



ST. FAUSTINA Catholic Church

15551 N. Boggy Marsh Road, Clermont, FL 34714

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday of Lent

Jesus, I Trust in You

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas

Daily Mass

Monday to Saturday at 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday @ 4:00 PM, 5:45 PM

Sunday @ 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

5:00 PM *en Espanol*

Wednesday Holy Hour

3:00—4:00 PM

First Friday Adoration

8:30 AM—9:30 AM

Confessions

Saturday 3:00—3:45 PM

or by appointment

It is All About



Our Relationship

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday, 9 AM to 4 PM Friday, 9 AM to 1 PM

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Pastor's Message / Mensaje del Pastor

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. (Matthew 17:1-2)

Today's gospel is a good reminder of the true purpose of Lent. It is a reminder that, as disciples, we have ultimately one goal: to strengthen our relationship with Christ so we might come to share in his eternal glory. It's a Gospel that both encourages and keeps us focused: By recalling the Transfiguration, we glimpse that glory, the same glory that is offered to us if we are steadfast in our lives of faith.



What Peter thinks is good is the glory itself, which he is quite ready to embrace and celebrate, but he has not yet come to grasp the suffering that must precede it. We can all sympathize with Peter because we also have to learn that true discipleship is not about comfort or security, but about embracing the mystery of Christ crucified and risen. Discipleship is about hearing, again and again, those words: *This is my beloved Son...listen to him.*

Today, as we begin the second week of Lent, we learn again that the Transfiguration is only a preview of Christ's glory; another mountain has yet to be climbed. Jesus has to be transformed and clothed in the naked pain of Calvary before he puts on the eternal glory of his resurrection. It is a glimpse of hope, however, meant to fortify us on our journey to Calvary with Christ. May this hope be our guide and our sustenance.

Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God. (2Tim 1:8b)

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Jesús tomó a Pedro, Santiago y Juan su hermano, y los llevó solos a una montaña alta. Y se transfiguró delante de ellos; Su rostro brillaba como el sol y su ropa se volvió blanca como la luz. (Mateo 17:1-2)

El evangelio de hoy es un buen recordatorio del verdadero propósito de la Cuaresma. Es un recordatorio de que, como discípulos, en última instancia tenemos un objetivo: fortalecer nuestra relación con Cristo para que podamos llegar a compartir su gloria eterna. Es un Evangelio que nos anima y nos mantiene enfocados: al recordar la Transfiguración, vislumbramos esa gloria, la misma gloria que se nos ofrece si somos firmes en nuestras vidas de fe.

Lo que Pedro piensa que es bueno es la gloria misma, que está dispuesto a abrazar y celebrar, pero aún no ha llegado a comprender el sufrimiento que debe precederla. Todos podemos simpatizar con Pedro porque también tenemos que aprender que el verdadero discipulado no se trata de comodidad o seguridad, sino de abrazar el misterio de Cristo crucificado y resucitado. El discipulado se trata de escuchar, una y otra vez, esas palabras: *Este es mi Hijo amado... Escúchalo.*

Hoy, al comenzar la segunda semana de Cuaresma, aprendemos nuevamente que la Transfiguración es solo una vista previa de la gloria de Cristo; Otra montaña aún no se ha escalado. Jesús tiene que ser transformado y vestido en el dolor desnudo del Calvario antes de vestirse de la gloria eterna de su resurrección. Es un atisbo de esperanza, sin embargo, destinado a fortalecernos en nuestro viaje al Calvario con Cristo. Que esta esperanza sea nuestra guía y nuestro sustento.

Amados: Lleva tu parte de las dificultades por el evangelio con la fortaleza que viene de Dios.

(2Timoteo 1:8b)

Financial Stewardship

Weekly Collection Weekend of February 19, 2023

Offertory / Ofertorio: \$14,655.00 Mortgage Debt Reduction / Reducción de la deuda hipotecaria: \$5,084.00

Mass Attendance for the Weekend of February 19, 2023: 2,257+

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 4, 2023

- 4:00 pm + Tony Borges
Requested by: Jo, Borges
- 5:45 pm + Janis DeGennaro
Requested by: Daughter, Kelly Mucci

Sunday, March 5, 2023

- 7:30 am + Christine Boguszewski
Requested by: Bill, Kathy & Brian
- 9:30 am + Donald Gillis
Requested by: Family
- 11:30 am + Luis Ramos
Requested by: Miriam Ramos
- 5:00 pm Parishioners of St. Faustina

