

Feb. 12-13, 2022 | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# AVE MARIA

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## Weekly Reflection



Last week, we said that the construction of a Christian Culture begins with our submission to the truth. This week, let us consider how **man's cultural effort also requires submission to beauty.**

St. Thomas Aquinas, quoting Dionysius, indicates that "beauty results from the concurrence of clarity and due proportion," and thus "God is said to be beautiful, as being 'the cause of the harmony and clarity of the universe,'" (*Summa Theologiae*, II-II q.145, a2).

Beauty is what we perceive in the stained-glass windows of the Gothic Churches and Cathedrals. Gothic architecture flourished in Europe from the 12th to the 16th Century. Here in America, we can see some of those Churches in New York, Boston, and Philadelphia. The giant and elaborate stained glass windows are the heart of Gothic architecture. These windows depict Biblical scenes with harmony and color. And they are, indeed, breathtaking!

The stained-glass window is a symbol of our Catholic culture. With clarity and harmony, we are called to show the beauty of our faith. When someone tries to impose darkness and disorder, or in other words, when someone tries to impose ugliness, we must show beauty. One day Dostoevsky made an enigmatic remark: "Beauty will save the world." When lies and evil seem to dominate the world, the light and harmony of beauty will call people to come to their senses.

## Our Priests

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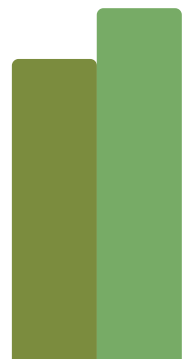
### Dir. of IT

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## Collection Summary

● 1/29 & 1/30 Total	\$16,259.30
● Weekly Budget*	<b>\$18,943.24</b>
Donations to CFA	\$83,421.50
CFA Goal	<b>\$210,000</b>
Campaign Victory Goal	<b>\$3,000,000</b>
Total Campaign Pledges	\$2,339,645
Pledges Collected to Date	\$1,482,512

\*Does not include the maintenance of the parish debt



# MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace

## Sat. February 12

- 9:00am + Sr. Colleen Marie Fisher
- 9:30am Confessions
- 5:00pm + Georgiana & Michael Bart
- 7:00pm (SP) Guillermo Monroy

## Sun. February 13

- 8:00am + Bishop Thomas Daily
- 10:00am Marie Romero
- 12:30pm (EF) The Parish Community
- 7:30pm Sr. Catherine Lynch

## Mon. February 14

- 7:30am Eva Seegers
- 12:00pm + Anthony Joseph del Moral
- 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
- 5:00pm Emily Rae Daub

## Tues. February 15

- 7:30am Victor Orban
- 12:00pm Dawn Apang
- 5:00pm + Donald Carmody

## Wed. February 16

- 7:30am Anthony J. Battaglia
- 12:00pm Sr. Marie du Christ
- 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
- 5:00pm + Ralph Scheffler

## Thur. February 17

- 7:30am + Cecile Fabian
- 12:00pm + Al & Becky Burkholter
- 5:00pm + Dick Weber

## Fri. February 18

- 7:30am Richard Morse
- 12:00pm Josh Freeman
- 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
- 5:00pm + James Robertshaw
- 6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour & Confessions

## Color Key for Priests

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| ● Fr. David Vidal      | ● Fr. Joseph Lugalambi |
| ● Fr. John Andem       | ● Fr. Ignatius         |
| ● Fr. Piotr Paciorek   | ● Fr. Anbu             |
| ● Fr. Romanus Cessario | ● FSSP                 |
| ● Fr. Rick Martignetti | ● Fr. Bob Garrity      |
| ● Fr. Guy Mansini      |                        |

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 por Intenciones de Misas.

## Prayer of the Week: Aquinas's Thanksgiving Prayer after Mass

*I thank you, holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God, who deigned to feast me, sinful and unworthy servant, with the precious body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, not for any merit of mine, but only because of your merciful goodness. And I pray that this Holy Communion, far from condemning me to punishment, may bring about my pardon and salvation, encompassing me with the armor of faith and the shield of a good will. By it let my vices be done away, all lustful desires extinguished. May it advance me in charity, patience, humility, obedience, and every other virtue. Let it be strong defense against the wiles of all my enemies, visible and invisible, allaying for me every disturbance of flesh and spirit, binding me firmly to you, the one true God, and bringing my last hour to a happy close. I pray, too, that it may be your pleasure to call my sinful self one day to that banquet, wonderful past all telling, where you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, feast your saints with the vision of yourself, who are true light, the fulfillment of all desires, the joy that knows no ending, gladness unalloyed, and perfect bliss: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.*



# PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE



## Baptism

Welcome to the Church!

February 5  
Veronica Gazzera

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



## Holy Matrimony

Congratulations!

