



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

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
509 N. Florida Avenue, Tampa, FL 33602  
**Wednesday, February 4, 2026, At**  
**5:15 p.m.**

The Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Gregory L. Parkes, Bishop of the Diocese of St. Petersburg.

### ***First Reading***

*Hon. Sean Flynn, U.S. Magistrate Judge,  
Middle District of Florida*

### ***Second Reading***

*Hon. Monique M. Scott, County Judge,  
Thirteenth Judicial Circuit*

### ***Oath of Attorney***

*Hon. Charles R. Wilson, Senior U.S. Circuit Judge,  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit*

### ***Prayer of the Faithful***

*Hon. Michael J. Scionti, Circuit Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit*

A reception\* at the Tampa Club (101 E. Kennedy Blvd.) will follow the Mass for Guild members and all in attendance with the opportunity to renew your membership or become a new member of The Tampa Bay Catholic Lawyers Guild.

*The Hon. Edward LaRose, Second District Court  
of Appeals will be our guest speaker.*

**\*Sponsored by Anthony and Partners. Please RSVP for the Reception to:**  
[clgtampabay@gmail.com](mailto:clgtampabay@gmail.com)



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, STUDENTS, PROFESSORS, AND OTHERS IN THE LEGAL FIELD ARE INVITED.