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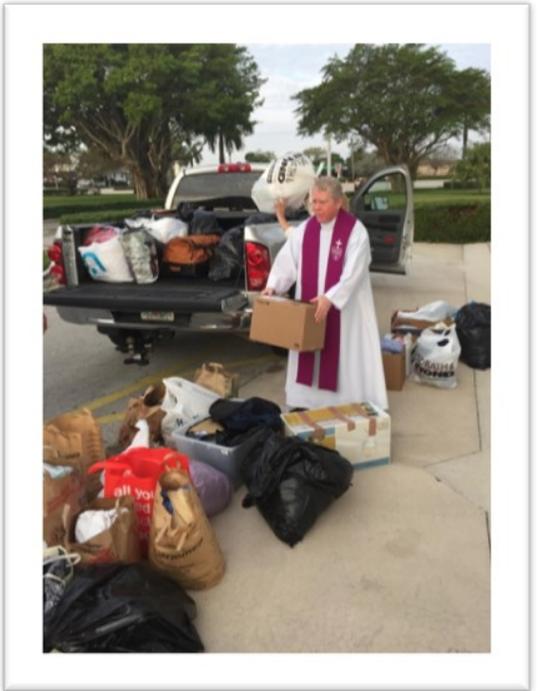
# Chapel News

Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center



My Dear Friends,

Happy Easter! I hope your Easter experience was one filled with joy, happiness and peace. A lot of people strive every day to be filled with happiness. I've been praying over that because I myself have told people that this is what God wants for us: "to be happy". However, in my prayer I have come to the realization that God does *not* call us to be happy. He desires for us to be at peace. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." JOHN 14:27. The Resurrection of Jesus offers us not only that peace but also hope. What wonderful gifts to receive: hope and peace.



## Be Merciful As Your Father

Bear Wrongs Patiently  
Visit the Imprisoned  
Counsel the Doubtful  
Comfort the Sorrowful  
Admonish the Sinner  
Feed the Hungry  
Pray for the Living & Dead  
Visit the Sick  
Clothe the Naked  
Shelter the Homeless  
Instruct the Ignorant  
Bury the Dead  
Forgive Injuries  
Give Drink to the Thirsty

**Luke 6:36**

I want to thank everyone who helped contribute clothing for Saint Ann Place on March 17th. The sisters were extremely happy and grateful for our contributions to help clothe those who are so unfortunate. This is our call as Christians; as followers of Jesus, we live The Corporal Works of Mercy along with the Spiritual Works of Mercy.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came to or contributed to the Spiritus Dei Gala that we had this past February. It was a tremendous success and as I tell everyone it does keep the doors open and the lights ON at Our Lady of Florida. Thank you and God bless you and your family.

If you have not made our retreat this year I want to encourage you strongly to give up a weekend to spend it with Jesus who gives us the gift of hope and peace through the Mercy of the Father.

*Fr. Paul, C.P.*

## Theme Retreats 2016

### "Be Merciful As Your Father"

Apr 1-3 Women's Retreat

Apr 8-10 Men's Retreat

Apr 15-17 Women's Retreat

Apr 22-24 Women's Retreat

Details at [www.ourladyofflorida.org](http://www.ourladyofflorida.org)

## Days of Reflection

**May 4th: Theme "The Simple Path"**  
Presented by Bro. Edward Hall, C.P.

**June 1st: Theme: "Reflections on Laudato Si - Part One"**

Presented by Deacon John Clarke

The day programs run from 10am until 2:30pm and include presentations, time for private reflection, opportunity for Confession, a meal and Mass. The donation for each session is \$30. Please register prior to each event.

## Healing Retreat — May 27-29, 2016

With the laying on of hands for those who wish it.

**Rev. Robert C. Richardson, Archdiocese of Washington**

"Jesus continued his tour of all the towns and villages. He taught in their synagogues, he proclaimed the good news of God's reign, and he cured every sickness and disease." (Matt 9:35)

**Father Bob** has been a pastor for nearly thirty years, active in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal for longer, and has been conducting healing services with the laying on of hands for more than twenty years. His teachings are rooted in the Scriptures.

Throughout this healing retreat, the healing love of our Father will flow unceasingly. Come opened to receive it, expect to receive it, be filled to overflowing with it. Come and experience the awesome touch of God. Go home a changed person.

The Lord came to set us free. This freedom includes freedom of sickness and disease; physical healing; healing of memories; healing of relationships; healing of the spirit; healing of the whole person. This healing weekend will surround you in the Father's healing love. Come, experience the power of God, and leave with a new outlook on life.

**Donation for this retreat: \$210.00**

A \$50.00 registration fee must accompany your reservation. Balance due upon arrival.

## MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

**April 29-May 1, 2016**

Marriages flourish because of the efforts by each spouse. More and more retreatants are taking time with their spouses to reflect and nurture the spiritual life of their commitment by participating in a married couples retreat. Donation is \$370 per couple. Registration required with \$100 deposit. Please see our Website for brochure and more information.



## Bookstore News

The Easter Season is a good time to add spiritual reading to your daily life.

See what touches you and inspires your spirit in our Bookstore.

If anyone would like to receive a "Spiritual Thought" from Father Paul once in a while, please e-mail him with your full name to: [pwierichs@cprov.org](mailto:pwierichs@cprov.org)

You can get all of our publications and newsletters at our Internet home: [www.ourladyofflorida.org](http://www.ourladyofflorida.org)

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