

St. Faustina Catholic Church



Week of
July 9 to July 17
Fifteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule
Saturday, 4 pm
Sunday, 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 am
Mass in Spanish, 7 pm

Daily Masses
8 am — Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday

The Divine Mercy Chaplet
takes place 15 minutes
prior to all Weekend Masses.

Divine Mercy Chaplet
Wednesdays @ 3 pm

Anointing of the Sick
First Tuesday @ 8 am Mass

Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
First Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm

St. Faustina Parish is a community of Roman Catholics inspired by the Holy Spirit called to reflect God's Divine Mercy, to foster spiritual growth, and attend to the temporal and spiritual needs of all God's people.

Parish Office Hours & Contact Information:

Monday thru Thursday, 10 am to 4 pm

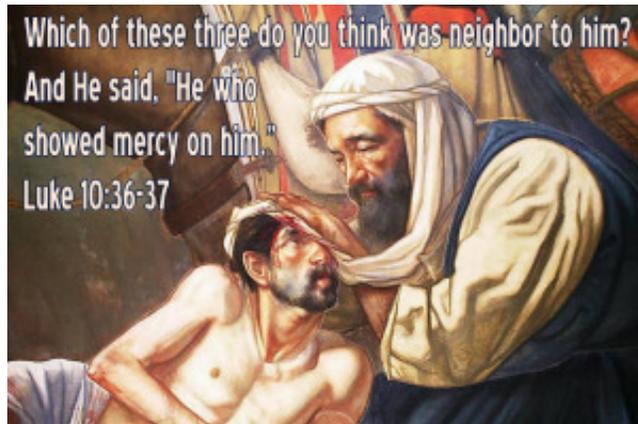
Friday, 10 am to 1 pm

Phone: 352-515-9297 // Fax: 352-559-3920

Location: 1714 U.S. Highway 27

Clermont, FL 34714

Web Site: www.stfaustina.org



GO AND DO LIKEWISE

Clergy Parochial Administrator--**Father Dave Gillis** Assisting Priest--**Father Fernando Gil**

Reconciliation is celebrated from 3:00 to 3:45 pm on Saturday or by prearranged appointment with the priest.

Baptism Parents of children to be baptized must be registered and actively participating members of the parish for at least four months prior to arranging any baptism. Attendance at parental preparation class is required.

Marriage Weddings are celebrated on Saturdays. Engaged couples should contact the parish office for an initial interview before setting any dates. A four-month preparation program is required. At least one member of the couple must have been a registered and actively participating member of the parish for a minimum of four months prior to the beginning of marriage prep.

PARISH STAFF Elaine Goth, *Bookkeeper*; Marylu Mariniello, *Coordinator of Faith Formation*; Carol Arroyo, *Parish Secretary*; Bill Mattingly, *Knights of Columbus Grand Knight*; Jose Cordeiro, *Spanish Mass Ministry Coordinator*; Nancy Harrigan, *Readers and EMs Coordinator*; Bill Murphy, *Mass Captains, Ushers & Greeters Coordinator*; Kelly Mucci, *Music Ministry*



If you are a visitor to St Faustina Catholic Parish, we want you to know how welcome you are -- whether you have come from across the world, from another part of the country, or from another parish here in the state or city. If you wish to become a registered parishioner, please pick up a form in the church or office or download it at www.stfaustina.org and return it to the office.



Father Dave's Corner

On the one hand, it may seem as if the Lord asks and expects much from us, but does He really? Or do our attitudes and lifestyles get in the way? In today's society we have many challenges when it comes to being disciples of the Lord and living as good stewards. Some of these challenges are pointed out in today's Scripture readings.

The 1st reading from the Old Testament Book of Deuteronomy is part of a sermon that Moses was giving to his people. In fact, the entire book consists of 3 sermons given by Moses, and today's reading is from the third sermon. This particular sermon offers comfort to the people, because even if they should prove unfaithful, their repentance and God's forgiveness can provide them with a solution.

Moses recognizes the challenges they face, which parallel in some ways the challenges we face today. Moses says the solution, however, is "something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you only have to carry it out." That is the same for us. The Lord's expectations can indeed be an ordeal for us, but the answer is ALWAYS within us and within the constructs of our faith. GOD IS WITH US; GOD WILL HELP US; AND GOD WILL FORGIVE US WHEN WE FAIL.

St. Paul is trying to make it clear in the 2nd reading from his letter to the Colossians that Christ is the Great Redeemer. Again, forgiveness and redemption are available to us through Him. Paul presents Christ as the "image of the invisible God." The Greek word "image" as used by Paul here has 2 meanings. In Greek the word was *eikon*. It does mean image as in a likeness, but it also means **manifestation**, as God is FULLY revealed in Christ. God is called invisible because in a sense we can never visualize or know God. However, we know God and CAN SEE HIM through Christ.

