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Mrs. Julie Ott, Director of Stewardship & Development
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ST. VINCENT FERRER PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
Our Catholic Community is dedicated to the mission of Jesus Christ. As stewards of God’s gifts, we strive to fulfill His plan by exercising our rights and responsibilities in nurturing Christ's love among God’s people. We are committed to:

1. living God’s Word in our lives;
2. providing for education in Faith to our members;
3. sharing our faith with others; and
4. serving our sisters and brothers, in particular, the poor, the disadvantaged and the needy.

Through our participation in the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and prayer we express our unity in Christ and proclaim His saving message.
Do you need a Letter of Sponsorship? Then, be an Active Parishioner.

To receive a letter of Sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation from the Pastor, one has to be an active parishioner of this parish for at least six months, received the Sacraments of initiation, and (if married) be in a Catholic Church recognized marriage.

The Parish of St. Vincent defines an “active/participating parishioner as one who is registered and worshipping at this parish on a regular (“weekly”) basis; and who commits to a stewardship of time, talent and financial resources to help support the parish and the Church of the Palm Beach Diocese.

### Parish Collections - 2018

Due to an early bulletin transmission date, collections totals will be posted in the Sunday, April 1st bulletin.

### Parish Office and Gift Shop Hours

Our Parish Office and Gift Shop will be open on Good Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and closed Holy Saturday, March 31st, Easter Sunday, April 1st, and Easter Monday, April 2nd. The Parish Office will re-open on Tuesday, April 3rd, during regular business hours. The Gift Shop will re-open on Thursday, April 5th.

### Papal Intentions for March

**Evangelization: Formation in Spiritual Discernment**

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

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**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions**

Every Wednesday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass only.

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**Liturgical Ministry Schedule for March 24th and March 25th, 2018**

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Today is **Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord.** It begins with Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem and ends with his triumph over sin and death. God’s love didn’t design the human heart to hold hatred and harmony together. One or the other has to go, and worldly wisdom makes room for hatred at the expense of peace. So, in one of the most startling messages for all times, Jesus turns the world upside down. The disciples, knowing as they did the command of Moses to “hate your enemy,” must have been jolted to hear their own Teacher cry out, “Father, forgive them, for they don’t know what they’re doing.” Instead of urging His followers to take “an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth,” He gave a startling “offer no resistance” to one who is evil. On the way to Calvary and even on the Cross, Jesus continually offered this message to those who would listen to His loving words of mercy and forgiveness, and to see His first-hand example of love towards all. In stark contrast to worldly wisdom, the wisdom of God on the lips of Jesus is foolishness to the world. What possible sense can it make to turn the other cheek, to hand over and to see His firsthand example of love towards all. But the Passion has a significant cautionary lesson for us as well. Not for a moment did Jesus regard His unjust condemnation by Pilate as a just judgment, as a consequence merited by His behavior. The Lamb of Sacrifice knew full well that He didn’t deserve a Roman-style death sentence; yet He willingly endured its shame. To the evil that devoured Him, He offered no resistance, for His silence in the face of His accusers powerfully asserted His disagreement with their judgment. If you and I are to imitate Jesus by turning the other cheek or walking the extra mile, we must never accept as right the unjust condemnation of one who “presses us into service,” slaps us in the face, or strips us of dignity. No! We must remember that a cruel, sadistic, contemptuous judgment does not truly define who we are, even though, like Jesus before Pilate, we may be powerless to refute it. “Stronger than the person who conquers the strongest fortresses,” says St. Ambrose, “is the person who conquers himself.” As the wisdom of the world whispers, “Whatever wrong someone does to you, do it back to him!”, heavenly wisdom advises us differently: “Whatever God has done for you, do the same for your neighbor. What you give away to him will come back to you as peace.”

