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Words of the President of the Betania Spirituality Movement

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The first half of 2026 has been indelibly marked in the hearts of the members of the Betania Spirituality Movement (BSM) with the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady, Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations, in Betania. This celebration was graced by the presence of His Eminence Cardinal Baltazar E. Porras Cardozo and included a vigil of prayer and reflection, accompanied by beautiful hymns. Furthermore, His Excellency, Bishop Freddy Fuenmayor proclaimed the "Jubilee Year of Reconciliation". The massive influx of pilgrims reaffirmed the enduring relevance of a message that calls for unity and reconciliation. The urgency of this message spread fervently to Maracaibo during the Divine Mercy celebration, where the key to the city was presented to Our Lady Reconciler and a moving posthumous tribute was paid to the Servant of God María Esperanza Bianchini. During this period, we also celebrated the 47th anniversary of the BSM and the 45th anniversary of the Betania Choir. We ask our Mother Reconciler to keep us united and ready to share her message, as the BSM walks hand in hand with our Church, cooperating with it in various ministries, such as: hours of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Masses, guided tours at the Sanctuary of Betania, etc.; so that together we may continue fostering prayer, meditation, family unity, and fraternity. Following the earthquakes of June 24, we issued a message of faith and fraternal support to every Venezuelan home, exhorting everyone to manifest their faith through deeds. Consequently, we opened a collection center to channel aid to the collection centers of the Archdiocese of Caracas, hospitals, religious and secular orphanages, temporary shelters, and rescue teams. Our gratitude to the individuals and institutions that have made this outpouring of love toward neighbors possible. We invite you to continue collaborating. Let us go forward hand in hand with Jesus and Mary.

María Coromoto Bianchini de Marrero



His Eminence Cardinal Baltazar E. Porras Cardozo presided over the 50th Anniversary Mass / Procession of Our Lady Reconciler during the vigil

50th Anniversary of the Apparitions of the Virgin Mary at the Sanctuary of Betania

On March 25, 2026, the 50th anniversary of the first apparition of Our Lady Mary, Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations, was commemorated—a historic milestone of grace, faith, and devotion. The solemn Mass was presided over by His Eminence Cardinal Baltazar E. Porras Cardozo, accompanied by two bishops, 18 priests, a group of deacons and altar servers, and the moving voices of the Betania Choir.

Half a century after that first manifestation in 1976 to the Servant of God María Esperanza Medrano Bianchini, the Sanctuary of Betania rekindled the flame of hope, bringing together a multitude of families, young people, and the faithful for an unforgettable day. The commemorative events began on the night of Tuesday, March 24, with a vibrant vigil filled with prayer, Eucharistic adoration, and singing that extended until dawn.



March 25th, 1976

Excerpt of a Message of Our Lady Given to the Servant of God María Esperanza Bianchini

Little daughter, here you have me with my hands enriched with graces and covered with splendors of light, to call all my children to conversion. This is the seed of glory I offer as Mary Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations, for I come to reconcile all of you!



Disaster relief donations for earthquake survivors

The BSM Activates a Collection Center in Caracas after the Earthquakes in Venezuela

Faced with the challenges arising from the two earthquakes that struck northern Venezuela on June 24, 2026, the BSM issued a message of faith and fraternal support to every Venezuelan home. Faithful to the legacy of love of its founder, the Servant of God María Esperanza, and responding to the call for reconciliation from the Blessed Virgin Mary, Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations, the Movement urged its members to remain united in prayer and to show their faith through their deeds. "We are convinced that, with the intercession of our Servant of God María Esperanza, hand in hand with the Virgin and working together, we will overcome this trial and rebuild what today seems lost," stated the organization.

Since June 26, the Movement activated a collection center to channel aid to the collection centers of the Archdiocese of Caracas, hospitals, religious and civil orphanages, temporary shelters, and rescue teams responding to the emergency. Located at San Remo Restaurant in Altamira, it became a hub of solidarity thanks to donations from the national and international community, through the Family Unity Organization and the tireless work of its volunteers. Donations include medicines, prostheses, clothing, personal hygiene items, mattresses, tents, sheets, pillows, generators, shovels, picks, gloves, protective eyewear, flashlights, and more. Several teams have also been preparing meals for affected families, rescue workers, doctors, and volunteers. Visits have also been made to various health centers to provide support to surviving children.

