# St Jude

## **Catholic Church**

**Blessed Carlos Manuel Hispanic American Center** 



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September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 ● Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time ● Vigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

#### Masses • Misas

Weekday • Miércoles

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. (English) Wednesday 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

#### Saturday • Sabado

7:30 A.M., 4:00 p.m. (Vigil) (English) 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

#### Sunday • Domingo

7:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. (English) 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., & 1:30 p.m. (Spanish)

#### **Portuguese Mass**

5:00 p.m. (1st and 3rd Sunday of each month)

#### **Confessions** • Confesiones (English & Spanish)

Wednesday • Miércoles 6:00 - 6:50 p.m.

#### Saturday • Sábado

3:00 - 3:45 p.m. 6:00 - 6:50 p.m.

#### Sunday • Domingo

Half hour before Mass or by appt. Media hora antes de Misa o por cita.

#### Registration • Registro

To register as a parishioner, visit the parish office during office hours.

Para registrarse como miembro de la parroquia deben llenar un formulario en horas de oficina.



#### Baptism • Bautizos

Baptisms and baptism classes in English are scheduled by appointment. Please call the office to sign up.

Las clases de Bautismo son el primer y el tercer jueves de cada mes a las 6:30 p.m. Los Bautizos se celebran los sábados a las 9:00 a.m. Favor de pasar por la oficina, lunes-viernes, de 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. para registrarse y traer el certificado de Nacimiento.







## Clergy / Office Staff

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Ministros Extraordinarios D. Humberto Alvia (Español)

Religious Education Coord. José A. Benitez

OCIA D. Sam Pellerito (English)

RICA Mark Taylor

Emaús (Mujeres) Verónica Esparza

Reunión - Lunes 6:30 pm
Emaús (Hombres) Héctor Padilla

Reunión - Martes 7:30 pm

**Grupo Jóvenes Adultos** P. Christian & Julissa Báez

Reunión - Miércoles 8:00 pm

**Bible Study** Carmen Rodríguez Class - Wednesdays **10:00 am** 

Grupo de Oración Jorge Gutiérrez (Español)

Reunión- Jueves 6:30 pm

**Grupo de Oración** Daniela Tomazoli (Portuguese)

Reunião - Quinta-feira 7:30 pm

Grupo de Jóvenes Julissa & Luis Pavon

Reunión - Viernes 6:30 pm

MDS Jaime Alcántara

& Cathy Colunga

Reunión - Viernes 7:30 pm

Siervos de María Carmen Rodríguez

Reunión último domingo del mes

Food Pantry Deborah Ansary

**Homebound Eucharistic** 

Ministers Peggy Forte (English)

Ministros Eucarísticos

para confinados en casa Carmen Rodríguez (Español)

## Mass Intentions / Intenciones de Misa

Sept. 8	7:30 a.m.	†	Raúl López	
Sept. 9	7:30 a.m.	†	Alice Cadorath	
Sept. 10	7:30 a.m.		For the Intentions of the Luo & Badua Family	
	7:00 p.m.		For the Intentions of our Parishioners	
Sept. 11	7:30 a.m.	†	Lila, Orlando & Lilo Martínez	
Sept. 12	7:30 a.m.	†	Karl Cadorath	
Sept. 13	7:30 a.m.	†	Karl Cadorath	
l	4:00 p.m.	†	Hildi Reed	
l	7:00 p.m.		For the Intentions of our Parishioners	
Sept. 14	7:30 a.m.	†	Bart Brigidi	
l	9:00 a.m.		For the Intentions of our Parishioners	
l	10:30 a.m.	†	María Tratch	
	12:00 p.m.		For the Intentions of our Parishioners	
	1:30 p.m.		For the Intentions of our Parishioners	



## Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre (Cuba)

#### 7 de septiembre

Felicidades a nuestros hermanos Cubanos en la celebración de su fiesta de la Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre. Dios les bendiga y a su isla de Cuba.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

