of this way of receiving Communion, such as:

1. The faithful must consume the host immediately after receiving it in front of the minister and not walk away with it in their hand.
2. The faithful must have clean hands and be in an attitude of prayer, forming a throne with the left hand over the right (or vice versa, if left-handed).
3. The faithful must take care that no particles of the host remain on their hands, and if there are, they must put them in their mouth or clean them with respect.
4. The minister must use a tray or a saucer to prevent the host or any fragment from falling to the floor.
5. The minister must refuse Communion in the hand if there is a danger of desecration. For example, if the faithful have an object in their hands, if they do not show signs of faith, or if there is suspicion that they want to take the host for illicit purposes.

The Church respects the freedom of each faithful to choose the way of receiving Communion, provided that it is done with devotion and love. What is important is not so much the external way but the interior disposition of the heart, which recognizes and welcomes Christ as the Lord and Savior. As Pope Francis said in his homily of February 8, 2015: "The Eucharist is not a reward for the good, but strength for the weak, for sinners. It is forgiveness; it is the viaticum that helps us to walk, to move forward."

## EL PAN QUE DA VIDA PARA SIEMPRE



Después de casi seis semanas de escuchar el largo discurso sobre “el pan de vida”, que sólo se describe en el capítulo 6 del Evangelio de Juan, este domingo hemos llegado a una conclusión. En este capítulo, Jesús explica que Él es el Pan de Vida, dado para que quienes creen en Él tengan vida eterna. Esta predicación sigue al milagro en el que Jesús alimentó a cinco mil hombres, mujeres y niños, con sólo cinco panes y dos peces. Aceptar el milagro que prolongó sus vidas y calmó su hambre no fue una tarea difícil para las personas. Pero cuando el Señor prometió la vida eterna al recibirla como el pan del cielo, las personas lo rechazaron. Lo cuestionaron y discutieron entre ellos sobre la imposibilidad de comprender lo que dijo a la multitud.

La respuesta de Jesús confirmó que había venido del cielo. Pero para comprender este misterio, es necesario ser elegido por el Padre, lo que significa que este tipo de revelación no es para todos. Es importante saber que abriendo primero nuestro corazón a la gracia de nuestro Padre celestial a través del Espíritu Santo, veremos su gloria en medio de nosotros. Hemos escuchado en el Evangelio de hoy que su predicción provocó mucha confusión. Como resultado, mucha gente se fue, pero cuando decimos muchos, eran más de cinco mil, reduciendo así a sólo doce el número de los futuros discípulos del Señor. A este grupo, Jesús le hace una pregunta drástica: ¿También ustedes se van a ir? La respuesta de Simón Pedro a la pregunta de Jesús fue hablar en nombre de los otros once y poner a todos sus compañeros en la interesante posición de creyentes con su profesión de fe. Jesús es el que viene de Dios que ha encontrado el camino de la vida eterna.

Como personas de fe y discípulos del Señor, hacemos nuestras las palabras de San Pedro, y nunca abandonaremos a Jesús porque lo hemos reconocido como el Hijo de Dios, el Pan que ha bajado del cielo, y sabemos que no tenemos otro camino para entrar en el Reino de los Cielos.

