

Today's Introit takes from Psalm 17, verses 5 & 6; then 2 & 3. We identify them scripturally then understand them in relation to the feast. Bold print indicates the introit inclusion.

Psalm 17 subtitle: "David's thanks to God for his delivery from all his enemies."

5. **The sorrows of hell encompassed me: and the snares of death prevented me.**

6. **In my affliction I called upon the Lord,** (and I cried to my God:) **and he heard my voice from his holy temple:** (and my cry before him came into his ears.)

St. Robert Bellarmine refers this psalm to when King Saul sought the life of David.

The sorrows of hell... many times Saul surrounded David to kill him, but each time, at the darkest moment, Saul was obliged to withdraw. **The snares of death...** repeats this idea. Applied to a spiritual sense, before the advent of Christ, all men were entangled in the snares of death, all were doomed to hell "though not the same part of it." The snares of death refer also to the plots of the wicked who seek the life of the just. **I called upon the Lord...** Having explained his dangers, the Prophet next reveals their remedy: 'I put my confidence in God, the Creator of heaven and earth; He heard my voice from His lofty temple, not made by hands.'

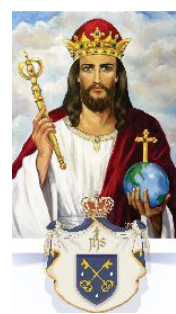
2. **I will love thee, O Lord, my strength:**

3. **The Lord is my firmament; my refuge and my deliverer.** (God is my helper, and in him will I put my trust. My protector, horn of my salvation, and my support.)

The Prophet begins Psalm 17 with a verse of filial trust in God. **I will love thee...** having experienced so many benefits of the saving God, as revealed in the Psalm, the Prophet is forced to acknowledge the source of his strength against his enemies. **The Lord is my firmament...** having identified the Lord as his strength, the Prophet now elaborates on his meaning: the Lord is *my sure foundation*, a rock upon which I may build a lasting dwelling; the Lord is *my refuge*, a durable shelter against raging elements; the Lord is *my deliverer* who rescues me from the hands of my enemies.

The Feast of Septuagesima prepares us for the Season of Lent. Fallen man is subject to many encounters with eternal death; but, in all his conflicts, if he calls upon God, God will rescue him. The Epistle beckons us to run & fight for the incorruptible crown; the Gospel wakens us from idleness to work for salvation. While man limps with a fallen nature, he yet possess the capacity to do what he can to obtain the purpose of his creation. Although the sorrows of hell surround him, if he does what he can while crying out to God for help, he experiences a strength - not his own, but working through him - which services his victory and earns him an eternal wage.

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Septuagesima Sunday

February 13, 2022

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The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.

Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.)

Saturday at 9:00 am.

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; 10:30 am sung; and 12:30 pm low.

Items on the "Blessing Table" in the hall are blessed after the 12:30 pm Mass; or, after the 10:30 am Mass, if there is no 12:30 pm Mass.

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm

Monday Mass at 7 am.

1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

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now located in the office

Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 02-13	Septuagesima Sunday	2/V	
Mon 02-14	St Valentine	4/R	
Tues 02-15	Ss Faustinus & Jovita	3/R	
Wed 02-16	Feria	4/V	
Thu 02-17	Feria	4/V	
Fri 02-18	St Simeon	3/R	
Sat 02-19	Saturday of Our Lady	3/W	
Sun 02-20	Sexagesima Sunday	2/V	



Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 02-13	(7 am) Thomas McCormack+	rb M&K Weber
	(8:30 am) Pope Francis	rb C Plowman
	(10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i>	
	(12:30 pm) Robert Matthew Burns+	rb The Altar Servers
Mon 02-14	(12 pm) Antoine & Marguerite de Saizieu+	rb L de Saizieu
Tues 02-15	(7 am) Nancy Harris+	rb P Rincon
	(9 am) Jose Correia Rocha	rb P Martins
Wed 02-16	(7 am) Sabine Loughlin	rb T Tocher
	(9 am) Pete Siracusa & family	rb Burkett family
Thu 02-17	(7 am) Anthony & Alanna Alfano	rb Beggy family
	(9 am) M/M Spencer Colgan	rb altar servers
Fri 02-18	(9 am) David Matthews	rb D Matthews
	(6:30 pm) Mariah Orr	rb Anonymous
Sat 02-19	(9 am) Susan Hemeryck	rb M/M T VanGelderem
Sun 02-20	(7 am) Thanksgiving to St Roch	rb M&K Weber
	(8:30 am) Claire Verdini	rb K Zilli
	(10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i>	
	(12:30 pm) Fr Mahowald	rb J Tholotowsky

