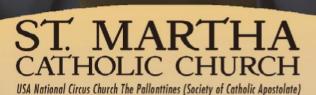
June 2. 2024 Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ-Corpus Christ

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Mk 14:12-16, 22-26





**Mass Schedule** 

 Saturday
 7:30am • 8:30am • 4pm Vigil
 5:30pm Vigil

 Sunday
 7:30am • 7:45am Spanish (Parish Hall) • 9am
 10:30am • 12pm • 5:30pm

 12pm Vietnamese (Parish Hall)
 Yeekday
 7:30am • 8:30am • 12pm

Confession - Reconciliation Room Saturday • 3-4pm Monday,Wednesday, Friday 11:30am Eucharistic Adoration - Carosella Chapel Tuesday-Thursday 9am-12pm

Rosary Rosary prayed after 7:30am Mass

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#### ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC CHURCH

## From Our Pastor, Father George June 2, 2024

### The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

One paragraph of the Sequence for today's feast of Corpus Christi speaks about the ancient types of the sacrifice of Christ:

Truth the ancient types fulfilling, Isaac bound, a victim willing, Paschal lamb, its lifeblood spilling, manna to the fathers sent. – Today's Missal, p. 21

*Isaac bound, a victim willing.* This line speaks about the free choice, the willingness to become a sacrificial gift. Jesus truly fulfills what Abraham's sacrifice of his son Isaac meant to manifest. Similarly to Isaac Jesus offered himself willingly to the Father. With the difference that Jesus knew what he was doing, and Isaac wasn't fully aware of what Abraham was going to do to him.

The spilling of blood of the Paschal lamb saved the Jews in Egypt when they used it to sprinkle the door posts with it. The Angel of Vengeance killed all the firstborn in Egypt apart from Jewish firstborn, whose houses were marked with the blood of the Paschal lamb. Jesus is truly the Lamb of God whose blood was poured on the cross and saves all who believe in Him.

The manna to the fathers sent, was sent by God from heaven to the chosen nation who wondered through desert on the way to the promised land. Jesus tells us that He is the true Bread of life who comes from heaven and whoever eats his bread will live forever.

This feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ makes us aware of how the ancient history led to Jesus and how he fulfilled the old prophesies and promises. This feast shows Jesus as the central figure of the human history and the history of salvation. He is the Lamb of God who willingly offered himself and then became the bread of life. This feast reminds us that this history is fulfilled, it led to Jesus and his New Covenant and explain the meaning of the Eucharist.

St. John Paul II in his Encyclical Letter called: On the Eucharist says: "The Eucharist is indelibly marked by the event of the Lord's passion and death, of which it is not only a reminder but the sacramental re-presentation. It is the sacrifice of the Cross perpetuated down the ages. This truth is well expressed by the words with which the assembly in the Latin rite responds to the priest's proclamation of the 'Mystery of Faith': We announce your death, O Lord.

Not just a reminder but sacramental re-presentation. This means that the sacrifice of Christ is taking place for you right then when you take part in the Holy Mass.

It is the sacrifice of the Cross perpetuated down the ages. The cross offering of the Lord's blood is taking place when you are at the Holy Mass. Jesus offers himself on your behalf whenever you participate in the Mass.

On this feast of the Corpus Christi (Latin: for the Body of Crist) we celebrate, we thank God and we learn to respond well to this greatest Gift.

The willingness of the Lord to offer himself for us.

His cross on which he poured his blood for us.

Jesus whom God sent to us, the Bread of life, the summit and source of our faith. View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com



## Rev. Deacon Bill Ladroga has retired! -

Dn. Bill, the whole parish is very grateful to you for your 27 years of diaconal ministry in St. Martha! We offer our prayers for you at this time and our congratulations for the beautiful fruits of your witness to Christ.

