

# SAN PEDRO

CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF VENICE, FLORIDA

## Removing the Mote From Thine Eye

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**Ash Wednesday, March 2nd**  
**Mass Times 7:30am, 9:00am & 7:00pm**

*See page 4 for information on fasting & abstinence.*



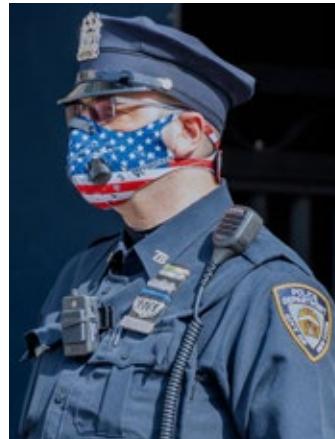
### Readings: Lec 84

Reading Sir 27:4-7  
Resp Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16  
Reading 1 Cor 15:54-58  
Gospel Lk 6:39-45



### Weekly Offertory 2/20/2022

Offertory: \$16,415  
2nd Collection: \$3,202



### Lunch n'Learn!

Please join us as we welcome the North Port Police Department to our next Lunch & learn on March 8th at 11:30am. They will be speaking on the subject of "Home & Community Safety".

If interested in attending please contact Patty Larker at 734-752-3358.



# INTENTIONS

Mon, Feb 28th	<b>8:30am Elizabeth Nazarian +</b>
Tues, Mar 1st	<b>8:30am Joann Papanek +</b>
Wed, Mar 2nd	<b>8:30am Robert Ricci +</b> <b>Anonymous +</b> <b>Elizabeth Nazarian +</b>
Thur, Mar 3rd	<b>8:30am Harry Dangler +</b>
Fri, Mar 4th	<b>8:30am Elizabeth Nazarian +</b>
Sat, Mar 5th	<b>8:30am Elizabeth Nazarian +</b> 4pm <b>Helen &amp; Patrick Carty +</b>
Sun, Mar 6th	<b>7:30am Gary Peschke +</b> <b>Tom Cascio +</b> <b>James Tomasello +</b> 9am <b>People of the Parish</b> 10:45am <b>Halina Skoczen +</b>

**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.

## SCHEDULE

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

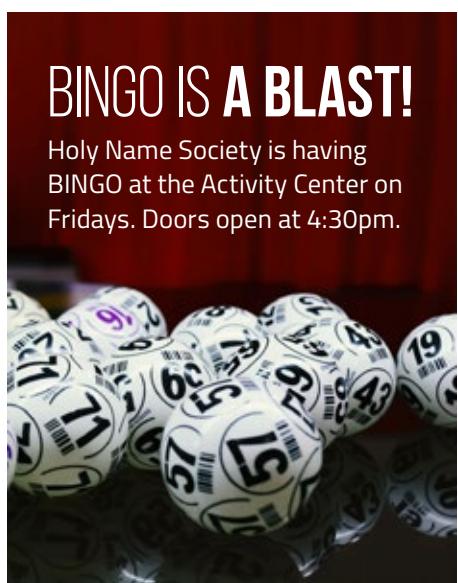
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturdays 2:00 pm

**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

# 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.

**Fr. Patrick Organ** Pastor  
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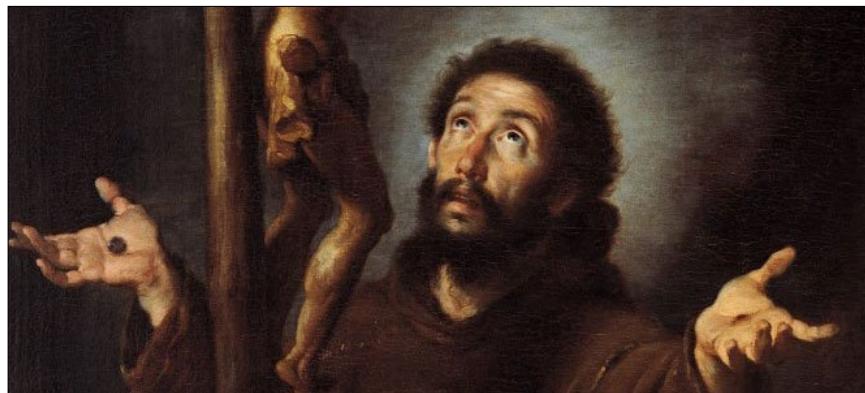
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# The 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Luke 6:39-45

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## Pray on This

Lord, you are telling me not to criticize at all, because I am never above criticism myself.

