ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC CHURCH U.S.A. National Circus Church

The Pallottines (Society of Catholic Apostolate)

January 22, 2023 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday 7:30 a.m. & 8:30 a.m. 4 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. - *Vigil*

Sunday

7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 p.m., & 5:30 p.m. 8 a.m. Spanish - *Parish Hall* 12 p.m. Vietnamese - *Parish Hall*

Weekday 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. **Confessions** - *Reconciliation Room* Saturday 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. & 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday thru Friday 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration - Carosella Chapel Tuesday thru Thursday 9 a.m. - Noon

Rosary & Morning Prayer Devotions Rosary is prayed daily after the 7:30 a.m. Mass followed by Morning Prayer

Baptism Class 2nd Sunday of each month from 9 - 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall. No need to <u>RSVP</u>

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From our Pastor, Fr. George...

Dear Parishioners of St. Martha,

Sunday Sermon – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A The federal holiday on January 16 commemorated the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. since 1986, and invited everyone to improve their communities and follow in the footsteps of the civil rights leader who was assassinated in 1968.

Dr. Bernice Albertine King, the late civil rights activist's daughter, founder of the King Center, said in an interview with Vatican News, as Americans mark Martin Luther King Day, "As we were thinking about where our world is today in terms of all of the issues under the banner of what my father would call the triple evils of poverty, racism and militarism, it seems as if we're going through these cycles and repeating some things over and over again."

Rather than society continuing this vicious cycle, Martin Luther King Day is an invitation for Americans to build a "just, humane, equitable, and peaceful world."

As Christians, Jesus has charged us with being both light and salt for the world, noted Dr. King. "Being that light requires that we guide, because light is a guide," she said. "As it relates to the salt, salt preserves and it seasons, it preserves the nutrients that you need."

We Christians, therefore, need to work to preserve humanity and values such as "love, respect, and dignity," which never go out of style.

"We have to take the leadership because our world is in a moral crisis. It's in a spiritual crisis," said Dr. King. "And those of us who are spiritual people have to take our proper place to really lead us to ensure that we are reflecting those principles and values that are essential to the survival of our humanity."

St. Vincent Pallotti, a Roman priest who was born on April 21, 1875 and died in Rome on January 22, 1850 was also saying similar things to all Christians and all members of the Catholic Church about taking leadership in spreading the gospel values.

He used to say that everyone is an apostle and no matter who we are, we are all called to follow Jesus and offer our charity to our neighbor. He founded the Society of the Catholic Apostolate which is the part of the Union of the Catholic Apostolate. Catholic apostolate, which means universal, is for everyone who wants to help and everyone who needs help. Lay people as well as clergy can revive faith and re-ignite love in the Church.

St. Mathew writes in the gospel reading for today that, Jesus went to Capernaum, which prophet Isaiah calls: "Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light". Jesus begins his missionary work with his call for people to repent from sins and prepare for the kingdom of God. He calls his first disciples to follow him and he makes them fishers of men, apostles of his good news. He teaches in their synagogues, proclaims the gospel of the kingdom, cures every disease and illness among the people.

Jesus is the light for those who need to believe in God, he restores dignity to those who need healing, he is a good teacher for all nations, societies and groups of people who suffer different kinds of prejudice. He also forgives us and makes us better people when we go estray.

Week of prayer for Christian Unity

Between January 18 and 25, 2023, all Christians (those who believe in Jesus Christ and are baptized in the name of

the Holy Trinity) are praying for unity of the Church of Christ in the world. Jesus himself teaches us to pray: "..that they may be one, as we are one -I living in them, you living in me – that their unity may be complete. So shall the world know that you sent me, and that you loved them as you loved me." (John 17: 22b-23)

Sunday of the Word of God (January 22)

Pope Francis instituted "Sunday of the Word of God" in 2019 as a way to promote the study of Sacred Scripture. This year, it falls on 22 January and has as its theme a verse from John's Gospel, "We proclaim to you what we have seen" (1 Jn 1:3). The aim of this special celebration is to give new life to the responsibility of all believers to deepen their knowledge of Sacred Scripture.

Feast of St. Vincent Pallotti

With all Pallottines around the world, your priests who are the members of the Society of the Catholic Apostolate, in short: the Pallottine Fathers and Brothers, pray to St. Vincent for God's blessing to everyone in the parish on this anniversary of his death on January 22, 1850. May, through the intercession of St. Vincent Pallotti, you receive the gift of God's grace that you seek at this time!