## Week of Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

#### Monday, September 8

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

#### Tuesday, September 9

Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11; Lk 6:12-19

#### Wednesday, September 10

Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab; Lk 6:20-26

#### Thursday, September 11

Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 6:27-38

#### Friday, September 12

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42

#### Saturday, September 13

1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7; Lk 6:43-49

#### Sunday, September 14

Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

## Semana del 7 de sept. del 2025

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

#### Lunes, 8 de septiembre

Mi 5, 1-4; Sal 12, 6ab, 6cd; Mt 1, 1-16. 18-23 o Mt 1, 18-23

#### Martes, 9 de septiembre

Col 2, 6-15; Sal 144, 1-2, 8-9, 10-11; Lc 6, 12-19

#### Miércoles, 10 de septiembre

Col 3, 1-11; Sal 144, 2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab; Lc 6, 20-26

#### Jueves, 11 de septiembre

Col 3, 12-17; Sal 150, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lc 6, 27-38

#### Viernes, 12 de septiemnre

1 Tm 1, 1-2, 12-14; Sal 15, 1-2a y 5, 7-8, 11; Lc 6, 39-42

#### Sábado, 13 de septiembre

1 Tm 1, 15-17; Sal 112, 1-2, 3-4, 5a y 6-7; Lc 6, 43-49

#### Domingo, 14 de septiemnre

Nm 21, 4-9; Sal 77, 1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38;c Fil 2, 6-11; Jn 3, 13-17

### Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Wisdom 9:13-18h; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33 Psalm: 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17

Wishing a blessed week to all brothers and sisters.

The cross hasn't always been seen as something beautiful. Even among Christians, some reject it—and for those who don't believe, it can seem even more disturbing. Who wants to gaze upon a man nailed to a cross? It's a harsh, grotesque image, even offensive to some.

The same reaction arises when Jesus invites us to take up our cross and follow Him. We think of pain, suffering, torture, and the hardships that come with discipleship. It sounds like madness. And in a way, it is—a madness of love.

On the cross, Jesus reveals the depth of God's love for us. In that sign, which many avoid, we see the triumph of true life—the life God offers. That's why the cross doesn't mean the same thing to everyone. For some, it's scandal; for others, salvation.

Jesus invites us to take it freely. And if we choose to do so, we must be ready to let go of our preferences and selfish desires. Because taking up the cross sets us free to love without limits, to love to the very end.

Are we ready to live that madness of love?

Fr. Jiobani Batista, Pastor

#### Vigésimo tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

#### 7 de septiembre del 2025

Sabiduría 9:13-18b; Filemón 9-10, 12-17; Lucas 14:25-33 Salmo: 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17

Muy buena semana para todos, hermanos y hermanas.

La cruz no siempre ha sido vista con agrado. Incluso entre los cristianos, hay quienes la rechazan; y para quienes no creen, puede parecer aún más incomprensible. ¿Quién quiere contemplar a un hombre clavado en una cruz? Es una imagen dura, grotesca, incluso de mal gusto.

Lo mismo ocurre cuando Jesús nos invita a tomar nuestra cruz y seguirle. Pensamos en el dolor, el sufrimiento, la tortura y las dificultades que implica ese camino. Parece una locura. Y, en cierto sentido, lo es: una locura de amor.

En la cruz, Jesús nos revela cuán inmenso es el amor que Dios nos tiene. Allí, en ese signo que muchos evitan, se manifiesta el triunfo de la vida verdadera que Dios nos ofrece. Por eso, la cruz no significa lo mismo para todos. Para algunos es escándalo, para otros es salvación.

Jesús nos invita a tomarla libremente. Y si decidimos hacerlo, debemos estar dispuestos a dejar atrás nuestras preferencias, nuestros deseos egoístas. Porque tomar la cruz nos libera para amar sin fronteras, hasta el extremo.

¿Estamos dispuestos a vivir esa locura de amor?

P. Jiobani Batista, Párroco

## Vigésimo terceiro Domingo do Tempo Comum 7 de setembro de 2025

Sabedoria 9:13-18b; Filemom 9-10, 12-17; Lucas 14:25-33 Salmo: 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17

Uma semana abençoada para todos os irmãos e irmãs.

A cruz nem sempre foi vista como algo bonito. Mesmo entre os cristãos, há quem a rejeite—e para os que não creem, ela pode parecer ainda mais perturbadora. Quem gostaria de contemplar um homem pregado numa cruz? É uma imagem dura, grotesca, até de mau gosto.

