

Blessed Sacrament

Catholic Church Tampa

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary

Our Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 8:30am (English) 4:30pm (En. Vigil) Sunday: 7:30am (Spanish) 10:00am (English) 12:00pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: 8:30am Wednesday: 7pm

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 9:00am & 7:00pm First Friday of Month: 9:00am-7:00pm

Reconciliation

Daily: After the 8:30am Holy Mass Saturday: 3pm-4pm

Our Offices

Parish Office

Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm Phone: (813) 626-2984 office@blessedsacramentcatholic.org

Catechism Office

By Appointment Only Open Sundays: 9am to 1pm (813) 252-5032 stjb1888@blessedsacramentcatholic.org

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August 24, 2025



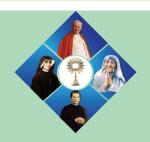
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Intentions

Sunday, August 24, 2025 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am † Arminda Gonzalez By Familia Ordoñez

10:00am Our Parish By Fr. Domek

12:00pm † Martin Padilla By Luz Padilla

Monday, August 25

Sts. Louis, Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:30am Por la Salud de Heriberto Benitez (Jr.) By Padres y Hermanas

Tuesday, August 26

8:30am For Remy Felix's Birthday By Gilda Oliver

Wednesday, August 27 St. Monica

7:00pm Por los Niños, Jovenes y sus Padres By Fr. Domek

Thursday, August 28

St. Augustine, Bishop & Dr. of the Church

8:30am For Conversion of David Kimani Bv Stella Kimani

Friday, August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30am For Conversion of David Kimani By Stella Kimani

3:00pm Chaplet-Divine Mercy La Divina Misericordia

7:00pm-8:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, August 30

TOTAL

8:30am For Conversion of David Kimani By Stella Kimani 4:30pm For Emotional Healing of

Maria Waldroff

By Greg & Thi Waldroff



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The Office of Vocations reaches beyond forming seminarians and those entering consecrated religious life. It also supports the process of discerning the vocation that God calls us to for a younger group.

Each year, the Office of Vocations facilitates Focus 11, a four-day event for sixth grade Catholic school students in the diocese. This event provides students with an opportunity to interact with and learn from those living out their

They also offer tools and knowledge, helping students begin discerning their vocation. By providing the opportunity to ask questions, participate in prayer activities, and diving deeper into their own faith with trust, students can see that a vocation leads to ultimate fulfilment whether they are called to marriage, religious life, consecrated life, or priesthood.

"I think this is the stage that they are starting to think about what God wants them to be even if they don't say it," shared Sister Sherly Vazhappilly, F.S.S.E., Associate Director of Vocations. "It is planting a seed in their heart.'

Not only did the Office of Vocations notice these seeds, but teachers and students as well. Natalie Lisko. religion teacher at St. Paul Catholic School in St. Petersburg saw immediate fruit.



"I think a lot of them will be open to that calling and in getting to hear about how some of the priests and religious discerned their own vocations, they can take that prayer aspect and apply it," Lisko shared. "One student already has said 'oh, maybe I'm being called to be a sister."

Many participants expressed they were inspired to consider a vocation to the priesthood or religious life whether they've been thinking about it for a while, or they had never considered it before. All can, now call to mind this experience as they continue in their faith journey.

"I think this has given me an experience I can look back on when I'm feeling down or when I'm feeling unsure," said Mason, a sixth-grade student at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle. Mason shared that he had thought about God calling him to be a priest in the past and this gave him an experience to help as he grows in his faith. "No matter what God is telling you to do, he has a path for you to follow."

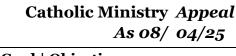
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Parish News

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What does the image of a door say to us about the kingdom

of God? Jesus' story about the door being shut to those who come too late suggests they had offended their host and deserved to be excluded. It was customary for teachers in Jesus' time to close the door on tardy students and not allow them back for a whole week in order to teach them a lesson in discipline and faithfulness. Who will be invited to enter God's kingdom?

