

# St. Paul Parish Newsletter

November 2013



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## Parish News



On September 27, 2013, St. Paul vocalist, Marissa Pfouts, released her debut song "Dance All Night Long" on YouTube. This is an original song by Marissa. To hear her song go to the following website:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bq9OoFBmZ9g>



Fernando & Susan Varela sang "The Prayer" at the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, October 13th. To hear their song go to the following website:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=Raq7P3bpt64#t=95](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=Raq7P3bpt64#t=95)



On Saturday, October 5th The Blessing of the Animals was held here at St. Paul's. There were 12 dogs that were blessed one by one by Father Mark in an outdoor service.

Fernando let everyone know of FORTE'S upcoming debut performance at Carnegie Hall on November 16th as part of *Music For Hope*, a benefit concert supporting Kate Winslet's Golden Hat Charity. The proceeds help people living with autism. Also, FORTE will have another debut at the Tropicana Las Vegas for 3 nights December 28-30th.

## Interfaith Gathering at St. Paul's

We would like to invite everyone to a really neat gathering at our social hall on Tuesday, November 5th from 7 - 9pm.

Title: The Art of Religious Symbols

Various speakers will participate in this gathering, commenting on religious symbolism of their respective faiths. Father Mark will be presenting some of the Christian faith symbols, commenting on their meanings. This should be a fascinating and enjoyable gathering. Father Mark is also one of the co-founders of the Tri-County Interfaith Alliance and it is his hope that our parish is well represented at the gathering. If you are planning to attend, please wear your name badges.

Complimentary refreshments will be served.

## Spaghetti Dinners



Come and bring your friends to our weekly all you can eat spaghetti dinners on Fridays 4:00-7:00pm. Dinners include salad, roll & butter and your choice of a free beverage, either coffee, iced tea or lemonade. Adults are just \$5.00 and Children 12yrs and younger are FREE. There are also homemade desserts from our Ladies ANS Society for only \$1.00 each. If you are bringing a large group, please contact Bob Canfield at 352-454-8763 and let him know how many in your party and what time you will arrive, and he will reserve your table(s) for you.

## Ladies Adoration Society

Thank You dear Lord for your many blessings on our Society.



We are now beginning to make plans for our busy holiday season starting November 24th with the sale of our Christmas Cookie Tray raffle tickets. The drawing will be December 14th for these beautiful large trays of cookies baked by the ladies of our Adoration Society. Last year we had 18 happy winners.

Just a reminder that retreat money is due December 1st.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, November 17th after the 11:00am Mass in church - important because we will be going over retreat details!



On behalf of myself and all the ladies of our Adoration Society, I would like to wish you all a most blessed and healthy Thanksgiving.

In His Service,  
*Dori Canfield*

## YMS of R Men's Group



The next YMS of R meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13th at 9:00am at Cal's Restaurant in Belleview. All men from the parish are encouraged to attend. If you are new to the parish, this is a good opportunity for you to meet some of the men of our parish.

## St. Paul Choir

We have a fantastic, spirited choir here at St. Paul's, under the direction of Charley Stoykovich. We are still looking for singers for our Saturday Mass. Anyone interested in joining the choir can meet here at the church on Tuesdays at 6:00pm for practice.



## FORTE'S New Album



Fernando and his group FORTE will have their first album coming out on November 11th. You can preorder it now on Amazon. Here is the website:

[www.amazon.com/dp/B00FH3UHV2/ref=cm\\_sw\\_su\\_dp](http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00FH3UHV2/ref=cm_sw_su_dp)

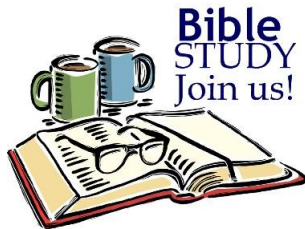
Here are the songs that are going to be on the album:

1. *The Prayer*
2. *Pie Jesu*
3. *Somewhere*
4. *Unchained Melody*
5. *My Heart Will Go On*
6. *Caruso*
7. *Nessun Dorma*
8. *Bridge Over Troubled Water*
9. *Something*
10. *O Holy Night*
11. *Silent Night*



We welcome our new members of our church family who have joined in the month of October.

Tony, Debbie & EJ Kotula



Father Mark is conducting bible class on Thursdays, 10:00am here at St. Paul's social hall. This ongoing class is for everyone interested in finding out more about their faith. Father Mark brings us many pearls of Scripture each week and whether you are a first time bible reader or an astute learned scriptural connoisseur, there's something special in the Word of God for everyone. You are encouraged to bring a friend.