The BSM extends its gratitude to all the individuals and institutions that have made this outpouring of love toward neighbors possible, and invites everyone to continue collaborating.



His Excellency Bishop Freddy Fuenmayor, the Bianchini Family and the Betania Choir

The Declaration of the Jubilee Year of Reconciliation

On Saturday, March 28, as part of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the apparition of the Virgin Mary in Betania, a Holy Mass was held and the formal beginning of the Jubilee Year of Reconciliation was announced. The Eucharistic celebration was presided over by His Excellency, Bishop Freddy Fuenmayor, accompanied by the Rector of the Sanctuary, Father Antonio Rivas. After the proclamation of the Jubilee Year was read, the sanctuary's confessional area, which now has ten new confessionals for administering the Sacrament of Reconciliation, was blessed.

Maracaibo Overflowed with Faith: Celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy



Celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy in Maracaibo

On April 10, 11, and 12, the Association Mary, Path to Jesus organized various activities to celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy in Maracaibo, Zulia State. On April 10, 2026, in La República Square, the statue of Our Lady Reconciler of All Peoples was welcomed with fireworks and she was presented with the key to the city. During this moving ceremony, the Order of Saint Sebastian was posthumously conferred upon the Servant of God María Esperanza Bianchini. With a profound sense of family, some who were present shared their thoughts, prayed the Rosary, and enjoyed songs by the Betania Choir. This paved the way for Saturday, April 11th, a day filled with praise through a concert by the Betania Choir in Grano de Oro. This culminated in a heartfelt Eucharistic Adoration, featuring the incredible voices of Instruments of Mercy. On Sunday, April 12th, the massive 29th Divine Mercy Procession took place, in which thousands of faithful walked, leaving an impressive trail of devotion that concluded with Holy Eucharist, presided over by His Excellency Bishop José Luis Azuaje.



Betania Spirituality Movement

47th Anniversary of the Betania Spirituality Movement and 45th Anniversary of the Betania Choir

On April 19, 2026, the Betania Spirituality Movement celebrated its 47th anniversary and the Betania Choir its 45th anniversary of uninterrupted evangelization work with a Mass, at Santa Ana Church in La Lagunita. In the light of the Gospel and under the message of reconciliation from the Our Lady, the BSM reaffirmed its commitment to service to God and the Church, living with joy and perseverance its fundamental motto: Shielded by faith, working for a better tomorrow!



Visits from pilgrims from various parishes across the country

Guided Tours in Betania: An Opportunity for Unity, Peace, and Inner Renewal

During the first half of the year, 23 guided tours were conducted at the Sanctuary of Betania. A number of 2,952 pilgrims from various parishes throughout the country attended these tours. After Holy Mass in the open-air chapel, the groups embarked on a reflective and prayerful walk to various oratories dedicated to Our Lady of Loreto, the Cenacle, and Our Lady of Sorrows. With this itinerary, the Betania Spirituality Movement continues to transform these visits into a perfect opportunity for unity, peace, and inner renewal.



Betania Choir members

The Betania Choir: A Journey of Song and Evangelization

The Betania Choir continued its work of evangelization through song in 2026. With the enthusiasm and commitment of its young members, they led a total of 11 hours of adoration, transforming music into a space for shared prayer and humble closeness before the Blessed Sacrament. Likewise, with an active presence in the liturgical life of the Church, the Betania Choir participated in a total of 39 musical performances at Eucharistic celebrations in various parishes. This work sought, above all, to contribute to the Christian fervor of the faithful.

Words of the Vice-Postulator



Dear Members of the Betania Spirituality Movement,

Greetings from New Jersey, USA. I hope you had a beautiful Easter with your loved ones. As I write these words, we are currently in the month of May, the month dedicated to Our Lady. She is the central figure of Betania so we want to give her all the love she deserves this month. Great ways to do this are to pray the Rosary, make small pilgrimages to her shrines, walk in processions carrying her statue, crown her as Queen of the Universe, build a small

altar in her honor at home, read excellent books about her, and strive to imitate virtues. We can be sure that Mary will smile on us this month. We especially ask her to show us the way to reconciliation and peace.

