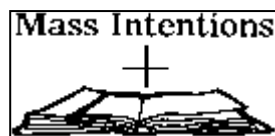




Recognizable Offering..... \$6,057.59  
 Loose Cash..... \$629.00  
 Total Weekly Offering..... \$6,683.59  
 Mass Attendance Feb 18/19 366



Feb 27 - Mar 5  
 Monday.....Darlene Zeling(+)  
 Wednesday.....Michael Ibañez(+)  
 Thursday.....Melinda Spearman(+)  
 Friday.....Trey Corbitt(+)  
 Saturday.....Louis Díaz(+)  
**Sunday.....Melinda Spearman(+)(8:00 a.m.)**  
**.....St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)**



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Thursday, March 2, beginning with Exposition immediately after morning Mass and ending with Benediction at 8:00 p.m. Take advantage of this great opportunity to spend some quiet time building your relationship with God, our truest soul mate.

*"Our longing for intimacy is truly fulfilled only in the Lord."* - Msgr. Stephen J. Rossetti

**Young Adult Ministry Social Night Out**



Young Adults (18-35+) Single, Married, Divorced--you are invited to join us for dinner at Thai Chef restaurant on Hurlburt Road (next to Domo Cafe). Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-8:00pm.

Please contact Kelsey at [kelsey.smith.3@us.af.mil](mailto:kelsey.smith.3@us.af.mil) or Susie at (850) 581-7263 or [dre@stpeter.ptdiocese.org](mailto:dre@stpeter.ptdiocese.org) for details and to let us know you are coming so we can save you a seat!

**75%-Off Sale at The House of St. Joseph the Workman Catholic Book and Gift Store**  
 Beginning Tuesday, February 28, 2017, all merchandise in stock will be reduced 75%. No special orders and no lay-aways will be taken. (850)862-9039.

**Weekly Calendar of Events**

- 2/26 K - 5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.  
**Adult Faith Formation "Symbolon"** - 9:15 a.m.  
 Confirmation - 10:30 a.m. Mass  
 HS/MS Youth Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
- 2/27 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass  
 R.C.I.A - 6:30 p.m.
- 3/01 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.  
 Ash Wednesday Masses - 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
- 3/02 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass  
 Adoration - 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- 3/03 Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- 3/05 Blood Drive & Pancake Breakfast - 8:00 a.m.  
 K - 5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.  
**Adult Faith Formation "Symbolon"** - 9:15 a.m.  
 HS/MS Youth Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

**FISH FRY** Lenten Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross **March 10th**

Join in fellowship at 6:00 p.m. for our first parish fish fry of the season. Fish, hush puppies, and drinks will be provided by the parish. Please bring a meatless side dish to share or a dessert. RSVP before March 7th through Flocknote, call the office, or at the Hospitality cart so we know how many are coming.

Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m.



**Blood Drive and Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sunday March 5**

Our first blood drive for the year will be next Sunday. The **Big Red Bus** will be here as usual, from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. We encourage our parishioners to spread the word and invite friends and neighbors to give the gift of life to those in need, in appreciation of the many blessings we are given every day.

The Knights of Columbus will be cooking up breakfast for all to enjoy that same day, so why not make it a gathering of friendship and service of love?!



*Calendar*

- Monday**  
 February 27  
*Weekday*  
 Sir 17:20-24  
 Mk 10:17-27
- Tuesday**  
 February 28  
*Weekday*  
 Sir 55:1-12  
 Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday**  
 March 1  
*Ash Wednesday*  
 Jl 2:12-18  
 2 Cor 5:20-6:2  
 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday**  
 March 2  
*Thursday after Ash Wednesday*  
 Dt 50:15-20  
 Lk 9:22-25
- Friday**  
 March 3  
*Friday after Ash Wednesday*  
 Is 58:1-9a  
 Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday**  
 March 4  
*Saturday after Ash Wednesday*  
 Is 58:9b-14  
 Lk 5:27-32
- Sunday**  
 March 5  
*First Sunday of Lent*  
 Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7  
 Rom 5:12-19  
 Mt 4:1-11

*Dear Padre,*

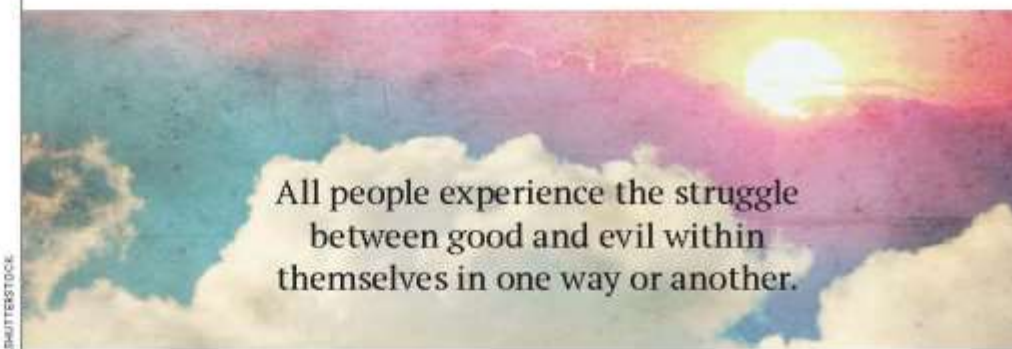
**I'm an active Catholic but feel torn between two sides of myself: one that is faithful in prayer and charitable to others, another that is poorly disciplined, selfish, and given to sensuality and pornography. It seems God is holding on to me, but I don't know why.**

