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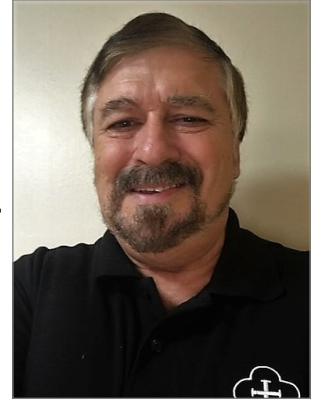
# Chapel News

Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center



Dear Friends,

Many of you may already be familiar with the fact that on October 7, 1571, Catholicism faced the threat of expansionist Muslim forces from Turkey, which had already taken Crete and Cyprus, with their sights set on Sicily, Venice and Rome.



Thousands lost their lives and countless others were forced to abandon their faith. Pope Pius V called upon Christians to publicly pray the Rosary, and in the famous Battle of Lepanto, the Christian fleet, despite seemingly hopeless odds, was victorious. Hence the date was named "Our Lady of Victory," and it subsequently became the feast of "Our Lady of the Rosary."

Pray the Rosary!

Here at the Spiritual Center our devotion to the Blessed Mother is made manifest under her title "Our Lady of Florida." She stands as a sign of hope to rich and poor alike in her encouragement for "victory" in our spiritual life.

Come and make a retreat!

October also brings the remembrance of a number of Passionist feasts. October 6 is the feast of Blessed Isidor de Loor (1881-1916), a Passionist brother who served the needs of all while suffering the pains of cancer throughout his body. On October 9 we remember St. Innocencio Canoura (1887-1934), a martyr of the Spanish Civil War.

On October 20 we will celebrate the feast day of our beloved founder, St. Paul of the Cross (1694-1775). To commemorate this special day in a special way, the community of Our Lady of Florida will host the priests of the Diocese of Palm Beach for dinner and fraternity.

St. Paul of the Cross, pray for us.

*Deacon Dennis Demes*

## Days of Reflection

Our monthly Days of Reflection are held on the first Wednesday of every month.

**Nov. 1:** "Rekindle the Fire within Us"  
Presented by Br. Edward Hall, C.P.

**Dec. 6:** "The Joy of Advent"  
Presented by Fr. Paul Wierichs, C.P.

The program runs from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and includes presentations, time for private reflection, opportunity for Confession, a meal and Mass.

The donation for each session is \$40.  
Please register prior to each event.

## Special Retreat

**Nov. 3 - 5: Silent Weekend Retreat  
for Men & Women**

**"By His Wounds You Are Healed"**  
Led by the Retreat Team

**Cost: \$220    Deposit & registration required**

**Single or Double rooms, linens, towels, all meals  
and programs included.**

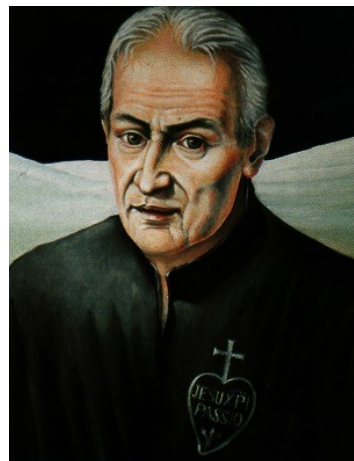
*To register online, visit Our Lady of Florida's website,  
click on the Retreats tab and scroll down to Special  
Retreats. For further assistance, call 561-626-1300.*



## BUSINESS HOURS

Monday through Friday  
from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*We close at noon for a 1/2 hour Lunch.*



## Bookstore News

**Does your Fall reading  
include something from  
the Bookstore?**



**Please stop in and see the new arrivals!**

## Special Passionist Dates to Remember

**October 6**  
Feast of Bl. Isidore De Loor, Passionist

**October 9**  
Feast of St. Innocencio Caroura, Passionist  
Servant of God, Fr. Theodore Foley, C.P.

**October 20**  
Feast of St. Paul of the Cross  
Founder of the Passionist Order

If you would like to receive a "Spiritual Thought" from Father Paul once in a while, please e-mail your full name to:  
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All of our publications and newsletters can be found at our Internet home: [www.ourladyofflorida.org](http://www.ourladyofflorida.org)

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