

"Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." John 21:15

May 4, 2025 - Third Sunday of Easter

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 3

8:00am Concepcion Lopez† 5:00pm Kathryn Bowman†

SUNDAY, MAY 4

8:00am John Ploehn†
10:00am People of Our Parish Hely Dalida†
12:00pm Juan Garcia†
5:30pm Frank Coleman†

MON, MAY 5

7:00 am Robin Law† 12:15pm Ed Kroll†

TUE, MAY 6

7:00am Robin Law† 12:15pm Dr. Srinivasan Pillai† 7:00pm Eluid Cano-Arroyo†

WED, MAY 7

7:00am Glen Regan† 12:15pm Julie Soost†

THU, MAY 8

7:00am Michelle Thomas† 12:15pm Ellie Wertz†

FRI, MAY 9

7:00am Fred and Janet Lense† 12:15pm Mary White†

SAT, MAY 10

8:00am Jean Bush† 5:00pm Kaye Kwiecinski†

SUN, MAY 11

8:00am	Henry and Shirley Seromik†
10:00am	People of Our Parish
	Deceased mothers of the Leahy/Sinisgalli families†
12:00pm	Margaret Yohman†
5:30pm	Deceased mothers of the Medina/Diaz families†

Readings for Next Weekend 4th Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52 Psalm: Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5 Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 Gospel: John 10:27-30

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5pm Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5:30pm

Daily Masses

Monday - Friday: 7am & 12:15pm / Saturday: 8am Tuesday: 7pm (Spanish)

RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays at 10:30am by RSVP on our home page. Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:30pm. (no rsvp needed)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday through Friday from 8am (after the 7am Mass) until 7pm in the Chapel of the Angels. Adoration closes for the 12:15pm Mass.



POPE FRANCIS

V. Eternal rest grant unto Francis, O Lord.
R. And let the perpetual light shine upon him.

And may his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Are you interested in registering at our Parish?

You can complete the registration form on our website or visit our Parish Office. Click on the QR code for a direct link to the form.



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Thank you for continuing to support our Parish Community!

Visit our NEW Online giving portal. **Same login - No need to re-register -** improved user experience on pc and mobile. Click on the QR Code:



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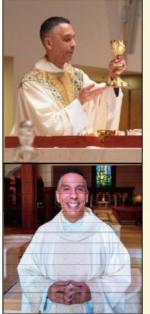
Weddings - Congratulations!

Matthew Tobias & Ana Maria Thompson

Praying for our Recently Deceased

†Adrian McManus †Nestor Seda †Virgilio A. Vargas †Vickie Torres †Rose Jeanty

Fr. Ivan will be leaving Annunciation for a new position beginning on June 1st.



We congratulate Fr. Ivan on his new assignment as Rector of Mary Queen of the Universe Basilica and National Shrine in Orlando, guiding all of the faithful and pilgrims that visit the Shrine. He will continue to serve as our Pastor until then and we will have time to wish him well and thank him for his almost 5 years of dedicated service to this community.

We are grateful to Fr. Ivan for helping us to live our mission during these years and to strive to become a people of great prayer.

Join us on Sunday May 18th in the St. Gabriel Life Center, after the 12pm Mass, to thank Fr. Ivan for his time with us and to wish him well on his next assignment.

We will be welcoming Fr. Matthew Hawkins as our new Pastor.

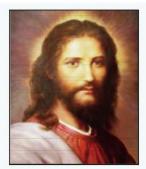


Father Matthew Hawkins was ordained to the Priesthood on May 26, 2018 at St. James Cathedral in Orlando. He celebrated his first Mass as a priest at Annunciation on May 27, 2018 and was very active at our parish during his time in the Seminary.

Fr. Hawkins served St. James Cathedral as parochial vicar in his first assignment and later as parochial administrator of St. Paul Parish in Leesburg where he became Pastor on December 11, 2022.

We will have more information in the coming weeks.

