



# ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

*We Are Ambassadors for Christ*



May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

*“I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.”  
(Jn 14:18)*



*“No los dejaré desamparados,  
sino que volveré a ustedes”.  
(Jn 14,18)*

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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 9, 2026**  
 4:00 PM † Louis Fonseca and John Sneed  
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Salvador Enrique Colom  
**Sunday, May 10, 2026**  
 8:00 AM † Luz Rodriguez  
 10:00 AM † Janet Torres  
 12:00 PM (Sp.) † Aureliano Martinez  
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Carmen Miguelina Rosas  
**Monday, May 11, 2026**  
 9:00 AM † Olivia Guitard  
**Tuesday, May 12, 2026**  
 9:00 AM Pro Populo (For the people of St. Ann)  
**Wednesday, May 13, 2026**  
 9:00 AM † Memorial Mass Association  
**Thursday, May 14, 2026**  
 9:00 AM † Janet Torres  
**Friday, May 15, 2026**  
 9:00 AM † Janet Torres  
**Saturday, May 16, 2026**  
 4:00 PM † Deceased Members: St. Vincent de Paul  
 6:00 PM (Sp.) In thanksgiving to the Virgin of Guadalupe  
**Sunday, May 17, 2026**  
 8:00 AM † Romualdo Alvarado  
 10:00 AM † Maria Lourdes Solis  
 12:00 PM (Sp.) † Jorge Finlay Rodriguez  
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Deceased Members: Marino Bedevia Family



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**PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**May 2 & 3, 2026**

Regular Offertory: \$18,131  
 Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$6,016  
 50/50: Winner has been notified - \$137  
 Give Central (April 15-30): \$6,134.95  
 Miscellaneous: \$2,043



**OCA 2026 Update:**

**Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.**

Goal: \$209,695  
 Pledged to Date: \$116,471  
 Cash received to Date: \$90,541  
 Still needed in Pledges: \$119,154

**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.**

**ONLINE GIVING PLATFORM**

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**LISTENING ASSISTANT APPLICATION**

The **ListenWIFI App** is now available at our church to assist those with hearing difficulties. To use the service, please follow these steps:



- 1) Connect to WiFi:  
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- 2) Password: **Listen1311**
- 3) Scan the QR code to download the ListenWIFI app.
- 4) Follow the on-screen instructions to connect.

We hope this resource will help improve your Mass experience!

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**



## THE CURE FOR TROUBLED HEARTS



On this Sixth Sunday of Easter, the Gospel of John (14:15-21) brings us to a bittersweet moment. Jesus is preparing his disciples for his departure, yet he makes a revolutionary promise: “I will not leave you orphans.”

He promises a “Paraclete”—an Advocate, Comforter, and Counselor. This is the Holy Spirit, the “Spirit of Truth.” Jesus begins with a challenging condition: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.”

For Jesus, love is concrete. Our position with his will measures it. We don’t follow the commandments to *earn* his love; we follow them because we have already *experienced* his love and want to remain in it.

The promise of the Advocate reminds us that God’s presence has simply taken a different form. He is no longer just *beside* us in a physical body; he is *within* us through the Spirit.

An orphan is someone who lacks a protector, a home, and an identity. By promising the Spirit, Jesus ensures we are never truly alone.

- The Spirit defends us when our own inner critic or the world condemns us.
- The Spirit guides us when misinformation, sensational headlines, or moral issues obscure the path forward. As we move closer to Pentecost, ask yourself: Am I trying to do it all on my own?

Christianity isn’t a DIY project. We have a divine Helper. This week, try to quiet the noise of the world for five minutes a day. Give the “Spirit of Truth” a chance to speak. You aren’t an orphan; you are a child of God, equipped with the very breath of Christ.

Happy Sunday!

Fr. Alfonso Cely  
Pastor

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2026-2027

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION

**HAS BEGUN!**

SPECIFIC REGISTRATION INFORMATION  
FOR THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR:

CAN BE FOUND ON THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BOARD IN THE NARTHEX OR YOU CAN VISIT/CALL  
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE—**NOT THE PARISH OFFICE.**

#### REGISTRATION DAYS

**TUESDAY**                      **WEDNESDAY**  
**10:00 AM - 5:00 PM**           **10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**  
**3RD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH: 1:30-3:00 PM**

#### NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS

**Monday & Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**  
**Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM**  
**Friday: Office Closed**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE NUMBER**  
**(863) 438-2700**

**ALL ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.**

## CELEBRATING LAST YEAR'S OCA SUCCESS / CELEBRANDO EL ÉXITO DEL OCA DEL AÑO PASADO

We are pleased to share some wonderful news with our parish community! We recently received a letter from The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida recognizing St. Ann Catholic Church for exceeding **last year's (2025) Our Catholic Appeal (OCA)** goal by nearly 3%.