Many blessings to all,
Fr. Tim

PRAYER FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF MARIA ESPERANZA



Merciful Father, You blessed Maria Esperanza with an abundance of spiritual gifts for the consolation of your people. She served You as wife, mother, and missionary to promote the unity of the family and the reconciliation of all peoples. You enabled her to be the central figure in the manifestations of the Virgin Mary, under the title of Reconciler of all Peoples and Nations, in Betania. Grant us the grace to follow her example of humility, hope, and unconditional love.

Through the intercession of your servant, Maria Esperanza, we pray for the healing and reconciliation of our families, and for the fraternal unity of the entire human family.

Especially, we beseech You to grant us the favors we now request (mention your intentions here) through the merits and prayers of your servant. Likewise, we humbly implore that she be inscribed in the Church's catalogue of saints, as a universal model of the beatitudes. We pray all this according to your holy will, cherished by your servant until the end, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

With the ecclesiastical approval of Bishop Paul G. Bootkoski of Metuchen, New Jersey, December 4, 2009 For more information or to report a miracle go to: www.mariaesperanza.org and/or www.betania.org.

Reflections of the Servant of God Maria Esperanza Bianchini

Marmora, Ontario, Canada
Sunday, July 25, 1993



Evangelization, to prepare ourselves, to identify ourselves with our Heavenly Mother Mary in a subtle, wonderful, soft, simple and beautiful way. It is Mary who has come to reconcile us. She is calling us to start to walk, that is to say, she is inviting all of us to stand up firmly as soldiers to begin that path to Mount Zion, in order to truly fraternize, help one another, and protect one another as siblings living the Gospel. [...].

All the People of God must be united to its priests and to the Main Shepherd, our Holy Father the Pope, John Paul II. He is the soul that has been called in these times to rebuild the walls of the great triumphant Jerusalem. Jerusalem is triumphant because of the People of God, who are called to work together with the Church and her priests. They will teach us. They have taught us, but this People is waiting to be touched in the core of its heart for the sowing, which is the sowing of Christ, Master, Prophet, Pontiff and Savior of the World who has come to save us in these times of great calamity for mankind.

Spiritual Maxims of the Servant of God Maria Esperanza Bianchini

- To be an apostle is the most beautiful thing; sacrifice is required, self-control is required, as well as great spirituality and the desire of serving constantly without feeling tired.
- The Eucharist: It is Jesus who is there. It is his Body that is offering itself. It is his life that He is giving us. It is supernatural and authentic life, the living life of love.
- Charity is the living source of Jesus; which daily, as water, runs to bathe us, purifying us and help us walk better.

Chronological Data on the Servant of God Maria Esperanza

- On April 1, 1994, Good Friday, the Servant of God María Esperanza visited the Sanctuary of Betania and prayed the Stations of the Cross with the group accompanying her.
- On April 17, 1994, the Servant of God embarked on a new mission to the United States. She visited Birmingham, Alabama, to spend time with Mother Angelica at the Monastery of Our Lady of the Angels.
- On April 19, 1994, she met with Mother Angelica at the Regina Coeli house. The Servant of God María Esperanza participated as a special guest on the program Mother Angelica Live.



Pope Leo XIV.
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Pope Leo XIV Proclaimed the Triumph of Divine Love in his 2026 Easter Message, Urbi et Orbi

On Easter Sunday, which culminated the Holy Week celebrations, Pope Leo XIV addressed the world from the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica to impart the Urbi et Orbi blessing. Before thousands of faithful, the Pontiff offered a message of hope and recalled the true meaning of the Resurrection in the face of humanity's suffering.