Today we come to the **most solemn week** of the entire year for the Christian community: **HOLY WEEK.** Some people mistakenly refer to it as Easter Week, which is the following week (beginning with Easter Sunday). During Holy Week, we will conclude our Lenten season on Thursday afternoon, and enter into the **Sacred Triduum**, the three most holy days of the year: **HOLY THURSDAY** (when Our Lord instituted the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders), **GOOD FRIDAY** (when Our Lord offered Himself in sacrifice for our sins), and **HOLY SATURDAY** (when we begin our celebration of the holiest day of the year at the Vigil Mass, culminating with the feast of Easter). On **Good Friday afternoon, we celebrate the Passion of the Lord Liturgy with Holy Communion at 3:00 p.m., and in the evening, our Stations of the Cross** at 7:00 p.m. will be the **Living Stations**, portrayed by our youth from the **Life Teen** program. On **Holy Saturday**, the **Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m.** will last about two hours, during which we will receive several members into the fullness of the Catholic Faith. This Mass fulfills our Easter obligation (On a practical note, may I suggest that you leave little toddlers at home if you are coming that evening). On Holy Saturday at **1:00 p.m.**, there will be the traditional blessing of the Easter foods and baskets in church. **Please note that there is NO 4:00 PM MASS ON HOLY SATURDAY! The ONLY Mass Liturgy is at 7:00 P.M. Also, please note that on **Easter Sunday**, there will be additional Masses in the parish hall of our Family Life Center at **10:10 a.m.** and at **11:40 a.m.** to accommodate the overflow crowds attending the 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. Masses in church. Those Masses in the hall always wind up ending before the Masses in church; so, plan ahead and choose wisely when you come for Mass. Have a blessed Holy Week!
Our Diocesan Non-Parochial collections for the 2018 calendar year, will be scheduled as a 2nd collection on Easter weekend, April 1, 2018 and December 2, 2018. A special envelope has been mailed to your homes in your tithing packet with a listing of all the collections to which you can allocate your desired donations. Please note if no amount is marked for a specific collection, your donation will be split among all of the collections listed. A sample of this envelope is displayed.

To understand each of the DPB Non-Parochial collections, below is the name and description of each of the collections from the Bishop’s Office.

**Catholic Education Support**- Through our Catholic schools, we are able to provide an excellent education and pass on our Catholic beliefs to our young people in a context that affects every aspect of their growth and development as persons, and assures them future success after graduation – in life, in business, in their community and most importantly in their faith. As part of our Strategic Vision 2020, it has been our goal to support the mission of our schools by making Christ and our Gospel values present each day to all those who desire a Catholic education for their children, regardless of socio-economic status, race, ethnicity or religious beliefs. The need to increase the funding available for needs-based tuition assistance to families has never been greater. Therefore, the Diocese will now allocate funds raised through this Collection directly to the schools to be used for tuition assistance through the Lumen Christi Scholarships. The Diocese of Palm Beach is blessed to have 19 Catholic schools and preschools with more than 500 dedicated educators, serving more than 6,000 students. The academic curriculum at our schools is strong, and continues to grow stronger as more programs are added, these programs emphasize Catholic schools as communities of faith, knowledge and service.

**Education of Seminarians and the Formation of Priests**- This special collection supports those currently in formation at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach, St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami, as well as those in discernment in other formation programs. The formation of our seminarians includes the costs of tuition, housing, education, and pastoral training.

**Shrines of the Holy Land**- This collection answers Pope Francis’ call to support Christians in the Holy Land who have faced so much adversity, persecution and struggle and are often overlooked and forgotten, like Lazarus in the parable. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps preserve and rebuild the shrines and churches of the Holy Land. Additionally in these times of wars, instability and crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

**Peter’s Pence**- The purpose of the Peter’s Pence collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond with emergency assistance to those who are suffering such as victims of war, natural disasters, oppression, disease and other difficult situations.

**Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**, When natural disasters occur around the world the Catholic Church is quick to respond with food, shelter and other humanitarian supplies. Through the efforts of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic Church, we are able to quickly assist those most in need. The CRS Collection funds six Catholic agencies that work to serve Jesus in the guise of our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. These agencies provide a broad range of services that seek to rebuild, not just the homes, but the very lives of those affected by war, famine and natural disasters.
Catholic Communication/Catholic University of America-Your generosity allows the Catholic Church in America to access all the modern means of communication technology available for sharing the faith. From traditional communications outlets like Catholic News Service, television programming and news magazines to more modern means like FaceBook, Twitter and Instagram, the Catholic Church strives to ensure that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is accessible to all. Ultimately, education is fundamental to all acts of communication and this collection also benefits the Catholic University of America (CUA). CUA is the national university of the Catholic Church, and the only institution of higher education in the U.S. founded by the U.S. bishops and chartered by the Vatican. The university educates clergy, religious, and young lay men and women from every geographical region of the United States. CUA embraces its special role of service to the Church by preparing tomorrow’s leaders.

