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I WILL OPEN
MY MOUTH
IN PARABLES

ABRIRÉ MI BOCA
Y LES HARÉ
CON PARÁBOLAS

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16^º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 19, 2026

OUR MISSION

Unified in one Body and Spirit, the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic community aspires to reflect the Light of Christ by cultivating Faith, Serving others, and Loving all of God's creation.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Unida en un solo Cuerpo y Espíritu, la comunidad católica de San Francisco de Asís aspira a reflejar la Luz de Cristo mediante el cultivo de la Fe, Servicio a los demás, y el Amor a toda la creación de Dios.

**WELCOME!**

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:
Monday—Friday: 8:00am

WEEKEND
ENGLISH MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am and 11:00am

CONFESSIONS:
Saturdays 3:45pm - 4:45pm or
by appointment

**¡BIENVENIDOS!**

MISA ENTRE SEMANA:
Miércoles: 12:15pm

HORARIO DE FIN DE SEMANA:
Sábado: 7:00pm
Domingo: 9:00am,
1:00pm, 6:00pm

CONFESIONES:
Sábados 6:00pm - 6:45pm or
por cita previa

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We would like to thank you and remind you just how much your support means to the life and vitality of our vibrant parish. Without your time, talent, and treasure, our church would not be the strong community of faith that so many of us have relied on.

Please help us keep momentum going by supporting our parish through recurring donations to our online giving platform, WeShare. This is an easy way to support St. Francis of Assisi.

1. Visit stfrancisapopka.org and click Donate.
2. Select the collection of your choice.
3. Set up your donation amount, payment type, and frequency.

Thank you for your generosity!

Nos gustaría darles las gracias y recordarles lo mucho que su apoyo significa para la vida y vitalidad de nuestra vibrante parroquia. Sin su tiempo, talento y aporte, nuestra iglesia no tendría la fuerte comunidad de fe en la que tantos de nosotros dependemos.

Por favor, ayúdenos a mantener el impulso apoyando a nuestra parroquia a través de donaciones recurrentes a nuestra plataforma de donaciones en línea, WeShare. Esta es una manera fácil de apoyar a San Francisco de Asís.

1. Visite stfrancisapopka.org y haga clic en Donar.
 2. Seleccione la colecta de su elección.
 3. Establezca la cantidad de su donación, el tiempo de pago y frecuencia.
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JULY 12, 2026

OFFERTORY:

In Pew: \$14,169.91
Online: \$3,684.00
Total: \$17,853.91

FOOD PANTRY:

In Pew: \$1,076.00
Online: \$355.00
Total: \$1,431.00

MAINTENANCE FUND:

In Pew: \$1,393.00
Online: \$725.00
Total: \$2,118.00

HE SPOKE TO THEM IN PARABLES



Poor leaders fear looking weak, so they continually assert their power, flaunting it, boasting about it, and lording it over others. Good leaders do not have to. Good leaders can afford to be empathetic, tolerant, and merciful, for they are secure in their power. As the author of Wisdom says of God, "your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all" (Wisdom 12:16). God is not vengeful, inflicting punishment just to show who's in charge. No, God is forgiving, a merciful judge who permits - in fact, rewards - repentance. It takes a strong leader to do this. The householder in Jesus' parable models this behavior after an enemy sows weeds in his field. Does he try determine who did it and punish anyone he suspects? No. Does he pull out the weeds, uprooting some of the good wheat at the same time? No. He treats the weeds and the weed sower patiently, allowing them time to repent. May God be patient with us as well so that at harvest time we may be gathered into the kingdom of heaven.

In your household, workplace, or parish, how have you been a good leader or poor leader? What can you do to improve?

—We Celebrate Worship Resource, Vol. 51, No. 2

LES HABLÓ EN PARÁBOLAS

Los líderes mediocres temen parecer débiles; por eso, reafirman constantemente su poder, exhibiéndolo, jactándose de él y ejerciendo un dominio autoritario sobre los demás. Los buenos líderes no necesitan hacerlo.

