



SAINT FAUSTINA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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November 2-3, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus, I Trust in You

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas

Daily Mass / Misa Diaria

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses / Misas de fin de semana

Saturdays @ 4:00 p.m.

**Sundays @ 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.,
5:00 p.m. en Español**

Wednesday Holy Hour / Miércoles Hora Santa

3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*First Friday Adoration /
Adoración del Primer Viernes*

8:30 a.m to 10:30 a.m.

Confessions / Confesiones

**Saturday / Sábado 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
or appointment / o con cita previa**

*The Church is Open for Personal Prayer
Mondays through Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. to
4:00 p.m., and on Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

*La Iglesia está abierta para la oración personal
De lunes a jueves, de 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,
y los viernes, de 9:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m.*



Parish Office Hours / Horario de Oficina Parroquial

Monday thru Thursday / Lunes a Jueves 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday / Viernes 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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A Message From Father Carlos / Un Mensaje de Padre Carlos

My dear family of St. Faustina,

Brothers and sisters, we are already approaching the end of this liturgical year. Today, on this Thirty-first Sunday in the Gospel, we see Jesus answering a very important question: Which commandment is the first of all? Jesus was asked many questions, but this time, the question was not just one more.

Jesus' answer: **“God is the only Lord: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, with all your being.”** This is the first and decisive thing. Today, we missionary disciples of Jesus have to question ourselves about the proper place we give to God. Are we genuinely loving him above all? Next, Jesus adds something that had not been asked: **“The second commandment is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”** This is the synthesis of life. Everything depends on these commandments: religion, morality, the rightness of existence, and love for LIFE, which is sacred.

Brothers and sisters, **LOVE** is not on the same level as the other obligations of God's law. It is not just another rule, lost among others more or less important. **LOVE** is the only right way to live before God and before our brothers and sisters. What does not come out of **LOVE** or from **LOVE**, does not serve to build a human life. Without **LOVE** there is no true progress.

We can pray a lot, and give a lot of alms, and faithfully fulfill the commandments; if it is not **LOVE** for God and neighbor that inspires and motivates our “good” actions, these actions do not save us. For Jesus “God” and “neighbor” are inseparable. It is not possible to **LOVE** God and not care about one's neighbor.

The temptation not to understand, not to live, and the risk of distorting the message of the Gospel are always present. For this reason, it is imperative that we understand and live this essential message that Jesus himself reminds us of today. It is not possible to worship a God in the depths of the soul and live forgetting our brothers. What goes against **love** goes against God. **Courage!**

That is precisely why we Catholics and everyone who claims to believe in Jesus, say No to Abortion, say No to Amendment 4. We are one Step away from the 2024 elections. Let us pray for our nation and let us pray for all those who hold the future of our society in their hands. Let us pray, pray, pray....

St. Faustina... Pray for us.

In Christ,
Father Carlos



Mi querida familia de Santa Fautina,

Hermanos y hermanas ya nos estamos acercando al final de este año litúrgico. Hoy en este domingo trigésimo primero en el evangelio vemos a Jesús contestando una pregunta muy importante: ¿qué mandamiento es el primero de todos? A Jesús, le hicieron muchas preguntas, pero esta vez la pregunta no era una más.

La respuesta de Jesús: **«Dios es el único Señor: amarás al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma, con toda tu mente, con todo tu ser».**

Esto es lo primero y decisivo. Hoy nosotros discípulos misioneros de Jesús tenemos que cuestionarnos sobre cuál es el verdadero lugar que le estamos dando a Dios en nuestra vida. ¿Verdaderamente le estamos amando sobre todo? Seguido, Jesús añade algo que no le habían preguntado: **«El segundo mandamiento es semejante: Amarás a tu prójimo como a tí mismo».** Ésta es la síntesis de la vida. De estos dos mandatos depende todo: la religión, la moral, el acierto en la existencia, el amor por la VIDA que es sagrada.

Hermanos y hermanas, el **AMOR** no está en el mismo nivel que las otras obligaciones de la ley de Dios. No es una norma más, perdida entre otras más o menos importantes. **AMOR** es la única forma correcta de vivir ante Dios y ante los hermanos. Lo que no salga del **AMOR** o desde el **AMOR**, no sirve para construir una vida humana. Sin **AMOR** no hay verdadero progreso.

