

We are a welcoming Catholic Community called by God to live out the message of Christ in love and service to all people.

November 9, 2025



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WWW.STLEOCATHOLICCHURCH.ORG • OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 AM - 4 PM
DAILY MASS: MONDAY-SATURDAY: 8 AM • CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 2-3PM
SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES: 3:30 & 5:30 PM • SUNDAY MASSES: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 5 PM
MISA EN ESPAÑOL DOMINGO - 3 PM Y LAS CONFESIONES ANTES DE LA MISA • MASS IN POLISH: 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH - 1:30 PM

# Parish Stag

Rev. Jarek (Jaroslaw) Sniosek ......Pastor Rev. Raul Zamora......Parochial Vicar Rev. Mr. Joel Livingston .......Deacon

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# Celebrating our Faith

#### BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Baptisms of children under 7 years old are offered every fourth Sunday of each month in Spanish and every second Sunday of the month in English. Please visit our website or contact our office for details and requirements.

At confirmation we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit and confirm and renew our baptismal promises committing to a life of maturity in the Christian faith. Unconfirmed Catholics wishing to receive the Sacrament should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for suitable instruction. Unbaptized or non-Catholics can be confirmed at the Easter Vigil when they are baptized or received into the Church as a part of Order of Christian Initiation of Adult. To enroll in OCIA, please call Griselda Cisneros at 992-0901.

Parishioners who wish to bring communion to their spouses should contact the parish office to pick up a pyx with the St. Leo's inscription on it. Please use this pyx when approaching to receive a host for your spouse or a family member in the Communion procession during Mass. If you need to receive a gluten free host due to a medical condition please arrive 15 minutes before Mass begins and inform the

#### RECONCILIATION

Individual confession with a priest is the principal means of absolution and reconciliation of grave sins within the Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation frees us from sinful patterns of behavior and calls us to complete conversion to Christ. Confessions are heard at 2pm on Saturday in English and 2pm on Sunday in Spanish in the Church. You may also approach any of our parish priests to hear vour confession at another suitable time.

#### THE RITE OF ANOINTING

A person does not need to wait until the point of death to receive this sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness is sufficient. The Sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after the anointing but becomes ill once again, or if, during the same illness, the person's condition becomes more serious. For those who are about to depart from this life, the Church offers the person Penance, Anointing of the Sick, and the Eucharist as Viaticum (food for the journey) given at the end of life. Contact the Parish Office at 992-0901 to be connected with the priest on duty.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

If you are a registered parishioner of St. Leo and plan to marry in our parish please contact our office at least six months prior to the tentative wedding date. Weddings cannot be scheduled until the marriage preparation process is complete and it is determined that the parties are free to marry

ANNULMENT - Reestablishing the freedom to marry.

An annulment is more accurately described as a declaration of matrimonial invalidity. It is an official determination made by an ecclesiastical court that at the time of the marital consent exchanged by the parties a specific component of the mariage was lacking or defective. Hence, the marriage failed to be a marriage as defined by the Catholic Church. If you wish to reestablish your freedom to marry in the Church, please contact a parish priest to be your advocate in presenting your case to the Tribunal.

If you think that you have a vocation to the priesthood or religious life please speak with one of our priests, or contact the Diocesan Director of Vocations at 941-484-9548, visit www.dioceseofvenice.org/vocations

**ONLINE GIVING** WWW.STLEOCATHOLICCHURCH.ORG





We are pleased to provide for all our of parishioner the ability to access this wonderful website filled with thousands of wide ranging movies, programs, audios, such as the Lives of Saints of History and Modern Day, The Sacraments, Bible Study, Children's Entertainment, Praying at Home, and Movie Night selections.

To access FORMED choose the link on our website, search "St Leo Bonita" to find us in the drop box, and sign up for your own account.





#### Sunday, November 9

#### Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

#### The River That Runs Through Us

"There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High." (Psalm 46:5)

Every great cathedral begins with one quiet stone. Every holy river begins with one hidden spring. Today we celebrate a building made of history and marble, yet Saint Paul says God has an even bolder architectural plan: you are the temple and the Spirit of the living God has chosen your heart as a dwelling place more sacred than any masterpiece of stone.

