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-ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE



SCHEDULE OF MASSES
Daily Mass: WED. THU, FRI -8:30 am
Tuesday 5:30PM

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM
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AUGUST 13, 2023

Weekly Mass Intentions



TUESDAY

8:30am
Req. By:
2nd Int:
Req. By:
5:30 pm
Req. By:

AUGUST 15

+**ROSEMARY BANNON**
Lori & Steve Park
+**RAYMOND J. RATHIER**
Robert & Elaine Cassels
+**THEODORE STEVEN CHRONIS**
Grandma & Grandpa

WEDNESDAY

8:30am
Req. BY:

AUGUST 16

+**PATRICIA R. MILLER**
Family

THURSDAY

8:30am.
FRIDAY
8:30am
Req. By:
2nd Int:
Req. By:

AUGUST 17
+**POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY**
AUGUST 18

+**TED KREGER**
Kreger Family
+**MARGARET BROWNE**
Family

SATURDAY

4:00 pm
Req. By:
2nd Int:
Req. By:
3rd. Int:
Req..By:

AUGUST 19

+**AL GRYBASH**
Kay
+**EAN VAN COONEY**
Thrift Store Volunteers
+**ROBERT KOWALL & MICHAEL**
Loving Family

SUNDAY

9:00am
Req. By:
2nd Int
Req. By:

10:30am
Req. By:

AUGUST 20

+**RAYMUNDO CABILTES**
Daughter
+**JOVITA COLACCI**
Loving Family

+**SUSAN LOMONACO**
Husband Morris

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading 115:1kgs 19:9a 11-13a
Psalms: 85:9-14
Second Reading: Rom 9:1-5
Gospel Reading: Mt 14:22-33

SACRAMENTS:

Contact the Office

Baptism: For registered & active parishioners: **Baptism instruction is required for Parents.**

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 2:00-3:00 PM
In the main Church Or by Appointment

Weddings: Must be arranged with the pastor at least **6 months before the date** desired.

Last Rites & Anointing of the Sick

Due to the Distance from Parrish Manatee Hospital:

St. Joseph: 941-756-3732

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Doctor's Hospital Sarasota:

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DO NOT WAIT TILL THE LAST MINUTE

If in Hospice at home—please call as soon as possible preferably during the day!

Funerals: Please contact the Office for a meeting for Dates, Readings, and Music. There are certain policies in place at St. Frances Cabrini for the respectful burial of your loved ones.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

413: Dt 10:12-22 Ps 147:12-15,19-20 Mt 17:22-27

TUESDAY THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

622: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-4a,10ab Ps 45:10-12,16 1or 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

WEDNESDAY ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

415 :Dr 34:1-12 Ps 66:1-3a,5,8,16-17 Mt 18:15-20

THURSDAY

416: Jos 3:7-10a,11,13-17 Ps 114:1-6 Mt 18:21-19:1

FRIDAY

417: Jos 24:1-13 Ps 136:1-3,16-18,21-22,24 Mt 19:3-12

Supporting our Diocese

Our Goal to support the Diocesan Offices, Missions, and Charities.

Goal: \$198,000.00

Raised So Far: \$130,629.29



Parish Focused Giving

Helping to relieve our Parish of St. Frances Cabrini Debt!
Debt Free by 2023

Goal: \$526,460.00

Raised So Far: \$203,151.05

2023 Catholic Faith Appeal

Every year, the Diocese of Venice places a goal for each parish to provide a certain amount towards an overall needs of the Diocese. For 2022, **our Parish responsibility is \$198,000**. Our hope is to fulfill our obligation early and ensure our support for these essential programs for the Southwest Florida community. We ask if you have any additional resources you wish to support Catholic organizations with, that you donate to the Catholic Faith Appeal. Your support, which is fully tax deductible, will provide assistance to thousands in our area.

Debt Free by 2023

We'd like to thank everyone for their continued help in lowering our Parish Debt. As of December 31'st 2021 we were at \$485,402.00. As of March of this year we are at \$262,732.00. Thanks to your generosity we were able to **pay off \$222,670** which is a breath taking amount! Let's us continue to glorify the Lord in this progress and hopefully be Debt Free by the end of 2023!



