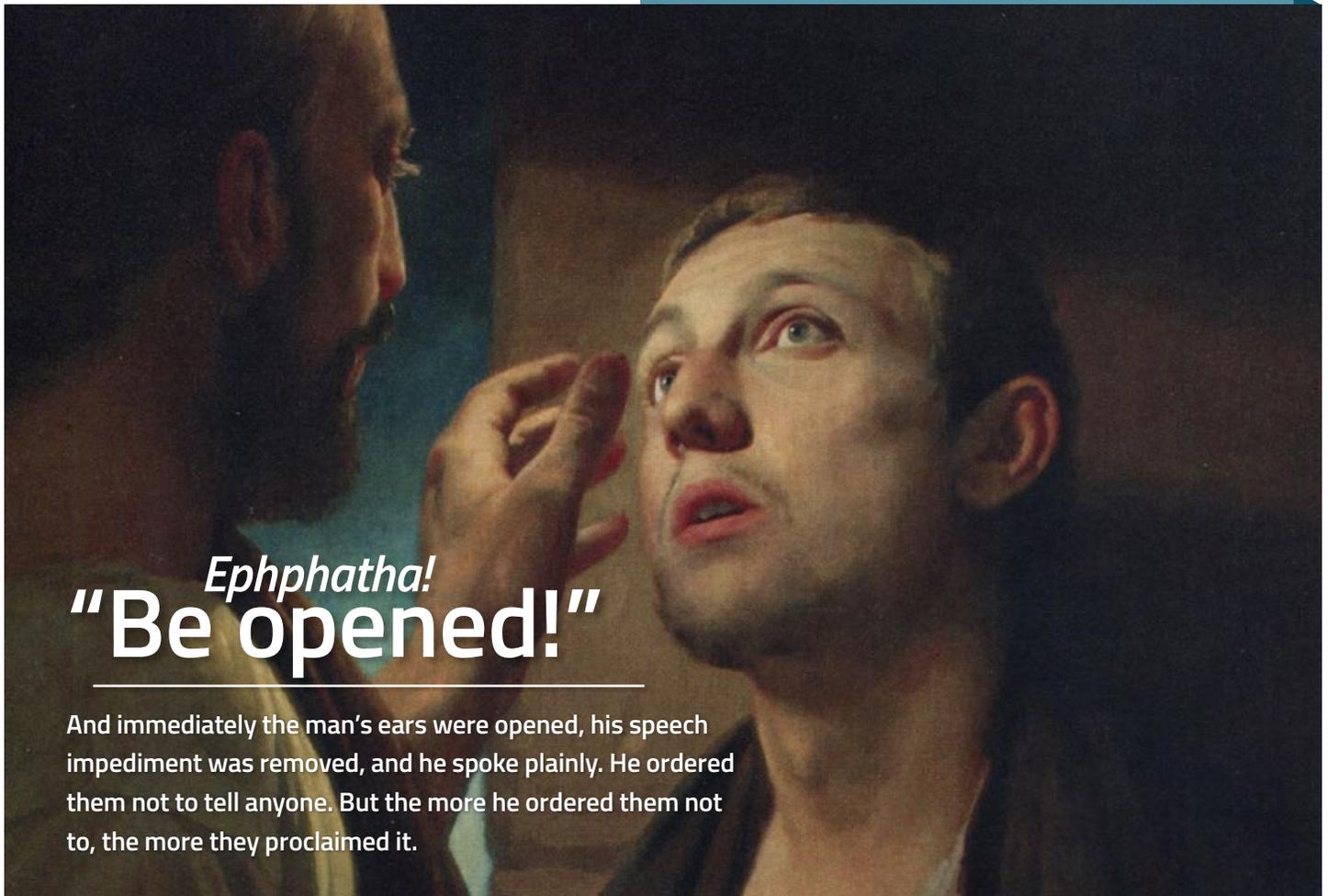




SAN PEDRO

CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF VENICE, FLORIDA



Ephphatha!
"Be opened!"

And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it.



Readings: Lec 128
Reading Is 35:4-7a
Resp Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
Reading Jas 2:1-5
Gospel Mk 7:31-37

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Weekly Offertory 8/29/21
Offertory: \$8,083
2nd Collection: \$2,436
Capital Expense

BINGO IS BACK!

September 17th. Activity Center doors open at 4:30PM.
Sponsored by the Holy Name Society.



