# St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

12001 69th St. East, Parrish, Fl. 34219 THIRTY– THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 9:45 AM Pastor: Fr. Joseph Gates

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## **NOVEMBER 19, 2023**



**TUESDAY** 5:30pm Req.By: NOVEMBER 21 +THOMAS J. DIREENO Wife

**NOVEMBER 22** 

WEDNESDAY 8:30am Req. By: 2nd Int Req, By:

+FATHER DAVID BAEHR Carol Valvo +MICHAEL HEIN Patrick & Lynne Goneau

THURSDAY 8:30am Req. By: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 23 +LENORE BURNS Family NOVEMBER 24

8:30am

+POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY

SATURDAY 4:00 pm Req. By: 2nd Int. Req.By: NOVEMBER 25 +ERIKA BOUDREAU Mom & Dad +FR. ROLAND NADEAU Friend

SUNDAY 8:00am Req. By: 2nd, Int Req. By: 9:45. Req. By: NOVEMBER 26 +FR. NINH Trish +LENORE BURNS Family +SUSAN LOMONACO Husband Morris

Last Rites & Anointing of the Sick

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

Emergency Number 813-629-3963 for Priest in case of Death TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

First Reading 157: Prv 31:10-13,19-20, 30-31 Psalms 128:1-5 Second Reading 1 Thes 5:1-6

Gospel Reading Mt 25:14-30

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 <u>6 months before the date</u> desired.

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# THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME READINGS FOR THE WEEK MONDAY

497:1Mc1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63 Ps119:53,61,134,150,155,158 Lk18:35-43 TUESDAY PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

498: 2Mc6:18-31 Ps 3:2-7 Lk 19:1-10

WEDNESDAY ST. CECILIA

499: 2Mc7:1,20-31 Ps 17:1,5-6,8,15 Lk 19:11-28

THURS. STS.CLEMENT & COLUMBAN& BLESSED MIGUEL AGUSTIN PRO

500: 1Mc2:15-29 Ps50:1-2,5-6,14-15 Lk 19:41-44

FRIDAY ST. ANDREW DUNG-LAC

501: 1Mc4: 36-37,52-59(Ps) 1Chr29:10-12 Lk 19:45-48

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

Goal: \$198,000.00 Raised So Far: \$176,778.51



# **Parish Focused Giving**

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# **NOVEMBER 19, 2023**



This year the St. Frances Cabrini Angel Tree will be giving to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission only a few miles from our Parish.

They have asked for Diapers and Wipes for Infants.

The Angels are for the children in these age ranges 2-4 (Toddlers); 5-6; 7-8; 9-11.

Each Angel is marked with a "Blue" or "Pink" Heart for a boy or a girl and the "Age Range".

Please tape the Angel to your <u>UNWRAPPED GIFT</u>. (TOYS ONLY Please)

We will also be collecting Amazon and Walmart Gift Cards in increments of \$10.00 for the families at St. Joseph Catholic School.

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FAITH FORMATION FUNDRAISER

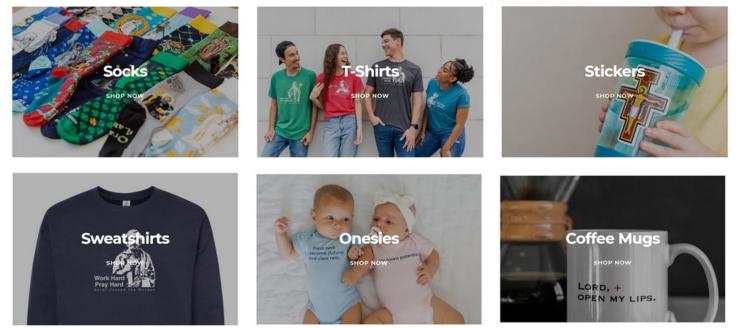


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## **NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

### Ousted Bishop Strickland Call for Prayers for Pope, Warns of Forces Corrupting Church

After his removal as bishop of the Diocese of Tyler, Texas, Bishop Joseph Strickland warned against "dark forces" operating within the Catholic Church and called on Catholics to pray for Pope Francis.

The Vatican Press Office and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) announced simultaneously on Saturday, November 11 that Pope Francis had "relieved the Most Reverend Joseph E. Strickland from the pastoral governance of the Diocese of Tyler." Only eight hours later, Strickland gave a long interview in which he revealed that he was requested to resign on November 9 but decided not to "abandon the flock" entrusted to him.