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMED



Attention adult men of the parish, the Knights of Columbus will be conducting an Exemplification of new members on Tuesday, 22 August, before their monthly business meeting. We will be leading the Rosary at 5pm followed by daily mass at 5:30pm.

Those wishing to become a Knight will meet in the Cabrini Center after mass (approx 6:10pm). The ceremony will begin promptly at 6:30pm.

A short Business Meeting will follow and conclude by 8:00pm. Proper attire for candidates is coat and tie or business suit. You can pre-join on-line at KofC.org

Questions? See a Brother Knight with the Logo on his shirt!



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (formerly RCIA, now OCIA)

Interested in becoming Catholic?

We invite you to take time to visit the OCIA table after Mass this weekend (August 12th -13th) for information and registration details!



AUGUST 13, 2023



Grades Pre-K - 5: \$110/family

The foundation of our parish's faith formation will now be structured around the **FAMILY**...enabling the parents to be the primary teacher of their child's Catholic faith.

"Every Christian family is called to be a small 'Domestic Church' that must shine with the Gospel virtues." - Saint Pope John Paul II

Three parts of Family Faith Formation:

- 1) Families will meet twice a month on Sundays from 11:00-12:30 p.m. Child care will be provided.
- 2) Monthly assignments/activities are to be completed at home with the whole family.
- 3) Families are to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation regularly.

Year 1 First Reconciliation/First Communion (Typically 1st Grade): No Cost

Sacraments require two consecutive years of preparation. Therefore, the family of a child wishing to receive First Reconciliation/Communion next year is required to do the following:

- Enroll in Family Faith Formation (no more than 2 absences accepted) **and**
- Complete one mass journal reflection per month (September through April...8 total reflections).

Year 2 First Reconciliation/First Communion (Typically 2nd Grade): \$30/child

Sacraments require two consecutive years of preparation. Therefore, the family of a child wishing to receive First Reconciliation/Communion this year is required to do the following:

- Enroll in Family Faith Formation (no more than 2 absences accepted) **and**
- Enroll in Year 2 First Reconciliation/First Communion (no more than 1 absence accepted). Classes will meet on Sundays from 11:00-12:30 p.m. opposite Family Faith Formation **and**
- Complete one mass journal reflection per month (September through April...8 total reflections).

Middle School Youth Group (Grades 6 - 8): \$30/child

All 6th-8th graders are highly encouraged to attend Youth Group regardless of sacraments received or yet to receive. Our goal is to provide a safe and fun place for students to enjoy community, receive answers to their faith questions, and experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Classes will meet twice a month on Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Year 1 & Year 2 Confirmation (Typically 9th & 10th Grade): \$75/child

Sacraments require two consecutive years of preparation. Y1 & Y2 classes will meet twice a month on Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m. (no more than 1 absence accepted). In addition, Y1 and Y2 students must complete one mass journal reflection per month (September through April...8 total reflections) and within two years complete ten (10) service hours.

High School Youth Group (Grades 9- 12): \$30/child

NEW!! Students in grades 9-12 are invited to join. The group will be led by Fr. Joseph Gates and will focus around **one of the works of C.S. Lewis or JRR Tolkien**. The group will meet twice a month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Using Scripture references, discussion questions, and related commentary, you will examine the literature through a Christian lens of morality, scripture, and the Catechism.

OCIA (Formerly RCIA): No Cost

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is for anyone wishing to seek full communion with the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation. Classes will meet from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Thursdays.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMED

The Challenge of the Assumption of Mary: by Denise Bossert

Mary was assumed into heaven.

It's one of the more difficult teachings for converts to grasp. But there are ways to approach the Assumption so that non-Catholics may come to believe.

In 1995, I wrote an article for Protestant newspapers called "Trends in Christian Fiction" which considered the possibility that a Christian fiction book might hit the New York Times Bestseller List. I traveled to key Protestant publishers – Tyndale, Crossway, Moody, Victor and Bethany House – to interview editors. The publishers handed me galleys, and they all believed their books had that crossover appeal. Only one actually did. *Left Behind* was on the publishing turnpike back then, and it was among the galleys I brought home with me after that Chicago-Minneapolis trip. Tyndale released the book within six months of my visit, and the book (and subsequent series) was a huge success.

