



# Catholic Lawyers Guild's Annual **RED MASS**

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
509 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602  
Wednesday November 20, 2019, at 12:10 p.m.

The Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Gregory L. Parkes, Bishop of the Diocese of St. Petersburg. Deacons Edward LaRose, Judge of the Second District Court of Appeal, and John Schaefer, Sixth Judicial Circuit Judge (Retired), will assist.

*First Reading:* Hon. Ronald Ficarrota, Chief Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit.

*Second Reading:* Hon. Caryl Delano, Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Middle District of Florida.

*Oath of Attorney:* Hon. Elizabeth A. Kovachevich, Chief Judge Emeritus, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida.

*Prayer of the Faithful:* Hon. Nelly N. Khouzam, Chief Judge, Second District Court of Appeal.



THE "RED MASS" IS A HISTORICAL TRADITION WITHIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH DATING BACK TO THE THIRTEENTH CENTURY WHEN IT OFFICIALLY OPENED THE TERM OF THE COURT FOR MOST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THE PARTICIPANTS—GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, LAWYERS AND JUDGES— WOULD PROCEED INTO A CHURCH CLOTHED IN RED VESTMENTS OR RED GARMENTS, SIGNIFYING THE FIRE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S GUIDANCE TO ALL WHO PURSUE JUSTICE IN THEIR DAILY LIVES. JUDGES, LAWYERS, LAW STUDENTS, PROFESSORS, AND OTHERS IN THE LEGAL FIELD ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