Please keep all of our priests in your prayers and for the communities that they serve. 🙏



REFLECTIONS FROM THE HEART

by Fr. Ivan

None of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" I think how often our person, our identity, the very source of our being, who we really are, is so often misunderstood, guestioned, attacked and quite simply misguided and ever put to the test. Challenged and confronted in so many ways and questioned and threatened so many times by so many of his own people, Jesus faced the opposition's questioning with humility, silence and truth. Those who opposed Jesus constantly guestioned his identity and directly challenged his person by asking, "Who are you?" - "Who do you think you are?" Questioning is Satan's favorite tactic and preferred method of distraction. His direct aim in disturbing our peace, stealing our joy and introducing his chaos in order to bring harm and confusion to the beloved children of God and wreak havoc on God's glorious kingdom. We certainly know that feeling. Having to prove your own innocence so many times or regularly having to back up your own words or even constantly having your own faith, values, belief or courage challenged because of the fear and insecurities of others. When we are not certain of our own identity, who we are, who we have become, our broken image of self, the fake personas we have created, the identity crisis we interiorly face and cause, we attack others to justify who we want to be or become. This is our false, negative self. Rather than seeking God's help and assistance to understand and know who we really are, how God wonderfully created us and the joy and freedom of being God's glorious and beloved children, we seek to destroy the identity of another because we are not sure or certain of ourselves who we are called to become. How often for lack of control or fear of being revealed, unmasked, or properly identified as a fraud, does the darkness of our own wounds directly target and question the innocence of Jesus or that of his beloved disciples in order to feed our unfortunate sinful weakness, in order to lower the esteem of another. Our broken self-image starves our good name and our good nature then seeks to hurt and harm the good portrait of another in order to feed our own sinfulness and relieve the hurt of our own painful brokenness. Knowing Jesus personally, directly and intimately is God's reflection of who we really are and meant to become. Jesus truly knows who he really is even if others continue to keep questioning him. He also really knows you.

Photos from the Easter Vigil



Photos from First Eucharist celebrated over the last two Saturdays. Please continue to pray for all of our Parish children as they come to know and love Jesus in the Eucharist.



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GROW IN YOUR FAITH





Are you an adult who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

For most of us, the Sacrament of Confirmation was celebrated when we were either in junior high or in high school. For those adults in the OCIA, their Confirmation is celebrated when they are baptized at the Easter Vigil. But, for a variety of reasons, many adult Catholics have not yet been confirmed.

THIS INVITATION IS FOR YOU!

If you are 19 years of age, have been baptized Catholic and have made your First Communion, but have not been confirmed, we invite you to begin a preparation program. Classes have just begun on Thursdays at 7pm in the Nazareth Center

TO FIND OUT MORE: Contact Mary Ann Fox at mfox@annunciationorlando.org or 407-869-9472. The next Adult Confirmation date is on Sunday, June 8th at St. James Cathedral.



Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith?

Have you been away from the Church... or do you just want to learn more about your faith? Were you raised in another faith or maybe not raised in any faith, but feel called to something deeper? Join us for our Open Door Session on Tuesday, May 6th at 7pm in the Nazareth Center. For more information, please contact Mary Ann Fox at 407-869-9472 or mfox@annunciationorlando.org 407-774-2801 www.annunciationacademy.org

Congratulations to Annunciation Catholic Academy for being recognized on the national and local level with the William H. Sadlier award for shaping Catholic identity in the school's life, faith, and mission.



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Annunciation Catholic Academy Altamonte Springs, Florida

for shaping Catholic identity in the schools' life, faith, and mission through the various ministries of Catholic education

Given at the National Catholic Educational Association Convention Orlando, Florida April 23, 2025

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Vacation Bible School at Annunciation will not take place this summer.

We appreciate your understanding and support, and we look forward to welcoming your campers back for VBS 2026.



Eucharistic Adoration... Find Your Peace & Joy in the LORD. Visit annunciationorlando.org/adoration to sign up to be a weekly adorer.



Please join us for our upcoming meetings and activities:

• May 1: Picnic and Prayer Meeting at St. Gabriel Life Center at 9:30a.m. Please bring your favorite snack or breakfast item to share! We will pray the Rosary and then let the little ones play outside!

For more information, email us at <u>stannesministry@gmail.com</u>.



St Joseph Men's Group

Join us every Friday morning for Mass at 7am in the Church, followed by great coffee in the St. Gabriel

Life Center with a reflection on the readings and prayer. We finish by 8am. All men of the parish are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Stafstrom at 407-869-9472, sstafstrom@annunciationorlando.org

Words to Live By

"Those who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ..."

