

Stewardship

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January 28, 2024
**Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**
**Harden
Not
Your Hearts**

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm

Sunday

9:00 am & 10:45 am

Daily - Tuesday - Friday

8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church

All Are Welcome Here

1701 East Oakland Park Blvd. Oakland Park Florida 33334



Our Pastor

Reverend Robert F. Tywoniak,
M.S.W., C.S.W.M

Assisting

Deacon Dan Blaha (Retired)

Lead Musician

Daniel J. Perez

Baptism for Infants and Preschool Children under 7 years old

At Baptism, infants and preschool children are initiated into the Christian community and begin a life-long journey as a committed disciple of Christ. Since the child cannot make this commitment on their own, the parent who requests Baptism states that they wish to pass on the faith in which they believe and live. Parents wishing to have their infant or preschooler Baptized are required to attend Baptism Preparation. This gives them the opportunity to reflect on the meaning of Baptism and to have their questions answered concerning the Sacrament of Baptism and the ceremony. In order to begin preparing for their child's Baptism, parents are asked to contact the parish office at 954-564-1010 prior to the anticipated birth or adoption process. We wish to celebrate this joyful time with you!

Marriage

Blessed Sacrament parish wishes to support couples as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage through prayer and action. For this reason, guidelines have been established for marriage preparation by the Archdiocese of Miami. This is not done to create obstacles, but to increase the opportunity for a lasting, loving marriage in a society where divorce is prevalent. Couples should contact the parish office at 954-564-1010 at the time of their engagement to allow time to complete the necessary preparation.



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Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Psalm 95

1 Corinthians 7: 32-35

Mark 1: 21-28

Harden Not Your Hearts

The title of this column, "Harden Not Your Hearts," is a fragment of the response to today's Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 95. It means as you hear God's voice, do not turn away from it. Follow what God renders as His most wise guidance. In His wisdom, God is most powerful achieving much Good. Our Lord is a creative and awesome force. Thus, "let us kneel before the Lord who made us."

We experience awe before God. It comes as we experience the presence of God's life-giving power. This creative power is always around us. Even before God is introduced to us, we sense this power. We are wise, then, to open up to it, reach out to it, welcome it into our lives, and be transformed by it in a positive way.

In the first reading, Moses informs the people God will raise up a prophet from among them. He will not be a stranger. The people will be able to relate to him. Yet, as common as the prophet might be, he will speak powerful words to the people. God "...will put (my) words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him." (Deut. 18)

God goes on to exhort the people to obedience. He says the prophet must speak God's words and the people must listen. Both the speaker and the listener of the Word have responsibility. Each must have fidelity to the Word of God.

Throughout history, God has communicated with humankind. Now, in the fulness of revelation, in and through Jesus Christ, the power of God becomes visible and knowable. Jesus teaches with authority. Jesus is God. "He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." (Mark 1)

The Lord God uses his awesome power for good. It is exercised to compel evil to leave innocent people. Evil is replaced with good creative power. The person is remade into God's likeness of Goodness. Such people are to share the goodness they receive with others as a means to continuing to build a community of Love.

This community of love is the Church. Jesus Christ founded the Church on His authority which He passed on to Peter and his successors. In this way the divine creative power will always be present in a concrete way as we matriculate through this earthly life. Jesus is the divine head of the Church that is occupied by imperfect beings. The Church marches on according to God's plan with Jesus as its head. It always corrects itself in time. God has been visible to us.

Permit God to mold you. May we all be molded together as one body in Christ. Together we are the Church, the gathering of God's people. Let us not harden our hearts. Let us move on according to God's creative power.

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The solicitation for the Archbishop's Charities and Development fund has been mailed to each of your households. Please respond by making your pledge. You calculate your pledge amount according to the chart that is attached to the literature. It is calculated at 2% of your income.

I ask you to join me in making the pledge and then paying it off over the year to come.

Stewardship

Time, Talent Tithing

It is our way of showing gratitude to God for life itself. It is also your way of being part of the mission and participating in the challenge of spreading the Good News of Love.

