

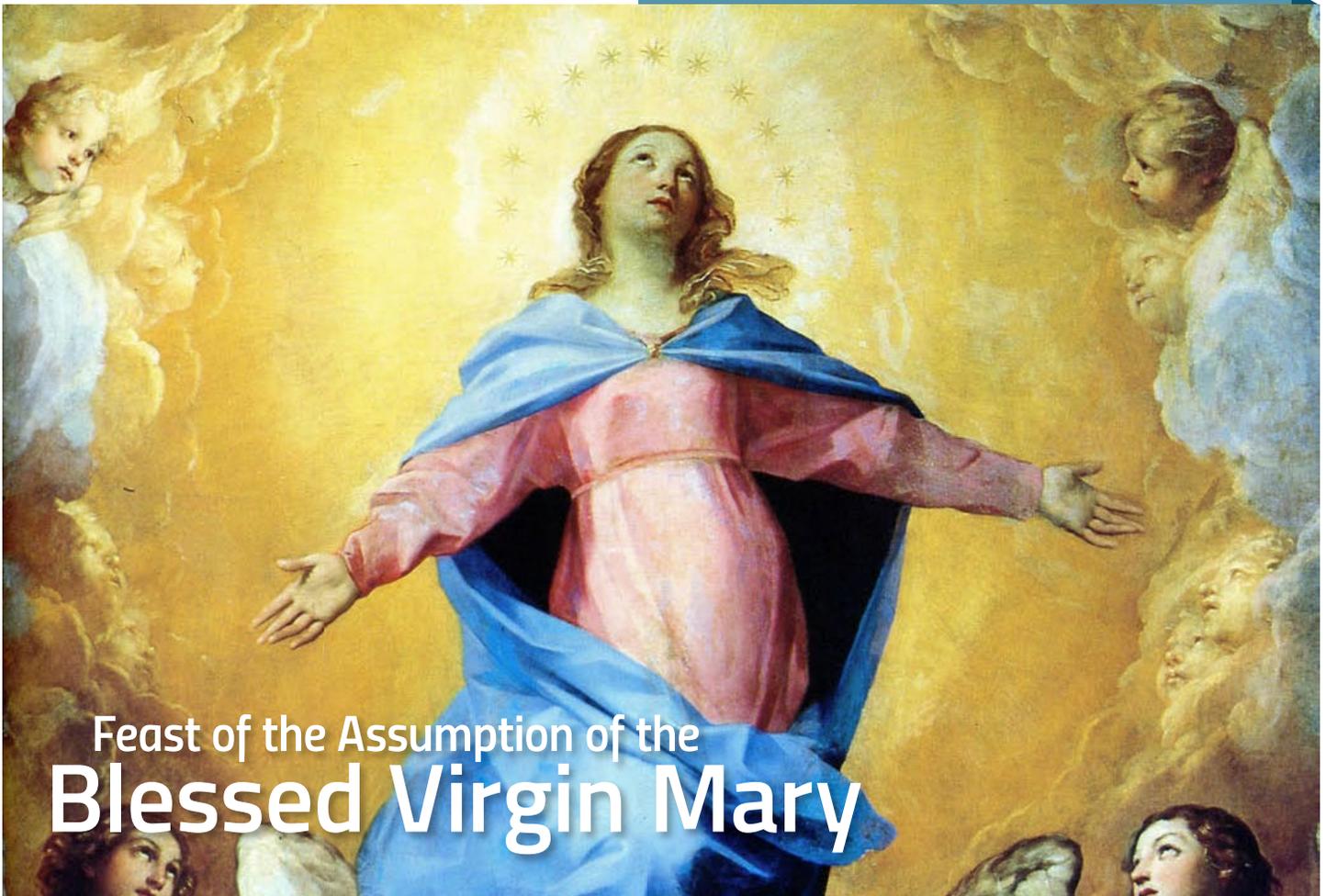
"Our Lord said. Be yourself with the good Lord." Saint Peter



August 15, 2021
*Feast of the Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin Mary*

SAN PEDRO

CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF VENICE, FLORIDA



Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Readings: Lec 622
Reading Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a
Resp Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16
Reading 1 Cor 15:20-27
Gospel Lk 1:39-56

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Weekly Offertory 8/08/21
Offertory: \$7,747
2nd Collection: \$1,330
The Church in Africa

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions

August 2021 - The Church



Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

You can find more information about the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network on their website www.popesprayerusa.net

