

# ST. JOSEPH

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



APRIL 5, 2026 | EASTER SUNDAY

### WEEKEND MASSES

#### Saturday

5:00 PM Vigil Mass (English)

7:00 PM Vigil Mass (Spanish)

#### Sunday

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, & 12:00 PM (English)

### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### Monday (Easter Monday)

7:00 AM, 12:00 PM

#### Tuesday

12:00 PM

#### Wednesday

7:00 AM, 7:00 PM

#### Thursday

12:00 PM

#### Friday

7:00 AM, 12:00 PM

### FIRST SATURDAY

Mass 9:00 AM (English)

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday After 7:00 PM Mass until 9:00PM

### SACRAMENT

#### OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Saturday 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Or by appointment: 407.275.0841

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# THIS WEEK

April 5, 2026

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1:00 PM—2:30 PM

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#### Connect with us on Social Media!

##### Facebook:

@stjosephorlando

##### Instagram:

@stjosephorlando

For after-hours emergencies, call

407-275-0841 ext.7 to reach a priest.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### EASTER SUNDAY

#### Monday, April 6

7:00 AM † Ernie Geyer

12:00 PM

#### Tuesday, April 7

12:00 PM Leonela Negron / † David Hurtado / † Myrna Weaver

#### Wednesday, April 8

7:00 AM

7:00 PM Mymy Bui / † Carol Andrews

#### Thursday, April 9

12:00 PM Diala Cerda / † Gabriela Kourie / † Esther Strube

#### Friday, April 10

7:00 AM † Maximo Valerio

12:00 PM † Gary Garretson / † Esteban Agosto / † Richard Loranca

#### Saturday, April 11

5:00 PM † Zenaida Mesa / † Olivia Family

7:00 PM † Ivan Romero / † Jose Francisco / † Ariel Jaramillo

#### Sunday, April 12

8:00 AM Robert & Michelle Saccente / † Alberto Nazario / † Ruthe (TuTu) Corbin

10:00 AM For the People of the Parish

12:00 PM † Antonio Quezada / † Leszek Halik / † Ana Berrios Soria / † Marielle Roberge

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

### ...the sick of our parish family:

Maritza Santiago, Kathleen Choi, Ryan Nelson, Barry Jones, Aida Santos, Li McCombs, Rafaela Vidro, Nelson Jewett, Rafaela Vidro, Antonio U. Hernandez, Sonia Salcedo, Deacon Gary Tester, Aida Bray, Beryl Plaskett, Carmen Cruz, Carmen Aponte, John Isaac Cole, Rosemarie Sharpe, Santos Cole, Marco Zuniga, Iris Eileen Mendez Hidalgo, Jessenia Morales Hill, Mari Quiñones, Elizabeth Rivera, Ethan Quiñones

### ...and the deceased of our parish family:

† Felicia Alvarez † Ileana Davila  
† Robert A. Telleria † Francisco Enrique Alvarez  
† Barbara Feeser † Ana Berrios Soria



### EASTER SUNDAY

“Mary Magdalene, seeing that the stone of the tomb had been rolled away, ran to tell Peter and John. After receiving the shocking news, the two disciples also went out and — as the Gospel says — “the two were running together” (Jn 20:4). The main figures of the Easter narratives all ran! On the one hand, “running” could express the concern that the Lord’s body had been taken away; but, on the other hand, the haste of Mary Magdalene, Peter and John expresses the desire, the yearning of the heart, the inner attitude of those who set out to search for Jesus. He, in fact, has risen from the dead and therefore is no longer in the tomb. We must look for him elsewhere.

This is the message of Easter: we must look for him elsewhere. Christ is risen, he is alive! He is no longer a prisoner of death, he is no longer wrapped in the shroud, and therefore we cannot confine him to a fairy tale, we cannot make him a hero of the ancient world, or think of him as a statue in a museum! On the contrary, we must look for him and this is why we cannot remain stationary. We must take action, set out to look for him: look for him in life, look for him in the faces of our brothers and sisters, look for him in everyday business, look for him everywhere except in the tomb.