Ezekiel sees water flowing from the sanctuary bringing life where there had only been salt and sorrow. Jesus storms the temple because He refuses to let worship become a business transaction. Our souls are not meant to be cluttered storage rooms filled with anxieties and resentments. We were made to be rivers, people who bring renewal and mercy wherever God sends us in the ordinary flow of days.

Sometimes the holiest thing you can do is clear a space where grace can move freely again. Let kindness soften what has grown hard and let forgiveness flow into a relationship that feels stuck. God's river still runs strong. All that remains is for us to open the gate.

**Prayer:** Lord, cleanse the temple of my heart. Wash away what clutters joy and restore the river of grace that makes all things new. Amen. Ezekiel 47:1 to 2, 8 to 9, 12; Psalm 46; 1 Corinthians 3:9 to 11, 16 to 17; John 2:13 to 22

#### Monday, November 10

#### Memorial of Saint Leo the Great

## The Courage to Guard the Good "Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way." (Psalm 139:24)

Our patron Saint Leo once met Attila the Hun at the gates of Rome armed with nothing but faith and conviction. He did not bring swords or soldiers. He trusted that God's goodness is always worth defending and that courage grows strongest when it stands firm in love rather than fear.

Jesus warns us that sin is real and scandal is dangerous. He commands us to correct others without condemning them and to forgive without keeping score, even when that means forgiving seven times before dinner. The apostles ask for more faith because they know this kind of love requires strength that does not come from our own determination but from God at work within us.

Holiness is not simply avoiding evil but actively protecting the beauty and dignity God has planted in every soul. Even a tiny bit of faith can uproot fear and build a sanctuary of peace inside us. When anxiety marches toward your peace, let Christ stand in the doorway and guard your heart with a love that never retreats.

**Prayer:** Lord, when courage feels in short supply, stand guard at the gate of my heart and protect what is holy in me. Increase my faith and make me steady in Your love. Amen. Wisdom 1:1 to 7; Psalm 139; Luke 17:1 to 6

#### Tuesday, November 11

#### **Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours**

#### Holiness in the Ordinary "I will bless the Lord at all times." (Psalm 34:2)

Saint Martin began as a soldier with a warm cloak and an open heart. When he encountered a shivering beggar, he split his cloak in two without hesitation. That very night Christ appeared wearing the other half, reminding Martin that every act of generosity lands directly into the hands of heaven.

The readings teach us that God formed us for eternity, not for fear. Jesus shows us that duty fulfilled with faithfulness is not ordinary at all. Holiness is not reserved for angels and martyrs. It is found in simple compassion lived daily and quietly. Martin teaches us that real greatness in the Kingdom of God looks like noticing a cold neighbor and acting without delay.

Small kindnesses are the bricks of big grace. Every time we reach out in love, we allow God to stitch ordinary moments into something extraordinary. The coat you share today may become the garment Christ uses to warm the world tomorrow.

**Prayer:** Lord, help me bless You in the ordinary moments of life. Let simple acts of love become the way Your presence appears in this world. Amen. Wisdom 2:23 to 3:9; Psalm 34; Luke 17:7 to 10

#### Wednesday, November 12

#### Memorial of Saint Josaphat

### Gratitude That Runs Back "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine?" (Luke 17:17)

Ten lepers cry out for mercy. Jesus heals them all. Only one returns. The other nine are not necessarily ungrateful people. They are simply swept up in the excitement of a life suddenly changed for the better, which is often when gratitude wanders away the fastest.

Wisdom reminds us that blessings are not trophies we earn but gifts God entrusts to us. The Samaritan returns because he knows that the real gift is not merely restored skin, but restored relationship. He wants to be close to the One who saw him from a distance and loved him close.

Gratitude protects the heart from entitlement. It keeps joy alive, it keeps us humble, and it helps us see the Giver more clearly than the gifts. Today is a day to turn back, to remember, and to let thanksgiving shape every step we take.

**Prayer:** Lord, give me a heart that remembers Your kindness and always runs back to the place where mercy began. Amen.

Wisdom 6:1 to 11; Psalm 82; Luke 17:11 to 19

#### Thursday, November 13

#### **Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini**

#### The Kingdom Already Here "The Kingdom of God is among you." (Luke 17:21)

Saint Frances Cabrini sailed across the ocean with more trust than luggage. She did not wait for opportunities to come to her. She went where people were hurting and built schools and hospitals with her own determined love. She did not search for the Kingdom like treasure buried far away. She believed it arrives wherever love becomes practical. Wisdom describes herself as radiant and unstoppable, moving through history as a gift of God for anyone who asks to see. Jesus warns us not to chase after dramatic signs as though God's presence must be loud to be real. The Kingdom of God is already here, quietly transforming lives one act of compassion at a time.