INTENTIONS

- Mon, Aug 16th **8:30am** Bill Elrick & Souls in Purgatory +
- Tues, Aug 17th **8:30am** Chad Ryan Ledford +
- Wed, Aug 18th **8:30am** Jose Medeiros Guerreiro +
Phil Fouchey +
Allen Bergeron
- Thur, Aug 19th **8:30am** Richard J. Borda +
- Fri, Aug 20th **8:30am** Kenneth Archbold +
- Sat, Aug 21st **8:30am** Roberto Pino-Molina & Juana Molina-Castano
4pm Ed Evancho, Jr. BD Celebration +
- Sun, Aug 22nd **7:30am** Freida Ouellette +
Thomas Patrick Mulroy +
9am People of the Parish
10:45am Peggy Charlie Schaetzle +

SCHEDULE

Daily Rosary (Mon-Sat) 8:00am
Daily Liturgy (Mon-Sat) 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 2:00 pm

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday 7:30 | 9:00 | 10:45am
Rosary in the Grotto after 10:45 Mass

Holy Day Masses 7:30 & 9am, 7pm

Prayer Line Ministry: For your immediate prayer needs and petitions call Dolly at 941-240-5419. Anyone interested in praying for fellow parishioners & their families, please call.

San Pedro Catholic Church... The Key to the Future.

In contrast to some larger area churches, San Pedro stands out as an uncrowded, warm, and friendly parish providing a more intimate worship environment. **Our pastor is Reverend Patrick Organ.**



Blood Drive August 29th

There will be a Blood Drive on Aug. 29th 2021 in our church parking lot from 9:00am until 12:30pm. Save a life!

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The Assumption of Mary: Luke 1:39-56

On this feast, we praise God who has taken the **sinless Virgin Mary, body and soul, into His glory.**



Praying to Mary

Mary is the Patron Saint of All Humanity, Mothers, Cooks, Travelers and many more... when was the last time you prayed to Her?

In our first reading, from Revelation, we find God's temple in heaven opened and the Ark of the Covenant revealed. The most sacred item in Israel's history, the Ark had been missing since the Temple's destruction in 586 B.C. Thus, John reports some startling news. Even more startling is his revelation that the sacred vessel is now a woman, who is mother of the royal Son of David, the Messiah.

Of this woman, then, we sing to God as the ancient Israelites sang: "The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold." In the court of King Solomon, we glimpse Israel's traditional arrangement: Solomon's mother, Bathsheba, takes her place at the king's right hand (see 1 Kings 2:19). At Mary's Assumption, as we see in Revelation, the queen once again takes her place at the right hand of the Son of David.

Our second reading shows us why this is fitting: "in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order." What is

implicit in St. Paul's statement is revealed in Revelation. The consummation of Christ's work has begun, as is proper, with the Assumption of the queen mother.

John's Apocalypse shows also the fulfillment of our Gospel. There, Mary, pregnant with Jesus, retraces the steps of David as he brought the Ark to Jerusalem (see 2 Samuel 6). Mary "arose and went" into the hill country, just as David "arose and went" to that region. Upon Mary's arrival, Elizabeth is awestruck, just as David was before the Ark. The encounter causes the baby John to leap with excitement, as David leapt before the Ark. And Mary stayed in the "house of Zechariah" for "three months," as the Ark remained in the "house of Obed-edom" for the same period.

Mary is the vessel of God's presence, and she is queen mother. She reigns now in splendor with Jesus in the heavenly Jerusalem.

Something to Think About

Under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be loved.

He who runs from God in the morning will scarcely find Him the rest of the day.
-Bunyan

When I want to speak, let me think first. Is it true? Is it kind? Is it necessary? If not, let it be left unsaid. -Babcock

God has given us tongues that we may say something pleasant to our fellow men.
-Heinrich Heine

Whatever disunites man from God, disunites man from man. -Burke

Whoever sincerely endeavors to do all the good he can, will probably do much more than he imagines or will ever know to the day of judgment when the secrets of all hearts shall be made manifest. -Anonymous

Life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer you get to the end, the faster it goes.

Hope is putting faith to work when doubting would be easier.



A Joke

An elderly man complained to his doctor that he wasn't feeling well. "I'm doing all I can to help you," said the doctor. "You know I can't make you young again." "I don't want to be young again," the man replied, "I just want to keep on getting older."