Podemos rezar mucho, y hacer muchas limosnas, y cumplir fielmente los mandamientos; si no es el **AMOR** a Dios y al prójimo el que inspira y motiva nuestras “buenas” acciones, estas acciones no nos salvan. Para Jesús «Dios» y «prójimo» son inseparables. No es posible **AMOR** a Dios y desentenderse del hermano.

La tentación de no comprender, no vivir, el riesgo de distorsionar el mensaje del Evangelio esta siempre presente. Por tal motivo es imperativo que comprendamos y vivamos este mensaje esencial que el mismo Jesús, nos recuerda hoy. No es posible adorar a un Dios en el fondo del alma y vivir olvidado a nuestros hermanos. Lo que va contra el **AMOR**, va contra Dios. **¡Ánimo!**

Precisamente por eso nosotros los católicos y todo aquel que diga creer en Jesús, dice No al Aborto, dice No a la enmienda 4. Estamos a un Paso de las elecciones 2024. Oremos por nuestra nación y oremos por todos los que tienen en sus manos el futuro de nuestra sociedad. Oremos, oremos, oremos...

Santa Faustina... Ruega por nosotros.

En Cristo,
Padre Carlos

Welcome to
St. Faustina
Catholic
Church!

Bienvenidos a la
Iglesia Católica
de
Santa Faustina

Mass Intentions Intenciones de Misa

Saturday, November 2, 2024

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

8:00 a.m. Memorial Mass Association

For the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. + Loretta Murphy

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Faustina

9:30 a.m. + Lucille Greiveldinger

11:30 a.m. + Kristina Pantina

5:00 p.m. + Emma Cortes

Monday, November 4, 2024

St. Charles Borromeo

8:00 a.m. + Souls in Purgatory

7:00 p.m. + Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

8:00 a.m. SI Jimmy White

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

8:00 a.m. + Juan R. Fuentes

Thursday, November 7, 2024

8:00 a.m. + Antonio Sanchez Maldonado

Friday, November 8, 2024

8:00 a.m. + Jeanne Loughrey

Saturday, November 9, 2024

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 a.m. Memorial Mass Association

For the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Faustina

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. + Nicoló Motta

9:30 a.m. + Kathleen Murphy

11:30 a.m. + Cecilia Fanelli

5:00 p.m. + Dulce Maria Brito

Readings for the Week Lecturas de la semana

Monday / Lunes: Phil 2:1-4; Ps (Sal) 131:1-3; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday / Martes: Phil 2:5-11; Ps (Sal) 22:26-32; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday / Miércoles: Phil 2:12-18 Ps (Sal) 27:1, 4, 13-14 Lk 14:25-33

Thursday / Jueves: Phil 3:3-8A; Ps (Sal) 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 15:1-10

Friday / Viernes: Phil 3:17—4:1 Ps (Sal) 122:1-5 Lk 16:1-8

Saturday / Sabado: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22

Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses / Vigilia del sábado y Misas dominicales:

1 Kgs 17:10-16 Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

Next Sunday's Readings / Lecturas del próximo domingo

First Reading / Primera Lectura:

1 Kings / 1 Reyes 17:10-16— The widow "...in obeying Elijah,...implicitly acknowledges the authority of the God of Israel who...brought salvation of an earthly kind to her family." / "Al obedecer a Elías, la viuda "...reconoce implícitamente la autoridad del Dios de Israel, que...trajo a su familia una salvación de tipo terrenal".

Psalm / Salmo 146: 7-10: "Praise the Lord, my soul!" / "¡Alabado sea el Señor, alma mía!"

Second Reading / Segunda Lectura:

Hebrews / Hebreos 9:24-28 — God "...provides for all of humanity through Jesus' sacrificial offering." / Dios "...provee para toda la humanidad a través de la ofrenda sacrificial de Jesús".

Gospel / Evangelio: Matthew / Mateo 10:17-30 —

"Jesus reminds his disciples that salvation too is a gift. Entry to God's kingdom can be sought, but is ultimately unearned. Instead, it's freely given by God." / "Jesús recuerda a sus discípulos que la salvación también es un don. La entrada en el reino de Dios puede buscarse, pero en última instancia no se gana. En cambio, Dios la da gratuitamente".