If we want to see the King, we look where He said He would be. Among the hungry, the lonely, the forgotten, the frightened. When love kneels in service, heaven stands revealed.

**Prayer:** Lord, give me a heart like Mother Cabrini, ready to notice where the Kingdom is already breaking in and eager to join Your work of mercy. Amen. Wisdom 7:22b to 8:1; Psalm 119; Luke 17:20 to 25

#### Friday, November 14

#### Friday of the Thirty second Week in Ordinary Time

## When Wonder Becomes Worship "The heavens proclaim the glory of God." (Psalm 19:2)

We live in a world where we can communicate instantly across the globe, yet sometimes fail to notice the stars above our own driveway. Wisdom gently scolds humanity for marveling at creation and missing the Creator. Everything that is beautiful in the world is a reflection of the One who made it.

Jesus warns us that busy living can become blind living. Life can be full of noise and movement but empty of real meaning. If we never look up, never pause, never breathe in awe, we miss the deeper story that God is telling through everything He has designed. Wonder opens the door to worship. The sky is not just pretty. It is a message that God is near, creative, and generous. The only appropriate response to a universe so full of His glory is praise. Tonight, take a moment to look up and remember Who lit the stars. **Prayer:** Lord, renew in me a heart that marvels at Your works and let wonder lead me into joyful worship of You. Amen.

Wisdom 13:1 to 9; Psalm 19; Luke 17:26 to 37

#### Saturday, November 15

#### Saturday of the Thirty second Week in Ordinary Time

## Do Not Grow Weary "Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night." (Luke 18:7)

The widow in Jesus' parable has no power, no wealth, and no connections, yet she refuses to give up. Her persistence moves a reluctant judge to do what is right. Jesus uses her example to teach us that prayer is not a shout into the void but a sacred knocking on a door that God has already promised to open.

Wisdom recalls the night when God tore back the waters of the sea and led His people across dry land. That miracle did not happen because Israel surrendered to fear but because they continued to cry out to God who always rescues His children. God remembers His covenant even when the situation around us feels impossible. Faith does not demand instant answers. Faith remains steady until God's justice breaks through. When you feel tired, keep praying. When you feel forgotten, keep trusting. Lord who loves you is already on the move.

**Prayer:** Lord, strengthen my heart to pray without giving up. Help me trust Your timing and believe that You are always at work for my good. Amen. Wisdom 18:14 to 16; 19:6 to 9; Psalm 105; Luke 18:1 to 8

For the full version of each day's reflection, visit CatholicJourneyToday.com and journey deeper with Scripture, prayer, and daily encouragement.

# The River and the Gate: Grace That Flows, Courage That Stands

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - Sunday, November 9, 2025 By Father Jarek

Every cathedral has a story. Stones stacked upon stones. Faith pressed into foundations. Artists carving hope into arches. Today we celebrate the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the mother church of our Catholic family. It stands not only as a masterpiece of marble but as a sign that God chooses to dwell with His people. Yet Scripture asks us to look even deeper. Saint Paul insists that the Spirit of the living God has chosen a dwelling place more sacred than any sanctuary built by human hands. He chooses the human heart.

Ezekiel once stood before a temple and saw water trickling from its threshold. It did not look like a mighty river. It began as a small and quiet seam of grace, unnoticed by most. Yet wherever that water flowed, barren land bloomed. Salt marshes turned into gardens. What was dead came back to life. God's mercy did not stay inside the walls. It moved out into the world.

This is how grace works in us. It rarely arrives with thunder or conversion fireworks. It often begins as a hidden spring, a gentle nudge to forgive, a thought to check on the neighbor who feels alone, a desire to pray again even after a long silence. The river of God never demands attention. It simply waits for permission to flow.

But every river needs a gate.

Jesus walked into the temple and saw fear and greed blocking the flow of worship. Coins clanked where prayer should have risen. He overturned the tables not because He disliked commerce but because the House of God had become a storage unit for self protection and self promotion. The same clutter that filled those courtyards can fill our souls: resentment, worry, pride, the panic of losing control. There comes a moment when Christ must do interior renovation, clearing space so grace can run free.