Black and Indian Missions/Catholic Home Missions- These collections provide grants for projects that strengthens the faith of the people served by these mission ministries. For the last 131 years the annual Black and Indian Mission Collection has changed the landscape of evangelization and education efforts for Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans throughout the country. Grants awarded through this collection have helped to educate African American and Native American seminarians for priestly service to our Catholic communities, helped begin a new religious community for service to Native Americans in Arizona, and provided for solid Catholic education in Indian and Black Catholic mission schools. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps your neighbors here and strengthens the Church at home. Support of this appeal provides catechesis, lay leadership training, funding for seminarian education, and other essential pastoral outreach in home mission dioceses.

Church in Latin America and the Church in Africa. Through this fund, we have helped 25 countries in Central and South America, as well as the Caribbean, develop evangelization and catechetical programs. Providing both spiritual and material care, your generosity continues to build up the Body of Christ and brings the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those who hunger and thirst for the Word of God, the Bread of Life. In Africa, your generosity provides both physical and spiritual relief to those suffering the effects of civil war, violence, disease, drought and starvation. Missionaries were sent to Africa from all over Europe and America and now Africa sends missionaries, priests and religious, all over the world as a testament to the blossoming of faith brought about because of the Gospel mandate.

Respect Life Ministry and Migrant Ministry- Tens of thousands of our brothers and sisters of all faiths, races, ethnicities, and cultures are still confronting adversity and persecution all around the world. Closer to home, our faith faces the challenges of a society that has an increasing disrespect for the dignity of human life and the human person. These voices often cry out with a silent scream because it is far more convenient for us to ignore them than to live the Gospel message. The Gospel is challenging because many times it is not convenient, not popular, and not easy to live. To respect the dignity of all life, especially the unborn, is our Christian mission and one that we should proclaim proudly. Additionally, Saint Paul reminds us that our true citizenship is in heaven and that we are all sojourners here on the earth, thus we extend our love and kindness to all migrants, because we too were once strangers in a foreign land (Ex. 22:21). Your support of this special collection enables the Diocese of Palm Beach to enact programs and services that promote and respect the lives of all of God’s sons and daughters.

Propagation of Faith- On World Mission Sunday we remember in a special way the countless clergy, religious and lay faithful who have given themselves so generously to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the love of God throughout the world. We are invited to share in their missionary activity through our spiritual and financial support of their mission activities. Your prayerful and financial support offered to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith on World Mission Sunday directly benefits the mission churches and enables this great work of faith, fulfilling the Gospel mandate of Christ, to enlighten the lives of many across the earth.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)-The CCHD was founded by the U.S. bishops in an effort to break the cycle of poverty in our country by funding educational, community and vocational projects. This collection is the primary source of funding for CCHD’s many anti-poverty education programs and grants.

Retirement Fund for Religious-This annual collection benefits nearly 33,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It is in thanksgiving for the lessons of mercy senior religious have shared with us that we support this fund.
How to Pray the Novena of Divine Mercy

A novena is typically nine days of prayer in preparation of a celebration of a feast day. When devotees of The Divine Mercy refer to "the Novena," what they usually have in mind are the special novena intentions dictated by our Lord to St. Faustina (Diary entries 1209-1229).

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy (see March 18th bulletin) can be said anytime, but the Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a novena. He promised, "By this Novena [of Chaplets], I will grant every possible grace to souls" (796).

The Lord promised that the devout use of these special novena intentions would bring many graces to souls. **These intentions are customarily used together with the Novena of Chaplets beginning on Good Friday.**

For each day of this Novena, our Lord gave St. Faustina a special prayer intention:
- **Day 1:** All mankind, especially sinners;
- **Day 2:** The souls of priests and religious;
- **Day 3:** All devout and faithful souls;
- **Day 4:** Those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus;
- **Day 5:** The souls who have separated themselves from the Church;
- **Day 6:** The meek and humble souls and the souls of little children;
- **Day 7:** The souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy;
- **Day 8:** The souls detained in purgatory;
- **Day 9:** The souls who have become lukewarm.