O mesmo acontece quando Jesus nos convida a tomar nossa cruz e segui-Lo. Pensamos na dor, no sofrimento, na tortura e nas dificuldades que esse caminho traz. Parece loucura. E, de certo modo, é—uma loucura de amor.

Na cruz, Jesus revela o quanto Deus nos ama. Nesse sinal que muitos evitam, vemos o triunfo da vida verdadeira que Deus nos oferece. Por isso, a cruz não tem o mesmo significado para todos. Para alguns, é escândalo; para outros, salvação.

Jesus nos convida a tomá-la livremente. E, se decidirmos fazê-lo, precisamos estar dispostos a deixar para trás nossas preferências e desejos egoístas. Porque tomar a cruz nos liberta para amar sem fronteiras, até o extremo.

Estamos dispostos a viver essa loucura de amor?

Out of respect for the Eucharist, the celebrant priest and for the congregation, please **<u>DO NOT</u>** leave the Church right after Communion, but stay until the final Blessing. *Thank you!!* 

## **Pray for**



## Recen por

# Our BROTHERS and SISTERS who are in need of prayers Nuestras HERMANOS y HERMANAS que necesitan oraciones

Jaime Builes Amber Gottovi Nelly de Conde Ana Leah Ortíz Beatriz Almaguer Ann Quigley
Mary Quigley
Verónica Sánchez
Ana María Valcarcel
Esther López
Jim & Gladys Weir
Emmanuel Moya

**Ivette Parsons** 

**Barbara Fealy** 

Frank Schiavo Lordito Calijan Ana María Badua Dorothy Jacobs Aida Cabo

Cathy De Lorenzo Alek Fitzgibbons Lisa Grabowski Gloria Landrau

# Chapel Candlelight donation in Memory of:

Janet & Jerry Shortell

What is a Candlelight Fund?
A Candlelight Fund is a special
fund in memory of a loved one
who has died, where all donations
made in their memory create a
beautiful lasting tribute to them.
This can be a private act of
remembrance donating to mark
special moments like your loved
one's birthday or anniversary - or
you can invite others to join in too.
There are no targets, deadlines or
minimum amounts involved.
This is your fund and you can grow
it in whatever way feels

Qué es un Fondo a la Luz de las

Un Fondo a la Luz de las Velas es un fondo especial en memoria de un ser querido fallecido. Todas las donaciones en su memoria crean un hermoso homenaje duradero. Puede ser un acto privado de recuerdo para conmemorar momentos especiales como el cumpleaños o aniversario de tu ser querido, o puedes invitar o otros a unirse. No hay objetivos, plazos ni montos mínimos. Este fondo es tuyo y puedes hacerlo crecer como te resulte más cómado.

#### **Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament**

#### **EVERY THURSDAY**

From 8:00 am through Friday at 7:00 pm

## Adoración Del Santísimo Sacramento TODOS LOS JUEVES

De 8:00 am hasta el Viernes a las 7:00 pm

#### Gift Bearers

#### **EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

Those who have offered Mass intentions for Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. and Sundays, 10:30 a.m. Mass, are invited to bring the offertory gifts. Please approach an Usher before Mass for arrangements.

#### Praying the Rosary at St Jude

ROSARY IS PRAYED IN ENGLISH at 6:55 a.m.
Every morning (except Sundays) in the Church

#### Miraculous Medal Novena

EVERY SATURDAY after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

## DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

August 27, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the violent conflict in Gaza continues, a grave humanitarian crisis is unfolding, with many Christians and innocent people struggling to survive. With this devastating situation in mind, I write to you in appeal for our brothers and sisters in need in the midst of these destructive events.

The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, has expressed his concern with the situation, saying, "I am following with great concern the dire humanitarian situation in Gaza, where the civilian population is suffering from severe hunger and remains exposed to violence and death." Our Catholic Faith calls each of us to care for those in need, and, at this time in particular, for those who are suffering in the wake of this ongoing tragedy.

