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## Weekly Reflection



Let us draw one more idea from Saint John Paul II's Encyclical Letter, *Redemptoris Missio* (The Mission of the Redeemer): **We All are Missionaries by Baptism.** 

Baptism brings to us sanctifying grace and friendship with God. A tremendous grace indeed that places us in the path of holiness and eternal life! Now, there is more. Baptism incorporates us into Christ and for that reason we can also say with Saint Paul: *"Yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me,"* (Gal. 2:20). Living in Christ means to share his mission. For this reason, we are all missionaries by baptism. Saint John Paul II teaches that because of their baptismal dignity, *"the faithful participate, for their part, in the threefold mission of Christ as Priest, Prophet and King."* 

If we have the responsibility of bringing the Gospel to others because we are followers of Christ by baptism, we also have the responsibility of preparing ourselves for that holy mission. Saint Gregory indicates: "No one can teach what he does not know, and our reason teaches us that before instructing others, especially in religious matters, we must be well instructed in them ourselves."

We need evangelization. We need instruction and formation. We need to learn Jesus and his mission. This is not a matter of years. As long as we live, our first responsibility is to learn Christ. Our second responsibility is to communicate what we have learned. Then, we will also say with Saint Paul: *"Woe* to me if I do not preach the Gospel," (1 Cor. 9: 16).

## **Our Priests**

Pastor	Fr. David M Vidal, Ph.D.
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## **Our Deacons**

Deacon	<b>Jeffrey Ball</b> Jeffrey.B@avemariaparish.org
Deacon	Gary Ingold
Deacon	Gary.I@avemariaparish.org
Deacon	John Jarvis
Deacon	John.J@avemariaparish.org
Deacon	Tom Kinnick
	Thomas.K@avemariaparish.org

## Our Parish Staff

Data Entry Clerk	<b>Martha Baca</b> Martha.B@avemariaparish.org
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Secretary Facilities Manager	Stephanie Pointz

## **Collection Summary**

10/9 & 10/10 Total	\$20,965.05	
Weekly Budget*	\$18,943.24	
Donations to CFA	\$83,421.50	
CFA Goal	\$210,000	
Campaign Challenge Goal	\$2,000,000	
Total Campaign Pledges	\$1,456,329.31	
Pledges Collected to Date	\$1,084,090.81	
*Does not include the maintenance	of the parish debt	

# MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

Thur. October 28

Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace

### Sat. October 23

<ul> <li>9:00am</li> <li>● ● 9:30-10:30am</li> <li>5:00pm</li> </ul>	Peg and Larry Meyer Confessions + Rodolfo Trevino	<ul> <li>7:30am</li> <li>12:00pm</li> <li>5:00pm</li> </ul>	Mary Claire Dant Derba Boivin + Paul Liebert
Sun. October 24 <ul> <li>8:00am</li> <li>10:00am</li> <li>12:30pm (EF)</li> <li>7:30pm</li> </ul>	Sean Flavin John and Laura Ruperto The Parish Community Olga Masso Family	Fri. October 2 • 7:30am • 12:00pm • 2:45-3:45pm	Marybeth Sorber + Marisol Habed Confessions
Mon. October 25 7:30am 12:00pm 2:45-3:45pm 5:00pm	Anniv. Cathedral of Venice Greater Respect of Human Life Confessions Betty Ferraiuolo	<ul> <li>5:00pm</li> <li>6:30-7:30pm</li> <li>Color Key for</li> </ul>	+ Larry Hranicky Holy Hour & Confessions • <b>Priests</b>
Tues. October 26 7:30am 12:00pm 5:00pm Wed. October 27 7:30am 12:00pm 2:45-3:45pm 5:00pm	+ Patricia LaMothe + Dennis Papp Jr. + Russell Worrell	departed loved ones in th 	i Fr. Bob Garrity

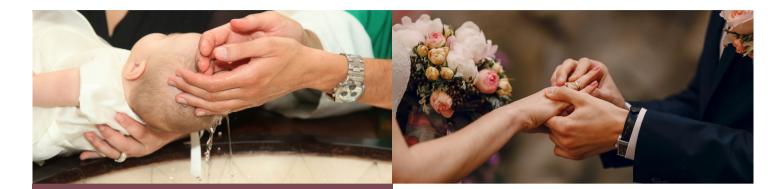
## Prayer of the Week: Sub Tuum Praesidium

An ancient prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the oldest known version of which is found on an Egyptian papyrus from the 3rd century. This prayer is used in Litanies to the Blessed Mother and as a concluding prayer to Compline. A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who recite it.

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Sub tuum praesidium confugimus, Sancta Dei Genetrix. Nostras deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus1, sed a periculis cunctis libera nos semper, Virgo gloriosa et benedicta. Amen.