Romans 8:14-17

How can we pray for you? Everyday life can be challenging and we want to pray for your intentions. We will pray for each specific intention that you submit.



Submit your intentions at:

www.annunciationorlando.org/ prayer-intentions

Praying for our diocesan priests who passed in the month of April:

Most Rev. Thomas Grady, Msgr. Terrence J. Farrelly, Rev. Eduardo Benitez, Rev. Domingo Gonzalez, Rev. Edward Hamilton, Rev. Sean Heslin, Rev. Clyde Bonar

Catechism Corner

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

Man is predestined to reproduce the image of God's Son made man, the "image of the invisible God."

1701 "Christ, . . . in the very revelation of the mystery of the Father and of his love, makes man fully manifest to himself and brings to light his exalted vocation." It is in Christ, "the image of the invisible God," that man has been created "in the image and likeness" of the Creator. It is in Christ, Redeemer and Savior, that the divine image, disfigured in man by the first sin, has been restored to its original beauty and ennobled by the grace of God.



Celebrate the Month of Mary by joining us for this beautiful evening of prayer.

If you would like to sign up to be a candle holder, visit www.annunciationorlando.org/rosary to sign-up Do you have a group or ministry that would like to be together in a decade (10 individual candle holders)? Please email Scott Stafstrom at <u>sstafstrom@annunciationorlando.org</u> to check availability and organize your participants.



Not sure how to pray the Rosary? May is the Month of Mary and it is a

wonderful time to learn to pray the Rosary.

3. FIRST BEAD We have a step by Step guide along with Rosary Reflections available on our website.

Visit: www. annunciationorlando.org/prayrosary

Novena in Memory of Pope Francis

The Final Day of the Novena on May 4th

Day 9 - Successor to the Apostle Peter

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

A reading from a letter to the Corinthians by Pope Saint Clement I.

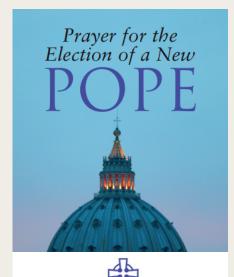
Having received their orders, the Apostles went out, fully convinced by the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, trusting the word of God, and assured by the Holy Spirit. They went out proclaiming that the Kingdom of God was at hand throughout the countryside and in the cities. They tested in the Spirit the first fruits of their preaching, and appointed them to be bishops and deacons for those who would later come to believe... Our Apostles knew also, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that there would be strife over the office of the episcopate. And so with perfect foresight, when they ordained those men, the Apostles gave them the mandate that when they pass away other proven men should succeed them in their ministry. (42:3-4; 44:1-2)

Pause for silent prayer. Pray one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. — And let perpetual light shine upon him.

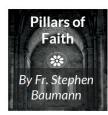


Hear with favor our prayers, which we humbly offer, O Lord, for the salvation of the soul of Francis, your servant and Priest, that he, who devoted a faithful ministry to your name, may rejoice in the perpetual company of your Saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr - April 24

Born in 1578, Fidelis studied law and throughout his practice took the cases of the poor and oppressed. After several years of frustration because of injustices, he abandoned his law career and entered the Capuchin Franciscans. Then he began a life of prayer and austere penances.

After his ordination to the priesthood he devoted his efforts to preaching and to counteract heresy in Germany and Switzerland. He also confirmed his care of the sick and poor. While he was preaching in 1622, an attempt was made on his life, but he was uninjured. Later the same day he was attacked on his way home and murdered when he refused to denounce his faith. He was 46 years old. The first fruits of his martyrdom was the conversion of a Zwinglian (Protestant) minister who witnessed his death. Fidelis was canonized in 1746.

In the sermon at his canonization, Pope Benedict XIV said: "Fidelis practiced the fullness of charity in bringing consolation and relief to his neighbors as well as to strangers. With a father's love he embraced all those who were in trouble. He was always helping prisoners in their spiritual and bodily needs. He showed constant zeal in visiting and comforting the sick. He was faithful in truth as well as in name. His zeal for defending the Catholic faith was unsurpassed and he preached it tirelessly."

Pope St. John Paul II, at the beatification of the English martyrs (November 22, 1987) said words that are equally appropriate for St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen: "A martyr is a person who, like Christ, bears witness to the truth. Still more, he or she is a person who bears witness to Christ Himself who is the fullness of truth."

