Chapel News





OUR LADY OF FLORIDA SPIRITUAL CENTER

September 2022

Dear Friends of Our Lady of Florida,

As we prepare to kick off the start of our 2022-2023 retreat season, there are a number of important updates to share with you.

First, I want to tell you some very personal news:

After much prayer and discernment, I have requested a Decree of Separation from the Passionists in order to pursue my vocation as a diocesan priest in the Diocese of Palm Beach. I have therefore submitted my resignation as the director of Our Lady of Florida, which becomes effective November 1, 2022.

I ask that you keep me in your prayers as I make these transitions in my personal and priestly life. Pray too for the Passionist provincial leadership as they discern a succession plan for new leadership here at OLOF. We will share the news with you as soon as there is a plan set in place.

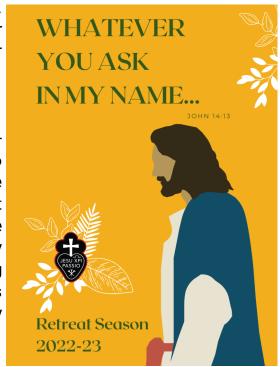
Special Thanks:

Heartfelt thanks to all of you for your support and acceptance. You are the heart of Our Lady of

Florida, and we are grateful for each and every one of you. You are the reason for our spiritual center's longevity. Our Lady of Florida is financially stable at this time due to your love and support. Thank you.

The New Retreat Season:

During the first phase of the new retreat season from September 16 to December 19, 2022, we have 17 retreats and 6 Days of Reflection scheduled. This will be a very busy time due to your interest and participation. Be sure to check out events all of our upcoming on our website (www.ourladyofflorida.org). You can register online or by calling the office at 561-626-1300. We have been working hard planning for the preached retreats which start this weekend under the theme "Whatever you ask in My Name" (John 14:13).



Retreat Team Transitions:

We bid a fond farewell to Deacon Luis Daniel Guivas Genera, C.P. and thank him for being part of our retreat ministry last season. We assure him of our prayers as he continues with his diaconal ministry in New York and prepares for his ordination to the priesthood in January of 2023. And after a pandemic hiatus, we are happy to welcome Patti Murphy Dohn, DCHS back to the team. I know she's looking forward to seeing all of you again.

The Elevator Project:

In other news, the appeal for our elevator project was a big success, thanks to all of you. We are still waiting for permits from the county before we can start the two phases needed for installation. With the start of the busy retreat season upon us, much of this work will be done next summer for the safety of our guests.

You are always in our prayers. And in a particular way, you are in my prayers as I reflect on the past three years of ministry and friendship that I have shared with you and your families. You will remain in my heart as I make my transitions over the next few months. Let's stay in touch.

Gratefully in Christ,

Fr. Junesh Xavier, C.P.

Director



Led by Rev. Edward Wolanski C.P.







We want to extend a heartfelt invitation to you to join us on our first day of reflection of Retreat Season 2022-23

Date: Monday October 3, 2022
Time: 10:00 am - 2:30 pm
Suggested Offering: \$60.00 (includes lunch and light refreshments)

To register, visit www.ourladyofflorida.org or call 561 626 1300 Email retreat@cpprovfl.org