During his address, the Holy Father emphasized the following idea: "Easter is the victory of life over death, of light over darkness, of love over hatred. It is a victory that came at a very high price: Christ, the Son of the living God [...], he took upon himself the sin of the world and thus freed us all [...]. What is the strength with which he defeated once and for all the ancient adversary? [...] This strength, this power, is God himself for he is love who creates and generates, love who is faithful to the end and love who forgives and redeems. Christ, our 'victorious King', fought and won his battle through trusting abandonment to the Father's will."*

Pope Leo XIV's message concluded with a call for global peace, urging everyone to lay aside hatred and allow themselves to be transformed by the power of the Risen Lord, in order to open paths of forgiveness and reconciliation in the world.

*Leo XIV. (2025). Urbi et Orbi Vatican Message. Retrieved from: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/urbi/documents/20260405-urbi-et-orbi-pasqua.html>



Members of Betania IX, rejoicing in a gathering of faith

The Betania IX Community in Madrid Shares the Beautiful Fruits of the First Half of 2026

With hearts full of gratitude, the Betania IX Community in Madrid shares the beautiful fruits of the first half of 2026, walking together under the protection of Our Lady Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations. Guided by the spiritual direction of Fr. José María Casado, our monthly meetings have been true moments of blessing, especially the February meeting at the Parish of Our Lady of the Patronage of St. Joseph, where we shared testimonies with Fr. Junior, who carries out his ministry in Cuba. The culminating moment of this journey was the Holy Mass on March 25, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary, held at the Parish of Our Lady of the Patronage of St. Joseph, in which the members of Betania IX and other parishioners participated. In his homily, Father José María delved into the life and mission of the Servant of God María Esperanza, recalling her mystical experiences from childhood, the apparitions of the Virgin Mary, and the expansion of the Betania Communities around the world, highlighting the immense legacy she has left. With hearts full of anticipation for the Pope's upcoming visit to Madrid, we invite you to follow us on Instagram: @betaniaix.



Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You

In Whom or What Are We Placing our Trust? (Part I-2)

We live in 2026, a year marked by haste, constant noise, and a profound disorientation that seems to be distancing us further and further from true peace. Faced with this situation, many wonder why anguish and isolation continue to gain ground in the human heart. The answer is clear: We have tried to build peace through our own strength, through our pride, and not through the will of God. We have turned our spirituality into a superficial refuge to which we turn only when external chaos overwhelms us, forgetting that peace is, above all, an inner exercise of detachment and humility; a constant life lesson of our foundress and spiritual guide, the Servant of God María Esperanza.

The way to recover our peace and direction in this fast-paced world was taught to us by our Lord Jesus. He did not come to offer us a life without problems, but to teach us to fulfill the Father's will, regardless of the circumstances. (To be continued.)

Concerts

Eastern Cemetery, La Guairita
January 6, 2026; 2:00 p.m.
Funeral Mass of Mrs. Alicia Liscano, followed by burial

Transfiguration of the Lord, El Cafetal
January 15, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, ninth day of prayers for the eternal rest of Mrs. Alicia Liscano

St. Mary Mother of God Church, Manzanares
January 31, 2026; 12:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, 16 years since the beginning of the Cause of Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God María Esperanza

Holy Hour with meditations and worship music by the Betania Choir youth
January 31, March 9, and June 10, 2026 (Sta María Madre de Dios Church, Manzanares)
February 7, 2026 (The Immaculate Conception Church, Temple of St. Francis)
February 12, 2026 (Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Candles – Dr. José Gregorio Hernández)
March 18, 2026 (Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rectory)
March 25, 2026 (Sanctuary of Betania)
April 15, 2026 (La Caridad del Cobre Church, Santa Paula)
May 23, 2026 (Holy Family of Nazareth Church, La Tahona)
June 4, 2026 (St. Dominic of Guzman Parish, Los Samanes)
June 13, 2026 (St. Louis Gonzaga Church, Chuao)

St. George Cathedral, Montalbán
February 1, 2026; 11:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, 60th priestly anniversary, Diamond Jubilee, of His Excellency Bishop Georges Kahhale

Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Candles – Dr. José Gregorio Hernández
February 8, March 1, April 5, June 7, 2026; 12:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, promotion of the Cause for Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God María Esperanza

Holy Family of Nazareth & Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer Church, La Tahona
February 18, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, Ash Wednesday