Jesus said: "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw therefrom strength and refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (1209).

33 Days to Merciful Love, A Do-It-Yourself Retreat

**Consecration Day, Sunday, April 8th at 11:30 a.m. Mass**

For those taking part in the 33-Days to Merciful Love Do-It-Yourself Retreat, either within the group settings or by yourself, please join us in the Consecration to Merciful Love at the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 8th, which his the Feast of Divine Mercy.

Women of Grace

“Experiencing the ‘Women of Grace’ Program has been a wonderful opportunity to expand and deepen my prayer life and my relationship with our Loving God... it has helped me focus on the role I have to play in sharing God’s love with all those I encounter each day and to see and recognize those graced moments where I have the opportunity to allow God’s love to flow from within and move outward to embrace all of God’s children....it was an eye opening experience and well worth the commitment.” — MG

Evening of Reflection for Women

**Tuesday, April 17, 2018**

**Kellaghan Hall from 6:45-9:00pm**

Ladies, treat yourself to a special evening where you can be with other women who wish to grow in their relationship with God, as the speakers tell us how we can deepen our prayer life to foster in us a greater desire to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ and His Church. Reservations are requested by April 12th. (Doors open at 6:30)

For more information and to sign up, please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at 561-665-8566 or email familylife@stvincentferrer.com.
### Lending Library Picks of the Week

**BOOK:** “Angels: An Endangered Species,” by Malcolm Godwin. A comprehensive and extensively illustrated celebration of angels throughout history explores the wealth of visual imagery and literary references devoted to these “winged messengers of the miraculous.” **AUDIO CD:** Catholic Prayer Companion, offers many of the best known and most loved Catholic prayers, accompanied by original music to enhance your meditation.

Visit our Lending Library during office hours Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM (closed from 12:30-1:00 for lunch), Saturday/Sunday from 9:00 AM to Noon.

### ON-GOING FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

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<td><strong>Are you 18-30 Something? Join SVF Light Young Adults!</strong></td>
<td>Our latest events are posted on our Facebook page. Find us on Sundays at the 5:30 PM Mass! Email: <a href="mailto:svflightyag@gmail.com">svflightyag@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.stvincentferrer.com/svf-light">www.stvincentferrer.com/svf-light</a> Facebook.com/groups/SVFYoungAdultGroup</td>
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<td>A 14-week biblically-based grief support group made up with friendly, caring people who will walk alongside you through one of life’s most difficult experiences. Join us from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Rectory Conference Room. An extensive Lending Library is also available. For more information call (561) 921-5693 or email <a href="mailto:griefministry@stvincentferrer.com">griefministry@stvincentferrer.com</a> to join at any point. New participants always welcome!</td>
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<td>Week 25 — (About 6 months) Thousands and thousands of brain cells are growing in my head every day. Soon I will have billions of brain cells. My wrinkled skin is starting to fill out with baby fat, making me look more like a newborn. My hair is beginning to come in, and it has color and texture. I am now about 1 1/2 pounds and roughly 13 1/2 inches long from head to heel.</td>
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Are you thinking about giving a gift of love this Lent?

Our teens just might be the answer. There are several teens in need of financial assistance to attend the Steubenville Retreat. Full and partial scholarships would be greatly appreciated. If you’re feeling

STEUBENVILLE ORLANDO CONFERENCE
All graduating 8th—12th graders are eligible

Depart from SVF 10:30 am Fri. July 27th Return to SVF 5:00 pm Sun. July 29th

DEADLINE FOR DEPOSIT TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT IS EXTENDED TO APRIL 4th

$385 per person includes:

Conference retreat, charter bus, 2 nights in hotel, t-shirt, Friday dinner and late night pizza, Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner and late night pizza, Sunday breakfast.

