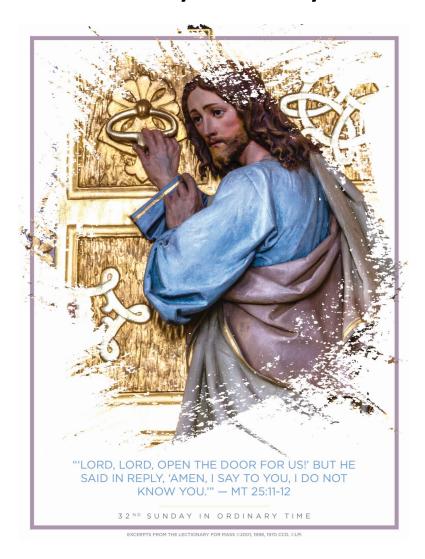


# St. Anthony Catholic Church

Diocese of Charleston, SC 2536 Hoffmeyer Road Florence, SC 29501

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# November 12, 2023 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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# **CLERGY**

Rev. JohnBosco Duraisamy, Pastor Rev. Sylvère Baloza, CICM, Parochial Vicar Reginald A.T. Armstrong, Deacon Michael Woodall, Jr., Deacon Bruce A. Fortnum, Ph.D., Deacon

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE		
Saturday Vigil (Sunday Liturgy)	5 pm	
Sunday	9 am 11 am 1 pm (Español)	
Monday	6:30 pm	
Tues - Fri	7:30 am	
Thursday	6:30 pm (Español)	
Friday School Mass (when in session)	8:15 am	
Saturday	9 am	

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday (Español): 5:30 - 6:20 pm Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm Also available upon request.

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

As a community of faith, we the members of St. Anthony Parish are committed to follow Jesus Christ through prayer and the sacraments, the study of His Word, the teachings of His Church, Evangelization, and through reaching out in service to our fellow human beings, parishioners and non-parishioners, with love, respect, and support.

PARISH & SCHOOL STAFF DIRECTORY	
Office Manager, Andrea Foyle andrea.foyle@saintanthony.com	662-5674
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Deacon Regi Armstrong	615-5639
Director of Religious Education, Andrea Foyle	662-5674
Facilities Manager, Tony Wherry	662-5674
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Alex Villalobos	ext. 227
Music Director, Kevin Verbe	662-5674
School Principal, Kristine Galemmo	662-1910
School Financial Secretary, Shawnna Chranzanowski	662-1910
School Board Chairwoman, Kathleen Mazick	662-1910
Youth Ministry	662-5674

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS/ COMMITTEES Adoration Coordinator, Georgette Falcone 621-2692 Altar Cloths 662-5674 Altar Servers, Calvin Duncan 250-4774 Bereavement Support Group, Sally Kenney 230-0291 Bible Study, Weds. AM, Dcn. Bruce Fortnum 662-5674 Disaster Relief Committee, Kevin Casper 662-5674 615-2263 Embrace Your Neighbor, May Hinson Ecumenical Committee, Marjorie Busscher 667-0859 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, 667-0040 Julie Manley Gospel Encounter Group, Suzanna Linton 496-5089 Knights of Columbus, Philip Payment 904-708-8118 Lectors, Rick Caffrey 303-356-4573 843-230-5738 Legion of Mary, Pat Srutkowski Meals on Wheels, Robin and Michael Tange 260-4735 Ministers of Hospitality, Steve Strutkowski 317-1802 Parking Lot Mission 662-5674 Pastoral Council, Don Manley 667-0040 Prayer Shawl Ministry, Marjorie Busscher 667-0859 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), 662-5674 Mr. Cal Duncan Senior Ministry, Sylvia Jeanton 718-581-6844 Seven Sisters Apostolate, Suzanna Linton 496-5089 Sick & Homebound Ministry, Dcn. Bruce Fortnum 662-5674 St. Anthony Men's Club, Doug Amon 861-4586 Women's Guild of St. Anthony's, Robin Tange 260-4735 Young at Heart, Julie Manley 667-0040 Young at Heart, Georgette Falcone 621-2692 Youth Group - CYO 662-5674

# Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Nov. 4-5, 2023

Env. \$4,449.50 Loose \$1,625.05 Online \$5,962.00 Total \$12,036.55



Archdiocese of Military Services \$1,516.00

Nov. 12th Second Collection - St. Anthony School Nov. 19th Second Collection - Christmas Altar Decorations

# MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST Sunday, Nov. 12th at 10 am

Come and enjoy a nice hot breakfast. The Men's Club will have it prepared for you.

Join your fellow parishioners in the family center for good food and fellowship. Donations are appreciated.



# CANDLES FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

If you would like the Adoration Chapel or Tabernacle candles lit for your intentions for one week, please call the Church Office.

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Your help is needed to cover the open hours in our Adoration Chapel. Call the Church Office or Georgette Falcone @ 621-2692 for more information.

Sunday	6-7 am, 7-8 am, 8-9 am,9-10am, 10-11am, 3-4 pm, 4-5 pm, 5-6 pm	
Monday Tuesday	5-6 am, 8-9 am, 9-10 am, 1-2 pm, 3-4 pm, 4-5 pm,	
Wednesday	1-2 pm, 2-3 pm, 4-5 pm	
Thursday	10-11 am, 11-noon, 3-4 pm, 4-5 pm, 5-6 <sub>pm</sub>	
Friday	7-8 am, 8-9 am, 12-1 pm, 2-3 pm, 3-4 pm, 4-5 pm, 5-6 pm,	
Saturday	6-7 am, 7-8 am, 9-10 am, 11-12pm, 12-1 pm, 1-2pm, 2-3 pm, 4-5 pm, 5-6 pm	

Dear Parishioners.

As we approach the 32nd week of the liturgical year, we find ourselves with only two weeks remaining in this current liturgical cycle. Time has flown by, and it's an excellent opportunity to reflect on our spiritual journey. St. Jerome once wisely said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." I am delighted to share that 40 people have signed up for the Bible class led by Deacon Bruce Fortnum, and many others have joined the RCIA program to refresh and deepen their faith. It's a testament to your commitment to growing in your relationship with God. Additionally, there are numerous resources available for faith formation in our modern age, and I encourage you to make use of them. Catholic Radio of South Carolina (Columbus Club of Florence tune into 93.3 FM) is one such resource, and EWTN provides solid, Catholic education to continue nurturing your faith.

This week's Gospel speaks about the oil that the foolish virgins ran short of. In Scripture, oil often symbolizes the Holy Spirit. It prompts us to ponder: What is the oil that we may lack in our own lives?

Perhaps, at times, we try to spring into action without first submitting our work and decisions to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We need the oil of discernment and wisdom to ensure our actions are aligned with God's will.

Maybe we find ourselves lacking the oil of kindness and compassion. Without these essential oils, we cannot be fully prepared to meet Jesus in those we encounter. We must strive to extend compassion and mercy to those who cross our paths.

In some instances, we may be short of the oil of patience and sympathy. Without these oils, we are ill-equipped to provide the long -term love and guidance that someone in need might require.

Alternatively, we might be lacking the oil of education and instruction. It's important to continually grow in our faith and acquire the skills necessary to serve others effectively. God may be calling us to take our expertise and skills to another level to better meet Jesus in the people He brings into our lives.

As we journey through these last few weeks of the liturgical year, let us reflect on the oils we may be lacking and ask for the Holy Spirit's guidance to fill our hearts with the virtues and qualities needed to be ready to meet Jesus whenever and wherever He calls us.

