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November 3, 2024

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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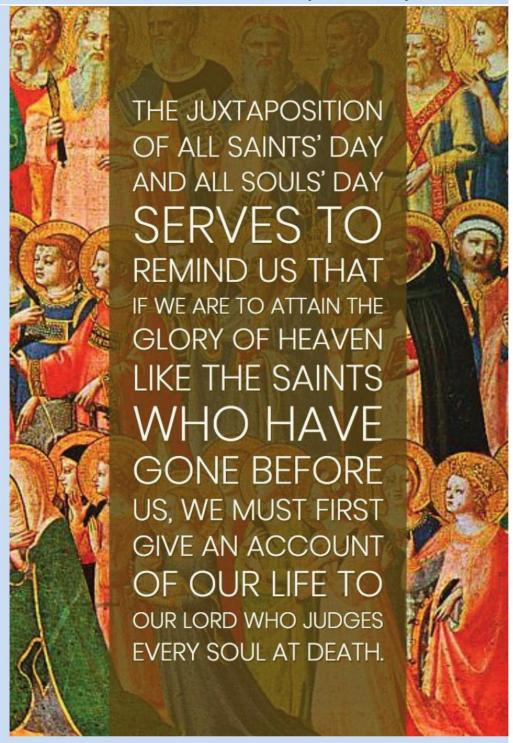
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MASS SCHEDULE



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, November 2, 2024

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Monday, November 4, 2024

9:00 AM 23rd Anniv. of Fr. Alfonso's Ordination

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

9:00 AM

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Thursday, November 7, 2024

Friday, November 8, 2024

9:00 AM ♣

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory

10:00 AM Seminarians, especially Lucciano Lopez

12:00 PM (Sp.) † Yeriel Gonzalez 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Souls in Purgatory

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October 26-27, 2024

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Miscellaneous: \$2,050



OCA 2024 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$193,346.72

Pledged to Date: \$178,270.01 Cash received to Date: \$130,384.06 Still needed in Pledges: \$14,760.12

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!



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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place all day on Fridays in the church

from 9:30 AM-6:30 PM.

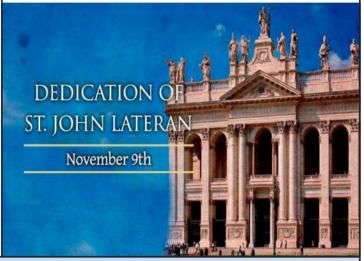
*Every first Friday of the month, the reposition will be at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass in Spanish.

FAITH DIRECT

If you haven't already, please consider enrolling. You may visit <u>faith.direct/FL1031</u> or through our website 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!



NOVEMBER 3, 2024

THE GREAT EXPERIENCE OF LOVE



In today's Gospel, Jesus' greatest commandment is to love God with all our hearts and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. We all know that this commandment is central to Jesus' teaching and our faith. Loving God and others is challenging and an important test of our faith. Love is not easy, but it can bring joy to the heart of the one who loves. What makes this command so difficult is that it is ongoing. When it comes to the people we live with, work with, go to school with, and all the people we see regularly, it is not a question of loving them once. We are asked to love them again and again, day after day.

Love cannot become a mandatory human act or an order we must fulfill. If we consider this commandment an obligation or a simple burden, it could be a difficult

and impossible human action that is very far from Jesus' invitation. Instead, let us suppose this love is a manifest of my relationship with God and reflects the love I have received from God. If that is true, living now will be a wonderful experience, and the fruits of it will be joy and peace that can be developed without any significant effort. This is how you can show love to your neighbor as you love yourself.

No, if we have love, we will show our love not just by saying it but by showing it in our actions. In this context, love is a verb. Love is something we do.

Love means caring about people. We can see God's love for us through the gift of his Son Jesus. God shows his love for us by giving us commandments. God's commandments are not intended to make us do things for him. God gives us good commandments that will lead us to have a long life and to grow and prosper. The first three of the Ten Commandments point us to know what it means to love God, have no other gods, and keep the Sabbath holy. The remaining seven Commandments tell us to understand what it means to love our neighbor. If we love our neighbors, we respect what they have to say. We do not steal from them or consider them to be objects of lust. We don't kill or harm them. We do not covet their property or family.