The Steubenville High School Conference is specialized to address the resources and needs of today's Catholic teen and challenge them to stand firm in their faith and rely on the awesome power of Jesus. It's a weekend filled with spirituality, friends and fun! With an exciting line up of speakers, live band, presenters, break-out sessions, Reconciliation, Mass, Adoration and fun times.

$150 non-refundable deposit payable, by check to St. Vincent Ferrer is due by Wednesday, April 4, 2018. The balance is due by Monday, June 25, 2018. Payments can be submitted at Lifeteen or the parish office/mailbox in an envelope addressed (Cheryl/Steubenville). Limited scholarships are available to teens needing financial assistance and that are active participants of Lifeteen and all Steubenville fundraisers. Please contact Cheryl (561-756-6827) for details.
Lifeteen is presenting a live, silhouette “Stations of the Cross—Passion of Christ” Good Friday, March 30th from 7:00—8:00 pm in the church. The SVF parish is invited.

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LIFETEEN CARWASH FUNDRAISER $5

Sunday, 4/8 9:00—1:00
All earnings for Steubenville Orlando Retreat expenses

LIFETEEN Inviting all 8th—12th grade TEENS!
Sun 3/25 St. Peter House 6:45—8:45 pm
Fri 3/30 Stations of the Cross Presentation 7:00—8:00 pm
Sun 4/1 No Lifeteen—Happy Easter!
Sun 4/8 Car Wash—Teens be at St. Peter House 8:30 am

EDGE Inviting all 6th, 7th and 8th graders!
Wed 3/28 No Edge
Wed 4/4 AMF Boynton Bowl 3:45—6:00 pm $15pp
Text Cheryl 561-756-6827 by 4/2 if attending
Wed 4/11 Kellaghan Hall 5:30—7:15 pm

8th ~ 12th GRADERS
Your LIFETEEN youth group is waiting for you!
**Officers’ Meeting.** Tuesday, March 27th at 7:00pm in Knights Hall. All brothers are encouraged to participate.

**Next Business Meeting** is Wednesday, April 4th, 7:00pm beginning with the Rosary. Meeting starts at 7:30pm.

Council 13996 would like to give a huge “Thank You” to our St. Vincent Ferrer Middle School Volunteers, Columbiettes and Brother Knights. Your many hours of volunteer service helped make our Fish Frys a success!
COLUMBIETTES

May JESUS' journey into Jerusalem help us to focus on HIS unconditional love during Holy Week.

May the Holy Spirit guide and protect our Church and government leaders.

Many thanks for your generosity to the food baskets and poor boxes. Together...we perform small miracles.

The Columbiettes is a Catholic women’s organization which follows the ideals of the Knights of Columbus. Membership is open to all Catholic women over 17 years of age. If you are interested in becoming a member or would like more information, contact Marie Ryan (561) 266-9941.

Today is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week

The dedicated members of our St. Vincent Ferrer Care Ministry (SVFCM) are here to help the less fortunate in our community. Mother Teresa said, "Helping the poor is our opportunity to see Jesus". By supporting our Ministry, you make it possible for us to give food and clothes to the poor as well as to give assistance in paying rent or a utility bill. We also give direction to people who are in need of additional assistance such as finding a job or of locating a clinic for medical or dental care. Know that 100% of your donation goes to our clients. The next time you are approached by someone asking for money in Delray Beach, tell them to call our Care Ministry at 272-7580. Thank you again for your continued support and may God bless you and keep you in His loving care during this very special time of year.

Our ministry has received the sad news of the passing of Vince Canning on February 18th. Vince was a founding member of our St. Vincent DePaul Society in 1967. He had volunteered as an active family member for 47 years until our current care ministry was formed in 2013. The Canning family has requested in lieu of flowers, that a donation be made to the St. Vincent Ferrer Care Ministry in his memory. We have received a number of donations from both family and friends and wish to thank everyone for thinking of Mr. Canning. Special thanks to those who have furthered the work of our ministry through Vincent Canning with their contributions.

SVFCM is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit care ministry. Your tax deductible donations are recorded in the parish “end of the year report,” which is available to you upon request.

Our St. Vincent Ferrer Care Ministry is here to help the less fortunate of our community. There is no need to give money to panhandlers. If you are approached by anyone on the grounds of the church, kindly give them our phone number. We are here to help them.

