



ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

We Are Ambassadors for Christ



May 11, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Thank you for joining us today!
¡Gracias por acompañarnos!

*The Good Shepherd, painted on the ceiling of the
Catacombs of Saint Callixtus, 3rd Century*



*El Buen Pastor, pintada en el techo de las
Catacumbas de San Calixto Siglo III*

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MASS SCHEDULE



*Parishioners are invited to come
celebrate with us the real presence of
Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.*



Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - Eng.

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 4:00 PM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 6:00 PM - Sp.
Sunday 8:00 AM - Eng. 10:00 AM - Eng.
12:00 PM - Sp. 6:00 PM - Sp.

Confessions:

**Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM, English & Spanish,
or by appointment.**

**Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370.
Thank you!**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 10, 2025

4:00 PM ✠ Eliodora & Aurora Feliciano
 6:00 PM (Sp.) ✠ Hilholio Moreno

Sunday, May 11, 2025

8:00 AM ✠ Karen Hill
 10:00 AM ✠ Maria Celinda Moreno
 12:00 PM (Sp.) ✠ Gloria Vasquez
 6:00 PM (Sp.) ✠ Blanca Del Valle Guzman

Monday, May 12, 2025

9:00 AM ✠ Mildred Lopez

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

9:00 AM ✠ Joffred Mercado

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

9:00 AM ✠ Memorial Mass Association

Thursday, May 15, 2025

9:00 AM ✠ Kennedy Sanchez

Friday, May 16, 2025

9:00 AM ✠ Elizabeth Poplarcheck

Saturday, May 17, 2025

4:00 PM ✠ Michelle Wieber
 6:00 PM ✠ Mariel Amaya Gonzalez

Sunday, May 18, 2025

8:00 AM ✠ Art Santiago
 10:00 AM ✠ Cassie Green
 12:00 PM (Sp.) ✠ Alicia Acosta
 6:00 PM (Sp.) ✠ Isaura Salazar

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PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

May 3 & 4, 2025

Regular Offertory: \$15,500
 Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$3,769
 50/50: Winner has been notified - \$163
 Faith Direct April 1-15: \$5,591.14
 Miscellaneous: \$2,000



OCA 2025 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$191,737.10
 Pledged to Date: \$114,836.17
 Cash received to Date: \$52,796.09
 Still needed in Pledges: \$76,900.93

**While we have made a lot of progress in pledges,
there is an amount in pledges that needs to be covered.**

**Thank you for helping to spread the
good news of salvation!**



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

will take place all day on **Fridays** in the church
 from 9:30 AM-6:30 PM.

***Every first Friday of the month, the reposicion
will be at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass in Spanish.**



Ministerio San Jose se reunirá el mes de Mayo en el
hogar de la familia de:

Sra. Juliana Cardenas
300 Gina Ln.
Davenport, FL 33837

FAITH DIRECT

If you haven't already, please consider enrolling. You may visit
faith.direct/FL1031 or through our website
www.stannahc.com to enroll for regular Offertory and our
 Buildings & Grounds fund securely on-line. Also, "text to give" is
 available at **(863) 400-1077**. You can text to
 enroll and text any dollar amount.

We pray for your continued good health and
 safety in this time of change, and always know
 you are in our prayers. God Bless You!



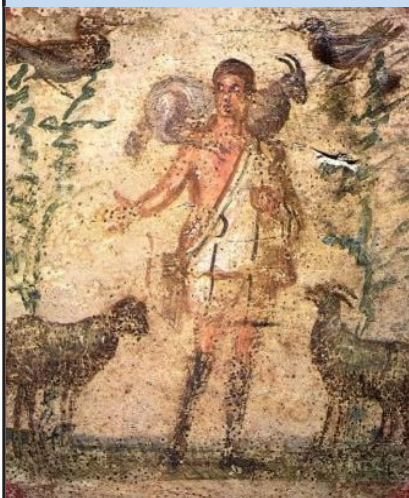
Today, May 11, the Church
 celebrates "Good Shepherd
 Sunday." We would like to take
 this opportunity to honor
 Fr. Alfonso and Fr. Jose Luis as
 the spiritual leaders of our
 community. We extend our
 heartfelt thanks for their ministry
 and the love they express
 through their words.

Thank you for all your teachings!

May God continue to bless you!



SMART ANIMAL



Today's Gospel is short—very short. It only has eight lines and 63 words, but its message is profound: Jesus tells us he is the good shepherd who leads his sheep to eternal life. Some people do not like being called sheep; they think they are stupid animals. However, sheep are more intelligent than we think. Yes, they do have a strong flocking instinct, but that is how they have learned to protect themselves from predators. Scientists tell us that sheep are sometimes smarter than monkeys. They can recognize colors, symbols, faces, and facial expressions. They can also navigate complex labyrinths.

