

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

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Monday -Thursday
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BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC PARISH

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Baptisim 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!

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.

October 6, 2024 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2: 18-24 Psalm 128 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10: 2-16

"We Are Created for One Another"

The title you see above I stole from an article I read about today's readings. I did not come up with it myself as I normally do. I used it here because it approaches the meaning of the readings in a deeper and broader way than one might otherwise approach them.

Most obviously, the readings can be interpreted to be about the sacrament of Matrimony. Yet, they speak more broadly of the relationship we have with God, with God's people, and all of God's creation. In that the readings do speak in the context of marriage they point to what a sacramental marriage gives witness to.

Human beings are social by nature. We are created to be partners and helper to one another. In the Genesis reading it says, "suitable partner." It may also be translated as "fit helpmate." Sacramental Marriage is the most intimate of unions human beings can have. In the strictest sense, it is a union sparked by the Divine that is necessary for some, by their particular vocation, to make each one fulfilled in this earthly life. By definition, it is two people, one man and one woman, called by God to help one another through life to God while being open to bringing new life into this world for the glory of God.

Are the scriptures saying, therefore, the vocation of Sacramental Marriage is the only way to experience fullness and fulfillment in life? No. It is making clear it is one way. That does not exclude celibacy or the single state. As a celibate priest, I can testify my life is fulfilling and, even more, prophetic. My way in life also makes a point about fulfillment in life through relationships. Both the vocations do.

The readings show us a person is alone and helpless without God in his or her life. All that the Lord does is done to call attention to His love for us. His relationship with all of us is paramount. A relationship with God is what is truly most fulfilling and intimate. The intimacy we can all imagine within Sacramental Marriage is a sign of that with God. Properly nurtured through Liturgical and private prayer, plus moral action in God's name, brings each person to a life in God that is beyond all imagining. God is truly tied to us in all our relationships; friendships, relationships between whole nations of people too are linked to God. This is seen in the sign of marriage used in the readings. God is linked to all fulfilling relationships. To illustrate this, we see how the partner is presented to the other. God presents the women to the man as a

loving, concerned father presents his daughter, the bride, to the soon to be son-in-law, the groom. God is involved.

The Gospel story reinforces this understanding of the ultimate intimate relationship between God and each one of us. In it the misunderstanding and manipulation of the Pharisees is corrected. The passage shows the the utter dependence between people. This applies to married couples as well as to all disciples of Jesus Christ, to the whole Christian community and to all of creation. Only hardness of heart and pride in power causes one not to see the intimacy God calls us to with Himself.

So, back to the title, "We are created for one another." All of humanity is called to an intimate relationship with God in the most perfect sense possible in this life. God will be one with us, each one of us and all of us together. As such, we make up one body of believers who help each other through life to God treating each one as not only brother and sister but also as one's own children that must be led and guided to the one true God to whom we give glory.

Watch Father Bob's weekly video reflection

Next Week's Readings Wis7:7-11;Heb4:12-13;Mk10:17-30 Next week is Respect Life Sunday.

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: 251
Tithes Collected: \$4,311.50
Per Capita: \$17.18

WILLS AND TRUSTS

It is always good Christian Stewardship to think into the future. There will be people, such as your own relatives, who will come after you. They will be looking for fullness and fulfillment of life as you have. Thus, remembering the parish or other Church related institution in your will or in a trust is a good way to keep the Word of God alive for generations to come.

Contact Fr. Bob at the rectory office to discuss this matter.

Parish Life

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

Offered In the Parish

Marian Rosary Tuesday through Friday 7:20AM Saturday 3:30PM Sunday 8:30AM

Lectio Divina (Scripture Sharing) Every Thursday at 7:00PM to 8:00PM During this time we reflect on the coming Sunday Readings

Adoration First Thursday of the Month 7:00 to 8:00PM with Lectio Divina First Friday of the Month After the 8:00AM Liturgy

New Floors

This year's major project is complete. The new ceramic tile is in place in the foyer. The new carpeting is in place in the main church. Thank you to all of you who maintain your tithes to the parish. Such stewardship runs the parish. Keeping the parish plant in good condition gives us a place to worship and celebrate our Faith and to do the Works of Justice and Mercy that we do.