May God bless you abundantly as you continue to grow in faith and service.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. JOHNBOSCO DURAISAMY Pastor

# IF YOU NEED A PRIEST FOR A SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

Call the church office during normal business hours, M-F 8 am to 4 pm at 843-662-5674. After regular office hours, dial the same number and your call will be answered by our answering service. Emergency calls will be answered as soon as possible. If you are admitted into the hospital, please don't forget to declare yourself as Catholic, or have a family member do so.

## LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

# ILLNESS:

Deborah Altman, Regina Arde, Hsin Yi Armstrong, Pete Balotti, Gregorio Binuya, Martyna Brodecka, Adam Brodecki, Bunnie Dezinno, Yvette Emerson, JoAnn Finklea, Marge Henry, Pat Kull, Judy Lin, Mary Lou Martinez, Michael Meggs, Silvia Mitchell, Ann S. Nichols, Shawn Peters, Sara Simons, Carol Spinazolla, Elizabeth Sun, Linda Tarte, Elizabeth White, Deacon Mike Woodall

# NURSING HOME / ASSISTED LIVING:

Linda Holloway, Eileen Riley, Carmella Sansone, Gloria Cooper, Marilyn Lee

### **MILITARY SERVICE:**

Austin Bull, Brad Linton, Sarah Casper Naletelich, Comdr. John P. O'Donnell, Edward Olszanowski, Jr., 1st Lt. Benjamin Galemmo

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i	Interested in becoming a New Parishioner?
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Please take a moment and fill out this form. You can either drop it into the collection basket, bring it to our parish office, or mail it to us.

Would you like your new home to be blessed?
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Please print:

Name

Address

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City\_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_

Phone number\_\_\_\_\_

Email address



#### ADORATION CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns for the intention of Jo Tassoni in thanksgiving for her 95th birthday.

Dear Lord, Keep Your concerns in our hearts. Help us to be aware of Your movement, big or small, in the day-to-day moments of our lives. Amen.



Mass	Intention	Requested by
<b>Sat. Nov. 11</b> 5:00 pm	Intentions of those who have signed the parish guest book	Embrace Your Neighbor
<b>Sun. Nov. 12</b> 9 am	Rose Leffingwell+	Ms. Ann Childers
<b>Sun. Nov. 12</b> 11 am	For the people	
<b>Sun. Nov. 12</b> 1:00 pm	Thanksgiving for Teresa Menchaca	Eloy and Laly Menchaca
<b>Mon. Nov. 13</b> 6:30 pm	Dcn. Ron Karcher+	Mr. & Mrs. Stan Barnes
<b>Tues. Nov. 14</b> 7:30 am	Gladys Vivaldi+	Hernandez Cruz family
<b>Wed. Nov. 15</b> 7:30 am	Larry Linton+	Mr. & Mrs. Brad Linton
<b>Thurs. Nov. 16</b> 7:30 am	Eric Rauch+	Smith family
<b>Thurs. Nov. 16</b> 6:30 pm	Mae Ann Morris+	Mr. George Morris
Fri. Nov. 17 7:30 am	Barbara Gilmer+	Mr. Bill Gilmer
Fri. Nov. 17 8:15 am	Birthday blessings Fr. JohnBosco	Ms. Doris Fader
<b>Sat. Nov. 18</b> 9 am	Special Intention of Don Daitz	Margaret Daitz
<b>Sat. Nov. 18</b> 5:00 pm	Michael Falcone+	Ms. Georgette Falcone
<b>Sun. Nov. 19</b> 9 am	Doreen Tinker+	Mr. and Mrs. Gene Tassoni
<b>Sun. Nov. 19</b> 11 am	For the people	
<b>Sun. Nov. 19</b> 1:00 pm	Nicholas Romero	Mrs. Moraima Romero



#### November 11-12

5:00 pm Mass 11:00 am Mass EMHC: Gary Kooper EMHC: Doug Amon Lector: Rebecca Caffrey Lector: Robin Tange

