



Blessed Sacrament

Catholic Church Tampa

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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
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Catechism Office

By Appointment Only
Open Sundays: 7:30am to 11am
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August 23, 2026

Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi

He said to them...

**But who
do you
say that
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Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 23, 2026

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7:30am † Catalino Cruz

By Familia Cruz Espinoza

10:00am Our Parish Community

By Fr. Domek

12:00pm † Erasmo Guáqueta

By Familia Guáqueta-Angel

Monday, August 24

St. Bartholomew, Apostle

8:30am † Iram Diaz

By Elba Cartagena

Tuesday, August 25

St. Louis, St. Joseph Calazans, Priest

8:30am † Francelina Becerra

By Their Children

Wednesday, August 26

Virgen de Czeszochowa

7:00pm † Virginia Caraballo

By Olga Diaz

Thursday, August 27

St. Monica

8:30am † Dalicia Novicio

By Charles Nuñez

Friday, August 28

St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:30am † Luis & Luis Nuñez

By Charles Nuñez

3:00pm Chaple-Divine Mercy

La Divina Misericordia

7:00pm-8pm Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30am For Martin Peña's Health

By Wife & children

4:30pm For Maria Waldroff's Health

By Greg & Thi Waldroff



Offertory Collection Masses of 08/08- 09/26

OFFERTORY	\$4,624.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$880.75
TOTAL	\$5,504.75



The Feast of

THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

August 29

The "Passion" of Saint John the Baptist means his suffering, imprisonment, and execution (martyrdom) by beheading at the order of King Herod. In Christian tradition, the word "passion" comes from a Latin word meaning suffering or enduring.

Key Meanings and Lessons

- **Speaking Truth to Power:** John courageously told King Herod it was wrong to marry his brother's wife, Herodias. He chose God's truth over his own safety.
- **The Cost of Discipleship:** His death shows that following God and standing up for what is right can carry a high earthly price.
- **Precursor to Christ:** Just as John lived his life pointing people to Jesus, his suffering and death mirrored the ultimate sacrifice and martyrdom that Jesus Himself would face.
- **Humility:** John understood his role, stating that Jesus must increase while he must decrease, accepting his fate with profound humility.

La "Pasión" de San Juan Bautista se refiere a su sufrimiento, encarcelamiento y ejecución (martirio) por decapitación, ordenada por el rey Herodes. En la tradición cristiana, la palabra "pasión" proviene de un término latino que significa sufrimiento o padecimiento.

Significados y enseñanzas clave

- **Decir la verdad ante el poder:** Juan le dijo valientemente al rey Herodes que estaba mal casarse con Herodías, la esposa de su hermano. Eligió la verdad de Dios por encima de su propia seguridad.
- **El costo del discipulado:** Su muerte demuestra que seguir a Dios y defender lo correcto puede conllevar un alto precio terrenal.
- **Precursor de Cristo:** Así como Juan vivió señalando a Jesús ante los demás, su sufrimiento y muerte reflejaron el sacrificio supremo y el martirio que el propio Jesús habría de afrontar.
- **Humildad:** Juan comprendió su papel al afirmar que Jesús debía crecer mientras él debía disminuir, aceptando su destino con profunda humildad.



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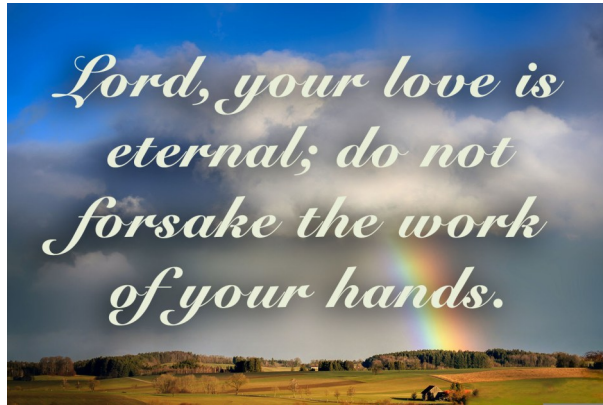
Parish News

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At an opportune time Jesus tests his disciples with a crucial question: Who do men say that I am and who do you say that I am?

He was widely recognized in Israel as a mighty man of God, even being compared with the greatest of the prophets, John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah. Peter, always quick to respond, exclaimed that he was the Christ, the Son of the living God. No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter;

but only God. Jesus then confers on Peter authority to govern the church that Jesus would build, a church that no powers would overcome because it is founded on the rock which is Christ himself.



En un momento oportuno, Jesús pone a prueba a sus discípulos con una pregunta crucial: ¿Quién dice la gente que soy yo y quién dicen ustedes que soy yo?

Él era ampliamente reconocido en Israel como un poderoso hombre de Dios, llegando incluso a ser comparado con los más grandes profetas: Juan el Bautista, Elías y Jeremías. Pedro, siempre pronto a responder, exclamó que Él era el Cristo, el Hijo del Dios viviente. Ningún ser mortal podría haberle revelado esto a Pedro, sino solo Dios. Entonces Jesús confiere a Pedro la autoridad para gobernar la Iglesia que Él edificaría, una Iglesia a la que ningún poder lograría vencer, pues está fundada sobre la roca que es Cristo mismo.

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Why Enroll Your Child to Religious Education?

Enrolling a child in religious education can provide a foundation for moral and ethical values, a strong sense of community, and opportunities for spiritual growth. Here's a more detailed 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.



¿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. A continuación, se detallan los posibles beneficios:

Solida 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.



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