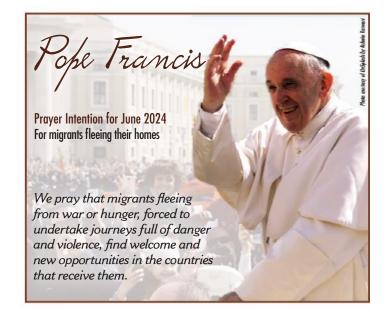
### Ordination of transitional Deacon to the

**Priesthood in our Diocese** - Deacon Thomas (Greg) Daugherty will be ordained Catholic Priest on Saturday June 8, 2024 in the church of Our Lady of Lourdes in Venice at 11.00am by Bishop Frank J. Dewane. Please join the celebration and pray for him!

Amendment 4 in the November ballot 2024 in the Florida State Law about abortion - This time, the Holy Spirit calls us to pray for the protection of life in the State of Florida, the Spirit of truth also wants to defend mothers and babies from any harm. We heard about this Abortion Amendment, of which the full title is Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion. From the face of it you may think that it is to free Abortion from Government interference. But when you know that Florida State law, like the Heartbeat law, in fact helps to limit abortion, so amending to limit government interference with abortion - in truth means getting rid of the Heartbeat law, which will be getting rid of the limit of abortion, guaranteed by the government, and allowing to legalize fullterm abortion for any age without parental consent. It's way too extreme. This amendment to the Florida constitution would allow abortion up until birth, including when the baby is capable of feeling pain, and would eliminate laws requiring parental consent and safety protocols for women. Let's say 'No' to this amendment.

Next Sunday, June 9, 2024, is the 10th Sunday in Ordinary time.

With prayers for God's blessing to you and your family, *Father George* 





# Altar Server Banquet - Thank You to all our Altar Servers



# **Congratulations Deacon Bill on Retirement!**

After serving 46 years as a Deacon. - Well done, my good and faithful servant - Matthew 25:21



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### **Weekly Mass Intentions**

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Sun, June 2	. Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
	. Oma Handley by the Family
	. (Hall/ Spanish) Madelyn Heibel by the Heibel Family
	Henry & Chesterine Drabicki by the Ordonez Family
10:30am [GS]	
	. (L) Fiorella Duarte by Mom & Dad
-	. (Hall/Vietnamese) Special Intentions
-	. Gerald Boryszewski, Jr. by the Boryszewski Family
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	.2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12 Hely Soule in Directory by John J. DeStefano
	Holy Souls in Purgatory by John J. DeStefano
	. Hughie Carolan by the Murtha Family
12:00pm [JV]	
Tue, June 4	. 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17
	. (L) Fr. Jan Rykala by David and Paula Shigley
8:30am [GS]	. Anthony Staiano by John & Florence Rogge
12:00pm [JR]	. (L) Louise & Joanie by Friend
Wed. June 5	.2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
	. John Tucker by David & Paula Shigley
	. Al Zucaro by Catherine Giblin
	. Cyd Calamia by G & G Lupina
-	.2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34
	.(L) Vincent Evangelista by Stephanie and John Iacopelli
	Thomas Garrett, Jr. by Tina Mroczkowski
	. (L) The Eric & Cecille Zalamea Family by Catalina Deltette
	.Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37
	Blake Hadley by Debbie and Jeff Stern
	. (L) Logan McGruder by John and Mary McGruder
12:00pm [GS]	
-	. (Vietnamese) Special Intentions
	.2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51
7:30am [JV]	
	. Claire El Masri by Peggy and Mollie
•	. (L) Serge Lochard by Friend
5:30pm [GS]	. Mr. & Mrs. Ben and Margaret Becker by Jeff Becker
Sun, June 9	. Gn 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13—5:1; Mk 3:20-35
7:30am [JR]	. Ryan Halstead by Mother
	. (Hall/ Spanish) Madelyn Heibel by the Heibel Family
	. Aldo Giovanucci by Ann Mongillo
10:30am [FS]	
-	Andrzej Crzeslo by Wife, Sons, and Family
-	. (Hall/Vietnamese) Special Intentions
5:30pm [JR]	. L & D Mbrs of the Plouffe Family by Joe and Betty Plouffe