I am reminded of Paul's personal struggle as expressed in Romans: "What I do, I do not understand. For I do not do what I want, but I do what I hate... Now if [I] do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me... Miserable one that I am! Who will deliver me...?" (7:15, 20, 24).

Remain faithful to your religious practices, and don't get down on yourself. Having immoral tendencies does not make you a hypocrite; it makes you human. All people experience the struggle between good and evil within themselves in one way or another. It may be helpful to find a spiritual director or counselor who can help you deal with your weaknesses. You could learn how to be more disciplined in prayer and how to overcome your preoccupation with pornography. Keep trying to accentuate the positive and deal with the negative.

You say God is holding on to you. Remember that Francis Thompson called God "the Hound of Heaven." God does not let go easily.

Fr. Daniel L. Lowery, CSsR  
[sundaybulletin@liguori.org](mailto:sundaybulletin@liguori.org)



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*A Word From Pope Francis*

*"If [your children] are crying with hunger, feed them, don't worry. Let us thank the Lord for the gift of milk....What milk does for the body, the Word of God does for the spirit."*

—Homily, Sistine Chapel, January 11, 2015



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**February 26, 2017**  
*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)*  
Is 49:14-15  
1 Cor 4:1-5  
Mt 6:24-34

## God Loves Us Like a Mother

There is no place children feel safer than in their mother's arms. Since she provides them with all they need, both physically and emotionally, their trust and confidence is total. God tells us not to worry and gives us the reason: *I will never ever forget you. I know your needs and I will take care of them. Do you think a mother can forget her child? Even if she were to forget, I won't!*

In the Gospel, Jesus doesn't just suggest not to worry, he commands it: "Do not worry," he says more than once. He knows what preoccupies us—food, clothing, work, and money. Why worry? What good will it do? Can you eat better, increase your wealth, or change your appearance by worrying? Can you add a day to your life fretting about your health?

Sure, we need to think about providing for our physical needs. We need to make good, informed, and healthy decisions. The key is to reflect and decide, not to worry and obsess. Keep it all in perspective. Life is much more than material goods and personal aspirations.

God loves us so much, like a mother loves her child. He provides for all his creatures, even for the lily that only blooms for a day. He knows everything



Piece: *The Rest on The Flight into Egypt*, circa 1510  
Artist: Gerard David  
Location: National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

you need and, like a good parent, desperately wants to give it to you!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

### For Reflection

*What worries me most right now? Make a list and entrust it all to Jesus.*

*"Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself.  
Sufficient for a day is its own evil"  
(Matthew 6:34).*

## Liturgical Roles\*

Weekend of Mar 4/5

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: George Rushlau

Extraordinary Ministers: Al Perreault, Louise Perreault, Joanna Farnum, Joyce Klickovich, Michael Klickovich

Lectors: Jan Comstock, Ron Berthelette

Ushers: Cora Podrang, Bob Flanagan, Joni Flanagan

Greeter: Lynn Brenton

Sacristan: Dan Brenton

Elijah Cup: Wanda Corbitt

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Emily Moore, Audrey Moore

Extraordinary Ministers: Bobby Stockbridge, Susan Johansen, Paul Johansen, James Johansen, Kathy Stockbridge

Lectors: Michael Moore, Kathy Moore

Ushers: Gary Jordan, Maria Bridges, Kathy Cauley

Greeter: Cathy McKnight

Sacristan: Jean Jordan

Elijah Cup: Pete and Sylvia Wagner

K of C Pancake Breakfast

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Joseph Sweeney, Micayla Colwell, Devony Ross

Extraordinary Ministers: Angela Zangerle, Stacy Fralic, Bill Roth, Judy Robinson, Joe Davison

Lectors: \_\_\_\_\_, Lisa Manion

Ushers: Brian Prescott, Jim Wise, John Fails

Greeter: Donna Fetter

Sacristan: Therese Sweeney

Elijah Cup: Mike and Petey Brennan

K of C Pancake Breakfast

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Susi Evers at 664-9165 or email her at saintpeterparishprayerchain@gmail.com

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

*In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:*

Monday Johanna Adam\*, Charles Cummings\*, Steve Lange, Margie Wadsworth\*, Al Landry

Tuesday Lynn Graham\*, Tori Roth, Pam Stockbridge, Mary Eichler, Hiram Alaniz

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard\*, Ken and Bette Dellner\*, Caroline Frederick, Barbara Kirschten\*

Thursday Gene and Pam Bauchwitz\*, Robert Welniak, Theresa Stegall, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Clare Van Zelfden

Friday Lloyd Biehl\*, Doug Babiak\*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Vera Thornburg\*, Ann Crouch\*

Saturday Peter Adam\*, Mary Anyel\*, Dan Brenton\*, Rick Zern\*, Faith and Hope Powell

Sunday Ann Hart, Cipriano Matiga\*, Bonita Long, Kimberly Arnold and unborn twins

\*Indicates our parishioners.