That is where courage enters the story.

Tomorrow we honor our parish patron, Saint Leo the Great. He once stood before Attila the Hun armed only with conviction and trust that God would protect what was holy. He did not draw a sword, yet his courage turned back a nation of warriors. Saint Leo teaches us that anyone can build a cathedral of stone. The harder task is guarding the temple of human dignity. Holiness is not only avoiding evil. It is actively defending the beauty God has planted in every soul.

Imagine your heart as a strong city with a river running through it. Grace keeps everything alive.
Courage protects everything good.

The river without the gate would flood. The gate without the river would guard an empty courtyard. Faith needs both movement and strength. Both tenderness and resolution. Both water and wall.

So what clogs the river in you What fears stand watch at the wrong gate Which grudges block the flow of joy

Sometimes the most sacred thing you can do is open a gate that has been closed for far too long. Let kindness soften what became armored. Allow forgiveness to flow into a relationship that feels stuck. Make room for wonder again. Where grace moves, life returns.

And what must you guard Which treasures deserve a brave defender

Guard the peace God gives you each morning. Guard the dignity of the person you are tempted to dismiss. Guard the sacred truth that Christ is present in those who suffer and in those who disagree with you.

Let the river flow. Let the gate stand.

The Lateran Basilica may impress the eyes, but a heart set free by Christ impresses heaven. The Church's greatest architecture is not measured in stone but in mercy poured out on ordinary days.

Today we celebrate walls that have stood for centuries. Tomorrow we remember a saint who stood like a fortress. But most of all we rejoice that God is still building and defending sacred places in the most surprising location of all.

He is building them in you.

#### **Prayer**

**Lord Jesus** You are the river that heals what has been wounded and the gate that protects what is holy in us. Wash away the fears that block Your grace and strengthen the courage that keeps goodness safe. Let mercy flow through my heart like living water that brings life wherever it goes. Stand guard at the doorway of my soul so that everything unworthy may flee and everything beautiful may grow. **Build Your church within me** and defend it with Your love today and every day. Amen.



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> ST. LEO PARISH LIFE CENTER • \$50 PER PERSON

TICKETS GO ON SALE THIS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH AT 8 AM IN THE PARISH OFFICE - CASH OR CHECKS ONLY PLEASE

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM FOR APPETIZERS • DINNER AT 6:30PM FOR TABLES OF 8-10 ENTIRE PAYMENT IS REQUIRED WITH RESERVATION.

Enjoy the incredible talents of our Pastor, FATHER JAREK, our Music Director, MARCIN MALEWSKI, our cantors JULIANA ALFANO, and MARIE and WINTER TALLEY, and our special friend CHRISTIAN MILLER as they bring the Magic of Christmas once again to our stage. Let the party begin!

#### **MENU:**

Visit our new Antipasto Garden display for a beautiful array of Appetizers and a mouthwatering Caesar Salad complete with shaved Romano, Asiago and Parmesan cheeses. Then sit down to enjoy tantalizing Breast of Chicken brimming with Cranberries, Apples and Brie cheese served over creamy Orzo and garnished with dressed Arugula and Green Beans Almondine. Wine, beer and soft drinks will be served throughout the evening until the conclusion of dinner. And to finish, a delectable Chocolate Delight with a surprise indulgence just for you will be served.





#### DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

#### OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

October 29, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Diocese of Venice is launching a "Called By Name" campaign, which will begin at the Sunday Masses of November 15-16. This special campaign is intended to identify young men from within the Diocese of Venice whom God could be calling to the priesthood.

It has been identified that a growing problem within the Catholic Church is a decline in the number of men coming forward to become priests. Within our own Diocese, there is certainly a great need for more men to answer the call to serve in the vineyard of the Lord as a priest. It is essential for priestly vocations to come from our own parishes and schools, and it is the task of the whole people of God-parents, teachers, clergy, and fellow parishioners--to recognize the goodness of the priesthood, and to call young men forward to say: "Here I am, send me." (Is 6:8)

It is with this in mind and heart that the faithful of the Diocese of Venice are asked to assist with this Called By Name campaign. Therefore, I invite all Catholics to submit the names of young men (ages 16-30) whom you believe could become good priests. Please note that it's not necessary for these young men to have already expressed a desire to become a priest. They simply need to love Christ and His Church, and to demonstrate a strong faith and a heart of service. Just as Peter received the call from Jesus through his brother Andrew (John 1:41-42) you could be the instrument that helps a young man discover God's call to the priesthood.