When Jesus said, 'My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me,' he knew what he was talking about. Shepherds gathered their animals into folds every night in Palestine to protect them from danger. Several shepherds often used the same enclosure, but the sheep never were mixed up. Each morning, they really did recognize their shepherd's voice. The shepherd would walk off, talking to or calling them by name, and they would follow. The sheep would never follow a stranger.

In today's Gospel, Jesus says the Good Shepherd does three things for his sheep. First, he knows his sheep well. Second, Jesus keeps them safe from harm; third, he leads his followers to everlasting life. Jesus says his sheep hear his voice, he knows them, and they follow him. This means that Jesus knows each of us personally. He loves us, protects us, and wants to lead us to eternal life. For instance, he knows our fears, joys, struggles, and triumphs. He knows our names and the number of hairs on our heads. In addition, like sheep, we must learn to recognize and follow his voice. However, if we keep our eyes on the Good Shepherd when we listen to his voice and follow his lead, we will surely be led to safety and greener pastures.

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

A PRAYER REQUEST!

Our students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time will receive the Sacrament on Saturday, May 17, 2025. Please continue to pray for these young Catholics as they head towards this significant day.

A REQUEST TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Do you have any dresses and/or boy suits, jackets, and/or pants that might be suitable for someone about to receive their First Holy Communion? We always seek clothing donations for families to use when their child receives their First Holy Communion. Please bring these items to the Religious Education Office during regular office hours.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR CONTINUES!

Spaces are available in our:

1. Kindergarten and Grade 1 *Intro to the Catholic Faith* program (Non-Sacramental Prep)
2. Sacrament of Holy Communion Only Preparation program, Grades 2-6
3. Sacrament of Confirmation Only Preparation program, Grades 7-12
4. Dual Sacraments of Holy Communion/Confirmation program, Grades 7-12
(Any student in Grades 7-12 needing the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be enrolled in this program.)
5. Continuing Faith Formation program for students who have already received the Sacrament of Holy Communion and are entering Grades 3-6

Please call the Religious Education Office for more information.



NEW & CURRENT PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the area and our parish, we would like to welcome you and make you feel right at home!

We are blessed with your presence, and invite you to register with the parish so that we can get to know each other better.

If you are a new or current parishioner and would like to receive donation envelopes, please know that to receive them monthly, you must be a registered parishioner. Registration cards can be found in the Narthex.



WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Good and gracious God,
We thank you for all mothers—the women you have called to bring forth new life, and women who provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of those entrusted to their care.

Give them the courage to raise Godly children through happy and difficult times and wisdom to guide their children on the path to eternal life.

Fortify them through your Word and Sacraments to endure the challenges and trials of motherhood.

Instill in them joy and delight as they accompany their children through the years.

Shower them with care and support from their family and friends.

Comfort those mothers who have lost their children and those children who have lost their mothers.

In your charity, **entrust all mothers** to the tenderness of your own Mother, Mary.

We love our mothers, Lord. We ask for your blessing upon them this day and always.

Amen!



FIRST COMMUNION

During the last year, 193 children have been preparing to receive their First Confession and First Communion. These children have put all their efforts into learning our Catholic Faith and reverently receiving the Real Presence of God in the Eucharist.

Join us on May 17, 2025, at 10:00 AM as we celebrate their First Communion.

Let us keep these children in our prayers, as they are the future of our Parish!



6-WEEK DAYTIME BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP

Catholic Mass Readings and Daily Meditations



Beginning Thursday, May 15

Thursdays - 9:45 AM (following the 9:00 AM Mass) for 1.5 to 2-hour sessions.

Fr. Carlos Bldg., Room 5

BASED ON:

The Word Among Us—Keys to the Bible: "Healing Stories of Jesus"

GOAL:

To provide an environment in which we can worship & pray together while strengthening our relationship with other Christians.

MAY: MONTH OF MARY

During May, we celebrate the commemoration of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

That is why we meditate more on the mystery that our Mother offers us. We offer an exhibition around our campus of the different Marian devotions in the world.

We invite our congregation to walk through our field and learn more about the different Marian devotions.



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

These holy women embraced all that is beautiful in motherhood and their faith. Happy Mother's Day! Today, when we honor all the women who devote their lives to raising and nurturing children, we have found some essential quotes from well-known saints who can appreciate the joys and hardships of being a mother.

