

But to you who hear I
say, love your enemies,
do good to those who
hate you, bless those
who curse you, pray for
those who mistreat you.

LUKE 6:27–28

A New World Order

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The American experiment of 1776 ushered in the dawn of a new world order, one that would redefine how nations functioned and interacted. The computer age brought about an upheaval in how we interact with one another personally—a new world order in human communication. Saint Paul wrote to the Corinthians about how Adam was the first being who ushered in human life, and how Jesus was the new Adam, who ushered in a new life-giving spirit. Jesus initiated a new world order, one that redefined what it meant to be human and contained a new spiritual dimension. “Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you...give to everyone who asks of you...do to others as you would have them do to you.... Be merciful, just as [also] your Father is merciful” (Luke 6:27–36).

The fact that there are many who think this is not a practical or useful way to live—to say nothing of whether it is desirable or even possible—does not negate its power to transform human relationships as well as our very own spirits. None of us do it as well as we might hope, which only attests to the fact that we live with a foot in each of two worlds—the earthly one and the heavenly one. Empowered by God’s Spirit, we are still growing into the people God created us to be. ●

Reflect

Is there someone you are struggling to forgive? What is stopping you?



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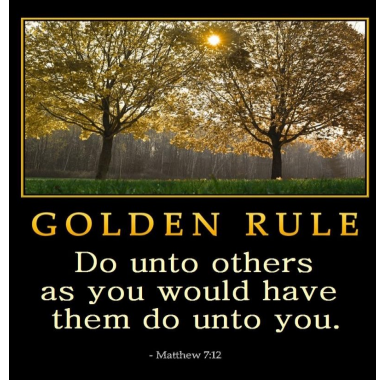
Confessions: By appointment only, at this time

Baptisms: By appointment – 5 weeks in advance

Weddings: By appointment – 1 year in advance. Pre-Marriage Course is required for all weddings here or overseas

Website: www.romancatholicbermuda.bm – Where you can find information about our Diocese.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/CatholicDioceseBermuda – Visit our page & "LIKE" us to join our on-line community.



GOLDEN RULE

Do unto others
as you would have
them do unto you.

- Matthew 7:12

SUNDAY & SPECIAL OFFERINGS ONLINE BANKING & PARISH ENVELOPES:

Please make direct payments to St. Theresa's Cathedral at Bank of Butterfield A/C #2000 6060 4827 32100 and include "Sunday Offering" in the memo field. Also, the parish encourages the use of **Sunday Offering Envelopes** to promote the concept of stewardship of treasure.

Thank you for your continued support!

FILIPINO MASS SCHEDULE:

St. Theresa's Cathedral

7PM 1st Friday of the month (usually)

St. Patrick's Church

7PM 2nd Friday of the month

St. Joseph's Church

11AM 3rd Saturday of the month

Stella Maris Church

7PM Last Wednesday of the month

LECTIO DIVINA: Mondays at 7:30pm via Zoom. Please contact Franz Wohlmuth on, fgwohlmuth@logic.bm to join. Meetings are led by Bishop Wes.

ADORATION: Saturday Adoration in the Chapel of St. Theresa's Cathedral: **9:00am** – Holy Mass in Portuguese followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration – **10:15am** - Benediction

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:

Looking for a way to share and assist others?

Please consider a direct deposit or cash donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Direct deposit to SVDP Society –BNTB 2000 6060 4767 11100
or use the **SVDP envelopes.**



