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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025

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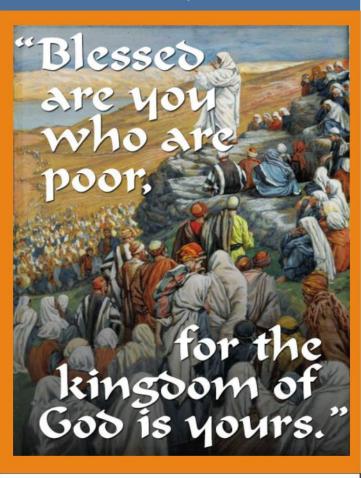
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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are called to embrace faith in the Son of God as Lord and Savior. In our Roman Catholic tradition, through the cleansing waters of Baptism, we die to self and rise as children of the Father.

Confirmed, empowered and guided by His Spirit, we become the church when we gather in His name, are taught with His living Word, and are nourished with His living presence.

So that, we might be sent to witness the Good News of the Paschal Mystery in loving service to the human family; and be united with Him and His Saints in Heaven forever.



Masses

Monday - Friday Saturday Saturday Vigil Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. Polish Mass 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. and Noon 2:00 p.m. Latin Mass 4:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

Confessions in Church Saturday 2:30 p.m.

Members of the Parish Council

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Stewardship of Treasure PARISH COLLECTIONS

Weekly Offering - Sunday, February 9, 2025		
Envelopes Received	238	
Cash	\$ 6,166.00	
Coins	\$.61	
Check	\$ 5,170.00	
Total	\$11,336.61	
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Envelopes Received	94	
Cash	\$ 1,583.00	
Check	\$ 1,025.00	
Total	\$ 2,608.00	
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SUBMISSIONS FOR THE PARISH BULLETIN

Submissions for the parish bulletin can be sent to **bulletin@holyspiritlantana.com**. The deadline for submissions is two weeks before publication.

Mass Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 15, 2024

- 9:00a.m. †Celia Cicalese by her husband, Michael
- 4:00p.m. Andrea Wilson Birthday by her Family [†]John Frontiero by his Wife & Family [†]Janina Scigalski, 1st Ann. by her husband, Marek

Sunday, February 16, 2025 - Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

- 7:30a.m. Ellen & John Marenilli Special Intentions [†]Donald F. LeFils by Tammy & Jeff Farr †Anil Arthur by Children
- 9:00a.m. People of the Parish

10:30a.m. †Hal Wooding by Joyce Wooding †Nicholas Russo by Éileen & Kevin Meyer [†]Barbara Littell by Diane Gaver

- [†]Al & Alice Krolikowski by Jack & Jean Bisbee 12:00N [†]Betty DeWolf & Ken Benoit by Their Family Palm Lake Condominium People by Jean Bazela [†]Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family 2:00p.m.
- †Margit (Marianna) Udvardi by Craig Paulitz

Monday, Feb. 17, 2025 - The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order; Presidents' Day

- 7:30a.m. No Mass 9:00a.m. [†]Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2025 7:30a.m *†*Felicita Caso by Minerva Santos 9:00a.m. †Filomena & Arsenio DiBenedetto by Their Fam. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025 7:30a.m. Lillian Burgos - Birthday by her Family 9:00a.m. Gissela Delgado - Birthday by her Family Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025 7:30a.m. Saga Kai Rivas - Birthday by Kathy 9:00a.m. Nelson Pamulo - Birthday by Sr. Linda Pamulo Friday, Feb. 21, 2025 - St. Peter Damian 7:30a.m. †Juanito Jutba, Sr. by Sam & Nancy Jutba 9:00a.m. †Nicholas Russo by Eileen & Kevin Meyer Saturday, Feb. 22, 2024 - The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle 9:00a.m. †Nicholas Russo by Eileen & Kevin Meyer 4:00p.m. Thanksgiving by Deisy Panarella †Margaret Reppucci by Suzie & Pat Walsh †Elana Ray by Ann Marie Rouleau [†]Maria Keller by Jackie & Lucille Fraser Sunday, February 23, 2025 - Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time [†]Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family 7:30a.m. [†]Salvator Purdora by JJ Cordano [†]Madeline Sandman by the McCreery Family 9:00a.m. †Norma Harrington by her daughter, Maureen [†]Nicholas Russo by Eileen & Kevin Meyer Paula Ann Scherf - Healing by Jill Harrold 10:30a.m. People of the Parish [†]Deceased Mem. of the D'Amico Fam. by Mary 12:00N †Edward & Marion Prugar by Mary D'Amico [†]Carolina Caputo by Silvio & Rosa Caputo 2:00p.m. Jack Kanda - Intentions by William & Ruth Ann McVeigh Father Zoltan Toth and Anna Leon - Healing and
 - Intentions by Eva Fabo †Pam Shaugnessy by Lisa Marcalus