Monday, March 6, 2023

- 8:00 am + Those on our Memorial Plaques
Requested by: Mary Casey

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

- 8:00 am SI Henry & Nora Evans & Family
Requested by: Mary Ellen Burke

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

- 8:00 am + Josephine Gutowski
Requested by: Lorraine Pacyna

Thursday, March 9, 2023

- 8:00 am + Bonnie Tuttle
Requested by: George Tuttle

Friday, March 10, 2023

- 8:00 am SI Celia Lenkiewicz
Requested by: Kathy

Saturday, March 11, 2023

- 8:00 am + Mercedes Rodriguez
Requested by: Manuel Rodriguez
- 4:00 pm Parishioners of St. Faustina
- 5:45 pm + Josephine & + Pasquale Mirra
Requested by: Granddaughter,
Marylu Mariniello

Sunday, March 12, 2023

- 7:30 am + John Sobol
Requested by: Charlotte
- 9:30 am + Elisabeth O'Brien
Requested by: Dcn. John & Nora Broehl
- 11:30 am + Mary Ellen Doherty
Requested by: Thomas Doherty
- 5:00 pm + Rafaela Maldonado
Requested by: Evelyn Garcia

Prayer Requests

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In order to properly update our parish "Prayer Request" section of the bulletin, we are asking you to **resubmit names** that you would like on our list by emailing: office@stfaustina.org.



Lisa Hurley, Julie Haley, Larry Brunke, Sr., Ron Henefer, Joe Arnello, Hadley Epps, Ken Hellman, Ray Conn, Frank Nardone, Dolores Bojda, Mary Lou Maiellano, Lee Patrick, Carol Walker, Allen Bishop, Matthew Thompson, Lilah Smith, Dakota Smith, Becky Oosterveen, Deacon Dennis Gillan, Brown Stegall, Tommy White, Angel Pagan, Yolanda Inumerable, Robert Kasper, Arturo Alejandro, Marie Flom, Marilyn Moseley, The Langan Family, Dick Schondel, Colby Feazell, Mike McGee, Sandra Mueller, Manuel Bazon, Michele Middleton, Tina Audino, Jo Ellen Foti,

Frank Montagnino, Bill Consiglio, Debbie Consiglio, Joan Banahan, Kim Banks, Karen Clark, Judith Crogman, Daniel Cuttita, Patricia Dick, Linda Dugan, Don Logan, Brydon Neary, Cynthia Santulli, Lenise Shope, Amanda Solmonoff, Marge Tagler, Nicole Urbon, Theresa Wentling, Eric Whittingham, Mary Garl, Sue & Gene Plante, Donald & Trish Villeneuve, the people of the Ukraine and their people, and all those in need.



OUR MISSION — St. Faustina is a Community inspired by the Holy Spirit and called to reflect God's Divine Mercy, to foster spiritual growth, and to attend the temporal and social needs of all.

NUESTRA MISION — Santa Faustina es una comunidad inspirada por el Espiritu Santo, y llamada a reflejar la Divina Misericordia de Dios, a fomentar el crecimiento espiritual, y atender las necesidades temporales y sociales de todos.

Parish Lenten Events



Stations of the Cross

Fridays

11:30 am in Spanish

6:00 pm in English

7:00 pm in Spanish

Penance Service Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 pm



Parish Mission Conference Sunday, March 19, 1:00 to 3:00 pm Monday, March 20, 6:00 to 8:00 pm



Join us on Sunday March 19th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm and Monday, March 20th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm for a **TWO DAY** Mission on The Eucharist presented by Dr. Mary Amore.

Title: **Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist: *Becoming the Very Mystery We Receive***

Throughout the gospels, Jesus dined with saints and sinners alike. In all of these meal stories, there is a common thread; everyone who dined with Jesus walked away transformed, healed of their sin, and eager to share their story with others. Is this your experience of the Eucharist?

Join us as Dr. Mary Amore plumbs the depths of the greatest mystery of our Catholic Faith and the ways in which our lives can be spiritually transformed by our Encounter of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Time will be given for discussions.

Come and be refreshed and renewed this Lent as we reflect on our GREATEST GIFT, Christ in the Eucharist.

