



34th International Week of Prayer & Fasting

in collaboration with the Legion of Mary & other Catholic groups

November 14 - November 22, 2026

Join Us for These
9 Days of Mass,
Prayer, Fasting,
Rosary, & Adoration!

Our goal is to
mobilize churches,
communities, schools,
families, prayer
groups, and clergy to
PRAY & FAST:

- For the CONVERSION of all peoples and nations.
- To build a culture of LIFE.
- To DEFEND the sanctity of marriage and the family.
- For peace and to implore GOD's MERCY.
- For all priests, seminarians, vocations, and the HOLINESS of the members of the Church.

You're invited to the **Opening**

International Day of Prayer

SPEAKERS • CONFESSIONS • GLOBAL LIVING ROSARY • PROCESSION OF THE NATIONS

MASS AT 12:00 NOON

Theme: God's Influencers

November 14, 2026

8:30 AM - 5PM

Emcee - Maureen Flynn

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**FREE
EVENT**

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
400 Michigan Ave N.E., Washington, D.C. 20017

GUEST SPEAKERS



**Bishop Emeritus
Robert J. Baker**

Bishop Emeritus Robert J. Baker, STD, was installed as Bishop of Charleston by Pope St. John Paul II, and later served as fourth bishop of Birmingham, until his retirement in March 2020. His service in the clergy has been defined by his outreach, service to the poor, pastoral care, and the 2019 convocation of a Eucharistic Congress in his Diocese. His episcopal motto is "Rejoicing in Hope."



Ted Flynn
Confirmed

Ted Flynn is the author of bestselling books like *Thunder of Justice* (with Maureen Flynn) and *The Great Reset*. He speaks on the Eucharist, the Blessed Mother, and the priesthood's central role in Church-approved apparitions. His most recent books are *Hope of the Wicked: The Master Plan to rule the World*, and *Garabandal: The Warning and the Great Miracle*. He has given many talks on television, radio, and in person at conferences, and has produced several Catholic films.



Msgr. Anthony Figueiredo
Confirmed

Msgr. Anthony Figueiredo, S.T.D., is a Catholic priest and theologian who has served in various roles in Rome and Italy, including work connected to Assisi and Saint Carlo Acutis. His newest book, *Carlo Acutis, Saint of the Young*, is a bestseller. The Archbishop of Assisi has appointed Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo to carry the relics of Saint Carlo Acutis throughout the world, a role he fulfills as the official Custodian of the Pericardium Relic, the heart relic of the first millennial saint.



**Antonia Salzano
Acutis**
Invited

Antonia Salzano Acutis is the mother of Saint Carlo Acutis, the young Italian teen who died of leukemia in 2006 and became a powerful witness of Eucharistic devotion. Once non-practicing, she returned to the faith through Carlo's questions and now shares his story and Eucharistic love worldwide.



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November 16, 17 & 18

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16



Fr. Tom Celso

Since 1994, Fr. Celso has promoted the Cause of the Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta, attending its opening and closing sessions of her cause. He continues leading retreats and days of recollection focused on Luisa and the Divine Will. He says many await her being named "Venerable," as the Vatican studies reported miracles. His work remains centered on spreading her message and deepening devotion to the Divine Will.



Susan Brinkmann, OCDS

Author and award-winning journalist; member of the Third Order of Discalced Carmelites. Serves as Director of New Age Research for Women of Grace; frequent guest on EWTN's Women of Grace; lead researcher for Women of Grace's New Age Q&A Blog, which is the largest blog of its kind in the world; founder of Live Catholic, an educational nonprofit devoted to teaching authentic Catholic prayer in the Carmelite tradition; author of 17 books; recipient of numerous journalism awards.



Dr. Andrew Kubick

Dr. Andrew S. Kubick, author of *Transplanting the Womb: A Catholic Bioethical Analysis*, is a prominent Catholic bioethicist. He serves as Deputy Director of the National Center for Religious Freedom Education, Research Fellow at the Religious Freedom Institute, a Personal Consultations Ethicist at the National Catholic Bioethics Center, and teaches at the University of Mary.