January 29  
Scott Robert Thomas &  
Elizabeth Ann Altomari

\*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.

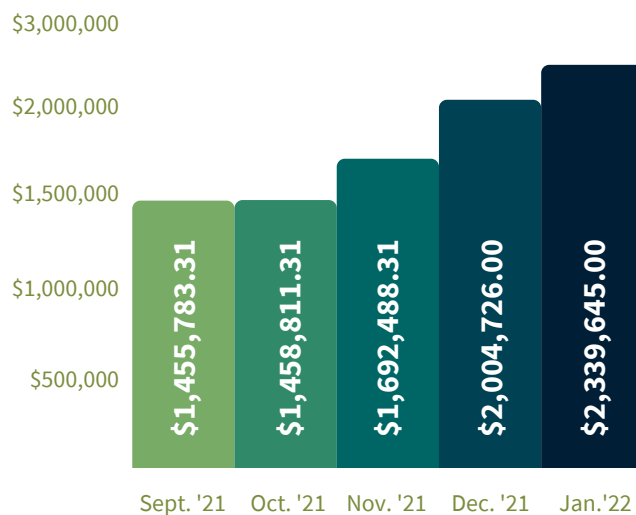


# PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

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: \$880,834.00** This has been raised from 117 donors! Thank you so much for your generosity!

Please join us in this effort! For more information, contact our Parish Office [Office@AveMariaParish.org](mailto:Office@AveMariaParish.org) or visit [www.AveGives.org](http://www.AveGives.org)





# PARISH LIFE

Events and Updates



**February 17**

**Catholic Culture Series**  
Joseph Pearce  
7-8:30pm  
Prince Building Auditorium



**March 2**

**Ash Wednesday**  
Beginning of Lent



**March 4**

**KofC Fish Fry**  
Ave Style

4-7pm | Parish Hall



**March 5**

**First Saturday**  
Fatima Rosary

After 9am Mass | Church



## Catholic Culture Series

Date: **Thursday, February 17, 2022**

Place: **Prince Building Auditorium**

Organized by: **Ave Maria Parish** Sponsored by: **Patricia A. & William LaMothe E. Foundation** Cosponsored by: **Ave Maria University (AMU)**

Featuring Speaker: **Joseph Pearce**

***A Matter of Life and Death: The Battle for a True Education***

In an age of radical relativism and secular fundamentalism, the very future of education is under threat. Joseph Pearce unmasks the poison of modern education and its anti-Christian agenda and reveals the marks of true education.

**7-7:30pm - Reception in the Lobby outside the Auditorium**

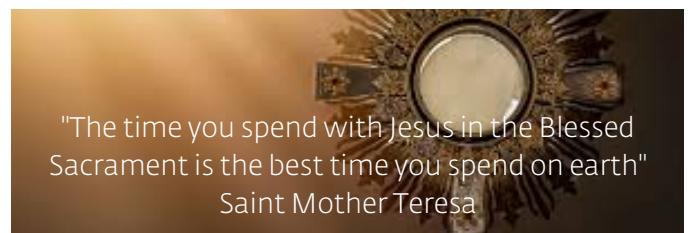
**7:30-8:30pm - Joseph Pearce's talk plus Q&A.**

## Scam Alert!

Parishes throughout the Diocese of Venice have been made aware of a scam that produces fraudulent email accounts using the names of priests of the Diocese and/or Parish staff members and emails parishioners with a request of donations in the form of gift cards or Pay Pal. Consider a scam any message that does not use our domain @avemariaparish.org. Please, do not answer requests that require immediate donations in the form of gift cards or Pay Pal. Contact the parish office before taking any action.

## Perpetual Adoration in Ave - Sign Up!

Please, consider committing for an hour a week of prayer before the Eucharist in the University's Adoration Chapel just across the street from Ave Maria Church. Sign Up: [Adorationpro.org/avefl](https://Adorationpro.org/avefl)



"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you spend on earth"  
Saint Mother Teresa

# MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

From A to Z, Ways to Grow and Serve

## Consecrate Yourself to Mary!

All parishioners are invited to join a six-week Marian Consecration retreat based on Father Michael Gaitley's highly acclaimed book, *33 Days to Morning Glory*. Workshops will begin next week at the Parish Hall and the Mary & Mercy Center. Or you may do a home study on your own, or with your family. **We will make our Marian Consecration on March 25th, the Feast of The Annunciation of the Lord.** If you have already consecrated, you can renew and join the others on March 25. Day 1 (of the 33 Days) is Feb 20, Sunday.