Recognizing the need of those who have been so severely impacted by the conflict in the region, the President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked Dioceses throughout the country to take up a special collection to assist with humanitarian aid in Gaza. Within the Diocese of Venice, the collection will be taken on the weekend of September 20-21, 2025

Your generosity and your prayers for the people of Gaza are deeply appreciated. May Almighty God bless you and your families. Please continue to pray for peace throughout the world, particularly in the middle east.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Sand J. Dewane

+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of
Venice in Florida

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## DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

27 de agosto de 2025

Unofficial translation

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

Mientras continúa el violento conflicto en Gaza, se está desarrollando una grave crisis humanitaria, con muchos cristianos y personas inocentes luchando por sobrevivir. Teniendo en cuenta esta devastadora situación, les escribo para pedirles que ayuden a nuestros hermanos y hermanas necesitados en medio de estos acontecimientos destructivos.

El Santo Padre, el Papa León XIV, ha expresado su preocupación por la situación diciendo: «Sigo con gran preocupación la grave situación humanitaria en Gaza, donde la población civil sufre una grave hambruna y sigue expuesta a la violencia y la muerte». Nuestra fe católica nos llama a cada uno de nosotros a cuidar de los necesitados y, en este momento en particular, de aquellos que sufren a raiz de esta tragedia en curso.

Reconociendo la necesidad de aquellos que se han visto tan gravemente afectados por el conflicto en la región, el presidente de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos ha pedido a las Diocesis de todo el país que realicen una colecta especial para ayudar con la ayuda humanitaria en Gaza. En la Diócesis de Venice, la colecta as realizará el fin de semana del 20 al 21 de septiembre de 2025.

Agradecemos profundamente su generosidad y sus oraciones por la gente de Gaza. Que Dios Todopoderoso los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias. Por favor, continúen orando por la paz en todo el mundo, especialmente en Oriente Medio.

Sinceramento suyo en Cristo,

January J. Deware

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#### **MINISTERIO "CONEXIONES EN SAN JUDAS"**

El Ministerio Conexiones en San Judas está reclutando voluntarios para hacer contactos con personas confinadas en sus casas por diferentes razones. Para más información puede llamar a la oficina al **941 955-3934** o Carmen Rodriguez **860-922-4585**, o al correo electrónico, **carmenossm@outlook.com**.





#### **CAMPAIGN PRAYER**

#### Heavenly Father,

We thank you for taking care of our daily needs, and also for your countless blessings – our lives, our time, our talents, our treasure.

Give us the courage and strength to make use of these same blessings to meet the physical and spiritual needs of St. Jude Church, our spiritual home.

May your Holy Spirit ignite a zeal within us
as we gather as a family
to unite, to cooperate, and be ready to make sacrifices –
so that we can face the responsibilities and challenges
of reaching our goal for this Capital Campaign.

We ask that you inspire in us the same spirit as our Patron Saint, St Jude who lived to serve you. We ask this in Jesus' name.



Amen.

## **Building together with Hope**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Jude Church,

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your incredible efforts and contributions to our Capital Campaign. Your generosity is vital in helping us reach our goal, and we want to remind you that every gift matters.

Fr. Jiobani Batista and our Capital Campaign Committee, invite you to share your fundraising ideas. We also encourage you to invite your families and friends to join us in this important endeavor.

You can make donations through our website, via QR code, checks, pledges, or cash. Your support is greatly appreciated as we work together to build a brighter future for our community.

Thank you for your continued commitment and generosity!



## Construyendo juntos con Esperanza

Estimados feligreses y amigos de la Iglesia San Judas,

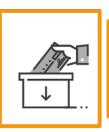
Queremos extender nuestro más sincero agradecimiento por sus increíbles esfuerzos y contribuciones a nuestra Campaña Capital. Su generosidad es vital para ayudarnos a alcanzar nuestra meta y queremos recordarle que cada donación importa.

P. Jiobani Batista y el Comité de la Campaña Capital les invitan a compartir sus ideas para recaudar fondos. También los alentamos a invitar a sus familiares y amigos a unirse a nosotros en este importante esfuerzo.

Puede realizar donaciones a través de nuestro sitio web, mediante código QR, cheques, promesas o efectivo. Apreciamos mucho su apoyo mientras trabajamos juntos para construir un futuro mejor para nuestra comunidad.

¡Gracias por su continuo compromiso y generosidad!









