



DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG  
Office of the Bishop

August 3, 2022

Dear Monsignor/Father:

The local results of the diocesan phase of the Synod on Synodality revealed a need to enhance communications, unity, and community in the five counties of the Diocese of St. Petersburg. Diocesan media ministries, listed below, help to do just that. However, many parishioners have not been introduced to these resources and many don't know how local Catholic media can impact their lives.



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GulfCoastCatholic.org

**To raise awareness for these ministries, I am instituting a Diocesan Media Day to be celebrated each year at all local parishes and missions on or near the Feast of the Archangels, Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. This year, Diocesan Media Day is scheduled for Sunday, September 25th, 2022.**

The word angel means "messenger," and angels are known for delivering messages from God to his people. That's why St. Gabriel the Archangel is the patron of Catholic communicators and broadcasters.

I encourage you to participate in the following ways:

- Speak about diocesan media to parishioners and ministry leaders.
- Show promotional graphics on screens or monitors.
- Share announcements in the bulletins, via e-news, and on social media.
- Include a petition in the Prayers of the Faithful.
- Share the Prayer for Evangelization through Media.

To find promotional materials and other resources, visit the diocesan website, [www.dosp.org/media](http://www.dosp.org/media).

I thank you in advance for your support of our first Diocesan Media Day and for regularly supporting our media efforts to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory Parkes  
Bishop of St. Petersburg