



# ST. FAUSTINA Catholic Church

15551 N. Boggy Marsh Road, Clermont, FL 34714

May 21 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter / The Ascension of the Lord

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

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

The Church is Open for Personal Prayer  
Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Friday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm



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

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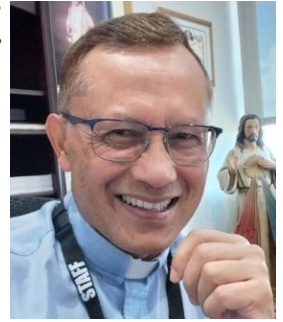
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# Pastor's Message / Mensaje del Pastor

*I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. (Jn. 17:10)*



We are nearing the end of the Easter season, and our Gospel passage today from John is Jesus' prayer to the Father before his passion. Jesus knows what lies ahead for him, and this prayer reflects what is on his heart. Even though he is facing brutal suffering, Jesus prays not for his own benefit or relief from pain, but for those he loves... His prayer is for us, that his mission might be fulfilled.

Embodying love, Jesus has dedicated his life to teaching us the way to the Father. He has shown us that we belong to the Father. This has an impact on our whole being. We see this impact on the earliest disciples: The first reading tells us what the disciples did after they witnessed Jesus' glorious ascension to heaven. They returned to Jerusalem and *devoted themselves with one accord to prayer*.

During the remainder of the Easter season, may we continue to grow in the light of Christ that has been revealed to us. May we continue to grow in understanding of God's love for us, especially in what we celebrate at the Eucharistic table.

*Beloved: Rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when his glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly. (1Pet 4:13)*

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*No rezo por el mundo, sino por los que me has dado, porque son tuyos, y todo lo mío es tuyo y todo lo tuyo es mío, y he sido glorificado en ellos. (Juan 17:10)*

Nos estamos acercando al final de la temporada de Pascua, y nuestro pasaje del Evangelio de hoy de Juan es la oración de Jesús al Padre antes de su pasión. Jesús sabe lo que le espera, y esta oración refleja lo que está en su corazón. A pesar de que se enfrenta a un sufrimiento brutal, Jesús ora no para su propio beneficio o alivio del dolor, sino por aquellos que ama. Su oración es por nosotros, para que su misión se cumpla.

Encarnando el amor, Jesús ha dedicado su vida a enseñarnos el camino hacia el Padre. Él nos ha mostrado que pertenecemos al Padre. Esto tiene un impacto en todo nuestro ser. Vemos este impacto en los primeros discípulos: La primera lectura nos dice lo que hicieron los discípulos después de presenciar la gloriosa ascensión de Jesús al cielo. Regresaron a Jerusalén y *se dedicaron unánimemente a la oración*.

Durante el resto del tiempo de Pascua, que podamos seguir creciendo en la luz de Cristo que nos ha sido revelado. Que sigamos creciendo en la comprensión del amor de Dios por nosotros, especialmente en lo que celebramos en la mesa eucarística.

*Amados: Regocíjate en la medida en que compartas los sufrimientos de Cristo, para que cuando se revele su gloria, también puedas regocíjarte exultantemente. (1Pedro 4:13)*

## *Financial Stewardship*

Weekly Collection Weekend of May 7, 2023

**Offertory / Ofertorio: \$12,092.00 Mortgage Debt Reduction / Reducción de la deuda hipotecaria: \$3,288.00**

**Mass Attendance for the Weekend of May 7, 2023: 1,431**

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, May 20, 2023

4:00 pm + Jorge Dominguez  
Requested by: Kathy Murphy

## Sunday, May 21, 2023

7:30 am + Irene Fisher  
Requested by: Eileen & Joe Broderick

9:30 am + Luis Ramos  
Requested by: Miriam Ramos

11:30 am + Nicholas Dinanno  
Requested by: Anna Dinanno

5:00 pm + Alexander Bermudez  
Requested by: Lorena Machado

## Monday, May 22, 2023

8:00 am + Ian James Kearney  
Requested by: Yves & Sue Demers

## Tuesday, May 23, 2023

8:00 am + Eliodoro Sousa  
Requested by: Oti Sousa

## Wednesday, May 24, 2023

8:00 am SI Dolores & Jay (Anniversary)  
Requested by: Family

## Thursday, May 25, 2023

8:00 am In Thanksgiving for life, Esperanza Zapata  
Requested by: Esperanza Zapata