Linda Carl

Linda Carl traded a career as a banking VP to raise her daughters—a season that led her unexpectedly into yoga and New Age philosophies, where she spent nearly twenty years as both a practitioner and teacher. When a series of profound life experiences brought her to her knees, she found herself open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. In a moment of unmistakable clarity, she left yoga and the New Age behind entirely; what followed was a gradual unveiling of truths she had been blind to for two decades. She shares that journey with audiences through numerous talks and in her recently published book, *Yoga Unveiled: My Spiritual Journey from Darkness to Light*.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17



Fr. Jose Maniyangat

Fr. Jose Maniyangat is a world-known speaker; during his life-after-death experience, he visited Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory. The world was in great need of healing. Our Lord told him, "You will be an instrument of healing, deliverance, and peace..." and gave Fr. Jose the gift of healing. He was ordained in 1975 in the Diocese of Thiruvalla, India. In 1992 Father Jose came to the St. Augustine Diocese and worked in several parishes. He retired from active parish duties April 15, 2016, to be able to share the Ministry invested to him by God with people around the world. He travels globally, conducting Eucharistic Healing Services, retreats, and conferences, where many miraculous healings have occurred.



Dave & Joan Maroney

Joan and Dave Maroney are founders and directors of Mother of Mercy Messengers, an apostolate of the Marian Fathers based at the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. For over 25 years they have helped all ages learn about, live, and spread the Divine Mercy message and devotion through every means possible. Their initiatives, Divine Mercy for America and Mercy Sunday Momentum, are appreciated worldwide by those looking to transform lives and save souls the Divine Mercy Way. Joan and Dave live in the Texas Hill Country near San Antonio and love spending as much time as possible with their eight grandchildren.



Kristan Hawkins

Kristan Hawkins is the CEO of the Pro-Life Generation, and President of Students for Life of America and Students for Life Action. Since launching the organization in 2006, Kristan has spent nearly two decades building a national network of more than 1,635+ campus Students for Life groups in all 50 states, training more than 250,000 students to stand up for Life. Under her leadership, Students for Life of America has become the largest pro-life youth organization in the world, and Students for Life Action has grown into a force to be reckoned with on Capitol Hill and in statehouses across the nation. On June 24, 2022, Kristan had the honor of announcing that Roe was reversed from the steps of the Supreme Court to millions around the world.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18



Fr. Chris Alar (Invited)

Fr. Chris, Alar, Provincial Superior of the Marian Fathers at the Divine Mercy Shrine, is host of the popular EWTN show, "Living Divine Mercy." Fr. Chris also hosts the "Divine Mercy Matters" series on DivineMercyMatters.org. He wrote and produced the popular "Divine Mercy 101" DVD and the "Explaining the Faith" YouTube series. He is the author of the best-selling book *After Suicide: There's Hope for Them and for You*, his newest book is *Understanding the Sacraments: God's Grace Guaranteed*.



Dr. Seggy Acosta

Dr. Seggy Yanez Acosta, Vice President, Arlington Senatus for the Legion of Mary, is a stress and pain specialist who integrates her Catholic Faith into her practice, which focuses on individual, couple, and family therapy. She is the author of *Diabolical or Psychological: The Differentiation of Psychological Diseases from Diabolical Disorders*, and her newest book, *Success Despite Distress*.



Susan & Brian Middleton

Brian and Susan Middleton are passionate about faith and family. Their lives were forever changed when their youngest daughter, Maria, was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor. Walking that sacred and sorrowful path with Maria became the most profound journey of their lives. Her final written words—"think hope"—were not only a message to her family, but a calling to the world. After Maria's passing at the age of eighteen, Brian and Susan began the Think Hope Foundation to support ministries that bring hope into this world, restoring hope to those in need. They are authors of *Think Hope: Maria Middleton's Life of Unyielding Trust in God*. On June 22, 2026, a petition to introduce the Cause for Canonization of Maria Middleton was presented to Archbishop Nelson Perez in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.



Alexis Walkenstein

Alexis Walkenstein is an Emmy Award-winning TV journalist turned film producer and PR pro. She is founder and president of AWE PR, an international publicity and marketing agency that leads campaigns for entertainment, business and start-up enterprises. Alexis travels the world to make Jesus known. She is an author, speaker and frequent newsmaker.

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