God loves us. We must let go of trying to be our saviors in this material world and instead rely on God as the source of true strength, making Him our rock and fortress, knowing He is our Savior.

Fr. Alfonso Cely Pastor

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Greetings!

Let me first ask you to continue offering prayers for the victims of Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton, as well as those who are still struggling due to the hurricanes.

NO CLASS REMINDERS - AS SHOWN ON THE ACADEMIC CALENDAR THERE ARE NO CLASSES SCHEDULED ON:

Tuesday, November 5 - (U.S. National Election Day)

SPECIAL NOTE TO ALL PARENTS

If you leave a voicemail message with the Religious Education Office for any reason, please include your child's name, Catechist's name, which day of the week and time your child attends class, and your phone number.



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Happy 23rd Anniversary of Priestly Ordination, Fr. Alfonso!

May God continue to bless you, and thank you for your "yes" to a consecrated life.

"You are a priest forever in the order of Melchizedek."

God bless you, Fr. Alfonso!

IMPORTANT ACOLYTES & EMHCS!

Fr. Alfonso, Fr. Jose Luis, leaders of the Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist are conducting a meeting on:

Monday, November 11

(in church)

5:30 PM - Altar Servers

6:00 PM - Ministers of Holy Communion

The importance of this meeting lies in the discussion of ministry topics and the immediate changes to be made.

We are expecting everyone to attend.



ADORATION FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



We would like to invite all our parishioners to participate in the two days of adoration called "Adoration for Christian Unity." The themes for the two days are:

November 4, 2024 "Culture of Life"

November 5, 2024 "Thy Will Be Done"

The Holy Sacrament will be exposed after the 9:00 AM Mass, and the reposition will take place at 6:00 PM on both days.

VETERANS DINNER DANCE

Veteran Support Dinner Dance



Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024

Tickets \$25

St Ann Catholic Church Social Hall 1311 Robinson Dr, Haines City, FL 33844



MAIN DISH CHOICES:

- Baked Chicken OR
- Pasta with Red Sauce and Sausage OR
- Pasta with Alfredo Sauce and Chicken

Assorted Sides and Dessert

Social - 5:00 pm (Cash Bar) Dinner - 6:00 pm Dancing to DJ - 7:00 pm

See any Knight of Columbus member for tickets

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SAINT OF THE WEEK: CHARLES BORROMEO



The name of Charles Borromeo is associated with reform. Charles lived during the Protestant Reformation and had a hand in reforming the whole Church during the final years of the Council of Trent.

Although he belonged to the Milanese nobility and was related to the powerful Medici family, Charles desired to devote himself to the Church. In 1559, when his uncle, Cardinal de Medici, was elected Pope Pius IV, he made Charles cardinal-deacon and administrator of the Archdiocese of Milan. At the time, Charles was still a layman and a young student. Because of his intellectual qualities, Charles was entrusted with several important offices connected with the Vatican and later appointed secretary of state responsible for the papal states. The untimely

death of his elder brother brought Charles to a definite decision to be ordained a priest, despite his relatives' insistence that he marry. Soon after being ordained a priest at age 25, Borromeo was consecrated bishop of Milan.

Working behind the scenes, St. Charles deserves the credit for keeping the Council of Trent in session when, at several points, it was on the verge of breaking up. Borromeo encouraged the pope to renew the Council in 1562 after it had been suspended for ten years. He took on the task of handling all the correspondence during the final phase. Because of his work at the Council, Borromeo could not reside in Milan until the Council concluded.

Eventually, Borromeo was allowed to devote his time to the Archdiocese of Milan, where the religious and moral picture was far from bright. The reform needed in every phase of Catholic life among clergy and laity was initiated at a provincial council of all the bishops under him. Specific regulations were drawn up for bishops and other clergy: If the people were to be converted to a better life, Borromeo had to be the first to give a good example and renew their apostolic spirit.