DATES	TIMES	INTENTIONS
Sat. Feb. 22nd	6:30pm	+ Manuel Bizarro, Maria Martins, Jose Oliveira, & Maria de Lourdes
Sun. Feb. 23rd (Portuguese)	8:30am	+ Johnny Brosnan
	10:00am	+ Manuel Medeiros, Maria de Jesus Andrade, Maria de Lourdes Lima, José Soares Oliveira, João da Costa, João da Silva, Alzira da Costa, António Manuel Faria
	11:30am 6:0pm	+ Ethan Arruda St. Theresa's Parish Family
Mon. Feb. 24th	7:30am	Special Intentions of Bishop Wes Spiewak. C.R.
Tues. Feb. 25th	7:30am	In Honor of Our Lady of Medjugorje
Wed. Feb.26th	7:30am	
	12:10pm	
Thurs. Feb.27th	7:30am	+ Roy Thomas
	12:10pm	
Fri. Feb. 28th	7:30am	+ LaVerne Lau
	12:10pm	Special Intentions of Michael & Ann Maye
Sat. Mar. 1st	6:30pm	+ Baby Chloe
Sun. Mar. 2nd (Portuguese)	8:30am	+ Mr. & Mrs. Charles Soares & James Soares
	10:00am	
	11:30am 6:00pm	St. Theresa's Parish Family + Marshall A. Yokell & Special Intentions of Richard & Judy Senechal

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE: March 1st & 2nd, 2025

Time:	6:30pm	8:30am	11:30am	6:00pm
Proclaimer:	C. Powell	C. D'Souza	F. Maxwell	H. Velasco
Communion	D. DeSilva	T. Sinclair	C. Kieck	E. Mosley
Ministers:	J. Judd C. Carreiro S. Booth	I. Brackstone G. Lovecchio C. Scarth	J. Alcantara A. Cannonier	C. Sevilla A. Galea
Song Leaders:	D. Mutch	F. Wohlmuth	N/A	M. Crisostomo



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT :

Today's Gospel has encouraging words for good stewards - "Give and it shall be given to you. For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you." What encouragement to give generously of the resources entrusted to our care!

Steward's Sharing of Treasure

	Date	Actual
Collection:	Feb. 15th/16th	\$3,786.50
Electronic offering:	Feb 15th/16th	\$1,917.00
2025 Collection To Date:	Week 7	\$37,652.50

Thank you for your support!



ST. THERESA'S CHAPEL

February 23rd—Mar 1st, 2025

Donation Given for Two 7- day Candles

Mr. & Mrs. Maiato & Family



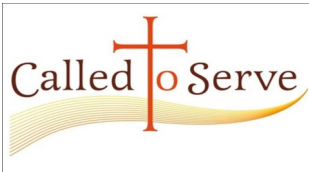
LOSS & GRIEF GROUP:

The Loss & Grief Group objective is not to replace, nor to offer psychological therapy that is needed at times, but to create a space for being listened to and supported through the experience of grief. This group's next gathering will take place on the **Sunday, 2nd of March, 2024, at 3PM** at the Bishop's House; "Halcyon" 2 Astwood Road, Paget.

CALLED TO SERVE:

Become a Lector, an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Song Leader, Usher, or Altar Server at St Theresa's Cathedral.

If you are interested in being a part of one of the vital and rewarding Ministries, and you've got what it takes, register today! E-mail sttheresas@northrock.bm or eveloum@outlook.com; or call 292-0607; or 703-2961.



ST. PATRICK'S DINNER BINGO:

The St. Patrick's Parish Council are pleased to announce the return of Dinner BINGO! Come enjoy an evening of food, fun and fellowship after Mass on **Saturday, March 15th at 7:15 p.m. in the Church Hall as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day.** Tickets are available for purchasing from any of the St. Patrick's Parish Council members. The **cost is \$45.00 for adults and \$20.00 for children aged 12 and under**, which includes your meal plus one BINGO card. Dessert donations for this event would be most appreciated!

Faith
makes things possible ... not easy

THE BISHOP'S CORNER



Dear Fellow-Catholics,

Brazil's Federal Supreme Court has unanimously ruled to allow the presence of religious symbols in public buildings, stating that their display does not conflict with the country's secular principles.

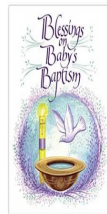
Judge Cristiano Zanin wrote in his ruling that, "The presence of religious symbols in public buildings whether at the federal, state, district, or municipal level, when intended to reflect the cultural tradition of Brazilian society, does not violate the principles of non-discrimination, state secularism, or impartiality."