Jesus told this story in response to



¿Qué nos dice la imagen de una puerta sobre el reino de

Dios? La historia de Jesús sobre el cierre de la puerta a quienes llegaban demasiado tarde sugiere que habían ofendido a su anfitrión y merecían ser excluidos. En tiempos de Jesús, era costumbre que los maestros cerraran la puerta a los alumnos que llegaban tarde y no les permitieran volver durante una semana entera para enseñarles una lección de disciplina y fidelidad. ¿Quiénes serán invitados a entrar en el reino de Dios? Jesús

the question of who will make it to heaven - to God's kingdom of everlasting peace and eternal life. Many rabbis held that all Israel would be saved and gain entry into God's kingdom, except for a few blatant sinners who excluded themselves! After all, they were specially chosen by God when he established a covenant relationship with them.

contó esta historia en respuesta a la pregunta de quiénes entrarían al cielo, al reino de Dios de paz y vida eterna. Muchos rabinos sostenían que todo Israel se salvaría y entraría en el reino de Dios, jexcepto unos pocos pecadores flagrantes que se autoexcluyeron! Después de todo, Dios los eligió especialmente al establecer una relación de pacto con ellos.

education can provide a foundation for moral and ethical values, a strong sense of community, and opportunities for spiritual growth. It can also enhance emotional wellbeing and encourage character development through faith-based learning. Here's a more de-



tailed look at the potential benefits:

Strong Moral and Ethical Foundation: Religious education can instill core values such as honesty, empathy, and compassion, helping children develop a strong sense of right and wrong. Sense of Community and Belonging: Religious schools often foster a strong sense of community among students, families, and educators, creating a supportive environment rooted in shared beliefs. Spiritual Growth: Religious education can provide opportunities for children to explore their faith, deepen their understanding of religious teachings, and develop a personal relationship with their beliefs. Character Development: By integrating faith into the curriculum, religious schools can help children develop positive character traits, learn to make ethical decisions, and understand the consequences of their actions. Emotional Well-being: A faith-based learning environment can provide a sense of belonging and purpose, potentially leading to lower levels of anxiety and higher life satisfaction. Community Engagement: Many religious schools emphasize community service and outreach, encouraging students to give back and make a positive impact on society.

Why Enroll Your Child to Religious Education? Enrolling a child in religious ¿Por qué inscribir a su hijo, en educación religiosa? Inscribir a un niño

en educación religiosa puede sentar las bases de valores morales y éticos, un fuerte sentido de comunidad y oportunidades de crecimiento espiritual. También puede mejorar el bienestar emocional y fomentar el desarrollo del carácter a través del aprendizaje basado en la fe. A continuación, se detallan los posibles beneficios:

Sólida base moral y ética: La educación religiosa puede inculcar valores

fundamentales como la honestidad, la empatía y la compasión, ayudando a los niños a desarrollar un fuerte sentido del bien y del mal. Sentido de comunidad y pertenencia: Las escuelas religiosas suelen fomentar un fuerte sentido de comunidad entre estudiantes, familias y educadores, creando un entorno de apoyo basado en creencias compartidas. Crecimiento espiritual: La educación religiosa puede brindar oportunidades para que los niños exploren su fe, profundicen su comprensión de las enseñanzas religiosas y desarrollen una relación personal con sus creencias. Desarrollo del Carácter: Al integrar la fe en el currículo, las escuelas religiosas pueden ayudar a los niños a desarrollar rasgos de carácter positivos, aprender a tomar decisiones éticas y comprender las consecuencias de sus acciones. Bienestar Emocional: Un entorno de aprendizaje basado en la fe puede brindar un sentido de pertenencia y propósito, lo que potencialmente conduce a menores niveles de ansiedad y una mayor satisfacción vital. Participación Comunitaria: Muchas escuelas religiosas enfatizan el servicio comunitario y la participación social, animando a los estudiantes a contribuir y generar un impacto positivo en la sociedad.



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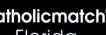
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