Saint Mary Catholic School's Open Registration started February 16th. Contact them for scholarship and tuition assistance information. Let them help you make a Catholic education a reality. 850-243-8913.

Saint Mary Catholic School is hiring bus drivers. Please contact the Office at 243-8913 to apply.

Retreat for Women, The Christology of St. John Paul II sponsored by the Women Study Groups is March 25-26, 2016 at the Visitation Monastery, Mobile, AL. Leader is Reverend Nicholas Schumm. For more information or to register, please contact Sister Margaret Kuntz at 850-435-3523 or kuntzm@ptdiocese.org.

### Yard Sale

The Knights of Columbus will be having a yard sale on Saturday, April 29, 2017. They will be available to collect items for their sale every weekend after all the Masses, beginning February 4th. You may also contact John Clark: 850-621-6224, Mike Brennan: 850-217-7134 or Eric Van Dorn: 850-939-9830, to make arrangements for larger scale donation pick-ups.





Pastoral Center

## DIOCESE OF PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE

February 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Pope Francis has challenged us to "Be Shepherds..., in the midst of your people like Jesus the Good Shepherd."

We all agree that never have the needs for the Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans communities been so great. History tells us that lasting change to a community can all come through faith, hope and charity. Your monetary assistance provides opportunities for a solid Catholic education in our Indian and Black Catholic mission schools, allows the purchase of catechetical materials and bibles, and provides for the formation of lay leadership, to name just a few ways the collection supports evangelization.

On the weekend of March 4/5, 2017 the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee will participate in the Black and Indian Mission Collection. Together we build up the Church and announce the Good News of Jesus Christ. Locally, your support has helped to promote Black Evangelization Programs across the diocese as well as, the Martyrs of La Florida Canonization Cause. Your financial commitment makes a difference both in our diocese and across the country!

Thank you for your prayerful support of the Black and Indian Mission Collection.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor James Flaherty  
Diocesan Administrator

Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer. Please drop your envelope in the regular offertory.



## ENCOUNTER LENT

Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl.

**You can pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the hospitality cart and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app!** May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God.

NOTE: Children and youth attending Religious Education programs will be given one during their meeting/class on February 26, 2017, to take home with them.



*"We have to realize that a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach, it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor."*

—Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*

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2017 Campout:  
**THE WAY**

March 31-April 2, 2017  
Camp Timpooshee, Niceville, FL

Come enjoy Adoration, Reconciliation, hanging out with your friends, sports and recreation.

\$25 per camper

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 12

Lent begins this Wednesday! Our parish subscription to FORMED is a great way to enhance your spirituality. If **you haven't logged in lately, or maybe not at all**, this is a great season to do so. There are study programs, movies, audio stories and books for adults and children, covering **all aspects of our faith. It's easy to sign-up**, just go to [formed.org](http://formed.org) and enter parish code CD8D6W.



From March 1 through April 9, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the American Family Planning abortion facility at 6115 Village Oaks Drive in Pensacola and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information—and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help—please visit our website at [40daysforlifepensacola.com](http://40daysforlifepensacola.com) or contact the 40 Days for Life Pensacola core team at [40daysforlifepensacola@eccfl.org](mailto:40daysforlifepensacola@eccfl.org)

2017 DIOCESAN MEN'S RETREAT  
**MAN FULLY ALIVE**  
March 17, 7:00 p.m. - March 19, 2017, 12:00 p.m.  
Location: Camp Timpooshee, Niceville  
Sponsored by the Diocesan Offices of Mission and Evangelization and Marriage and Family

The 2017 Diocesan Men's Retreat is a weekend of reflection and fun for the men of our diocese to connect with one another, encounter Christ and explore ways to live our faith in our every day lives. The life and witness of St. Joseph will guide us as we strive to live and lead as the men God created us to be. As men, we need brothers to walk with us on this faith journey. Bring a friend, a brother, a small group from your parish so we can help each other become "Man Fully Alive." Talks by Fr. Matt Worthen, Fr. Michael Nixon, Fr. Tim Holeda and more. Cost is \$110, and registration is required. For questions or more information, contact Chris Benzinger at 850-879-4440 or [benzinger@ptdiocese.org](mailto:benzinger@ptdiocese.org), or Chez Filippini at [filippinic@ptdiocese.org](mailto:filippinic@ptdiocese.org).