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In Our Thoughts and Prayers / En Nuestros Pensamientos y Oraciones

"The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful."

James 5:16

“La oración ferviente de una persona justa es muy poderosa”.

Santiago 5:16



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| Jason Armstrong | Roger Darnell | Gabriela Lantigua-Pazmino | Michael Patrick |
| David Bache | Sandy Darnell | Timothy Leonard | Lorgia Pazmino |
| David Bartkus | Ed David | Joseph Loughrey | Pablo Pazmino |
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| Jean Conn | Nancy Harrigan | Jan Nilsen | Mark Thomas |
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| Tina Cyr | Phillip Kilinski | Felisa Parker-Gibson | Larry Wilson |
| Frances Cavone, Sr. | Robert Kolenc | Lee Patrick | Josephine Woulfe |
| George Dana | Joseph Krajc | Linda Patrick | Arabella Zeglovskis |

To add or remove names from the Prayer list, email office@stfaustina.org. Para añadir o eliminar nombres de la Lista de Oración, envíe un correo electrónico office@stfaustina.org.

<p>PRAY TO PROTECT THEM BOTH</p> <p>Vote No on Amendment 4</p> <p><small>FLORIDA CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS WWW.FLACCB.ORG</small></p>	<p>“Paid political advertisement paid for by Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops, 201 W. Park Ave., Tallahassee, FL 32301 independently of any committee.”</p> <p>“Anuncio político pagado por la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Florida,</p>	<p>OREN PARA PROTEGERLOS A AMBOS</p> <p>Voten No en la Enmienda 4</p> <p><small>CONFERENCIA DE OBISPOS CATÓLICOS DE FLORIDA WWW.FLACCB.ORG</small></p>
<p>Amendment 4 Legalizes Abortion on Demand From Conception Up To Birth Does Anyone Want That? Vote No on 4!</p>		<p>La Enmienda 4 legaliza el aborto bajo demanda desde la concepción hasta el nacimiento. Alguien quiere eso? Vota no en 4!</p>

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS / PROGRAMA DE ACTOS DE ESTA SEMANA

*Daily Mass Monday thru Saturday at 8:00 a.m. followed the Holy Rosary
Misa diaria de lunes a sábado a las 8:00 a.m. seguida del Santo Rosario*

Saturday, November 2	Hospitality Weekend Fully Engaged, 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., Classroom 1
Sunday, November 3	Hospitality Weekend Simbang Gabi Practice, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Church Holy Hour Praying for Life and the Election, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Church
Monday, November 4	Rosary Makers, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Classroom 1 All Souls Mass, 7:00 p.m., Church Estudio bíblico en Español, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Classroom 2
Tuesday, November 5	Bible Study, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Classroom 2 Prayer and Life, 10:00 a.m. to noon, Classroom 1 Ministerio Manualidades, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Aula 2 Choir Practices, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Church Emmaus, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Classroom 2
Wednesday, November 6	Holy Hour, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Church Handbell Choir, 7:10 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Church Young Adults Group, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Classroom 2
Thursday, November 7	No scheduled events
Friday, November 8	Rosario en Español, 7:00 p.m., la Iglesia Divine Will, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Classroom 1
Saturday, November 9	Bake Sale weekend
Sunday, November 10	Bake Sale weekend Simbang Gabi Practice, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Church



Feast of the Immaculate Conception —The Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith has clarified that, contrary to prior practice, that Holy Days of Obligation that fall on Mondays **MUST** be observed. Thus, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 9, is a Holy Day of Obligation in 2024. We will have Masses at 8:00 a.m. (English), 6:00 p.m. (English), and 7:30 p.m. (en Español).

Fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepción — El Dicasterio para la Doctrina de la Fe ha aclarado que, contrariamente a la práctica anterior, los Días Santos de Obligación que caen en lunes **DEBEN** observarse. Por lo tanto, la Fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepción el lunes, 9 de diciembre, es un Día Santo de Obligación en 2024. Tendremos misas a las 8:00 a.m. (en inglés), 6:00 p.m. (en inglés), y 7:30 p.m. (en español).

St. Faustina All Souls Day Mass (English)—7:00 p.m. Monday, November 4.
Santa Faustina Misa del Día de Todos los Fieles Difuntos (Inglés)-7:00 p.m. Lunes, 4 de noviembre.