Looking out for number one is the main object and goal of most of the world. Christianity in general has condemned and criticized this "me-first" mentality. We are reminded that the Bible is about giving ourselves away, and looking out for the needs of others rather than our own. And all of that is true. I will not deny it for a second. But one overlooked emphasis in the Bible is that while we are putting others above ourselves, and being self-sacrificing rather than self-serving, there is still one area of our lives where we must first and foremost look out for number one. The Bible teaches that in one area of our lives, to be all that God wants us to be, we must first and foremost look out for number one.

What is this area? It is the area of personal holiness. Christians today are weak on holiness. We would rather point out a dozen sins in the life of someone else than take an honest look at the sin in our own life. We love to point the finger at others, but when someone points it at us, or when the Holy Spirit convicts us of sin, we are quick to defend our actions and make excuses for our failures.

When it comes to sin, and developing a life of holiness, you must adopt a "Me-

first" mentality. Take an honest look at your own life, before you try to point out sin in someone else. An honest Christian reserves his strictest criticism for himself. Paul writes in 1 Timothy 4:16 to watch your own life and doctrine closely, for in so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Look out for number one. Not for selfish reasons, but for sanctification reasons. Don't think that you can go about and correct everybody else, when you have some glaring faults in your own life that must be dealt with. And if you think you don't have any glaring faults, you better look again.

All of this is what Christ teaches in Luke 6:39-42. These verses begin the section in Christ's Discipleship manual about our attitude toward ourselves. Luke 6:27-38 was about our attitude toward others, and we saw last week that we when we judge others, it must be a correct judgment. It must be a judgment of mercy and forgiveness.

Luke 6:39-42 continues this idea of judgment, but shift from talking about correctly judging others to judging ourselves first. When you judge, judge yourself first.

## Something to Think About

Jesus is God spelling himself out in language that man can understand. —S.D. Gordon

God, grant us the serenity to accept what cannot be changed, the courage to change what can be changed, and the wisdom to know one from the other  
—Reinhold Niebuhr

Great spirit, help me never to judge another until I have walked in his moccasins —Indian Prayer

Teach us Lord, to serve thee as thou deservest: to give and to count the cost: to fight and not to heed the wounds: to toil and not seek for rest: to labor and not ask for any reward save that of knowing that we do your will. —St. Ignatius of Loyola

To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances; to seek him, the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement. —Raphael Simon

Religion should be our steering, not our spare tire. —Charles L. Wheeler

It is thanking God for the gift of life by living it triumphantly. It is thanking God for your talents and abilities by accepting them as obligations to be invested for the common good. —Wilfred A. Peterson

## A Joke

A lady stopped to visit her neighbor who had a little son about five or six years old. The visitor noticed the boy staring at her. She asked him, "What are you looking at?" After a moment's pause, the lad replied, "Mama said you were two-faced, but I can see only one."



# 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.

Please pray for the recently deceased:  
Mary Furtado, Jose V. Palacios, &  
Vilma Carboni

# Regulations on Fasting And Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022, and Good Friday, April 15, 2022, are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence from meat.

## LENTEN INFO

Interested in learning more about Lenten observances? Search the terms on Google "Catholic Observer Refresher on Rules of Lent" for more info!

**Fasting** is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics between the ages of 18 years and 59 years (inclusive). On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is to continue until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as, the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection.



