

# Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

Franciscan Friars, Third Order Regular

515 4th Street South,  
Saint Petersburg, Florida 33701  
+Diocese of Saint Petersburg



*One* hallmark of Franciscan spirituality is to extend welcome to all.

On behalf of the Franciscan Friars, Third Order Regular,  
and the parish family of Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace, we extend this heartfelt invitation:

*No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church.*

*No matter what your current family or marital situation.*

*No matter what your past or present religious affiliation.*

*No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color.*

*You are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved here at*

*Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace.*

In the words of Saint Francis of Assisi:

*“May the Lord give you peace.”*

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## Mass Schedule

**Daily:** Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00am - Tuesday & Thursday 12:10pm

**Weekend:** Saturday 4:00pm Vigil. Sunday Mass 8:00am & 11:00 am

**Holy Days:** Please check within the bulletin for Mass times

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday: 3:00—3:45pm and by appointment

*If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to one of our Friars. If you are visiting and interested in registering, please pick up a blue registration form found in the church or visit our Parish Office. Once completed either return it to our Office or drop it in the collection basket.*

*Membership is required for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. Registration is also required before the pastor can issue a certificate for those asked to be sacramental sponsors.*

*Matrimony: Arrangements should be made 6 months in advance by contacting our Wedding Coordinator via the parish office. Participation in marriage preparation is required by the Diocese of Saint Petersburg.*

### Parish Staff:

#### **Pastor**

Fr. Damian Amantia, TOR

#### **Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Larry Uhlman, TOR

#### **In Residence**

Fr. James Gigliotti, TOR

#### **Deacons**

Rev. Mr. Michael Menchen  
Rev. Mr. Richard Santello

### **Business & Physical Plant Dir.**

Antoinette Magnani (ext 206)

### **Parish Ministry Assistant**

(ext 201)

**Director of  
Faith Formation**  
Lynn Doto (ext 207)

**Wedding Coordinator**  
Alice Coston

**Director of Liturgy/Music**  
Michelle Rego (ext 208)

**Physical Plant Custodial Care**  
Calvin Adams

### Parish Office Hours:

9am-3pm Mon—Thurs  
Office is Closed Friday  
(727) 896-2191

### Parish Bulletin:

Articles needed by  
Wednesday noon  
2 weeks prior to print date.

### Parish Website:

[www.stmaryolg.org](http://www.stmaryolg.org)

### Parish Email:

[info@stmaryolg.org](mailto:info@stmaryolg.org)

**727-825-0442**



Knights of Columbus # 2105  
Rick Smith - 727-403-3932



### Parish Ministries:

#### **Altar Servers**

Al Hoel

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Alan and Dale Stewart

#### Holy Communion - Sick & Homebound

Fr. Larry Uhlman

#### Legion of Mary

Peggy Brydebell

#### Hospitality Ministers/Ushers

John Davis

#### Ministry to the Deaf

Carol Downing

#### Music Ministry & Readers

Michelle Rego

#### Brotherhood of Our Lady men's group

Mark Egeling

#### Secular Franciscans

Jim Gillis

#### Companions of Clare women's group

Karen Egeling

#### Wonderful Wednesday Faith Group

Jen Ehrhart

#### Ancient Order of Hibernians

Sean Denny

#### Rosary Mondays

Suzanne Hester

In the greeting of Saint Francis of Assisi: May the Lord give you peace.

My Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Each year, we come together as a parish family in support of the *Catholic Ministry Appeal* and are reminded of Christ's call to live with humility, mercy, and peace. United in our mission to courageously live the Gospel Saint Mary Our Lady of Grace joins parishes across the Diocese of Saint Petersburg to work as one community, sharing Christ's love and compassion with those who need it most.

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, "*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God*" (Matthew 5:9). The Beatitudes are not simply comforting words; they are a call to action. When we allow Christ's peace to transform our hearts, we become instruments of His grace to spread hope, mercy, and healing throughout the five counties of our Diocese.