Please, reserve the dates for the Parish Mission (February 10-15, 2023)

Redemptorist Team for Evangelization: (Fr. Philip Dabney, Fr. Francis Gargani and Fr. James Wallace) will come to our parish in the middle of February to lead us through the Parish Mission. A parish mission is an event that calls a parish to deeper conversion and renewal. The heart of our parish mission is three evening prayer services (Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday) that include prayer, preaching, song, ritual, and opportunity for quiet reflection. In addition, we preside and preach at all weekend Masses, celebrate an anointing of the sick, a Marian service dedicated to Our Mother of Perpetual Help, opportunity for one-on-one meetings over 3 days, and addressing our school and CCD children in an age-appropriate way.

We pray to the Lord for the end of war in Ukraine: Jesus, the Prince of peace, come to our help!

You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you.

Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy. When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me. Arrogant foes are attacking me, O God; ruthless people are trying to kill me - they have no regard for you. But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

Turn to me and have mercy on me; show your strength on behalf of your servant; save me, because I serve you just as my mother did.

Give me a sign of your goodness, that my enemies may see it and be put to shame, for you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me. (*Psalm 86*)

Jesus, the Prince of peace, come to our help!

With prayers for God's blessing to you and your family, Fr. George



Please join us Saturday, February 4, 2023 for an elegant black-tie evening at the Ritz-Carlton, Sarasota.

6 p.m. Cocktails † 7p.m. Dinner Individual Tickets \$350

Chairperson Bridget Spiess

Ge-Guids Beth Cannata, Sabrina Gibson, Judy Kozłowski, Marcia Norris, Marilee Roberts *Gummilite* Mary Beth Cotran, Roland Gibson, Christina Hall Leah Mihm, Persefoni Nicolosi, William Rex, Alan Rose

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The receptionist performs a variety of clerical and specialized tasks. A high school diploma is the minimum formal education required for this position, along with at least two years' related experience and personable and professional communication skills.

If interested, please contact Teressa McCoy at 941-366-4210 ext 3251 or tmccoy@stmartha.org



2023 CIRCUS RING OF FAME

Father Jerry Hogan who was the National Circus Chaplain until his death in 2021, will be inducted posthumously into the Circus Ring of Fame on February 4 at 4:30 pm in the Circus Sarasota tent.

Admission is free but a ticket is necessary. The Circus Ring of Fame wanted to be sure that any of Father Jerry's friends from the parish who wished to attend would be able.

Scan for tickets and details:



Clergy

Rev. George Suszko, S.A.C. Pastor Rev. Jan Rykala, S.A.C. Rev. Krzysztof "Chris" Frost, S.A.C. Rev. Joseph Vu, C.R.M., *Hospital Chaplain* Very Rev. Fausto Stampiglia, S.A.C. *(Retired)* Rev. R. Patrick Wilson, S.A.C. *(Retired)* Rev. Deacon William Ladroga Rev. Deacon C. Patrick Macaulay Rev. Deacon C. Patrick Macaulay Rev. Deacon Vern Smith Sr. Cathy Bonfield, S.S.N.D. Br. Lawrence Skitzki, C.S.C. Br. William Dygert, C.S.C.

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This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, Jan 22

8:00 a.m. Sunday Coffee - Geenen Hall

Monday, Jan 23

6:00 p.m. OCIA Classes - Conference Room

Tuesday, Jan 24 - St. Francis de Sales

10:30 a.m. Emmaus Bible Study - Conference Room

Wednesday, Jan 25 - Conversion of Paul

9:30 a.m. Walking with a Purpose - Geenen Hall

Thursday, Jan 26 - SS. Timothy & Titus

10:00 a.m. Lectio Divina - Geenen Hall

6:00 p.m. Lectio Divina - Geenen Hall

Friday, Jan 27 - St. Angela Merici

Saturday, Jan 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

4:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Membership Drive - Courtyard

