

# CAMPUS MINISTRY

## Spiritual Program

Catholic education's mission involves enabling students to develop spiritually and invites them to encounter Jesus Christ and be educated by the Gospel's vision and values.

At Monsignor Pace, we believe that all education should be conducive toward the development of a mature and personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The fundamental Christian awareness is fostered in the classroom, encouraged in our activities, and enlivened by the school community. It is also nourished and strengthened by an active prayer and sacramental-liturgical program.

To foster a deeper liturgical life for the Monsignor Pace parents, faculty, and students, the school places increasing stress on the development of a community of faith among members. Emphasis is placed on a common prayer life, and a sharing of the Eucharist together. Students' life of faith finds encouragement and support in our Monsignor Pace family.

At 8:00 a.m. each school day, there is a school-wide prayer and pledge of allegiance. Each class begins with a prayer. Special liturgical celebrations are also offered frequently. The Archdiocese of Miami provides priests who serve the entire community of Monsignor Pace. A priest is available at all times through the Office of Campus Ministry for Masses, confessions, counseling, and the sacrament of the sick.

The four year retreat program offers students an opportunity to experience the powerful presence of Christ and further their growth as Christians.

In a world which Christians often put our faith and values to the test, Monsignor Pace hopes that by a thorough program of spiritual development, the seed of Christian virtues might be allowed to develop and grow strong.

### Campus Ministry – Religious Clubs/Retreats

### Moderator(s)

LIFE Youth Group	Mr. Sanchez
Marist Youth Society	Ms. Lima
Missionary Trips	Mr. Novela
Pastoral Ministry (Class)	Mr. Novela
Peer Ministers	Mr. Novela
Sacraments Program	Mr. G. Rodriguez
Koinonia (Freshmen Retreat)	Mr. Bonet
Antioch (Sophomore Retreat)	Mr. Bonet/Ms. Perez
Encounter (Junior Retreat)	Mr. Navarro/Ms. Stout Swanson
Diakonia (Senior Service Retreat)	Mr. Novela
Marist Encounter (Retreat)	Mr. Novela

### **Chapel**

Monsignor Edward Pace High School provides a daily opportunity for its students to frequent the Sacraments of Penance and the Eucharist. The Dante Navarro Religious Education Center contains a chapel and meeting rooms separated by a movable partition. The chapel provides the students and faculty a place for prayer in the presence of the Holy Eucharist. Daily Mass is celebrated at 7:20 a.m. to provide, for all, the opportunity to begin the day by participation in the representation of the Sacrifice of Calvary. As well as daily Mass, each class has a chance to celebrate their class Mass together. The freshmen class celebrate their Mass during Freshmen Orientation. The Sophomore class celebrate the Red Letter Mass. The Junior Class celebrate the Junior Ring Ceremony and the Senior class celebrate the Baccalaureate Mass which is the graduation mass. This is the final time they celebrate the Eucharist

## Community Service Hours/(CSH)

As a graduation requirement students must complete before the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of their junior year a minimum of seventy-five (75) hours of verified volunteer service to the community. Msgr. Edward Pace recognizes that selfless service toward others is constituent of the Christian life. Christian service is born from a profound sense of gratitude for the great service that Jesus Christ has done for the benefit of all. Saint Marcellin Champagnat lived his life following Jesus by *living to serve* those in need. Our *Catholic Christian* school calls each of its students to participate in the works of service and mercy through our Community Service Program. Community Service Hours Coordinator – Ms. Stout Swanson via email: [pstout@pacehs.com](mailto:pstout@pacehs.com)

### Service Clubs

Habitat for Humanity  
I.Y.C.S. (International Young Catholic Students)  
Key Club  
Mission Club/Society (Peace & Justice)  
P.A.W.S. (Pace Animal Welfare Society)  
Respect Life

### Moderator(s)

Mr. Sanchez  
Mr. Masters/Mr. Novela  
Ms. Falcon  
Mr. Masters  
Ms. Spadafora  
Mr. G. Rodriguez