Scripture Readings & Saints & Special Observances For the Week of February 16, 2025

Sunday	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
·	Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6;
	1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26
Monday	Gen 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;
	Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday	Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4,
	3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15,
·	18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday	Gen 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18; 19-21, 29 and
	22-23; Mk 8:27-33
Friday	St. Peter Daminan, Bishop & Doctor of the
•	Church
	Gen 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15;
	Mk 8:34 - 9:1
Saturday	The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle
·	1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6;
	Mt 16:13-19

Sunday Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103; 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38





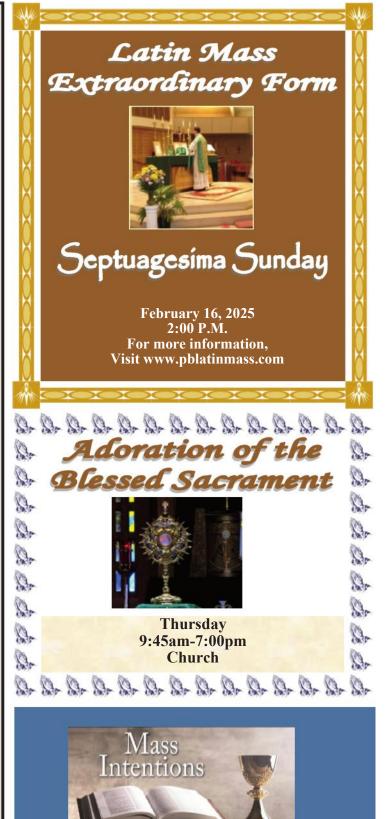
Father in heaven. may the faith You have given us in Jesus Your Son. Christ. our brother. and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of Your Kingdom.

May Your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, Your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To You our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Francisco



2025 Daily Mass Intentions Book

Our parish Mass book for year 2025 is available to schedule your Masses Please visit the parish office during office hours to schedule your Mass/es.

DSA GOAL \$137,000



My Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Blessings to you in this new year! As we begin the calendar year of 2025, we also begin our annual *Diocesan Services Appeal*. It is my pleasure to share that this year's DSA theme is Romans 5:5, *"Hope does not disappoint."* This theme dovetails nicely with

the 2025 Jubilee Year, also known as the Year of Hope. Announced by Pope Francis, the Jubilee Year is intended to be a time of hope for the world, as well as a time to re-establish relationships with God, others and creation. As a diocese, we continue to care for one another in faith, hope and love, while embracing this theme.

Your support of the DSA, through prayer and financial assistance, allows our offices and ministries to fulfill the diocese's mission and embrace the promise of hope we are given each day. Together, as 54 parishes and missions within five counties, we are joined together as one committed diocese.

By supporting the DSA, you will help make a definite difference in the lives of your neighbors, for which I would be deeply grateful. Your generosity will sustain our tradition of sharing and bringing hope to others. I prayerfully ask you again to consider a gift to this year's *Diocesan Services Appeal*. Your participation in the appeal is a vital part of our ability to provide services for our Diocese and for those in need. Please know that I am praying for God's blessings on you and your family and that you have a renewed sense of hope this year.

With every prayerful wish, I am Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito Bishop of Palm Beach



2025 Diocesan Services Appeal HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT LA ESPERANZA NO DEFRAUDA LESPWA PA DESEVWA



BIBLE STUDY COMING SOON

Our parish Bible Study will resume on <u>Friday</u>, <u>February 21st at 10:00a.m. in the Chapel</u>. We'll be studying the **Book of Exodus**, the Hebrew Scripture that tells how Moses led the ancient Hebrews in flight from

their slavery in Egypt. The theme of flight from slavery is repeated and transformed during Holy Week and Easter: Christ leads our own flight from slavery to sin and darkness to resurrection and light. We plan to meet on Friday mornings in the Chapel, from 10 - 11:30 a.m. The study will last 8 or 9 weeks. If you'd like to join us, please email me, Deacon Ken Vianale, at kvianale@holyspiritlantana.com or you can call the parish office and leave your contact information: 561-585-5970. Looking forward to studying with you!