## Saint Jude Sarasota



Goal \$ 179,000.00

## **WAYS TO GIVE**





Second CFA collection
Segunda Colecta

September/Septiembre 6 & 7



## Monthly Food Pantry Report August 2025

Total Individuals Served: **3,011**Total Household Served: **1,152** 

## Offertory collection La Colecta del fin de Semana

Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> \$12,092.00

Thank you for your donation! ¡Gracias por su donación!





St. Jude Catholic Faith Appeal Activity

50 / 50 Raffle

August 31st

## Marie Wagner

Total Amount Received \$75

Thank You for your support ¡Gracias por su apoyo!



We need volunteers to collect toys for our Christmas program. Those interested should call **Carlos Lebron at 828-291-5250.** 

Necesitamos voluntarios para recoger juguetes para el programa de Navidad. Interesados llamar a Carlos Lebron al 828-291-5250.



# St Jude Food Pantry

Weekly Report/Reporte Semanal: Aug. 25 - 31, 2025

Individuals Served:	722	Individuos Servidos:	
Households Served:	280	Familias Servidas:	

#### Items needed:

Rice, cereal, baby wipes, diapers, canned meals & fruit, jelly, soup, macaroni & cheese, pasta, potatoes (box or canned).

#### **Artículos necesitados:**

Arroz, cereal, toallitas y pañales para bebé, comidas enlatadas y frutas, jalea, macarrones con queso, sopa, mantequilla de maní, pasta, papas (de caja o enlatado).

We always need Volunteers / Siempre necesitamos Voluntarios

Please <u>DO NOT</u>
bring open or
expired items
or boxes.

Por favor NO TRAER

cajas o articulos abiertos o expirados.

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Fr. Jiobani and the Parish Finance Council are deeply grateful to all members and friends who generously contribute to support the needs of our growing community.

Our mission remains focused on assisting the less fortunate those struggling with rent, electricity, and food. At the same time, St. Jude's faces ongoing administrative and building needs, including support for religious education programs and necessary maintenance. Last fiscal year, we embraced a new challenge by launching the New Church Capital Campaign. We are thankful for your understanding and willingness to meet these financial challenges together.

During the 24-25 fiscal year, we were able to complete several important projects:

- Individual A/C units were installed for the chapel and classrooms.
- Interior lighting of the Church was upgraded with energy-efficient LED lights.
- Exterior lighting for the church grounds, food pantry, and rectory were modernized.
- Monthly payments to All Faiths Food Bank ensure our Food Pantry continues to meet the needs of its clients

Your continued support of the Catholic Faith Appeal enabled us to fulfill our 2024 commitment to the Diocese of Venice.

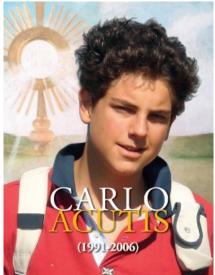
Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.

#### With gratitude,

Fr. Jiobani Batista and the Parish Finance Council!

Summary of Income and	Exper	ises for			
Fiscal Year 06.30.25					
Income	1101				
Offertory Collections	\$	738,075.61			
Stole Fee	\$	47,665.25			
Religious Edc	\$	24,618.55			
New Church Capital Campaign		439,591.42			
TOTALINCOME	\$	1,249,950.83			
Expenses					
Salaries / Insurance / Pension/ Payroll Taxes	\$	521,284.47			
Utilities / Telephone / Office / Admin	\$	78,682.60			
Liturgical	\$	33,047.35			
Educational Expenses	\$	17,561.09			
Tuition Assistance	\$	420.00			
Building & Vehicles Repairs and Maintenance	\$	66,347.22			
New Church Capital Campaign	\$	317,392.39			
Insurance- Property and Liability		56,144.57			
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	1,090,879.69			
Net Ordinary Income	\$	159,071.14			
OtherIncome	8				
Needy Program / Food Pantry	\$	74,786.03			
Memorial Garden	\$	7,430.25			
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$	82,216.28			
Other Expenses					
Needy Program / Food Pantry	\$	62,772.64			
Memorial Garden	\$	3,892.09			
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$	66,664.73			
NET OTHER INCOME	\$	15,551.55			
NETINCOME	\$	174,622.69			