Dr. Mary Amore, Executive Director holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree in Liturgy and Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union. Dr. Amore is the author of three books: *Primary Symbols of Worship and the Call to Participation*, *Every day with Mary*, and *Every Day with Joseph*, as well as the creator of two DVD Series: Eucharist: Pathway of Transformation, Healing and Discipleship, and From Mary's Heart to Yours, published by Pauline Media. A Cardinal Bernardin Scholar and distinguished member of the North American Academy of Liturgy, Mary has been a presenter at the LA Congress, University of Dallas Ministry Conference, Diocese of New Hampshire Ministry Conference, as well as conducting parish missions, retreats, and adult faith formation programs. Dr. Amore is also the creator and host of two cable television shows, Soul Snackin with Dr. Mary Amore and A Willing Spirit, and has hosted a radio show on Radio Maria. Dr. Amore serves as the full time Executive Director of Mayslake Ministries.

Dr. Mary Amore is a proud member of the [Catholic speakers bureau, CMG Booking](#).

For the complete Lenten Schedule, please go to our parish home page at: [Are you looking for a Catholic Church near Disney World? \(stfaustina.org\)](#)

Parish Ministries & Upcoming Events



DIVINE WILL GROUP
SECOND SATURDAY 9AM—IN THE CHURCH
REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW

FOR MORE INFORMATION 863-353-1673 OR
[HTTPS://STFAUSTINA.ORG/MINISTRIES/DIVINE-WILL/](https://stfaustina.org/ministries/divine-will/)



The next “Divine Will” ministry meeting will be held on **Saturday, March 11, at 9 am in the church.** For more information please go to their page on our secure parish website: ["Divine Will!" - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont \(stfaustina.org\)](https://stfaustina.org)

LOOK FOR THE FOOD WAGONS!! “Thank You” for your continued support of our **Food for All Ministry.** To participate, simply bring non-perishable food items and place them in one of the two wagons that will be located in the narthex near the warming kitchen. Your donations will go directly to Hands of Hope America, *which supports our local Four Corners families* in their time of need.

Shopping bags, other than plastic, are also needed.

If you would like to provide financial support, you can do so by visiting our parish office during regular business hours.



To learn more about the mission of Hands of Hope American, Inc., please go to their website at:

[Home - Hands of Hope America](#)

WELCOME TO OUR ST. FAUSTINA PARISH FAMILY Whether you are a new parishioner, a constant visitor, or a Snowbird, we invite you to register with our parish. Registration forms can be downloaded from our website at: [New Parishioner Registration - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont \(stfaustina.org\)](#). Registration forms are also available in the back of the church and at the parish office *during regular business hours...Monday thru Thursday from 9 am until 4 pm and on Friday from 9 am to 1 pm.*



If you are new to our parish and would like to learn about the history of our patron saint and our own history, please go to:

[St. Faustina History - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont \(stfaustina.org\)](#)

OUR GIFT SHOP IS OPEN AFTER MASS Stop by and visit our new and exciting gift shop, which is open after the weekend Masses. Looking for something “special” for that “special someone (s)”, our gift shop has everything from a selection of Rosaries to custom St. Faustina Catholic Parish t-shirts and mugs to beautiful statues of our patron saint, our Blessed Mother, Jesus, St. Joseph, books, and much, much more. For more information regarding our gift shop, please go to:

[Gift Shop - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont \(stfaustina.org\)](#)



Planning for the Future
MAKING A CHARITABLE BEQUEST

Church Bequests After considering the needs of your family and loved ones, you can make a bequest of your remaining assets to St. Faustina Catholic Church. Your bequest could be a set amount of money, a portion of your estate, or valuable collections you’d like to donate.

To observe the best method for naming St. Faustina in your will or trust, please ask your attorney to use the following terminology:

*I give, devise, & bequeath (amount, article, stock, etc.)
to Bishop John Noonan, as Bishop of the Diocese of Orlando, and his successors in the office,
for the use of St. Faustina Catholic Church 15551 N. Boggy Marsh Rd. Clermont, FL 34714*

As always, “thank you” for your continued support of our St. Faustina parish in *everything* that you do.

There are two ways you can get the bulletin digitally. The first is to go to our new website: [News / Weekly Bulletin - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont \(stfaustina.org\)](#) The bulletin is usually posted on Friday morning. The second is to have it delivered to your email. **FIRST**, click on the following: [St. Faustina Catholic Church | Discover Mass](#)

THEN, click on the “bulletin” button and go down to the “Sign Up Today” button. Fill in your email address, hit submit and your bulletin will be delivered to your email. The cool thing about getting the bulletin digitally is that you can simply “click” on the various links that are in the publication and be taken to the corresponding site.



Parish Ministries & Upcoming Events



The parish held an official "goodbye" to our space at Glenbrook Commons on Saturday, February 18, by holding a Valentine's Party. It was the last event for the space the we've occupied since the first Mass there on December 19, 2015.