Join the Legion of Mary







Come to our weekly prayer meetings every **Tuesday immediately after the 9:00 a.m**. Mass in the east side of the parish hall.

would like to invite **8th to 12th Graders** to come join us for Adoration, topic nights, games, and more. For more information and dates of meetings, please contact Tinah Mejia at 561-329-7288 youthministry@holyspiritlantana.com



Faith Formation Department

First Session: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Levels 1 through 4, Levels P1 and P2

Second Session: 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Levels 5 through 9 (Confirmation)

IMPORTANT DATES First Communion for English Masses Saturday, May 10th

> Latin First Communion Sunday, May 11th

> > Confirmation Sunday, June 8th with the Bishop

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflections

In Luke's version of the Beatitudes, he has only four blessings and he adds four woes. These woes correspond to the blessings: 1. the poor and the rich, 2. the hungry and the filled, 3. those who weep and those who laugh, and 4. the hated and the welltreated. Did you notice that all the things that we work forty or more hours a week to give to our family are considered "woes"? So is Jesus saying we should not have savings for the future, food for the kids, a happy, safe environment, or a good reputation?

I suspect that the disciples and the others listening to Jesus wondered the same thing. Jesus may have been exaggerating a little but He had a point. The values of this world are not necessarily the values of God's Kingdom. For example, selfreliance, usually considered a virtue, can be taken to an extreme of not relying on God for our needs, or for justifying the belief that poverty is the fault of the poor. Jesus himself is the extreme example of reversing worldly values: His death was not a tragic ending, but the saving action that brought us forgiveness and new life in the Resurrection.

So how do we experience the blessings of the poor, the hungry, the mourning, or the unpopular? Do we have the faith to let go of self-reliance and to trust in Jesus? How much money does it take to meet the needs of our family? How much do we really need and how much is just extra? Are we really helping our children if we give them anything they want? We teach them to do their best in school and sports. Do we also teach them to give to the poor or to help other children struggling with schoolwork? We buy them nice clothing; do we teach them to see Jesus in others? How can we say this is all too idealistic, and still claim to believe in the Resurrection?

I don't expect everyone to go around saying "woe is me." Some of the happiest people are those who live simple lives of faith and trust in God. When we learn to trust the Lord and love one another, we not only can see Jesus in the poor or the lonely, he can also be seen in us. *Tom Schmidt*



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 Rome, Italy

Pope Francis celebrated the Mass for the **Jubilee of Armed Forces**, **Police and Security Personnel**. A sea of military personnel attended the significant celebration. He thanked the men and women for being an instrument of peace and stability.









Charismatic Prayer Group

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled." (Luke 6:21-22)

Poverty is multifaceted and is not just limited to a lack of money. It can also be a lack of peace, health, or a lack of essential resources in our daily life. Despite the root cause of poverty, the fact remains that it gives rise to hardships in our life. In like manner, hunger is not limited to just physical hunger for food but also it can be hunger for love, compassion, or even the Holy Spirit in our spiritual life.

Through scripture, Jesus talks to each of our hearts today that if we are going through any of this hunger and poverty in life, not to lose hope. He pronounces His blessing over such situations in our lives, and gives us hope that there is light at the end of the tunnel. We are assured that there is a definite blessing in store for us if we are grounded firmly in the foundation of faith in Christ.

"And hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." (Romans 5:5)

Let us pray that no matter what our current situation is, we may be able to live our daily lives rooted in Christ and His Hope!

Join us for Mid-Week Soul Refresher on every Wednesdays at 7pm EST.

For in person gathering location details please e-mail us at afcmflorida@gmail.com.

To participate through Zoom 869 5740 7048

God Bless

Shibi George, AFCM Florida

2024 Tax Acknowledgement Letters for Registered Parishioners

Your tax deductible donations are recorded throughout the year, if they were placed in tithing envelopes. Please note that yearly tax acknowledgement letters will be available <u>upon</u> <u>request only</u>. Please allow sufficient time for your letter to arrive. If you would like to request a tax acknowledgement letter, please call the parish office at 561-585-5970 or e-mail hsccbookkeeper@holyspiritlantana.com.



Did You Receive Your Church Offertory Envelopes?

Your Sunday Offertory is important. Sometimes the envelopes get lost in the mail.

Please do not hesitate to call the parish office (561-585-5970) during office hours. You may also send us an email. We can always send a replacement. Thank you.



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SPRING 2025 MARCH 5-APRIL 12 9:00AM-5:00PM PRAYER & FASTING, PEACEFUL & PRAYERFUL VIGILS, + COMMUNITY OUTREACH.

Join us in daily prayer (Mon-Sat.) across from the Presidential Women's Center, 100 Northpoint Parkway. Please park in the Miracle House lot.

