

St. John Fisher Catholic Church

Rev. Benedict Redito, Pastor

Rev. Duvan Bermudez, Priest in Residence

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024



Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 5:30 pm
Wednesday: 8:00 am
Thursday: 5:30 pm
Friday: 8:00 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday/Domingo: 8:00 am (español)
Sunday: 10:00 am
Sunday/Domingo: 12:00 pm (español)

Parish Office

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Sacraments

Reconciliation (Confession):

Tuesday: 6:00 pm
Saturday: 5:30 pm
Please call the parish office
for more information on:
**Baptisms, Weddings,
Anointing of the Sick**

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Somos una comunidad eucarística arraigada en las tradiciones católicas romanas, y dotados con tiempo, talento y tesoro. Estamos dedicados a dar testimonio de nuestra fe a través del culto, la educación, la evangelización y el cuidado de nuestra familia de fe a través de la vida parroquial y el servicio cristiano. Todos ustedes son bienvenidos a registrarse con nosotros. El registro en St. John Fisher nos permite reconocerlos como católicos practicantes y un miembro activo de la parroquia. Su donación registrada está personalizado con su nombre y número de sobres. Muy a menudo recibimos solicitud de verificación con el fin de actuar como patrocinadores en el bautismo, la confirmación, etc si no estan registrados es difícil de asistirlos. Si usted no esta registrado, por favor de llenar el formulario que esta en las dos entradas de la iglesia y ponerlo en el canasto de ofertorio o mandarlo a la oficina parroquial o tambien puede llegar a la oficina y registrarse.

Reflecting on God's Word

There is a Christmas song that says of Bethlehem: "Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light." Though today it has many modern homes and buildings, you can still see that it is part of "the hill country...of Judah." (Lk 1:39) It is not too far from En Kerem, where John the Baptist was born, and apparently where today's Gospel takes place.

We see in the Gospel reading today how Elizabeth and her unborn child rejoiced at the news of Jesus' coming birth. The story implies that Mary went to see Elizabeth as soon as the angel told her about Jesus. I would think that talking about it made this miracle more real.

Jesus is the "everlasting Light" mentioned in the song. That light shines today, not just in Bethlehem, but everywhere that his followers bring it. When we console someone who is mourning, that light shines. When we forgive someone who hurt us, the light is burning. When we teach a child how to pray, it shines even brighter.

Our dark streets need the everlasting Light today as much as they did 2000 years ago. Today we remember how Mary and Elizabeth shared their faith in God. They did so much like we do today. Jesus, who seems to be invisible today, is seen in the shared faith of those who bring him into the world by their words and actions.

Tom Schmidt

Hay una canción de Navidad que dice de Belén: "Pero en tus calles oscuras brilla la luz eterna". Aunque hoy tiene muchas casas y edificios modernos, todavía se puede ver que es "un pueblo de las montañas de Judea" (Lc 1:39). No está muy lejos de En Kerem, donde nació Juan el Bautista, y aparentemente donde toma lugar el Evangelio de hoy.

Vemos en la lectura del Evangelio de hoy cómo Isabel y su hijo no nacido se regocijaron ante la noticia del nacimiento de Jesús. La historia implica que María fue a ver a Isabel tan pronto como el ángel le habló de Jesús. Yo creo que hablar de ello hizo que este milagro fuera más real.

Jesús es la "Luz eterna" mencionada en la canción navideña. Esa luz brilla hoy, no solo en Belén, sino en todas partes donde sus seguidores la llevan. Cuando consolamos a alguien que está de luto, esa luz brilla. Cuando perdonamos a alguien que nos lastimó, la luz está encendida. Cuando enseñamos a un niño a rezar, brilla aún más.

Nuestras calles oscuras necesitan hoy la Luz eterna tanto como hace 2000 años. Hoy recordamos cómo María e Isabel compartieron su fe en Dios. Hicieron algo muy parecido a lo que hacemos nosotros hoy. Jesús, que hoy parece ser invisible, se ve en la fe compartida de quienes lo traen al mundo con sus palabras y acciones.

Tom Schmidt



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — *The Lord says the Savior will be born in Bethlehem.*

Mi 5:1-4a

Psalms — *Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.* Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Second Reading — *God desires obedience, not sacrifices.* Heb 10:5-10

Gospel — *Mary visits her kinswoman, Elizabeth.* Lk 1:39-45

Pray for our Sick

OREMOS POR NUESTROS ENFERMOS

Find healing in God's tender embrace & in knowing that others remember and care.