STEWARDSHIP / ADMINISTRACIÓN

Offertory / Ofertorio	\$10,501.56
Poor Box / Caja pobre	\$217.50
Mass Intentions / Intenciones de Misa	\$105.00
Religious Education / Educación religiosa	\$355.00
Votive Candles / Velas votivas	\$91.00
Gift Shop / Tienda de regalos	\$181.00
Baptism Donations / Donaciones para Bautizos	\$350.00
Fund Raising (Sister Diocese) / Recaudación de fondos (Diócesis hermana)	\$4,584.00
All Souls Day	\$570.00
San Pedro Retreat	\$240.00
Total	\$17,195.06
Construction / Construcción	\$2,706.05
Fund Raising Food Sales / Venta de alimentos	\$140.00
Total	\$2,846.05

**Financial Stewardship
Administración Financiera
October 26-27
26-27 de Octubre**

**Mass Attendance
Asistencia a misa

1,711**

From your Fundraising Committee —Your St. Faustina Fundraising Committee has been working to raise funds for our Debt Reduction Fund. In the table below, you can see what funds they have raised in the last few months. We urge you to keep supporting the work of the committee.

De su Comité de Recaudación de Fondos —Su Comité de Recaudación de Fondos de Santa Faustina ha estado trabajando para recaudar fondos para nuestro Fondo de Reducción de Deuda. En la siguiente tabla, puede ver los fondos que han recaudado en los últimos meses. Les instamos a seguir apoyando el trabajo del comité.

Mother’s Day Holy Mother Rosary Decade Sale / Día de la Madre Venta de la Década del Rosario de la Santa Madre	\$2,185.00
Father’s Day St. Joseph Keychain Sale / Venta de llaveros de San José para el Día del Padre	\$1,285.00
“Night in the Tropics” Dance / Baile “Noche en los trópicos”	\$7,814.00
St. Faustina Feast Day Statue Raffle / Sorteo de la estatua de Santa Faustina	\$532.00
St. Faustina Feast Day Food Sales / Venta de alimentos para la fiesta de Santa Faustina	\$1,065.00
Total	\$12,881.00

Our Catholic Appeal Update / Nuestro Llamamiento Católico

St. Faustina Goal / St. Faustina Meta	\$106,239.78
Raised to Date / Recaudado hasta la fecha	\$64,584.00
Over/Under Goal / Meta Superior/Inferior	(\$41,655.78)
Total Donors/Total de Donantes	763
Donors Making Gifts / Donantes de esta Campaña	198
Percentage of Participation / Porcentaje de Participación	26%



2024-2025



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT AMENDMENT 4 FLORIDA'S PRO-ABORTION AMENDMENT

What is Amendment 4?

Amendment 4 is a proposed amendment to the Florida Constitution that would essentially establish an unlimited right to abortion throughout pregnancy even when the heartbeat of the preborn child is detected, when the preborn child can experience pain, and when the child is capable of living outside the womb. Amendment 4 will appear on the November 5, 2024 ballot and require approval from 60% of the electorate to pass.

What would Amendment 4 do?

PUT WOMEN AT RISK

Amendment 4 would jeopardize existing laws and prohibit new ones that voters on both sides of the abortion issue support, including health and safety laws that protect women.

ALLOW SECOND AND THIRD TRIMESTER ABORTIONS

Though not defined in the amendment, "viability" is defined in Florida law as the stage of development when the life of a fetus is sustainable outside the womb (Ch. 390.011(15)), generally accepted to be 22-24 weeks of pregnancy, or about 6 months.

CREATE A BROAD "HEALTH" LOOPHOLE

"Patient's health" is not defined in the amendment, allowing post-viability, extremely late-term abortions for treatable, temporary health concerns. Emotional health would justify an abortion when a child could survive outside the womb.

WEAKEN MEDICAL DOCTOR REQUIREMENT

"Healthcare providers" – not just physicians – could determine if an abortion is "necessary" to protect the mother's "health." Even some employees of abortion clinics, such as nurses and counselors, could approve late-term abortions.