Cost

Tile Project, material and labor: \$20,281.00 Carpet Project, material and labor: \$31,718.00

These are material things that must always be attended to. Let us keep growing in the Faith. Keep holy the Lord's Day and take part in the Scripture Sharing each Thursday from 7:00PM to 8:00PM. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated each Thursday evening from 6:30PM to 6:55PM. Then Reconciliation is also celebrated Saturday from 3:00PM to 3:30 PM in the chapel prior to the 4:00PM Liturgy. You may also call to make an appointment for another mutually available time.

Anyone who wishes to make a special donation toward this project, beyond the normal tithe, may contact Fr. Bob at the rectory.

SCRIPTURE SHARING

Every Thursday evening from 7pm to 8pm, we gather in the chapel for Scripture Sharing. This is not a boring lecture but a dynamic time of sharing and learning. The way of the Lectio Divina is followed that permits all to take in the richness of the Sunday scripture readings. Within a prayerful setting, including a little worship music, participants read the upcoming Sunday readings and under the guidance of Fr. Bob discuss how the readings touch them.

THIRD ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS

Oct 5 - Oct 11, 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration. Holy Rosary prayed out loud every hour

PRAYER SCHEDULE

Sat. Oct 5, 5:30 pm-Sun. Oct 6, 5:30 pm St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Coral Springs Louise 954-753-3330

Sun. Oct 6, 5:30pm- Mon. Oct 7, 5:30pm St. Louis Pinecrest Kristin 786-338-0145

Mon. Oct 7, 6:00 pm-Tue. Oct 8, 6:00pm Nativity Hollywood Ronnie 954-494-1809

Tue. Oct 8, 6:00pm- Wed Oct. 9, 6:00pm Bonaventure Davie
Donna 954-296-9507
Wed. Oct. 9, 6:00pm- Thu. Oct 10, 6:00pm St. Gabriel Pompano
Mari Helen 954 592-7483

Thu. Oct 10, 6:00pm- Fri. Oct 11, 6:00pm St. Pius X Ft. Lauderdale Dolores 954-684-6708

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Angiolina Armenti, Mary-Ellen Batcho, Mary Benivegna, Carl Bocchino, Margarita Bogle, Michael Bryant, Ronald Gustinella, Richard & Cathy Harper, Dil Hatchett, John Hunter, Patrick Keough, Doris Lakso, John LaNeve, Gail Martin, Sean Martin, Luz Mercado. Teresita Nazareno. Lauren Nicole. Austin R., Renette Valcourt, Sr. Frances Vass, OSC, Nancy Zakem, Marie & Jeff, Monica Yassa, Lucas Zaky

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 5

4:00pm † Pat Malone

by Paul & Marylou

Adams

†Oscar Frias

by Pedro Rodriguez

& Carol Walgenwitt

Sunday, October 6

9:00am Blesssed Sacrament

Parish

10:45am †Carmela Dee

by Family

Monday October 7 NO MASS

Tuesday, October 8

8:00am †Sean Driscoll

by Pat Burton

Wednesday, October 9

8:00am †William "Bill" Thomas

Nesselt, Jr. by Friends

Thursday October 10

8:00am †Margarita Gomez

by Selma Cardona

Friday October 11

8:00am †Adel Tawfik by Family

Saturday, October 12

4:00pm †Clair Deller

by Denis & Donald

Gatewood

†Maria De Los Angeles

Lorenzo Sinero

by Barbara Clowe

Sunday, October 13

9:00am Blesssed Sacrament

Parish

10:45am †Judy Vogel

by Chris Crepage

Linda Grande

by Chris Crepage