# THE SACRAMENTS



### **Baptism**

#### Welcome to the Catholic Church!

- October 12th Macarena Gabrielle Fernandez De Cordova
- October 16th Colette Julian Rose Madden

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

## Holy Matrimony

God who is love and who created man and woman for love has called them to love. By creating man and woman he called them to an intimate communion of life and of love in marriage: "So that they are no longer two, but one flesh" (Matthew 19:6).

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



"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as

**these," (Mark 10:14).** Are you loving our little ones during Church? Have you heard their little (or loud) voices during Mass? When we hear the littlest among us, we hear the future of the Church. Show some extra love to them (and their parents) while in Mass. Let them know how loved and important they are in our community. When you bring your littles to Mass, you are bringing them to Jesus as the Gospel tells us. We LOVE seeing (and hearing) them. We welcome all children to enter through our doors, and we hope to see them at our Masses! **Receive the Grace of the Sacraments!** Participate in the treasures that Jesus left to the Church!

**Baptism,** the saving waters that bring the Holy Spirit and welcomes us into the Catholic Church. It makes us children of God and incorporates us into Christ.

**First Communion,** receiving the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ. Holy Communion not only gives us God's grace, but the Author of grace Himself, Jesus.

**Confirmation,** being sealed and strengthened by the gift of the Holy Spirit to be a living witness to Christ.

For more information contact me at **becky.h@avemariaparish.org.** 

## PARISH LIFE Events and Updates



October 24

Ave Maria Youth Group DTS Chapter

6:30-8pm | Parish Hall



**October 24** Family Rosary

6-6:30pm | Church/Piazza



October 30

All Saints' Parish Picnic

11am-2pm | Piazza



**November 9** 

Community & Culture Night Rhetoric Stage 6:30-8pm | Donahue Acad.



## Lay Dominican Informational Meeting

**Is God calling you to be a Lay Dominican?** Dominican Laity is for those seeking a deeper spiritual life while living in the world. St. Catherine of Siena, Patroness of the Lay Fraternities of St Dominic says: *"Be who God meant you to be, and you will set whole world on fire."* 

An Informational Meeting will take place at the Mary & Mercy Center, 5060 Annunciation Cir., Ste. 102, Ave Maria on Saturday, November 6, 1:30-3:30pm. For more information or questions, contact Ina Carr, laydominicanavemaria@gmail.com

## All Saint's Parish Picnic

When: Saturday, October 30th, 11am - 2pm. Where: In the Piazza.

Let us welcome our new parishioners and build a Catholic community dedicated to living and sharing the Gospel! Enjoy delicious burgers, hotdogs, chips and drinks. Donations are welcome but not required. An RSVP is required. The picnic food will be available in the back area of the Church.

Children under the age of 14 dressed as a Saint or Biblical figure should gather on the Church steps at 11am sharp. (We ask that you bring your child's Saint name written on 2 index size cards so your child's Saint name can be included in the Litany of Saints.) We will pray the Litany of Saints, a meal prayer and also take a group picture. The games for children will be set up on the lawn on the north side of the Church.

For specific questions you may contact Dave and Ann Marie Altomare at: **s2r1000@live.com** Visit our website **www.AveMariaParish.org** and RSVP by Wednesday, October 27th.

# MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

From A to Z, Ways to Grow and Serve

## Fraternus Chapter In Ave Maria

Born out of brokenness, Fraternus was envisioned to "turn the hearts of fathers toward their sons."

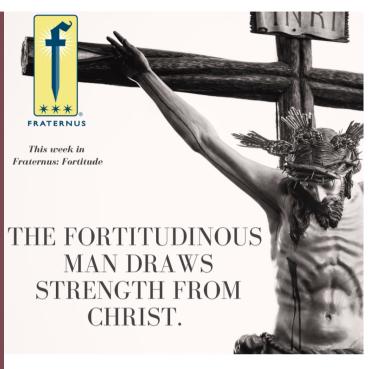
Our present generation of boys will no doubt have the greatest influence on the direction our society takes with respect to returning to morality and faith. But to make that happen your help is needed. We would like to invite you to attend an informational meeting for the re-launching of the *Fraternus* Chapter here in Ave Maria Parish! An **Informational Meeting** will be held **on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, 7:30-8:30pm at the Parish Hall.** 

We will review what *Fraternus* is all about, the essential elements of the program, and what it takes to develop a strong and vibrant chapter. We are looking for a core group of dedicated men who are able and willing to share their God given talents with their sons and the young men of this parish.

What is *Fraternus*? *Fraternus* is a group of men and boys who gather weekly for prayer, study of the virtues, meal sharing, and recreation.

What is the qualifying age for Fraternus? 12 years of age and up. We set up age-appropriate squads led by Dads and men to help guide the boys as needed. Boys progress through ranks right up until Knighthood and beyond. All adults must be Virtus Certified and Fingerprinted to be able to participate in the program –no exceptions.