These little pearls of wisdom can give us a boost when we're feeling overwhelmed, as well as reminding us what is truly important in life:

"The good Lord does not do things by halves; He always gives what we need. Let us then carry on bravely."
— St. Zélie Martin

"Love and sacrifice are closely linked, like the sun and the light. We cannot love without suffering, and we cannot suffer without love." — St. Gianna Moretta Molla

"Live simply, so that all may simply live." — attributed to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

And although not a biological mother, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta was a mother to the many she helped, reminding us of something essential to motherhood...

"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."
— St. Teresa of Calcutta

This weekend's floral arrangement of roses and carnations is dedicated to all mothers. Each flower symbolizes a prayer for all mothers who are with us today and those who are in heaven. God Bless you all!



OCIA REGISTRATION



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR OCIA SUMMER CONFIRMATION & FALL FULL SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Requirements for Summer Confirmation (English only)

- 1) 18 Years or Older
- 2) Proof of **both** Baptism & 1st Holy Communion
- 3) Have a Sponsor or Godparent

Requirements for Full Sacrament Programs (Spanish & English)

- 1) Age Requirements
 - A) 7+ years old and never baptized
 - B) 17+ years old and seeking both 1st Communion & Confirmation
- 2) Proof of Baptism (if in Category B above)

Registration will be May 11, 18, & 25 from
10:30 AM to 2:00 PM in the Fr. Carlos Bldg.,
Room 8. For information, contact Tammy Higgins at
(863) 514-4366 or thiggins6968@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDY

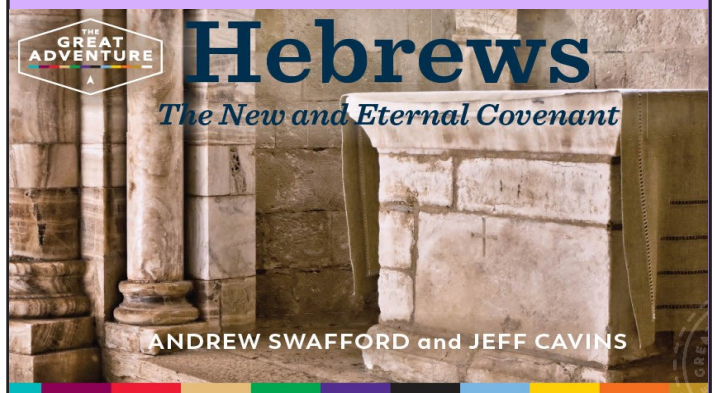
MONDAYS (beginning May 12) 5:30 PM in the Fr. Carlos Bldg.

Embark on a guided tour of the "Holy of Holies" of biblical theology in Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant, an eight-part Bible study presented by Dr. Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins!

In this study, Catholics can see, appreciate, and take hold of the riches God has given them in the New Covenant.

Highlighting the critical distinctions between the Old and New Covenants, Hebrews will help Catholics get to know the generosity of the Father's heart in a deeper way than ever before.

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ANIMAL INTELIGENTE



El Evangelio de hoy es breve, muy breve. Solo tiene ocho líneas y 63 palabras, pero su mensaje es profundo: Jesús nos dice que es el buen pastor que guía a sus ovejas a la vida eterna. A algunas personas no les gusta que las llamen ovejas; piensan que son animales tontos. Sin embargo, las ovejas son más inteligentes de lo que creemos. Sí, tienen un fuerte instinto de manada, pero así es como han aprendido a protegerse de los depredadores. Los científicos nos dicen que las ovejas a veces son más inteligentes que los monos. Pueden reconocer colores, símbolos, rostros y expresiones faciales. También pueden navegar por laberintos complejos.

Cuando Jesús dijo: «Mis ovejas oyen mi voz; yo las conozco y me siguen», sabía de lo que hablaba. En Palestina, los pastores reunían a sus animales en rediles todas las noches para protegerlos del peligro. Varios pastores solían usar el mismo redil, pero las ovejas nunca se confundían. Cada mañana, reconocían la voz de su pastor. El pastor se alejaba, hablándoles o llamándolas por su nombre, y ellas lo seguían. Las ovejas jamás seguirían a un extraño.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús dice que el Buen Pastor hace tres cosas por sus ovejas. Primero, las conoce bien. Segundo, Jesús las protege del mal; tercero, guía a sus seguidores a la vida eterna. Jesús dice que sus ovejas escuchan su voz, él las conoce y ellas lo siguen. Esto significa que Jesús nos conoce personalmente a cada uno de nosotros. Nos ama, nos protege y quiere guiarnos a la vida eterna. Por ejemplo, conoce nuestros miedos, alegrías, luchas y triunfos. Conoce nuestros nombres y cuántos cabellos tenemos. Además, como ovejas, debemos aprender a reconocer y seguir su voz. Sin embargo, si mantenemos la mirada puesta en el Buen Pastor cuando escuchamos su voz y seguimos su guía, sin duda seremos guiados a la seguridad y a pastos más verdes.

