



# SAN PEDRO

CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF VENICE, FLORIDA



## A season of hope.

# Advent



### Readings: Lec 3

Reading Jer 33:14-16  
Resp Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14  
Reading 1 Thes 3:12-4:2  
Gospel Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



"Until we have a passionate love for our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament we shall accomplish nothing."  
-Saint Peter

## Breakfast with Santa! AND HOLIDAY SALE

Join us on **Sunday Dec 12, 2021 from 8am-1pm**. This event will include raffles, giveaways, and fun stuff for the kids!  
Pancake breakfasts are \$7.00



# INTENTIONS

- Mon, Nov 29th 8:30am Samuel J. Sargent +
- Tues, Nov 30th 8:30am Walter Gens +
- Wed, Dec 1st 8:30am Souls in Purgatory +  
Eulogio Montealegre +  
Jack Fleming +
- Thur, Dec 2nd 9:00am Armand Gaboriault 11th Mem Anniv +
- Fri, Dec 3rd 8:30am Evancho & Garofalo Living Granchildren
- Sat, Dec 4th 8:30am Living Members of OCDS  
4pm Mary & John Prusak +
- Sun, Dec 5th 7:30am Helen & Warren Willson +  
Gary Peschke +  
Franco Puri +  
9am People of the Parish  
10:45am Agnes Stroker +

## 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.**

**BINGO IS A BLAST!**  
Holy Name Society is having BINGO at the Activity Center on Fridays. Doors open at 4:30pm.



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# The 1st Sunday of Advent: Luke 21:25-36

Advent is a season of hope and expectation. We are invited to prepare joyfully for the coming of Christ. He comes in history (his conception and birth), in mystery (through the sacraments, and especially the Eucharist), and in majesty (at the Last Day).



## Ask Yourself

How do the 3 comings of Christ impinge on my life? Do I want to deepen my awareness of them as I move through Advent?

In the first weeks of Advent the stress is on this third coming in majesty. Hence today's gospel which we have already prayed with in recent days. The old liturgical year ended, and the new one has begun, with our calling to mind the Lord's final coming at the end of time. We look forward to it with happy anticipation, not with fear.

Advent is a time of expectation. We joyfully prepare for the great feast of Christ's birth. However, Advent is also a time of preparation for the second coming of Jesus. The end of the world may not come in my lifetime, but my death will bring the end of my engagement with it. So I need to be ready when Jesus comes for me. How do we understand the signs of our own times? What is our response?

Apocalyptic visions no longer move me, Lord. But I hear your warning, that I do not let my heart be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life. The mother of dissipation is not joy but joylessness. In

you, Lord, I find the basis of my peace, enabling me to stand up and raise my head. Jesus is using traditional Jewish symbolism to describe what will happen when God's final judgment occurs. He says that people "will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud." The cloud is a symbol for God's presence. Jesus' message bursts with hope and confidence because, unlike those who have reason to fear his coming, Jesus' followers will be able to hold their heads high because their liberation is at hand. Jesus urges me to be on guard so that my heart is not weighed down by the worries of life. What are the worries and cares of life that weigh me down today? As I prepare for a conversation with Jesus, can I bring my worries and cares to him in prayer?

We do not know when the end of time will take place. What is certain is that our own lives will one day come to an end. If I were to be called from this life today, to stand before the Son of Man, would he be able to say to me, "well done, good and faithful servant"?

## Something to Think About

Practice yourself what you preach. –Plautus

If you can't help, don't hinder. –Unknown

A promise should be given with caution and kept with care. –Unknown

Let no man presume to give advice to others that has not first given good counsel to himself. –Seneca

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and some absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely with too high a spirit to be cumbered with your old nonsense. This day is all that is good and fair. It is too dear with its hopes and invitations to waste a moment on the yesterdays. –Ralph Waldo Emerson

Better be silent than to speak ill. –Unknown

Confess you were wrong yesterday. It will show you are wise today. –Unknown

Never promise more than you can perform. –Publius Syrus

He who can take advice is sometimes superior to him who can give it. – Karl Von Knebel

Measure not men by Sundays, without regarding what they do all the week after. –Thomas Fuller

## A Joke

Kathy watched as Father Pat baptized her little brother. When the ceremony reached the pouring of the water little Kathy edged up to the baptismal font and said to the priest, "Don't forget to wash behind his ears too, Father Pat."