Assistance Help Line ~ Our number is: 272-7580
The best way to understand why St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic School is a successful prep school for high school students of all types of learning styles is to see our students in classrooms and meet our teachers. You will see it in the faces of our students. You will feel it in the enthusiasm of our faculty and staff. You will hear it in the voices of our volunteers. You will experience it in the warm and welcoming embrace of our faith community. Our challenging curriculum, set within a safe and nurturing environment, allows students to do their best. Our students show their love for Christ and others by looking out for one another, treating each other with respect, and caring for God’s creation. We are a community working together to build up and bring about our mission.

SCHEDULE A SCHOOL TOUR BY CALLING 561-278-3868

We encourage visits from prospective students and their families. Tours are designed for you to learn more about SVF in order to provide you with the opportunity to assess the benefits of our school as they pertain to your child’s academic and personal needs. We are currently accepting new students for the 2018-2019 year. Our school offers exceptional programs, as we set high standards of excellence for every facet of our school.

Protection of Children and Young People

The Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach is committed to the safety and protection of all children and vulnerable adults in its care. Victims of abuse by Church personnel are encouraged to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator to begin necessary emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. The Diocese of Palm Beach Victim Assistance Coordinator, Lorraine Sabatella, can be reached at 561-801-0999.

For more information on Diocesan policies and procedures for reporting abuse as well as to view the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please go to www.diocesepb.org and click on Offices/Safe Environments.

Project Rachel

A post-abortive and miscarriage support and healing program of Catholic Charities.

Project Rachel provides support for women, men, families and/or friends impacted by abortion and/or the loss of a child by miscarriage. For further information, questions, or concerns, contact the confidential line: Catholic Charities’ Project Rachel Coordinator (561) 360-3325.
WE NEED YOU!
DO YOU HAVE A WORLD CLASS SMILE?

Do you believe Evangelization begins at the front door of our church? Please consider joining our Hospitality Ministry! Interested? Please call Julie Ott at 561-276-6892 x 308.

Birthline provides women coping with an unplanned pregnancy access to compassionate counseling, alternatives to pregnancy terminations, and supplies new mothers with basic care items for their babies all in an effort to promote the sanctity of LIFE.

Please consider helping those in need by donating your gently used and new infant items to Birthline. All donations go directly to women and babies in Palm Beach County.

To donate please contact parishioner Nicole Volinsky at 561-316-7505 or nicole.a.volinsky@gmail.com
And please “like us” on Facebook @birthlinelifeline
Do you feel called to serve our Lord and the Parish?

We are always in need for volunteers to launder and press the Altar Linens that are used each week during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. These are cleaned on a weekly basis. Special attention to reverence when handling the purificators, corporal and hand towels are required and special instructions will be given. This ministry is time-flexible and performed at home. Currently, the time commitment of our volunteers is once every three months. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the parish office at (561)276-6892. This is a great way to earn school service hours for parents.

Please pray for our deceased loved ones

as well as the Men and Women of our parish family who gave their lives in service to our country.

“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life.” John 8:12

Our beautiful Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open to everyone; however, an access code is required for entrance from 8:00 PM until 6:00 AM. The access code can be obtained from the Parish Office during regular business hours. We welcome you to visit the Lord at any time.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday. Regarding Abstinence: Catholics in the U.S. from age 14 onward, are obliged to abstain from meat (not eggs) and meat products. This applies to Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Regarding Fasting: this law applies to Catholics from age 18 to age 59. Catholics are allowed only one full meal a day on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This law does not prohibit a light meal in the morning or evening, but the combined quantity of food taken at the two lighter meals should not exceed the quantity taken at the full meal.

The Patriotic Rosary

Please join us for the Patriotic Rosary in the church, every Tuesday and Thursday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, as we continue to pray for life, the sanctity of marriage and Religious Freedom.

SERVING OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES
2ND Lt. Mateo Bravo (Army) South Korea, Brenden Fee (Army) Italy; Major Mark Burns (USMC) Italy; Sean Goudy (Army) Hawaii; Capt. John O'Connell (USMC) Spain; Capt. Robert Ryan (Air Force) South Korea.