

CHAPEL NEWS - October 2020

Dear Friends of OLOF,

We are happy to announce that we will be reopening Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center for weekday masses and one-day retreats beginning on **Thursday, October 1, 2020** (with capacity limitations).

Weekday masses will be at 7:30 am. “With capacity limitations,” refers to the number of people allowed in the chapel. In order to adhere to social distancing of a six-foot perimeter, we are limited to using every other pew. Additionally, this requirement reduces seating within the pews as we must ensure the same six-foot distance. We can accommodate a maximum capacity of 35 attendees for both weekday masses and one-day retreats.

Anyone with health concerns or immune deficiency and anyone who cares for someone who is vulnerable is encouraged to remain home. For all who feel they are ready to return to public worship, be assured we are striving to create a welcoming atmosphere following the diocesan directives for seating, communion practices, and disinfecting of the building. We will continually assess and evaluate the process, making improvements and changes as needed.

Safety guidelines for weekday masses:

- Everyone is required to wear face mask or face covering.
- Ensure that you do not have any symptoms of sickness.
- Sanitize your hands just before you enter the church and as you exit the church
- Stay Home if you are in high risk group, caretaker of someone sick or if you are sick.
- Always keep your distance and Please pay attention to the seating arrangements
- Do not congregate inside or outside the chapel and we encourage you to leave once mass is over.
- Distribution of the Holy Communion and Readings will be administered by the Passionist Community ONLY and no one is allowed in the sanctuary and the sacristy.
- Receiving Communion: Only the Precious Body will be distributed and will only be administered into one’s hands. You may wear mask up to communion. Receive the Body of Christ in your hands, step to the side, remove the mask and consume the Body of Christ then return to your pew. In reverence to the Body of Christ, gloves cannot be worn at communion.

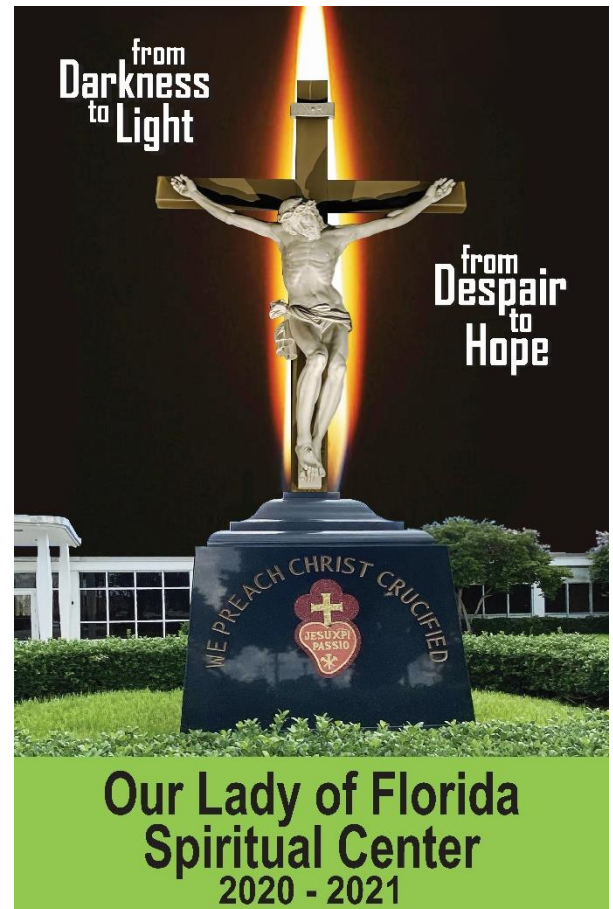
Live-streaming of Weekday Masses: Weekday masses will be live-streamed on our Facebook page at 7:30 am

Beginning of The New Season of Parish Based One-day Retreats on Oct 10, 2020: The theme chosen for the New Season of Parish based one-day retreats (2020-2021) is 'From Darkness to Light; From Despair to Hope'. Registration is open. Our revised schedule for the first phase of the season is the following and for more details, Call us @ 561-626-1300

- Saturday October 10, 2020 – On-site in-person Women's One-day Retreat
- Saturday October 17, 2020 – On-site in-person Men's One-day Retreat
- Saturday October 31, 2020 – On-site in-person Men's One-day Retreat
- Saturday November 14, 2020 – Virtual (Men and Women) One-day Retreat
- Saturday November 21, 2020 – On-site in-person Women's One-day Retreat