# 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'd like a Mass, 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. For both, 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. Contact the Parish Office to request.

# A Message from Bishop J. Dewane

We have \$60,000 left to go on our CFA Goal. The CFA proclaims Christ's Mission not only in word but also in concrete action.



Give to the CFA

If you are interested in giving one time, or setting up recurring payments, please contact the Parish Office at your convenience.

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

May this upcoming Advent Season be for you and your family a time filled with prayer and hope as we anticipate the coming of Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. In Scripture, the faithful are reminded, "Be generous and you will be prosperous. Help others and you will be helped" (Proverbs 11:25). The Catholic Faith Appeal is an opportunity for parishioners to be charitable by aiding and assisting the homeless; the youth in religious education; the expectant mother; the student of our Catholic schools; the individual or family seeking a relationship with Jesus Christ; the senior needing affordable housing or medicine, and many more.

Thank you for accepting my invitation to contribute to the 2021 Catholic Faith Appeal. Your donation not only sustains the many diverse programs and ministries in our parishes, but also assists those in dire need.

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your kind gift to help our brothers and sisters in need. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones during this season of Thanksgiving when we give thanks for all our Lord has given us. Have a blessed Advent Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+Frank J. Dewane*

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida



## Attention all Altar Servers!

There will be a meeting on **Saturday, Dec 4th at 10am in the Religious Ed Center**. All servers and those who would like to be servers are to attend. Parents are invited also.

## ALTAR FLOWERS, BREAD & WINE.

Flowers are used during weekend Masses **outside of Lent and Advent** and remain present for daily Mass. Many dates are available for 2022. They're a way to bring joy to others while remembering 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. We are grateful for your generosity!



The gratitude goes to...

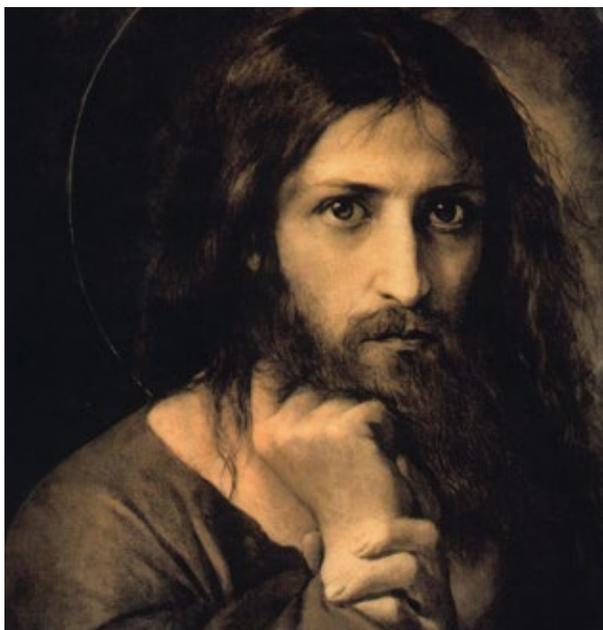
Altar Bread and Wine for November is **In Loving Memory of Chester Blais by Roberta Blais**



## Join our National Night of Prayer for Life

**Uniting the Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
with the Feast of St. Juan Diego**

**Please join Deacon Rich in our chapel, 9 PM Dec. 8th (Wednesday) to 1 AM Dec. 9th (Thursday).** The National Night of Prayer for Life bridges the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the unborn, first appearing to St. Juan Diego. These two feasts honor Our Blessed Mother and pray through Her intercession for the establishment of a Culture of Life, protection for the Church from persecution and asks Our Lord to REVIVE OUR LAND. All are invited to participate! Come for any part of it or come for all of it! If we ever needed these prayers, we need them now!