St Martha Church **DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA** Eucharistic Congress Youth Group Grades 6-12 The Word Made Flesh - John 1:14 Youth Rally Friday, March 24, 2023 Keyrote Speaker Father Timothy Anastos Music ROCK THE UNIVERSE The Vigil Project At Universal Studios Orlando Saturday, January 28, 2023 Depart 2:00 p.m. - Return 2:00 a.m. Cost is \$60.00 **Bus transportation from** Frank J. Dewan St Martha Church included. Eucharistic Congress Space is limited go to Saturday, March 25, 2023 9:00 a.m.- 6:00p.m. **Caloosa Sound Convention Center** and Luminary Hotel https://permission.click/429W1/us **Renowned National Speakers** 1365 Monroe Street, Fort Myers English and Spanish Tracks to reserve your spot Mass & Eucharistic Procession Men's and Women's Breakouts

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WINE & CHEESE

Saturday, February 11 after the 4 pm & 5:30 pm Masses in the Courtyard

Get to know your fellow parishioners, guests and priests!

If you have any questions, or would like to join the Hospitality Ministry, call Beth Cannata at 941-321-2953



MARRIAGE BANNS

John Dernulc, Jr. & Erin Sheerin (1) Joseph Puccini & Arianna Panzarino (1) Kyle Shurmur & Alexandra Smith (1)

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There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is always and radically incompatible with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image.

Baptized Adults Not Confirmed as Catholics!

Are you a baptized adult Christian who wants to be a confirmed Catholic? If so, then register for the upcoming Adult Sacramental Preparation (ASAP) course. We will begin the ASAP confirmation program on Sunday mornings from January 8 through April 16, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

You will learn about the rich history of Catholicism from theologically trained instructors who are passionate about salvation. *Graduation leads to adult Catholic confirmation*.

Email Patty Sileo at sileo@stmartha.org for more info!

DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Faithful of the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean face many challenges. For the past 55 years, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has helped the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean through an annual collection. This assistance has addressed barriers faced in increasing the growth of the Faith, including lack of resources, shortage of vocations and poor infrastructure making relatively simple things difficult.

The annual Collection for the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean helps them address a very secularized society and to fund pastoral programs like evangelization, catechesis, family life programs, and lay ministry training. The education and formation of priests, deacons, and religious brothers and sisters is also supported. These programs offer a promising hope for the Catholic Faith in this part of the world.

In the Parishes throughout the Diocese of Venice, the Collection for the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean will take place the weekend of January 21 and 22, 2023. Please take this opportunity to share your faith, despite the distance with your sisters and brothers in Latin America and the Caribbean, through your generosity.

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you my blessings in this New Year. Thank you and may God bless you and your family for your support of the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Sincerely yours in Christ, + Frank J. Dewane Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

Come as you are.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

Join us for *Walking With Purpose*, a ministry that helps Catholic women encounter Jesus Christ through Scripture and fellowship. In our weekly meetings, we deepen our relationships with Jesus and with each other. Invite Jesus into your heart and allow him to change your life.





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Weekly Mass Intentions

Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23

Sun., Jan. 22

Clair Johnson by Jack and Hank

Audrey Lucas by Allison McCormick

Fr. George (GS), Fr. Jan (JR), Fr. Chris (CF), Fr. Joseph (JV),

Fr. Celestino (CG), Fr. Fausto (FS), Fr. Patrick (PW)

(Hall/Viet) Special Intentions

12:00 p.m.

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5:30 p.m.

