



Notre Dame Catholic Church

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Notre Dame Catholic Church is addressing the spiritual and the material needs of the people in Fort Pierce and Port St. Lucie area. The church provides services to all regardless of race, gender, color, or religion. Notre Dame Catholic Church is a family rooted in faith, hope and love. We are trying to follow the Lord's example of the Christian stewardship: gratefully acknowledging the gifts God has given us, and shared these gifts with all people.

Parish Staff / Anplwaye

Rev. Yves Geffrard: Administrator

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Myrlene Alcidor: Youth Ministry & Liturgy Coordinator

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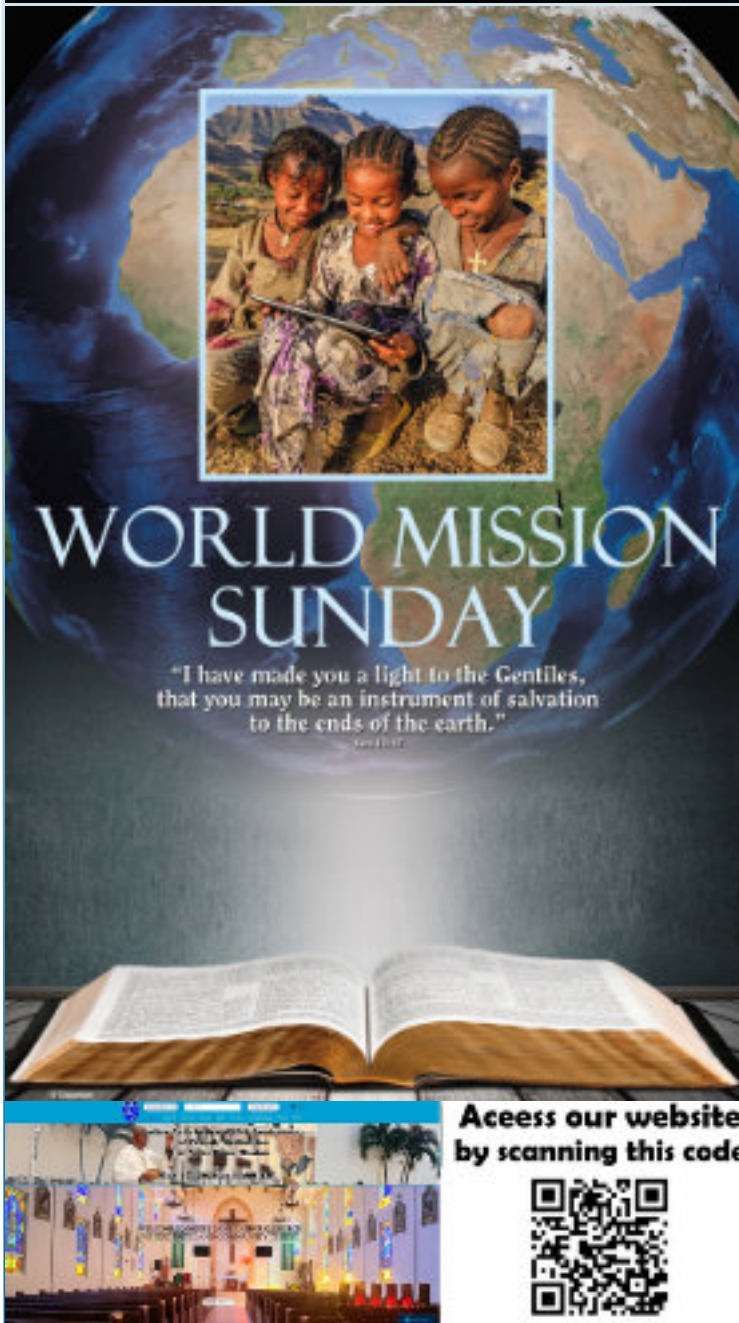
Patrick Boney: Human Resource Manager

