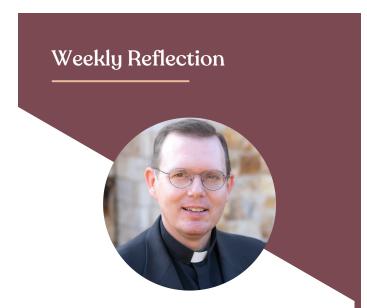
March 26-27, 2022 | Fourth Sunday of Lent

# AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH





# Lent is a time to meditate on our eternal salvation.

"With fear and trembling," says the Apostle Saint Paul, "work out your salvation," (Phil 2:12). The Apostle invites us to experience a holy fear. This is the fear of children who do not want to betray their good Father. This is a sacred distrust in our strength because we can do nothing without divine grace. Let us learn from Simon Peter. He experienced the sad effects of self-confidence: "Though I should die with you, I will not deny you," but he denied Jesus three times. The person who is full of self-confidence exposes himself to the danger of sin. Saint Philip Neri used to say every morning: "O Lord, keep your hand this day over Philip: if you do not, Philip will betray you."

However, this holy fear leads us to trust more and more in God. One day, as St. Philip Neri walked through the city, reflecting on his misery, he frequently said: "I despair, I despair." A religious who heard him, believing that the saint was tempted to despair, corrected him. But the saint replied: "I despair of myself, but I trust in God." This we must do. St. Francis de Sales says: "The more we distrust our strength, the more we should trust in the divine mercy. This is a balance, in which the more the scale of confidence in God is raised, the more the scale of trust in ourselves descends." For that reason, we must lift our eyes in prayer, and say with the psalmist: "You are my hope, Lord; my trust, GOD, from my youth," (Ps 71: 5).

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#### **Collection Summary**

**3/12 & 3/13 Total** \$24,094

Weekly Budget\* \$18,943.24

**Donations to CFA 2021** \$83,421.50

**CFA Goal** \$210,000

Campaign Victory Goal \$3,000,000

**Total Campaign Pledges** \$2,544,643

Pledges Collected to Date \$1,663,203

\*Does not include the maintenance of the parish debt

# MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace

#### Sat. March 26

9:00am + Anthony Maris
 9:30am Confessions
 5:00pm + Bill Fleming
 7:00pm (SP) + Louise Paolillo

#### Sun, March 27

8:00am + Roger Papp
10:00am + Jordi Llobet Serra
12:30pm (EF) The Parish Community
7:30pm Brenda Young

#### Mon. March 28

7:30am + Miguel Rodriguez
12:00pm + Maria del Pilar Dominguez
2:45-3:45pm Confessions

Conor Kehoe Family

#### Tues, March 29

5:00pm

#### Wed. March 30

7:30am + Marilyn Hennen
 12:00pm + Mark Austin Nath
 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
 5:00pm Marco Montagnini

Contact the Parish Office to remember your own dearly departed loved ones in the Holy Mass.

Fridays of Lent: Stations of Cross at 7:30pm

#### Thur. March 31

7:30am + Perry Gildone
12:00pm + Juliet Blanco Kaomino Garay
5:00pm + Thomas Gillen

#### Fri. April 1

#### Sat. April 2

9:00am + Jimmie Gomez
0 9:30am Confessions + Walter Nodoline
7:00pm (SP) + Emma Garcia

#### Sun. April 3

8:00am The Parish Community
10:00am + Harriet Ludwig
12:30pm (EF) The Gomez Family
7:30pm + Yeaw Pow Wu

#### Color Key for Priests

Fr. David Vidal
Fr. Joseph Lugalambi
Fr. John Andem
Fr. Ignatius
Fr. Anbu
Fr. Romanus Cessario
Fr. Rick Martignetti
Fr. Bob Garrity

Fr. Guy Mansini Fr. Richard Bondi

#### Prayer of the Week: Act of Contriction

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you, whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.

In his name, my God, have mercy.

## PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE



#### **Baptism**

#### Welcome to the Church!

March 20 Lily Mae Miller

\*Contact the parish office for information on scheduling a baptism and the required classes for parents and godparents.

#### Holy Matrimony

#### Congratulations!

February 19 Beker Ludim Escalante & Kaithlyn Inez Perez

\*Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior. Must be registered parishioner & been attending Mass for 3 months.

#### Anointing of the Sick

The primary effect of this
Sacrament is a spiritual healing by
which the sick receive peace and
courage to deal with the difficulties
of illnesses or frailty.

\*Contact the parish office for scheduling a visit to the sick. For an emergency, call 239.261.5555 and follow the instructions.



# PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

A renewed effort for our Parish to continue our Capital Campaign, *Our House*, *His Home*, *Our Children's Future* is beginning!

Capital Campaign Donations are distributed in the following way: 85% is directed to debt reduction and 15% is allocated to capital improvements. **Amount raised since we began our renewed efforts in October 2021: \$1,085,832.00** This has been raised from 147 donors! Thank you so much for your generosity!