Eastern Cemetery, La Guairita
March 2, 2026; 4:00 p.m.
Funeral Mass of Mrs. Yudieth Rancel

St. John of God Hospital, Valle Arriba
March 6, 2026; 10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Feast of St. John of God, presided over by His Eminence Cardinal Baltazar E. Porras Cardozo

Mary Mother of the Redeemer Church, Los Naranjos
March 19, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, Solemnity of St. Joseph

Events

The Transfiguration of the Lord, El Cafetal
January 7, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, first day of prayers for the eternal rest of Mrs. Alicia Liscano

St. Constantine and St. Helena Church, Romanian Orthodox, El Hatillo
January 20, 2026; 5:00 p.m.
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Holy Family of Nazareth and St. Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer Church, La Tahona
January 22, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Memorial Mass for Mrs. Niurka Ponce

Via Zoom
January 15, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, 19, and 26; March 5, 12, 19, and 26 April 9, 16, 23, and 30; May 7, 14, 21, and 28; June 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2026; 4:00 p.m.
Holy Hour and Holy Rosary

La Estancia del Señor, Alto Hatillo
January 23; February 6 and 20; March 13; April 30; May 15; June 5; 7:30 p.m.
Youth Cenacle
Hosts: María Auxiliadora Copa, Pietro and Floreana Bianchini, Oswaldo and Aliana Vargas, Ryan and Jesireth Terrill, Ángel Daniel Acosta, Nathaly and Jonnathan Hernández

Betania Spirituality Movement Monthly Meetings
January 25, 2026 (Finca Betania)
March 8, 2026 (La Estancia del Señor, Alto Hatillo)

Mary Mother of the Redeemer Church, Los Naranjos
January 28, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, Fr. Franklin Marique's Birthday

Kindle
January 29, 2026
Publication of Fr. Timothy Byerley's book "María Esperanza and the Grace of Betania"

La Estancia del Señor, El Hatillo
January 30, February 13 and 27, April 17, May 8 and 22, June 12; 5:30 p.m.
Children's Cenacle
Hosts: Isadora Renaud, Mónica Díaz, Isabella Vargas, Ángel Daniel Acosta, Daniel and Yessica Martínez, Rosa Fajardo, Rodrigo and Mónica Díaz

Chiquinquirá Hall, Santa María Madre de Dios Church, Manzanares
January 31, 2026; 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
Short talks and a documentary by the BSM (Memorial Encounter Movement) at the Emmaus retreat, "Knowing God through Prayer," and Holy Eucharist, commemorating the 16th anniversary of the opening of the Cause of the Servant of God María Esperanza

Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Candles – Dr. José Gregorio Hernández
February 2, 2026; 12:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, Our Lady of the Candles Day

Pilgrimages with the Holy Eucharist at the Sanctuary of Betania and Finca Betania

January 27, 2026; 5 from the group of promoters of Eucharistic adoration in prostration = 5

February 7, 2026; 30 pilgrims from the Parishes of Our Lady of Montserrat, Holy Cross, Our Lady of Fatima, and Corpus Christi, Cagua, Aragua State, José Gregorio Machado group = 30

February 20, 2026; 27 pilgrims from the Luisa Cáceres de Arismendi Educational Unit, Guaremas = 27

February 28, 2026; 107 pilgrims including parishioners and members of the Emmaus group, La Caridad del Cobre Parish, El Cafetal, with Rev. Fr. Carlos Porras; 27 from La Ascensión del Señor Parish, Cumbres de Curumo, with Rev. Fr. Efrén Cisneros; 40 from Carmen de Cura; 92 from Camatagua, Aragua State, with Rev. Fr. Deivis; 63 from Peñón and Sisipa; and 60 from Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Tejerías = 349

March 3, 2026; 4 with Bivi Rosales, for her program: Traveling with Bivi, Venevisión = 4

March 4, 2026; 75 from the Andes Institute, Los Naranjos = 75

March 7, 2026; 28 ladies from Emmaus, St. Rosalia de Palermo Parish, El Hatillo and 57 from St. Óscar Romero and St. Laura Montoya, Petare, with Rev. Fr. Williams Zapiain = 85

