

The Catechism of Fr. John Hardon: The Fifth Commandment, *"Thou shalt not kill,"*

The Fifth Commandment protects the sacredness of human life, which belongs to God alone. Even before the Decalogue, the murder of Abel by Cain revealed that violence begins in the heart through envy, anger, and pride before it appears in outward deeds. Thus the commandment condemns every unjust attack upon innocent human life and teaches reverence for every person created in the image of God.

The Teaching of Christ: Our Lord perfected the Mosaic Law by extending it from external actions to the interior life. Not only murder, but also deliberate hatred, sinful anger, insults, and contempt offend against the Fifth Commandment because they are the seeds from which murder grows. Christ therefore calls His disciples to forgiveness, and genuine charity, demanding purity of heart as well as outward justice.

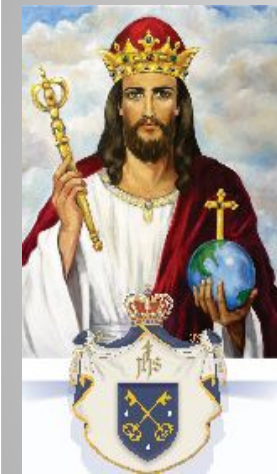
The Catholic Tradition: From the beginning, Christians understood that the Gospel required more than merely refraining from violence. They overcame evil with good, endured persecution patiently, and practiced a supernatural charity unknown to the pagan world. Throughout the centuries the Church has faithfully applied these principles to questions of medicine, bodily integrity, punishment, and war, while preserving unchanged the revealed doctrine concerning the sanctity of human life.

Preservation of Life: Because life is God's gift, every person is ordinarily bound to preserve it by using the ordinary means that Providence provides, such as food, shelter, rest, and reasonable medical care. Extraordinary means—those involving excessive burden, expense, suffering, or little hope of success—are not normally obligatory, though charity may sometimes require them when a person's life is especially important to the good of others. The distinction depends upon the circumstances of the individual, the burdens involved, and the reasonable prospect of benefit.

The Duty to Preserve Life: Catholic morality distinguishes sharply between directly intending death and accepting a foreseeable risk of death for a proportionately serious reason. Suicide, murder, and every deliberate shortening of innocent life are always gravely sinful. On the other hand, one may willingly accept danger in the service of God or neighbor, as do soldiers, physicians, priests, missionaries, and parents, provided death is neither intended nor chosen as the means to achieve the good sought.

Euthanasia: Euthanasia is the deliberate killing of an innocent person under the guise of relieving suffering. Modern society often justifies it by measuring human worth according to usefulness, but Christian revelation teaches that every human life possesses an inviolable dignity because it belongs to God. No civil authority, physician, family member, or individual has the right to dispose of innocent life. True compassion relieves suffering while respecting the dignity of the sufferer, never by eliminating the person himself. The Church judges human life according to man's complete destiny, not merely his earthly condition. Body and soul are ordered toward eternal life, and suffering itself may become a source of sanctification through patience, charity, and union with the Cross of Christ. Even those who appear helpless continue to possess immense dignity and can glorify God through their faithful endurance. Christian mercy therefore seeks the eternal good of the person rather than simply freedom from pain.

Direct and Indirect Killing: Innocent life may never be directly taken, whether before or after birth. Nevertheless, medical procedures directed toward curing a grave pathological condition may sometimes be permitted even when the unintended consequence is the death of another, provided that death is neither intended nor used as the means of obtaining the cure. The morality of such actions depends upon the object of the act, the intention, and the presence of a proportionately grave reason.



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11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 9th, 2026

“I make known unto you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you have received, and wherein you stand; By which also you are saved, if you hold fast after what manner I preached unto you, unless you have believed in vain.” 1 Cor 15:1-2

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Masses

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am (high), 1:00pm

Monday: 12:00pm
Tues, Wed, Thur: 7:00am & 9:00am
Friday: 9:00am & 6:30pm.
Saturday: 9:00 am.

Ocala:
Sunday: 4:30pm
Monday: 7:00am.