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Today, "Commitment Sunday," you are asked to pledge towards our 2022-23 CFA which is \$109,000.00. If each of our 160 households pledge \$681.25, [\$56.77/month (the cost of IMAX 3D movie for two with popcorn & drinks) or \$13.10/week (just the popcorn & drinks)], we would meet our goal; any extra returns to the parish. As not every household can do this, so think of this in pledging. Thank you.

A recent card & photos of Sr. Margaret's profession are on display in the hall.

Be kind to everyone you meet, for we are all in a great battle!

This week, Monday, Adult Catechism (5-6 pm) & St Teresa Guild (7:00-8:30 pm); Wednesday, choir practice; Thursday, St Joseph Guild (6:30 pm); Saturday, Youth Group (10 am) and Pro-Life meeting (10 am).

Last Sunday's collection: \$10,467.16; CFA: \$120.00.

& attendance: 7 am-58; 8:30 am-140; 10:30 am-221; 12:30 pm-108; total 477 souls.

Thank you for parking on G. Fried Flooring America, to our NE about 75 yards, before parking on our grass.

Please pray for: Frank Zaffina, Lynda Hall, (2/13), Meza family, Johnson family, Jim Hathaway, (1/30), McNamara family, Kelly Katz, David Clough Sr. (1/23), family of Stephen Cary Hamilton+, and Ronnie Pekarski (1/16). (Posted for a month; renewable.)

Join us for the 2022 Catholic Homeschool Conference Fri. & Sat., Feb., 25-26, at Christ the King. Speakers include Phillip Campbell, author of the Story of Civilization series, Fr. Josh Passo, FSSP, Sr. Louise Marie, MICM and more! Register at QueenofAngelsAcademy.org. On Thur., Feb. 24, from 9-12:30, join Mr. Campbell, Fr. Passo & Sr. Louise Marie for a youth conference at Christ the King. The day includes: 9 am Mass, a vocations talk & a fun history lesson. Light breakfast provided after Mass. **Parents must accompany their children, no drop-offs!** For more info & to register go to QueenofAngelsAcademy.org. The fee is \$10/family.

Next Sunday, Feb. 20, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church, 2510 East Hanna Avenue, in Tampa, FL, Mr. Hugh Owen will speak on: "The Traditional Catholic Doctrine of Creation: The Only Firm Foundation for a Culture of Life." Mr. Owen directs the Kolbe Center for the Study of Creation which defends the traditional Catholic doctrine of creation. His presentation will deepen your faith in God and show the harmony between science & revelation. For more information, please contact Mr. Owen at howen@shentel.net

Help the Church save souls! Attend a synodal listening session (below) & voice, again, John's cry in the wilderness! Sessions are from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm:

- Wed., Feb. 16, Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Ave. W. Venice.
- Tues., Feb. 22, Ss. Peter & Paul the Apostles Parish, 2850 75th St. W., Bradenton.
- Thurs., March 3, St. Andrew Parish, 2628 Del Prado Blvd., Cape Coral.
- Mon., March 14, St. John XXIII Parish, 13060 Palomino Lane, Fort Myers.
- Wed., March 16, Sacred Heart Parish, 211 W. Charlotte Ave., Punta Gorda.
- Thurs. March 24; St Elizabeth Seton Parish, 5225 Golden gate Pkwy, Naples.
- Mon., March 28, St. John the Evangelist Parish, 625 111th Ave. N., Naples.
- Mon., May 9, St. Catherine Parish, 820 Hickory St., Sebring.
- Mon., May 16, St. Agnes Parish, 7775 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Naples.
- Mon., May 23, Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish, 355 S. Bridge St., LaBelle.

To register, see the homepage of the DOV website. For any questions regarding the listening sessions, please email synod@dioceseofvenice.org