Through the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*, we are living the Beatitudes in action. Together, we form future priests and deacons, pass on our faith to children and young adults, support our sisters and brothers in need through Catholic Charities and ministries of mercy, like our outreach ministry to Daystar Life, strengthen families in faith, and equip parish leaders to evangelize with courage and clarity. These good works are possible because we unite as one Diocesan family through the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*.

I invite you to prayerfully consider joining me, Bishop Parkes, and members of our parish family in making a commitment to the 2026 *Catholic Ministry Appeal*. You can do so by filling out and returning the enclosed pledge by mail, or by making your gift online using the QR Code.

The *Catholic Ministry Appeal* has positively impacted thousands of lives across the Diocese of Saint Petersburg. Your support has changed lives. Here are just a couple ways the generosity of parishioners like you have made in 2025:

- + 36,861 neighbors in need across the diocese received assistance from Catholic Charities.
- + 25 seminarians from 17 parishes are being formed into the next generation of priests for the Diocese of Saint Petersburg.

My friends, be assured of my heartfelt thanks for your prayerful consideration and participation in this year's appeal. Our goal this year is \$84,666. I am humbled by your continued generosity and loving support for our sisters and brothers throughout our diocese.

May Our Lady of Grace continue to wrap us in her mantle of motherly love as we continue our journey with her Son and with one another to courageously live the Gospel.



Fr. Damian-Vincent Amantia, TOR, Pastor



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### Are you ready for your Greatest Adventure?

Have you always desired to be Catholic or do you know someone interested in the Catholic faith? Are you curious about baptism or confirmation or do you want to wonder with others about being a disciple of Christ? Is Jesus calling you to grow in relationship with Him?

Join us for a spiritual journey that includes engaging with the mysteries of the Catholic Faith, reflecting on the Gospel readings as a community and being offered a mentor as you walk this journey. We meet most Sundays at 12:15PM in the Parish Center. **Text (or call) Lynn 727-409-1392**

for more information and to receive a list of meeting dates.



### Tropical Luau - Thank you all for making this a super fun event!!



**Servers**



**1st place Table**



**2nd place table**



**Chefs**





Readings for the day can be located at: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

### **Sunday 2/8**

8:00 am Parishioners and Staff

11:00 am †Edward Hendrixson  
by Susanna Bellafante

### **Monday 2/9**

8:00 am Pat and Mike Dillinger  
by Pat Dillinger

### **Tuesday 2/10**

12:10 pm †Deborah and Mahia Cox  
by Kim Waite

### **Wednesday 2/11**

8:00 am †Judith Miller  
by Friends

### **Thursday 2/12**

12:10 pm †Ellen and Dave Lundy  
by Deacon Michael Menchen

### **Friday 2/13**

8:00 am †Joyce Flanagan  
by Kim Waite

### **Saturday 2/14**

4:00 pm †Ted Kasprow  
by Henry Kasprow

### **Sunday 2/15**

8:00 am Parishioners and Staff

11:00 am †George Merchant  
by Fr. Damian and Deacon  
Michael Menchen

### **Rest in Peace... +**

Fellow parishioner and volunteer Mary Fletcher passed away on January 11 after a long illness. Her funeral Mass was celebrated here on January 29. Please keep her and her family in prayer!



**Please remember our Poor Boxes. Your donations serve our local community through Daystar Outreach, Saint Mary's Ministry of Mercy. Located at both side entrances.**

*Heavenly Father, we ask that you bless and comfort our brothers and sisters who are ill.*

*Surround them with your healing presence and give them strength. Amen.*

*The Vigil candle burning at the statue of Our Lady of Grace is in loving honor of †Edward Hendrixson requested by Susanna Bellafante*

*The flowers at the statue of Our Lady of Grace are made possible by a generous donation from Ray and Susan Kikel*

*Kimberly Mullick,  
Karla McClintock,  
James Patrick King,  
Kent Gilbertson,  
Eddie Connaughton,  
Nancy Hogan, Lyric Adams,  
Daniel Sharpe, Pat Dillinger,  
Teresa Russo, Jewel Barron,  
Clarice Carpenter,  
Sylvia Gonzales, Theo Rennard,  
Rosalind Flynn,  
Linda & Kennedy Johnson,  
Tom Foote, Erica Swenson,  
JoAnn, Mikro & Alaina  
Dimovski and Joseph John Cala,  
James Kochen, Lee Allen,  
Susanna Vazquez  
and Cynthia Allen.*

*Please inform the Parish Office of prayer requests as they are updated monthly.*

If you would like to remember a loved one or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, etc.) by having a 2 week candle burn at the statue of Our Lady of Grace, or by contributing toward the cost of the gifts of bread and wine used during Mass on the weekends, please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

A suggested donation of \$20 would be greatly appreciated.