### What does this program involve?

1. Students are required to complete a minimum of 75 community service hours in order to Graduate. They must complete these hours prior to the last week of the third quarter of their Junior year.
2. As a school we decide the places where students can volunteer. These will include:
  - a. Volunteer hours at Msgr. Pace aimed at the school's benefit.
  - b. Volunteer hours through our service clubs.
  - c. We will have established a list of 20-25 organizations affiliated with the Archdiocese of Miami that span the geographical areas accessible to our students. Each year we will revise the list of places.
  - d. Churches. If service hours are done through Churches, verification will consist of a fax of a letter on church stationery with the name of the student and hours he/she volunteered. The stationery must include the church's phone number and fax number.
  - e. Schools (excluding day-care centers which are usually privately owned). If service hours are done through schools, verification will consist of a fax of a letter on school stationery with the name of the student and hours he/she volunteered. The stationery must include the school's phone number and fax number.
3. Students are to provide verification of their community service hours through an original (not photocopied) letter-head of the organization detailing: (1) the dates and number of hours of service completed, (2) what the student did, (3) some evaluation of the quality of the student's involvement and a contact phone number. This written verification is to be given to the Theology teacher by the week prior to the end of the *third quarter* of their Junior year. All letters (if from more than one place) are to be turned in all together in an envelope with the student's name, grade, and student-number on the cover.
4. Verification of the hours from Msgr. Pace (example: Open Houses) or through one of our service organizations (example: NAHS's volunteer at The Debbie School) will consist of the moderator or supervisor writing one letter on Msgr. Pace stationery explaining what was done, including the names of all the students and the hours they volunteered. They will sign it and personally submit it to the CSH database administrator.
5. At the beginning of the Junior year all students who still need to complete their service hours will receive a contract to be signed by the student and a parent, and to be returned promptly to their Theology teacher.
6. Students who fail to comply by a week prior to the end of the third quarter may receive an irreversible failing grade of 59% for the third quarter. A student who does not complete their community service hours may not participate in any graduation ceremonies.
7. If a student does not have a Theology class during the second semester (if they take *both* their classes in the first) then the process is to be completed prior to the last week of the second

### Retreat Requirement

Freshmen	Koinonia	required
Sophomores	Antioch	voluntary*
Juniors	Encounter	voluntary*
Seniors	Diakonia	voluntary*
	Marist Encounter	voluntary*

\*Students must attend one of these retreats

It is a graduation requirement that all students attend two (2) retreats throughout his/her career at Monsignor Pace High School. Koinonia is mandatory for all Freshmen. Freshmen not attending may not receive theology credit for their freshmen year. An additional retreat is required between sophomore and senior year. A student may attend more than two retreats and is highly encouraged to do so.

Students that transfer in to Pace will be required to attend one (1) retreat between their sophomore and senior years in order to fulfill their graduation requirement.

## **Rights and Responsibilities of parents and guardians of students in parish faith formation programs**

### **Policy**

This policy is to be provided to separated or divorced parents of all children enrolled in parish faith formation programs, and the legal guardians of the children if guardians have been appointed. For children not yet baptized as Catholic, both parents and/or legal guardians must provide written consent on the attached form.

### **Notice and acknowledgement of rights and responsibilities of divorced/separated parents or legal guardians when enrolling a student and Consent to Enrollment**

This notice applies for divorced/separated parents, or legal guardians of children whose parents are divorced/separated, when enrolling a student in a faith formation program at any of the parishes or schools of the Archdiocese of Miami.

It is the obligation and the right of the Catholic Church to provide for and support the faith formation of its baptized members. For children, this includes preparation for reception of the Sacraments, religious education classes, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults adapted for children, youth ministry activities and Catholic elementary and secondary schools (“faith formation program”), in concert with the parent(s) or legal guardian having custody of the child and capacity to consent to participate on the child’s behalf.

In the case of a baptized Catholic child, either parent or a legal guardian may enroll their child as a faith formation student at a parish or religious education program of the Archdiocese of Miami (hereinafter referred to as “the Parish”).

In the case of a child who is not baptized as a Catholic, the person who enrolls the child as a faith formation student at the Parish must provide either (1) written consent of the other, non-enrolling parent or legal guardian on the attached form, or (2) appropriate legal documentation at the time of enrollment of his/her sole authority to enroll the child, such as a court order. Documentation of consent of all persons who have custody rights for the child is required for religious education classes, Rite of Christian Initiation adapted for children, sacramental preparation classes, Catholic school enrollment and youth ministry activities, **if the child is not baptized as a Catholic.** Unless the Parish is provided with a court order to the contrary, the person who enrolls the child at the Parish will be deemed to be the primary contact person for all faith formation program related issues involving the student. However, either parent or a legal guardian may be entitled, upon reasonable request and consistent with any specific limitations in the court order, to have equal access to documents and other information concerning the child’s instruction.

In the case of conflicting instructions regarding the faith formation of a baptized Catholic, proper objections of a parent or legal guardian with rights for the child, or requests that the faith formation program is not clearly authorized to honor, the Parish may request both parents or guardian to seek appropriate court instructions for the Parish. The faith formation program will respect and comply with lawful court orders.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT OF DIVORCED/SEPARATED PARENTS OR  
LEGAL GUARDIANS**

*(Only Required for Children Not Baptized as Catholic)*

We, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name(s) of ***Parents or  
Legal Guardians***) hereby acknowledge that we have read and understand the foregoing Notice of Rights and Responsibilities of Divorced/Separated Parents and Legal Guardians when enrolling a child in a faith formation program. We consent to the enrollment of (Print Name of Student) in the Parish Faith Formation Program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Parent/Legal Guardian (*enrolling*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Parent/Legal Guardian (*non-enrolling*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*NOTE: Maintain the original in parish/school files; provide a copy of policy and form to the parents/guardians.*

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