### Workshop Schedules:

#### English

Sundays, Feb. 20, Feb. 27, Mar. 6, Mar. 13, Mar. 20 & Mar. 27, 3:00 to 4:30pm at the Parish Hall (Led by Dan Crow)

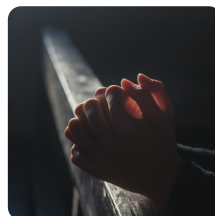
Thursdays, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, Mar. 3, Mar. 10, Mar. 17, Mar. 24, 1:30 to 3pm at the Mary & Mercy Center (Led by Peg Meyer)

#### Spanish

Thursdays, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, Mar. 3, Mar. 10, Mar. 17, Mar. 24, 7:30 to 9pm at the Mary & Mercy Center (Led by Virginia Melendez)

### Four ways to register and buy books (\$10 cash/check):

- After Vigil and Sunday Masses on Feb 12 & 13
- At the Parish Office (9am – 5 pm, Weekdays)
- At the Mary & Mercy Center (10 am – 3 pm, Weekdays)
- Email your registration (name, phone, email, workshop choice) to:  
[info@maryandmercycenter.org](mailto:info@maryandmercycenter.org)



### Men's Reparation

Monday, February 14  
8-9pm | Church  
Joe Burke  
[jburke1220@yahoo.com](mailto:jburke1220@yahoo.com)



### Divine Will Group

Wednesday, February 16  
7-8:30pm | Mary & Mercy Ctr.  
Felipe Gomez  
[fiatdv@icloud.com](mailto:fiatdv@icloud.com)



### AA Meeting

Thursday, February 17  
7-9pm | Parish Hall  
Dan Linton  
[dlinton58@gmail.com](mailto:dlinton58@gmail.com)



### Fraternus (National Training)

Saturday, February 19  
9:45am-6pm | Parish Office  
Tom Nuttle  
[avemariafraternus2022@gmail.com](mailto:avemariafraternus2022@gmail.com)



## Religious Education

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**Children's Eucharistic Adoration began on Monday, January 24th, and will continue every Monday from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Church.** This weekly guided children's adoration is for children in grades 1-6. Others are welcome to join using the pews in the back half of the church. For more information on any of our Faith Formation programs or to receive the weekly emails that will include a children's Eucharistic story and music tracks, email to **Becky Hampton at [Becky.H@avemariaparish.org](mailto:Becky.H@avemariaparish.org)**

"I urge priests, religious and lay people to continue and redouble their efforts to teach the younger generations the meaning and value of Eucharistic adoration and devotion. How will young people be able to know the Lord if they are not introduced to the mystery of His presence? Like the young Samuel, by learning the words of the prayer of the heart, they will be closer to the Lord, who will accompany them in their spiritual and human growth." Saint John Paul II

"I also recommend that, in their catechetical training, and especially in their preparation for First Holy Communion, children be taught the meaning and the beauty of spending time with Jesus and helped to cultivate a sense of awe before his presence in the Eucharist." Pope Benedict XVI

"Moreover, I want to encourage everyone to visit – if possible, everyday – especially amid life's difficulties, the Blessed Sacrament of the infinite love of Christ and His mercy, preserved in our churches, and often abandoned, to speak filially with Him, to listen to Him in silence and to peacefully entrust yourself to Him." Pope Francis



## Donahue Academy

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Thank You!

Thank you to everybody who came to support our parish and parish school at the Dare to Dream Gala on Saturday. We are grateful to the Donahue Academy choir for the beautiful songs!

If you were unable to attend the sold-out Dare to Dream Gala and would like to support the Angels Fund, our parish school's academic scholarship fund, please contact Donahue Academy's school office. Our students are very grateful to the generous benefactors who help make a Catholic education possible for those who otherwise could not afford it.

Last Wednesday was the third Community & Culture Night at Donahue Academy. The evening focused on the Elementary School Grammar Stage and highlighted the importance of building a child's educational foundation upon the cornerstone of Christ. Mrs. Fox's presentation was recorded and can be seen on the school's website, [DonahueAcademy.org](http://DonahueAcademy.org). All new families not in attendance need to watch the recorded presentation and check-in with the school office.

This week is a short week for our students. We hope our students and families will relax and grow closer during our Spring Break, February 17th through February 22nd.



# IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE AVE MARÍA

Información para nuestra comunidad hispana

## Reflexión Semanal



La semana pasada decíamos que la construcción de una cultura católica comienza con la sumisión a la verdad. Esta semana, consideremos como **el esfuerzo cultural del hombre también requiere una sumisión a la belleza.**

Santo Tomás de Aquino, citando a Dionisio, indica que “la belleza es el resultado de la unión de la claridad y la proporción,” y de este modo, “se dice que Dios es Belleza, ya que es ‘la causa de la armonía y claridad del universo,’” (Suma teológica, II-II q.145, a.2).

