



# Archdiocese of Miami

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## OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS WENSKI

### **Requiescat in pace:**

† Deacon David Bloom died recently. He was ordained for the Archdiocese of Miami in 1999 and served at All Saints parish until he moved to Orlando in 2014. He served at St. John the Evangelist Church in Orlando for two years and from 2016 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in the Diocese of Palm Beach. Please keep Deacon David, his wife Virginia and the rest of the family in your prayers.

### **Please keep some of our brothers in your prayers as they go through various medical procedures, therapy, and recovery:**

- ◆ Fr. Kenneth Whittaker, V.F.
- ◆ Msgr. Vincent Kelly
- ◆ Fr. Elkin D. Sierra
- ◆ Fr. John O'Grady

### **Mass to celebrate Archbishop Wenski's 25th anniversary as a bishop**

Join in celebrating the 25th anniversary of Archbishop Thomas Wenski's ordination to the episcopacy at a Mass he will celebrate on Saturday, Sept. 3 at 5 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral, 7525 NW 2nd Ave., Miami.

Archbishop Wenski was appointed auxiliary bishop of Miami June 24, 1997, and his ordination took place Sept. 3 of that year. On July 1, 2003, he was appointed coadjutor to Orlando's Bishop Norbert Dorsey. On Nov. 13, 2004, upon Bishop Dorsey's retirement, he assumed the role of bishop of Orlando. On April 20, 2010, he was appointed the fourth archbishop of Miami, succeeding Archbishop emeritus John C. Favalora. He was installed June 1, 2010, at St. Mary Cathedral.

## OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS WENSKI (CONTINUED)

### **Clergy Retreat**

St. Paul Center Priest Conferences will feature talks by Scott Hahn, John Bergsma, Ralph Martin, Lawrence Feingold and Tim Gray. Cost is \$625 (includes room and board) and will be Jan. 3-6, 2023: The Meritage Hotel and Spa, CA (in partnership with the Napa Institute.) For more information or to register, visit <https://stpaulcenter.com/priests>

### ***Lingua Ecclesiae* intensive Latin course**

The Italian Institute for Classical Studies in Rome is offering an intensive immersive course in Living Latin for Ecclesiastics Aug. 28 – Sept. 24 in Rome or online. No prior knowledge of Latin required. For more information, contact [info@linguaecclesiae.com](mailto:info@linguaecclesiae.com)

**Fr. Hector Manuel Martinez Moya** is not a priest of the Archdiocese of Miami, never asked for the faculties, and is not authorized to function as a priest within the Archdiocese of Miami. He is a priest celebrating secret Masses and hearing confessions in Miami area. The Pastoral Center advises you against participation in his gatherings and liturgies.

**Fr. Rafael Antonio Abreu, OCD**, is prohibited from exercising sacred ministry therefore, he does not enjoy the faculties of the Archdiocese of Miami. Please contact the Chancery Office if he approaches your parish or any Lay Apostolic Movement.

### **Boy Scouts of America**

The Archdiocese of Miami has a long history of supporting the Boy Scouts of America program as an integral part of our parish's Youth Ministries. As I am sure you have read, the national Boy Scout organization has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection because of many past claims of abuse. There have been no claims of abuse brought in connection with any scouting unit chartered by an ADOM entity. The BSA bankruptcy case is ongoing and complicated and is being monitored by our attorneys and the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops. In the meantime, we will continue to support those BSA units, both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts that are already chartered in our parishes. However, for the time being, no new BSA units are to be chartered at any ADOM parish or school.

## OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

### **Virtus Training Online**

You may register for the initial Virtus training session at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

### **Registration Instructions:**

**For English:** Click [here](#)

**Para Español:** Oprima [aquí](#)

Once the initial training is complete, your account will be automatically activated. Continuing training is in the form of online monthly bulletins. For more information, contact Jan Rayburn at [jrayburn@theadom.org](mailto:jrayburn@theadom.org)

### **Safe Environment USCCB audit**

The Safe Environment office will welcome the USCCB's independent auditors in the coming months. This is a good opportunity for everyone to check that they have an active and up to date Virtus account. This includes the reading of the monthly bulletins. The bulletins are sent directly to your Virtus account the first Sunday of each month. At the same time an email reminder is sent to the email address on your Virtus account. If you are not receiving the reminders, it is most likely that your computer security program or an application update is blocking it. Please see the instructions below to ensure you receive the reminders. Keep in mind, whether you see the reminders or not, the bulletins are sent directly to your Virtus account anyway. If your account has been suspended due to an excess of missed bulletins, or for assistance or questions regarding your Virtus account, contact Jan Rayburn at: [jrayburn@theadom.org](mailto:jrayburn@theadom.org).

### **Virtus Emails**

To help ensure VIRTUS Online messages are delivered properly to your Inbox (not spam or junk folders) -- please add [system@pub.virtus.org](mailto:system@pub.virtus.org) -- to your Address Book and/or Safe List. If you follow these directions (adding [system@pub.virtus.org](mailto:system@pub.virtus.org) to your Address Book and/or Safe List), but reminders default to your **spam** folder -- or you do not receive your reminders at all -- we recommend that you check directly with your email provider to see if they are blocking or otherwise affecting delivery of email communications from VIRTUS Online ([system@pub.virtus.org](mailto:system@pub.virtus.org)) to your email account.

## OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

**Transformed in Love** is a marriage preparation program which uses a house-building metaphor to illustrate the concepts of establishing and nurturing marriage and family life. It includes many topics that contribute to building a marriage for a lifetime.

Please note that couples must attend both sessions to receive their certificate. Remember to **inform your Priest** in advance that you are attending the “Transformed in Love Group Marriage Preparation Program.”

- Saturday, Oct. 22 & Sunday, Oct. 23 (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) in **English**. Location: Church of the Little Flower, Coral Gables. Register at: <https://conta.cc/3OA6fle>

### **Retrouvaille Weekend for Couples**

Retrouvaille is for couples who need or want to rekindle and strengthen their marriage or get it back on track. It is also for couples who may be cold and distant, and believe that there is no hope for their marriage. The program helps couples that are struggling in their marriage, even those who are considering marriage separation or who are already separated or divorced. We welcome couples of ALL ages, regardless of how long they have been married, or have been in trouble. Retrouvaille has helped heal tens of thousands of marriages worldwide. The next event will be:

- Friday, Sept. 30 in English

For more information, contact the Registration Team at 305-915-4607, email [miami@retrouvaille.org](mailto:miami@retrouvaille.org) or visit [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com)

## OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE (CONTINUED)

### **Natural Family Planning: Creighton Model Introductory Session**

Please join us for an introductory session of Natural Family Planning “Creighton Model” to prepare for your new marriage or for marriage enrichment and learn a medically safe, morally acceptable, and highly effective method of both postponing and achieving pregnancy.

- **Spanish Session:** Sept. 20, 2022 at 7:30 pm (Online)  
Register at: <https://conta.cc/3PEqNzM>
- **English Session:** Sept. 22, 2022 at 7:30 pm (Online)  
Register at: <https://conta.cc/3NsF010>

For questions or more information about events hosted by the Office of Marriage and Family Life, please call 305-762-1123 or email [bmadhosingh@theadom.org](mailto:bmadhosingh@theadom.org).

## OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE

### **Parish Baby Bottle Drives**

Each parish in the Archdiocese is assigned to one of the Pregnancy Help Center locations for collaboration and support, which includes hosting an annual Baby Bottle Drive coordinated by pastor-appointed Respect Life Parish Representative. In addition to raising the funds necessary to operate the Pregnancy Help Centers, when each parishioner receives and fills a baby bottle, it helps raise awareness about the *Gospel of Life* and promotes personal commitment to building a culture of life and love within our parish communities. To participate in your parish’s bottle drive by making an online donation, visit [respectlifemiami.org/baby-bottle-drive](https://respectlifemiami.org/baby-bottle-drive). For more information and to schedule a Baby Bottle Drive in your parish, contact [acuratalo@theadom.org](mailto:acuratalo@theadom.org).