INTENTIONS

- Mon, Sep 6th **8:30am Souls in Purgatory +**
- Tues, Sep 7th **8:30am Leo & Jeanette Graham +**
- Wed, Sep 8th **8:30am Phil Fouchey +
Diana Forrester +
Raoul Corbeil +**
- Thur, Sep 9th **8:30am Roland Bacon +**
- Fri, Sep 10th **8:30am Edward Gebhart BD Memorial +**
- Sat, Sep 11th **8:30am Leo A. Martin, Jr. 6mo. Mem Anniv +
4pm Larry & Donna Santucci's 50th Anniv +**
- Sun, Sep 12th **7:30am Helen & Warren Willson +
David Martin +
Mary Lou Grasser +
9am People of the Parish
10:45am Jim & Sheila Crowley +**

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.**



Prayer Shawl Meeting

Join us for a Prayer Shawl Meeting on Sept. 13th @11:00am in the Activity Center. Bring a friend!

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Rev. Richard Frohmiller **Deacon**

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Scott Hahn on the 23rd Sunday: Mark 7:31-37

The incident in today's Gospel is recorded only by Mark. The key line is what the crowd says at the end: "He has done all things well."



Ask Yourself

When was there a time that God the Father opened your eyes, and have they remained open? Or are you in need of more vision?

In the Greek, this echoes the creation story, recalling that God saw all the things He had done and declared them good (see Gen 1:31).

Mark also deliberately evokes Isaiah's promise, which we hear in today's First Reading, that God will make the deaf hear and the mute speak. He even uses a Greek word to describe the man's condition (mogilalon = "speech impediment") that's only found in one other place in the Bible—in the Greek translation of today's Isaiah passage, where the prophet describes the "dumb" singing.

The crowd recognizes that Jesus is doing what the prophet had foretold. But Mark wants us to see something far greater—that, to use the words from today's First Reading: "Here is your God."

Notice how personal and physical the drama is in the Gospel. Our focus is drawn to a

hand, a finger, ears, a tongue, spitting. In Jesus, Mark shows us, God has truly come in the flesh. What He has done is to make all things new, a new creation (see Revelation 21:1-5). As Isaiah promised, He has made the living waters of Baptism flow in the desert of the world. He has set captives free from their sins, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has come that rich and poor might dine together in the Eucharistic feast, as James tells us in today's Epistle. He has done for each of us what He did for that deaf mute. He has opened our ears to hear the Word of God and loosed our tongues that we might sing praises to Him.

Let us then give thanks to our glorious Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Let us say with Isaiah, "Here is our God, He comes to save us." Let us be rich in faith, that we might inherit the kingdom promised to those who love Him.

Something to Think About

Trifles make perfection and perfection is no trifle. —Michael Angelo

We will never get anywhere with our finances until we pass a law saying that every time we appropriate something we got to pass another bill along with it stating where the money is coming from. —Will Rogers

There is a time to born, and a time to die, says Solomon, but there is an interval between these two times of infinite importance. —Richmond

It is Satan's custom by small sins to draw us to greater, as the little sticks set the great ones on fire and a wisp of straw enkindles a block of wood. —T. Manton

Perhaps at the last day all that will remain worth recording of a life full of activity and zeal, will be those little deeds that were done solely beneath the eye of God. —Gold Dust

I like work; it fascinates me. I can sit and look at it for hours. —Jerome K. Jerome



A Joke

Restaurant Customer: "Waiter, why is this doughnut all crushed." Waiter: "Well you said coffee and a doughnut – And step on it."



Lunch & Learn - September 14th

Join us for our next Lunch and Learn on **Sept. 14th, 2021 at 11:30am in the activity center.** Speaker: Ellen Domke, Director at Homeless to Home Networking Lunches. Topic: "Nonprofit Services in the Northport Area".



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: **James Cleveland & Gary Peschke**

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 September is for the Intention of Conway Family from James & Cora Conway

There are no Altar Flowers this weekend. There are many weekends this summer available for the gift of flowers.