ELIMINATE PARENTAL CONSENT

While preserving parental notification in our state constitution (Article X, Section 22), the amendment would invalidate the current law that requires parental consent for a minor to have an abortion (Ch. 390.0114(5)), making abortion the only medical decision for which parents have no say.

Would abortion be illegal in Florida if Amendment 4 does not pass?

If Amendment 4 does not pass, abortion would still be legal in Florida until a baby's heartbeat can be detected. Current laws that protect the safety of women would remain in effect.

Doesn't Amendment 4 simply restore Florida back to when *Roe v. Wade* was in effect?

Amendment 4 goes dangerously beyond what was permitted in the *Roe v. Wade* ruling. It would eliminate important health and safety measures that protect women, remove parental consent for any minor seeking an abortion, and allow for abortion through the third trimester of pregnancy.

Aren't late term abortions very rare?

Because they are currently not permitted by Florida law, they are extremely rare. There are exceptions in the law that allow late-term abortions to preserve the life of the mother or to avert serious risk of substantial, irreversible impairment of a major bodily function. If Amendment 4 passes, its broad loopholes would allow non-physicians to cite minor, treatable conditions to justify abortions, and there would be many more late-term abortions in Florida.

Will miscarriage care or ectopic pregnancy treatment be denied if Amendment 4 fails?

There is a fundamental difference between an elective abortion and the care provided after a miscarriage or for ectopic pregnancies. Amendment 4 will have no effect on the care a pregnant woman receives in an emergency. Women can always receive necessary and timely lifesaving medical treatment, including in Catholic hospitals. No law restricts this care in Florida.

How is the Church helping pregnant women in need?

The Catholic Church is committed to helping women in need during and after pregnancies. For decades, numerous Catholic social service agencies, in collaboration with faith-based and secular organizations, have assisted pregnant women in need with material resources and personal accompaniment during pregnancy and after their child is born.

What is the Church doing to defeat Amendment 4?

Each diocese in Florida is working together, through the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops, to help Catholics understand the dangers of Amendment 4 to women, their children and their families. The Church supports the Florida Voters Against Extremism coalition to educate voters on how Amendment 4 is harmful for Floridians.

What can I do to help defeat Amendment 4?

1. **VOTE NO** on Amendment 4
2. **EDUCATE YOURSELF** and **TELL OTHERS** about the dangers of Amendment 4
3. **PRAY** & **Fast**

Where can I learn more?

For more information and to read the text of the proposed amendment, visit flaccb.org/abortion-amendment or scan:



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May 24, 2024

Minisries and Events / Eventos y Ministerios



Nuevo ministerio en Santa Faustina de Ministerio de Manualidades —¿Te gusta hacer manualidades o quieres aprender a hacerlas? ¿Hablas español? ¡Entonces Ministerio de Manualidades es para ti! El enfoque de este nuevo ministerio es enseñar manualidades y hacer algunos artículos hermosos durante todo el año. El ministerio se reúne los martes en el Aula 2, de 11:0 a.m. a 1:00 p.m. hasta diciembre, y luego cada dos martes, a partir de enero. Ven, diviértete y aprende a hacer cosas bonitas para tu casa, tu familia y tus amigos. Para esta temporada Navideña haremos un mínimo de tres proyectos. Sean todos bienvenidos.

St. Faustina Bereavement & Grandparents Ministries invite you to an
**Advent Retreat & Pilgrimage to the
 San Pedro Spiritual Development Center**

Thursday, December 12, 2024



Space is limited! Register at the church office today!

\$40 includes transportation, breakfast, lunch, retreat speaker & Holy Mass
 Cash or check (payable to St. Faustina Catholic Church, memo: San Pedro Retreat)

Schedule

Meet at 7:30 am to depart by bus from St. Faustina by 8:00 am
 9:00 am Coffee & breakfast at San Pedro
 9:30 am Retreat Speaker, Sr. Catherine
 Lunch
 1:00 pm Holy Mass
 2:00 pm Depart from San Pedro
 4:00 pm estimated return to St. Faustina

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**SPECIAL HOLY HOUR
 PRAYING FOR
 LIFE AND THE ELECTION**



**Sunday, November 3
 at 3:00 p.m. in the Church
 With Deacon Tom Baca**

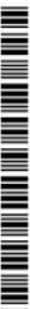
"For it was you who created my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb." (Psalm 139:13)