March 14, 2026; 60 pilgrims from Radio Maria; 36 from St. Paul the Apostle of Colinas de Bello Monte; 66 from Parish San Ramón Nonato, Catia; 30 from Santa Rosalía de Palermo, El Hatillo; and 38 pilgrims from the Sanctuary of Betania = 230

March 18, 2026; 30 ladies from Regnum Christi, Barquisimeto, Lara State = 30
March 20, 2026; 70 from the Parish and the EUP of St. Francis Xavier of Lidice, Catia, with Rev. Fr. Carlos Roperio = 70

March 25, 2026; 15 pilgrims from the El Rincón group, Opus Dei, Caracas; 6 from Regnum Christi, Los Naranjos; 16 from the Parish Holy Family of Nazareth; and the Capriles couple = 39

April 18, 2026; 60 pilgrims from the Parish of St. Joseph, Chacao, with Rev. Fr. Robin Zambrano; 34 from Bethlehem Pilgrimages with Brother Miguel González; 2 from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Cúa; 2 from the Transfiguration of the Lord Parish, El Cafetal; 6 from Mary Throne of Wisdom Parish UCAB, Montalbán = 104

Concerts

Sanctuary of Betania
March 24, 2026; 7:00 p.m.
Concert, vigil, 50th anniversary of the apparition of Mary, Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations

Sanctuary of Betania
March 25, 2026; 11:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Solemnity of the Annunciation and 50th anniversary of the apparition of Mary, Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations, presided over by His Eminence Cardinal Baltazar E. Porras Cardozo

Sanctuary of Betania
March 28, 2026; 11:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, proclamation of the decree of the Jubilee Year of Reconciliation, presided over by His Excellency Bishop Freddy Fuenmayor

Sanctuary of Betania
April 2, 2026; 12:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, The Lord's Last Supper

La República Square, Maracaibo, Zulia State
April 10, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Concert, conferral ceremony by the Mayor of Maracaibo, Dr. Gian Carlo Di Martino, of the Order of St. Sebastian posthumously to the Servant of God María Esperanza Bianchini, Rosary and procession

Grano de Oro, Maracaibo, Zulia State
April 11, 2026; 6:30 p.m.
Concert, testimonies, and Eucharistic adoration

"Oasis of Mercy," in front of St. Joseph Church, Maracaibo, Zulia State
April 12, 2026; 3:00 p.m.
Concert, Feast of Divine Mercy, and 29th Procession

St. Anne Church, La Lagunita
April 19, 2026; 1:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, birthday of Prof. María Auxiliadora Bianchini León, 47th anniversary of BSM, and 45th anniversary of the Betania Choir

José Gregorio Hernández House Museum, La Pastora
April 21, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Concert, a tribute to Pope Francis on the first anniversary of his death

St. George's Cathedral, Montalbán
April 22, 2026; 7:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, St. George's Day, presided over by His Excellency Bishop Joseph Khawam, followed by the burning of the dragon

Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral, Maracay, Aragua State
April 26, 2026; 5:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, St. George's Day, presided over by His Excellency Bishop Enrique J. Parravano Merino, followed by a procession and the burning of the dragon

Events

Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Candles – Dr. José Gregorio Hernández
February 8, March 1, April 5, June 7, 2026; 12:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, promotion of the Cause for Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God María Esperanza, with the testimonies of: Damaris Lobatón, Eng. Orlando Pérez, Lic. Álvaro Hernández, Mr. Eduardo Carías

Ntra. Sra. de la Caridad del Cobre Church, Santa Paula
February 19, 2026; 5:00 p.m.
Short talks and documentary "The Servant of God María Esperanza, Life and Work" by BComS. María Coromoto Marrero and Prof. María Auxiliadora León for the group "Leaving Footprints"

St. Dominic of Guzmán Church, Los Samanes
March 3, 2026; 6:30 p.m.
Short talks and documentary "The Servant of God María Esperanza: Life and Work" by BComS. María Coromoto Marrero, Prof. María Auxiliadora León, and Mrs. María del Carmen León at the Emmaus Retreat