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Sun, Sun 22	15 0.20 9.0, 1 COI 1.10 10, 17, 101 1.12 20			
7:30 a.m. [CF]	Bartholomew Higgins by Marcia and Jim Norris	Outreach Ministrii	RS	
8:00 a.m. [CG]	(Hall/Span) Vincent LoCicero by Helene Halpern	Altar Servers	Dn. Vern Smith	dcvern@stmartha.org
9:00 a.m. [FS]	Ven Gertie by the Boudreau Family	Altar Society	Parish Office	941-366-4210
9:00 a.m. [JR]	(Hall) Elaine Shinko by Nancy and Tom Campbell	Archivist	Parish Office	941-366-4210
10:30 a.m. [RN]	For All Parishioners	Arimathean Ministry	Parish Office	941-366-4210
12:00 p.m. [GS]	Sandra Lee Smith by Ollie and Debbie Griffith	Bethesda House	Colleen McMenam	
5:30 p.m. [JR]	John Joseph Day, Jr. by Andrea and Joe	Catholic Charities	Joan Pierse	941-355-4680
Mon., Jan. 23	Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30	Community Pregnancy Clir		941-260-5427
7:30 a.m.	Bill Smith by the Kelly Family	Casa Santa Marta	nes	941-366-4448
8:30 a.m.	Rev. George "Jerry" Hogan by Jack Buckingham	Choir/Cantor	Virginia Bray	941-366-4210
12:00 p.m.	Stephen J. Dubel by Mary and Tom Gavin	Council of Catholic Women		941-366-4210
5:30 p.m.	Shirley Schmidt by Patty and Chris Sileo	Development Committee	Parish Office	941-366-4210
Tues., Jan. 24	Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35	Eucharist Adoration	Parish Office	941-366-4210
7:30 a.m.	David Scott by David and Paula Shigley	Extraordinary Ministers		
8:30 a.m.	John "Skip" Hanley by Regina Broderick	Finance Council	John Corey	lcpatrick@stmartha.org coreyjjj5@gmail.com
12:00 p.m.	Michael Byrne Quinn by James & Elaine McCormack	Family Ministry	-	fmosm@comcast.net
5:30 p.m.	Diego Cueva by the Family		Gary Kerschner	
Wed., Jan. 25	Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18	Herrig Caritas (9-11 a.m., M-F)		
7:30 a.m.	Liv & Dec'd Mbrs of the Jankowski Family by the	Hospitality Ministry	Beth Cannata	941-321-2953
8:30 a.m.	(L) Fr. Jan by Marcia and Jim Norris	Jail Ministry		kmckenney55@gmail.com
12:00 p.m.	Edna Koury by Bill Koury	Knights of Columbus	David Kiszak	941-928-8388
5:30 p.m.	Richard Satori by the Satori Family	Lectors	-	dcpatrick@stmartha.org
Thurs., Jan. 26	2 Tim 1:1-8; Mk 4:21-25	O.C.I.A	-	suehome2@verizon.net
7:30 a.m.	Susan & John Gravila by Marge and Paul Lortie	Parish Council	Beth Cannata	941-321-2953
8:30 a.m.	Patricia Billitz by Noreen and Bob Mazza	Prayer Line	Parish Office	941-366-4210
12:00 p.m.	Michael Carusone by Sister	Respect Life Ministry	Parish Office	941-366-4210
5:30 p.m.	Charles McGuire by Mr. Mike McManus	Rosary Makers	Maxine Brand	941-374-6605
Fri., Jan. 27	Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34	Solve Maternity Homes	Peggy Kerwin	941-748-0094
7:30 a.m.	Frank Gooch by Paula and David Shigley	Ushers	Dc. Bill Ladroga	dcbill@stmartha.org
8:30 a.m.	Jackie Schneider by Margaret D'Agostino	Volunteer Coordinator	Stuart Love	941-780-7834
12:00 p.m.	Robert "Leo" Hunt by Emily Anton	Witness to Love	Jim & Agnes Rutus	shni 941-960-5128
5:30 p.m.	Marie Hoffberg			
Sat., Jan. 28	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41	Neighboring Diocesan Parishes		
7:30 a.m.	(L) Maria Maldonado by the Rosary Group	St. Jude	Sarasota	941-955-3934
8:30 a.m.	Matthew Callaghan by Peggy Kane	Christ the King	Sarasota	941-924-2777
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.		Incarnation	Sarasota	941-921-6631
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Confession	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs		941-755-1826
4:00 p.m.	(L) Mark Routh by Friend	St. Patrick	Sarasota	941-378-1703
4:00 p.m.	(Hall) Robert Furman by Jack and Hank	St. Mary Star of the Sea	Longboat Key	941-383-1255
5:30 p.m.	(L) Albert Prado by Cathy and Clem Deltette	St. Thomas More	Sarasota	941-923-1691
Sun., Jan. 29	Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a	St. Joseph	Bradenton	941-756-3732
7:30 a.m.	James Abraham by Madonna Weir	St. Michael the Archangel	Siesta Key	941-349-4174
8:00 a.m.	(Hall/Span) (L) Fr. Patrick by Friend	Our Lady of the Angels	Lakewood Ranch	941-752-6770
9:00 a.m.	Michael Sullivan by Mark and Donna Davinroy			
9:00 a.m.	(Hall) Mary Helen Black by the Family	BISHOP NEVINS ACADEMY		
10:30 a.m.	For All Parishioners	4380 Fruitville Road, Sarase	ota, FL 34232	
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