## Friday, May 26, 2023

8:00 am Souls in Purgatory  
Requested by: A Parishioner

## Saturday, May 27, 2023

8:00 am + Donald McCune  
Requested by: Sara Schauer

4:00 pm + Marie Butterworth  
Requested by: Al Butterworth

## Sunday, May 28, 2023

7:30 am + Carmelita Flores  
Requested by: Gloria Monton

9:30 am + Catherine Foster  
Requested by: Ida Vieto

11:30 am + Maria Torres Mora  
Requested by: Mora Family

1:00 pm *First Holy Communion Mass*

5:00 pm In Thanksgiving for favor Received  
Requested by: Luisa Brito

# 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](mailto:office@stfaustina.org).



Deacon John, David Venditti, Dave and Judy Gutowski, Ed David, George Walker, Lilian Hawkinson, Tina Cyr, Patrick J. Cyr, Barb Nelson, Mark Thomas, David Bache, Zachary Birkholz, Heriberto Rodriguez, Jim Exnicios, Angela & Exevior Bojda, Lisa Flaherty, Maryn Poggi, James Niccum, Kristina Starr, David Bartkus, Mary Ann Cunningham, Jeannie Burns, Linda Patrick, Michael Patrick, Sue Puffs, David Valerian, Josefina Bacosa, Daniel Tomberg, Gloria Nestel, Russell Perine, Anita Boyd, Julie Haley, Larry Brunke, Sr., Ron Henefer, Hadley Epps, Ray Conn, Frank Nardone, Dolores Bojda, Lee Patrick, Carol Walker, Allen Bishop, Matthew Thompson, Lilah Smith, Dakota Smith, Brown Stegall, Tommy White, Marilyn Moseley, The Langan Family, Manuel Bazon, Tina Audino, Daniel Cuttita, Patricia Dick, Linda Dugan, Lenise Shope, Marge Tagler, Mary Garl, Sue & Gene Plante, Donald & Trish Villeneuve, and all those who need our prayers.



Please keep Deacon John in your prayers as he recovers from personal health issues.



*If you are a visitor to St. Faustina Catholic Church, 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... WELCOME!*

**OUR MISSION** — St. Faustina is a parish family inspired by the Holy Spirit and called to reflect God's Divine Mercy through a responsible stewardship of time, talent and treasure in the context of ministry.

**NUESTRA MISION** — Santa Faustina es una familia parroquial inspirada por el Espíritu Santo y llamada a reflejar la Divina Misericordia de Dios a través de una administración responsable del tiempo, el talento y el tesoro en el contexto de ministerio.



# Parish Ministries & Upcoming Events



The parish office will be closed on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day. We will still have the usual morning Mass at 8 am.

Our new ministry, the “*CARING CRAFTERS*,” has amazing crafters willing to share their talents in creating handmade items but they are in need of the materials to perform these tasks.

If you have any fabric, thread, yarn, etc. that you no longer have a use for, would you please consider donating them to this ministry. If you don't have these items but would like to contribute gift cards from Hobby Lobby, Jo Anns or Michaels for us to purchase specific materials not donated, it would be greatly appreciated. You can drop off your donation at the church any time during normal business hours. *Thank you for your generosity.* **Our next meeting is Wednesday, June 14 at 10:00 am in the classroom**



The music ministry is looking for cantors. Now that our Snowbirds have returned home, there is a big need for help in the various ministries that are required to celebrate the Sacrifice of the Mass. Besides needing cantors, ushers, sacristans, altar servers, readers, and choir members, for both the adult and children's Masses, are needed. If you can help, please contact Kelly Mucci, our Director of Music and Liturgy, at: 352-515-9297 or email her at: [kmucci@stfaustina.org](mailto:kmucci@stfaustina.org).



For more information on the above-mentioned needs, as well as others, please see our secure parish website at: <https://stfaustina.org/worship-and-liturgy/>

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study Class invites you to join us following the 8:00 am Mass in the classroom. Led by our own Father John McNalis, we take a “rest of the story” look at the Word of God. While attendance at the morning Mass is not required, it is a great way to prepare for the study.



The Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Drive continues through Father's Day — If you would like to participate in the Knights of Columbus' baby bottle drive, which supports the South Lake Pregnancy and Family Care Center, and you did not get a baby bottle, simply put your loose change into a container of your choice or make a check out to the Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Drive, (***NOT* St. Faustina**). Either put it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

**CELEBRATE PENTECOST SUNDAY BY GIVING BLOOD---*Wear Red, Give Red!!*---**Our next parish blood drive will be on Pentecost Sunday, *May 28, between the hours of 7:30 am and 1:00 pm.* For your convenience, the Big Red Bus will be parked right outside the entrance of the church.

Our parish began this bi-monthly blood drive on June 19, 2019. During that time, parishioners and visitors have **contributed 396 pints of blood while saving over 1,188 lives** as each donation has the ability to help up to three patients in need. Our drive has met its OneBlood-assigned goal in all but one drive and has surpassed 25 donors three times with our record being 33 pints contributed.