Floral arrangement placed at the statue of Our Lady of Grace, in loving memory or a special occasion, is available through the parish office. Flowers are \$35 an offering for a bouquet.

## WINTER CONCERT SERIES 2026 concludes February 15 at 3:00 pm.

This final concert is FREE  
and open to all.

We rely on generous donors and  
sponsors for the continuation of  
the series in 2027.

To make a donation, use this QR  
code or pick up a flyer at the ramp  
door of the church!

Thank you for your  
support!



An amazing jazz concert  
performed on January 25  
by the  
Isaac Mingus Quartet

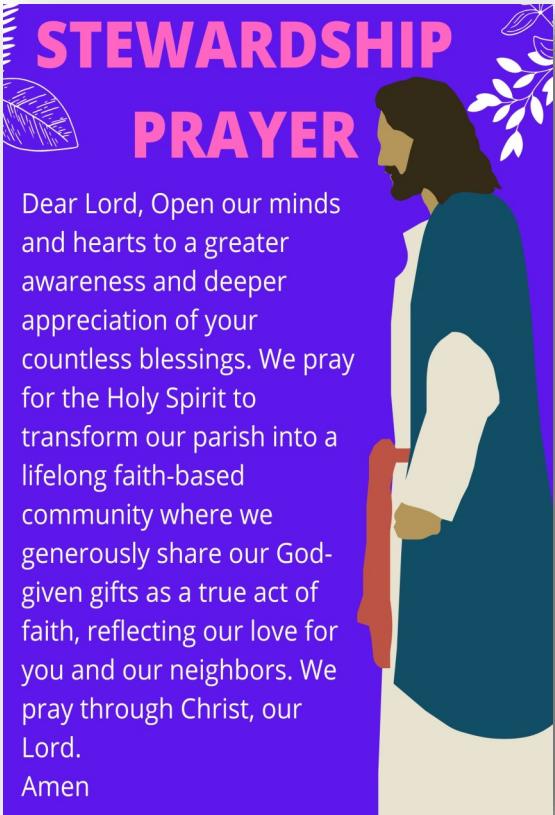


February 15, 2026

Starts at  
3:00 PM

Love is (Still) in the Air with the  
TRILLSEEKERS flute quartet

Florida Trill Seekers unites four flute friends—Karen Ciccone, Ginny Katz, Chris Sims, and Suzanne Wieland—who share a passion for flute playing and the joy of music. Their program offers a Valentine's-inspired tribute, guiding audiences to "find love" in unexpected places like mountaintops, parties, and moonlit nights. Highlights include Mascagni's Intermezzo, Bart's Where is Love?, and Dvořák's Serenade.



## STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Dear Lord, Open our minds and hearts to a greater awareness and deeper appreciation of your countless blessings. We pray for the Holy Spirit to transform our parish into a lifelong faith-based community where we generously share our God-given gifts as a true act of faith, reflecting our love for you and our neighbors. We pray through Christ, our Lord.

Amen

Are YOU a parish member? If not, please register! All you have to do is fill out a blue registration form (found at the church doors and in the parish office) or fill out the form online at <https://stmaryolg.org/parishioners>. Registration is necessary to keep our parish rolls current, and assists you in securing sacramental and pastoral services.

When you register, you can sign up for various ministries around the parish. You can also choose to receive contribution envelopes, or simply opt to do your stewardship online. Other convenient ways to give:

Use the **QR code** below or **text MARYOLG to 91999**. No matter which way you choose, we NEED your support, whether you are a registered parishioner or a visitor! **And we THANK YOU for your generosity!**