Safety Guidelines for One-Day Retreats at OLOF

- You may not attend if
 - you are awaiting COVID-19 test results and results remain unknown at the start of your retreat;
 - you have knowingly been exposed to, or lived with, someone who has had COVID-19 during the 14 days prior to your retreat, or
 - you have traveled internationally within 14 days prior to your retreat at OLOF.
- On-property attendance is capped at 35 retreatants to allow maximum distance among individuals when dining or in common areas.
- Upon arrival, every retreatant will be asked to sanitize hands, apply a face mask, and receive a courtesy temperature check.
- Remain on property after you've arrived until the end of your retreat.
- Wear face mask and wash hands frequently and maintain good hygiene while at OLOF.
- Maintain six feet of distance between yourself and others.
- Step back if someone approaches you too closely.
- Pause and let another pass in the hallway.
- Our kitchen staff will serve you at meals to limit the number of buffet utensils and objects you must touch.



Office Hours: Office will remain open for mass cards on Monday to Thursday from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Face mask or face covering is mandatory when you enter our main lobby. Call-in hours are on Monday – Thursday from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm and on Friday from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Virtual retreats @ OLOF: The Season 3 of Spiritual Connect: A Virtual Fest is scheduled to begin on every Sunday starting from October 18 through November 29, 2020 at 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm via Zoom. It is a series of 7 spiritually interactive hour-long Zoom live web conferences with dynamic presenters. Call 561-6261300 to register.



**Spiritual Connect:
A Virtual Fest 3**
A Virtual Fundraiser benefiting Our Lady of Florida

A Series of 7 highly interactive spiritual sessions with dynamic presenters on Sundays from October 18 through November 29, 2020 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm (ET); Hour-long spiritually rejuvenating ZOOM LIVE web conferences that include presentations, faith sharing, prayers, music, and Q&A interactions.

Limited Capacity; REGISTER NOW!
Full Series - \$100.00
Individual sessions - \$15.00 each
To register, Call 561-626-1300 or
Email us reservations@cproovfl.org
Register and Make your Sundays extra HOLY!

- October 18, 2020 – Fr. Tom Bonacci, C.P. – ‘Gathered at the Foot of the Cross’
- October 25, 2020 – Michael Pugliese – ‘Out of the Bondage: Freedom through Forgiveness’
- November 1, 2020 – Michelle Lopez – ‘Saints: Friends for our Journey’
- November 8, 2020 – Fr. Rogie Castellano, C.P. – ‘Pandemic and the Empowerment by the Holy Spirit’
- November 15, 2020 – Deacon Marty Serraes – ‘Embracing the Final Days of Ordinary Time’
- November 22, 2020 – Fr. Curtis Kiddy, C.P. – ‘Intimacy with God through Prayer’
- November 29, 2020 – Fr. Edward Wolanski, C.P. – ‘Rejoice in the Lord Always’

Virtual Gala: We thank everyone who generously supported Spiritual Dei Gala 2020. We have decided to replace the March 2020 event, which fell victim to the COVID-19, with ‘Saint Paul of the Cross Virtual Gala’ in honor of our founder Saint Paul of the Cross. St. Paul of the Cross’s feast falls every year on October 20 so we felt it would be fitting to gather virtually at this time. We will be celebrating the 300th anniversary of the Passionists. The event will be a one-hour long celebration via ZOOM on Saturday, October 24, 2020, from 11:00 AM until 12:00 PM (ET). The event will be an inspiring program including a musical performance and the presentation of the 2020 service awards. We will be graced by the virtual presence of our Superior General, Very Rev. Joachim Rego, C.P. from Rome, Italy and our Provincial Superior Very Rev. James O’Shea, C.P. There is still room for additional attendees who wish to purchase a ticket and support our ministry. For Reservation, email reception@cproovfl.org by October 10, 2020.

We would like to thank you in advance for adhering to all the safety guidelines at OLOF. In doing so you are showing love and respect for your neighbor and allowing us to resume limited operations on site and helping to bring about an end to this situation. May we lift our hearts and ask God for the healing we need and for the normalcy we long. God Bless you all.

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Director