Employment Opportunity

San Pedro Catholic Church is seeking a part-time Maintenance worker. This position requires several skills. [Apply at the Diocese of Venice website.](#)



Offering a Mass

Offering Mass for a particular Intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. A Mass offered to someone is for them to receive special graces. Masses are said for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance of someone deceased, or to honor the birthday or special anniversary for someone. If you would like to have a Mass said by a priest at San Pedro for someone, please stop by or call the Parish Office at 941-426-2500 for available dates and times.



- Our office can also make arrangements with the Oblate Fathers for a perpetual Mass. In both instances, we will provide keepsake cards for you to send to whomever you choose.
- The stipend or offering signifies the sacrificial nature of giving something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

A stipend for a Mass Intention can range from \$10-\$20 per request. Please contact the Parish Office to request a Mass Intention.

Let us pray for the eternal life of recently deceased: **Linda Canino & Sally Ann Genovese**

Faith Formation & RCIA for Adults

Here are the important dates for the beginning of this Faith Formation Year. We're looking forward to seeing you again!



Contact Us

If you are interested in helping or finding out where your gifts can be used please call Miss Anne at 941-426-2893

General Parent Orientations and the First Class

- **SUNDAY:** September 12, 2021 @ 9:00am (ACTIVITY CENTER)
- **WEDNESDAY:** September 15, 2021 @ 6:00pm (MEETING ROOM)

Parents may attend either orientation it does not matter what day your child attends class.

We are still registering for 2021-2022 year. Sunday Pre-Confirmation class is full, spots are available on Wednesday. Please call our office if you still need to register 426-2893. Registration will end when the first class is held.

2021(11th Grade) Confirmation Parents: The Welcome Back Meeting will be September 29, 2021 in the Parish Life Center at 6:00pm. Students do not need to attend. You will receive the information you need for picture and robe orders and the final calendar leading to the October 23rd Confirmation Mass.

2022 (10th Grade) Confirmation Parents: The Welcome Back Meeting will be Thursday, September 26, 2021 in the Parish Life Center at 9:00am. Students need to attend, this will be their first class. You will receive the schedule for the year and the special events the students will be expected to attend. Place on your calendar the October 23rd, Saturday Confirmation Mass for the 11th graders, the 10th graders need to attend if they did not attend one last year. Mass will begin at 10:00am.

2023 (9th Grade) Confirmation Parents: Parent and Student Orientation will be held on September 22, 2021 at 6:00pm. You will receive your Confirmation Folder with all the information you need for the next 2 years as these students prepare for the Sacrament. All are expected to attend. The students need to attend this will be their first class. Place on your calendar the October 23rd, Saturday Confirmation Mass for the 11th graders, the 9th graders need to attend if they have not attended a Confirmation Mass before. Mass will begin at 10:00am.

ALTAR FLOWERS, BREAD & WINE.

Flowers are used during weekend Masses and remain present for daily Mass. They're a way to bring joy to others while remember a loved one. The suggested offering is \$50.

Arrangements for the dedication of Altar Bread, Wine and Flowers are made by calling or stopping by the office Monday thru Friday, 9am-2pm.



The gratitude goes to...

Altar Bread and Wine for the month of August is donated In Loving Memory of W. & K, Lis from their Daughter

Flowers on the Altar for this weekend 8/15/21: In Thanksgiving to Our Lady from Bertram & Anna Marie Twaits



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Scholarships

Catholic Schools

Visit the Diocese of Venice Catholic School application webpage at <https://www.stepupforstudents.org/swflcatholic>.

Step Up for Students is a state-approved non-profit scholarship funding organization that helps administer four scholarships for Florida schoolchildren: the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program (FTC) for lower to middle income families, the Family Empowerment Scholarship (FES) for lower to middle income families and students with unique abilities (formerly

Gardiner), as well as the Hope Scholarship. These scholarships could provide up to \$7,000 for a Catholic School education with 2021 adjusted income guidelines. Step Up for Students will continue accepting applications throughout the school year. Visit the Diocese of Venice Catholic School application webpage at <https://www.stepupforstudents.org/swflcatholic>



Women... Find Your Purpose... Feed Your Soul at last, a powerful Catholic study just for you!

