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OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS WENSKI

Requiescat in pace:

† **Archbishop Tulio Manuel Chirivella Varela**, emeritus of Barquisimeto, Venezuela, died April 10, 2021, the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday. After falling ill on a visit to Miami and unable to return home due to conditions in Venezuela, he spent several years in the care of Catholic Health Services at St. Anne's Nursing Center in South Dade. The Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated by Archbishop Wenski at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Doral at 11 a.m.

The livestream of the Mass will be available [here](#).

Announcements:

Archbishop Thomas Wenski has made the following appointments:

Effective April 19, 2021:

- **Rev. Oswaldo E. Agudelo**, Chaplain to Catholic Hospice, Inc, in residence at St. Mary's Cathedral.

Priest ordinations

Eight transitional deacons will be ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Miami. The Ordination Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Thomas Wenski on Saturday, May 8, 2021, 10 a.m. at The Fernandez Family Center in St. Thomas University and will be livestreamed on the archdiocesan [website](#). The Vespers will be celebrated the evening before on Friday, May 7. **Attendance is by invitation only.** The candidates for this year's priesthood ordination are:

- Deacon Yosbany Alfonso
- Deacon Hans Paul Chamorro
- Deacon Alberto José Chavez Godoy

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- Deacon Franklin Ifeanyichukwu Ekezie
- Deacon Jeremy Robert Lully
- Deacon Jesse Adam (Paul) Pierce
- Deacon Leandro Freitas Siqueira
- Deacon Nicholas Raphael Toledo

English-speaking priest needed:

The Diocese of Bluefields, Nicaragua is in need of a priest to serve their English-speaking communities. If interested, please contact Archbishop Thomas Wenski at twenski@theadom.org

OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Scholarships are still available for Master of Science in Church Management Degree through ADOM Partnership with Villanova University

The cohort beginning in mid-May 2021 is forming now, and there are still slots available. The Archdiocese of Miami has a partnership with the Villanova School of Business to support students in the online Master of Science in Church Management (MSCM) degree. The unique program bridges ministry and management for people working in parish and arch/diocesan offices and other apostolates. This two-year online graduate degree is built for people working full-time who want to learn how to organize, plan, steward, and lead their ministries more effectively. Thanks to Villanova benefactors, students from any church or ministry within the Archdiocese of Miami are eligible for a scholarship from Villanova University that will cover up to half of the tuition! To learn more visit: www.mscom.villanova.edu. See also the Partners Page for information on Miami scholarships.

For more information contact Chesley Turner, Director of the Villanova Center for Church Management, at (610) 519-6015 or chesley.turner@villanova.edu

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT

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 with Korean and Vietnamese subtitles.

This means the participant must have access to the internet. For those few who do not have access, 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 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. Participants may choose from the following sessions; couples must attend both days of their selected session to receive their certificate. Remember to **inform your Priest** in advance that you are attending the “Transformed in Love Group Marriage Preparation Program.

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Please be aware that due to the current situation with COVID-19, the Archdiocese of Miami is making a unique exception, allowing our office to provide the group program online as a Live Interactive Webinar. This is not a Self-Paced Class, it is a LIVE Class with real-time lectures:

**Saturday, May 22 & Sunday, May 23, 2021 (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) in SPANISH
Live Interactive Webinar**

To register please click on the following link: <https://conta.cc/36sZjZ6>

**Saturday, July 17 & Sunday, July 18, 2021 (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) in English
Live Interactive Webinar**

To register please click on the following link: <https://conta.cc/34NZm1i>

**Saturday, August 28 & Sunday, August 29, 2021 (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) in English
Live Interactive Webinar**

To register please click on the following link: <https://conta.cc/35WmUQT>

**Saturday, September 25 & Sunday, September 26, 2021 (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) in SPANISH
Live Interactive Webinar**

To register please click on the following link: <https://conta.cc/2XIF44R>

Please note that couples must attend both sessions to receive their certificate.

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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.

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The next events will be:

- Friday, April 16, 2021 in English
- Friday, October 8, 2021 in Spanish

For more information, contact the Registration Team at 305-915-4607, email miami@retrouvaille.org or visit HelpOurMarriage.com

Contact Information

Registration Team – (305) 915-4607

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Online Events Calendar postings

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many events are 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 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.