In a case, which dates back to 2009 and arose from a complaint filed by a Brazilian citizen who claimed that the presence of religious symbols in public spaces caused him emotional distress, the Federal Public Ministry, Brazil's Attorney General's Office, supported the plaintiff's request for the removal of all religious symbols from federal and state buildings, arguing that their presence violated the principle of non-discrimination and compromised the religious freedom of all Brazilian citizens. However, the lawsuit was dismissed by both the trial and appellate courts, and a subsequent appeal was also rejected. Ultimately, the case reached the Supreme Court, leading to last week's decision rejecting the arguments of the Public Prosecutor's Office.

The court's decision is binding on all federal and state public entities in Brazil.

Have a serene weekend and a productive week!

Bishop Wes



BAPTISM:

We welcome **Ameli Selisha Peiris Kurukulasuriya**, daughter of Ashen & Ishuwari Kurukulasuriya, who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend on, **Sunday, February 23rd, 2025** .

Welcome to the Church Family, Ameli!



If you are suffering
If you are not able to forgive
If you are surrounded by fear
If there are things you don't understand in your life

*"...Yahweh is waiting to be gracious to you...
blessed are all who hope in him"*

COME & LISTEN!

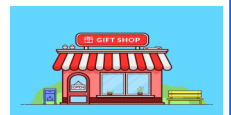
**Catechesis for Adults & Youth 13+
Mondays & Thursdays: 8:00 p.m.
Starting February 10th**

St. Michael's Church
#51 South Shore Road, Paget
TEL. or WhatsApp: 704-2265



ST. THERESA'S GIFT SHOP:

The Gift Shop have beautiful cards available, for all of your special occasions.



As well as many other gifts or home ideas - all at a great price!

Do stop by and support our Gift Shop!

Dear Padre,

My ex broke up with me. I find myself hoping he gets subjected to the same emotional pain as I have. I hate feeling this way, so how do I ask God to take away this pain and help me forgive my ex?

What you are sharing is your hurt and confusion. Although your boyfriend was ready to end the relationship, you were not. It seems you are still not ready to move on. That is OK. Everyone has his or her own manner of dealing with disappointment, and there is no perfect timeframe.

More than your boyfriend's suffering, you desire freedom for yourself and a return to a healthy sense of your own personhood. You perceive him as happy and perhaps wonder how that's possible while you are still struggling. This is all very normal, and it's part of the process we all experience when an important relationship changes.



VALENTINA SHUKINA / SHUTTERSTOCK

You will work through this. You will love again. You will no longer be triggered by strong feelings when you encounter him in the future. But you are going to have to do the hard work of growing, maturing, and learning to let go. Begin by praying for his well-being. And if you can't do that, ask God for the grace to want to pray for his well-being. Certainly, the Lord will help you, but he won't magically take away your pain. There are no shortcuts. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

February 24

Weekday

Sir 1:1–10

Mk 9:14–29

Tuesday

February 25

Weekday

Sir 2:1–11

Mk 9:30–37

Wednesday

February 26

Weekday

Sir 4:11–19

Mk 9:38–40

Thursday

February 27

Weekday

Sir 5:1–8

Mk 9:41–50

Friday

February 28

Weekday

Sir 6:5–17

Mk 10:1–12

Saturday

March 1

Weekday

Sir 17:1–15

Mk 10:13–16

Sunday

March 2

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:4–7

1 Cor 15:54–58

Lk 6:39–45



FIZKES / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Turning the other cheek is not the withdrawal of the loser, but the action of one who has a greater inner strength. [It] means defeating evil with goodness, which opens up a breach in the heart of the enemy, unmasking the absurdity of his hatred. And this attitude...is dictated not by calculation or by hatred, but by love.

ANGELUS, ROME, FEBRUARY 20, 2022