



OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH

Father Anthony Hewitt, JCL, Pastor

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday:

5:00 pm

Sunday:

9:00 & 10:30 am

Mon-Friday:

8:00 am

First Saturday Anointing:

After 5:00 pm vigil

Sacrament of Penance:

By appointment

Parish website address:

ourladyofmercy.church

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ourladyofmercy.church

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Office Hours, Monday – Friday:

8:00am-4:00 pm

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

September 5, 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. Through excellence in teaching and research, the Catholic University shares the truth in service to the Church, the nation, and the world.

The National Collection for the Catholic University of America supports the University's work in educating future Catholic leaders and serving dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs aimed at responding to the most pressing needs of our Church and nation.

In support of these efforts, the Diocese of Venice, along with Dioceses across the United States, will have a collection for the Catholic University of America on the weekend of September 12 and 13, 2026. It is the only national collection taken for higher education in our country. Your contributions help the University to continue their work on behalf of the Church and its Faithful. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

With gratitude and prayerful affection, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Emilio E. Biosca, O.F.M. Cap.
Bishop of the Diocese of
Venice in Florida



The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. We will reopen on Tuesday at 8:00 am. Have a blessed and safe weekend.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Faith Appeal 2026

Parish assessment this year is \$144,000 (\$118,650.00 collected as of August 31) **We only need \$25,350.00 to reach our goal.** Please help us get there. Envelopes are available at the front of the church or QR Code. Please make checks payable to the *Catholic Faith Appeal* and *in the memo write Our Lady of Mercy Parish* so that we receive proper credit for your donation. Please prayerfully

consider giving to the Annual Catholic Faith Appeal 2026, with a pledge or one-time gift.

Contribute a gift of appreciated stocks or securities.

Whatever you decide, your gift will be greatly appreciated and make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in need.



How to use a QR Code to Donate:

1. Open your smartphone camera and hover over the QR Code.
2. Click the pop up on your smartphone to open the giving webpage.

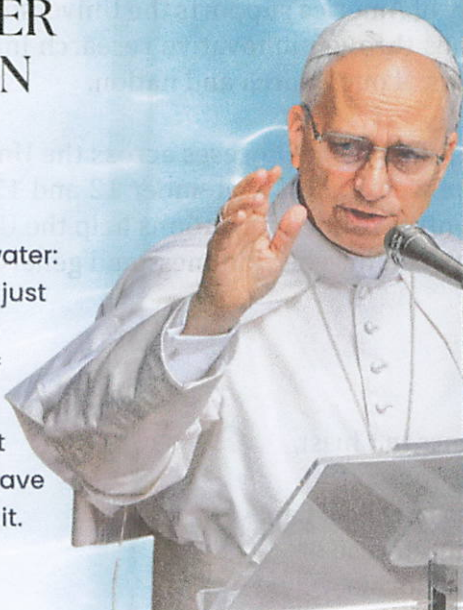
Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

POPE'S SEPTEMBER INTENTION

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For the care of water:
Let us pray for a just
and sustainable
management of
water, a vital
resource, so that
everyone may have
equal access to it.



Men's Priestly Discernment Day

SATURDAY, OCT 10, 2026 | 8AM-8PM

VERSO
L'ALTO
TO THE HEIGHTS

This was a favorite motto of Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati, a mountaineer, athlete and great friend of the poor, who wished always to aim higher in all he did.

- Men Ages 16-35
- Mass and Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
- Inspiring Talks
- Discussions with Seminarians and Priests

ST. JOHN THE
EVANGELIST PARISH
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NAPLES



VOCATIONS



Below is a link to the Mass with our Bishop Emilio. This link is also available on the parish website.

<http://www.youtube.com/@OurLadyofMercyCCBocaGrande>

Safe Environment Training (SET) - As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice Requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and complete online training in SET prior to beginning employment or volunteering. Please visit the Diocese of Venice website. To report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families please call 800-962-2873. Further, if Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Senton, at 941-416-6114.