Sept. 25-26, 2021 / Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH





This week, let us draw a final thought from the Apostolic Letter, "At the Beginning of the New Millennium," of St. John Paul II. The Pope not only encourages us to listen to the word, but he also tells us that we must **proclaim the word of God.** 

We have received a tremendous treasure that instills in us the same burning conviction of Paul, who cried out: "Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel," (1 Cor 9:16). Perhaps, some might think that evangelization is what Evangelicals do; however, the work of evangelization is as Catholic as it can be. Did not Jesus tell the Apostles before ascending into heaven: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature"? (Mk. 16:15).

St. John Paul II teaches that the work of evangelization "cannot be left to a group of 'specialists' but must involve the responsibility of all the members of the People of God." Even more, the Pope indicates that "Christ must be presented to all people with confidence. We shall address adults, families, young people, children, without ever hiding the most radical demands of the Gospel message but taking into account each person's needs in regard to their sensitivity and language, after the example of Paul who declared: 'I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some,'" (1 Cor 9:22).

The work of evangelization will always be one of our pastoral priorities.

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## **Collection Summary**

**9/11 & 9/12 Total** \$15,226.30

Weekly Budget\* \$18,943.24

**Donations to CFA** \$82,921.50

**CFA Goal** \$210,000

Campaign Challenge Goal \$2,000,000

**Total Campaign Pledges** \$1,455,414.31

Pledges Collected to Date \$1,075,920.87

\*Does not include the maintenance of the parish debt

## MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace

### Sat. September 25

9:00am
Respect of Human Life

9:30-10:30am Confessions5:00pm Deborah Lyle

## Sun. September 26

8:00am + Carmen D. Midy
10:00am The Parish Community
12:30pm (EF) + Michael Ingoldsby
7:30pm Suarez-Masso Family

### Mon. September 27

7:30am + Wayne Turgate
 12:00pm + Genevieve Piliero

2:45-3:45pm Confessions5:00pm Janet Hardy

#### Tues. September 28

**7:30am** Thomas Bundy **12:00pm** + Joan Buhler

• 5:00pm Peggy and Larry Meyer

## Wed. September 29

**7:30am** Kevin Oliver

● **12:00pm** + Mark Brenden Walsh

2:45-3:45pm Confessions
 5:00pm + James Mitchell

### Thur. September 30

↑ 7:30am + Pat LaMothe
 12:00pm Jean Storms
 5:00pm + Julio Caballero

#### Fri. October 1

7:30am Anthony J. Battaglia
12:00pm + Karen Apang
2:45-3:45pm Confessions
5:00pm Mrs. Teresa Micillo
6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour & Confessions

## Color Key for Priests

Fr. David Vidal Fr. Joseph Lugalambi

Fr. John Andem Fr. Ignatius

Fr. Piotr PaciorekFr. AnbuFr. Romanus CessarioFSSP

Fr. Rick MartignettiFr. Bob Garrity

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

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Contacte a la Oficina Parroquial para pedir intenciones de Misas.

## Prayer of the Week

#### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there

and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## THE SACRAMENTS



## Baptism

Welcome to the Catholic Church!

September September 18th
 Valentina and Sarai Saenz

\*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.



#### **Happy Feast Day of St. Cosmas and Damian!**

Are you familiar with twin brothers Cosmas and Damian? Very little is known about these saints but people all over the world honor them with shrines and churches built in their names. So, listen carefully and honor them when we use Eucharistic Prayer I during Mass: "Cosmas and Damian and all the Saints!"

Many of our faith formation classes start this week September 26-29. You can still register! Registration forms are at the back of the Church, the Parish Office, and our Website https://www.avemariaparish.org **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 1

First Friday Holy Hour and Confessions

6:30-7:30pm | Church



October 2

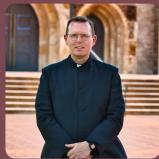
First Saturday Fatima Rosary

9:30am | Church



October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary Procession Donahue Academy 10am | Mass at Church



October 9

Fr. Vidal, Mass of Installation as Pastor

5pm | Church



## October 1st - Polish Dinner Fundraiser, Knights of Columbus

The Ave Maria Knights of Columbus sponsors a Polish Dinner Fundraiser at The Pub, on Friday, October 1st from 5-7pm (or until Pierogi run out). This Fundraiser will benefit the Knights of Columbus Local Charities.

