



# Archdiocese of Miami Pastoral Bulletin

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## Office of Archbishop Thomas Wenski

### Appointments

Effective Sept. 1, 2025

- **Fr. Krzysztof Janicki**, SChr, Parochial Administrator of Our Lady of Czestochowa Polish Catholic Mission, Pompano Beach.

### Priest retreats

#### St. Paul Center Priest Lifetime Membership

The St. Paul Center is offering free all-access membership for priests. Resources include:

- The Word of the Lord weekly reflections on the Sunday Mass Readings
- Over 20+ course on Scripture and Theology
- Flagship Journey through Scripture studies on the Mass, the Virgin Mary, and more

Priests may visit [StPaulCenter.com//Priest-Membership](https://StPaulCenter.com//Priest-Membership) to register.

#### St. Paul Center Priest Conferences

Experience four days of spiritual and intellectual renewal for priests, presented by the St. Paul Center. Three different dates and locations are offered:

- Jan. 5-8, 2026 in Huntington Beach, CA
- April 13-16, 2026 in Austin, TX
- July 6-9, 2026 in Wheeling, WV

Costs vary, from \$425-\$700. Register online at [StPaulCenter.com/Priests](https://StPaulCenter.com/Priests) or contact [events@stpaulcenter.com](mailto:events@stpaulcenter.com) or call 740-264-9535 ext. 20 for more information.

## Office of Archbishop Thomas Wenski, continued

### Announcements

#### **National Association of Catholic Chaplains (NACC)**

Please consider publishing in your bulletins:

The NACC provides grace-filled encounters to the sick, the imprisoned, and all those in need of Christ's healing presence. As they celebrate their 60th anniversary and a Jubilee Year, they have launched Works of Hope, a free digital resource highlighting the transformative work of pastoral care ministers throughout the United States. The publication debuted Feb. 11 in honor of the World Day of the Sick. You and your communities are invited to engage with this resource and share it with your parishes and pastoral care ministers dedicated to serving those in need. Works of Hope can be accessed by visiting [www.nacc.org](http://www.nacc.org).

**Jubilee Year 2025** will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world have designated their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Jubilee Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive the faith. The following churches and shrines are designated as special places of prayer for pilgrims:

- **Cathedral of St. Mary**, Miami, 7525 NW 2nd Ave, Miami
- **The National Shrine of Our Lady of Charity (La Ermita)**, 3609 S. Miami Ave, Miami
- **Our Lady of Schoenstatt Shrine**, 22800 SW 187th Ave, Homestead
- **St. Mary Star of the Sea Basilica**, 1010 Windsor Lane, Key West
- **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish**, 11691 NW 25th Street, Doral
- **St. Clement Catholic Parish**, 2975 N. Andrews Ave, Wilton Manors

The basic conditions to gain an indulgence are that a person is moved by a spirit of charity, is "purified through the sacrament of penance and refreshed by Holy Communion" and prays for the pope. Groups of faithful who wish to organize pilgrimages to one or more of the designated churches or shrines should coordinate with the site so that the pilgrims can be properly welcomed and have access to the Sacraments, especially confession.

## Office of the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs

### Announcements

Due to various factors, circumstances, and lack of faculties, the following priests are currently unable to exercise their ministry within the Archdiocese of Miami:

- Rev. José Leonidas Mena Juarez (Diocese of Leon, Nicaragua)
- Rev. Msgr. Rodrigo Urbina Vivas (Diocese of Leon, Nicaragua)
- Rev. Jean Pierre Guay (Diocese of Trois-Rivieres, Canada)
- Rev. Ruben O. Leyva-Pupo, CM (last at Diocese of Saint Augustine, FL)
- Rev. Juan Lazaro Velez Gonzalez (Diocese of Pinar del Rio, Cuba, last assignment Saint Timothy)

This list is in addition to priests who have never requested faculties or who have been denied them. Consequently, they are prohibited from celebrating Masses, administering the Sacraments (under normal circumstances), or organizing and presiding over religious meetings and events within the Archdiocese of Miami.

### Important Notice

“Patriarch” Andrés Tirado Pérez does not have faculties in the Archdiocese of Miami. He is not authorized by the Catholic Church to perform sacraments, exorcisms or paid ministries. His ministry is not recognized nor recommended by the Archdiocese of Miami.

## Office of the Chancellor for Administration

Dear Monsignors/ Fathers,

This serves as a reminder that the 2025 October Mass Attendance Census started on the weekend of **Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 4-5**, it includes the four weekends of October, **ending Oct. 25-26**.

Please remember to count the number of penitents during these weekends.

The deadline to return the count electronically is **Monday, Nov. 10, 2025**. Thank you, in advance, for timely reporting – by electronic upload – of the data. If your staff responsible for uploading data is not familiar with the process, please have them contact Mayra Rossell in the Chancellors' Office at 305.762.1220 or [mrossell@theadom.org](mailto:mrossell@theadom.org).