Belleza es lo que percibimos en los vitrales de las Iglesias y Catedrales góticas. La arquitectura gótica floreció en Europa entre los siglos 12 y 16. Aquí en America, podemos ver algunas de esas Iglesias en Nueva York, Boston y Filadelfia. Los gigantes y elaborados vitrales son el corazón de la arquitectura gótica. Estos vitrales muestran las escenas bíblicas con armonía y color. ¡Y son verdaderamente asombrosos!

El vitral es un símbolo de nuestra cultura católica. Con claridad y armonía, estamos llamados a mostrar la belleza de nuestra fe. Cuando alguien trata de imponer oscuridad y desorden, o en una palabra, cuando alguien trata de imponer la fealdad, debemos mostrar belleza. Un día Dostoevsky hizo un comentario enigmático: “La belleza salvará al mundo.” Cuando las mentiras y la maldad parecen dominar el mundo, la luz y la armonía de la belleza llamarán a las personas a su sano juicio.



## PARISH OUTREACH LENTEN MISSION

March 21-25, 2022 - Save the Dates!

The Holy Season of Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, March 2 and ends on April 15, Good Friday. To prepare ourselves for this sacred period, you are invited to attend our **Parish Outreach Lenten Mission** with reflective talks by well-known international Catholic speakers.

**All talks will be in the Parish Church from 7 pm to 8:30 pm.**

**March 21, Monday and March 22, Tuesday: Fr. Francis Peffley, Spiritual Director of the Legion of Mary**

**March 23, Wednesday and March 24, Thursday: Fr. Chris Alar, MIC**

On Friday, March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation of our Lord, Bishop Frank Dewane will celebrate Holy Mass at 5pm in the Church. No registration is needed for these Lenten events, and all are invited! More information to follow.

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## Alerta de Engaño y Fraude

Las parroquias de la Diócesis de Venice están sufriendo una ola de mensajes fraudulentos que usa nombres de sacerdotes o empleados de la parroquia y contienen pedidos de donaciones en forma de tarjetas de regalo o Pay Pal. Si el mensaje no proviene del dominio de la parroquia ([@avemariaparish.org](mailto:@avemariaparish.org)), considérela un engaño y fraude. No responda a los pedidos de donaciones inmediatas por medio de tarjetas de regalo o Pay Pal. Contacte a la Oficina Parroquial.



## Legión de María

La Legión de María es una organización apostólica de laicos en la Iglesia Católica. Cuenta con más de 33 millones de miembros en el mundo. Ha recibido el reconocimiento de numerosos Papas, incluyendo San Juan Pablo II. En nuestra parroquia las reuniones son:  
Lugar: **Mary & Mercy Center**  
Días: **Todos los Martes**  
Hora: **6:00PM - 7:30PM**  
Contacto: **Marvin Gaitan, [marvingaitan73@gmail.com](mailto:marvingaitan73@gmail.com)**

## Oración de la Semana: Acción de Gracias luego de Misa (Sto. Tomás)

Gracias te doy Señor Padre Omnipotente, eterno Dios, que a mí pecador, indigno siervo tuyo, sin mérito alguno y sólo por tu misericordia te has dignado alimentarme con el Cuerpo y la Sangre de tu Hijo, nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Te suplico que esta Sagrada Comunión no sea para mi alma ocasión de castigo, sino intercesión saludable de perdón.

Que esta Sagrada Comunión sea para mí armadura de fe, escudo de buena voluntad, muerte de mis vicios, destierro de todos mis carnales apetitos y aumento de caridad, de paciencia y de todas las virtudes. Sea digna defensa contra todos los enemigos de mi alma. Que sea perfecto remedio para mí espíritu; perpetua amistad contigo; verdadero Dios y Señor mío; y sello de mi muerte. Dichoso, ruégote tengas por bien llevar a este pecador a aquel convite inefable donde Tú, con tu Hijo y el espíritu Santo, eres para todos los santos, Luz verdadera, satisfacción cumplida, gozo perdurable, dicha consumada y felicidad perfecta. Por el mismo Cristo nuestro Señor. Amén.



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for more info!



SATURDAY MARCH 5, 2022

9:00AM-5:00PM | DOORS OPEN AT 8AM

Join us at the Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center, 75 Taylor Street, Punta Gorda, FL 33950, from 9AM to 5PM. The event will conclude with Mass with Bishop Frank Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida.

### FEATURED SPEAKERS



TRENT HORN  
Catholic Answers



EMILY WILSON  
Catholic Author & Speaker



MATTHEW LEONARD  
Next Level Catholic



DR. MICHAEL DAUPHINAIS  
Professor of Theology  
Ave Maria University

### Registration Fees

\$25 per Ticket  
\$10 per Student  
Priest/Deacon/Religious/Seminarian (Free)

### Questions

For more information, call the Evangelization Office at (941) 484-9543 or email your information: [evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org)



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