**HORA SANTA ESPECIAL
 ORANDO POR
 LA VIDA Y LA ELECCIÓN**



**Domingo 3 de noviembre
 a las 3:00 p.m. en la Iglesia
 Con el Diácono Tom Baca**

«Porque fuiste tú quien creó mis entrañas; tú me tejiste en el vientre de mi madre». (Salmo 139:13)



Minisries and Events / Eventos y Ministerios



Food For All Ministry Thanksgiving Drive — Our St. Faustina Food For All Ministry wants to help the families in our Four Corners Community celebrate a Happy Thanksgiving. The Hands of Hope food pantry, which we support with our weekly donations, is collecting the following foods: Cranberry sauce, canned

gravy, cornbread, canned corn, stuffing, mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, cake mix and other desserts, white rice, and canned yams. Hands of Hope is purchasing over 300 turkeys for our community and looking for donations for this effort. If you want to donate, please send your check to Hands of Hope America, Inc., and bring it to the office.

If your family is one of the many families who need help this Thanksgiving, please call Hands of Hope at 352-604-0547 or 301-693-6094 to speak to a case manager.

Hands of Hope America will host a Drive-Thru Thanksgiving Distribution event on November 20th from 11 AM to 2 PM at RE/MAX Heritage Bardell Real Estate at 9110 US-192, Clermont, FL 34714. To participate in the DRIVE-THRU distribution, you must first register with a case manager by calling one of the numbers mentioned above. They will give you more details.

Food For All Ministry Thanksgiving Drive — Nuestra St. Faustina Food For All Ministry quiere ayudar a las familias de nuestra comunidad de Four Corners a celebrar un Feliz Día de Acción de Gracias. La despensa de alimentos Hands of Hope, que apoyamos con nuestras donaciones semanales, está recolectando los siguientes alimentos: Salsa de arándanos, salsa enlatada, pan de maíz, maíz enlatado, relleno, puré de papas, macarrones con queso, mezcla para pastel y otros postres, arroz blanco y camotes enlatados. Hands of Hope está comprando más de 300 pavos para nuestra comunidad y está buscando donaciones para este esfuerzo. Si usted quiere donar, por favor envíe su cheque a Hands of Hope America, Inc. y tráigalo a la oficina.

Si su familia es una de las muchas familias que necesitan ayuda este Día de Acción de Gracias, por favor llame a Hands of Hope al 352-604-0547 o 301-693-6094 para hablar con un administrador de casos.

Hands of Hope America organizará un evento de Distribución de Acción de Gracias DRIVE THRU el 20 de noviembre de 11 AM a 2 PM en RE/MAX Heritage Bardell Real Estate en 9110 US-192, Clermont, FL 34714. Para participar en la distribución de DRIVE-THRU, primero debe registrarse con un administrador de casos llamando a uno de los números mencionados anteriormente. Ellos le darán más detalles.

Parish Blood Drive Set for Sunday,

November 24 — It's the season of giving, so why not give blood at our parish Blood Drive, On Sunday, November 24, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Big Red Bus will be parked right outside our front entrance. Your blood donation will help keep three other people alive.



Besides the ability to help someone, you will receive a Wellness Check from the highly trained OneBlood staff members on board and a gift from OneBlood. While 90% of our donors are walk-ups, you can reserve your space by making an appointment at: <https://www.oneblood.org/donate-now/scheduler.html?locationId=1421828>.

As always, thank you for considering making a donation and THANK YOU to all those who have participated in this important outreach ministry.

Campaña de donación de sangre parroquial programada para el domingo 24 de noviembre — es la temporada de donaciones,

así que ¿por qué no donar sangre en la Campaña de donación de sangre de nuestra parroquia? El domingo 24 de noviembre, de 7:30 a. m. a 1:30 p. m., el Big Red Bus estará estacionado justo afuera de nuestra entrada principal. Su donación de sangre ayudará a mantener con vida a otras tres personas.

Además de la posibilidad de ayudar a alguien, recibirá un chequeo de bienestar por parte del personal altamente capacitado de OneBlood a bordo y un obsequio de OneBlood. Si bien el 90 % de nuestros donantes son personas sin cita previa, puede reservar su lugar haciendo una cita en: <https://www.oneblood.org/donate-now/scheduler.html?locationId=1421828>. Como siempre, gracias por considerar hacer una donación y GRACIAS a todos los que han participado en este importante ministerio de extensión.

