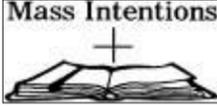




Sacrificial Giving

Recognizable Offering.....\$6,415.00
 Loose Cash.....\$586.00
 Total Weekly Offering.....\$7,001.00
 Mass Attendance Sept 5/6 338



Mass Intentions

Sept 14 - 19
 MondayCarl and Marian Shaw(+)
 TuesdayTim Sellers(+)
 Wednesday.....The Marginalized & Oppressed
 ThursdayHarvey L. Font(liv)
 FridayJoel Firth(+)
 SaturdayPat Brown(+)(5:00 p.m.)
SundaySt. Peter Parishioners(8:00 a.m.)
.....The Grieves Fam.(liv)(10:30 a.m.)

Weekly Calendar of Events

9/13 Blood Drive & Pancake Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.
 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
 Rosary - after 10:30 a.m. Mass
 M.S. & H.S. Meetings - 6:00 p.m.
 Symbolon - 6:00 p.m.

9/14 Rosary - After Morning Mass
 Symbolon - 9:30 a.m.

9/15 Bunco - 9:30 a.m. (Parish Center)
 Symbolon - 9:30 a.m.

9/16 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.

9/17 Adoration 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Women's Study Group - 9:30 a.m.
 Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3:00 p.m.

9/19-20 Ministry Fair - after all Masses

PARISH MINISTRY FAIR
 September 19th – 20th after all Masses in the Parish Center

Do you want to get more involved in the parish?
 The best way to find out how you fit is to visit the ministry fair. This fun, educational event will be your opportunity to simply find out more about all the parish ministries and organizations that are active at St. Peter Parish.



Ministry Fair Each ministry will have a member available to answer any questions you may have and tell you about their involvement. There will be refreshments, door prizes and some crafts for our little parishioners.

Attention: In Search of Elves



With the Christmas holidays upon on us once again, Catholic Charities in Fort Walton Beach is getting ready to kick off their 2015 Christmas Connection and is in dire need of elves. The committee requires a great deal of planning and volunteers. If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful project, while making a difference to a needy family this Christmas, please contact Eva Wise no later than September 16th at 850-244-2825 or email charity@cc.ptdiocese.org.
 Your help is always appreciated.

Prayers for Vocations

A Holy Hour to pray with the religious of the diocese during this Year of Consecrated Life will be Sunday, September 27th at 1:30pm at St. Mary Parish, Fort Walton Beach. Join Bishop Parkes and the religious of the area to pray for those in religious life and for vocations to the religious life.



Morning with Mary
 On Saturday Sept. 19, 2015 the Legion of Mary will be hosting a half day retreat from 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This year it will take place at St. Mary Catholic Church in Fort Walton Beach. It is open to all parishioners, not just Legion members. We ask that you please sign-up at the Hospitality cart or call the parish office during regular hours, if you plan to attend.



September 13, 2015

dear Padre

“I have asked but have not received. Why?”

Q John 14:13 states, “Whatever you ask in my name, I will do...” Matthew 7:7 says, “Ask and it will be given to you.” Well, I’ve been asking, and I haven’t received. Did Jesus lie?

When reading sacred Scripture, it is always important to avoid interpreting the text too literally and to bear in mind the larger context of the passage. The purpose of both Gospel verses you mention is to remind us that God, our heavenly Father, is well aware of our wants and needs and abundantly generous at all times and in all things. However, as with any good parent, God also knows the difference between our wants and our truest, greatest needs. Most parents will not give their children everything they ask for simply because they say they want it, even when they ask nicely and say please.

Our requests of God may well reflect legitimate needs, but we must allow for the fact that God is not just considering our will in the request, but his will as well. We are all, after all, part of a plan that is much bigger than any individual person or need. So did Jesus lie? I assure you that he did not. God benefits from knowing the “big picture,” from a complete knowledge and wisdom. By submitting ourselves in faith to this mystery, we benefit as well.

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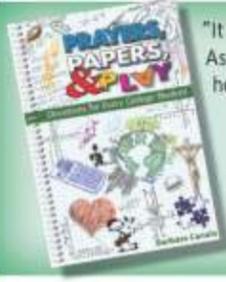
“It can be unnerving to step outside of your comfort zone into campus life. On the feast of the Assumption of Mary, recall the difficulties she experienced with transitions. God watched over her just as he will safeguard you, guiding and protecting you as you begin school.”
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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1
Isaiah 50:5-9a

Drilled Ears

Listening can get you into trouble. Sometimes we hear things without paying much attention to them. But when we really listen, we find out what is going on.