Pueden permitirse ser empáticos, tolerantes y misericordiosos, pues se sienten seguros en su poder. Como dice el Libro de la Sabiduría sobre Dios: "tu dominio sobre todas las cosas te hace indulgente con todas" (Sabiduría 12, 16). Dios no es vengativo ni impone castigos simplemente para demostrar quién manda. Al contrario, Dios perdona; es un juez misericordioso que permite —y de hecho recompensa— el arrepentimiento. Se requiere un líder fuerte para actuar así. El dueño de la casa en la parábola de Jesús ejemplifica esta actitud después de que un enemigo siembra cizaña en su campo. ¿Acaso intenta averiguar quién lo hizo para castigar a los sospechosos? No. ¿Arranca la cizaña, llevándose consigo parte del buen trigo? No. Trata a la cizaña y a quien la sembró con paciencia, dándoles tiempo para arrepentirse. Que Dios tenga también paciencia con nosotros, para que en el tiempo de la cosecha seamos recogidos en el reino de los cielos.

En tu hogar, lugar de trabajo o parroquia, ¿cómo has sido un buen líder o un mal líder? ¿Qué puedes hacer para mejorar?

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK • PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

OVERCOMING WEAKNESS

Reading I On God's Mercy • Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Reading II The Intercession Of The Spirit •
Romans 8:26-27
Gospel The Parable Of The Weeds •
Matthew 13:24-43

Key Passage: Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. (Romans 8:26)

Adult: What weakness can the power of the Spirit help you overcome?

Child: When will you need the help of the Holy Spirit this week?

SUPERANDO LA DEBILIDAD

Lectura I Sobre la misericordia de Dios •
Sabiduría 12, 13. 16-19
Lectura II La intercesión del Espíritu •
Romanos 8, 26-27
Evangelio La parábola de la cizaña • Mateo 13, 24-43

Pasaje Clave: Asimismo, el Espíritu nos ayuda en nuestra debilidad; pues no sabemos cómo orar como conviene, pero el Espíritu mismo intercede con gemidos que no pueden expresarse con palabras. (Romanos 8, 26)

Adultos: ¿Qué debilidad puede ayudarte a superar el poder del Espíritu?

Niños: ¿Cuándo necesitarás la ayuda del Espíritu Santo esta semana?

**LORD, YOU ARE GOOD AND FORGIVING.
TÚ, SEÑOR, ERES BUENO Y CLEMENTE.**

FAITH FORMATION • FORMACION DE FE

SACRAMENTAL PREP

Are you an adult who has not yet received the Sacrament of Baptism? If you are ready to begin your journey of faith, call or stop by the parish office to speak with Ms. Mercedes and begin the process. Classes begin Sunday, August 9th, at 10:30am in the Faith Formation Building.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

Do you feel called to share your faith? We are seeking catechists for our Adult Faith Formation program. If you are interested in serving in this important ministry, please see Ms. Mercedes at the parish office for more information.

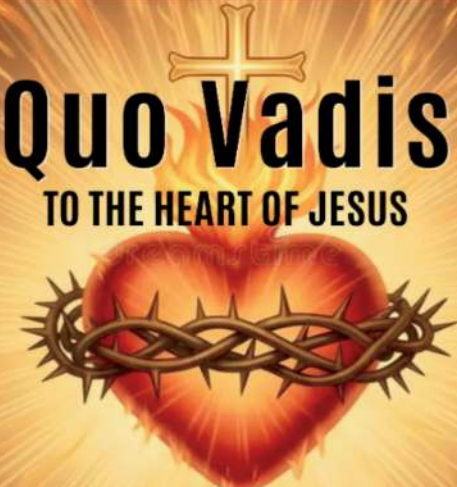
PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

¿Es usted un adulto que aún no ha recibido el sacramento del Bautismo? Si está listo para comenzar su camino de fe, llame o acuda a la oficina parroquial para hablar con la Sra. Mercedes e iniciar el proceso. Las clases comienzan el domingo 9 de agosto a las 10:30 a. m. en el edificio de Formación en la Fe.