Confession: 30 min before Mass

Adoration: Fri 10am-6:15pm

Date and Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
8-9	7:00 AM	Priest's Intention
	8:30 AM	Gary Davis+
	10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>
	1:00 PM	Gail Ahearn+
8-10	12:00 PM	Kenneth H. Zilli+
8-11	7:00 AM	Matthew Wilken
	9:00 AM	The Grube family
8-12	7:00 AM	Maureen Hallagan
	9:00 AM	Judy Steindorf+
8-13	7:00 AM	Andrea Phaup
	9:00 AM	Judi Rubino+
8-14	9:00 AM	Christophe & Agathe de Saizieu
	6:30 PM	Raphael & Victoire Brumauld de Houliers
8-15	9:00 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>
8-16	7:00 AM	Susan Hemeryck
	8:30 AM	Claire Verdini+
	10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>
	1:00 PM	Priest's Intention

“If all the prayers of loving hearts from the beginning of the world, and all the seraphic worship of the thrones and principalities of heaven, and the burning devotion and love of the Virgin Mother of God, and the voices of the all creatures of heaven and earth were offered up in one universal and harmonious act of praise and adoration, they would not equal or even approach in value and efficacy the infinite worth of a SINGLE MASS.”

1962 Liturgical Calendar				
8-9	11th Sunday after Pentecost	2	G	
8-10	St. Laurence, Martyr	2	R	
8-11	Ss. Tiburtius & Susanna, Virgin, Martyrs	4	R	
8-12	St. Clare, Virgin	3	W	
8-13	Ss. Hyppolitus & Cassian, Martyrs	4	R	
8-14	Vigil of the Assumption	2	V	St. Eusebius, Confessor
8-15	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	1	W	
8-16	12th Sunday after Pentecost	2	G	St. Joachim, Father of the BVM, Confessor

From the Choir Loft: 11th Sunday after Pentecost, 8/9/26: Entr: O Sanctissima SEC 915; Asperges SEC 567; Mass VIII SEC 727; Credo IV SEC 780; Exit: Soul of My Savior SEC 938

Sacred Music

The types of sacred music used during the liturgy are Mass, propers, motet, and hymn. Motets are choral works in Latin using sacred texts, often psalms or antiphons from the Divine Office. They are polyphonic (having multiple voices) and originated in the 13th century.

Weekly Schedule		Prayer Corner Please pray for: Olivia Stowe; Frank Burns; Negrin Family; Sciscenti family; Patricia Furlong; Richard B; Nicole Romano; Shehwen family; Meadows family; Carol Labrecque; Stacy Steindorf; Terry Angley; Amanda Smith; Robert M; Wis family; McNamara family; Peter & the Crowell family; Lakendra Deitche; Katie Madosky; Aaron Pruitt; Gary Syvertsen
Holy Face Devotions	Tue, Aug 11, 10:15 AM	
Women's Book Club	Tue, Aug 11, 6:30 PM-8:00 PM	
Adoration	Fri, Aug 14, 10 AM - 6:15 PM	
Archconfr. of the Holy Face	Sat, Aug 15, 10:00 AM	

A highly recommended book for overcoming **addiction to p***ography**, “*The Easy Peasy Way to Quit P***.*” (based on the method of Allen Carr and his books on overcoming addiction) It is not written by a Catholic, but the method itself is excellent. Consider reading it if you struggle, or if you know someone who does!

There will be a **family potluck** on Sunday, August 16th after the 10:30 Mass. Please bring a drink or dish to share. Families attending the potluck are encouraged to park across the street to make room for parishioners attending the 1:00 PM Mass. Thank you for your consideration!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our seminarian fund! We exceeded our goal and will be able to buy a set of vestments for Deacon Torres, and we will also be able to buy a chalice for Binil Chacko, the seminarian who was with us in June.

Our **2026 Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) goal is \$104,000**, and we are currently at \$38,683 pledged, with only 16% of households participating. In 2025, we were nearly \$30,000 short. Just a reminder that any shortfalls will have to be paid out of assessed offertory funds. It is also an expected part of our Capital Campaign approval to meet our CFA goal and keep our offertory giving steady. Please don’t forget about the CFA when planning your giving, thank you for your generosity!

A new **Troops of St. George - Troop #111** is forming at CTK, contact Jason Gedmin Ph: 630-877-5805 Email: TSG.Troop111@gmail.com. Visit troopsofstgeorge.org for more information.

Finances		Mass Attendance
Last Sunday’s collection: cash \$6,768.56; online \$4,953.00; <i>This in Memory of Me:</i> cash \$4,150.00; online \$4,066.44	<i>Do</i>	Aug 2 - 524 souls 7:00 am- 59 8:30 am- 148 10:30 am- 175 1:00 pm- 142 <i>Ocala- 328</i>
2026 CFA status at CtK as of August 3, 2026: \$104,000.00 assessment; \$38,683.36 pledged; \$33,084.07 paid; 16.33% of HHolds. Thank you for your support!		