## Office of Respect Life

**St. Gianna and Pietro Molla Miscarriage Ministry** wants to invite you to honor your child/children lost through miscarriage. Memorializing a loved one can be a very powerful part of the healing process. Many parents and relatives find it helpful to name their babies.

If you have not done so, visit us on our Heaven's Littlest Saints wall:

[https://www.miamiarch.org/CatholicDiocese.php?op=Memorial\\_Miscarriage\\_Ministry](https://www.miamiarch.org/CatholicDiocese.php?op=Memorial_Miscarriage_Ministry).

## Office of Marriage and Family Life

### Fully Engaged Training for Mentor Couples

Fully Engaged Pre-Marital & Convalidation Inventories are offering New Facilitator Webinar Trainings via ZOOM (ONLINE).

- Sábado, 8 de noviembre 2025 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. en Español (En línea)
- Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in English (online)

Please register at least 10 days prior to the class. To register, email Jill at [jill.svihel@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:jill.svihel@gw.stcdio.org), visit <https://getfullyengaged.com/new-mentor-training/> or call 320-258-7611.

## Office of Vocations

### National Vocation Awareness Week – Coming Soon!

Mark your calendars: Nov. 2–8, 2025! This annual week in the Catholic Church in the United States is dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education. Let us also renew our prayers and support for those discerning a vocation. For resources from national organizations, [click here](#).

## Office of Vocations

### St. Andrew's Discernment Gathering

We extend our heartfelt thanks to St. Gregory the Great Catholic Parish in Plantation and the Northwest Broward Deanery for your welcoming hospitality in hosting last month's gathering.

This month's St. Andrew's Discernment Gathering will take place on **Saturday, Oct. 18, 2025**, at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Parish in the East Dade Deanery. We encourage the priests of the East Dade Deanery to invite at least one young man (ages 16–35) to attend. All young men in this age group are welcome to join us for prayer, fraternity, and guidance in discerning the Lord's call. Registration can be completed using [this form](#). For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 305-762-1137 or reach out to Fr. Milton Martínez at [mmartinez@theadom.org](mailto:mmartinez@theadom.org).

### Vocation Awareness Weekend - Fall 2025

Vocations Awareness Weekend will take place Nov. 14 to 16, 2025. If you know any young men ages 17–35 who may be discerning a call to the priesthood, or who you think would be a good candidate, please invite them to join us at St. John Vianney College Seminary for a weekend of discernment. For more information, please [click here](#) to access the [online Registration Form](#) or contact the Vocations Office at 305-762-1137 or [mmartinez@theadom.org](mailto:mmartinez@theadom.org).

### IV Annual Archbishop's Cup – 2026

Mark your calendars! The IV Annual Archbishop's Cup soccer tournament will take place on **Friday, Jan. 16, 2026**, at St. Thomas University. Doors open at 6:00 PM, and kickoff is at 7:30 PM. This exciting annual tradition brings our community together for fellowship, fun, and friendly competition.

## Office of Vocations, continued

**To the ADOM Clergy:** We extend a special invitation to our priests who wish to play — please register early to secure your spot on the field by clicking [this link](#). Come cheer, play, and enjoy an evening of fraternity and faith-filled camaraderie.

### One Hail Mary a Day for Vocations

Thank you for continuing to pray [#AHailMaryADay!](#) Please pray for the seminarians and their vocation as well as for new vocations.

## Office of the Permanent Diaconate

**Convocation of Deacons** is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. John Vianney College Seminary. Deacons are expected to participate; wives are invited to attend. Candidates in the fourth year of diaconate formation will be instituted as lectors and acolytes by Archbishop Thomas Wenski within Mass at 9 a.m.

### Convocation Schedule:

9 a.m. Mass celebrated by Archbishop Thomas Wenski

Institution of lectors and acolytes

10:30 a.m. Rev. Joseph Mary Rogers, SCTJM

12 p.m. Lunch at refectory

1p.m. Closing

**Ordination of permanent deacons:** Saturday, Dec. 13, at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Mary.

## Office of Safe Environment

### Safe Environment Local Coordinator

The Archdiocese of Miami's administration has reevaluated the Safe Environment Office in all aspects including the general policy, staffing and assigning of responsibilities, reporting procedures, requirements to serve as either an employee, vendor, or volunteer, and compliance procedures all in accordance with the USCCB's Charter for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults.

An imperative part of ensuring compliance for our entities is the assigning of a Local Coordinator for your site. The Local Coordinator is responsible for compliance and record keeping of the Archdiocesan Creating and Maintaining Safe Environments for Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy. Essentially, this means ensuring that compliance is met and that it can be proven. (Remember the SE Office is an independently audited office.)

The role description is extensive and requires training before access is given. If your site does not have a local coordinator, please contact the Safe Environment office at [jrayburn@theadom.org](mailto:jrayburn@theadom.org) for the Role Description, and consider your choice carefully. Once a candidate is identified, contact the Safe Environment Office with the name and email address of the candidate to receive the appropriate training. This person must already be compliant in Virtus, fingerprinting, and a signed pledge to promote safe environment.

Ultimately, the responsibility falls to the Pastor, Principal, or Director of the site. Thank you for joining the archdiocesan efforts to protect children and vulnerable adults.