Kathy Lucas: Bookkeeper

Eugene Deshommes : Music Director

Pauline Jean Simon: Pastoral Council Chairwoman

October 11, 2026



Parish Programs & Schedule

Mass Schedule / Orèmèsyo

English Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM & Saturday 5 PM

Sunday English 9:30 AM from December - April
On Holidays, all English Services are at 9:30 AM

Creole Mass : Sunday 11:00 AM

Every Tuesday: 7:30 PM

Blessed Sacrament: every first Sunday
after the 11:00 AM Creole Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

By appointment

Church Office Hours : (772) 466-9617

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Notre Dame Soup Kitchen: Friday 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Outreach Program: St Vincent de Paul (772) 465-4551

Monday 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM only by phone

Dried Food Assistance Tuesday 9:30 to 12:00 PM

Program nan Pawas la ak Orè Sèvis yo

Orè Mès yo

Mès Anglè: Dimanch 8:00 AM Mès Samdi 5:00 PM

Mès Anglè Dimanch 9:30 AM Desanm rive Avril

Nan jou fèt, tout sèvis Anglè toujou fèt a 9:30 AM

Mès Kreyòl : Dimanch 11:00 AM & Madi 7:30 PM

Ekspozisyon Sen Sakreman:

Chak Premye Dimanch après Mès 11è

Konfesyon : Samdi 4:00-4:30 PM sou Randevou

Orè Biwo administrasyon Leglizla: (772) 466-9617

Lendi rive Vandredi 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Notre Dame Soup Kitchen: Vandredi 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Program Asistans: St Vincent de Paul (772) 465-4551

Lendi 9:30 AM rive 12:00 PM sou telefòn sèlman

Asistans manje kri : Madi 9:30 AM rive 12:00 PM

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME , A

My brothers and sisters,

The Eucharist gives us a foretaste of heaven. Heaven is going to surpass all our hopes and expectations. It's going to be more wonderful than we can imagine. Because there will be love and joy and peace like we have never experienced, it's hard for God to tell us about it. All he can do is to use images that we are familiar with: a great banquet, a wedding feast, the elimination of suffering and death, wealth that cannot be exhausted as in the hidden treasure, the pearl of great price or the mansion God is preparing for us. Today we heard Isaiah compare it to a great banquet and Jesus compare it to wedding celebration for a prince which would be an event people would remember for years. Why Jesus used this analogy? More profoundly Jesus saw in the human experience of dining a symbol of our final union with himself and his Father in heaven, united as we will be by the Holy Spirit, the bond of love. That is why he referred to heaven as a wedding banquet. The joy and camaraderie, the feasting and the celebrating which characterize a dinner in honor of a couple newly-joined in matrimony are an image, however faint, of the wonders of heaven. This new and everlasting marriage covenant is celebrated in a great wedding banquet, that of the Holy Eucharist. A wedding banquet is celebrated only once, immediately after the marriage takes place. But our union with God is so important that we celebrate it every time we come to church for Mass. We are here because we have accepted, and not rejected, God's invitation. As Jesus tells us, to have all this wonder and joy we must respond to an invitation. We must be wise enough not to turn it down. How will recognize the invitation when it comes? It sounds something like this: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will refresh you." We hear the invitation in the Sermon on the Mount when Jesus tells us: "Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock." Or in a special way he invites us to begin enjoying the wonderful banquet heaven will provide when he tells us, "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood you do not have life in you." He invites us each day to "take this and eat, take this and drink. "For us Catholics this is part of his invitation to "Keep holy the Lord's day." My brothers and sisters let us make no mistake. We should understand that in our search for love and happiness we are looking for God.