Attendance last week:	278
Tithes Collected:	\$5,650.00
Per Capita:	\$20.32
2nd Collection Church	
In Latin America:	\$282.00

Education & Formation

Scripture Sharing

Thursday Evenings at 7:00PM to 8:00PM

In the Chapel

Scripture Sharing permits us, in a small group, to talk about the upcoming Sunday's Scripture Readings. It is not a boring lecture. It follows the Church's ancient tradition of opening up the sacred Word of God. Come and see.

Fr. Bob is also available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6:30PM to 6:55PM prior to Scripture Sharing.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult

Have you, an adult, ever been baptized? Have you been baptized into another Christian tradition but now need to become a full member of the Roman Catholic Church? Perhaps you were baptized in the Church but did not get

Things to know

to the point of receiving First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

The RCIA is the way for adults to do any and all of the above! Gregory and Fr. Bob would like to hear from you. They can sit with you, listen to your story and explain how to bring you into the fullness of the practice of the Christian faith.

CLIP & SEND

I am interested in the RCIA. (Print)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____



Entrance Hymn:

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE (Pérez-Cuan)

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE, ALL ARE WELCOME HERE. WE ARE,
WELCOME HERE! WE ARE, WELCOME HERE!

1. As we gather as one people, all are welcome in God's Holy place. Love is flowing, God is calling and we glorify His name.
2. We are brothers, we are sisters, and together we seek harmony. Joyful voices, all around us let our praises rise to You!
3. Fill our hearts Lord with your fire. Bless your people with your love and grace. In your promise, we have faith Lord; we rejoice. We give You thanks!
4. All are welcome at His table. Sharing His bread, that's blessed and broken. Living water, source of all life; you give us unending love!

Father Kris Bartos

Fr. Kris was ordained for the Archdiocese of Detroit in 1985. After five years he transferred to the Archdiocese of Miami. He ministered at Saint Elizabeth of Hungry Parish. He came here to be near his parents and took care of them until their deaths.

He studied during summers at Boston College and got his master's in education. This led Father to serve as assistant principal at Saint Brendan High School and later at Archbishop McCarthy High School.

Fr. Kris also served in Saint David's Parish and Saint Anthony Parish. Later he became pastor of San Pablo Parish in the Florida Keys. He retired from San Pablo parish.

Fr. Kris is helping out at St. Gregory Parish in Plantation. He will also be celebrating Mass with us here at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Fr. Bob and Fr. Kris have known each other for all the years Fr. Kris has been in the Archdiocese. On many occasions Fr. Bo would help Fr. Kris at the high school for various services.

Continue to make Fr. Kris feel welcomed here at Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Note: Fr. Dennis' health has caused him to stop working at this time.

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Angiolina Armenti, Mary-Ellen Batcho, Mary Benivegna, Margarita Bogle, Ronald Gustinella, Richard & Cathy Harper, Dil Hatchett, Patrick Keough, Arnold & Doris Lakso, John LaNeve, Gail Martin, Sean Martin, Luz Mercado, Fay Michael, Sasi Morejon, Dan Murphy, Teresita Nazareno, Lauren Nicole, Paul Riley, Rick Steffan, Renette Valcourt, Sr. Frances Vass, OSC, Nancy Zakem, Marie & Jeff, Lucas Zaky

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan 27

4:00 p.m. † Grace & Tony Mazzurco by Parish
† Buddy Malone by Nancy, Marylou, & Paul

Sunday, Jan 28

9:00 a.m. Blessed Sacrament Parish

10:45 a.m. † Dale Wenal by Mark Mazzurco
† Charlotte Kranz by Martin & Frank

Monday Jan 29 | NO MASS

Tuesday, Jan 30

8:00 a.m. † Terri Reese by Timbo

Wednesday, Jan 31

8:00 a.m. † Daniel Alfaro Tobar by Friends

Thursday, Feb 1

8:00 a.m. Selma Cardona by Judy Dempsey
Friday, Feb 2

8:00 a.m. † Peter Frank Altobelli by Johnson Family

Saturday, Feb 3

4:00 p.m. † Bert Jimenez by Marylou & Paul
† Maria Callahan by John E. Lazar & J. Edward Jarvis

Sunday, Feb 4

9:00 a.m. † Bill Crepage by John & Lucie Strawser

10:45 a.m. Kaitlin by Grandma Vocations by Parish