Of course, not listening can get you into trouble too. **You won't hear the directions clearly. You won't get the question right and will give the wrong answer. You won't appreciate what is very important to someone you love. And you may hear about it later.**

But listening is also troublesome. When we really hear, we understand. And understanding may cause us **to make a decision we'd rather not have to make. That decision may force us to pick sides. It may turn some people against us. Listening can get you into trouble.**

Isaiah explains how he listens. It seems like he isn't even interested in listening because he says, "The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear." More literally, God "drills" open Isaiah's ear. God wants to make sure this prophet is listening.

And the message got Isaiah into trouble. People beat him, plucked his beard, buffeted and spat upon his face. **What did the prophet do? Nothing. Isaiah says, "I have not rebelled, have not turned back." Why not? "The Lord GOD is my help." Hearing God's word satisfied him more than fleeing from his enemies.**

It takes courage to really listen, and it takes trust that God will protect us after we do.

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 2
James 2:14-18

Make Hunger History

Everyone has a right to the necessities of life. Yet many people live without healthy drinking water, a steady food supply, employment, or a home. In the cities of our own country and in lands far away some people lack the necessities of life.

We have opportunities to care for the needy. Some organizations help them get back on their feet through food, loans, and job training. They rely on financial help, as well as the hours that volunteers give on site. From time to time churches take up collections to be sent abroad. In some cases, people blessed with resources have visited countries with a depressed economy, in order to understand the needs, meet the people, and advocate for assistance back home.

On a national level, the budget of our country allocates some funds for foreign aid. But the totals are too often too small. Every citizen has the opportunity to influence the budget by contacting senators and representatives in congress.

The world has enough resources to end hunger and poverty. We lack only the resolve and the willingness to sacrifice.

The Letter of James says, "If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well,' but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it?" Faith without works is dead.

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Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Sept 19/20

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Kevin Van Dorn, Erin Van Dorn
Extraordinary Ministers: Dan Brenton, Mary Van Dorn, Alice Thompson, Louise Perreault, Al Perreault
Lectors: Mary Pineseault, Paul Gagnon II
Ushers: Cora Podrang, Bob Flanagan, _____
Greeter: Shareen Ketchem
Sacristan: Ruth Jablonka
Elijah Cup: Eric and Mary Van Dorn
Ministry Fair

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Jared Dunn, Audrey Moore
Extraordinary Ministers: Gene Valentine, Eden Carter, Barbara Kirschten, Eric Miller
Lectors: Susi Evers, Lynn Griggs
Ushers: James Johansen, Gary Jordan, Dan Cauley, Kathy Cauley
Greeter: Deidre Henderson
Sacristan: Stan Griggs
Elijah Cup: Wilda Mayhew
Ministry Fair

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Kadi Casey, Killian Casey, _____
Extraordinary Ministers: Kathleen Garcia, Jean Schlitt, Ray Schlitt, Penny Sweeney
Lectors: Terri Turnbull, Jeremy Fumerola
Ushers: Mike Sweeney, Patrick Sweeney, Stewart Grogan, Cord Grogan
Greeter: Ron Fetter
Sacristan: Pettey Brennan
Elijah Cup: Elaine Tennyson
Ministry Fair

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, please contact Susi Evers at saintpeterparishprayer-chain@gmail.com or call her at 664-9165.

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, Mike and Jeanne Trueting, Steve Heidbreder

Tuesday Lynn Graham*, Linda Roth, Bobby Stockbridge*, Ashley Marie Code

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, James Smith*, Steve Powell*, Ken and Bette Dellner*, Caroline Frederick, Pam Holt, Barbara Kirschten*

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

Friday Lloyd Biehl*, Doug Babiak*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Betty Keever, Vera Thornburg*

Saturday Peter Adam*, Mary Anyel*, Joel & Leo Grieves*, Dan Brenton*, Skye Mahosky*, Mary Valentine

Sunday **Maureen O'Neil*, Michael Adam*, Theresa Fowler***, Mary Beth Downer, Greg Babiak, Tony Kelly, Jeff Harp

*Indicates our parishioners.

Please call the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.