Besides your ability to help those with medical needs, you will receive a wellness check-up, which includes: a COVID-19 antibody test, blood pressure, temperature, an iron count, pulse, and cholesterol screening. OneBlood is also giving away a \$20 e-gift card, a Bonefish Grill coupon, and a water bottle in “thanks” for your donation.

For more information on who can donate, please go to our parish web page at: <https://stfaustina.org/ministries/bi-monthly-blood-drive/>

*While over 90% of our donors are walk-ups, you can make an appointment by going to: [OneBlood](#)*

***On Pentecost Sunday, WEAR RED!!! ... GIVE RED!!!***

# St. Faustina Annual Co-Op Mission

Reverend Yesu Mulakaleti

## For our Living Jesus and Universal Church Challenges

My name is Reverend Yesu. I was born in Gunnampalli -Eluru, India, to Mariamma and Joseph Mulakaleti. My Dad passed away when I was nine months old, and since then, my Mother has been the instrument in raising and educating me from kindergarten to college, where I earned a bachelor's degree. After graduating college, I joined the Seminary in 1994, and was ordained to the living priesthood in our Universal Catholic Church in 2004.



For a couple of years, I ministered the Church as an associate, and from 2007 to 2011 I served as Pastor for twenty-three mission parishes. God blessed me to share his unconditional love in reaching people and inspired me to build 13 Marian Grottos, two mission churches, and a residence for orphans in the parish. Since 2011, I have been serving in the Diocese of San Angelo, Texas.

I am visiting you all at St Faustina Catholic Church the weekend of May 27-28 to share my great love for our Living Jesus and of the Universal Church challenges.

Yours In Christ, *Rev Yesu Mulakaleti*

*“Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love.” - St. Mother Teresa*

Father Yesu's love for this beautiful quote...!

## FIRST HOSPITALITY AT OUR NEW HOME IS A HUGE SUCCESS!!

Our parish celebrated the return of Hospitality weekend on May 6 & 7 and to say it was an overwhelming success would



be an understatement. Youngsters, oldsters, and everyone in between enjoyed doughnuts, brownies, cookies, water, juice, coffee, and...*most of all, fellowship...* following the two Saturday Masses as well as after the Sunday morning Masses.

Helping hands are always needed, especially with the setting up and breaking down of the tables.



If you would like to help, please see this ministry's web page on our secure parish website at:

<https://stfaustina.org/ministries/hospitality/>



*Hospitality Weekend will take place the first weekend of the month with the next one scheduled for June 3 – 4.*





# Weekly Reflection

## The Great Commission

by Alexis Dallara Marsh , Diocesan Publications Writer

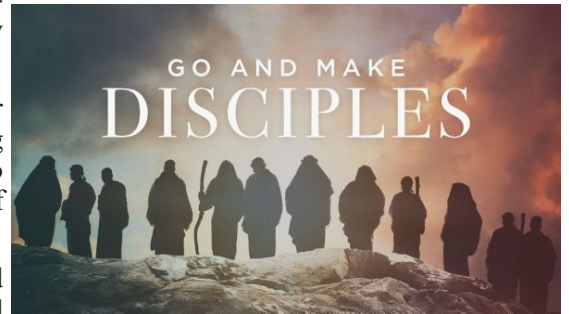
"He would be everywhere, whenever his friends gathered to pray. He would continue to act through them just as he promised: forgiving sins, sharing mercy, bringing young and old into the embrace of eternal life through Baptism, and feeding their very souls with himself, the Bread of Life. He would remain on earth through his Church." (Great Adventure Kids Catholic Bible Chronicles, by Amy Welborn, p 265)

There is one command at the end of the Gospel of Matthew; to go and make disciples. A disciple doesn't just believe, but acts. He imitates his leader. As we recognize in James 2:26 that faith without works is dead, we are called to live our faith out in our daily life. By doing so, we inspire others to follow similarly.

Catholic Social Teaching explains, "No one can be a Christian merely for his own benefit. Coming to Jesus, seeking his friendship, and following him also means publicly professing faith in him, allowing him to speak to us and commission us. All of us must be 'messengers' and 'witnesses' of the Gospel." (DOCAT 235)

So that we might proclaim the Kingdom of God in word and deed, God gives us the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Having wonder and awe of how good God is, we will seek to please Him by sharing this same goodness. We show what we believe by loving one another.

In the end, God will measure our lives by how much we love. How much we love Him will show by spilling over to how much we love those that he has placed in our path. Christ lives in us through our words, healing, sharing, acts of kindness and mercy. Unconditionally serving one another is essential to true love.