When do you anticipate beginning the program? We hope to start right after the beginning of the new year in January 2022. For more information or questions contact: **Tom Nuttle**, **foursons862@gmail.com** 











#### Adult Parish Choir

Tuesday, October 26 7-8:30pm | Church Marian Mandy *Marian.M@avemariaparish.org* 

#### Children's Choir

Wednesday, October 27 6-7:30pm | Church Kathy Dittus *rjdittus@gmail.com* 

#### Schola Cantorum

Thursday, October 28 7-8:30pm | Church Norman Mandy *normanmandy03@gmail.com* 

### AA Meeting

Thursday, October 28 7-9pm | Parish Hall Dan Linton *dlinton58@gmail.com* 



### The Sacrament of Confirmation

We are very proud to be starting our Confirmation preparation for our 9th and 10th grade students (who have received their first sacraments) during the first week of November. Classes continue and are available for those students preparing to receive their first sacraments at the Easter Vigil. If you have any questions about our faith formation programs, please contact me at **becky.h@avemariaparish.org** or visit the parish website **www.avemariaparish.org** 

Why is Confirmation important? Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world. Through Confirmation, our personal relationship with Christ is strengthened. We receive the message of faith in a deeper and more intensive manner with great emphasis given to the person of Jesus Christ, who asked the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the Church for building up community in loving service. The Holy Spirit bestows seven gifts-wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety, and fear of the Lord-to assist us in our mission and witness. The impact of these gifts accompanies us in the various stages of our spiritual development.

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control; against such there is no law," (Galatians 5:22-23).

## Donahue Academy

#### Did you see the Rosary Procession our parish school held on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary? All

Donahue Academy students prayerfully walked from the school to the parish, led by a statue of Our Lady of Fatima carried aloft by four high school boys while five high school girls took turns leading everybody in the Luminous Mysteries. Once at the church, Our Lady was placed inside and Father Vidal celebrated Mass. Our parish family is always invited to join the school on occasions like this!

Mark your calendars for **6:30pm on November 9th**, the next in our series of **Community & Culture Nights**. The focus will be on the High School / Rhetoric Stage and features a talk by Mr. Graham and a brief Shakespeare performance by Donahue Academy's very own Merry Beggars. The event is open to the public, food and drink will be served and babysitting will be provided. Please contact the school office if you will need babysitting or more info, **Office.Manager@donahueacademy.org** 



# IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE AVE MARÍA

Información para nuestra comunidad hispana

## **Reflexión Semanal**



Tomemos una idea más de la Carta Encíclica del San Juan Pablo II, Redemptoris Missio (La Misión del Redentor): **Todos Nosotros somos Misioneros por el Bautismo.** El bautismo nos da la gracia santificante y la amistad con Dios. ¡Esta es una gracia enorme que nos coloca en el camino de la santidad y la vida eterna! Pero hay mas por decir. El bautismo nos incorpora a Cristo y por esta razón, nosotros podemos decir junto con San Pablo: "Ya no vivo yo, es Cristo quien vive en mí," (Gal. 2:20). Vivir en Cristo significa compartir su misión. Por esta razón, somos misioneros por el bautismo. San Juan Pablo II enseña que,

por la dignidad del bautismo, *"los fieles participan, por su parte, en la triple misión de Cristo como Sacerdote, Profeta, y Rey.*" Por ser bautizados, tenemos la responsabilidad de llevar el Evangelio a los demás. Nosotros también tenemos la responsabilidad de prepararnos para esta santa misión. San Gregorio indica: *"Nadie puede enseñar lo que no conoce, y nuestra razón nos enseña que antes de instruir a los demás, especialmente en materia religiosa, nosotros debemos estar bien instruidos en estas cosas."* Necesitamos la evangelización. Necesitamos instrucción y formación. Necesitamos aprender a Jesús y su misión. Esto no es algo de años. En nuestra vida, la primera responsabilidad es aprender a Jesús. La segunda responsabilidad es comunicar lo que hemos aprendido. Entonces, diremos junto con San Pablo: *"Hay de mí si no predico el Evangelio,"* (1 Cor. 9:16).

## Sacramentos, Preparación, Quinceañera, y RCIA

El **bautismo,** nos introduce a las aguas salvadoras que nos trae el Espíritu Santo y nos hace miembros de la Iglesia.

La **confesión,** nos hace vivir la misericordia de Dios, ejercida a través del ministerio de los sacerdotes.

**Primera Comunión,** nos hace participar de la vida de Jesús, recibiendo su Cuerpo, Sangre, Alma y Divinidad bajo la apariencia de pan y vino.

**Confirmación,** nos sella por medio de los dones del Espíritu Santo para ser testigos vivos de Cristo.

**Unción de los enfermos,** nos da la fortaleza espiritual e incluso física en tiempos de enfermedad o en peligro de muerte.