We must look for him without ceasing. Because if he has risen from the dead, then he is present everywhere, he dwells among us, he hides himself and reveals himself even today in the sisters and brothers we meet along the way, in the most ordinary and unpredictable situations of our lives.

He is alive and is with us always, shedding the tears of those who suffer and adding to the beauty of life through the small acts of love carried out by each of us.

For this reason, our Easter faith, which opens us to the encounter with the risen Lord and prepares us to welcome him into our lives, is anything but a complacent settling into some sort of “religious reassurance.” On the contrary, Easter spurs us to action, to run like Mary Magdalene and the disciples; it invites us to have eyes that can “see beyond,” to perceive Jesus, the one who lives, as the God who reveals himself and makes himself present even today, who speaks to us, goes before us, surprises us. Like Mary Magdalene, every day we can experience losing the Lord, but every day we can also run to look for him again, with the certainty that he will allow himself to be found and will fill us with the light of his resurrection.

Brothers and sisters, this is the greatest hope of our life: we can live this poor, fragile and wounded existence clinging to Christ, because he has conquered death, he conquers our darkness and he will conquer the shadows of the world, to make us live with him in joy, forever. This is the goal towards which we press on, as the Apostle Paul says, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead (cf. Phil 3:12-14). Like Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, we hasten to meet Christ.

The Jubilee invites us to renew the gift of hope within us, to surrender our sufferings and our concerns to hope, to share it with those whom we meet along our journey and to entrust to hope the future of our lives and the destiny of the human family. And so we cannot settle for the fleeting things of this world or give in to sadness; we must run, filled with joy. Let us run towards Jesus, let us rediscover the inestimable grace of being his friends. Let us allow his Word of life and truth to shine in our life. As the great theologian Henri de Lubac said, “It should be enough to understand this: Christianity is Christ. No, truly, there is nothing else but this. In Christ we have everything” (Les responsabilités doctrinales des catholiques dans le monde d’aujourd’hui, Paris 2010, 276).

And this “everything” that is the risen Christ opens our life to hope. He is alive, he still wants to renew our life today. To him, conqueror of sin and death, we want to say:

“Lord, on this feast day we ask you for this gift: that we too may be made new, so as to experience this eternal newness. Cleanse us, O God, from the sad dust of habit, tiredness and indifference; give us the joy of waking every morning with wonder, with eyes ready to see the new colours of this morning, unique and unlike any other. [...] Everything is new, Lord, and nothing is the same, nothing is old” (A. Zarri, Quasi una preghiera).

Sisters, brothers, in the wonder of the Easter faith, carrying in our hearts every expectation of peace and liberation, we can say: with You, O Lord, everything is new. With you, everything begins again.”

—Pope Francis

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<p><b>Sun 5</b> Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35</p>	<p><b>Mon 6</b> Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15</p>	<p><b>Tues 7</b> Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18</p>	<p><b>Wed 8</b> Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35</p>
<p><b>Thurs 9</b> Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48</p>	<p><b>Fri 10</b> Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14</p>	<p><b>Sat 11</b> Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15</p>	<p><b>Sun 12</b> Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31</p>



# FORMATION

April 5, 2026

## FORMATION SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS ARE IN FULL SWING!

See program times below. For any questions, please contact the parish office.

### FORMATION TIMES

#### MONDAY

High School: 6:30 PM—8:00 PM  
Adult + OCIA: 6:30 PM—8:00 PM

#### TUESDAY

Adult (Español): 7:00 PM—8:30 PM

#### WEDNESDAY

Grade School: 4:30 PM—6:00 PM  
Adult: 4:30 PM—6:00 PM

#### THURSDAY

Middle School: 6:30 PM—8:00 PM  
Adult: 6:30 PM—8:00 PM

#### FRIDAY

Young Adult Cornerstone meeting: Every 4th Friday at 7:00 PM

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS 2026

#### Estudio Bíblico ofrecido por los Peregrinos de la Esperanza: Los Hechos de los Apóstoles (Español)

Miércoles 7:00 PM  
2/4/26 - 5/13/26  
Room G-H

#### Prayer and Life Workshop for Young Adults

Tuesdays 6:30 PM  
1/27/26 - 4/7/26  
Room B-C

### WANT TO JOIN OUR PARISH?

If you would like to become a member of our parish, please contact Wendy Taylor at **407.275.0841 ext. 107** or [wtaylor@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:wtaylor@stjosephorlando.org).