Just as Moses maintains that God is within the people and they must find Him and know Him, Paul is telling us that Christ is WITHIN US, and again we must seek Him and find Him, because it is only through Him that we can live and be His disciple. We can only be redeemed through Christ ("...making peace by the blood of His cross through Him."), but the point is that WE CAN BE REDEEMED. As difficult as it may seem, redemption is within our grasp. (Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings, Cath. Stewardship Consultants, Inc.)

MAY THE PEACE, JOY, HOPE, AND LOVE BE WITH YOU AND YOURS ALWAYS!

Father Dave



Mass Intentions
July 9 to July 17 2016

- Sat. 7/9
Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:25-37
4 PM -- Healing for Marlene Calvin (Leo F. Calvin)
- Sun. 7/10
8:00 AM--Birthday Blessings for Elizabeth Salerno (Carol & Lil)
- 9:30 AM -- Marie Santomaso + (Phil Santomaso)
11:00 AM -- Lucille Pelletier + (Bob & Cathy Pelletier)
7:00 PM -- (espanol) Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Faustina
- Mon. 7/11 **NO MASS**
Isaiah 1:10-17 Matthew 10:34-11:1
- Tues. 7/12 -- 8 AM -- Joseph Leaf + (M & M Williams)
Isaiah 7:1-9 Matthew 11:20-24
- Wed. 7/13 -- 8 AM -- Thomas Collins + (Jerry & Rosemary Williams)
Isaiah 10:5-16 Matthew 11:25-27
- Thurs. 7/14 8 AM -- Barbara McAndrew + (Deb & Bruce Bergeron)
Isaiah 26:7-19 Matthew 11:28-30
- Fri. 7/15 8 AM -- Dorothy Rapp + (8th Anniversary) (Fr. Dave)
Isaiah 38:1-6 Matthew 12:1-8
- Sat. 7/16
Genesis 18:1-10 Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42
4 PM -- Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Faustina
- Sun. 7/17
8:00 AM--Bill Sulzmann + (5th Ann) (Marie Sulzmann)
9:30 AM -- Thomas Barnett + (Marie Sulzmann)
11:00 AM -- Mary Ellen Doherty + (Thomas Doherty)
7:00 PM -- (espanol) Luciana Flores + (Carmelita Flores)



Stewardship Reflection

"Go and do likewise." Can there be a more simple instruction from our Lord and Savior Jesus? With these words, He closes the Parable of the Good Samaritan, which is at the heart of our Gospel reading for today. That parable was inspired by the question, "Who is my neighbor?"

That parable may be the most familiar to people of faith, and even to those who are not Christians, for it represents what is expected of us as followers of Christ, but it also presents an expectation for every human person.

A simplified answer to the question "Who is my neighbor?" might be "Your neighbor is anyone you see or know who is in need." It is much more than the person who lives in your neighborhood, or someone you may know at church or at the office. Equally telling is the response the questioner gave to Jesus when the Lord asked, after sharing the parable, "Which was the neighbor to the robber's victim?" to which the lawyer responded, "The one who treated him with mercy."

Is it any wonder that Pope Francis has declared this a Year of Mercy? What he expects of us is what Jesus expects from us. The Holy Father says, "Let us become agents of Christ's mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish." That is a call to stewardship.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING who died recently: **Junior Hernandez**, of the Mission Park development, died on Sat. 6/25. Please pray for his wife, Victoria and children, Nerissa, Tamara, and Soleil (Ennis). **Richard (Dick) Colson**, a snowbird who died in Ohio on Sat. 6/25. Please pray for his wife, Mary Jo, one of our Lectors. **Delmar Marin**, a snowbird who died in Connecticut on Mon. 6/27, and his wife Jackie.

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord....

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER to contact Father Dave after office hours. Call the parish number: (352) 515-9297 and you will get a voice mail message telling you the number for getting in touch with me IN AN EMERGENCY.

Weekly Announcements



Construction Fund

OUR INDEPENDENCE DAY RAFFLE WINNERS were: 1st Prize winner 25% of total collected-Muller (a parishioner), 2nd Prize winner 15% of total collected- Carleen Mulholland (visitor from Shillingon, PA-my last parish in PA), 3rd Prize winner 10% of total collected-Julie Kowalski. Financial accounting will be in next week's bulletin. Thanks for all your support.

SOUTH LAKE PREGNANCY CENTER OF CLERMONT sends a HUGE THANK YOU to all of you who participated in the Baby Bottle Benefit. As of June 29th, they collected from folks connected to St. Faustina's Church, a total of \$2,381.08 with another 27 baby bottles still outstanding. Congratulations and thank you for your generous response. Peace and Mercy to all.

PRISON MINISTRY NEEDS HELP-- The Diocese of Orlando is seeking individuals who love our Lord and are willing to serve him as a minister to the incarcerated at Coleman Correctional Institution in Wildwood, Sumter County. There will be an Informational Briefing on Prison Life and Ministry to the Incarcerated on Saturday, July 30th from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00- p.m. at St. Paul Catholic Church in Leesburg (1330 Sunshine Avenue; Leesburg). Please contact Deacon Mike Balchus at: (352) 818-9275 or mbalchus@ccstpaul.com for more information.