Las **quinceañeras** son celebraciones que tradicionalmente las familias hispanas hacen para dar gracias a Dios por el don de la vida de quien cumple los 15 años y para pedir las bendiciones de Dios.

¿Cómo me hago católico? Tal vez has asistido a Misa con nosotros por un tiempo, o tal vez acabas de conocer a un católico y estabas intrigado por su fe. Quizás fuiste bautizado cuando eras niño, asististe a algunas clases de catecismo, pero realmente no has estado practicando la fe estos últimos años. Entonces, ¿por dónde empiezas?

Para más información, contacta a Martha Baca, Martha.B@avemariaparish.org

# LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Ave Maria Catholic Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you again for your warm welcome to Ave Maria Parish! I am very grateful for these past nine months filled with planning, work, enthusiasm, and prayer. I am humbled by the task, and I beg for your prayers.

During these past months, working together with our Finance Council, the Parish finances have been reviewed and analyzed, and I am particularly grateful for their expertise and support. Our Parish Financial Statements are herewith provided for your review.

Let us acknowledge that Ave Maria Parish has been blessed with a beautiful Church, a home that is ours, and a place of Worship for future generations. None of this would be possible without the support and initiatives of our Bishop for which we are most grateful. Ave Maria Church offers a message to the world. Located in the heart of our town, the Church is a testimony to those who live here: people whose desire is to have God at the center of their lives. No wonder people want to move to Ave Maria! Yes, they pursue peace and serenity, family life and youthful spirit, dedication in service, and healthy prayer life. Would it be possible to keep these beautiful gifts without God and His Church?

There is so much more to do! Our Church has been built, but it requires continuing maintenance, and the Parish must fulfill its financial obligations. Just recently we all witnessed the roof and water damage repairs, which were costly but necessary. In working together with the Diocese of Venice, we are looking for ways to address debt payment and to work toward Parish financial stability as reflected in our Financial Statements. The mission of Ave Maria Catholic Church is our mission! The Church speaks about the generosity of people who feel what Saint Paul writes: *"Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel,"* (1 Cor. 9:16). Following the spirit of Saint Paul, we are also invited to contribute to the building up of the Church!

I am excited to share with you a great news! With the assistance of a generous donor, all the payments that our Parish makes toward the loan for our debt over the next five years will be matched up to 20%. Together, with this incredible opportunity and the generosity of our Parish family, we will be able to place our finances in a stable position for the future of our Parish.

Finally, please accept my personal gratitude for your generosity. May God bless you abundantly for all your care for our beautiful Ave Maria Church! God bless our Parish!

Yours, in Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,

Rev. David M. Vidal, Ph.D. *Pastor* 

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 20-21

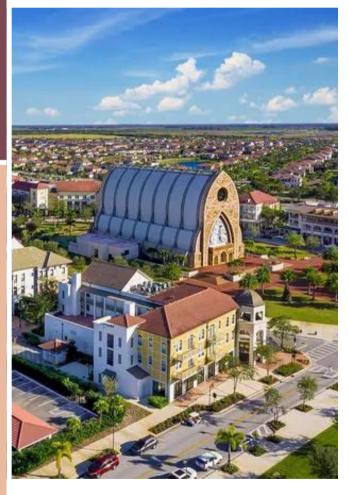
Ave Maria Catholic Church

#### Income

Donation Income	908,045.18
Ministry Income	42,840.98
Auxiliary/Fundraiser Income	68,506.05
Total Income	1,019,392.21
Expenses	
Personnel Related Expenses	549,071.79
Property Related Expenses	361,905.37
Ministry Related Expenses	59,673.08
Administrative Expenses	31,621.89
Auxiliary/Fundraiser Expenses	20,895.70
Total Expenses	1,023,167.83
Net Income	(3,775.62)
Additional Items not Reflected Above:	
Payments on Loans w/Campaign Funds 2020-2021 Interest on Loans (4.75%) CFA Assessment Shortfall	474,761.69 (491,107.93) (76,444.91)
Assets	
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Current Assets	166,942.49
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### Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Operating Payables	20,794.76
Other Current Liabilities	5,189.00
Total Current Liabilities	25,983.76
Long Term Liabilities	
Diocesan Loans - Church & Roof	10,922,628.56
Total Liabilities	10,948,612.32
Equity	
Total Equity	-574,225.70
Total Liabilities & Equity	10,374,386.62



Notes for 2021-2022:	
Interest on Loans (3.25%)	322,000
Loan Balance for 2021-2022	9,919,584
2021 CFA Assessment	210,000

**TOTAL ASSETS** 

**Total Fixed Assets** 

Depreciation on Furniture & Equipment

-77,181.00 9,400,359.11

10,374,386.62