9:00 am Mass 1:00 pm Mass EMHC: Francisco R. **EMHC: Madison Smith** Lector: Mike Woodall, III Lector: Lizett Garcia

### November 18-19

**5:00 pm Mass** 11:00 am Mass EMHC: Julie Ball EMHC: Louise Balotti Lector: Joe Balotti Lector: Andy Burkemper

9:00 am Mass

EMHC: Kathleen Smith Lector: Roselyn Collins

1:00 pm Mass

EMHC: Olivia Mendoza Lector: Blanca Martinez

# Readings Meëk

Readings for the week of November 12, 2023 Sunday: 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Monday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (M) Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-

| Wednesday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (OM) Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, (OM) Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (M) Wis 13:1 -9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duch esne, Virgin; BVM (OM)

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/1 Thes 5:1-6/ Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

(S)=Solemnity (F)=Feast (M)=Memorial (OM)=Optional Memorial



# School Updates

Called to Action, Rooted in Christ

#### SAVE-THE-DATE

On November 28th, please consider supporting St. Anthony Catholic School through iGiveCatholic!



#iGiveCatholic is a national philanthropic effort to support the Catholic Church on November 28th, otherwise known as Giving Tuesday. We are excited to participate in this year's #iGiveCatholic, and we are asking all friends of St. Anthony Catholic School to prayerfully consider supporting our goal to raise \$60,000 to fund our special projects. All proceeds raised through #iGiveCatholic will stay with St. Anthony Catholic School!

All gifts made to St. Anthony Catholic School on November 28th (or during the Advanced Giving Day phase running from November 13 - November 27) will go directly to our school's Annual Fund, one of our most important sources of revenue, that provides critical support to our operating budget and our special projects, impacting every student, every day. Our online webpage to accept donations will be open in the coming weeks. Visit our #iGiveCatholic website: bit.ly/47XGFqm



The Legion of Mary will be praying the rosary at four cemeteries in Florence during the month of November. We will meet on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 am at the specified cemetery. All are welcome to join in these prayers. The schedule for these prayers is as follows:

Mount Hope Cemetery - November 14th Florence Memorial Gardens - November 21st Sunset Memory Gardens - November 28th

If you have someone who is buried at one of these cemeteries and would like to have their name added to the list of those being prayer for, please contact Pat Srutkowski at patstevel@gmail.com or Kathy Lewis at lewiskathy622@gmail.com

Hello friends,

I want to express my deep appreciation for the beautiful prayer garden we have established here at St. Anthony School. It is truly a remarkable space, and I believe it plays a significant role in our school community.

The prayer garden, with its open face welcoming all who pass by, serves as a powerful representation of our school's commitment to faith and spirituality. It is a place where our students, teachers, and staff can come to seek solace, find inspiration, and connect with the divine. Moreover, it stands as a testament to the four houses within our school, each dedicated to a different saint: St. Paul, St. Jude, St. John Bosco, and St. Joan of Arc. These saints, with their unique qualities and attributes, serve as role models for our students, guiding them on their spiritual journeys.

What makes this prayer garden truly special is its sacramental nature. It goes beyond being a mere physical space; it is an external manifestation of our internal aspirations. As parents line up to pick up their children at the end of the school day, the prayer garden becomes a focal point that captures their attention. It sparks their curiosity and encourages them to inquire about the saints and the various activities taking place within our school. This, in turn, fosters a deeper connection between parents and their children, as it provides an opportunity for meaningful conversations about our school's mission and values.

I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all those who have dedicated their time, effort, and resources to create and maintain this serene and sacred place. It serves as a beacon of light and hope for our entire school community, reminding us of the importance o m,f faith, unity, and the pursuit of knowledge.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and for making our school prayer garden a place of beauty and inspiration. May it continue to bless our students, parents, and all who visit with its profound spiritual significance.

With warm regards and prayers, Fr. JOHNBOSCO DURAISAMY, Pastor



#### EMPLOYMENT POSITION AVAILABLE

Consider putting your talents to work for the church.

