

*We are one diocesan faith family, children of God,
Christ-centered, and Spirit-led
working together to build the Kingdom of God in Central Florida.*



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February
2022

The Catholic Foundation
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Newsletter

How do we respond to love?

For some of us it might be easy to answer this question: mmm...with more love?

But do we really understand how this happens, how we can respond with “more love”, how we know it is enough, when to stop, how to identify if it is the correct way to respond, if this response applies every time, to everyone, anywhere? Well, my friends, the answers to all these questions are in our Father’s word: *“This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you.”* There is no limit for the love of God to His children, it is wonderful, powerful and infinite. His love is the best way to feel His blessings and understand how we can love immensely and with real feeling for others.

When Jesus fed five thousand people with only five loaves of bread and two fishes, he was showing us God’s miraculous love and how love can multiply the effects of our generosity (see *Matt. 14:13 - 21*). God’s kingdom is the place of abundance, where every generous act overflows its original bounds and becomes part of the unbounded grace of God at work in the world (see *Cor. 9:10 - 15*).

His abundance can overcome our feelings of scarcity. We can gratefully be part of His abundance, responding to His love with actions for our community, honoring Him with our disposition, sharing gifts with our neighbors in need and spreading His Word to build His kingdom.

So, how do we respond to love? One of my favorite writers, *Henri J.M. Nouwen* shares "The more we touch the intimate love of God which creates, sustains, and guides us, the more we recognize the multitude of fruits that come forth from that love".

In Christ's everlasting peace,

Kimberlee Riley, CAP
President & CEO

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Blessings of Financial Wellness

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Capital Gains Tax
by Donating Stock!**

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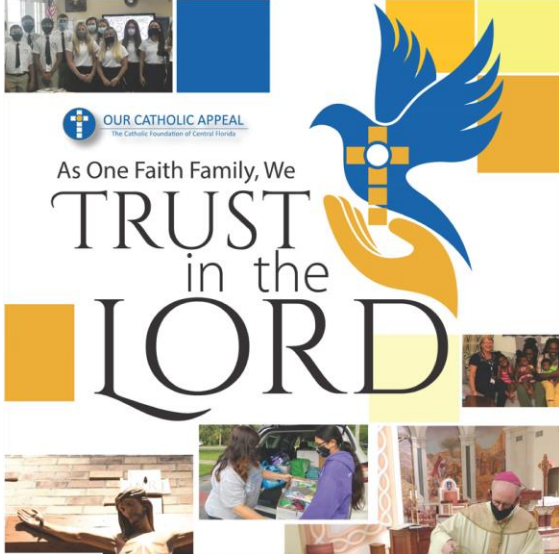
**Make a
Gift now!!!**



Did you know you can double the tax benefits of your charitable giving by donating stock? Learn how gifts of appreciated securities can maximize your impact on your favorite parish, schools, or diocesan ministry today!

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Our Catholic Appeal Trust in the Lord



OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL
The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

As One Faith Family, We
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in the
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As One Faith Family, We Trust in the Lord: Our Catholic Appeal 2022 has begun! We invite you to join in making a gift to benefits parishes, schools, ministries, and entities in our Diocese, to meet the needs of our community.

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Getting to Know You: *Lori Tolland*

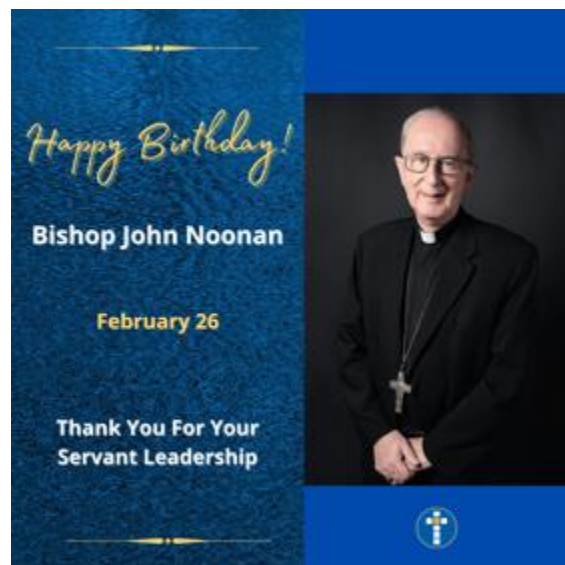


This month we are honored to feature Lori Tolland in our *Getting To Know You* series.

Lori, a parishioner of Prince of Peace Catholic Church, is a member of our Board of Directors and serves on the Executive Committee and Chair of the Development Committee.

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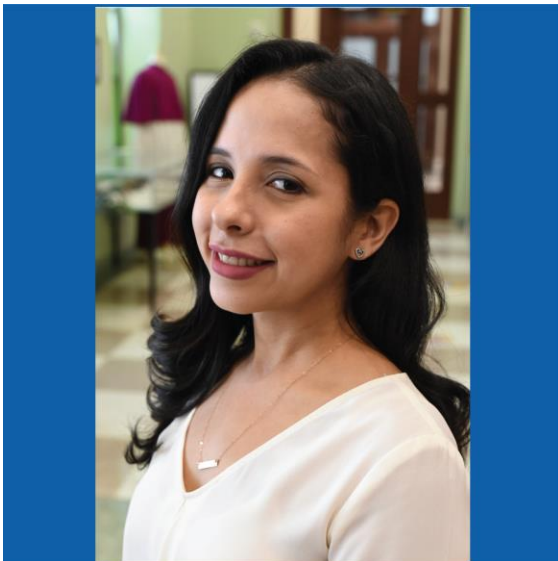
Birthday Wishes to *Bishop John Noonan*



Please join us in wishing birthday blessings for Bishop John Noonan! Visit [Facebook: catholicfoundationcf](#) to include your birthday wishes or prayer on our post to Bishop. The Catholic Foundation Board & Staff is grateful for his leadership & spiritual impact. May God continue to bless him with many more years of service.

[Wish Bishop Happy Birthday!](#)

The Catholic Foundation Welcomes:



Maria Claudia Durango

Communications Coordinator

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Gabriel Pedrero, CPA, MAcc

Vice President & CFO

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Liturgical Living

By: Teresa Ell

St. Valentine



To Love & Be Loved in Return

An inspiring article covering the origins of the Catholic martyred Saint Valentine, while focusing on the spiritual meaning of Valentine's day.

[Learn more...](#)

Holy Father's Intentions

February 2022



February is the Month for religious sisters and consecrated women

We pray for religious sisters & consecrated women; thanking them for their mission & courage; so they may continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

[View Pope's Monthly Intentions](#)

Upcoming Events: March 2022



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10am

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planning today for a better
tomorrow

Thu, March 24
10am

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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



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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.



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