Charles took the initiative to give a good example. He allotted most of his income to charity, forbade himself all luxury, and imposed severe penances upon himself. He sacrificed wealth, high honors, esteem, and influence to become poor. During the plague and famine of 1576, Borromeo tried to feed 60,000 to 70,000 people daily. To do this, he borrowed large sums of money that required years to repay. Whereas the civil authorities fled at the height of the plague, he stayed in the city, where he ministered to the sick and the dying, helping those in want.

Work and the heavy burdens of his high office began to affect Archbishop Borromeo's health, leading to his death at age 46.

FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA ROME: "MATER ET CAPUT"



The name "Lateran" is derived from the fact that this Basilica was constructed on the territory that belonged to the Lateran family before it was bequest as an inheritance to Fausta, the wife of Emperor Constantine. Pope Sylvester I consecrated the Basilica on November 9, 324, and the liturgical feast of the Basilica, which is celebrated on the same day, commemorates this event. This feast has a special importance because the Lateran Basilica was the first church dedicated to the Most Holy Saviour under the express wishes of Emperor Constantine. The entire Church celebrates this feast as an affirmation of unity with the Pope, the Bishop of Rome and Head of the Universal Church.

The existence of the Basilica testifies to Constantine's vision of the cross in the sky, which turned out to be a prodigious event that profoundly changed the practice of Christianity during the first centuries.

Bishop Eusebius of Caesarea, a friend and confidant of Constantine, recounts that on the night preceding the battle for domination of the Roman Empire against Maxentius, the Emperor considered which god to appeal to for help and protection in the battle. Like his father, Constantine had decided to adopt the sun god, and he prayed that this god would reveal himself to him. Suddenly, a vision of an illuminous cross appeared in the sky, which was visible to the whole army. Beneath the vision were the words, "In hoc signo vinces," which means "With this sign, you will be victorious." The following morning, the army went into battle bearing the sign of the cross.

The battle occurred on October 28, 312, at Saxa Ruba in Rome and concluded with the Battle of the Milvian Bridge. Maxentius stumbled with his horse and fell into the River Tiber, leaving Constantine free to enter Rome victorious.

Thanks to this victory, the Emperor brought an end to three centuries of Christian persecution, during which many Christians were martyred. Constantine publicly authorized Christian worship with the proclamation of the celebrated Edict of Milan in 312.

The Emperor initially dedicated the Basilica to the Most Holy Saviour in gratitude for the victory. Only later, when the Basilica was also dedicated to Saints John the Baptist and the Evangelist, it became known by its most popular name, St. John Lateran.

The importance of the feast of the 'dedication of the Lateran Basilica' celebrates the fact that Christians could freely come together in union with their Bishop to celebrate the liturgy of the Church and receive the teaching of the doctrine of the faith. From antiquity, the Basilica became the Cathedral of Rome and the world. The Pope has his Cathedra or Chair here as a sign of his teaching, magisterium, and precedence. Therefore, the Petrine ministry is only initiated when the elected Pope has taken possession of the Chair of St. John Lateran.

This beautiful edifice represents the Church—the assembly formed of the 'living stones' of Christians who today, as in centuries past, continue to testify their faith in Jesus Christ, the Most Holy Saviour.

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LA GRAN EXPERIENCIA DEL AMOR



En el Evangelio de hoy, el mandamiento más grande de Jesús es amar a Dios con todo nuestro corazón y amar al prójimo como a nosotros mismos. Todos sabemos que este mandamiento es central en la enseñanza de Jesús y en nuestra fe. Amar a Dios y al prójimo es un desafío y una prueba importante de nuestra fe. Amar no es fácil, pero puede traer alegría al corazón de quien ama. Lo que hace que este mandamiento sea tan difícil es que es continuo. Cuando se trata de las personas con las que vivimos, trabajamos, vamos a la escuela y todas las personas que vemos regularmente, no se trata de amarlas una sola vez. Se nos pide amarlas una y otra vez, día tras día.

