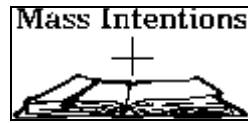




Recognizable Offering..... \$8,901.00
Loose Cash \$506.00
Total Weekly Offering..... \$9,407.00
Mass Attendance Mar 18/19 343



Mar 27 - Apr 2
MondayJeanne Klesch(liv)
Wednesday.....Melinda Spearman(+)
ThursdayDoris Andrews(+)
FridaySteve Jordan(liv)
SaturdayKen Sheets(liv)
Sunday.....Wilda Mayhew(liv)(8:00 a.m.)
.....St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)

Adoration with Praise & Worship
@ St. Peter Catholic Church on March 26,
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
hosted by St. Peter Catholic Youth.
ALL are welcome.

Youth (grades 6-12) will meet as usual for dinner in the Parish Center at 6:00 p.m.
Young Adults (ages 18-35+) will have a separate meet & greet dinner from 6:00 -7:00 p.m. in the Pastoral Center.



Call Susie Rushlau for more information at 581-7263.

Weekly Calendar of Events

- 3/26 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
Adult Faith Formation "Symbolon" - 9:15 a.m.
Choir Practice - 12:15 p.m.
HS/MS Youth Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
- 3/27 Rosary after morning Mass
- 3/29 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
Confessions - 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- 3/30 Lenten Penance Service - 7:00 p.m.
- 3/31 Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- 4/2 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
Adult Faith Formation "Symbolon" - 9:15 a.m.
Choir Practice - 12:15 p.m.

In Loving Memory and lasting peace for all who have died, especially **Linda Thompson** sister of our parishioner Gloria Jones. Pray for the consolation of her family as they mourn her loss.

ENCOUNTER COMMUNITY



We encounter Maria in Mexico, where a community of hardworking women share joys, sorrows and fellowship while growing economic opportunity at a greenhouse. How have your communities helped you encounter Christ anew this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

K of C Yard Sale
Saturday, April 29, 2017. They continue to collect items for their sale every weekend after all the Masses. 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.

Lenten Parish Supper & Penance Service THURSDAY, MARCH 30th

The simple supper will begin at 6:00 p.m., with the Penance service following at 7:00 p.m.
If you will be attending the dinner, please RSVP at the Hospitality cart, through the event posting on Flocknote, or call during office hours.

For parishioners who may not be able to attend our service, St. Mary in FWB will have one on March 27 at 6 p.m.
St. Sylvester will be offering additional reconciliation time on Saturday, April 1st, from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Apr 1/2
5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray
Extraordinary Ministers: Al Perreault, Louise Perreault, Patty Shawbitz, Ron Berthelette, Alice Thompson
Lectors: Jan Comstock, Eric Van Dorn
Ushers: Heather Metruck, Mickey Shawbitz, George Rushlau
Greeter: Keith Lee
Sacristan: Joe Davison
Elijah Cup: Shareen and Fred Ketchem

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Audrey Moore, Emily Moore
Extraordinary Ministers: Patsy Soto, James Johansen, Nancy Brandewie, Bruce Brandewie, Nancy McCreary
Lectors: Isabella Dominitz, Patty Dominitz
Ushers: Arnold Soto, Frank Schorzman, Gary Jordan
Greeter: Joni Flanagan
Sacristan: Maria Bridges
Elijah Cup: Patty Dominitz
Coffee & Donuts: Don Dineen

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Alexandra Manion, Christopher Manion, Devony Ross
Extraordinary Ministers: Katherine Colwell, Petey Brennan, Teresa McClure, Kathleen Garcia, Pam Wall
Lectors: Lisa Manion, Cindy Day
Ushers: Ray Schlitt, Brian Prescott, Donna Fetter
Greeter: Judy Holzschuh
Sacristan: Mike Brennan
Elijah Cup: Barbara Russo
Coffee & Donuts: Tom Blossman, _____

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 16th after 10:30 Mass
We are asking for a dozen plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy or small toy be donated per child participating in the hunt. If you would like to donate extra eggs so that we can accommodate children visiting our parish on Easter Sunday, that would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off by Thursday, April 14th (so that we can plan for enough goodies and activities for everyone). Eggs can be dropped off at the Hospitality Cart or the Parish Office. Please specify on the bag what age group the eggs are appropriate for. (1-3, 4-6, 7 and up)



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, Danny Labatte

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, Deacon Dave Robinson

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.