NECESITAMOS CATEQUISTAS

¿Siente el llamado a compartir su fe? Buscamos catequistas para nuestro programa de formación en la fe para adultos. Si le interesa servir en este importante ministerio, por favor diríjase a la Sra. Mercedes en la oficina parroquial para obtener más información.

High School Men's Retreat
July 31-Aug 2 San Pedro Center



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Retiro para jóvenes de secundaria
July 31-Aug 2 San Pedro Center



Quo Vadis
AL CORAZÓN DE JESÚS

¿Has considerado el sacerdocio?
Únase a sacerdotes y seminaristas de toda la diócesis para un fin de semana de oración y discernimiento.

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- ¡Solo 60 entradas!

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Escanee para ver los detalles

A Prayer of Summer Joy

Jesus, thank You for the gifts of nature and the cycles of the seasons. May we revel in the warmth of summer, walk on sandy beaches, rest under blue skies, and be present to all that surrounds us. Help us to see Your glory in every moment and to share Your love with others.
Amen.



Una Oración para el Verano

Jesús, gracias por los dones de la naturaleza y los ciclos de las estaciones. Que podamos disfrutar del calor del verano, caminar por playas de arena, descansar bajo cielos azules y estar presentes ante todo lo que nos rodea. Ayúdanos a ver Tu gloria en cada momento y a compartir Tu amor con los demás. Amén.

THEY NEED HELP ~ NECESITAN AYUDA



VENEZUELA RELIEF

A special collection for Venezuela will be taken up next weekend, July 25-26. Thank you for your generous support of those in need through this important collection.

El próximo fin de semana, 25 y 26 de julio, se llevará a cabo una colecta especial para Venezuela. Gracias por su generoso apoyo a nuestros hermanos y hermanas más necesitados a través de esta importante colecta.



VNEWS FROM

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ORLANDO:

Every family deserves a safe and comfortable place to sleep. Support the Sleep with Dignity program and help provide beds, pillows, and bedding to neighbors in need through SVDP Orlando.

More information:

www.SVDPorlando.org | 407.880.3126

NOTICIAS DE

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ORLANDO:

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Friday, July 31, 2026
IN THE PARISH CENTER
Doors open at 6:30 pm
Game begins at 7:00 pm

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PARISH EVENTS • EVENTOS PARROQUIALES

[Facebook.com/StFrancisApopka](https://www.facebook.com/StFrancisApopka)

Monday, July 20

7:00 pm Juan XXIII (PC)

Tuesday, July 21

7:00 pm Cenáculo Mariano (CHP)

Wednesday, July 22

9:15 am Bible Study w/Dcn Greg (FFo4)

Thursday, July 23

6:00 pm Citizenship Classes (FFo2)

7:00 pm Spanish Saturday Choir (SCo2)

Friday, July 24

9:00 am Open Food Pantry

6:30 pm Haitian Prayer Group (SCo2)

7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (CHP)

8:00 pm Emmaus Jovenes Adultos (FFo5)

Saturday, July 25

8:00 pm Emmaus (PC)

Sunday, July 26

9:00 am Camino de Fe (FFo1,02,04,05)

2:00 pm Emmaus Grupo (PC)

4:00 pm Emmaus Clases de Biblia (FFo5)

(CHU) = Church (CHP) = Chapel (NUR) = Nursery
(STG) = Stations Garden (PC) = Parish Center (FF) = Faith Formation
(CR) = Choir Room (CHUPL) = Church Pkng. Lot
(CHUF) = Church Front (SC) = St. Clare Hall
(SCFR) = St. Clare Fellowship Room (OF) = Office

PARISH INFORMATION • INFORMACIÓN DE LA PARROQUIA

READINGS AND MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 20

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9,
16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42
8:00am
✠Hermie Kromer

