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Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? 1 Corinthians 3:16

# November 9, 2025 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

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# **Mass Intentions**

# SAT, NOV 8

8:00am Christine Hollenback† 5:00pm Mansour Alsu-Waidi†

#### **SUN, NOV 9**

8:00am Matthew Bernard† 10:00am People of Our Parish

Tony Gorman†

12:00pm Eleanor Schiffner† 5:30pm Margaret Mary O'Keefe†

#### MON, NOV 10

7:00 am Lisa Perkins† 12:15pm Michael Staggs II†

#### **TUE, NOV 11**

7:00am Albert Gatti†
12:15pm Selwyn DuBois †
7:00pm Nilva Martinez†

#### WED. NOV 12

7:00am Deceased members of Neblock/Roy/Manning† 12:15pm Frieda Muelner†

#### THU, NOV 13

7:00am Terry Firestone† 12:15pm Lydia Garcia†

## FRI, NOV 14

7:00am Phil Lukas† 12:15pm Robert Bernard†

## SAT, NOV 15

8:00am Karen Derda† 5:00pm Maria Zaccardo†

#### **SUN, NOV 16**

8:00am Patsy Serpicot

10:00am People of Our Parish

Stacey Kost Belcher†

12:00pm Dinka Vucemilovic† 5:30pm Catherine LoPiccolo†

# Readings for Next Weekend

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20a Psalm: Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

# The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

# **♦** November 9, 2025

#### **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.

# 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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# Grotto Cleaning

On Monday and Tuesday, November 10-11, the Grotto will be closed for major cleaning and renewal. Thank you for understanding.

# Weddings - Congratulations!

Scott Wolfe and Rita Prevosk

# Baptisms - Welcome!

Maria Elizabeth Lordi Tillian Mateo Noguera Paige Patricia Walter

# Praying for our Recently Deceased

†Jerry Meyering †Donald Francis Byer †Gary Ellis †Monsignor Fabian Gimeno †Steve Liss †Carl Fairley

†Tina Rossi Levert

# Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

For the prevention of suicide Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.





Honoring and praying for all who served.



The Annual Collection for Catholic Charities of Central Florida will be held next weekend on November 15-16.

# Our Food Pantry Needs Your Support



As you know, the need in our community has increased. Our Parish Food Pantry is working hard to keep up, and your generosity helps us continue serving those who turn to us. You can make a gift by scanning the QR code or visiting:



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# REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

We celebrate, today, the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the mother church of the entire Roman Catholic Church. It was given to the Bishop of Rome in the fourth century and remained the pope's primary residence until the building of St. Peter's Basilica, at a time when the Lateran Basilica was falling into ruins. However, the Lateran Basilica to this day remains the most important Church in the world, since it is officially the Cathedral Church of Rome.

As we honor this church, we honor more than a building. The Lateran Basilica is a symbol of the one true Church of Jesus Christ. Its interior is beautiful and aweinspiring so as to point us to the unimaginable beauty of the Church Herself, which is the Mystical Body of Christ. Today's Gospel depicts Jesus entering the Temple and driving the money changers out with a whip and the animals they were selling for profit. As He did so, He cried out, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." Psalm 69 is then quoted: Zeal for your house will consume me.

Jesus loves His Church as His own Body—because that is what it is. As His Body, the members of His Church are called and sent to act as His instruments, members of His saving action. Much more than a church building, today we honor the Church Herself—which means we honor you, insofar as you are a member of the Body of Christ. And in light of this Gospel passage for today's Feast, we are reminded of the zeal that our Lord has for the cleansing of His Church.

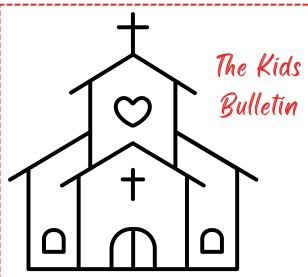
How is the Church purified? It is purified by the cleansing of Her members. That means that Jesus desires, with perfect zeal, to drive out every sin from your soul, cleansing the filth that keeps you from fulfilling your essential role as a member of His Body.