## October 2nd - Blessing of Animals

The Saint Clare Secular Franciscan Fraternity of Ave Maria cordially invites you to share Franciscan joy by participating in The Blessing of the Animals in front of Ave Maria Catholic Church on Saturday, October 2 at 11:00am. St. Francis of Assisi in his Canticle of Creation gave praise to God for all living things. The Franciscans have continued this tradition of giving thanks to God over the centuries and we are excited to create a new tradition in Ave Maria. Our event will be held on the Piazza where Deacon Bob Kronyak will individually bless your pet. All animals will be in a pet carrier or on a leash; NO snakes please. Families will be given a St. Francis of Assisi medal blessed by our pastor, Father David Vidal.

Attendees are encouraged to bring soap, toothpaste, dish detergent, dry black beans, or rice for The Mary and Mercy Center Immokalee Outreach Food and Household Goods Drive to aid needy Immokalee families. For more information email Beatrice Sanford bsanfordSFO@gmail.com

## MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

From A to Z, Ways to Grow and Serve



# Ave Maria University The Hail Mary Lecture Series

Why wait until the end of the game for a Hail Mary? Come to Ave Maria University on **Saturday**, **October 2, at 3pm.** Dr. Andrew Dinan, Associate Professor of Classics, will give a lecture on "Before Jamestown and Plymouth: The Story of the Early Florida Martyrs" at the Demetree Lecture Hall (Academic Building), 5050 Ave Maria Blvd. Then, you can enjoy the **home football game at 7pm at the Gyrene Field** (Clancy Ave., Ave Maria, FL). Plan also for future lectures:

#### 10.16.21

"Renewing the Church with the Bible: How the Bible Helps Us to Address Contemporary Questions about Catholicism," Dr. Michael Dauphinais, Theology Department Chair.

#### 10.30.21

"Our Lady and Catholic Higher Education," Fr. Romanus Cessario, Adam Cardinal Maida Professor of Theology.



#### Legion of Mary

Monday, September 27 7-8:30pm | Mary & Mercy Ctr. Bill Bradt bradtbill@aol.com



#### American Heritage Girls

Thursday, September 30 4-5:30m | Parish Hall Heather Thompson charliesangel@snet.net



#### Ladies of the Little Flower

Thursday, September 30 7-8:30pm | Home Jean Prather littleflowerladies@gmail.com



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

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



## Ave Maria Youth Group

Our first DTS session of the year was held on Sunday, September 19 from 6:30-8:00 pm. Approximately 75 young people ranging from 7th grade through senior year in high school were in attendance. These young people included Donahue students, home school kids, and students attending other schools in the area. The evening started with yak and snacks provided by donors and some ultimate frisbee on the parish lawn. At 7:00 pm we started with prayer and then studied the life of St Peter Claver. We ended the evening with a decade of the rosary, intercessory prayer, the prayer of St Gertrude the Great, and lastly the divine praises. The kids then helped clean up and departed. They were anxious to know who we will study on Sept 26. It might be St. Vincent de Paul! It was a great beginning for the Ave Maria DTS chapter. The young people would appreciate any snack foods and drinks you would like to donate. You may reach out to Deacon Tom Kinnick at my parish email at Thomas.K@avemariaparish.org



## Donahue Academy

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation released the list of 2021 Semifinalists and our parish school is home to TWO National Merit Semifinalists: Catherine Graham and Winston Fairchild. Donahue Academy is very proud of all our students and their continued pursuit of excellence in all things.

Mark your calendars for A Frosty Evening on October 5th. It's the first of our relaxed community and culture evenings. This takes place at a host family's home. The October 5th event focuses on why Donahue Academy studies poetry.



community and culture

A Frosty Evening - October 5<sup>th</sup>, 8pm Hosted by the Trabbics - 4480 Magellan St

## FEATURING



The amazing **Robert Frost** and his cocktail, *The Difference Maker!* 

Take a road less travelled if it makes any difference, but come! And bring your drinkin' and debatin' hat.

Special guest seminar by Mr. Tyler Graham: Why Study Poetry?

Light hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be provided.

Seating is very limited!