Following your nominations, each of these men will be congratulated on their life of faith with a letter, and they will be invited to attend a special dinner. They will also receive support and encouragement from the Vocations office of the Diocese of Venice who will also reach out to support and encourage those men identified.

Your support for this initiative is deeply appreciated, as well as your continued prayers for an increase in priestly vocations in and from the Diocese of Venice.

I take this opportunity to extend to you the assurances of my continued consideration, as well as my prayers for you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

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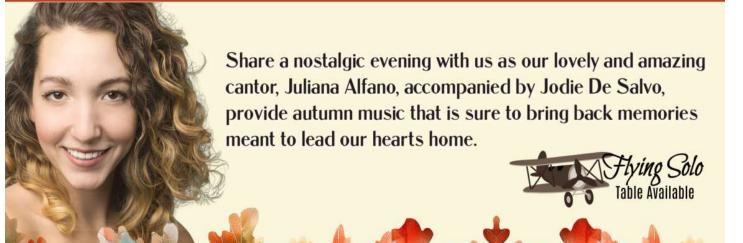
Tickets are available until noon on Tuesday.

As of the time of printing there were fewer than 50 tickets remaining.

# Coming Home

# Autumn Dinner Concert Parish Life Center Wednesday, November 12th

TICKETS ARE ON SALE IN THE PARISH OFFICE.
\$20 PER PERSON - CASH OR CHECK ONLY PLEASE
DOORS OPENS AT 5:15PM
DINNER AT 5:30PM
ALL SEATING IS OPEN, NO RESERVED TABLES.
ENJOY A LIGHT SEASONAL SUPPER & A GLASS OF WINE.



# Patrons of the Calvary Garden



An additional opportunity for you to be recognized as a patron, or to honor your family or a loved one in the renovation of our Outdoor Stations of the Cross garden is now available. The center of the Stations now includes a garden area which, as depicted, will soon be enhanced with three crosses, a water feature and illumination. On a granite pedestal will be a bronze plaque holding up to 50 names chosen by Patrons of the Calvary Garden. You may choose to include the name of the donor, someone you would like to honor, or a deceased loved one which may be identified with a cross preceding their name.

The cost per name is \$1,000 and orders are now being accepted.

Because the names are cast and cannot be added at a later date, orders will end when the maximum of 50 names are submitted.

Order forms are available in the parish office.

As of the time this bulletin was submitted only five patron spots were available.

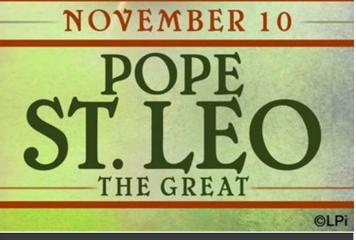
For additional information, please contact Beth Daniels at slladiesguild21@gmail.com.

Please include your name and phone number with your inquiry.



Mrs. Hand's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class made a visit to the Blessed Mother's statue with their prayer intentions and a rose, to honor Mary during October, the month of the rosary.

The rosary maker group from St. Leo made and donated 300 rosaries so that every Religious Education student could have their own.



## Volunteers Needed for Prison Outreach

Join the team of Diocesan volunteers who enter county jails and state prisons within the 10-county Diocese of Venice to do pastoral outreach, distribute the Eucharist and facilitate programs. Priests, Deacons, and lay volunteers are encouraged to assist in this ministry. Volunteers will first participate in an orientation program before entering the facility and will shadow experienced volunteers until they feel comfortable. Times and days vary by facility.

Please contact Joe Mallof at 224-217-7139 or Bob Hiniker 863-558-0407

to learn where you can fit into this joyful opportunity.





This season Faith and Wine is offering three events beginning December 4, with an inspiring and informative talk featuring Annie Karto, Catholic singer and songwriter. Registration begins November 4. The other events are scheduled for January 22, and February 19. Your \$28 registration includes a three-course dinner with wine followed by a presentation and the opportunity for community and connectivity with other faith-based women. For more information or to register go to www.faithandwineleecounty.com



All youth in grades 9-12 are invited to join us in room 13/14 of the Education building on Friday nights from 6:30-8:30pm for food, games and sharing of our faith.