P. Alfonso Cely
Párroco

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

¡UNA PETICIÓN DE ORACIÓN!

Nuestros estudiantes que se preparan para recibir el Sacramento de la Sagrada Comunión por primera vez recibirán el Sacramento el sábado 17 de mayo de 2025. Por favor, continúen orando por estos jóvenes católicos mientras se dirigen hacia este día significativo.

UNA PETICIÓN A TODOS LOS FELIGRESES

¿Tienes algún vestido y/o traje, chaqueta y/o pantalón de niño que pueda ser adecuado para alguien que está a punto de recibir su Primera Comunión? Siempre buscamos donaciones de ropa para que las familias la usen cuando sus hijos reciban su Primera Comunión. Por favor, traiga estos artículos a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa durante el horario habitual de oficina.

¡LAS INSCRIPCIONES PARA EL CURSO 2025-2026 CONTINÚAN!

Los espacios están disponibles en:

1. Kindergarten y Grado I *Programa de Introducción a la Fe Católica* (Preparación No Sacramental)
2. Programa de Preparación para el Sacramento de la Sagrada Comunión, Grados 2-6
3. Programa de Preparación para el Sacramento de la Confirmación, Grados 7-12
4. Programa de Sacramentos Duales de la Sagrada Comunión/Confirmación, Grados 7-12 (Cualquier estudiante en los grados 7-12 que necesite el Sacramento de la Sagrada Comunión será inscrito en este programa).
5. Programa de Formación Continua en la Fe para estudiantes que ya han recibido el Sacramento de la Sagrada Comunión y están ingresando a los grados 3-6

Por favor llame a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa para más información.



ORACIÓN DÍA DE LA MADRE

Dios de bondad y Misericordia: Te damos gracias por todas nuestras madres, las mujeres que has llamado a traer nueva vida y quienes atienden las necesidades físicas, emocionales y espirituales de los seres confiados a su cuidado.

Dales el valor de criar hijos que amen a Dios en momentos felices y difíciles y dales la sabiduría para guiarlos por el camino conducente a la vida eterna.

Fortalécelas con tu Palabra y con los Sacramentos para que puedan hacer frente a las dificultades y tribulaciones de la maternidad.

Llénalas de alegría y gozo mientras acompañan a sus hijos durante el transcurso de los años.

Cólmalas del cuidado y del apoyo de sus familiares y amigos.

Consuela a las madres que han perdido a sus hijos y a los hijos que han perdido a sus madres.

Por tu misericordia, **encomienda a todas las madres** a la ternura de tu propia Madre, María.

Amamos a nuestras madres, Señor.
Te pedimos que las bendigas en este día y siempre.

Amén.



PARROQUIANOS NUEVOS Y ACTUALES

¡Bienvenidos a esta área y a nuestra parroquia!

Estamos muy contentos de tenerte aquí y esperamos que te sientas como en casa. Nos encantaría conocerte mejor, así que considera registrarte con nosotros.

Si usted es un feligrés nuevo o actual y le gustaría recibir sobres de donación mensuales, recuerde que es necesario registrarse para hacerlo. Puedes encontrar fácilmente las tarjetas de registro en el Nártex.



ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

El arreglo floral de rosas y claveles de este fin de semana está dedicado a todas las madres.

Cada flor simboliza una oración por todas las madres que están con nosotros y todas las madres que están en el cielo.

¡Dios las bendiga!



PRIMERA COMUNION

Durante el último año, 193 niños se han estado preparando para recibir su Primera Confesión y Primera Comunión. Estos niños han dedicado todo su esfuerzo a aprender nuestra fe católica y a recibir la Presencia Real de Dios en la Eucaristía con reverencia.

Acompañenos el 17 de mayo de 2025 a las 10:00 AM para celebrar su Primera Comunión.

¡Mantengamos a estos niños presentes en nuestras oraciones, ya que son el futuro de nuestra parroquia!



MAYO MES DE MARIA

El mes de mayo celebramos la conmemoración de la Santísima Virgen María.

Es por eso que para meditar mas en el misterio que nos ofrece nuestra madre, ofrecemos alrededor de nuestro campo la exposición de las diferentes advocaciones marianas en el mundo.

Invitamos a nuestra congregación a caminar por nuestro campo y conocer un poco mas de las diferentes advocaciones marianas.