You can also find the parish registration form on our website at [www.stjosephorlando.org](http://www.stjosephorlando.org).

#### OCIA:

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or considering becoming Catholic? OCIA is a welcoming process for adults who wish to explore the teachings and life of the Catholic Church in a supportive and friendly environment.

For more information or to begin the journey, please contact [faithformation@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:faithformation@stjosephorlando.org). Sessions are held on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the church, with additional meetings on selected Saturdays.

### SACRAMENT INQUIRIES

#### BAPTISMS

Please contact the formation team at least 3 months in advance at [faithformation@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:faithformation@stjosephorlando.org)

#### MATRIMONY

Please contact the formation team at least 6 months in advance upon engagement at [faithformation@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:faithformation@stjosephorlando.org)

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member is hospitalized or in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact receptionist.

#### CONFIRMATION

Please contact the formation team at [faithformation@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:faithformation@stjosephorlando.org)

### GET FORMED WITH FORMED.ORG

FORMED.org is available to everyone. Read, listen, and watch to grow your faith. A broad array of books, audio books, movies, and digital content are at your disposal. Check it out with your computer, laptop, tablet, or smartphone.

1. Go to: FORMED.org.
2. Select: Sign-Up.
3. Choose: I belong to a Parish or Organization.
4. Search: St. Joseph Catholic Church (Orlando).
5. Enter: your Name and Email.

FORMED.org is a premiere access portal for all parishioners.

## WEEKLY FORMATION TOPICS

ONE TOPIC, THREE PERSPECTIVES PER WEEK  
BY OUR ELITE CATECHISTS

MONDAY—6:30PM, WEDNESDAY—4:30PM, THURSDAY—6:30PM

### Week of Apr. 6 | Salvation

Mon: *Bill—The real goal of salvation*

Wed: *Fernando—What are we actually being saved from?*

Thurs: *Bill—The real goal of salvation*

### Week of Apr. 13 | Holiness and Virtue

Mon: *Melanie—How we're ALL called to be saints*

Wed: *Melanie—Training for righteousness: virtue-building & practice*

Thurs: *Andy—TBA*

### Week of Apr. 20 | Family-Marriage-Vocation

Mon: *Andy—TBA*

Wed: *Fernando—The joy of serving and responding God's call*

Thurs: *Jen—How to Cultivate a Culture of Vocation within your Home and Heart*

## FUNDAMENTOS DE NUESTRA FE

(Español)

MARTES—7:00PM

### Abr. 7 | La Misa I

Organizada por el Diácono Wilmar

### Abr. 14 | Hora Santa

Organizada por el Diácono Wilmar

### Abr. 21 | La Misa II

Organizada por el Diácono Wilmar

Reunión social en el área social después de la Hora Santa. Traigan snacks para compartir.



We have great news for Young Adults! Prayer and Life Workshops returns this semester to St. Joseph offering a special workshop just for you.