AN AVON REPRESENTATIVE IS PARTICIPATING in our give back to the parish program. A newly registered parishioner, Lucy, who is an Avon rep has some flyers on the bookcases in church. If you order through her, there will be a donation given back to the building fund if you buy Avon products; please check it out.

ATTENTION SHUT-INS: If anyone is in need of hospital bed for recuperation at home, a parishioner has one that he is willing give (including delivering and helping set it up). If anyone is interested, call the St. Faustina Parish office for his number.

BAKE SALES are the second weekend of the month.

LOST AND FOUND--If you have recently lost anything of personal Value please check on the bookcase in front of the Usher's Room in the church.

GOING OUT OF TOWN?...find a Catholic Church and mass schedule at: www.masstimes.org

Our all new St. Faustina App IS NOW LIVE and ready for use. From it you will be able to download mass times, the bulletin, the website, parish news and announcements as well as many other functions. **For instructions on how to download the app, please go to our web site at** www.stfaustina.org

DECADE A DAY MINISTRY MEMBERS--It is time to 're-up' your commitment for Decade a Day for next year. For more information about the Ministry, please to our web site at: www.stfaustina.org and click on **Decade A Day Ministry.**

DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS of Corpus Christi parish has placed a box outside the usher's room in the church to collect "used" sneakers and athletic shoes. They have a company that will take these shoes and do some sort of recycling of the materials left after use.

NEW St. Faustina MUSIC MINISTRY-- For information go to: <http://www.stfaustina.org/newmusicministry.html> or email Kelly at kmucci@stfaustina.org

CAN YOU HELP WITH THE NEW EVANGELIZATION? If you know of any Catholics who live in your neighborhood or in your development, please let them know that we have moved.

For more information and for a **COMPLETE LIST OF OUR MINISTRIES, and who to contact, please see our website at** www.stfaustina.org

CONSTRUCTION FUND BALANCE IS: \$1,264,504
(as of June 20, 2016)

DINE TO DONATE OPPORTUNITY: on Tuesday, 7/12 at I LOVE NY PIZZA in Cagan's Crossing from 11 AM until 10 PM. Flyer is needed and can be picked up on the bookcases in church. Please give flyer to your server before ordering and we will receive 10 % of whatever you eat and drink that day. Please join us if you can. **DINE TO DONATE RESULT:** ON 6/26, we received a check from DEVENNEY'S IRISH PUB in the amount of \$156.00 for our June 14th event. MANY, MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO ATTENDED.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET OUR REGULARS--Sarah's Greek Cuisine in Cagan's Crossing as well as to **Bruno's NY Style Pizza and Italian Restaurant** (Postcards are available at Church entrances. **ANYTIME** you dine at Bruno's we will get 10%.

COME SAIL AWAY WITH ST. FAUSTINA'S WONDERFUL FOLKS On Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017 through Sunday, Feb. 19, 2017, join us on the Beautiful Royal Caribbean OASIS OF THE SEAS! The ship will sail from Port Canaveral to Labadee, Haiti, Falmouth, Jamaica and Cozumel, Mexico before returning to Canaveral. This 7 night cruise has 3 days at sea, which you will be happy for because the OASIS is a destination in itself. There is so much to see and so many things to do on the ship. Contact Debbie at (407) 791-2444 for more information. St. Faustina's church does use this as both a social event and a small fund-raiser for the parish.

MEMORIALIZING OPPORTUNITIES are still available. If you are interested in memorializing one of chairs, please contact the office.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE SUNDAY EVENTS--If you dine with them on Sunday from Noon to 4 PM and just write "St. Faustina Church" on your receipt and drop it in the box at the host stand. The parish will receive 10% of your receipt.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP THE PARISH: Eiana Villarta and Kim Nigreli, parishioners and Real Estate Agents, are offering a portion of their commission to St. Faustina's Construction Fund. Pick up a flyer at the bookcase in the front lobby.

ATTENTION ALL AMAZON SHOPPERS--To find out more about this wonderful opportunity to add to our building fund, please go to our web site: www.stfaustina.org and click on the **AMAZONSMILE FUNDRAISER** link.

ONLINE FUND-RAISER--See our website: www.stfaustina.org/earncashback.html to see and participate in St. Faustina's partnership with Shop.Com's Non Profit Program designed to help us raise more funds for the Construction Project. Our Shop Consultant is Francis Mulhern and you can call him with any questions at (267-275-6182).



OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL
for our people,
our ministries,
our future

Did you know that gifts to Our Catholic Appeal can be made online? To make a pledge or a payment using your credit or debit card, visit <http://www.cfocf.org/oca>. **As of July 1, we have pledged \$69,985.00 and paid \$46,358.87 with 287 families participating, which is 57.4% of the parish. MANY THANKS!!**



June 26th Offertory:
\$5,205
Peter's Pence: \$795