## Backpack Program



Our mainstay charitable program provides local homeless school children personal care/hygiene items all year round. Please drop off items anytime on the rectory porch or at church on Sundays, in the bins in the back of the church.



## Birthdays

- 1st Greg Curtis
- 3rd Mary Klein
- 4th **Father Tom Basta**  
Marylin Andel
- 10th Linda Enot
- 11th Kim Smith
- 12th Esther Charney-Irvine
- 15th **Father Mark Niznik**  
Vera Pitel
- 17th Elaine DalNegro
- 18th Jack Ross
- 20th Susan Hilt
- 22nd Ted Florio
- 23rd Ray Dwyer  
Tina Ostrowski
- 24th Terry Stuck
- 26th Dolly Barie
- 27th Rich Ostrowski
- 28th Mary MacMillan



## Anniversaries

- 8th Fernando & Susan Varela
- 15th Ted & Ro Kopec
- 19th Bob & Nancy Charlebois
- 25th Donald & Mary Czulewicz
- 26th Jack & Dotty Middleton
- 30th Charley & Charlotte Stoykovich

\* Members, if your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please inform Debbie Niznik.

## Fund Raiser



Parish members, Ken and Caroline Hoffmann are producing a play for a fund raiser for our church. Below is the info on the play.

*A Nice Family Gathering,*  
a comedy by *Phil Olson.*

Tuesday, November 26th, 7pm

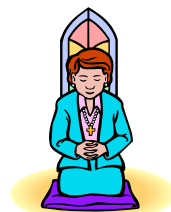
*Melon Patch Theatre*  
311 North 13th Street  
Leesburg, FL 34748

OPEN SEATING

Donation: \$18 per ticket

Please see Debbie Niznik for tickets.

## Women's Prayer Group



The Ladies Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, November 6th and 20th.

Rosary at 3:00pm

Prayer Group at 3:30pm.

All the ladies of the parish are welcome.



On Monday, November 25th, Life Line Screening will be held at Cherokee Adult Recreation Center in Belleview. This is sponsored by Munroe Regional Medical Center. Life Line Screening is America's leading provider of quality health screenings. These tests quickly detect arterial abnormalities which can cause disrupted blood flow. The screenings are fast, accurate, and available at an affordable rate. Life Line provides these non-invasive, completely painless screenings using Doppler ultrasound technology. There will be 4 tests in less than 1 hour. Pre-registration is required. Call: 1-888-653-6450 When you register for your appointment you will receive a special \$10 discount.



We are still collecting empty cereal boxes for our sponsored school, Wyomina Park Elementary, for their Extended Day Program. There is a tub inside of the church for the cereal boxes. Please keep the boxes intact and bring them in as soon as you can. Thank you.



On November 10, 2012 Father Tom Basta was ordained into the holy priesthood here at St. Paul Parish. This was an historical event for our parish because it was the very first ordination of a priest here at our church.

CONGRATULATIONS FATHER TOM!

## Words for Thought

*Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life.  
It turns what we have into enough, and more....  
It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a  
home, a stranger into a friend. It turns  
problems into gifts, failures into successes,  
the unexpected into perfect timing, and  
mistakes into important events.*

*Melody Beattie*

## Father Tom's 1yr Anniversary

## Christmas Toy Drive for Underprivileged Kids

Our own Joe Apichella is organizing a Christmas toy collection for underprivileged children at our adopted elementary school, Wyomina Park Elementary in Ocala this year and there are two ways to give if you choose.

One is that you can buy a new toy or toys for children **K through 5th grade**. Or if you don't know what to give, you can make a check out to our backpack program and the money will be earmarked for Christmas toys for the kids. Please make out any checks you write to "**Backpack**" and write "**Christmas**" in the memo line for our accounting purposes.

The advantage of going through our church's backpack program is that we can purchase items at wholesale prices, tax free and you get to use it as a charitable donation on your income taxes. We are also reaching out to the community, because there are over 600 children we are hoping to provide for.

Joe has set up a box inside of the church for those who wish to do their own shopping. Please remember it's **K through 5th grade ( 5-10yrs old)** and that the toys must be new and in their original packaging undamaged in order for them to be distributed through the school system. No toy weapons of any kind can be accepted also.

Again, checks payable to "**Backpack**" and write "**Christmas**" on the memo line. Thank you for your considerations.