*Do you want to have a closer and more personal relationship with God?*

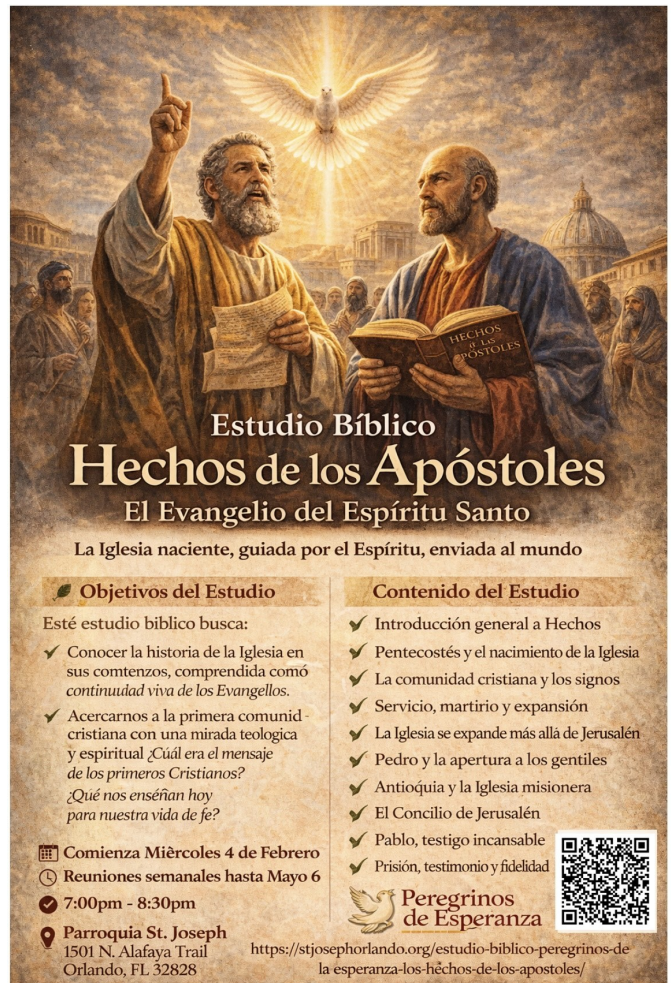
*Do you want to improve your prayer life?*

*Do you want to be more like Jesus?*

*Do you want to live happier and more free?*

Come to the Prayer and Life Workshop for Young Adults! Session runs on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in classroom B-C of the Social Area.





Text Sandra Garcia at 407-701-9092 if you have any questions.





**Estudio Bíblico**  
**Hechos de los Apóstoles**  
El Evangelio del Espíritu Santo

La Iglesia naciente, guiada por el Espíritu, enviada al mundo

Objetivos del Estudio	Contenido del Estudio
<p>Esté estudio bíblico busca:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Conocer la historia de la Iglesia en sus comienzos, comprendida como continuidad viva de los Evangelios.</li> <li>✓ Acercarnos a la primera comunidad cristiana con una mirada teológica y espiritual ¿Cuál era el mensaje de los primeros Cristianos? ¿Qué nos enseñan hoy para nuestra vida de fe?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Introducción general a Hechos</li> <li>✓ Pentecostés y el nacimiento de la Iglesia</li> <li>✓ La comunidad cristiana y los signos</li> <li>✓ Servicio, martirio y expansión</li> <li>✓ La Iglesia se expande más allá de Jerusalén</li> <li>✓ Pedro y la apertura a los gentiles</li> <li>✓ Antioquia y la Iglesia misionera</li> <li>✓ El Concilio de Jerusalén</li> <li>✓ Pablo, testigo incansable</li> <li>✓ Prisión, testimonio y fidelidad</li> </ul>

 Comienza Miércoles 4 de Febrero  
 Reuniones semanales hasta Mayo 6  
 7:00pm - 8:30pm  
 Parroquia St. Joseph  
 1501 N. Alafaya Trail  
 Orlando, FL 32828

<https://stjosephorlando.org/estudio-biblico-peregrinos-de-la-esperanza-los-hechos-de-los-apostoles/>



# WAYS TO SERVE

April 5, 2026

## GIVE ONLINE WITH GIVECENTRAL

- 1 Visit our church website at [www.stjosephorlando.org](http://www.stjosephorlando.org)
- 2 Click on the Giving/Donations button at the top
- 3 Click on "NEW Online Giving with GiveCentral"
- 4 Select where you wish to give, then follow the on screen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your contributions

SCAN THIS QR CODE TO BE TAKEN DIRECTLY TO OUR GIVECENTRAL PAGE:



## PAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

3/22/26	Offertory	\$29,402.88
3/22/26	Funded Depreciation	\$4,121.00

*Thank you for your generous donations!*

## OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL



Our Catholic Appeal (OCA) is the annual invitation for every household in the Diocese of Orlando to support the ministries and services that no single parish can carry out alone. Through your generosity, OCA funds vital programs across all nine counties of our diocese, including the formation of seminarians and support for retired priests, outreach through Catholic Charities, assistance for families and individuals in need, and faith formation for children and adults.