Victims of Abuse

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victim Assistance Coordinators, experienced and trained counselors available to help persons who have been sexually abused.

Victim Assistance Coordinator: Pensacola/Fort Walton Beach area: Dr. Louis Makarowski, PhD, P.A. 850-477-7181

Coordinador para Asistencia a Víctimas (*Déjanos ayudarte a encontrar la sanación*)

Deacon Santiago Molina Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee (850) 627-2350

Diocesan Abuse Hotline(850) 435-3536

Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 26, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent (A)

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Eph 5:8-14

Jn 9:1-41

To Live By Faith

Our Lenten practices are transforming our hearts to receive the love of Jesus in his passion, death, and resurrection. Today's Gospel revolves around this theme of learning to live by faith.

The apostles take for granted that the man's blindness is due to someone's sin. The Pharisees call the man a sinner, born in sin. In their self-righteousness they judge both the blind man and Jesus.

Jesus sees and judges differently. He asserts that the man's blindness was not due to a sin of his own or that of his parents and restores his sight. He challenges the wise, educated, and insightful Pharisees by saying, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin remains" (John 9:41).

While they can see physically, they cannot see the simple truth that Jesus is the Son of God and has the authority to heal, even on the Sabbath. They are so blinded by their "fidelity to God"—which is really fidelity to their distorted interpretation of the traditions and regulations God gave them—that they cannot see his spirit of mercy. They fail to see with eyes of faith.

Being merciful like Jesus doesn't mean merely condemning blind legalism, it means showing God's love to those in need. First we need to see as God sees. Then we need to love others and to enlighten them with the truth. Jesus heals one man's blindness in the hope of opening the minds and hearts of the Pharisees—and us today.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *Dogmatic Sarcophagus*, healing of the blind man, circa 325-350
Artist: Unknown
Location: Vatican Museums



For Reflection

Are there people or groups I blindly judge? What is at the root of these judgments? To what truths am I blind? How can I work to open my heart to these truths this Lent?

*"God does not see as a mortal, who sees the appearance.
The LORD looks into the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7).*

Calendar

Monday

March 27

Lenten Weekday

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

March 28

Lenten Weekday

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

March 29

Lenten Weekday

Is 49:8-15

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

March 30

Lenten Weekday

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

Friday

March 31

Lenten Weekday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

April 1

Lenten Weekday

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

Sunday

April 2

Fifth Sunday
of Lent

Ez 57:12-14

Rom 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45

Dear Padre,

What are social or communal sins? Do I need to confess them?

To answer this question properly, we must first make a number of distinctions. First, we are social beings. We act not only as individuals but also as groups, and we are capable of sinning each way. Sin is an analogous concept with nuances, depending on context. There are original, personal, and social sins. There are also both mortal and venial sins. When we sin as individuals, we commit a personal sin. When we sin in a group, we commit a social sin. As with personal sin, some social sins are more serious than others.

Societies that enshrine laws promoting abortion, euthanasia, and in many countries, capital punishment are involved in serious social sins. Our degree of culpability in such sins depends on the level of our participation in the group. The key distinction is whether we are actively (formally) or only accidentally (materially) cooperating in the evil. For example, if you actually voted for a law enshrining one such evil, then you are formally cooperating in the evil. If you voted against it but are paying taxes that fund such practices, then you are only materially cooperating in it.

Formal cooperation in a serious offense against God's will should be confessed.

Material cooperation lessens the degree of blame, sometimes to the point of eliminating it. It is important to examine the nature of the social evil, study the teachings of the Church on the issue, determine your level of participation, and form your conscience accordingly.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"How many Christians show...that they are 'eyes to the blind' and 'feet to the lame?' They are close to the sick in need of constant care....This service, especially when it is protracted, can become tiring and burdensome....And yet, what a great path of sanctification this is!"

—Message at 23rd World Day of the Sick, 2015



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