St. Alphonsus Rodríguez

By Marylu Mariniello

Alphonsus Rodríguez was born in Segovia, Spain, on July 25, 1532, the son of a wool merchant. The family was deeply religious, welcoming and inviting Peter Faber to stay with them when he visited the city to preach. Peter was one of the original Jesuits and a future saint. Peter prepared Alphonsus for his First Communion.

When he was twelve, Alphonsus was sent to the new Jesuit college at Alcalá, but left two years later to help his mother run the family business after his father died. At the age of twenty-six, Alphonsus married María Suarez. They had three children. Five years later, she and two of the children died, as well as his mother. This started Alphonsus to begin a life of prayer and mortification. When his third child died, he started thinking about joining a religious order.

He thought of the Jesuits due to his previous associations with them, but this was pretty impossible because of his limited education. When he was thirty-nine, he tried to attend the College of Barcelona, but his austerities had undermined his health. After some time passed, he was finally admitted into the Jesuits as a lay brother on January 31, 1571, when he was forty years old. It was said that if Alphonsus was not qualified to become a brother or a priest, he could enter to become a saint.

There were no special novitiates for seminarians and lay brothers in Spain at that time. Alphonsus began his term of probation and after six months was sent to the college on Majorca. Here he was the humble porter for forty six years. He greatly influenced the members of the household as well as all of the people who came to see him for advice and direction.

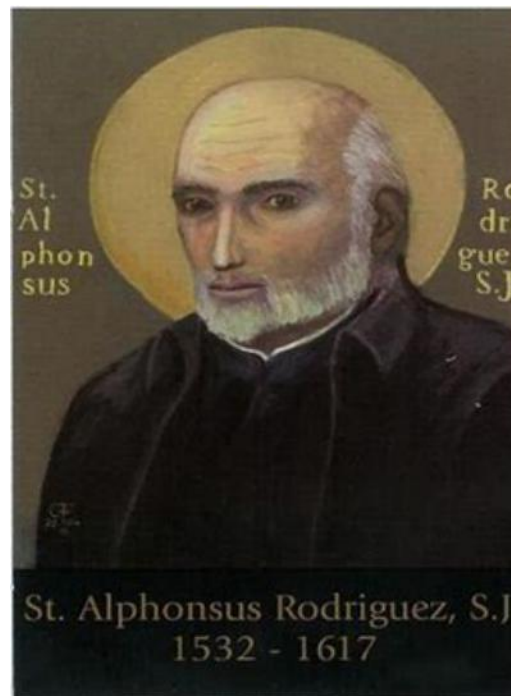
His duties were to receive visitors who came to the college, search out the priests or students who were summoned, deliver messages, run errands, console those who were sad and who had no one to turn to and to distribute alms to the needy. When he stood at the door, he always saw God entering. He counseled Peter Claver to establish a mission in South America, ministering to the slaves there.

He made his perpetual vows in 1585, when he was fifty four. His Jesuit superiors were pleased to see that Alphonsus' influences spread beyond the monastery and onto the people, so on feast days they let him preach at the pulpit. Many time the community sat quietly after dinner to hear Alphonsus speak.

He had a deep devotion to the Blessed Mother and would make copies of the complete text of the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the private recitation of people who wanted this and is credited with popularizing the Little Office. He possessed mystical graces and had ecstasies and visions of our Lord, our Lady and the saints.

As he aged, Brother Alphonsus became feeble, and his memory began to fail, dying on October 31, 1617. He left a considerable number of manuscripts after him, some of which have been published as *Obras Espirituales* by del B. Alonso Rodríguez, which are collections of domestic counseling. The texts are often repeated with the illustrations are from everyday life and were not written for publication, but created from a command of his superiors. Though his life was marked with personal tragedies and disappointments, Alphonsus influenced the people whom he met, serving with love, causing the act of opening a door to become a sacramental gesture.

Alphonsus Rodriguez was declared venerable in 1626, beatified on June 5, 1825, and canonized on January 15, 1888. In 1633, he was chosen as one of the special patrons of the city and island. He is buried in Majorca, and his feast day is October 30.



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