El amor no puede convertirse en un acto humano obligatorio o una orden que debemos cumplir. Si consideramos este mandamiento como una obligación o una simple carga, podría ser una acción humana difícil e imposible, muy alejada de la invitación de Jesús. En cambio, supongamos que este amor es una manifestación de mi relación con Dios y refleja el amor que he recibido de Dios. Si esto es verdad, vivir ahora será una experiencia maravillosa, y los frutos de ella serán alegría y paz que se pueden desarrollar sin ningún esfuerzo significativo. Así es como puedes mostrar amor a tu prójimo como te amas a ti mismo.

No, si tenemos amor, lo demostraremos no solo diciéndolo sino mostrándolo en nuestras acciones. En este contexto, amar es un verbo. Amar es algo que hacemos.

Amar significa preocuparse por las personas. Podemos ver el amor de Dios por nosotros a través del don de su Hijo Jesús. Dios muestra su amor por nosotros al darnos mandamientos. Los mandamientos de Dios no tienen la intención de hacernos hacer cosas por él. Dios nos da buenos mandamientos que nos llevarán a tener una larga vida y a crecer y prosperar. Los primeros tres de los Diez Mandamientos nos indican qué significa amar a Dios, no tener otros dioses y santificar el sábado. Los siete Mandamientos restantes nos dicen que entendamos qué significa amar a nuestro prójimo. Si amamos a nuestro prójimo, respetamos lo que tiene que decir. No le robamos ni lo consideramos objeto de lujuria. No los matamos ni les hacemos daño. No codiciamos sus bienes ni sus familias.

Dios nos ama. Debemos dejar de intentar ser nuestros salvadores en este mundo material y, en cambio, confiar en Dios como la fuente de verdadera fortaleza, haciendo de Él nuestra roca, sabiendo que Él es nuestro Salvador.

P. Alfonso Cely Pastor

OFICINA DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

Saludos!

Primero, permítanme pedirles que sigan ofreciendo oraciones por las víctimas del huracán Helene y el huracán Milton, así como por aquellos que aún luchan como resultado de estos dos huracanes.



RECORDATORIO DE LOS DIAS EN QUE NO HAY CLASES! COMO SE MUESTRA EN EL CALENDARIO ACADÉMICO, NO HAY CLASES PROGRAMADAS PARA LOS DÍAS:

Martes 5 de noviembre - (Día de las Elecciones Nacionales de los Estados Unidos)

NOTA ESPECIAL PARA TODOS LOS PADRES

Si deja un mensaje de voz por cualquier motivo en la Oficina de Educación Religiosa, incluya el nombre de su hijo, el nombre del catequista, el día de la semana y la hora en que su hijo asiste a clases, así como su número de teléfono.

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CENA Y BAILE APOYO A LOS VETERANOS

Cena y baile de apoyo a los Veteranos



Sábado, Nov. 9 de 2024

Entradas \$25

Salón social de la iglesia católica de Santa Ana

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OPCIONES DE PLATO PRINCIPAL:

- Pollo al horno O
- Pasta con Salsa Roja y Salchicha O
- o Pasta con Salsa Alfredo y Pollo

Guarniciones y postres variados

Social - 5:00 pm (Cash Bar) Cena - 6:00 pm Bailando con DJ - 7:00 pm

Consulte a cualquier miembro de Caballero de Colón para obtener boletos.

ADORACIÓN POR LA UNIDAD CRISTIANA



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Nos gustaría invitar a todos nuestros feligreses a participar en los dos días de adoración llamados "Adoración por la Unidad de los Cristianos". Los temas de los dos días son:

4 de noviembre 2024 "Cultura de la vida"

5 de noviembre de 2024 "Hágase tu voluntad"

El Santísimo Sacramento será expuesto después de la Misa de las 9:00 AM, y la reposición se llevará a cabo a las 6:00 PM en ambos días.

IMPORTANTE ACOLITOS Y EMHC!

El P. Alfonso, el P. José Luis, los líderes de los Monaguillos y los Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Eucaristía están llevando a cabo una reunión sobre nuevos cambios y requerimos de su asistencia como parte de tales ministerios.

Lunes II de noviembre

(en la iglesia)

5:30 PM - Monaguillos

6:00 PM - Ministros de la Sagrada Comunión

La importancia de esta reunión radica en la discusión de los temas del ministerio y los cambios inmediatos que se deben hacer. Esperamos que todos asistan.



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