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| Carlos Aguierre | Adriana Fontes | Daphne Jean |
| Mercedes Aguierre | Andrea Lewis | Diego Rojas |
| Donald Hughes | Rebecca Fernandez | Alfonso Gonzales |
| Narcisca Martinez | Lisie Pagan | Lisa Peck |
| Marco Palacios | Magdalena Kinney | Teresa Delgado |
| Ricardo Palacios | Chaz Azzurro | Charlie Fletcher |
| Carmen Vila | Esperanza Gordan | Joseph Madden |
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| Juan Tirado | Ja-Ku Brown | Ann Wehner |
| Jose Lizcano | Rebeca Sanchez | Maggie Conley |
| Connie Palmer | David Lindsey | Benny Martin |
| Joyce Jopek Peters | Angelica Perez | Mildred Martin |
| Sylvia Fields | Brittney Andrews | Lisbett Waught |
| Connie Osborn | Amparo Perez | Harlan Waught |
| Laura Nicole | Santiago Rivera | Laura Smith |
| Jaime Adkins | Marie Taylor | Leah Zimmerman |
| Sara Gomez Ortega | Devon Siniscalchi | Walter Wollace |
| Gary Frye | Maria Hubble | Sylvia Raftery |
| Teresa Juan | Joey Labati | Mary Roccanova |
| Frank Mongillo | Susan Smith | Pablo Velasquez |
| Audrey Fermin | Herb Finkelstein | Sacarias |
| Sarah Pastor | Gary Rose | Marie Jane Charico |
| | Clyde Thirbenny | Antonio Neto |

To add someone's name to the prayer list in the bulletin, please call the parish office.

OUR PRAYER FOR THE DECEASED

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| Theresa Thirbenny | Dcn Ira Sawney | Chuck Rock | Jesus Soliz |
| Emilio Muñoz | Serge St. Gerard | Nicolo Redito | Dcn Jack Rhine |
| Alicia Pring | Juan Hernandez | Donald Wolken | Theresa Allen |
| Camila Vetri | Bernadette | Norma Buckley | Margarite Forside |
| Betty Conover | Millien | Pauline Sherrock | |
| Omar S. Muñoz | Sandy Fernandez | M. Estella Andre | |
| | Jacqueline Taylor | Clinton | |



Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle is available to offer special intentions. Please call the Office for more information. (561) 842-1224.

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Sunday/Domingo	
8:00 am (Spanish/Español)	
SI Josue Chun Morales	His Parents
†Almas del Purgatorio	Sandra Chel
†Rogelio Gabriel	Berta Gabriel
†Ronaldo Hernandez y Familia	Hernandez Velasquez Family
10:00 am	
†John Linstroth	His Family
†All Deceased Members of the Vignolo Fam.	Norberto Vignolo
	Tom Pido
†Jesus Pido	
12:00 pm (Spanish/Español)	
†Noemy Medina de Palomino	Sus Hijas
†Saulo Palomino	Sus Hijas
†Ronaldo Hernandez y Familia	Hernandez Velasquez Family
Tuesday/Martes	
	December 24, 2024
	Christmas Eve
5:30 pm	
12:00 am Misa de Medianoche	
Christmas Day	
Wednesday/Miercoles	
	December 25, 2024
8:00 am	
Thursday/Jueves	
	December 26, 2024
5:30 pm	
Friday/Viernes	
	December 27, 2024
8:00 am	
Saturday/Sabado	
	December 28, 2024
4:00 pm	
Sunday/Domingo	
	December 29, 2024
8:00 am (Spanish/Español)	
†Dionicio Vicente Ixmay	Lidia Vicente
†Genera Ajtun Ixmay	Lidia Vicente
10:00 am	
12:00 pm (Spanish/Español)	

† = RIP
SI = Special Intentions

**IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK
EVENTOS DURANTE LA SEMANA**

Sunday **Grupo Adolescents**
3:00-4:00 pm (Hall)
Every other Sunday
Grupo Emaus Mujeres
Last Sunday of the month
5:00 pm (Hall)

Monday: **Grupo de Oración**
7:00–9:00pm (Parish Hall)

Tuesday: **Adoration**
6:00 pm-9:00 pm (Chapel)