The Parish Valentine Party was held on February 18th in the "Old Church" at Glenbrook Commons. It was the last Parish event in that building after more than seven years as our home.

The dinner dance was attended by more than 250 people who enjoyed food donated by and prepared by members of the Spanish Community. Music was provided by a DJ as well as several acts, including Edgar and Amigos from the 5:00 pm Mass.

Attendees offered a \$25 donation and also participated in a 50/50 raffle and purchased additional food items (Empanadas, Mexican Tamales, a variety of other sweet treats). The remaining Empanadas and other foods were sold after the Sunday 5:00 pm Mass.

In all, \$7,641 was raised and applied to the Mortgage Debt Reduction Fund. Thanks to all who participated and volunteered to help with the set up, the food, the clean-up, etc. Special thanks go to Father Ramon for his support (and his dance steps).

South Lake Pregnancy and Family Care Center — Our Parish support for the South Lake Pregnancy and Family Care Center continues. Your gifts of diapers (especially Sizes 4 & 5), wipes and sanitary supplies are greatly appreciated. Lightly used baby clothing, strollers and other small items can also be accepted. Contact Tom and Nancy Madden at tomnancy94@msn.com for more information.



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St. Frances of Rome

By Marylu Mariniello

Francesca was born in Rome in 1384 to a wealthy and aristocratic couple, Paolo Bussa and Iacobella dei Roffredeschi. She was baptized at the Church of St. Agnes on the Piazza Navona.

At the age of eleven, Francesca decided that she wanted to become a nun, but at twelve, her parents arranged a marriage to Lorenzo Ponziani, a rich man and the Commander of the Papal Troops of Rome. Their marriage lasted for forty years and was a happy one. Soon after their wedding, Francesca became sick. Her husband tried to bring a magician to heal her, but she did not approve of this person, praying to St. Alexis and then recovered. She and Lorenzo had three children, two sons and a daughter. Francesca became a Tertiary of the Order of St. Francis at the San Francesco a Ripa church in Rome, where Father Bartholomew Bondi became her spiritual director.



She and her sister-in-law Vannoza often visited the poor and sick, encouraging other women to help too. Then her mother-in-law died, making Francesca the mistress of the household. When a famine occurred, she gave out food and turned part of the estate into a hospital causing her father-in-law to take away her keys to the supply rooms. Francesca prayed for help and the bins and barrels were miraculously replenished. Then her father-in-law gave the keys back to her.

There was now a war between the Pope and various anti-popes. Her husband Lorenzo served the Pope, so several enemies tried to kidnap their son, but Francesca prayed to the Blessed Mother and their son was spared. During this time, much of the family property and possessions were destroyed and Lorenzo was severely wounded which affected him for the rest of his life. Francesca became his nurse and took care of him. Besides this, they lost their daughter and their other son to the plague, but Francesca continued to help others in the chaotic times, taking her wagon to collect firewood and herbs for medicine and keeping her house as a hospital. She became famous for her healing skills, which ultimately led to her canonization.

Francesca became a mystic, with gifts of miracles and ecstasy. She saw her Guardian Angel and had revelations of hell and purgatory. Throughout the history of the Church no other mystic has had so many descriptive visions of hell as St. Frances of Rome had. She could read minds and detect plots which were evil, yet she was humble with obedience and patience.

She founded the Olivetan Oblates of Mary on August 15, 1425 on the feast day of the Assumption.

This was a confraternity of holy women who formed a life of prayer and helping the needy. They were not bound by vows or were cloistered, but they were under the authority of the Olivetan Monks.

In March of 1433, Francesca founded a monastery at Tor de' Specchi, which allowed a common life of those members of the confraternity who wanted to live there. This monastery still exists today. On July 4 of that year, they received the approval of Pope Eugene IV to become a religious congregation of Benedictine oblates with private religious vows, later known as the Oblates of St. Frances of Rome.

She nursed her husband for another seven years before he died from his battle wounds in 1436. Then she moved into the monastery and became the Mother Superior, giving her life to God and devotion to the poor and needy, similar to what Mother Teresa did in India.

Francesca died on March 9, 1440 and was canonized by Pope Paul V on May 9, 1608. She was buried in Santa Maria Nova, where they found her body to be incorrupt. That church is now called the Church of St. Frances or Chiesa di Santa Francesca Romana.

Pope Pius XI declared St. Frances of Rome to be the patron saint of motorists in 1925 because of the legend that an angel would light the road where she traveled, keeping her safe. She is also the patron saint of widows. Her feast day is March 9.

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