Holy Family of Nazareth and St. Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer Church, La Tahona
March 10, 2026; 8:30 a.m.
Talk on the 50th Anniversary of Our Lady Reconciler of All Peoples and Nations and the Servant of God María Esperanza by Eng. María Gracia Gebran for the Ladies of Regnum Christi

La Mariposa Reservoir – Parr. S. José de los Altos
March 14, 2026
Great walk with the Blessed Sacrament, 10 km and Holy Eucharist

Holy Family of Nazareth and St. Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer Church, La Tahona
February 18, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, Ash Wednesday

Sanctuary of Betania
March 21, 2026 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Retreat of Reconciliation, by Rev. Fr. Antonio Rivas

Sanctuary of Betania
March 24, 2026, 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Religious activities during the prayer vigil, 50th anniversary of the apparition of Mary Reconciler of All Peoples

Sanctuary of Betania
March 25, 2026 12:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Religious activities, 50th anniversary of Mary Reconciler of All Peoples and Solemnity of the Annunciation, Holy Mass presided over by His Eminence Card. Baltazar Enrique Porras

Sanctuary of Betania
March 28, 2026; 11:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, proclamation of the Jubilee Year of Reconciliation Decree, presided over by H.E. Bishop Freddy Fuenmayor

Pilgrimages with the Holy Eucharist at the Sanctuary of Betania and Finca Betania

April 25, 2026; 80 catechesis group from Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, El Junquito; 44 from the Our Lady of Coromoto Sanctuary of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, El Paraíso; 20 from Holy Family of Nazareth Parish, La Tahona; 38 from St. Rose of Lima Parish, Christ the King Chapel, Charallave; 33 from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Antimano; and 23 lay group Daughters of Mercy, Eucharistic Sanctuary of St. Michael the Archangel and 26 from the Parish of Our Lady of the Valley, San Juan de los Morros, Guárico State = 264

April 29, 2026; 165 people from the First Communion group, children, representatives and catechists, Parish of St. Rose of Lima, Charallave = 165
May 6, 2026; 153 from the First Communion group, Parish of St. Rose of Lima, Charallave = 153

May 9, 2026; 115 pilgrims from the Chapel of Our Lady of Coromoto, Parish of the Lord's Mercy, Monte Alto, El Junquito, with Rev. Fr. Ángel Boscán; and 25 from St. Andrew the Apostle, El Placer, with Rev. Fr. Ramón Vinke = 155

May 11, 2026; 4 priests, Church of La Chiquinquirá, La Florida = 4

May 16, 2026; 32 pilgrims from Don Bosco School, Altamira, with Rev. Fr. Alexander de Franca; 80 confirmands from San Diego de Alcalá Parish, Ocumare, with Sr. Saray Gatas; 28 from the Cursillo Movement, Blessed Manuel Domingo Parish, Guarenas; and 14 from the Catia group. 135 First Communion children in El Trapiche with Rev. Fr. Antonio Rivas = 154

May 23, 2026; 59 parishioners from La Santa Cruz, Propatria, with Rev. Fr. Tom Obryan and Fr. Eliel Araujo; 103 from the First Communion group of the Bishop Lucas Guillermo Castillo Municipal School; 64 from the Confirmation group of the San Diego de Alcalá Parish, Ocumare del Tuy, with Deacon Nelson Romero; and 28 from Our Lady of Coromoto, Guarenas = 254

May 29, 2025; 62 pilgrims from the Mary, Way to Jesus Association, Maracaibo, Zulia State = 62

May 30, 2026; 106 people from San Diego de Alcalá of San Diego de los Altos (Quasi-Parish of Our Lady of Coromoto, Altos Mirandinos) with Rev. Fr. Wilmer Zambrano; 75 from the Our Lady of Coromoto Parish, Quebrada de Cúa, with Rev. Fr. Alfredo Aular; 109 from the Confirmation group of the Parish. San Diego de Alcalá, Ocumare del Tuy; 29 from Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Los Teques, with Rev. Fr. Robert González; and 53 from the Annunciation of the Lord, La Boyera = 372

Concerts

Holy Family of Nazareth and St. Josemaría
Escrivá de Balaguer Church, La Tahona
April 28, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist, nine days of prayer for the eternal
rest of Leopoldo José Díaz Jiménez