Your gift—no matter the size—helps strengthen every parish, school, and ministry in Central Florida and allows us to continue the life changing work of Christ in our communities.

You may visit [orlandodiocese.org/oca/](http://orlandodiocese.org/oca/) to view Bishop Noonan's homily video, read through the Our Catholic Appeal brochure and learn more about the life-changing impact of your gifts.

## 2026 OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL COUNT

Our parish goal: \$254,132.00

Pledges to date: \$133,073.00

Over/Under Goal: -\$122,195.00

Participation: 13.8% (300 Gifts)

You can make your pledge at [www.orlandodiocese.org/oca](http://www.orlandodiocese.org/oca)

OR

Scan the QR code now!



Giving through the Sunday collection is a meaningful act of stewardship, reflecting our gratitude for God's blessings. If no envelopes or online donations are received for six months, your account will be marked inactive and envelopes discontinued. To resume stewardship envelopes or for registration assistance, please email Wendy at [wtaylor@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:wtaylor@stjosephorlando.org).

## ACTIVE PARISHIONER GUIDELINES

A Registered and Active family/individual is one who:

1. Has formally registered and is participating in the life of the parish community for at least three months.
2. Attends Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation
3. Contributes financially to the parish according to ones means
4. Places the offertory envelope each week in the collection basket, or participates in online or electronic giving.

Active member status in our database is essential for requesting the following:

- Parishioner tuition rate at a Catholic School.
- Endorsement to serve as a sacramental sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation
- To receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion, Confirmation or Marriage (for oneself or for one's children) at St. Joseph.

## MASS INTENTION GUIDELINES

- Mass intentions are scheduled on a rolling three-month schedule. Requests for the newest month open on the first day of each month (e.g. on November 1, requests for January open).
- To ensure all parishioners have an opportunity to request, only one mass intentions per month per parishioner is allowed.
- We cannot hold lists of future requests for intentions.
- Donations are not required for Mass intentions. If you wish to make a donation, please simply add it into your regular offertory.
- To request a mass intention, please email or call the parish office at [office@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:office@stjosephorlando.org) or 407-275-0841.
- Mass cards are available upon request.

# WAYS TO SERVE

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



## OUR MINISTRY TEAMS

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Ileana Arce

### SAINT JOSEPH WOMEN'S GUILD (SJWG)

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### EMMAUS WOMEN

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### ALTAR LINEN MINISTRY

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## JOIN THE HOSPITALITY MINISTRY!

We are currently looking for individuals who would like to serve as ushers for our parish. Ushers play a vital role in creating a warm, welcoming environment at Mass and helping things run smoothly. If you enjoy meeting people and have a heart for hospitality, we invite you to join our ministry. Please reach out to [parishushers@gmail.com](mailto:parishushers@gmail.com) for more information.



## RECRUITING CATECHISTS FOR THE 2026-2027 YEAR!

We invite you to join our team of Catechists/Catechist Assistants for the upcoming 2026-2027 Formation year. Previous teaching experience is preferred. For more information, please visit our parish website at [www.stjosephorlando.org/ministry/catechist](http://www.stjosephorlando.org/ministry/catechist)



## CALLED TO BE A EUCHARISTIC MINISTER?

Help serve Christ and to our Parish by helping distribute Holy Communion at Mass. If you are a confirmed Catholic with a heart for service, we invite you to join this meaningful ministry. Training is provided. Contact Jeff Bartz at [jeffbartz@gmail.com](mailto:jeffbartz@gmail.com) for more details.



## INTERESTED IN JOINING THE MUSIC MINISTRY?

The Music Ministry at Saint Joseph Catholic Church welcomes dedicated singers to help lead our parish in joyful worship. Whether you're a seasoned vocalist or simply love praising God through music, there's a place for you in our choirs. Contact Steven Rabanal at [srabanal@stjosephorlando.org](mailto:srabanal@stjosephorlando.org) for more details .



## LOOKING FOR MINISTERS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND!

If you are a fully initiated Catholic, 18 years of age or older, an active member in the life of the St Joseph parish community, and feel the call to serve God helping others, contact the parish office.