Tuesday, July 21

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4,
5-6, 7-8; Mt 12:46-50
8:00am
Birthday of Cesar Gallegos

Wednesday, July 22

Sg 3:1-4b; or 2 Cor 5:14-17;
Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
8:00am

For the Health of
Rita & Randy Crozier
12:15pm

En Agradecimiento a Jesús,
la Virgen María y San José

Thursday, July 23

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 36:6-
7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Mt 13:10-17
8:00am
✠Luis Alfredo Chamorro

Friday, July 24

Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10,
11-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23
8:00am
✠Fr. Franklin Salazar

Saturday, July 25

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-
2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6;
Mt 20:20-28
5:00pm

✠Esperanza Falquez
7:00pm

✠Beatriz Perdomo,
✠Libia Perdomo

Sunday, July 26

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57,
72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130;
Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or
Mt 13:44-46

7:30am ✠Souls in Purgatory

9:00am ✠Miguel Alvarez

11:00am ✠Patrick Diederich

1:00pm ✠Jeronimo
Rodriguez Sanchez

6:00pm ✠Candido Garcia,

✠Columba Lazaro,

✠Yelitza Trujillo

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St. Francis of Assisi Parish Office is **OPEN**
Monday - Thursday, 8:30am to 4:00pm
and Friday, 8:30am to 3:30pm
Closed daily for lunch between 12pm—1pm

ESTAMOS AQUÍ PARA SERVIRLES

La Oficina Parroquial de San Francisco de Asís está **ABIERTA**
Lunes a jueves de 8:30am a 4:00pm
y los viernes de 8:30am a 3:30pm
Cerramos diariamente para el almuerzo de 12pm—1pm

CHAPEL HOURS

Daily Mass is celebrated in the CHAPEL from
8:00am to 8:30am.

The chapel is open Monday—Thursday from
8:30am to 4:00pm, Friday until 3:00pm for private prayer.
The church is closed during the week.

HORARIO DE LA CAPILLA

Misa en Español los miércoles a las 12:15pm en la CAPILLA
La capilla está abierta de lunes a jueves de
8:30am a 4:00pm y los viernes hasta las 3:00pm
para oración privada.

La iglesia esta cerrada durante toda la semana.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays from 3:45pm to 4:45pm in English, in the church.

CONFESIONES

Sábados de 6:00pm a 6:45pm en español, en la iglesia.

ST. FRANCIS PRAYER CHAIN

To add a name or intention to the Prayer Chain, call
Kathy Leigh at 407-536-0117 or by email at
crabbekay1@gmail.com.

CADENA DE ORACIÓN

Para agregar un nombre o intención a la Cadena de Oración,
envíela por correo electrónico a crabbekay1@gmail.com.

PRAYER SHAWLS

To pick up a shawl for yourself or a person in need, please
call or text Sandy Bove at 407-463-9437.

MANTO DE ORACIÓN

Para recoger un manto para usted o para una persona que lo
necesite, llame o envíe un mensaje de texto a
Sandy Bove al 407-463-9437.

ST. FRANCIS PRAYER CHAIN

La despensa de alimentos de San Francisco de Asís está abierta
The St. Francis of Assisi Food Pantry is open on the FIRST and
THIRD Friday of each month from 9am to 12pm. All parishioners
and their families are welcome. For more information:
407-505-8507.

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In July We Remember

Msgr. Valentine Sheedy
 Reverend Felix Banos
 Reverend Paul Couming
 Reverend Arthur Dunnigan
 Reverend John (Stan) Murray
 Reverend Frank Mutsko
 Reverend Joseph Achilles Nolin
 Reverend Frances (Frank) X.J. Smith
 Reverend William Hanley

Mass of Remembrance

July 31, 2026
 Mary, Mother of God Chapel
 San Pedro Spiritual Development Center
 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer
 8:30 a.m. Mass

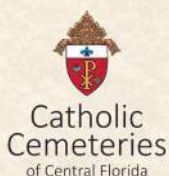
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