Call the Religious Education Department at 992-0901 for more information.



- Start time 6:30pm, doors open at 6pm
   Our Lady of Light in Estero
   19680 Cypress View Drive
- \$10 Suggested Donation
- Reaister www.faithandale.co

Matt is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He and his wife are co-founders of Metanoia Catholic, which is a coaching business which helps Catholics "...to provide practical guidance for everyday Catholics to



If you are "flying solo" at his point in your life....whether by choice, widowhood, or divorce, and you would like to socialize with others in the same situation, you are welcomed to sit at our specially designated tables during select entertainment events at the parish.

#### **NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS**

MASS INTENTION **REQUESTED BY** 

MONDAY **NOVEMBER 10** 

8:00 am +Phil Spitzley John & Patrice Wolff

TUESDAY **NOVEMBER 11** 

8:00 am +Margaret Schaaf Cathy Sullivan

WEDNESDAY **NOVEMBER 12** 

8:00 am +Joseph Bardauskis His Loving Family

**NOVEMBER 13 THURSDAY** 

The Graduates of Cabrini University Pati Grana 8:00 am

FRIDAY **NOVEMBER 14** 

+Margaret Schaaf Lydia Heim 8:00 am

SATURDAY **NOVEMBER 15** 

8:00 am +Bruce Miller The Miller Family 3:30 pm +Rita Gorky Cindy & Frank Foley

5:30 pm The Parishioners of St. Leo

SUNDAY **NOVEMBER 16** 

7:30 am +Joseph Marone Cindy & Frank Foley 9:30 am +Mary Knuska The St. Leo Ladies Guild 11:30 am +Rudolph Fazio Salvatore Fazio

1:30 pm - Polish Special Cumulative Intentions 3:00 pm - Spanish Special Cumulative Intentions

5:00 pm +Bruce Miller The Miller Family

Hearing Loops are installed around the pews adjacent to the north and south entrances of the church and in the new auditorium. Hearing Loops transmit sound directly into a hearing aid or cochlear implant. To receive the Loop signal, manually activate the T-coil or telephone setting on your device. Consult your audiologist or hearing aid professional with problems.



#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Experiencing the marvelous presence of Christ through Eucharistic Adoration is available in our Chapel from 7am to 3:30pm Monday through Friday and on Saturdays and Sundays from 7am to 5:30pm.

#### ST. LEO MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIEST CENACLE

On the second Friday of each month in the Cry Room following 8am Mass For more information contact Betty at 860-595-6370 or holdenbnd@gmail.com

#### Prayer Group

All are welcome on Wednesday mornings in the Nest Cafe at 8:45am to pray for our personal intentions and those of our community, country and peace in our world.



#### Rosary Makers - Wednesday at 10:30 am - Nest Café

All are welcome to join the JMJ Rosary Makers as they make beaded string rosaries. The instructions, supplies and tools required will be provided. Since prayer and evangelization are needed more than ever, so are rosaries.

Walking with Moms in Need is a program at St. Leo which connects pregnant women and new mothers in need with assistance and support. Please go to our website for more information www.stleocatholicchurch.org

#### The Sewing, Knitting & Crocheting Group

shares their talents to benefit local charities. They welcome volunteers of all skill levels on Tuesdays beginning at noon in the Juan Diego Outreach Center, Contact Bernice Romano at 239-601-5877 with questions.



Nolan Kane

Mary Kobel

Peggy Land

Diane Lamdi

Emily Lienesch

Pauline McKeen

Cole LoRusso

#### DAILY PRAYER SCHEDULE

MONDAYS THROUGH THURSDAYS, AND SATURDAYS: 7:15 am-Divine Mercy Chaplet in

the Cry Room, 7:30 am-Rosary in the main church.

FRIDAYS: 7:10 am-Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Cry Room, 7:25 am-Rosary in the main church, followed by the Miraculous Medal Novena We invite you to join us in these wonderful prayers. Your presence and participation are greatly appreciated.



#### ST LEO'S RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Meetings are held in the Nest Café on the last Friday of each month following 8am Mass beginning again in January. For questions contact Loretta at 917.886.7273 or Peggy at 239.293.3201.