Full of Grace

WOMEN & THE ABUNDANT LIFE FOUNDATIONAL STUDY



Vatican II asked women to accept God's urgent call to **"Aid humanity in not falling."** **Full of Grace**, by Johnnette Benkovic Williams, will teach you how by revealing God's purpose and mission for you. **Over 9 weeks**, by looking to the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is our exemplar, you will delve into prayer, Sacred Scripture, church documents and teachings, the Catechism, and the lives of women saints. In addition, you will experience the healing power of the Holy Spirit as you are nurtured and fed spiritually, mentally and emotionally.

Be equipped to fulfill your call and mission as a woman of grace in the world today! **"For in this century we must no longer count on men to preserve the faith. The grain of faith that will be saved will hide itself among women. A woman cannot remain neutral in the world. She too is set for the fall and resurrection of many"** ~St. Madeline Sophie Barat (from Full of Grace, Study Guide)

Information: The Informational meeting has passed but for more info or to RSVP, contact Anne McKeon at faithformation@sanpedrocc.org, or 941-426-2893.

Study begins Tuesday, August 17th from 6 to 8pm. Full of Grace Book and Study Guide is purchased at www.womenofgrace.com. Questions: contact Linda deGonzague, lindadegonzague@gmail.com, 301-752-6248

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you someone of do you know someone who... Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized? Was baptized Catholic as child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more



How to get in touch and sign up.

If you're interested in RCIA or have questions, contact Anne McKeon at faithformation@sanpedrocc.org, or 941-426-2893



about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.



THE ROSARY IN OUR DAILY LIVES

Daily Morning Rosary

Rosary is said every morning starting at 8AM before the 8:30AM Mass. **Intention for this Rosary is any private intention.** Also, we recite 15 decades of the Rosary after the Wednesday morning Mass.

12Noon Sunday Rosary for America

Rosary will be held every Sunday after the 10:45AM Mass at the Grotto of San Pedro. (In case of bad weather, the Rosary will be held outside Chapel Doors under the roof). **Intention for his Rosary is the Salvation, Conversion and God's Protection of the United States of America.**

First Saturday Devotion

Rosary starts at 1PM outside at the Grotto of Our Lady. (In case of bad weather the Rosary will be held outside Chapel Doors under the roof).

Confessions start at 2PM in the Chapel which is followed by Mass at 4PM. The Saturday Devotion needs to be done on the five consecutive first Saturdays. For any questions, please call Ania at (941) 876-3826.

Intention of this devotion is to come under the protection of Our Holy Mother Mary.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Divine Mercy Chaplet is sung or recited every Tuesday after the 8:30AM Mass. AND at 3 PM on the 1st Friday of the month.

Prayer Line

For any prayer intention please call Dolly at 941 240-5419. Prayer Warriors always needed. As a Prayer Warrior you pray at your own time anywhere you are. We do not meet in a group. If you feel the call to pray for others, and in that way share your love with the world, please contact Dolly to join our wonderful team.



Together in Holiness 1st Annual Marriage Conference

Where Spouses Discover God's Plan for Their Family Together in Holiness is a marriage conference series for dioceses that inspires spouses to grow together in holiness and empowers parents to form their children in the Catholic faith.

- Saturday, October 2, 2021 | 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- St. Agnes in Naples and St. Thomas More in Sarasota
- Speakers: Kevin and Lisa Cotter, and more!

Registration: \$59/couple and \$35/individual. Early bird discount available until August 16. Scholarships available upon request, please inquire. On-site childcare available with pre-registration. For more information, **please visit togetherinholiness.org or email th@forlifeandfamily.org.**

Special & Catholic Announcements

Return in Catholic? - Have Your Children Left the Catholic Church? A troubling statistic shows that 50 percent of young people raised Catholic are no longer practicing Catholics today. The Catholic Church is losing young people at an alarming rate. Behind this are millions of mothers, fathers and grandparents praying for their children and grandchildren to come home to the Church. To understand why young people drift away, Brandon Vogt and Word of Fire Ministries released the book "Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church". The passive wait and see approach is no longer an option. We need a game plan to bring them home! For further information, or to order the book, please visit <https://www.wordonfire.org/return/> for "Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church" by Brandon Vogt

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"Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane" - Join Most Reverend Frank J. Dewane, Bishop of the Diocese of Venice, for his monthly radio program. "Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane" can be heard at 8:30 a.m., Friday, July 30th on 1660 AM in Naples as well as 1410 AM and 106.7 FM in Fort Myers. Listen anywhere online at RelevantRadio.com.