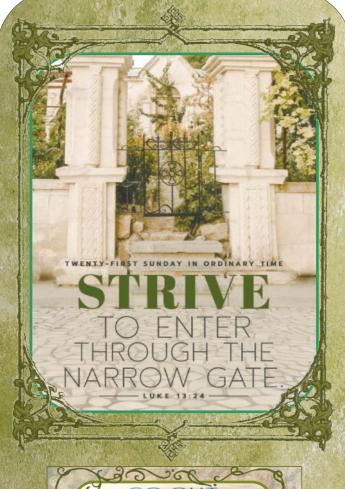


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August 24, 2025

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time





The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is going on every Thursday at 6:45pm, in the Parish Center. This is a program for those who are preparing to receive the sacraments. For more information please call the Parish Office at (619) 223-2200.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:30pm Vigil of Sunday FIRST Saturday of the month ONLY-8:00am

Sunday 8:00am-Live Streamed, 11:00am, 5:30pm 5:30pm-Bilingual Mass (Portuguese-English) Last Sunday of the Month

> Daily Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:30am

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CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 3:15pm-4:15pm or by appointment only.

BAPTISM: Make arrangements three months in advance.
Please call the Parish Office at 619-223-2200.

MARRIAGES: Please contact the Priest

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21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south





From the Desk of Father Romeo Velos

FIRE OF LOVE

All baptized Christians are called to be prophets, kings and priests. Prophets because we are called to speak the Word of God, a Word that breathes love. Kings because we are servant leaders. Priests because we are mediators between God and man. We share in the priesthood of Christ. In the initial stage of his prophetic ministry, Jeremiah was hesitant and scared to speak the Word of God. But with God's grace, he became bold, courageous and fearless. The author of the letter to the Hebrews (Heb 12:1-4) reveals that Jesus is the leader. pioneer and perfecter of faith. He is the prophet of prophets. He is the Logos, the Word of God. He reveals like no other what it means to speak God's Word boldly and to face the consequences of having spoken such a Word. Jeremiah and Jesus are fearless in speaking the Word of God because they are confident that God is with them every step of the way. In the Gospel of Luke (Lk 12:49-53), Jesus speaks of fire and division. Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" It is the fire of God's love, the Holy Spirit. It is the fire that destroys what is evil and purifies what is good. It is the fire of purification and judgment. God's fire is not a fire of destruction. Just like the burning bush that Moses saw. He was amazed that the bush was not consumed. It is the presence of God and God's fire brings healing, new life, transformation and conversion. God is the God of the living not of the dead. Therefore, a prophet is on fire to speak the Word of God. Jesus said: "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division!" This is strange because Jesus is the Prince of peace. The first word that He said to the apostles when He was risen was shalom, peace. It is because peace demands rejection of all that is

is because peace demands rejection of all that is opposed to Christ. Peace demands rejection of all that is incompatible with the Gospel. Only Christ is our peace and we experience peace when we remain in His love and keep His commands. Jesus brings division because we have to make a choice, or we are for Christ or against Him. There is no neutrality. Not choosing is itself a choice against Him. A prophet therefore is a sign of contradiction. He is called to go against the current and puts Christ above all else.



August 17, 20	025					
Sunday Collection	y Collection AMOUNT					
Envelope	\$	4,070.30				
Online Giving	\$	1,046.78				
Total	\$	5,117.08				
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PDF	\$	440.00				
PDF Online Giving	\$	107.50				
Total	\$	547.50				
Your generous donations to the Parish Development Fund (PDF) help support the upkeep and maintenance of our church and outlying buildings. PDF is also used for basic furniture and equipment needs to run the parish.						

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WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS							
Sun 8/24	Mon 8/25	Tues 8/26	Wed 8/27	Thurs 8/28	Fri 8/29	Sat 8/30	
Masses 8:00am-Live Streamed, 11:00am, 5:30pm	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am	<u>Mass</u> 5:30pm	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am	<u>Mass</u> 5:30pm <u>AA Meeting-7pm</u>	<u>Mass</u> 7:30am <u>Adoration</u> 8:00am-12:00pm <u>NA Meeting-7pm</u>	<u>Masses</u> 4:30pm <u>Confessions</u> <u>Every Saturday</u> 3:15am-4:15pm	



ARE YOU READY TO SERVE

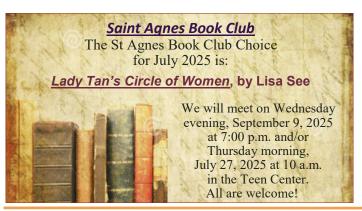
St. Agnes is looking for dedicated youth and adults who would like to give service to their parish family by joining the Altar Server Ministry. We are especially in need of servers for all masses, Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm, Sunday masses at 8am, 11am and 5:30pm. You don't have to attend these Masses every Sunday to serve them. You just need to be willing to serve at least twice a month and then show up for your scheduled Mass. If you wish to join this ministry, you need to have received your First Communion and should be going into the 3rd grade, and, you are never too old to start. Junior high and high school students are welcome. If you are interested, please contact the Parish office at 223-2200 and ask for Maria. Come with us and Serve God with Gladness.



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- 5. If you like, you can put your weekly envelope in the collection plate with a note or use the "I give electronically" card. Cards will be in pews or available to download from our website.





COMMODITIES

The next food distribution will be in the Parish
Teen Center on:

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