Fr. George (GS), Fr. Jan (JR), Fr. Chris (CF), Fr. Joseph (JV), Fr. Celestino (CG), Fr. Fausto (FS)

### Emmaus Journey Bible Study

Bring your Bible and a desire to share and learn with fellow participants with facilitator and parishioner Lindy Donahue. All are welcome! Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am (including Summer)

St. Martha Catholic Church, Conference Room Lindy 724.263.8285 lindydonahue@mac.com

# Thanks Maria

### for managing the Caritas Food Pantry

Maria scored a perfect 100 from the All Faiths Food Bank audit.

This achievement is a testament to the dedication and hard work of your team! Your organization serves as a beacon of excellence. Your commitment to upholding the highest standards in assisting our most vulnerable neighbors is deeply appreciated.!



Ana Hernandez, Programs Assistant- Agency, All Faiths Food Bank

# Extreme Abortion Amendment Decision



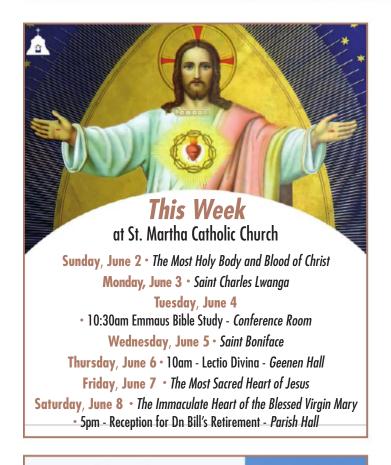
A cruel and dangerous abortion amendment will be added to the ballot in November. Please acquaint yourself with the facts by visiting **TooExtreme4FL.com**, and **vote NO** on **Amendment 4**!

This amendment to the Florida constitution would allow abortion up until birth, including when the baby is capable of feeling pain, and would eliminate laws requiring parental consent and safety protocols for women. If you are concerned about this recent Florida Supreme Court decision to allow the extreme abortion amendment to appear on the ballot and are interested in doing something about it,

contact Jeanne Berdeaux at Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org or 941.374.1068 right away.







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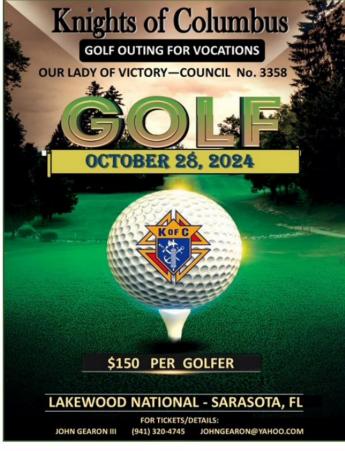


Thursday mornings at 10am for Lectio Divina classes in Geenen Hall.

#### ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC CHURCH



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St Martha's Caritas Pantry

#### Volunteers Needed for Caritas contact volunteer@stmartha.org

*Caritas*, an outreach ministry providing assistance with utility payments, food, transportation, prescriptions, and work attire for thousands of Sarasota in acute financial need.

This is a joint effort by First Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church, Church of the Redeemer, St. Martha Catholic Church, and First United Methodist Church We are honored to serve our community. Great work all and thank you! April 2024 we served 711 households • 280 different households 1,232 individuals • 550 different individuals • 219 Children • 1013 Adults.



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Interested in the Catholic Faith and want to know more? Are you Catholic, but have not been Confirmed? Are you from another denomination and want to explore and embrace the Catholic Faith?

Contact Patty Sileo **sileo**@**stmartha.org** to schedule an appointment with Fr. George and start your journey!

Wedding Banns
Stephanie Lovetere & Jacob Lyons (1)