Nicholas Cage and Lea Thompson star in a screen adaptation of that book. The movie opens October 3, 2014. So the *Left Behind* craze continues.

I have one question. And it isn't about whether or not the idea of *Rapture* is biblical. My question has nothing to do with Christians disappearing when Christ returns. I'm not going to take the time to explain why Catholic teaching on eschatological things is solid and *Left Behind* theology is Hollywood science fiction.

No. I'm pondering something else. Why is it so easy for people to believe that Jesus Christ will return and "rapture" those who love Him, leaving behind the rest of the world, but those same people find it impossible to believe that Jesus Christ came for His mother and assumed her, body and soul, into heaven?

Why is that harder to believe? When I ponder the glorious Assumption of Mary into Heaven, I have to smile. It fits. It makes sense. A perfect and loving son would do that if he could. A divine Son did do it *because* He could.

Jesus Christ looked upon His mother, and Love broke through the veil.

Jesus, the perfect Son of God, would not let His mother's body know corruption. Not this mother who was so carefully created – so immaculately formed. In May, I traveled to the Holy Land. We visited many places, but one place that stands out in my mind is Dormition Abbey on Mount Zion. Let me take you there for just a moment. Step with me into the Tomb of King David. Let's pray there, together. Let's think of David's descendent, the Christ, who was given an *eternal* throne.

Now, let me lead you just a few steps from the place where David is buried. There, you will find the doors to Dormition Abbey. According to tradition, Mary fell asleep and was assumed into heaven here.

There is a place in Ephesus that also makes this claim, but many Catholic sources say Mount Zion is more likely. And I agree.

The one who is *Daughter Zion* and mother of David's eternal heir should end her earthly life here – and be visited by the Lord who lovingly laid claim to His mother – right here.

Come to me, my beloved mother. Come and see the place I have prepared.

With angelic shouts and trumpet blast, she was raised and crowned Queen. Earth was silent. But heaven erupted with great jubilation.

Why is it so easy to imagine a silly story about Jesus coming to Earth and Christians across the world disappearing? Airplanes crashing as pilots disappear into thin air. Cars crashing as drivers disappear. Students leaving behind open books and laptops? Why is that easier to imagine, but Mary's Assumption seems far-fetched?

I stood in the crypt of Dormition Abbey. I thought of King David's bones which were just a few steps away. And yet, in this crypt, there are no bones. Mary is *not* here. And nobody has claimed to have Mary's remains. Why? Because there are no remains.

out a possible site for the Assumption exists because there are *no bones* to settle the matter. The dueling claim underscores the reality of the Assumption. She is not here – or *there*!

Yes, Jesus Christ will return again. And He will raise the living and the dead. It won't follow the plotline of a Hollywood thriller. But there is precedent for our rising to meet the Lord. Although Mary's Assumption is unique, the One who assumed His own mother will return – for us. The dead in Christ will be raised to new life. But the unfaithful won't be left behind – although they probably will wish they had been left. Earth is preferable to eternal separation from God. The Bible tells us we will be divided—the faithful going one way, the unfaithful another.

Leave the *Left Behind* hoopla in Hollywood.



Turn your eyes to the Holy Land, or Ephesus, or even toward heaven.. And celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. What Jesus did for Mary – in a unique and special way – gives us hope that one day Christ will return. So let's model our lives after the Blessed Mother – remaining faithful until the end. (Catholicexchange.com)

Why I'm Not Down with 'the Rapture: by Shane Kapler

In a nutshell, the rapture is a belief that says Jesus will instantaneously transport (rapture) believers from earth to Heaven just prior to the final antichrist's rise to power. Christians will not have to endure the horrible suffering of the final days (known as the Great Tribulation). That is reserved for those left on earth, some of whom will finally recognize the signs of the times and come to a belief in Jesus prior to His return in glory.