Rev. Yves Geffard

VENTWITYÈM DIMANCH ÒDINÈ, ANE A

Frè m ak sè m yo,

Ekaristi-a ban nou yon avangou de syèl la. Syèl la pral depase tout esperans epi ak tout atant nou genyen. L-ap anpil fwa pi bèl ke jan nou te imajine-l. Paske ap genyen lanmou ak lajwa epi lapè, tankou nou pat janm konnen l, li difisil pou Bondye di nou kichòy de sijè sa-a. Tout sa li ka fè se itilize imaj ke nou abitye avè-l: yon gro bankè, yon festen nòs, eliminasyon de soufrans ak lanmò, ak anpil richès ki pap janm ka fini tankou nan trezò ki cache-a, yon gro trezò prepare ap ret tann nou. Jodi-a, nou te tandè Izayi te konpare-l ak yon gro bankè epi Jezi konpare l ak yon selebrasyon maryaj yon prens ki ta yon evenman ke pèp la ta raple yo pou anpil ane. Poukisa Jezi itilize konparezon sa-a ? Yon fason pi pwofon, Jezi te wè nan eksperyans lèzòm lè yap manje yon senbòl dinite final ant li menm ak Papa-a nan syèl la, Linite ke nou pral genyen nan Lespri Sen-an, nan renmen an. Se poutèt sa li refere syèl la tankou yon fèt maryaj. Lajwa ak kamaradri, selebrasyon ak festen ki karakterize yon dine a lonè de moun ki renmen, ki fèk ansanm nan lyen maryaj ki se yon imaj, an menm tan tou ki trè fèb, pa rapò ak mèvèy ki nan syèl la. Nouvèl alyans etènèl sa-a selebre nan gran fèt maryaj, sa yo rele la Sent Ekaristi. Yon bankè maryaj selebre sèlman yon sèl fwa, imedyatman aprè maryaj la fin fèt. Men, inyon nou ak Bondye si tèlman enpòtan ke nou selebre-l chak fwa nou vin legliz nan lamès, nou la paske nou aksepte envitasyon Bondye-a, men nou pa rejte-l. Kòm Jezi di-n, pou nou genyen tout mèvèy lajwa sa yo, nou dwe reponn yon envitasyon. Nou dwe gen ase sajès pou nou pa vire do ba li. Kòman nou ap rekonèt envitasyon-an lè-l vini ? Sa sanble yon bagay konsa : « Vin jwenn mwen nou tout k-ap fatigue kò nou, m-ap ban nou soulajman. » Nou te tandè envitasyon-an kote li t-ap preche sou mòn nan kote Jezi te di nou : Nenpòt moun ki tandè pawòl ke m-ap di yo la-a epi ki pratike yo, l-ap tankou yon moun pridan ki bati kay li sou yon wòch. Ou byen nan yon fason espesyal, Li envite nou pou nou kòmanse jwi gran mèvèy fèt k-ap fèt nan syèl la lè li di nou, « Si ou pa manje kò pitit moun nan epi bwè san li, ou pap gen lavi nan ou. » Li envite nou chak jou pou nou « pran sa epi manje-l, pran sa e bwè-l. » Pou nou menm Katolik, sa fè pati denvitasyon-L lè li mande nou « Pou nou mete jou repo-a apa. » Frè-m ak Sè-m yo, an n pa fè okenn erè. Nou dwe konprann nan rechèch nap fè pou lanmou ak bonè, se Bondye menm nap chèche.

READING FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2026

Sunday

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10



Monday Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday **Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**
Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 11:47-54

Friday Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday **Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr**
Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday **Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

MASS INTENTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions

Requiem Mass for Horace Emilus requested by Mr Yves Emilus
Requiem Mass for Cynthia Tenhundfeld requested by Miss Kathy Lucas

Weekly Offertory Collection

The offertory collection for the weekend ending October 4th was \$2,364.05. Thank you for your generosity.

The Annual Budget Report ended June, 2027 is available

The annual budget for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 is approved. A copy of the budget is available from the Parish bookkeeper's office.