Summary of Assets and Liabilities as of 06.30.25						
Cash - Savings / Building Savings		\$994,092.02				
Other Current Assets		\$62,542.17				
TOTAL CASH		\$1,253,600.04				
Fixed Assets		\$2,819,957.19				
TOTAL ASSETS		\$4,073,557.23				
Liabilities & Equity						
Total Current Liabilities	\$	70,025.87				
Equity	\$	4,003,531.36				
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$	4,073,557.23				



#### Blessed Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer and the Apostle of the Eucharist

Carlo Acutis wasn't a saint from the past, he was a teenager of our time. He played video games, wore hoodies and jeans, loved animals, and knew how to build websites. But what made him stand out wasn't his tech skills or style, it was his radical love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

From the day he received his First Communion at age 7, Carlo didn't want to miss daily Mass. He said the Eucharist was his "highway to heaven," and he truly believed that Jesus was present in the consecrated Host and Wine. His faith wasn't theory, it was fire. And he lived it with joy, depth, and purpose. Instead of using his digital talents to go viral or build a following, Carlo made a bold decision: he created a website to document and explain Eucharistic miracles from around the world. While other teens were posting selfies, Carlo was posting stories of hosts that bled, turned into human flesh,

and transformed hearts. His mission? To help people believe that Jesus is alive, truly present, and giving Himself to us in every Mass.

Carlo once said: "When we stand in front of the sun, we get tanned. But when we stand in front of Jesus in the Eucharist, we become saints."

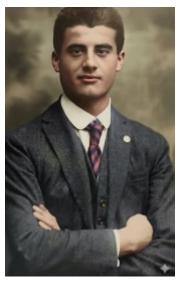
His website became a digital exhibition that has now been translated into many languages and turned into a traveling exhibit that reaches millions across the globe. And it all started with a 15-year-old who lived like God was real, not just an idea.

Carlo died of leukemia in 2006, offering his suffering for the Pope and for the Church. He never complained. He wasn't afraid. He was ready for Heaven because he had lived close to Jesus.





#### **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901–1925)**



Pier Giorgio Frassati was a young Italian layman whose short but radiant life continues to inspire the Church, especially the youth. He was born in Turin, Italy, on April 6, 1901, the son of Alfredo Frassati, founder and director of the newspaper La Stampa and a political leader, and Adelaide Ametis, a talented painter. He grew up with his sister Luciana in a home that was culturally rich but not particularly supportive of his deep spiritual fervor.

From an early age, Pier Giorgio showed a simple and steadfast piety. He joined Marian groups, obtained permission to receive daily Communion, still rare at the time, and centered his life on the Eucharist, the Virgin Mary, and works of charity. As a student of mining engineering at the Polytechnic of Turin, he deliberately chose this field to be close to workers and to serve Christ among the poor. He became a member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and of Catholic Action, dedicating his free time and resources to helping those in need.

Pier Giorgio's life was not only prayer and study; he was full of joy, energy, and friendship. He loved the outdoors, particularly mountain climbing, which for him became a path of contemplation and evangelization. During one of his last climbs in June 1925, he wrote the words "Verso l'alto" ("to the heights") on the back of a photograph, a phrase that later became the motto of his life and spirituality, symbolizing his pursuit of holiness.

His spiritual journey deepened when he entered the Third Order of St. Dominic as a lay Dominican in 1922, taking the religious name Fra Girolamo, after Girolamo Savonarola. The Dominican charism of study, prayer, and preaching harmonized with his devotion to the Eucharist and the Rosary, and his passion for justice and service.

Pier Giorgio was also active in public life. He opposed the rise of fascism, defended human dignity, and engaged in

student and civic movements. Known for his contagious humor, nicknames, and practical jokes, he combined an intense spiritual life with an approachable, cheerful personality that drew many friends closer to Christ. In late June 1925, Pier Giorgio contracted polio, likely from his visits to the sick in poor neighborhoods. The disease advanced quickly. After a week of great suffering borne with serenity and faith, he died on July 4, 1925, at the age of 24. His funeral astonished the city of Turin: thousands of poor people whom he had helped secretly came to honor him, revealing to his family the extent of his hidden charity.

The cause for his canonization began in 1932. On May 20, 1990, Pope St. John Paul II beatified him, calling him the "Man of the Eight Beatitudes." His incorrupt body rests in the Cathedral of Turin, and he has become a patron and model for young people, students, and mountaineers. In the Holy Year 2025, he will be canonized together with Blessed Carlo Acutis on September 7, 2025.

