

God
is
calling

February 9, 2025
**5th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

But by the grace of God I am
what I am, and his grace to me
has not been ineffective.

1 Corinthians 15:10

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"All Are Welcome Here"

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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

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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Isaiah 6: 1-2a, 3-8
Psalms 138
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
Luke 5: 1-11

Vocation

Have you heard your call from God? Do you know your vocation? Are you responding?

The prophet Isaiah recognizes God is calling him. Isaiah knows it is God who he encounters. He sees His all-encompassing rule as depicted by the flowing "train of his garment filling the temple." This is an awesome sight that brings, at the least, some trepidation for the prophet. Mostly, it causes Isaiah to break into a hymn of praise, "Holy, Holy, Holy!" At that point God purifies the prophet to prepare him for the lifelong journey he was beginning.

We are all called by God. When one recognizes God is calling it can be a bit frightening. Yet, do not fear, God empowers the one called. Simon Peter goes through this round of emotions. However, God makes him the fisher of men.

Yes, you are called by God. Everyone is. You must discern what you must do that fulfills your calling. It is everyone's moral obligation to do so. For, to respond to God's call is ultimately fulfilling to you. Following the correct path for you is what makes life best for you.

Saint Paul makes the statement, "...by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective." As Paul points out, God not only completes the work begun in Old Testament times but completes work he has begun in each one of us. The psalm of the day states this also, "The Lord will complete what he has done for me; forsake not the work of your hands."

Yes, to respond to God's call may bring some trepidation. However, God will give you all you need to fulfill the call. It might take time to see God's involvement in your life. The time it takes is

more a function of your own volition rather than of God's.

Take the time each day in prayer and reflection. This will help you discern your calling, your vocation. God will hear the words of your mouth and will guide you.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
Jer17:5-8; 1Cor15:12,16-20;Lk6:17,20-26
Scripture Sharing, Thursdays, 7-8pm.

**Watch Fr. Bob's
weekly video
Reflection**



**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:	279
Tithes Collected:	\$10,624.00
Per capita:	\$38.08

Archbishop's Charities and Development Fund (ABCD)
For those of you who are new here, you need to know the ABCD is the fund to which we contribute that is beyond the support of our own local parish of Blessed Sacrament. Most of you have received literature that explains this from the Archbishop in the mail already.

As has been explained to you already, your tithe is split in the following way: A tithe is 10% of your "wealth." Six percent goes to this parish, 1 or 2% goes to the ABCD and the rest goes to any other charity you care about. Naturally, more can go to any of these choices.

IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY MADE A PLEDGE TO THE ABCD, PLEASE DO IT NOW.

Thank yourself for the contribution you make to the ABCD. It is something you do for the Church you are a part of.

Parish Life

ENTRANCE HYMN

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE (Daniel Pérez-Cuan)

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**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE, ALL ARE WELCOME HERE.
ALL ARE, WELCOME HERE! ALL 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!

During Lent Scriptural Stations of the Cross Thursdays at 7:00pm

This dynamic way of the cross greatly takes from the biblical accounts of Jesus' passion and death. It is truly attractive to the children. Come as a family each Thursday evening. A preview of the next Sunday's readings is given. You might even get a little reward too!

Sunday School students and parents must participate.

Fast and Abstinence During Lent and Holy Week

During Lent we Christians witness to our hunger for God through fasting and abstinence. Fasting and abstinence also help us overcome the temptations to selfishness that can come from an oversized ego.

Fasting means eating only one normal-sized meal and two small meals, with no snacks. Abstinence means eating NO meat other than fish.

We practice abstinence on all Fridays of Lent.

We practice abstinence AND fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

CALENDAR OF SOME IMPORTANT EVENTS

Parish Mission Begins Ash Wednesday
March 5th, 6th, 7th from 7 to 8:30pm

Scriptural Stations of the Cross Begins Thursday, March 13th and continues each Thursday during Lent. 7:00pm

Holy Week Begins

Passion Sunday, April 13th

Holy Thursday, April 17th at 7pm

Good Friday, April 18th at 7pm

Easter Vigil, April 19th at 8pm

Easter Sunday, April 20th Masses at 9am and 10:45am

Scripture Sharing Begins Again May 1st and continues every Thursday from 7 to 8pm

TOGETHER WE PRAY FOR

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

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

4:00pm † Mary-Ellen Batcho and Stan & Ruth Chaner by Ed Batcho
† Ron Murawski by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:00am Blessed Sacrament Parish
10:45am † Domingo Joa by Perez Family
† Carmen Rosabal by Perez Family

MONDAY February 10 | NO MASS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:00am † Bernard & Eileen Flood by Flood Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:00am Victims of the plane crashes

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00am Family & Friends of the Victims of the plane crashes

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00am † Luke Caliento by Friends

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

4:00p † Dottie & Joe Ducato by Nancy, Mary Lou, & Paul

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

9:00am Blessed Sacrament Parish
10:45am † Jennie Matyi by Parish
† Matthew Colson by Colson Family & D. Perez