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Scholarships

Catholic Schools

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

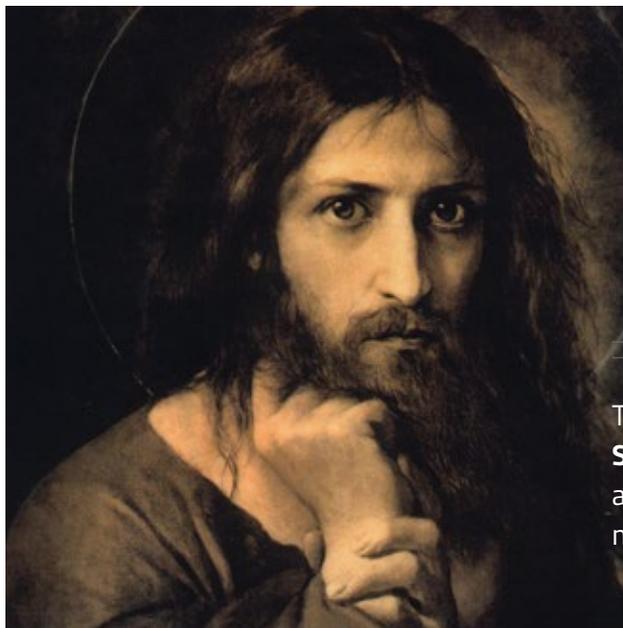
Step Up for Students is a state-approved non-profit scholarship funding organization that helps administer four scholarships for Florida schoolchildren: the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program (FTC) for lower to middle income families, the Family Empowerment Scholarship (FES) for lower to middle income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



The Casino Bus Trip!

The Holy Name Society is proud to announce a Casino Bus Trip (\$25) to the Seminole Casino Hotel in Immokalee. The trip will take place September 20th and we will leave the parking lot at 8:00am. For questions or to make a reservation, contact Ron Sadowski - President of Holy Name Society, at 941-416-5559. Space is limited. Reserve your spot today!



Holy Name SOCIETY

There will be a meeting of the Holy Name Society on **September 13th at 1PM in the Activity Center**. All are welcome. Members, and especially potential new members, are urged to join us.

Mandatory Ushers Meeting on 9/27

We are holding a mandatory meeting for Ushers on September 27th at 7PM for all Ushers and people with a desire to serve in that role. Life Safety Solutions will be performing certification for CPR and AED (defibrillator). Life Safety Solutions has trained over 350,000 people, and their instructors regularly receive positive feedback from clients. Life Safety Solutions is an AHA Authorized Training Center and an ECSI Education Center.



Michelle was such a great, informative and patient instructor. All who attended left with a better understanding of CPR/First Aid & AED. I, myself, feel more confident that if ever in that situation I now have the knowledge to help out.

—Jennifer, Human Resources, J.J. Taylor, Fort Pierce, FL



How to get in touch and sign up.

Please contact Ron Sadowski (Director of Ushers) at 941-416-5559 to reserve your spot today.



Maria Legionis 100th Anniversary Celebration
 Epiphany Cathedral Parish Hall - A
 350 Tampa Avenue West, Venice, FL 34285 | (941) 484-3505

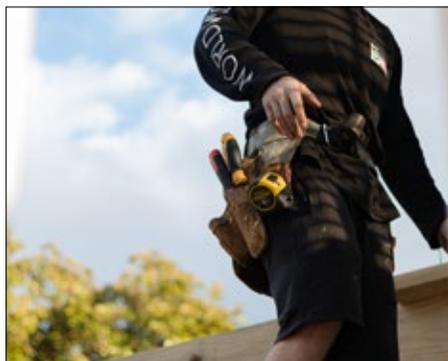
Saturday, September 11, 2021 | 4pm

4PM Mass	Every family please bring a dish to share!
5:30PM Pot Luck Dinner	Sponsored by The Legion of Mary.
6:30PM Living Rosary	RSVP: Julie Courville (941) 720-5690
7:00PM Dessert & Coffee	All are welcome!

Special & Catholic Announcements

We need Ushers! - We're in need of Ushers for both the 9:00 & 10:45 am Masses. Please contact Ron Sadowski (Director of Ushers) at 941-416-5599

Employment Opportunity: San Pedro Catholic Church is seeking a part-time Maintenance worker. This position requires the following skills: Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing, Equipment, Landscape and other types of maintenance. Apply at the Diocese of Venice website.



"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, September 24th on 1660 AM in Naples as well as 1410 AM and 106.7 FM in Fort Myers. Listen anywhere online at RelevantRadio.com.

 **BINGO IS BACK! 9/17 at 4:30pm in the Acitivity Center!**

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.