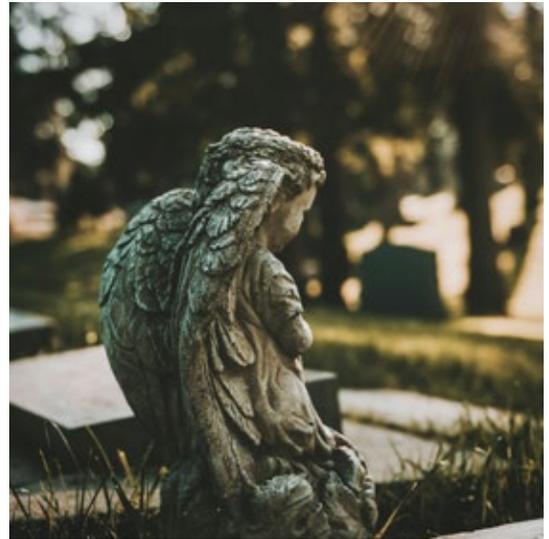


## Holy Name SOCIETY

**The next Holy Name Society meeting will be on Monday, December 6th, at 1:00 PM in the Activity Center.** All are welcome and we ask that you bring a friend or two. We are looking for new members who want to participate in our church and make a difference. Light refreshments are served. For more information please contact our President, Ron Sadowski at 941-416-5559.

# Arimathean Ministry

Our Arimatheans kindle the Parish spirit of community by their presence at funerals, and respect toward the family of the deceased in this final tribute. **To learn more, contact Judith Ribarick at 941-426-7976. We'd love for you to join us.**



POPE FRANCIS'  
MONTHLY PRAYER

## Intentions

**November:** People Who Suffer from Depression: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life. **Find the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network at [www.popesprayerusa.net](http://www.popesprayerusa.net)**



AN INVITATION

## Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima

Contact Ania

Please call (941) 876-3826 for visits. We are more than happy to deliver and instruct you on how to fulfill this wonderful honor.

**We have had the this statue of Our Lady of Fatima in our Church since 2010 and she has been with many Parish families.** The Pilgrim Virgin's mission is to spread the devotion to the Holy Rosary. When a person invites Her for a week or 2 week stay at the home, the rosary has to be said each day until Our Lady is taken to another home.

Invite Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim to visit you and your family for 1 week. Pray the rosary with your friends and family daily as long as Our Lady stays with you. Hopefully daily family prayer will continue and bless you and your loved ones after this special visit. You will be blessed during this process. **Please call (941) 876-3826 for visits.**





P: 941-423-7139

If you have questions or would like to get involved, contact our Parish Nurse - Pattie at 941-423-7139. We look forward to meeting you!

# Announcements

**Safe Environment Training** - As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and complete online training in Safe Environment prior to beginning employment or volunteering. Please visit <https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/programs/safeenvironment/>. Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. Further, if Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

**“Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane”**- Join Bishop Frank J. Dewane, for his monthly radio program on Relevant Radio on 106.7 FM and 1410 AM in Naples. “Witnessing Faith with Bishop Dewane” can be heard at 8:30 a.m., on Friday, November 26. Outside of the listening area access to the program is available at <https://dioceseofvenice.org/our-bishop/relevant-radio-podcasts>.

**Holiday Wish List** - Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. is in need of key items leading up to Thanksgiving and Christmas. All Catholic Charities food pantries are in need of non-perishable food items (canned fruits and vegetables, soup, peanut butter, tuna, tomato sauce, rice, pasta and cereal) to help restock the shelves for the holiday season. In addition, Catholic Charities is also accepting donations for Christmas including unwrapped gifts for children (baby and toddler toys, board games, athletic equipment, bicycles and more) and for the elderly (card, dominoes, activity books, crossword puzzles). Gift cards to local grocery and retail stores are also accepted. To learn about how to make a donation, please visit [www.catholiccharitiesdov.org/how-you-can-help/](http://www.catholiccharitiesdov.org/how-you-can-help/) or call 941-488-5581.

## Respect Life Ministry

The mission of San Pedro's Respect Life Ministry is to “preserve and protect the rights of all, from conception to the natural end of life, through prayer and Pro-Life activities which support and encourage respect for God's creations.”

**We meet the 1st Monday if every month at 6:30pm in the Family Life Building.** Our next meeting is December 6th. Anyone interested in life issues including protecting the unborn, the death penalty, euthanasia, and other life issues are welcome to attend For more information, please call Deacon Rich at 941-412-4718.

# 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 inside the church. In the winter we might be outside by the Grotto of Our Lady. If it is raining we will most likely be inside the church or under the roof by the San Pedro Chapel. Please join us in this weekly Rosary and pray for God's mercy for America. Mother of Our Savior is waiting for you!

## 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.