Although proponents of the rapture appeal to Scripture (and I admit, I use to count myself among them), no one – and I mean *no one* - in the first eighteen hundred years of Christianity saw it there. The two key verses appealed to by its proponents are *1 Thessalonians 4:16-18* and *Matthew 24:37-41*. Allow me to address them each in turn.

I will start my quotation from *1 Thessalonians* before, and end it after, the verses alleged to concern a rapture prior to the time of tribulation:

For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first; then we who are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall be with the Lord. Therefore, comfort one another with these words. But as to the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know well that *the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night* (1 Thess.4:15-5:2).

Note the words I have italicized. Paul is talking about the great Day of the Lord, the Day of Judgment. He is talking about the glorious, triumphant manifestation of Jesus and His Body when He returns in glory. Paul says nothing about the Church being raptured away so as to escape persecution. Instead, those translated directly from earthly existence to glory are those who are "alive," who are "left."

Read within its historical context, Paul is probably likening the Lord's return to that of a victorious general. As the conqueror returned to Rome, he would stop outside the city, and wait for his family to be brought to him. Once his entourage was fully assembled they would enter the city together, amidst fanfare and celebration.[1]

Lets turn now to Matthew's Gospel. After just employing apocalyptic imagery to describe the fall of Jerusalem, Jesus tells the Apostles:

But of the day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they did not know until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of man. Then two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken, and one is left. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the householder had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect (Matt.24:36-44).

Like *Thessalonians*, we have that image of the Lord coming like a thief in the night. It was a common motif for talking about the Second Coming; that is what both of these passages are dealing with. In *Thessalonians* we saw the Lord sweeping up His beloved. Not so in this passage. Who is taken? In this passage it is the *unrighteous!* "As [in] the days of Noah,...the flood came and swept them all away." Much to the chagrin of Tim Lahaye and Jerry Jenkins, in Jesus' example it is the righteous who are "left behind." Jesus gave a similar description earlier in Matthew:

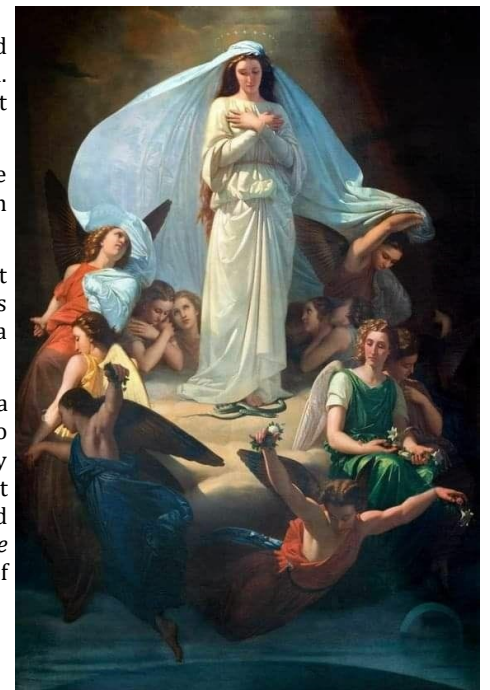
The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and throw them into the furnace of fire, there men will weep and gnash their teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear...

So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire; there men will weep and gnash their teeth (Matt.13:41-43,49-50).

This idea that the Church will not suffer the great tribulation is completely unbiblical, and at odds with historic Christianity. Jesus, the Master, suffered. Eleven of the twelve Apostles died as martyrs; there have been martyrs throughout Jewish and Christian history. To believe in a rapture of the Church, so as to save it from suffering, flies in the face of this.

So how did belief in the rapture begin? With a man named John Nelson Darby (1800-1882), a former Anglican priest and founder of the Plymouth Brethren.[2] The teaching made its way to the United States and was disseminated through the study notes of the incredibly popular *Scofield Reference Bible*. Dallas Theological Seminary, Moody Bible Institute, and Talbot Seminary then incorporated it into the training of future pastors. Hal Lindsey, whom I have read for example, was a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary. His first blockbuster, the 1970 *The Late Great Planet Earth* brought the idea to the masses.[1] As we have seen, however; this belief has no ground in Scripture and runs counter to almost two thousand years of Christian belief.

(Justacatholic.blogspot.com)



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