Thanks to your generosity and faithful stewardship, our parish not only met but surpassed its goal. As a result, a portion of these excess contributions has been placed into our parish endowment fund, helping to support the long-term needs and future of our church.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who contributed. Your commitment and love for our parish make a lasting impact.

As we continue into this year's appeal, we encourage everyone to prayerfully consider participating once again. Together, with God's grace, we can achieve our goal and continue to strengthen our parish for generations to come.

**Thank you for your continued support and generosity! Let's reach our goal again this year!**

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¡Nos complace compartir una maravillosa noticia con nuestra comunidad parroquial! Recientemente recibimos una carta de The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida reconociendo a St. Ann Catholic Church por haber superado la meta de la **Campaña Católica (Our Catholic Appeal – OCA) del año pasado (2025)** por casi un 3%.

Gracias a su generosidad y fiel compromiso, nuestra parroquia no solo alcanzó su meta, sino que la superó. Como resultado, una parte de estas contribuciones excedentes ha sido destinada a nuestro fondo patrimonial parroquial, ayudando a sostener las necesidades a largo plazo y el futuro de nuestra iglesia.

Estamos profundamente agradecidos con cada uno de ustedes que contribuyó. Su compromiso y amor por nuestra parroquia tienen un impacto duradero.

Al continuar con la campaña de este año, los invitamos a considerar en oración su participación una vez más. Juntos, con la gracia de Dios, podemos alcanzar nuestra meta y seguir fortaleciendo nuestra parroquia para las generaciones futuras.

**¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo y generosidad! ¡Alcancemos nuevamente nuestra meta este año!**

## MARY, MODEL OF EVERY MOTHER / MARÍA, MODELO DE TODA MADRE

### *Mary's Faith*

Mary believed even when she did not fully understand God's plans. Her *"Let it be done to me according to your word"* was not simply an answer, but a profound act of trust.

Many mothers live this same faith every day: giving of themselves with love, praying silently for their children, and trusting God through uncertainty, illness, financial struggles, and family hardships.

Mary's faith reminds us that God never abandons those who place their lives in His hands. A mother who prays and trusts in God leaves an eternal mark on the hearts of her children.

*May every family find in her inspiration, hope, and refuge.*



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### *La Fe de María*

María creyó incluso cuando no entendía completamente los planes de Dios. Su *"hágase en mí según tu palabra"* no fue solo una respuesta, sino un acto profundo de confianza.

Muchas madres viven así cada día: entregándose con amor, preocupándose por sus hijos, orando en silencio y confiando en Dios aun en medio de incertidumbres, enfermedades, dificultades económicas o dolores familiares.

La fe de María nos recuerda que Dios nunca abandona a quienes ponen su vida en Sus manos. Una madre que ora y confía deja una huella eterna en el corazón de sus hijos.

*Que cada familia encuentre en Ella inspiración, esperanza y refugio.*



## 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.

**Show 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.

**Receive into Your peace** and grant eternal rest to our deceased mothers, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

In Your mercy, entrust all mothers—living and deceased—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!



## ALTAR FLOWERS



Flowers this Sunday  
are in Memory of:

**Gumita Perilla de Cely**



## A MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING



Blessed Virgin Mary, loving Mother,  
we honor you on this  
Mother's Day.

Pray for all mothers,  
strengthen them in love & patience,  
and fill their hearts with peace & joy.

Embrace our mothers who have  
passed away and bring them into  
eternal rest.

Teach us to love as you love  
and to trust always in God.

Amen.

## OCIA UPDATES

Find the section that pertains to you:

### Current Candidates (Confirmation & First Holy Communion)

Sat., May 2: Confessions - 10:00 AM (Church)

Sun., May 17: Retreat - 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg.)

Sun., May 17: Practice - 3:00-4:00 PM (Church)

Sun., May 24: Confirmation & First Holy Communion  
10:00 AM (English) / 12:00 PM (Spanish)