Please join us in this effort! For more information, contact our Parish Office **Office@AveMariaParish.org** or visit **www.AveGives.org** 













## PARISH LIFE

**Events and Updates** 



March 29-30 High & Middle School Retreat Dominican Sisters

Donahue Academy



**April 10**Palm Sunday

Ave Maria Church



April 12

Chrism Mass Bishop Frank J. Dewane

10:30am Epiphany Cathedral, <u>Venice</u>



**April 14-16** 

The Paschal Triduum

Ave Maria Church



"Catholic Culture Series" intends to show how the Gospel and our Catholic Faith are or should be incarnated in our society.

# THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 7-9:30pm at the Prince Building Auditorium (AMU).

Patrick Lappert: "What Is Human Nature?
Transgenderism and Catholic
Anthropology"

Mary Rice Hasson: "Responding to the Transgender Moment: A Catholic Imperative"





"Share with the Lord's people who are in need," (Romans 12: 13) 2022 Catholic Faith Appeal Diocese of Venice

# What is the Catholic Faith Appeal and for what are its proceeds used?

The Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) is a yearly invitation to come together as a Diocese and provide assistance to our needy brothers and sisters. It is one of the most effective ways to carry out the work of the church, and a testament of our faith in action.

**How are our donations used?** Gifts to the CFA support a broad range of programs and services such as: Vocations and Seminarians, Religious Education, Parishes and Missions in financially challenged areas, Evangelization, Catholic Education, Peace and Social Justice, Catholic Charities, among others.

How much should I give? In prayerful thanks for the many blessings from God, we as Stewards should reflect an attitude of gratitude by sharing those blessings with our brothers and sisters in need through contributions to the CFA as members of Ave Maria Parish. The CFA goal for our parish this year is: \$ 210,000.00

**Next Coming Weekend, APRIL 2-3, it will be our "COMMITMENT WEEKEND."** Please, prayerfully consider a donation to the CFA. Take a brochure and the CFA envelope from the pews and return your gift pledge or donation to the Parish Office or simply place it in the collection baskets.

# MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

From A to Z, Ways to Grow and Serve





On Saturday March 19, more than 500 members of our community gathered together to celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph.

The Holy Mass was followed by a procession carrying a statue of the Patron Saint of the Universal Church, fathers, immigrants, workers, carpenters, happy deaths, and many others. Upon arrival at Donahue Academy, all guests enjoyed a delicious potluck dinner enriched by the donations of the attendees. Their contributions were so abundant, many meals were delivered to the St. Matthews House and the Guadalupe Center in Immokalee.

Special thanks to Mrs. Patty Millward, president of the Parents-Teachers Organization (PTO) of Donahue Academy and the generous group of volunteers that made this event possible.



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**Religious Education** Children's Eucharistic Adoration

Monday, March 28 7-8pm | Church Becky.H@avemariaparish.org



#### Fraternus

Wednesday, March 30 6-8pm | Donahue Academy Tom Nuttle avemariafraternus2022@gmail.com



#### AA Meeting

Thursday, March 31 7-9pm | Parish Hall Dan Linton dlinton58@gmail.com



#### That Man is You! (TMIY)

Saturday, April 2 7-8:30am | Parish Hall Dom Micillo dmicillo@aol.com

#### Donahue Academy

#### **COMMUNITY & CULTURE NIGHT**

Donahue Academy is having our final Community & Culture Night on Tuesday, April 5. The entire parish is welcome to attend!

Our Parish School, Donahue Academy, is hosting the fourth and final **Community and Culture Night** on Tuesday, April 5 at 6:30 pm in the Library at Donahue Academy. This event is open to the entire parish community. The evening will focus on the Middle School Logic Stage and includes a performance by our 6th Grade Choir, a parent testimonial, and an address by Mr. Mark Jahnke who will discuss the Logic Stage middle school program.

Free babysitting for children ages 1-10 will be provided. For babysitting, please, RSVP by April 2 to Cassie.Graham@donahueacademy.org

Questions? Contact Rose Trabbic at (239) 877-3034 or redecaro@hotmail.com





# Religious Education Becky Hampton Becky.H@avemariaparish.org

As we restore ourselves during this Lenten season, let us please pray diligently for all our sacramental families at Ave Maria.

For our RCIA Catechumens, that they may successfully complete their long preparation and at the Paschal feast find Christ in his sacraments.

For our RCIA Candidates who will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Good Friday; that they experience God's unrelenting mercy and love and develop a lively faith and a firm hope in the Passion of our Redeemer.

For our Confirmation Candidates, who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 20th with Bishop Dewane; that they be equipped with all the mighty weapons of the Holy Spirit and that the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit flow through them to help and serve others.

For our First Communicants, who will be receiving the Holy Eucharist on April 23rd; that they experience the peace and love of the Eucharist with their parents at the Jesus Day First Eucharist Retreat on April 2nd. That our sacramental families experience the joy and hope of the Savior as they receive their Eucharistic meal for the first time together.

"St. John the Baptist, prepare the way for Jesus in the hearts of these families. St. Tarcisius, keep safe these children who are receiving their sacraments for the first time this Easter season. Amen!"

# IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE AVE MARÍA

Información para nuestra comunidad hispana

#### Reflexión Semanal



La Cuaresma es un tiempo para meditar sobre nuestra salvación eterna.

"Con temor y temblor," dice el apóstol San Pablo, "trabajad por vuestra salvación," (Filipenses 2:12). El apóstol nos invita a vivir un santo temor. Este es el temor de los hijos que no quieren traicionar al buen Padre. Es una santa desconfianza en nuestras fuerzas porque no podemos hacer nada sin la gracia de Dios. Aprendamos de Simón Pedro. El experimentó el amargo efecto de la confianza en sí mismo: "Aunque tenga que morir contigo, no te negaré," pero el negó a Jesús tres veces. La persona que pone toda su confianza en las propias fuerzas se expone al peligro del pecado. San Felipe Neri solía decir cada

mañana: "Oh Señor, pon tu mano sobre Felipe este día, porque si no, Felipe te traicionará." Por otra parte, este santo temor nos debe llevar a confiar más y más en Dios. Un día, cuando Felipe Neri caminaba por la ciudad refleccionando sobre sus miserias, el iba diciendo: "Desespero, desespero." Un religioso lo escuchó y creyendo que el santo estaba siendo tentado por la desconfianza, lo corrigió. Pero el santo le contestó: "Desespero de mismo, pero confío en Dios." Esto es lo que debemos hacer. San Francisco de Sales decía: "Tanto mas desconfiamos de nuestras fuerzas, tanto más debemos confiar en la misericordia de Dios. Esta es la balanza, en la cual cuando el platillo de la confianza en Dios se eleva, tanto más el platillo de la confianza en nosotros mismos desciende." Por esta razón, levantemos nuestra mirada en oración y digamos con el salmista: "Tu eres mi esperanza, Señor, mi confianza, Dios mío, desde mi juventud," (Salmo 71: 5).

#### Fiesta en Honor a San José - 19 de Marzo 2022 - Muchas Gracias!



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#### Emaús - Emmaus

El Grupo de Emaús (Hombres) se reúne todos los miércoles a las 7:00pm en una de las casas de los miembros del grupo. Para mas información contacta a Manuel Milanés mmpizonero@yahoo.es o Lucho Forero lucho.forero@gmail.com

PROXIMOS RETIROS en Ave Maria July 14–17, 2022. Emaús (English-Spanish) para Hombres. July 21–24, 2022. Emaús (English-Spanish) para Mujeres.

Por el RETIRO DE MUJERES contacta a **Lilian Pierce** *liliancuan@gmail.com* 



#### Campaña Católica Anual

¿Qué es la Campaña Católica Anual (CFA)? El CFA es un esfuerzo diocesano de recaudación de fondos en toda la Diócesis que apoya el trabajo caritativo y pastoral en todo el territorio diocesano.

¿Quiénes se benefician con los fondos? Se apoya a las Misiones y Parroquias pobres en la Diócesis, las Caridades Católicas, Programas de Evangelización, Programas por el Respeto por la Vida, las Vocaciones y los Seminaristas, entre otras cosas.

¿Cuánto debo aportar? Rézalo y contribuye lo que Dios te sugiera en tu corazón. Como comunidad parroquial, nuestra meta de ayuda es de \$210,000 durante este año 2022. ¿Cuándo será la colecta? El próximo fin de semana, Abril 2-3, se repartirán los sobres para que los puedan llevar a sus casas y luego puedan retornar su ofrenda ya sea en las canastas de ofrendas o dejándolo en la oficina parroquial.

#### Oración de la Semana: Acto de Contrición

Pésame, Dios mío, y me arrepiento de todo corazón de haberos ofendido.

Pésame por el Infierno que merecí y por el Cielo que perdí;

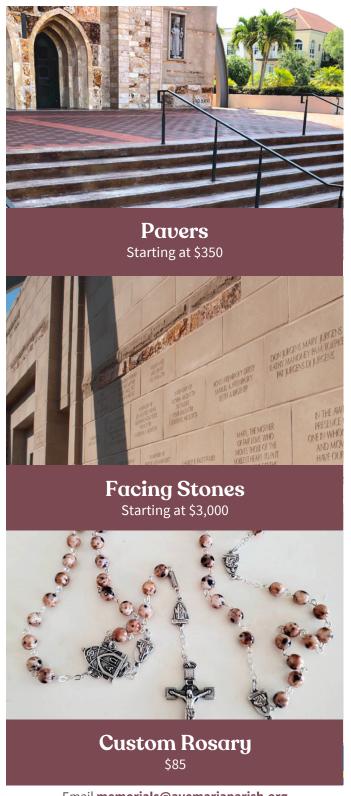
pero mucho más me pesa, porque pecando ofendí a un Dios tan bueno y tan grande como Vos.

Antes querría haber muerto que haberos ofendido,

y propongo firmemente no pecar más, y evitar todas las ocasiones próximas de pecado. Amén.

# SOME UNIQUE TREASURES

from Ave Maria Catholic Church & Resources



Email memorials@avemariaparish.org for more info!