Sometimes we become slack in our own commitment to be purified. We can easily become comfortable with the sins we commit, and we can form habits that are hard to break. When this happens, it is useful to ponder this story of the cleansing of the Temple and see it as Jesus' desire to cleanse our own soul. At times, we need to be shaken up, challenged, confronted and encouraged with the unwavering zeal in the heart of our Lord.

Reflect, today, upon this powerful image of Jesus cleansing the Temple. As you do, apply it to your own life. The people selling and buying in the Temple must have been shocked at Jesus' zeal and actions. If you have become complacent with your sins, try to allow this holy shock to also wake you up. Allow our Lord's zeal to affect you, and know that His purifying actions are acts of love by which He desires to free you to become a more fully functioning member of His holy Church.

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# **GROW IN YOUR FAITH**



We are part of His Church

Today we celebrate a very special church in Rome called the Lateran Basilica. It is the first and oldest church of all Catholic churches. It was built a long, long time ago and given to the pope, who is the Bishop of Rome. Even though St. Peter's Basilica is bigger, the Lateran Basilica is still the most important because it is the pope's own church.

But today we remember more than a building. The church reminds us of the family of God—the whole Church of Jesus. Inside it is beautiful to show how beautiful God's love is for His people.

In the Gospel today, Jesus goes into the Temple and sees people selling animals and changing money. He becomes upset and says, "Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" Jesus loves His Father's house and wants it to be holy.

Jesus also loves us, because we are part of His Church. Just like He cleaned the Temple, Jesus wants to clean our hearts from sin. Sometimes we forget or get used to doing wrong things, but Jesus helps us to be better and more loving.

Today, think about Jesus cleaning the Temple. Ask Him to help clean your heart too, so you can be close to Him and full of His love.



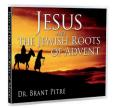
# Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith?

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 next Open Door Session on Tuesday, November 11 in the Nazareth Center at 7pm. For more information, please contact Vicki Ridgeway at 407-869-9472 or vridgeway@annunciationorlando.org



St. Joan of Arc Circle presents our 3rd Annual Christmas Ornament.

The ornament is of our Rose Window at the back of our church. Ornaments will be for sale after all Masses on November 15th, 16th and November 22nd and 23rd. They can be purchased for \$20.00 by cash or check made payable to Annunciation Catholic Church. Proceeds benefit local charities supported by St. Joan of Arc Circle.



The Series Just Started.
There is still time to join!

## Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Advent

by Dr. Brant Pitre

Have you ever felt that when Christmas comes around that you're just not ready? In this series, Dr. Brant Pitre shows how a deeper understanding of the ancient Jewish prophecies of the Messiah can help unlock the hidden meanings of the season of Advent.

**Who**: Facilitated by Fr Matthew **When**: November 3<sub>rd</sub> to December 16<sub>th</sub>, Mondays @ 10:30am and Tuesdays @ 5:30pm **Where**: St Gabriel Life Center. **Register:** www.annunciationorlando.org/adventroots



We are pleased to announce that Madeline White has accepted the role as Youth Minister at our Parish!

Hi everyone! I'm so excited to be a part of the Annunciation community and honored to step into this role as Youth Minister. I am originally from Seattle, WA and moved to Florida to graduate from Rollins College, where I studied Business for Social Change with a focus on sustainability and ethics, and minored in Dance.

My background includes arts education, youth ministry, and social entrepreneurship – and I'm passionate about creating spaces where teens can encounter Christ in real, joyful, and transformative ways. My hope is to see our youth ministry on fire for the Lord, filled with energy, purpose and authentic connection.

**Teens get ready** – there are some amazing events coming your way! - nights of worship and service, bonfires, and creative retreats! Parents, I would love to connect with you too as we walk alongside your teens in this journey. And if you're a young adult looking to give back, share your faith, and help shape this ministry, I'd love to talk to you about joining our Core Team.