**Youth Minister** - part-time- This applicant will develop and lead a catechetical program and youth activities for the 7th to 12 grade youth of the parish community.

If you are interested in either position, please call Fr. JohnBosco at 843-662-5674.

# **Christmas Wreath and Greenery Sale**

You can order fresh evergreen items online or by phone and the items will be shipped directly to your friends and family. Pick your approximate delivery date when you order. St. Anthony School will receive 15% of your purchase price, but the credit for giving an awesome gift that everyone will love goes to **YOU**!

Shop online for a variety greenery and gifts. www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/c/301120

Prefer to order by phone? Call 1-888-426-0781 and reference Campaign # 301120

Order by December 10<sup>th</sup>.





### COLUMBUS CLUB OF FLORENCE CATHOLIC RADIO

Listen to EWTN programming while driving in your car! Tune into 93.3 FM.



#### THANKSGIVING TURKEY DRIVE

To assist our parish families in need, we are collecting frozen turkeys or donations. The turkeys will be combined with other food col-

lected by the school to provide an enjoyable Thanksgiving meal for the families. Non-perishable food items are being collected through the school, so we are asking parish members to consider donating turkeys. Cash donations are also welcome so we can purchase additional turkeys as needed. Turkeys or cash donations may be dropped off in the church office, no later than Thursday, November 16. If you are or know of a family in need of receiving a Thanksgiving meal box, please contact the church office.



# **Nursing Home Angel Tree**

The Women's Guild will again be collecting Christmas gifts for local nursing home residents. There will be an Angel Tree in the gathering area with tags and sizes. Please take a tag and return your

wrapped gifts to the church or church office by December 4th. Please do not include anything edible or any toiletries, lotions. etc. Thank you for your generosity.

#### REGULAR PARISH EVENTS

**ADULT BASKETBALL** Meets every other Sunday to play in the family center. Next scheduled time to play is Nov. 19th from 2-4 pm. Contact Richard O'Donnell for more information: 843-615-2133.

**BIBLE STUDY** Classes meet on Wednesdays from 9:00-11:00 am in the gathering area from Sept to May.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, this group may be able to help you through their camaraderie. Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month in Classroom A at 1 pm.

**YOUTH GROUP** Meetings are on Sundays from 5-7:00 pm in the Family Center from Sept to May.

**GOSPEL ENCOUNTER GROUP** Meets every second and fourth Thursday at 6 PM in Classroom A. For more information, contact Suzanna Linton at 843-496-5089.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5194** For more information on meeting times or general information, please contact Philip Payment at 904-708-8118.

**LEGION OF MARY** meets Tuesdays at 6:00 pm at St. Anthony. Call Pat Srutkowski at 843-317-1802.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY (Knitting and Crocheting)** Meets every Thursday from 1:00 - 2:30 pm in Classroom A. Knitted items for the sick or for new Babies are available by calling the Church Office.

**ST. ANTHONY MEN'S CLUB** Meets at 7 pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month in classroom A.

**SENIOR'S BINGO** Meets in Classroom A on the second Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm. For more information contact Sylvia Jeanton at 718-581-6844

**YOUNG AT HEART** Meets every third Wednesday at Stefano's Restaurant at 11:30am. For more information, contact the Church Office.

WOMEN'S GUILD Typically meets on the second Saturday of the month, from Sept. to May, at 10:30 am. Contact Robin Tange, <a href="mailto:retange@gmail.com">retange@gmail.com</a> or 843 -260-4735 for more information.



# MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO "SEÑOR, MI ALMA TIENE SED DE TI"

No podemos detener el tiempo y éste pasa volando, los días se van aprisa y los años vuelan. A veces nos preguntamos: ¿Qué fue lo que hice hoy? ¿Qué he hecho en los años que he vivido? La respuesta puede variar, quizá hemos aprovechado todo en la vida, o quizá no hemos logrado todo lo que hubiéramos querido. Pero, hoy, el Evangelio nos invita a estar prevenidos, a estar bien preparados. Nos invita a comenzar de nuevo y llenar nuestra alcuza de aceite con actitudes y valores de acuerdo al Evangelio. A tener esperanza, a estar despiertos para cuando llegue la hora. "Ser sabios y prudentes significa no esperar hasta el último momento para corresponder a la gracia de Dios, sino hacerlo activamente de inmediato, empezar ahora. [...] Si queremos estar preparados para el último encuentro con el Señor, debemos cooperar con él a partir de

ahora y realizar buenas acciones inspiradas en su amor" (Papa Francisco 11-08-2020). Si notamos en la parábola, todas las vírgenes se despertaron al escuchar el aviso de que llegaba el novio. Todas ellas deseaban participar en el banquete. Sin embargo, solo las prudentes estaban listas para disfrutar de la boda. Señor, ayúdame, a vivir preparado en todo, que siempre esté listo con buenas obras y tenga tiempo para esperar tu llamada. Actualmente, ¿cómo me preparo para acudir al banquete de la Eucaristía? Estoy puntual, y listo para participar.

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## **BUSCANDO SABIDURIA**

Creo que si a alguno de nosotros nos hicieran la pregunta: "¿Amas la sabiduría? ¿Buscas sabiduría? Responderiamos rápidamente "¡Por supuesto!" sin ninguna duda en nuestras mentes.

Pero una manera diferente de hacer la pregunta es ésta: "¿Estás tomando decisiones acertadas?"

Las vírgenes que salieron al encuentro del novio eran todas iguales. Tenían exactamente las mismas intenciones. Tenían exactamente la misma resistencia, o falta de ella.

¿Qué hizo que cinco fueran distraidas y cinco sabias? Fueron sus elecciones. Sólo sus elecciones los distinguen. Podemos confiar en la sabiduría de otro: el padre que nos recuerda que debemos confesarnos, el amigo que pone reparos cuando empezamos a hablar chismes, el sacerdote que predica con valentía desde el púlpito contra una injusticia que no tenemos el valor de denunciar. Pero incluso si nos sentimos protegidos por su buena influencia, su sabiduría no nos salvará. Es posible que sepamos bien que es difícil navegar en una noche oscura y que necesitamos de una lámpara. Podemos ir a misa de vez en cuando, leer la Biblia cuando tengamos tiempo y servir a los demás cuando sea conveniente. Pero una lámpara necesita aceite para arder en la oscuridad, así como la sabiduría requiere acción para ser llevada al mundo. Podemos amar a Dios tanto como deberíamos: nuestra carne puede desfallecer, nuestra alma puede tener sed. Pero un campo reseco nunca trajo lluvia sobre sí solo por estar seco. Debemos tomar la decisión.

"Así os bendeciré mientras viva; Alzando mis manos, invocaré tu nombre". — Salmo 63:4

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# HORARIO DE LA OFICINA

LA OFICINA ESTÁ ABIERTA LOS MIÉRCOLES DE 5:00-A 6:00 PM Y LOS DOMINGOS DE 12:30 A 4:00 PM CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES EL PRIMER SÁBADO DEL MES A LAS 10:00 AM Y LOS BAUTISMOS CADA TERCER SÁBADO DEL MES A LAS 11:00 AM.

Por favor pregunten con anticipacion en la oficina Hispana de la iglesia, si el dia que van a escoger esta disponible. No hagan planes sin antes estar seguros que se puede hacer el sacramento.

REQUISITOS PARA CUALQUIER SERVICIO:
SI TIENE PLANEADO HACER UN BAUTIZO, PRESENTACIÓN DE UN NIÑO O UNA QUINCEAÑERA ACÉRQUESE A LA IGLESIA POR LO MENOS CON SEIS MESES DE ANTICIPACIÓN.