> Bishop Barbarito will pray with us Thursday March 6, at 11:00 am Prayer shifts available: 9-11am, 11-1pm, 1-3pm, 3-5pm

For more information: 40daysforlife.com/westpalmbeach Text: (561) 410-4337 Email: palmbeach_40days@yahoo.com



February is American Heart Month

Heart disease is a major health issue, and it's something we should all be aware of. According to the American Heart Association (AHA), heart disease is the leading cause of death in the U.S., responsible for about one in three deaths each year.

What exactly is heart disease? It's an umbrella term for a variety of conditions that affect the heart, such as coronary artery disease (CAD), irregular heart rhythms (arrhythmias), heart failure, and even birth defects involving the heart. Of these, CAD is the most common. It happens when arteries supplying blood to the heart get clogged with plaque, reducing blood flow and potentially causing heart attacks.

Many factors can increase your risk of developing heart disease, and some of them are within your control. Lifestyle plays a big role: unhealthy eating habits, lack of exercise, smoking, and too much alcohol can all contribute. Diets high in saturated and trans fats, salt, and added sugars can lead to problems like high cholesterol, high blood pressure, and obesity—all of which increase your risk. Other factors like age, genetics, and medical conditions such as diabetes can also play a role.

The good news is that heart disease is often preventable. The AHA highlights a simple set of habits called "Life's Essential 8" to keep your heart healthy. These include eating a balanced diet full of fruits, vegetables, and whole grains, staying physically active (about 30 minutes of moderate exercise most days of the week), avoiding tobacco, and maintaining a healthy weight. It's also important to keep track of your blood pressure, cholesterol levels, and blood sugar, as managing these can greatly reduce your risk.

If you already have heart disease, there are ways to manage it and stay healthy. Medications, lifestyle changes, and sometimes procedures like angioplasty or bypass surgery may be needed. However, early detection can make a huge difference. Regular check-ups with your doctor, including screenings for cholesterol and blood pressure, can help catch problems before they get serious.

It's also vital to know the warning signs of a potential heart problem. (These were listed in more detail in last week's bulletin). Chest pain or discomfort, shortness of breath, fatigue, or even dizziness shouldn't be ignored. If you ever feel something isn't right, seek medical attention right away.

By making small, consistent changes and staying informed, you can take charge of your heart health. Organizations like the American Heart Association provide resources and tools to help you every step of the way.

JOIN THE CROCHET /KNITTING GUILD Come and join the ladies every Wednesday at 12noon to 2:00 p.m. in the Angelus Room (main church). If you do not know to crochet or knit, the ladies will be more than happy to teach you. The ladies knit or crochet baby blankets as parish gift to babies who are baptized in our parish.



DONATIONS NEEDED

The baby blanket the ladies crochet is made from the Pound of Love brand. This is soft and ideal for a baby. Any donation of this particular yarn will be great appreciated. Please bring to the parish office.





Sanctuary Candle Main Church for the week of Feb. 16 – 22, 2025

People of the Parish

Altar Flowers & Candles for the week of Feb. 16 – 22, 2025



People of the Parish





Special gifts for: Baptism, Birthdays & other special occasions We are open before and after all the Masses, Saturday 4pm & Sunday. Visit us!

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SPONSOR A SANCTUARY LAMP



Our Sanctuary Lamp may be sponsored on a weekly basis. You may sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving, for a birthday or for any other occasion. Please visit or call the parish office to schedule your desired date. **Cost is \$25 per week**.

SPONSOR THE ALTAR FLOWERS & CANDLES The Altar Flowers and Candles can be sponsored on a

weekly basis. This will be a great opportunity to offer special intentions such as: *Birthday, Thanksgiving, Death Anniversary or any other special*

occasions for your special loved ones. Suggested Donation is \$100. Please visit the office to check available dates.



The celebration of a Christian's life brings hope and consolation to the living. As we plan for our eternal life, it is always good to remember those that we love. Having a Will is good stewardship.



When there is a Will there is a way to be an angel for your parish. Please remember Holy Spirit Catholic Church in your Will.

These gifts help us to build a solid foundation for the Catholic formation of future generations. We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have left bequests to Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

You can have an everlasting influence on the lives of your parish family of Holy Spirit Catholic Church. There are various

forms of bequests that can be made. Bequests may come

in the form of a specific dollar amount, by adding Holy Spirit Parish to your account; securities, real estate, tangible property, and retirement account assets.

If a Will or Trust already exists, a codicil amendment can be easily added to your current will. Holy Spirit Catholic Church is a charitable non-profit institution; therefore all bequests are fully tax deductible for estate tax purposes.

For additional information, please contact the parish office at **561-585-5970 or e-mail office@holyspiritlantana.com** or complete the form below and drop it in the offertory basket or bring it to the parish office and someone will contact you. Thank you for your generosity!

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