The Vatican announced the temporary appointment of Bishop Joe S. Vásquez of Austin as the Apostolic Administrator *sede vacante* (vacant see) of the Diocese of Tyler.

In an exclusive interview with Canadian conservative Catholic and pro-life activist John-Henry Westen of LifeSiteNews, Strickland described his removal as "a storm."

"I can't pretend that there are not lots of questions, lots of empty calendar [appointments] that will be filled different ways. But I Rejoice to remain a successor of the Apostles... I need to be humble and I try to approach that with humility," Strickland said.

Despite the fact that Strickland has been removed from the leadership of the diocese, he continues to be a bishop in good standing in the Catholic Church.

Asked by Westen about his plans for the immediate future, Strickland responded: "I don't have the answers right now. ...I'm in the hands of the Lord as we all are, none of us truly knows what tomorrow holds and I'm able to go through this as an opportunity to really know [more]."

Westen told Strickland that thousands have signed a prayer campaign for him. "I appreciate the prayers for me, but please include prayers especially for Pope Francis, the Roman pontiff," the bishop replied:

"We know we're living through a time of questions and confusions... and many people walking away; many Catholics are saying, "oh they don't really believe these things anymore" and to many of those in high places in the Church, at least they're acting as if they don't really know the Lord, they don't really know His Mother."

Strickland also revealed to Westen: "I said [to the Vatican] that I couldn't resign. I couldn't, of my will, abandon the flock that I'd been given; but ... Pope Francis has the authority to remove me as bishop and he has chosen to do so."

Galveston-Houston Archbishop Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, on November 11 stated that as a result of the Apostolic Visitation conducted by Bishop Dennis Sullivan of Camden and Bishop Emeritus Gerald Kicanas of Tucson,

"The recommendation was made to the Holy Father that the continuation in office of Bishop Strickland was not feasible. After months of careful consideration by the Dicastery for Bishops and the Holy Father, the decision was reached that the resignation of Bishop Strickland should be requested. Having been presented with that request on November 9, 2023, Bishop Strickland declined to resign from office. Thereafter, on November 11, 2023, the Holy Father removed Bishop Strickland from the Office of Bishop of Tyler."

The Diocese of Tyler is part of the ecclesiastical province of Galveston-Houston.

In his interview with Westen, Strickland warned that "there are forces in the Church right now that don't want the truth of the Gospel. They want to change it, they want it ignored. They want to get rid of the Truth."

"Pope Francis has the responsibility of making the supreme pontiff's decisions," Strickland said. "There are many forces working at him and influencing him to make these kinds of decisions. So I know it becomes frustrating... but that's why we pray for the pope, for him as a son of God and for his role as the supreme pontiff."

Regarding the recent pushes to review standing Catholic doctrine, Strickland said that "doctrine and understanding develops, but it develops in this sense of deepening, not reversing its direction."

"There are forces in the world that want to reverse the direction, want to change moral teachings, want to totally restructure the Church," he warned. He also reassured Catholics that the Church "continues to be here because she is holy, guided by the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit has fostered basic structures in the Church."

Strickland also expressed hope for the future of his former diocese.

"I truly believe that the Diocese of Tyler that I used to serve a few hours ago is blessed with many seminarians, fine young men, strong, that would be wonderful husbands or wonderful spiritual fathers,"

he said. The diocese is also "financially strong [because of the] tremendous generosity from the people," he added.

"So I really can't look at any reason [for the dismissal] except I'm threatening some of the 'powers that be' with the truth of the Gospel that will not change, that cannot change," he said. "I have to continue to proclaim the truth with joy and hope, with humor, hopefully with a bright outlook, with the light of Christ guiding me."

He concluded by urging Catholics "to be more faithful than ever, not allowing this to pull them back from living faithfully and vibrantly and joyful," and to pray "for the deep abiding conversion of Pope Francis and of all of us to a deeper relationship with the Sacred Heart of Christ." (Catholicvote.org)



### How I Talk With My Daughter About the Role of Women in the Church by Michelle Chronister

A few months ago, my daughter decided that her vocation was to be a "girl bishop." To two parents who work for the Church, this was amusing (but not concerning, given our mutual love for catechesis and theological discussions). Her dad works at a seminary, and this little girl is surrounded by spiritual fathers and brothers. We have had the talk about spiritual fatherhood before (emphasis on *fatherhood*), but still she persisted.