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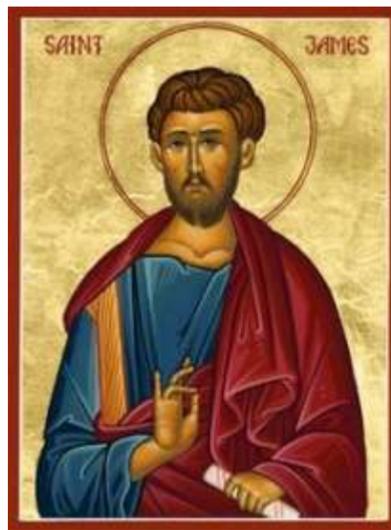
Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained features 20 video and discussion sessions that brings together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide you through the breadth and richness of the Catholic faith. In Part 1, the core teachings of the Catholic Church are traced out in the Creed and Catechism with the goal of knowing the Faith. In Part 2, the focus is on our encounter with God in the sacraments and the moral life so that we can be fully living the Faith.

Sessions are scheduled for Sundays at 6:00 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. beginning on September 13. There is no charge for this program. If you are unable to attend any of these sessions you will soon be able to access them from the comfort of your home through our parish website.

“Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.” (James 2: 18) In our Second Reading from the Letter of James we are challenged to have a living faith, a faith backed up by action. This is a concept which has been debated ever since Jesus invited us to be His disciples. Is our faith enough to save us, or must we do more? James certainly thinks we need to do more.

James is making reference to something termed by most theologians as “living faith.” That kind of faith is exemplified by being an active participant in building the Kingdom. It is more than attending Mass and praying. It is the kind of faith to which we are called through stewardship. Our faith communities, our parishes, are filled with ministries and ways that we can serve and reach out to those in need. Perhaps we need to find a way to be involved in something, anything, to be an active member of our communities, a focused and participating steward.

God knows who and what we are. For some of us prayer and a complete trusting faith is most likely enough. However, James is trying to let us know that if we can, we need to look for more. We need to find ways to live out our faith as stewards of our many gifts.



Living Stewardship Now

The family became regular volunteers at the shelter. They continued to donate money every month along with household and personal items for the families, and gave their time to do chores and make friends. Be a disciple and steward, and teach your children this way of life.

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Bishop Ricard Conference:
Sacred Scripture: Strengthening and Enriching Our Faith Journey will be Saturday, October 3 at St. Sylvester Parish.
www.ptdiocese.org for more information and to register or call 850-435-3523.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
PENSACOLA KICK-OFF
Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:30 PM
Providence Church at Trinitas Christian School
3301 E Johnson Ave, Pensacola, FL
An Evening for Life
WITH GUEST SPEAKER CARRIE GUY
RSVP 40daystorlifepensacola.com or call 850-689-1035




Mass to open the Diocesan Inquiry Phase of the Canonization Cause of the Martyrs of La Florida, Monday, October 12th, 2015 at 4pm. On the site for the future Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Martyrs, 1759 Chaires Cross Road, Tallahassee. Bishop Gregory Parkes, Bishop Felipe Estevez, and Bishop Emeritus Rene Gracida will concelebrate. During Mass the martyrs will be declared Servants of God. All the faithful are welcome! For more information about the Martyrs and the Shrine, and to see how you can help the cause, visit www.MartyrsOfLaFloridaMissions.org or call (850)766-9222.



The undergraduate students with whom I work are part of a generation whose opportunities to serve others began in grade school. Regardless of religious affiliation, culture, or race, these students raised money, contributed to canned food drives, helped at food pantries, or built houses with their classmates or fellow club members. Now in college, they have hundreds of opportunities to help those less fortunate which are sponsored by this nonreligious institution alone, let alone the many more offered by their respective religious houses and communities. For the most part, they serve willingly, even eagerly. But I find that few of them sit down to reflect on the good work they do. They rarely consider the call to solidarity with the poor or the command of Christ to love one another. They just have a felt sense that they should.

For Catholics, as for all Christians, this felt sense has its roots in the faith we proclaim. If we truly believe that Christ is the Son of God and our Savior, our faith compels us to do what he did and to love as he loved. And it is more than that. Many people do service work because it's the right thing to do or because they want to give back. Those are good reasons. But we are called to be in a relationship of love with those we serve. We are challenged to see not only how we might serve them but to see the gifts they bring to us and how they shape our lives. We are called to accept them as our brothers and sisters.

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