# UPCOMING EVENTS

April 5, 2026

## SAVE THESE DATES

APRIL 12

CCW MONTHLY MEETING  
Council of Catholic Women

APRIL 12

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
PRAYERS

APRIL 17

SENIOR LUNCHEON  
Women's Guild

MAY 15-16

PARISH MISSION:  
"RESTORED"  
Just a Guy in the Pew/  
Formation

## COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN MONTHLY MEETING



4/12 | 5:30 PM

The Catholic Council of Women invites all ladies of the parish to our monthly meeting on April 12. Chat and Chew begins at 5:30, followed by the business meeting at 6:00 in the parish hall. This month we will be installing our new officers.

## WOMEN'S GUILD SENIOR LUNCHEON

4/17 | Following 12:00 PM Mass

Please join us for our annual FREE Senior Luncheon on Friday, April 17, 2026. It's open to all senior men, women and their caregivers. Starting right after the noon Mass. It's an afternoon of food, music, and fellowship.

This is a free event, but seating is limited. So please sign up with any Women's Guild member, or on the signup sheet in the narthex or by emailing Maureen Newell at [monewell@yahoo.com](mailto:monewell@yahoo.com) or Kathy Choi at [choikathleent@gmail.com](mailto:choikathleent@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you!



## ADORATION

Join us for a Holy Hour of Adoration — a quiet, peaceful time to rest in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Whether you need a moment of silence, a space to pray, or simply want to be near Him, all are welcome. Come as you are.

Every Thursday | 9:00AM - 6:00 PM

## HORA SANTA

Te invitamos a vivir una Hora Santa de Adoración, un momento de encuentro íntimo y sereno para descansar en la amorosa presencia de Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento. Si buscas silencio, consuelo, fortaleza o simplemente estar con Él, este espacio es para ti. Todos son bienvenidos. Ven con el corazón abierto, tal como eres.

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento - Segundo Martes de cada Mes a las 7:00pm Oración y Reflexión en Español. Después de la Hora Santa quédate para compartir en el salón social.

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



## 2026 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### GOOD FRIDAY (4/3)

3:00 PM Devotional Prayers  
7:00 PM Friday of the Lord's Passion  
Communion Service  
(Bilingual)

### EASTER VIGIL (4/4)

10:00 AM Morning Prayers + Blessing of  
the Easter Food  
8:00 PM Vigil (Bilingual)  
*Feast to follow*

### EASTER DAY MASSES (4/5)

7:00 AM | 9:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 1:00 PM |  
3:00 PM (Español)

### EASTER MONDAY MASSES (4/6)

7:00 AM | 12:00 PM

JOIN US  
IN

## The Fellowship Cafe



### EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 12:00 MASS

Come for coffee and conversation!  
Make new friends with your parish family.  
Bring your own lunch if you wish.

### DONUTS & COFFEE

Join us for donuts and coffee and  
socialize with your fellow parishioners  
after Sunday 8am & 10am Masses in the  
Parish Hall.



### LOCAL BUSINESS??

Interested in advertising on the back of our bulletin?  
Contact Rob Kennedy at 804-366-4838 or  
rkennedy@4lpi.com for more information.



OPEN TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN IN THE REGION.

## RESTORED PARISH MISSION

The mission will be led by John Edwards, Catholic evangelist and the host of the popular Just a Guy in the Pew podcast. John will share his powerful testimony from addict to evangelist as well as talk about how to restore our identity as beloved sons and daughters of the Father and the need for a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.



**JOHN EDWARDS**  
HOST OF THE JUST A GUY IN THE PEW PODCAST



**JOHN FINCH**  
CATHOLIC WORSHIP LEADER & SONGWRITER



**MAY 15TH-16TH, 2026**



**St. Joseph Catholic Church**  
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## Divine Mercy Sunday Prayers

All are welcome to join us in  
praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet,  
to be followed by Adoration

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 3:00pm**

Saint Joseph Catholic  
Church



## ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

"To recite the rosary is nothing other than to contemplate with Mary the face of Christ."

