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OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS WENSKI

Requiescat in pace:

† **Nubia Tolosa-Pita**, 52, sister of Father Armando Tolosa, pastor at Saint Catherine of Siena, died of cancer Oct. 23 in Colombia.

† **Teresa Binh Nguyen**, mother of Father Martin Khiet Pham, parochial vicar at Saint Gregory Church, died of covid-related causes Oct. 26 in Montréal, Canada.

Scheduling of Christmas Eve Masses

Given the unique situation this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic and because the instruction of *Eucharisticum mysterium* affirms the competence of the local Ordinary to determine the scheduling of vigil Masses, Archbishop Wenski will permit by way of an exception that Vigil Masses on Christmas eve be celebrated beginning at 3 p.m. to accommodate the faithful.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Hurricane Eta made landfall in Central America as a devastating category 4 storm. Reports coming from Nicaragua, Honduras and Guatemala show complete destruction of homes and neighborhoods.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Miami is asking for your support to help the victims of Eta. 100% of your donation to Catholic Charities will go toward local Caritas organizations in those countries to help alleviate the suffering.

Donations can be made by going to: www.ccadm.org

OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY

Celebrating the Cloud of Witnesses: Race, Resilience and Renewal: Join this online three-part program to learn the stories of six heroic African American candidates to the sainthood who overcame racism and discrimination and lived out an authentic witness to their Catholic faith. The remaining lectures will be Nov. 14 and 21 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and will feature Venerable Pierre Toussaint, Venerable Sr. Henriette Delille, Servant of God Mother Mary Lange, Venerable Augustus Tolton, Servant of God Julia Greeley, and Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman. Free. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/122107178859>.

For more information, contact Katrenia Reeves-Jackman, director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministry at 305-762-1120 or blackcatholicministry@theadom.org

SAFE ENVIRONMENT OFFICE

New Online Training Option in the Virtus Registration Process

In these extraordinary times, the Safe Environment Office has reviewed the current process of Virtus training and how it should proceed in an effort to still provide quality education of awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and do so in a safe and logistically viable procedure.

In response we have worked with Virtus National to provide temporary online training as an option. It is available in English, Spanish and also Korean and Vietnamese subtitles.

This means the participant must have access to the internet. For those few who do not, and do not have another option, then their site—meaning parish or school—is to provide them with a computer on site for them to complete this training.

All those completing the online training option will have an active Virtus account and will be required to read their monthly bulletins just as is required with the live training. The Local Coordinator at each site will have access to all accounts affiliated with their location just as before. Compliance responsibilities will not change.

Register for online class at www.virtus.org. For questions regarding the new online training option please contact Jan Rayburn at jrayburn@theadom.org

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

November is **Stewardship Month** at the Archdiocese of Miami. During the five weekends of November, we will explore new tools to encourage and engage parishioners in the practice of stewardship. Parishes will have the opportunity to learn how to use their resources to practice basic stewardship, bringing awareness to an ongoing process of using every day as an opportunity to teach and grow as a committed and responsible parish community.

- **Nov. 14-15:** Ministry Weekend- Virtual Ministry Fair and ministry testimonials to create parishioner engagement.
- **Nov. 21-22:** ThanksForGiving weekend– Masses will be dedicated to creating an attitude of gratitude and thanking all who have contributed their time, talent and treasure to the parish.
- **Nov. 28-29:** Communication through Technology- bringing awareness of how to keep connected to the parish through technology.

To register or for more information, call Grace at 305-762-1064 or email gveloz@theadom.org

OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

Miami Catholic Young Professional Series is the first Monday of each month and is a great way to network with other young professionals in Miami and be inspired by experts in various professions on how to excel both in your work and faith life. For the time being our gatherings are being held online: <https://www.facebook.com/CYPmiami/>

Miami CYP is also hosting small group forums based on professions. The small groups will be moderated by members of the CYP planning team and, in some cases, past speakers. Groups include Finance, Health & Wellness, Education and Marketing. Full details are on their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CYPmiami/>

Broward Catholic Young Professional Series meetings are the fourth Monday of each month (currently online). For upcoming event information check our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CYPbroward>

Broward Young Adults Rosary online every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. Join us on Zoom with meeting ID 829-4361-8173 and password Rosary.

OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Natural Family Planning (NFP): Learn Natural Family Planning (NFP) and help build communication skills and enhance intimacy in your marriage. NFP is normative for all couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in the Archdiocese of Miami. You can find more information at www.miamiarch.org/familylife

- **Creighton Method of NFP**, taught locally and to couples on an individual basis by Sarah McKeown in English (218-368-8505, smfertilitycare@gmail.com or Guadalupe Carral, in Spanish or English (713-203-2375, lupitacrms@gmail.com)

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: Jan. 12 at 7:30 pm. (Online) Register at: <https://conta.cc/31Lhl6F>**
- **English Session: Jan. 14 at 7:30 pm (Online) Register at: <https://conta.cc/3kwaUvw>**
- **Couple to Couple League (Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP):** Couples may attend a three-part series (once a month for three months) of introductory classes offered by the Couple to Couple League to learn more about this medically safe, morally acceptable and highly effective method, both for postponing and achieving pregnancy. To register for any class— on-site, self-paced, or virtual visit: <http://register.ccli.org>

Fully Engaged Marriage Preparation Inventory Training for Mentor Couples

Fully Engaged Pre-Marital & Convalidation Inventories are offering New Facilitator Webinar Trainings via Go-To-Meeting (online.) The following options are available:

- Mon., Nov. 16 - 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Central Time
- Sat., Dec. 5 - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Central Time

Webinar is **free**, but you will need a Pre-Marital Preview Package which is \$45 plus shipping. All classes are offered in English. Spanish is available per request. To register, call Jill at 320-258-7611 or email at jill.svihel@gw.stcdio.org. Please register at least 10 days prior to the class.

OFFICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE CONTINUED

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2021

All couples married in the Catholic Church celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th or 50 plus wedding anniversary in 2021 are invited to attend a Mass at St. Mary Cathedral on Saturday, February 13, 2021 and receive a blessing from Archbishop Thomas Wenski.

Couples interested in having their picture taken with Archbishop Wenski should arrive by 4 p.m. Mass will start at 5:30 p.m. Participants will sit in a special designated area in the front pews.

To register, visit <https://conta.cc/3bXKNd0> or contact your Parish Office.

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)

Online Events Calendar postings

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many events are taking place online only. Events taking place in person are subject to CDC guidelines, including restrictions on capacity and requirements for social distancing and mask-wearing. When you submit an event, please make clear in the description whether it is taking place online or in person.

Beware solicitors

The Archdiocese of Miami has been alerted to door-to-door solicitors presenting themselves as seminarians and members of a religious organization called Mary Queen of the Third Millennium, Inc., soliciting funds. Sometimes carrying a statue of Our Lady, they may ask to pray in one's home, offer to bless the house and then ask individuals to sign papers allowing them to make automatic withdrawals from their bank accounts.

This organization does not appear to be legitimate and is neither approved nor affiliated with the Archdiocese of Miami or its seminaries.

If anyone has been victimized, please report it to the State of Florida Consumer Services Hotline, 1-800 435-7352.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS CONTINUED

“Is My Email in Your Spam?”

There are multiple reasons why some important emails end-up in your spam folder, but the most common reasons have to do with the fact that:

- 1) Webmail providers (i.e. AOL, Gmail, Yahoo, etc.) investigate how many emails are opened and how many are deleted without being opened. This helps webmail providers decide which emails to filter into the spam folder.
- 2) You have low mailbox usage. Webmail providers look at the ratio of active to inactive email accounts. An inactive email account is an account that has not been used for a long time or is rarely used. If an email is sent to an email address that appears to be abandoned, that is a red flag to spam filters. It is advised to clean-up your email list periodically.
- 3) Unfortunately, some e-mail services view valid group e-mails as if they are SPAM.
- 4) Periodically, view the mail in your SPAM and JUNK folders before deleting.

In order to move important emails from the SPAM/JUNK folder to the INBOX folder, the user must **left-click and hold** the desired email in the SPAM /JUNK folder and drag it to the INBOX folder. This will allow you to open it in your INBOX and respond accordingly.

In order to prevent important emails from going into your SPAM /JUNK folder in the future, the user should **right-click** on the desired email in the SPAM /JUNK folder and select from whatever options the e-mail software provides. Usually there will be an option to mark the sender's address so that it will not be captured in the SPAM filter in the future. Selecting “Do not block this sender” or an equivalent option will assure that the sender's mail will arrive in the INBOX in the future.

The domain of the Archdiocese of Miami Pastoral Center is @theadom.org. If have not been receiving mail from the ADOM Pastoral Center, you might wish to make @theadom.org a safe sender.