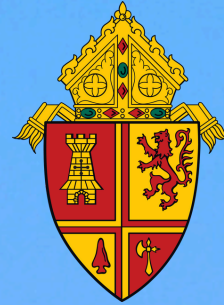


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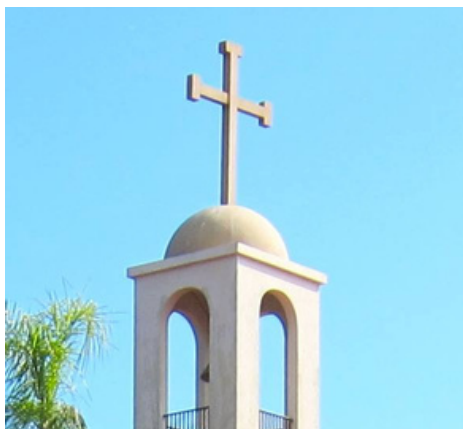


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Pinellas County
Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle
5815 5th Ave N, St. Petersburg

The Parish of St. Jude was elevated to cathedral status for the newly formed Diocese of Saint Petersburg with the appointment and installation of Bishop Charles B. McLaughlin as the first Bishop of St. Petersburg on May 8, 1968. One striking feature of the Cathedral's architecture is the 24-foot-high stained-glass window behind the altar. A circular glass motif serves as a backdrop for the cathedral's gold-plated tabernacle. A beautiful dome is supported by massive steel beams. Some of the notable works of art include a stunning mosaic depicting the landing of Father Juan Xuarez in St. Petersburg in 1528. The Spanish missionary priest was the first Catholic bishop who was appointed to serve in the United States.



Pinellas County
Espiritu Santo Catholic Church
2405 Philippe Parkway, SafetyHabor

In 1549, Father Luis de Cancer, a Dominican missionary sailed into the bay to spread the Gospel. For six weeks, he made numerous contacts with the native peoples. On June 26, 1549, he was martyred on the northwest edge of the bay near a Tocobaga village. Twenty years after that, a Jesuit priest built a small chapel nearby for another short-lived missionary endeavor. Four hundred years would pass before a parish would be built on the site of these ancient Spanish missionary efforts. The contemporary Spanish mission style church with its large Father Luis de Cancer stained-glass window, pays tribute to those initial efforts of evangelization. A Florida historical marker may be found at the entrance to the church.



Hillsborough County
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
509 N. Florida Avenue, Tampa

The "ecclesiastic jewel of Downtown Tampa," Sacred Heart Catholic Church has roots reaching back to 1860. The current church began construction in 1898 under the guidance of Jesuits who were asked to steward the parish following a Yellow Fever outbreak that claimed the lives of their diocesan predecessors. The Romanesque church, with Gothic and Byzantine influences, is largely unchanged since its 1905 dedication, including 18 stained glass windows designed by the Mayer Company of Munich, Germany, a 135-foot dome, solid oak pews and doors, porcelain tile, and an altar made of Italian Carrara marble. Stewardship of the parish is now entrusted to the Franciscans.



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Pasco County

Saint Leo Abbey Church

33601 County Road 52, St. Leo

The Benedictine Abbey was founded in 1889, but the church wasn't built and consecrated until January 29, 1948. Construction began in 1936 but was often delayed because of the war and the need to raise funds. The Abbey's Church of the Holy Cross has a majestic marble crucifix modeled after the Shroud of Turin. Early on, the monks established an all-boys prep school which became the Catholic college in the 1960s and is now known as Saint Leo University.



Citrus County

St. Benedict Catholic Church

455 S Suncoast Blvd, Crystal River

Benedictine priests from Saint Leo cared for the spiritual needs of Catholics in Citrus County from the late 19th Century through much of the 20th Century. A small concrete block chapel honoring St. Benedict was built in 1953. By the mid-1970s, the parish had outgrown it and relocated three miles south to its present location. A new church, built in the shape of a Greek cross with a fresco of St. Benedict in the dome was dedicated in 1981. The parish hall, which was the church for six years, houses a series of paintings depicting the parish's vast history.



Hernando County

St. Stanislaus Chapel

14249 Citrus Way, Brooksville

In 1913, a group of Polish farmers moved to northern Hernando County and by 1917, they had built a chapel. A fire destroyed the first church in 1929 and it was replaced with the present church— an authentic Old Florida clapboard church. Many adversities caused the settlement to disband, but many of the early Catholics are buried in the cemetery. Mass is still celebrated here on All Souls Day annually. The building is used about 6 to 8 times per year for special Masses and other services for the Polish-speaking community that gathers regularly at St. Anthony the Abbot, in Brooksville.



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JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.
Amen



JUBILEE YEAR INDULGENCES

Catholics will be able to receive a plenary indulgence for each visit to a pilgrimage site in the Diocese of Saint Petersburg.

Conditions to receive a plenary indulgence in all cases:

1. Detachment from all sin, even venial.
 2. Sacramental confession, holy Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the pope.
- Sacramental confession and receiving the Eucharist can happen up to about 20 days before or after the act performed to receive a plenary indulgence.

What is a plenary indulgence?

An indulgence is the remission before God of temporal punishment for sins whose guilt is already forgiven, which a properly disposed member of the Christian faithful gains under certain and defined conditions. (*Code of Canon Law 992*)

“In our humanity, weak and attracted by evil, certain residual effects of sin remain. These are removed by the indulgence, always by the grace of Christ, who, as Saint Paul VI wrote, “is himself our ‘indulgence’”. (*Spes Non Confundit*)



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