Not long after making this declaration, she was watching a livestream of the enthronement of an abbess. In case you've never seen it, when an abbess is enthroned, she is led to a literal "throne" (which looks just like an episcopal chair that a bishop would sit in) by two bishops, crowned with a crown of flowers, and given a crosier (just like a bishop). My daughter watched this with fascination.

I told her, "Look at that! The bishops are leading her. She gets to wear a flower crown! Wouldn't you rather be an abbess?"

She initially looked interested. "Yeah, I want to be that!" She then paused, and eventually said, "But I still want to be a girl bishop."

Fast forward to the 4th of July, and I took my three young daughters to a parade near our house. Halfway through the parade, there was a float for a protestant church, with a woman wearing clerics and a handmade chasuble. My daughter looked up at me with utter confusion, "Mommy...is that a *girl priest?*"

I'm guessing that I'm not the only faithful Catholic mother who wants her daughters to know that they have a place in the Church. So, if you have found yourself in my shoes, here's a way to explain the all-male priesthood to your daughters (and to help them understand the gift of women in the Church).

#### The Crown of Creation

To understand how important woman is in God's plan, we have to go back to Eden. When God had created everything, he found it "good." The only time that God does *not* find it good is when Adam is all alone. Something is missing. And so he creates Eve.

Eve is the crown of creation. She is the finale, the ending to the story of creation. Adam exclaims with joy when he sees her. And God finds her "very good." Without woman, man is incomplete. The two need one another.

On a spiritual level, women complete men. This is true in a very real way in marriage, when two become physically one. But it is also true in a spiritual sense. We can look to the lives of saints — Francis and Clare, Benedict and Scholastica — and to the life of Christ, and we see the gift that holy female friendship is to holy men. There is a complementarity between the two, and both are necessary. God declares creation incomplete without women. Likewise, the Church is incomplete without them.

### The Queen of Heaven and Earth

My middle daughter is named after the Blessed Mother, and we joke that she is a Mary evangelist. (She taught her younger sister to say "Mary" and for a while, the baby would only refer to *Jesus* as "Mar-ee!") So, when explaining to her the role of women in the Church, I knew that it would be important to talk to her about Mary.

The greatest saint who ever lived was Mary. She is the Queen of All Saints, the Queen of Heaven and Earth. Who does the Church teach is the most important human being, after Christ? It's Mary. Mary is essential to the Church, so much so that Christ gave her to the Church, at the foot of the cross. Priests are partakers in the one priesthood of Christ. Likewise, to understand the role of women, it helps to look to the new Eve- Mary, the Blessed Mother.

### Spiritual Maternity and Spiritual Paternity

I'm passionate about spiritual maternity to priests and seminarians.

Because they visit their dad at work at least once a week, my daughters have gotten to know and befriend many priests and seminarians. I've encouraged them to adopt some of these guys as their "spiritual sons." (My oldest adopted a newly-ordained priest and thus he and I affectionately call her his "littlest spiritual mother.")

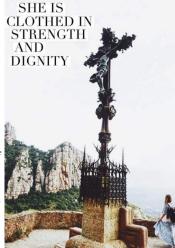
Here's the thing — we *need* priests. We desperately need strong spiritual fathers, willing to lay down their lives for the Church. But these men desperately need prayers. They *need* spiritual mothers. I can speak firsthand, from my friendships with

seminarians, that spiritual attacks and suffering is very real in the life of these men. They can't live out this vocation without the maternity of Mary.

Mary, as the mother of the Christ, the Great High Priest, is a mother to all priests. There is a complementarity between the two, and the Church cannot possibly have one without the other. Priests *need* spiritual mothers. And Mary invites all women to partake in her spiritual maternity to priests. So, in sharing this essential role with my girls, I emphasized to them how much the Church needs spiritual mothers, but also the fact that no man can be a spiritual mother. No woman can be a priest, because she cannot be a spiritual father. But no man *can be* a spiritual mother. They both are unique, essential roles.

### Finding Understanding

Of course, underlying all of this is a misunderstanding of the priesthood. It is not meant to be a role of power, but of sacrificial love. Women don't lose power by not being priests. However, both roles are important and both roles fulfill a need in the Church. So now, instead of being a "girl bishop" my little Marian daughter has decided to fill a different role — one of spiritual motherhood to seminarians, priests, and bishops. Of course, not one to do things by halves, she has declared, "I'm a spiritual mother to him, and him, and him...to all the priests and seminarians! I have...like...a *thousand million spiritual sons!*"





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