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of Central Florida**
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Newsletter



The Month of the Rosary

October is the month of the Rosary and many throughout Central Florida are still reeling from the effects of Hurricane Ian, either in recovery mode themselves or are concerned for friends and family in other parts of Florida. I

hope you were able to pray the Rosary this month and I'd like to encourage you to continue to pray with a special intention for those displaced, injured, or suffering major losses because of the storm. Praying the Rosary is a powerful and meaningful way to ask our Blessed Mother to intercede on our behalf and for the needs of others.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day will be here soon on Nov 1st and Nov. 2nd respectively. These days help us to know that we are part of a family that is wider and deeper than our physical world. Our family of faith is a reality of how we are connected with all of the faithful Christians through the ages. In Christ, we all form one mystical body and in this body we are the communion of saints. In this spiritual union of the living and the dead, Christ is the head of our body and we collectively contribute to the good of all and share in the welfare of all. May we remember those who have gone before us but have not yet reached that full heavenly glory with our Lord Jesus Christ and His Blessed Mother.

Praying the Rosary is also a wonderful way to reconnect ourselves spiritually with those we have lost throughout our lives. So, before we all get too busy and preoccupied with the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, let us use this precious remaining ordinary time to pause, reflect and pray for those whose losses are hard to understand, and for those losses which are very personal to us: the loved ones we remember so fondly on All Souls Day. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death, Amen!

Lastly, I would like to express my gratitude for our dedicated team who helped to pack up our offices after they were flooded from the hurricane. I'm also thankful for our partners, the Diocese of Orlando, for finding us a few temporary workspaces to share while our offices are being repaired. Our team has been flexible and is graciously adapting in a hybrid work model to maintain our programs and to continue to serve our faith family in Central Florida.



Kimberlee Riley, CAP
President & CEO

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Ministry Spotlight

Magnify 
A Ministry of the Diocese of Orlando

Bishop
Grady Villas 

Since its inception, [Bishop Grady Villas](#) has worked diligently to support

Estate Planning Awareness Month

F R E E W I L L 

Nearly 67% of American adults don't have a plan in place and miss out on the opportunity to define their wishes.

individuals with disabilities to live independently in their community.

[Create your plan in 20 minutes at no cost!](#)

Central Florida *National Philanthropy Day*



Foundation [President/CEO Kimberlee Riley](#) was honored as Outstanding Fundraising Professional at the National Philanthropy Awards. We're honored to lift up philanthropy in our community. Congrats, Kimberlee!

Fund Spotlight *Disaster Relief*



We offer our prayers to all the families affected by these disasters and pray for the repose of the souls whose lives were taken. [We ask you to consider contributing in support of needs arising from these calamities.](#)

Community Spotlight *ICSC Awards and Luncheon*

Industry Spotlight *Ethics Awareness Month*



Foundation team hosted a lunch for diocesan clergy and other stewardship professionals attending the [ICSC Conference in Anaheim, CA](#). Some attendees received a grant to attend through the Foundation.



October is a great time to focus on [ethics](#) because it kicks off the 'giving season' in the last quarter of the calendar year when most charities receive one-third to one-half of their annual funds.

Event Sponsorship Grants
Soup Bowl Supper; Harvest Ball

Continuing to Serve...
While Temporarily Displaced



The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida sponsors many fundraising events throughout the diocese with [event sponsorship grants](#).



The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida was not immune to Hurricane Ian impacts. [Our offices sustained considerable water damage](#), but thankfully very little property loss.

[Charitable Giving](#)
[Ways to Give Smarter in 2022](#)

[Community](#)
[Hispanic Heritage Month](#)

A graphic with the word "TOP" in red on a yellow speech bubble and the number "10" in red. The background is white with a blue bar at the top and a purple bar at the bottom.

TOP 10

Professor Dr. Russell James spoke at our Planned Giving Advisory Council seminar earlier this year. Today, Dr. James shares his [top ten year-end giving tips](#).



Upcoming Events:



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EVENTS

5 S.E. 17th Street
Ocala, FL

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Legacy Planning Seminar Series

hosted by:



Will & Estate Planning

Weds, Nov. 2
11am Learn about the key estate
planning documents every
Catholic American needs to
have

Weds, Nov. 9
11am **Financial Planning**
Protecting your family and
planning today for a better
tomorrow

Weds, Nov. 16
11am **Catholic Funeral Rites &**
Leaving a Legacy of Faith

Our Mission:

To inspire and increase giving, to prudently invest the resources entrusted to us, and to capably steward those charitable gifts to support the spiritual and corporal needs of the community of the Diocese of Orlando.

Returning God's Gifts



Stay Connected With Us Everyday!



The Catholic Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation committed to fostering and stewarding philanthropy to address community issues and meet the spiritual and corporal needs of our community year-round. As a proven trustworthy philanthropic organization to give to and give through, we have received the Guidestar Platinum Seal of Transparency. Fully endorsed by the Diocese of Orlando and its Bishop, we work extensively with Catholic parishes, schools and nonprofit organizations aligned with Catholic social values to help inspire giving and secure resources needed to further their long-term goals.

**Platinum
Transparency
2022**

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