- Saint Pope John Paul II

Join us and pray with your parish family in the church:

- Mondays at 5:00pm (Bilingual)
- Saturdays at 6:15 PM (Spanish)
- First Saturday following 9AM Mass (English)
- Tuesdays/Fridays at 11:10 AM (English)
- Thursdays at 11:00 AM (English)



## MARRIED COUPLES

Couples.....want to give each other something really special this Christmas? How about a gift filled with Romance and Excitement? That's just the beginning of what you will receive on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on July 31-Aug 2 in St Johns. For more information or for other scheduled weekends, visit our website at [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or e-mail: [Applications@FLCN-wwme.org](mailto:Applications@FLCN-wwme.org) Or contact Walt & Viv Paskowski at [waltviv.wwme@gmail.com](mailto:waltviv.wwme@gmail.com) if you have any questions.



## PROJECT RACHEL HELPLINE

If you or someone close to you has been impacted by abortion, confidential and nonjudgmental support is available through the Project Rachel Helpline of the Diocese of Orlando. Call or text (407) 222-8584, or email [projectrachel@cficc.org](mailto:projectrachel@cficc.org).

Upcoming post-abortive healing weekend retreats will be offered in Orlando in May (English), June (Spanish), September (English), and November (Spanish).

For more information, please visit [hopeafterabortion.com](http://hopeafterabortion.com)

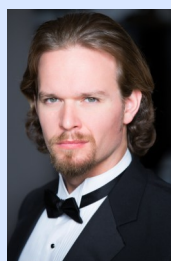
# "A NIGHT AT THE OPERA" AT THE BASILICA

(Orlando) The Choir and Orchestra of the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe will present *A Night at the Opera* on Friday, April 17th at 7:30pm, as part of the Basilica's 2025-2026 Concert Series.

Featured will be Grammy award-winning general director of Opera Orlando, baritone Gabriel Preisser, who has performed in over fifty operatic and musical theater roles. Mr. Pressier has been critically acclaimed by both *The New York Times* and *Opera News* for his leading-man roles for various companies throughout the U.S. as well as television appearances.

The Basilica Choir was founded to serve the many tourists and visitors to the Central Florida area, and to provide sacred music at weekend Masses. The singers in the choir are all professional musicians in the Orlando area and are under the direction of Dr. William Picher.

The concert is being sponsored by Dr. Illena Antonetti and Larry and Christine Strain. No tickets are required and all are welcome. The Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe is located at 8300 Vineland Avenue in Orlando, near the Lake Buena Vista exit off I-4 (exit 68). Complimentary parking is available. For more information, call 407-239-6600.





## FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED

The families that we feed from our food pantry have increased over the years. We currently cannot accept food donations but monetary donations are greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Catholic Church with Food Pantry in the memo section of the check. Or you can give using Online Giving options on our website by choosing Outreach—Food Pantry in the GiveCentral donation boxes menu. For more information you can contact Vicky McCann at [parish.outreachministry@gmail.com](mailto:parish.outreachministry@gmail.com).

We are  
**HIRING!**

## PARISH STAFF OPENING

Interested in joining the parish staff? We are currently seeking a:

- Full-Time Administrative Assistant to the Pastor
- Full-time Youth Minister
- Full-time Catechetical Lead.

*Scan the QR code to learn more and apply.*



## THE DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Jesus asked St. Faustina that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be prepared for by a Novena to the Divine Mercy, beginning on Good Friday. The Divine Mercy Novena is a special nine-day prayer offered to Jesus. While it may be prayed at any time, it is most commonly prayed in the days leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday.

Divine Mercy Novena and Divine Mercy Chaplet pamphlets have been placed in the pews, with additional copies available in the narthex.



## ONGOING PARISH RENNOVATIONS

We are pleased to share a glimpse of the ongoing work taking place throughout our parish, a visible sign of renewal and hope in our shared mission.

The improvements to the Food Pantry, Narthex, and Chapel reflect our commitment to hospitality, service, and prayer—supporting our outreach to those in need, welcoming all who enter our doors, and fostering sacred spaces for quiet reflection and encounter with the Lord.

We are grateful for your patience, prayers, and generosity as this work continues, and we look forward to these renewed spaces being filled with faith, fellowship, and the living presence of Christ among us.