## Office of Detention Ministry

**Pastors, please consider announcing the following in your parish bulletin:**

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

## Catholic Health Services

**Please consider publishing in your bulletins:**

### **Carrying Forward Christ's Healing Mission: Catholic Health Services**

For centuries, the Catholic Church has served as a beacon of compassion, healing, and shelter—caring for the sick, the elderly, the poor, and the vulnerable. Catholic Health Services continues this sacred tradition today, offering high-quality, faith-centered care that preserves the dignity of every person, regardless of age, background, or ability to pay. Our services reflect the Church's commitment to human life and the common good.

We are proud to offer the following services to our Archdiocese:

### **Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Centers & Specialty Rehabilitation Hospitals:**

Compassionate care and services for those recovering from various injuries and surgeries that require post-acute physical, speech, and occupational therapy. State-certified skilled nursing services and long-term care

**Assisted Living and Independent Housing for Seniors:** Safe, respectful, and community-oriented residences designed to support aging with dignity.

**Palliative and Hospice Care:** Holistic and spiritual support for those facing terminal illness and their families.

**Home Health Services:** Medical and personal care delivered in the comfort of one's home, enabling independence and healing.

At the heart of Catholic Health Services is a mission not only to provide care, but to be Christ's hands in the world—to see the face of God in every patient, resident, and family we serve. To learn more about Catholic Health Services and how you can access care, please visit [www.CatholicHealthServices.org](http://www.CatholicHealthServices.org) or contact 877-CHS-4ALL.

## Catholic Hospice

**Camp Erin** will host a one day bereavement camp for children Oct. 25, 2025. Deadline to apply is Oct. 8. Visit <https://www.catholichealthservices.org/hospice/camp-erin/>

**The Volunteer Services Department** offers volunteer opportunities for individuals looking to join an organization committed to providing care to vulnerable populations. You can choose to join: Companion Care, Acts of Kindness Project, Camp Erin, We Honor Veterans, Pet Peace of Mind and more! For more information, email [volunteerservices@catholichospice.org](mailto:volunteerservices@catholichospice.org).



## Catholic Charities

### **Pastors, please consider publishing in your bulletins:**

**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).

### **Wilton Manors Adult Day Care**

Provides services for elder adults in a safe environment. Our center is designed to promote well-being through social and health-related services. Services include nutritional meals, assistance with activities of daily living, educational workshops, live musical entertainment, caregiver assistance and referrals. We accept Medicaid Managed Care Programs. Open Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Servicios disponibles en español. Location: 1503 NE 26 St., Wilton Manors. Call 954-630-9501.

### **Head Start and Early Head Start**

Offer qualifying families of children up to the age of five a range of services including:

- Social Services
- Nutritional Services
- Health Services
- Mental Health and Disability Services
- Assistance Obtaining SNAP/food stamps for: Housing, Public Assistance, etc.

Enrollment for 2025-2026 is open, but spaces are limited. Visit [www.ccadm.org](http://www.ccadm.org) for more information about the Child Development Services or to find a center near you.

## Office of Communications

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

*Please Include in your Parish Bulletin:*



Facebook [@ArchdioceseofMiami](https://www.facebook.com/ArchdioceseofMiami) |



[@CatholicMiami](https://twitter.com/CatholicMiami) |



Instagram [@CatholicMiami](https://www.instagram.com/CatholicMiami)

### Pastors, please add the following announcements in your parish bulletins:

#### Sunday Mass for shut-ins: online, on TV and on YouTube

The greatest gift that you could give a sick or homebound person is to remind them that hearing God's word in livestreamed and recorded Masses is only a few clicks away. To watch the Mass in English or Spanish, visit [miamiarch.org](http://miamiarch.org) | Offices & Ministries | Communications | Television Mass; or watch the Spanish Masses on our YouTube channel, CatholicMiami. Mass recordings become available at 6 p.m. every Saturday through midnight Sunday, and a direct link is posted on the News Center on the home page of the archdiocesan website. Masses also are broadcast in Spanish on Univision 23 on Sundays at 6:30 a.m. Those who are homebound and would like a visit from an extraordinary minister of Communion may contact their parish office directly.

#### Beware of scammers

The Archdiocese of Miami has heard reports of scammers impersonating Archbishop Thomas Wenski and some of our priests on Facebook, Instagram and other social media platforms, as well as via texts and phone calls. Please be aware that no archdiocesan priest or bishop will ever contact you directly asking for money, gift cards or anything else.

If you, your friends, family, or parish staff receive a direct message from anyone impersonating Archbishop Wenski or one of our priests, please do not respond. Report the fake account immediately to the social media platform and let the archdiocesan Communications Office know by emailing [mrivas@theadom.org](mailto:mrivas@theadom.org).

Impersonator scams also should be reported to the Federal Trade Commission by calling 1-877-382-4357; or Florida's Consumer Protection Division, 1-866-966-7226. Find out more about the types of scams making the rounds at [myfloridalegal.com](http://myfloridalegal.com).