I can't wait to meet you – Contact me at mgwhite@annunciationorlando.org



NOV 19TH 6:15PM - 7:45PM

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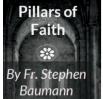
Life Teen at Annunciation is a vibrant space where teens are invited to encounter the joy and hope of Christ in a way that is real, bold, and deeply rooted in love. Through authentic community, powerful worship, meaningful conversations, and unforgettable experiences, we journey together toward a faith that is alive and transformative. Come as you are—and discover a joy that endures, a love that welcomes, and a faith that sets your heart on fire!

Scan to RSVP or visit annunciationorlando.org/ym





MADELINE WHITE YOUTH MINISTER



# Dedication of St. John Lateran - November 9th

The anniversary of the dedication of the Lateran Basilica – Cathedral of Rome, which was erected by the Emperor Constantine, has been observed on this date since the twelfth century. The name "Lateran" is derived from the Laterani family who donated the land in Rome for the Basilica.

There is an inscription on the outer wall that says (translated into English) that "this Basilica is the mother church of Christendom" – of the world. Celebration of this Feast is a sign of our unity with the Chair of Peter, since the Holy Father's cathedra (official chair) is located in that church. Interestingly, it is believed that the simple wooden table upon which St. Peter celebrated Mass, is located beneath the high altar.

Jesus told us that the kingdom of God is within us. Each of us are sacred, as we are temples of the Holy Spirit. All we need do is open ourselves to Him so that He can shine on the world through us. The elderly lady in the church carried God's presence in a very real way; she was a living temple of God.

Our parish church in which we gather is also God's temple. This means that God's presence here is special, and it means that our presence is special, too. Symbolically, we purify ourselves with holy water as we enter. We recognize the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ, reserved for us in the tabernacle. This is a place for getting in touch with ourselves and with God by praying, praising, interceding, and offering sacrifice together with our brothers and sisters. But it is just one place; there are many other places – our homes, often called the "domestic church," our places of work, and of play.

What we celebrate today on this feast, in a word, is God's presence among us, and in us. All these words are just reminders of the many ways that God is with us, and to make us aware of the treasure that we carry within us: God Himself.

# Get Ready for advent

Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> (after the 5pm Mass) in the Nazareth Center and Gym

Join us for Family Fun, Crafts, and Games to get us ready for the spiritual journey of Advent and to kick off our Parish Advent Mission - Acts of JOY!



#### **RSVP TODAY!**

We will be providing food and treats so please RSVP so we have enough for everyone.:)

WWW.ANNUNCIATIONORLANDO.ORG/ADVENTFUN



# CALLING ALL MOMS!

St. Anne's Ministry of Moms is a social, spiritual, and service organization. Our mission is to provide support and fellowship to mothers as they face the joys and challenges of motherhood. Our meetings focus on faith, parenting, and building friendships among mothers and children.

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

• November 20th: Meeting at 9:30am in the St Gabriel Life Center featuring speaker Lisa Sojourner. She will be presenting her talk entitled: Learning to Love Negative Emotions.

"Negative emotions can feel overwhelming, but they are not our enemies. From both a Catholic and mental health perspective, they are part of how God made us, they are signals that invite us to stop, pay attention and make intentional choices. This talk will help you see difficult feelings in a new light, so instead of dreading them, you can learn to use them to help you make informed fruitful choices in your life."







# KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW with the PRINCIPAL 2026-2027

Annunciation Catholic Academy
welcomes all prospective parents of
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Thursday, December 4, 2025, at 8:30am.

Please check in at our school office 593 Jamestown Blvd. Altamonte Springs

For a tour of our K-8<sup>th</sup> grade school, please call 407-774-2801 or visit annunciationacademy.org

2026-2027 School Year Applications Open January 26-February 6, 2026



# **Auction!**

Our LIVE AUCTION IS RETURNING – Join us at 3pm in the big tent for the excitement.

See our Fall Festival page for a list of exciting auction items!

# Here are just a few items up for auction:

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Please Note: Bookstore closed November 6-8

due to the Festival

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Monday - Friday from 9am to 5pm. Sundays from 9am to 12noon

# In need of assistance?



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## **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.

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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.

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