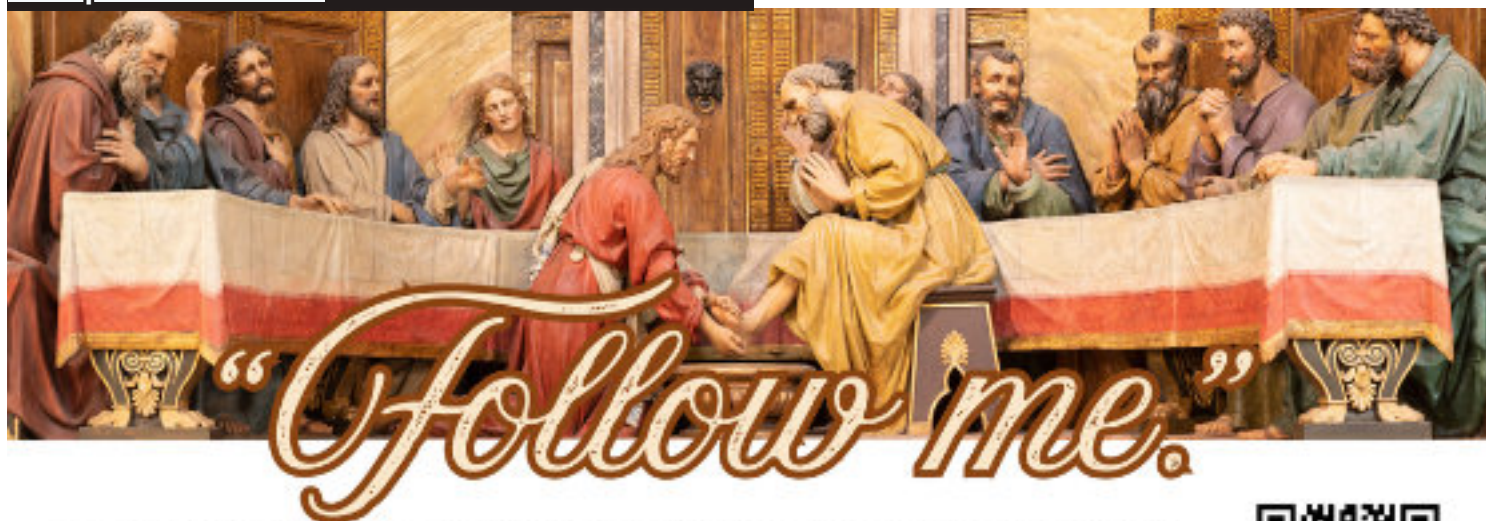
Disciple Maker Index

Propagation of the Faith - (World Mission Sunday)

There is a **second collection** this weekend for the World Mission Sunday, observed October 18, which honors those who follow the Gospel mandate to go out and preach to all nations. The 2026 World Mission Sunday theme, chosen by Pope Leo XIV, is **"One in Christ, United in Mission,"** highlighting the unity of believers, founded on the union of Christ with the Father, and the consequent common mission of evangelization. The annual collection supports more than 1,000 Catholic communities in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe. By supporting this collection, we join with many others to assist these missions and ministries and provide help for some of the most vulnerable regions around the world. This year's worldwide celebration of World Mission Sunday will mark 100 anniversary of the day's establishment by Pope Pius XI at the suggestion of the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith. If you need more information, read the letter inserted in this week's bulletin.

Renew, Maintain, and Enhance (RME) Program

Remember the monthly RME 2nd Collection held every 4th weekend of the month. The funds collected help the church finances several projects and unexpected expenses such as, A/C and electrical problems and many other important maintenance issues.



In mid-October, all parishioners will have an opportunity to offer their feedback as part of a consultation to aid Bishop Manuel de Jesús Rodríguez in his leadership of the Diocese of Palm Beach. Part of the process is the Disciple Maker Index (DMI), which will seek to give Bishop Manuel a snapshot of Catholic life here, who the parishioners are, and what is working well or needs attention in parishes. As the bishop explains in a video promoting the DMI, the survey will be available from Oct. 15 to Nov. 24, 2026.



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