Wednesday: **Adoration**
9:00-11:00 am
Amigos de Jesus
6:30–9:30 pm (Hall Rm. 5)

Thursday: **Adoration**
6:00-9:00 pm
English Choir Practice
6:00–8:00 pm (Church)
Grupo Juvenil de Adultos
7:30–9:30 pm (Parish Hall)

Friday: **Grupo de Oración**
7:00–9:00 pm (Church/Hall)

Saturday: **Legion of Mary**
9:00–10:30 am (Hall Rm 5)
Sec. Ord. Servants of Mary
4th Saturday of the month
10:30am–12:30pm
(Hall Rm 5)
St. Peregrine Prayer Group
Third Saturday of the month
10:30–12:00 (Chapel)
Ujieres Meeting
2nd Saturday 5:30–7:00 pm
Damas Católicas
Every other Saturday
5:00-6:30 pm
Grupo de Familia
7:30–9:30 pm (Hall)
Grupo Emaus
Last Saturday of the month
7:00–9:00 pm (Church)

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HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve:
5:30 PM (English/Ingles)
12:00 Misa de Medianoche (Español)

Christmas Day:
8:00AM (Spanish/Español)
10:00AM (English/Ingles)
12:00 PM (Spanish/Español)

New Year's Eve:
5:30 PM (English/Ingles)

New Year's Day:
8:00 AM (Spanish/Español)
10:00 AM (English/Ingles)
12:00PM (Spanish/Español)



*Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year
From Fr. Ben, Fr. Duwan
& The Parish Staff*



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**END OF YEAR
REMINDER**

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1984-2024

**The 2024 DSA
concludes on
December 31, 2024
Please send in your contributions**

This is a friendly reminder that the 2024 Diocesan Services Appeal concludes on December 31, 2024.

If you have not yet donated to this appeal, please support our Diocese as we provide funding for local ministries that protect the most vulnerable, from the unborn child to the elderly, provide food for people in need, sustain our Catholic schools, help seminarians preparing for the priesthood, and so much more.

As this year's theme, *Give us this day our daily bread* (Matthew 6:11) states, we are reminded to embrace the current phase of the *National Eucharistic Revival* that focuses on fostering Eucharistic devotion and strengthening our liturgical life through the celebration of the Mass. Giving to the DSA this year also supports the milestone anniversary of establishing our Diocese 40 years ago and the years since that we have steadfastly served our communities as a Eucharistic people.

By supporting the appeal, you will help make a great difference in your parish and Diocese, for which we are truly grateful. Your generosity will sustain our tradition of sharing and bringing hope to others. To donate, scan this QR code to the left.

Is Christ calling you to serve Him in others as a sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact the Vocation Office at (561)775-9552 or email: ddaza@diocesepb.org.



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — *El Señor dice que el Salvador nacerá en Belén.*

Miq 5, 1-4a

Salmo — *Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.* Sal 79, 2ac y 3b. 15-16. 18-19

Segunda lectura— *Dios desea obediencia, no sacrificios.* Heb 10, 5-10

Evangelio — *María visita a su pariente, Isabel.* Lc 1, 39-45

Intenciones de la Misa

8:00 am

Intención especial de Josue Chun Morales a petición de Sus Padres y por Los Almas del Purgatorio a petición de Sandra Chel y por el Eterno Descanso de Rogelio Gabriel a petición de Berta Gabriel y por el Eterno Descanso de Ronaldo Hernandez y Familia a petición de Hernandez Velasquez Family,

12:00 pm

Por el Eterno Descanso de Noemy Medina de Palomino a petición de Sus Hijas y por el Eterno Descanso de Saulo Palomino a petición de Sus Hijas y por el Eterno Descanso de Ronaldo Hernandez y Familia a petición de Hernandez Velasquez Family



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Sábado **3** de Mayo

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Información: (561) 775-9544



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THE
DATES!

DIOCESE OF PALM BEACH
2025 ANNUAL

Anniversary Mass

Come and join Bishop Gerald Barbarito as he celebrates the 41st Annual Anniversary Masses for Married Couples. This mass is for couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, 50 or more years of marriage during the year 2025.

Saturday
February 8, 2025
10:30 AM

St. Lucie Catholic Church
280 SW Prima Vista Boulevard
Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

Saturday
February 15, 2025
10:30 AM

St. Jude Catholic Church
21689 Toledo Road
Boca Raton, FL 33433

For more information and registration contact the Parish Office.

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