Saint Gabriel Church, La Tahona
May 17, 2025; 10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist

Holy Family of Nazareth and St. Josemaría
Escrivá de Balaguer Church, La Tahona
May 23, 2026; 5:00 p.m.
Pentecost Vigil Mass

The Annunciation of the Lord Church, La Boyera
June 14, 2025; 10:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Jubilee Year of the Parish



Events

Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral, Los Teques
March 30, 2026
Chrism Mass and priestly anniversary of H.E.
Bishop Freddy Fuenmayor

Sanctuary of Betania and Finca Betania
April 1, 2026
Holy Wednesday, support in the Easter pastoral
and liturgical activities

Sanctuary of Betania
April 2, 2026; 12:00 p.m.
Holy Thursday, Holy Eucharist of the Lord's Supper,
Washing of the Feet, and Transfer of the Blessed
Sacrament

Sanctuary of Betania
April 3, 2026; 11:00 a.m.
Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, Seven Last
Words, Adoration of the Cross

Fine Arts Center, Maracaibo, Zulia State
April 9, 2026; 6:00 p.m.
Testimony of life and message of Our Lady
Reconciler by Eng. María Gracia Bianchini Gebran
during the 4th meeting with 400 volunteers of the
Mary, Way to Jesus Association for the "Feast of
Divine Mercy 2026"

Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima, Carrizal
April 25, 2026; 10:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, episcopal ordination, and installation
of Bishop Alberto Castillo as Bishop of Los Teques

Mary Mother of the Redeemer Church, Los
Naranjos
May 28, 2026; 7:00 p.m.
Talk on the renewal of the Parish Pastoral Council
given by Uge Álvarez

Connection with the Lourdes Grotto of the Vatican
May 30, 2026; 1:00 p.m. (Venezuela Time)
Invitation from Pope Leo XIV to join in praying the
Rosary for peace

San Pedro de los Altos
May 31, 2026
Enthronement of Our Lady Reconciler of All Peoples

Rest. San Remo, Altamira
Since June 26, 2026
Opening of the BSM Collection Center to assist the
collection centers of the Archdiocese of Caracas
following the earthquakes of June 24 in northern
Venezuela

Pilgrimages with the Holy Eucharist at the Sanctuary of Betania and Finca Betania

June 13, 2026; 70 from Our Lady of Montserrat
Parish, Santa Cruz, Aragua State; 23 from Our
Lady of the Rosary, Antimano; 70 from Our Lady
of Mount Carmel Parish, Tejerías and Los Teques;
and 5 from the Neighborhood Association, Santa
Rosa de Lima = 168

June 20, 2026; 52 from the Assumption of Mary
Parish, Guarenas, with Rev. Fr. Norman Brodowski
SAC; 100 from St. Teresa of Jesus, catechism group,
Santa Teresa del Tuy; and Mr. Bonaffina = 153



Community Petitions

Let us pray for the necessities of our Holy Church and of the world, and especially for our brothers and sisters who have the following requests:

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For the eternal rest of Pope Francis.

For religious who are persecuted, for those who are doubting.

For the Cause of Canonization of the Servant of God Maria Esperanza and for Fathers Timothy Byerley and Gerardino Barracchini, who are promoting it.

For priestly and religious vocations.

For all the petitions requested in the BSM's weekly Rosary, via Zoom.

For the world's leaders, and for those who hold political and economic power, that they may keep in mind the good of nations.

For peace in the Middle East, Venezuela, and the world.

For the victims and survivors of the earthquakes in Venezuela.

For those who have lost their jobs or are about to lose them.

For single mothers.

For the elderly.

For those with physical or mental disabilities.

For the souls of those who have committed suicide.

For the Betania Communities around the world.

For families and marriages in crisis, that the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph may save them.

For the Bianchini family, that the Holy Spirit may always guide their steps, and that God may grant them abundant grace, health, and strength to continue working for the Lord and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Father of Goodness, listen to our prayer and grant unto your servants, who trust in You, the gift of your grace to embrace your love in unity, and reach with your mercy, after this life, the eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

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