**Abstinence** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday.

Note: If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.

**Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer** are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

## Check out Our New San Pedro Library!

OPEN TUESDAY AND THURSDAY. 9:00 AM-11:00 AM STARTING ON MARCH 22, 2022 IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER!

- There are answers to burning questions about your faith. The Catholic Church.
- There are many books about the life of Jesus.
- There are books for children to help them learn about Jesus and to better understand the Catholic Mass.
- There are books for teens and their unanswered questions on life and the Church.
- There are books for moms and dads working to raise their children in the Catholic faith.



## 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.



The gratitude goes to...

Altar Bread and Wine for February is  
**In Loving Memory of Jozefa Barski**  
by the Mosczynski Family

Altar Bread and Wine for March  
is **In Loving Memory of Catherine**  
**Shearer-White 2nd Mem. Anniv.** By  
the Shearer Family

JOIN OUR NEXT BIBLE STUDY...

NO

# GREATER LOVE

MARCH 14TH - APRIL 11TH | 5 WEEKS  
6:30-8 PM IN THE FAITH FORMATION CENTER

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH  
CHRIST'S PASSION

Contact: Jackie McCoy for information and registration 206-963-6234.  
Workbooks can be purchased through: [ascensionpress.com/collection/no-greater-love](http://ascensionpress.com/collection/no-greater-love)  
or contact Jackie McCoy 206-963-6234

*"This bible study is an excellent way to experience Lent and the Passion of Christ and see the Holy Land via Video lecture, bible study and group interaction. Come join us."*

# Holy Name SOCIETY

The next Holy Name Society meeting will be on **Monday, March 7th, 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.



## 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 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.**



## 2023 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS NOW OPEN

# Mass Intentions

**Contact Us**

Please call (941) 426-2500 if you have trouble filling out the form or have special requests. We are more than happy to help you.

**The Mass book for 2023 opens on Tuesday, March 8th.** You can complete the attached form and place it in the offertory basket during the weekend Mass. You may also mail it in, or drop it in the black box outside the office. Phone-in requests will be accepted. We will be time stamping all requests up to March 8th, and then we will begin to process all requests. If there are conflicts, we will contact you by phone. Otherwise, consider your requested dates accepted. If you do not receive a receipt by April 15th, please call the office.

- Initially, and through April, you may only request up to 4 Masses.
  - Until April 15th, Mass intentions are provided on a first come, first served basis.
  - After the 15th we will return to the way we normally process intentions.
- Send in the form below with a check made payable to San Pedro. The stipend is \$10 for each Mass**



## 2022-2023 Mass Intention Requests

**YOUR NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_**YOUR CONTACT NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_**YOUR COMPLETE ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_*Where we will send the receipt.***NAME FOR MASS INTENTION** PLEASE INDICATE (L) LIVING OR (D) DECEASED.

DAY	DATE	TIME
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2.		
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WE CAN PRINT A MAXIMUM OF 30 CHARACTERS, INCLUDING SPACES

# JOIN THE "WALK TO EMMAUS" Women's Retreat

Friday, Mar 11th (early PM) to Sunday, Mar 13th. OLPH Retreat Center in Venice. Hosted by Epiphany Cathedral Emmaus Retreat Team. This retreat is based on the Gospel of Luke 24:13-35 in which Jesus joins two disciples on their way to Emmaus. Contact Donna Vodraska at [donnavodraska@aol.com](mailto:donnavodraska@aol.com)



## San Pedro Parish Holy Name Society Presents: **St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance**

**March 12, 2022**

**6pm • Activity Center**

**Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner**

**Cash Bar**

**Music by Happy Feet**

**\$25 Donation to Benefit the  
2022 Catholic Faith Appeal**

**For tickets call:**

**Ron Sadowski: 941-416-5559**

**Fred Kalita: 941-429-6602**

**Tickets will also be available in the  
Church Store as well as in the Main Office**

# 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.

## 12 Noon 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.