P. Alfonso Cely  
Párroco

### OFICINA DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

**La Oficina de Educación Religiosa permanecerá cerrada en las siguientes fechas:**

**Lunes 26 de agosto      Miércoles 28 de agosto**

#### **AVISO IMPORTANTE:**

**PARA LOS PADRES CUYO HIJO ESTÁ RECIBIENDO EL SACRAMENTO DE LA CONFIRMACIÓN EL  
SÁBADO 14 DE SEPTIEMBRE**

**REUNIÓN EL JUEVES 29 DE AGOSTO - 6:00 PM EN LA IGLESIA**

#### **REQUISITOS PARA TODOS LOS ESTUDIANTES DE CONFIRMACIÓN:**

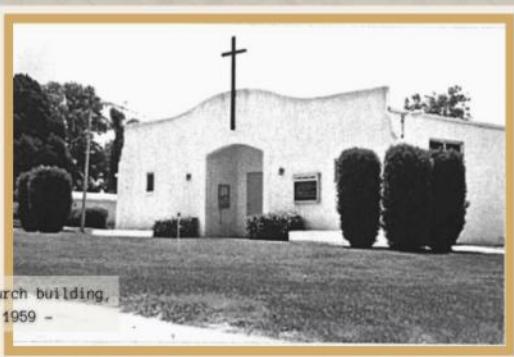
**PROYECTO DE VERANO:** Todos los estudiantes que se preparan para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación el sábado 14 de septiembre deben completar el Proyecto de Verano asignado. El trabajo completado para el Proyecto de Verano **debe** ser devuelto a su llegada al Retiro de Confirmados, que está programado para el sábado 7 de septiembre. La finalización de este proyecto se tendrá en cuenta en la evaluación final de la preparación del estudiante para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación. Si no tienen una copia, ¡comuníquense con la oficina! **¡SE ESTÁ HACIENDO TARDE!**

**RETIRO DE CONFIRMACIÓN:** Todos los estudiantes que se preparan para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación el sábado 14 de septiembre **deben** asistir al Retiro de Confirmandos programado para el sábado 7 de septiembre. El retiro comenzará a las 8:30 AM y finalizará después de la Misa de las 4:30 PM. Todos los Confirmandos asistirán a esta Misa. La asistencia al Retiro se tendrá en cuenta en la evaluación final de la preparación de un estudiante para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación.

**La finalización del proyecto y la asistencia al retiro se tendrán en cuenta en la evaluación final de la preparación del estudiante para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación.**

## ¡SABIAS QUE?

OUR JOURNEY



First Church building.  
- 1959 -

**El primer edificio de la parroquia de Santa Ana, donde se celebró la Eucaristía, fue el Edificio P. Anderson.**

Allí, el pueblo de Dios se reunía todos los domingos para celebrar la Santa Misa. La capacidad del edificio era de 300 personas.

Hemos crecido, con nuestro nuevo edificio de la iglesia con capacidad para 1,057 personas.

Oremos para que el Señor siga derramando su Espíritu Santo sobre nuestra comunidad para que, junto a él, podamos servir con santidad y justicia en su presencia.

## ARREGLO FLORAL

*El arreglo floral del altar de este fin de semana es una donación en honor a los 100th años de Jean Modafferi*



## CONFIRMACIÓN

La Parroquia de Santa Ana ha sido bendecida, y nos complace compartir que tenemos 131 hombres y mujeres jóvenes que serán confirmados el 14 de septiembre en la Misa de las 4:00 PM por nuestro El Obispo John Noonan, de la Diócesis de Orlando.

Invitamos cordialmente a todos a unirse a nosotros en esta alegre celebración.

**Debido a la celebración, la misa de las 6:00 PM se cambiará a las 7:00 PM.**



## ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN Y LIBERACIÓN

# Gran Asamblea de Oración y Liberación

28 de Agosto del 2024

7:00PM



Padre Eliseo de Gea Gill  
Diócesis de Alcalá de Henares, España

## Rompiendo Cadenas!!!

De pecado, brujería, maldición y acciones de Satanas.

## Déjate liberar por Cristo

St. Ann Catholic Church  
1311 Robinson Drive  
Haines City, FL 33844

## OREMOS POR LOS PECADORES



Hace cien años, durante la Aparición de Fátima el 13 de julio de 1917, se habló del Rosario, hubo una visión del infierno, se dio una instrucción para ayudar a los pecadores, se habló de la consagración al corazón inmaculado y de la consagración de Rusia.

Nuestra Señora comenzó recordando a los niños: "Quiero que regresen aquí el día trece del próximo mes. Continúen rezando el Rosario todos los días en honor a Nuestra Señora del Rosario, para obtener la paz del mundo y el fin de la guerra, porque sólo Ella puede obtenerlo".

Esa es una directiva, una instrucción, una orden maternal que debemos escuchar y practicar ahora más que nunca.

**En obediencia a la petición de la Virgen María en Fátima, Portugal de orar por la conversión del mundo, especialmente por los pecadores; aquí en Santa Ana se ofrece un Rosario todos los sábados a las 2:30 PM, aquí por esta intención mientras se está en el sacramento de la reconciliación.**