LOVING AND SERVING OTHERS

NURSE NEEDED



Annunciation Catholic Academy is looking for an experienced nurse for the 25-26 school year. The position is part time, working Monday through Friday, 25 hours per week while school is in session. If you are interested or know someone who would be interested, please email Ms. Kahle at kahlep@annunciationacademy.org.



Habitat For Humanity We have several build dates coming up in Sanford. It is easy to sign-up and get involved and it is very rewarding to work with the families that we are serving. For more information visit

www.annunciationorlando.org/habitat



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SATURDAY, MAY 17 9AM-12PM ST. GABRIEL LIFE CENTER

Presentation by One More Child, the Secret Service, and therapist and author Julie Lowe.

The first 50 to register will receive at the event, a free copy of Julie Lowe's book, Safeguards. Register online at www.annunciationorlando.org/h-o-m-e



Annunciation Council of Catholic Women, St Mother Teresa Circle presents: Mother's Day Baskets Raffle Sale Saturday, May 3, 2025. 5:00 Sunday, May 4, 2025. 8:00, 10:00, and 12:00 Ticket Sales: I ticket for \$10.00 3 tickets for \$20.00 Happy Mother's Day! Ticket sales are outside church entrance

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For more information please call our Parish Office at **407-869-9472** or email **info@annunciationorlando.org**

Clergy

Very Rev. Ivan Olmo, V.F	Pastor
Rev. Mark Librizzi	Parochial Vicar
Rev. Stephen Baumann	
Rev. Augustine Clark	
Rev. William Gohring	Retired
Deacon Joe Gassman	. Permanent Deacon
Deacon Pete Pronko	Permanent Deacon
Deacon Bryan Zornik	. Permanent Deacon

Administration/Finance/Facilities

Mark Comia	Operations & Finance
Greg Dessert	Facilities Director
Nanci O'Reilly	Office Manager
Sarah Dessert	Records & Data
Allison Khan	Office Assistant
Patti Murphy	Administration
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Peggy Dobrowolski	Food Outreach
Mathew Novaes	Maintenance
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Annunciation Academy 407-774-2801

Patricia Kahle	Principal
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Nazly Cabral	Director
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Evangelization & Faith Formation

Vicki Ridgeway...... Elementary / 1st Eucharist Michele McCullough.... Faith Formation Assistant Jody North...... Baptism, Marriage Preparation/ Annulment Advocate

Liturgy and Worship

Mary Ann Fox	Director of Liturgy
	Director of Music
Joan Braun	Music & Liturgy Assistant

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Parish Office Hours

Mondays - Fridays from 9am to 5pm. Sundays from 9am to 12noon

In need of assistance?



Please contact our Society of St.Vincent dePaul at 407-215-7669 or by email: svdp@annunciationorlando.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We look forward to welcoming your child into our family at Annunciation Catholic Church! For information regarding the Sacrament of Baptism for Children, please contact the Parish Office at 407-869-9472.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Experience the joy of forgiveness... If it has been a while since you have been to Confession, do not be afraid! The Priest will guide you through this Sacrament of healing. Visit www.annunciationorlando.org/reconciliation.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit... For information regarding the Sacrament of Confirmation for youth, please contact our Faith Formation for Children and Youth at 407-869-9472. If you are an adult in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact our Adult Faith Formation Office at 407-869-9472.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

...and the two shall become as one. Mark 10:8 For information regarding the Sacrament of Marriage, please contact the Parish Office at 407-869-9472 at least six months prior to your anticipated wedding date.

VOCATIONS

...I have called you by name. Isaiah 43:1 Do you feel called to Priesthood or Religious Life? We look forward to speaking with you. Please contact our Clergy at 407-869-9472.

Hospital Visitation ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Are you or a loved one in need of healing? If you or someone in your family is in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office at 407-869-9472. In case of emergency or if you or a family member are in the hospital, please contact the Parish Office to receive a pastoral visit.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Now may be the time... and this may be the place! For more information on the journey of Christian Initiation, please contact one of our priests or deacons or call our Parish Office.

ANNULMENTS

Questions about divorce and re-Marriage? For information regarding Annulments, please contact Jody North at 407-215-7639.

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