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### HONORING OUR ST. FAUSTINA HEROES

We would like to honor our St. Faustina Heroes, those individuals who serve...or served...in the military and/or those who are...or were...First Responders.



If you, or a family member, would like to be recognized in our bulletin and on our parish web site, please email names to: [office@stfaustina.org](mailto:office@stfaustina.org) in the following format:

Name, rank, branch of service ... if the individual was killed in action or died as a result of combat, please indicated with a \*. If the individual is deceased, please indicate with a +.

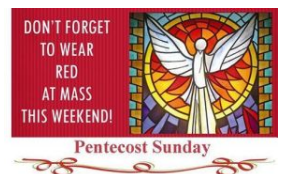
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**NEXT WEEK IS PENTECOST SUNDAY.**  
**JOIN THE CELEBRATION**  
**BY WEARING SOMETHING RED TO MASS.**

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**FATHER'S DAY  
IS COMING**

**FATHER'S DAY is coming on June 18<sup>th</sup>.** If you would like to remember your father, grandfather, or any other special father-figure in your life, please fill out and return your envelope **no later than June 11<sup>th</sup>** so it can be counted and placed on the Altar. An envelope has been included this year in the packet you should have received at home. If not, you can take an envelope from the literature rack or you can use a plain envelope marked "Father's Day". On Father's Day weekend, all the envelopes will be placed on the Altar, and we will pray for all the special fathers in our lives.



# St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

By Marylu Mariniello

Caterina de' Pazzi was born on April 2, 1566 in Florence, Italy to a very wealthy and noble family. At the age of nine, their family priest taught her mental prayer, which included a half hour of meditation on Christ's Passion. When she was twelve, Caterina experienced her first ecstasy while looking at a sunset which left her trembling and speechless. Ecstasies can suspend a person causing them to be filled with love and seem unconscious.

With constant prayer in her life, Caterina wanted to become a Carmelite nun, choosing the monastery of St. Mary's of the Angels because the nuns there were given daily Communion, an unusual occurrence at the time. On January 30, 1583 she was accepted as a novice and took the name Sister Mary Magdalene. Soon she had her second mystical experience. When the other nuns saw her crying before the crucifix she said, "O Love, you are neither known nor loved." Within a month she became very sick, so the other nuns placed her on a stretcher at the altar and had her profess her vows in a private ceremony there. After this, Mary Magdalene had forty days of pain mixed with ecstasies, both from the graces of God and misery as her illness worsened.

To preserve the revelations, her confessor asked Mary Magdalene to dictate her experiences to other sisters. Five large volumes were filled over the next six years. The first three books record ecstasies from May of 1584 through Pentecost week the following year, which was a preparation for a severe five-year trial. The fourth book records that trial. The fifth is a collection of letters concerning reform and renewal. Another book, *Admonitions*, is a collection of her sayings coming from her experiences as a religious.

For most of her time as a nun, Mary Magdalene endured great physical suffering and illness, but Christ consoled her with His overwhelming presence and love. This attention embarrassed her. Some of the other sisters ridiculed her, while others wished they experienced ecstasy like she did. She was convinced of her misery and weakness because Jesus would grant her so many graces while in suffering. When Mary Magdalene was nineteen, she began a five-year period of spiritual dryness, desolation and severe temptations against purity, almost leading to suicide, but she held on by praying, doing penances and serving others even when they didn't appreciate this. She saw visions of the souls in Purgatory during her time of purification and also received the sacred stigmata invisibly as she begged the Lord to keep it hidden.

She had a personal relationship with Jesus through her experiences and prayers and these conversations were often casual and not formal. Her two most wanted wishes were to look at anyone as good and holy without judgement and to always have God's presence within her. She was wise and kind, leading her to be appointed as the mistress of novices where she was direct in guiding these women and was not easily misled.

Mary Magdalene became a saint because she responded to the ecstasies, causing her to struggle and give love and gratitude to God for this gift. She felt that she was given this because she was weak and unworthy. When Jesus wanted her to go barefoot as part of her penance, she cut the soles out of her shoes so no one would see her as different from the other nuns. If she felt an ecstasy coming on, she would quickly finish her work and go back to her room, so no one could see. She once said, "I wanted a hidden life but, see, God wanted something quite different for me." As holy as she was, she was still human and struggled to be kind to someone who hurt or insulted her.

She died on May 25, 1607 and was buried in the monastery chapel in Florence. Her body was declared incorrupt. She is called the "ecstatic saint" and is also known as "The Passionflower of the Eucharist".

St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi was beatified in 1626 by Pope Urban VIII and canonized on April 28, 1669 by Pope Clement X. She is the patron saint against sickness, bodily ills, sexual temptation and is one of the patron saints of Naples. Her feast day is May 25.





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