## OFFICE OF RESPECT LIFE (CONTINUED)

### **New Respect Life Pregnancy Help Center**

The new Respect Life Pregnancy Help Center blessing and open house will take place on Saturday, August 13, 2022 at 11 a.m.

The center is located at 2151 East Commercial Boulevard, Suite 303, Fort Lauderdale.

The Archdiocese of Miami is the only diocese out of the seven in the state to sponsor pregnancy help centers.

## OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**New School Year** The Archdiocese of Miami is glad to announce that its 2022/2023 school year starts on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. Currently the ninth largest Catholic school system in the U.S. with nearly 35,000 students, enrollment is up by 2 percent.

## OFFICE OF DETENTION MINISTRY

### **Volunteers Needed**

The Office of Detention Ministry of the Archdiocese of Miami is looking for priests and lay volunteers for one of the 30 correctional facilities in Miami-Dade. For more information, please email Deacon Edgardo Farias at [efarias@theadom.org](mailto:efarias@theadom.org).

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES

**Unaccompanied Refugee Minors Program** is looking for adults to become foster parents to refugee minors. The requirements to be a foster parent include:

- Be at least 21 years old
- Be able to provide adequate bedroom space and a separate bed for each foster child
- Have reliable transportation
- Be willing to participate in a 30-hour free training
- Be prepared for adults in your household to undergo complete background checks
- Be able to meet basic resources to support the household.

Catholic Charities provides 24-hour case management, monthly stipend to help with the care of the refugee minor or youth, continuing education and more. For more information, call 305-883-3383 or visit [www.ccadm.org](http://www.ccadm.org)

## OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

### Follow the Archdiocese of Miami on Social Media:

Please include in your Parish Bulletin

 Facebook: [@ArchdioceseofMiami](https://www.facebook.com/ArchdioceseofMiami) |  Twitter: [@CatholicMiami](https://twitter.com/CatholicMiami) |  Instagram: [@CatholicMiami](https://www.instagram.com/CatholicMiami)

### Beware of scammers

The Archdiocese of Miami has heard reports of scammers impersonating Archbishop Thomas Wenski on Instagram. If you, your friends, or family receive a direct message from accounts impersonating Archbishop Wenski, please do not respond. Report the account immediately to the social media platform, and let us know someone impersonating Archbishop Wenski has tried to contact you.

## OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS (CONTINUED)

### Events

#### Eucharistic Marian Congress

Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary invite you to a Eucharistic Marian Congress, "Be Not Afraid: The Two Hearts Will Triumph" on Oct. 7-9 at the DoubleTree by Hilton & Miami Airport Convention Center, Miami.

Internationally renowned speakers include:

- Archbishop Thomas Wenski, Metropolitan Archbishop of Miami, Florida.
- Mother Adela Galindo, SCTJM - Foundress of the Religious Family "Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary" and of the Lay Branch "Apostles of the Two Hearts"
- Fr. Josh Johnson, priest of the Diocese of Baton Rouge who has directed retreats and conferences and made use of social media to spread the healing power of Christ.
- Antonia Acutis, Mother of Bl. Carlos Acutis, who was beatified in Assisi on Oct. 10, 2020. This Millennial youth used his computer skills to influence the world with his love for the Eucharist.

The event is multilingual. Simultaneous interpretation will be available. Holy Mass will be celebrated each day. Donation cost for the weekend: \$50 per person. After Aug. 31, the donation cost for the weekend is \$75 per person. Friday only (FREE ENTRANCE)

Click [here](#) for more information or below to view the video invitation:

[English](#)

[Spanish](#)