## Please Pray for Our Troops

Lt. Marco Colavecchia Joseph McDermond Daniel McDonald Brian Dearcia Leon Michael DeSantis Cpt. Kyle Martin Cpt. Mary Kate Flynn Michael Oliveira Lt. Thomas A. Flynn Sgt. Thomas Pauls Cpt. Sean Flynn Nick Parrorzio Sean Michael Perry Thomas Geanuracos Cpt. Evan Razzano Lt. Riley N. Schliem Carlos Gonzales Lt. Andrew D. Holt Lt. Col. Jonathan W. Schwarz Brian Howlett Lt. Com. Matthew Kleine Lt. Col. Peter Shayhorn Reed Lessman All serving in the military, Lt. Col. Nicholas LoRusso especially those in combat.

## We pray today for...

Tom Bardol Misaela Mendiola Sandoval Jose Manuel Meraz Jay Bavaro Dave Bowezs Jay Miller Linda Mizeur Tom Brown Denise Buk Paul Modzelewski Isabelle Marie Caiola Barbara Moloney Patrick Cain Jay Morgan Carol Compagna Deborah Muñiz Mark Chambers Audrey Grace Neeley Mickey Chervitz Glenn Nelson Kevin Clark Kathleen Nelson Scott Cochell Paul Nippert Lourdes Coll Rita Off Greg Daeger Paul Orzech Connie Phillips Eli Davis Aiden Putnam Janet Davis Tara DeRoma Michelle Rendon Carrie Derse Norman Robinson Paul Duggan Jack Rubush Brad Fairfield Tessa Santagate Matthew Fairfield Cindy Santiago Paula Fairfield Martha Simons Rosemarie Smedile Linda Fischel Sean Flynn Yvonne SochaSonoc Sheryl Southerd Brynn Forlizzi John Galli Cathleen Staid Gissette Lupita Garcia Jim Stokes Esmeralda Gomez Moreira Charlie Sweeney Jr. Cory Gray Debra Tailerco Pauline Graziano Michael Taveripte Karen Grimshaw Kim Thomson Ryan Hammond Fabio Thurman Alan Handsman Tom Thurman Tara Handsman Eleanor Trevison Luke Hass Keanu Vallette Robbin Holcomb Debra Vannotti Tim Young Michael Warner Jack Jeffrey Jerry Kaehle

Names remain on our prayer list for 30 days & troop list for 6 months. To add names or update information call the Parish Office at 992-0901 or email: ehernandez@stleocatholicchurch.org

John White

Ray Zonghetti

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George Witkowsky

& past parish priests.

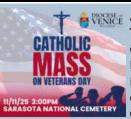
Anthony, Christine, Fabiala,

Krislin, Michael, Tray. Present

## PARISH DIRECTORY

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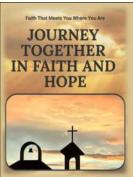
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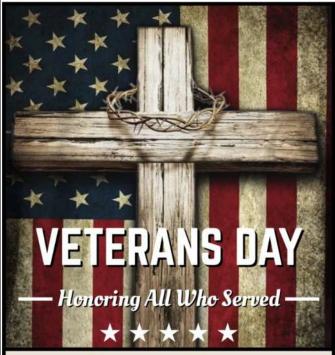
A Catholic Mass on Veterans Day,
Tuesday, November 11, will be held
outdoors in the Amphitheater at Sarasota
National Cemetery at 3pm. This annual
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of Venice, has become a sacred tradition.
Gathering as one people under God, we

honor and remember our United States veterans, both living and deceased. All are welcome to attend and join in prayer for the souls of our faithfully departed veterans as well as for those currently in the military, and all who labor to protect the freedom we enjoy. If you are a member of the military, come, and wear your uniform! Opening ceremonies begin at 2:45 p.m.



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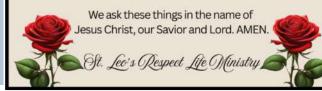
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Lord, we ask that You bless each veteran with Your peace and comfort. For those who carry the physical, emotional, or spiritual wounds of war, we pray for healing. Ease their pain and give them strength for the days ahead.

We lift up their families, who have also sacrificed much in support of their loved ones. Grant them patience, understanding, and the assurance of Your presence in their lives.

Guide our nation to honor its veterans with the respect and care they deserve. Help us to remember their service, not just on special days, but every day. May we be a source of support and encouragement to them in all that they do.



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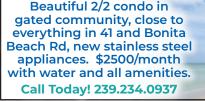
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