RSVP by 9/29 to Rose at redecaro@hotmail.com or text 239-877-3034

## IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE AVE MARÍA

Información para nuestra comunidad hispana

#### Reflexión Semanal



Esta semana, tomemos un último pensamiento de la Carta Apóstolica, "Al Comienzo del Nuevo Milenio," de San Juan Pablo II. El Papa no sólo nos alienta a escuchar la palabra, si no también nos dice que debemos **Proclamar la palabra de Dios.** Hemos recibido un tesoro incomparable que nos comunica la misma ardiente convicción de San Pablo: "Ay de mí, si no predico el Evangelio," (1 Cor 9:16). Quizás, podríamos pensar que la evangelización es lo que hacen los evangelistas; sin embargo, el trabajo de evangelización es ciertamente católico.

¿Acaso no dijo Jesus a los apóstoles antes de ascender a los cielos: "Id por todo el mundo y proclamad el Evangelio a toda creatura"? (Mc. 16:15). San Juan Pablo II enseña que el trabajo de evangelización "no debe ser delegado a unos pocos 'especialistas', sino que debe envolver la responsabilidad de todos los miembros del Pueblo de Dios." Incluso más, el Papa indica que "Cristo debe ser presentado a todos con confianza. Debemos dirigirnos a los adultos, a las familias, a los jóvenes, a los niños, sin esconder nunca las exigencias más radicales del mensaje evangélico, atendiendo a las exigencias de cada uno, por lo que se refiere a la sensibilidad y al lenguaje, según el ejemplo de Pablo cuando decía: 'Me he hecho todo a todos para salvar a toda costa a algunos,'" (1 Co 9,22).

El trabajo de evangelización siempre será una de nuestras prioridades pastorales.

## 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?

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#### **Matrimonios Transformados**

Queridas familias, ya hemos tenido nuestra primera reunión de Matrimonios Transformados en Ave Maria donde presentamos el ministerio y las actividades que tendremos durante el año. Estas son las fechas de nuestras próximas reuniones.

Sep. 26 Domingo, 1:00pm-3:30pm. "Primero lo Primero, Fundando mi Casa sobre la Roca."

Oct. 9 Sábado, 11:30am-2:00pm. Actividad Especial.

Oct. 23 Sábado, 11:30am-2:00pm. "Somos un Equipo."

Nov. 6 Sábado, 11:30am-2:00pm. Actividad Especial.

Nov. 20 Sábado, 11:30am-2:00pm. "Aprender a Entender para ser Entendido." La Comunicación

Dic. 11, Sábado, 11:30am-2:30pm. Actividad Especial: Celebración de Navidad.

Las reuniones son en Donahue Academy. Si tienes alguna pregunta contacta a Karla y Jorge Cebreros a mtavemaria@gmail.com

#### Oración de la semana

#### **Comunión Espiritual**

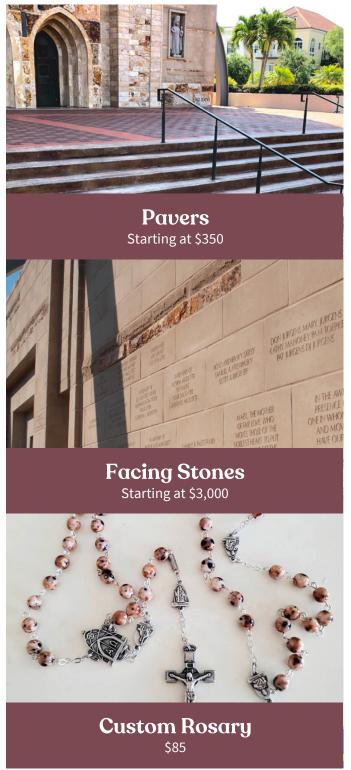
Creo, Dios mío, que estás presente en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar; te amo, te adoro y deseo recibirte; mas, no pudiendo hacerlo ahora sacramentalmente, ven por lo menos espiritualmente a mi corazón.

Como si hubieras venido a mi, yo me abrazo y uno a Vos:

No permitas que jamás me separe de Ti. Amen.

## SOME UNIQUE TREASURES

from Ave Maria Catholic Church & Resources



Email memorials@avemariaparish.org for more info!