More than his accomplishments, Pier Giorgio's legacy lies in the unity of prayer and action. He kept detailed notes of those he helped, reminded his friends that charity admits no delay, and lived every friendship as a path to holiness. His motto "Verso l'alto" was not just about mountain peaks, it was a call to live every day climbing toward God, bringing others along.

Today, Pier Giorgio Frassati continues to inspire young Catholics worldwide to love the Eucharist, serve the poor, live friendship deeply, and seek holiness in everyday life. His joyful witness proves that sanctity is not reserved for long or extraordinary lives, but is possible through a daily, courageous, and joyful "yes".



"Verso l'alto" is not only about reaching mountain peaks, it is a call to live every day striving toward holiness, bringing others with us.

"The higher we go, the better we shall hear the voice of Christ." Pier Giorgio Frassati



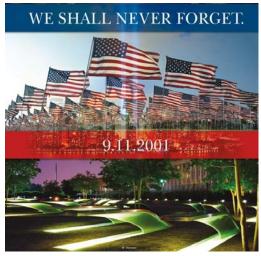


#### Save the Date! 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign

The 40 Days for Life fall 2025 campaign will take place from **September 24th to November 2nd**, 2025. This campaign aims to end abortion through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful vigil in front of abortion facilities. Participants support the mission by spreading awareness and praying. For more information, please email <u>Tavia Ames</u>, or call 941-441-1101.

#### **National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children**

On Saturday, September 13, 2025, the Church recognizes the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children, please join us in praying for the repose of their souls. In Sarasota, Incarnation Parish, 2901 Bee Ridge Road, will observe the day with a dedicated Prayer Service following the Saturday Mass at 8:30 a.m., followed by brief, informational presentations about upcoming local Respect Life initiatives. Flowers will also be placed in front of the Incarnation Memorial to the Unborn in the prayer garden. All are welcome to attend. For more information, or with questions, contact Tavia Ames at ames@dioceseofvenice.o or 941-441-1101.





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#### Welcome Our New Parishioners!

A warm welcome goes out to the families and individuals who have joined our parish community during the Month of **August.** May you find Saint Jude Church to be a place where you are always welcome!

# ¡Damos la Bienvenida a nuestros Nuevos Feligreses!

Le damos una cálida bienvenida a las familias y personas que se han unido a nuestra comunidad parroquial durante el mes de **agosto.** Esperamos que encuentren en la Iglesia de San Judas jun lugar donde siempre son bienvenidos!



#### ¡Llamando a todos los hombres! ¡Ese Hombre eres Tú!

En septiembre 16 2025, a las 7:00 pm, se llevará a cabo una sesión informativa de una hora sobre el programa ¡Ese Hombre eres Tú! en la Parroquia de San Judas, en Sarasota.

Es un programa católico que aborda de manera honesta las presiones que enfrentan los hombres en nuestra cultura moderna, especialmente aquellas relacionadas con su papel como esposos y padres. Desde su inicio en 2001, aproximadamente 100,000 hombres han participado en ¡Ese Hombre eres Tú! los efectos en los participantes han sido evidentes, ayudando a muchos hombres a ser mejores esposos y padres, a crecer en virtudes y a aumentar su participación en la parroquia.

Esta sesión informativa está abierta también a los hombres de las parroquias vecinas. Está siendo promovida por el Departamento de Evangelización de la Diócesis de Venice y cuenta con el respaldo del Obispo Dewane.

## ¡VEN A LA SESIÓN INFORMATIVA EL 16 DE SEPTIEMBRE Y ENTÉRATE DE MÁS!



#### St Michael the Archangel Prayer

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen."

#### Oración a San Miguel Arcángel

"San Miguel Arcángel, Defiéndenos en la lucha. Sé nuestro amparo contra la perversidad y las asechanzas del demonio. Que Dios haga valer su poder sobre el y tu príncipe de la milicia celestial, con el divino poder que Dios te ha conferido, arroja al infierno a Satanás y a los demás espíritus malignos que andan dispersos por el mundo para la perdición de las almas." Amén.