### Summer Confirmation Classes (Only English)

**Enrollment:** Sat., May 10, 2:00-5:00 PM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg.)

**Registration deadline:** Sun., June 7, 5:00 PM

**Classes:** Sundays, 10:15-11:45 AM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg., Room 4)

**Class dates:** June 14–Aug. 23, 2026

**Confirmation Mass:** Sat., Sept. 19, 2026 — 4:00 PM

**Bring to enroll:** Baptism certificate, proof of First  
Holy Communion, and \$50 fee

**Sponsor form:** Due before the first class

### Full Rite OCIA/RICA (English & Spanish)

**Who:** Age 7+ (all initiation sacraments) or age 17+ and  
baptized (First Holy Communion & Confirmation)

**Enrollment:** Sun., June 14, 2026, 1:00-5:00 PM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg.)

**Classes:** Times, days, & language vary based on enrollment

**Bring to enroll:** Birth certificate and (if applicable) baptism  
certificate, plus \$75 fee

**Sponsor form:** Due before the first class

**Starts:** Early September

**Sacraments celebrated:** Easter Season 2027 (adults) / 2028 (first-  
time students under 16)

**Questions?** Call Tammy Higgins at (863) 514-4366 or  
e-mail: [thiggins6968@gmail.com](mailto:thiggins6968@gmail.com)

## FIRST COMMUNION

During the last year, 180 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 16, 2026, at 9:00 AM**  
as we celebrate their First Communion.

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





## ACTUALIZACIONES DE OCIA

Encuentre la sección que le corresponde:

### Candidatos actuales (Confirmación y Primera Comunión)

Sábado, 2 de mayo: Confesiones - 10:00 AM (Iglesia)

Domingo, 17 de mayo: Retiro 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg.)

Domingo, 17 de mayo: Ensayo 3:00-4:00 PM (Iglesia)

Domingo, 24 de mayo: Confirmación y Primera Comunión  
10:00 AM (Inglés) / 12:00 PM (Español)

### Clases de Confirmación de verano (Solo en Inglés)

**Inscripción:** Sábado, 10 de mayo, 2:00-5:00 PM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg.)

**Fecha límite de inscripción:** Domingo, 7 de junio, 5:00 PM

**Clases:** Domingos, 10:15-11:45 AM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg., Salón 4)

**Fechas de las clases:** 14 de junio – 23 de agosto de 2026

**Misa de Confirmación:** 19 de septiembre de 2026 — 4:00 PM

**Traer para la inscripción:** Certificado de bautismo,  
comprobante de Primera Comunión, y cuota de \$50

**Formulario del padrino/madrina:** Debe entregarse antes de  
la primera clase

### Rito Completo OCIA/RICA (Inglés y Español)

**Quien:** Age 7+ (all initiation sacraments) or age 17+ and  
baptized (First Holy Communion & Confirmation)

**Inscripción:** Dom., Junio 14, 2026, 1:00-5:00 PM  
(Fr. Carlos Bldg.)

**Clases:** Horario, días, language varia basasdo en la inscripción

**Traer para la inscripción:** El certificado de nacimiento, y (si  
es aplicable) el certificado de bautizo, plus \$75 fee

**Formulario del padrino/madrina:** Debe entregarse antes de  
la primera clase

**Comienzo:** Principios de Septiembre

**Sacramentos celebrados:** Temporada de Pascua 2027  
(adultos) / 2028 (estudiantes primerizos menores de 16 años)

**¿Preguntas?** Llamar a Tammy Higgins en (863) 514-4366 o  
e-mail: thiggins6968@gmail.com

## PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

Durante el último año, 180 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.



Acompáñenos el **16 de Mayo de 2026**  
**a las 9:00 AM** para celebrar su  
Primera Comunión.

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

## TALLERES DE LA COFRADIA DEL ROSARIO



Este mes de mayo, mes mariano, la  
**Cofradía del Rosario** te invita a participar  
en los talleres:

### “María de Nazareth, camino a Pentecostés”

Cada uno de estos viernes nos encontraremos en la  
entrada de la iglesia para el rezo del Santo Rosario en  
procesión hasta la Capilla de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe  
en nuestro Campus.

**Mayo 1:** Rosario antes de la misa (después de la  
Reposición del Santísimo Sacramento)

**Mayo 8:** “La humildad de Su Sierva” - 6:00 PM

**Mayo 15:** “La Madre de mi Señor” - 6:00 PM

**Mayo 22:** “María, Madre de la iglesia” - 6:00 PM

## 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.

**Recibe en tu paz** y concede el descanso eterno a nuestras  
madres fallecidas, y brille para ellas la luz perpetua.

Por Tu misericordia, encomienda a todas las madres, vivas y  
difuntas, a la ternura de Tu propia Madre, María.

**Amamos a nuestras madres, Señor.**

Te pedimos que las bendigas en este día y siempre.

Amén.



## VIGILIA DE PENTECOSTÉS

La Vigilia de Pentecostés será organizada por el Grupo  
Carismático y demas grupos de apostolado que dan apoyo  
a nuestra parroquia.

Se llevará a cabo el:

**Sábado 23 de Mayo**, comenzando a las **5:00 PM** con  
animación. Luego continuaremos con la **Santa Misa**, y al  
finalizar, seguirá la **Vigilia de Pentecostés**.

**Todos están cordialmente invitados a participar.**

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