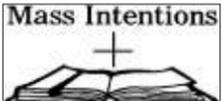


 <p>Sacrificial Giving</p> <p>Recognizable Offering..... \$5,175.00 Loose Cash \$627.00 Total Weekly Offering..... \$5,802.00 Mass Attendance Oct 17/18 341</p>  <p>Oct 26 - Nov 1 MondayOdee Burgess(liv) TuesdayMary Griewisch(liv) Wednesday.....Della Smith(liv) ThursdayMarilyn Berthelette(+) FridayHelen Kutcher(+) SaturdaySt. Peter Parishioners(5:00 p.m.) SundaySusan Erwin(+)(8:00 a.m.)Sisters of St. Joseph(liv)(10:30 a.m.)</p>	<p>Weekly Calendar of Events</p> <p>10/25 K- 5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m. Symbolon - 6:00 p.m. M.S. & H.S. Meetings - 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>10/26 Rosary - After Morning Mass Symbolon - 9:30 a.m. R.C.I.A. - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>10/27 Symbolon Meeting - 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>10/28 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>10/29 Adoration 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Women's Study Group - 9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>11/01 K- 5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m. Annual Parish Fall Festival - 4:00 p.m. Symbolon - 6:00 p.m.</p>
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ANNUAL PARISH FALL FEST Chili & Dessert Competition Sunday, November 1st 4 – 7 PM
Volleyball, Corn Hole, Roasting Hot Dogs & Marshmallows, Face painting and Crafts for the Kid...fun for the whole family!
In addition to the cooking competition, this year we are encouraging children and youth to dress up as their favorite Saint in honor of All Saints Day. Prizes will be awarded.
Chili cooks and bakers, who will take the honors this year for best in each category? If you want to enter your creation for competition, sign-up at the cart, and bring it to the parish center at 4:00 p.m. on event day to give our judges time to sample the products. For those entering chili, please bring it in a crock pot. All families who will be attending our Fall Celebration are asked to sign-up at the cart or call the office.

Young Adults at NWFS: A group is starting to be recognized as Catholic Student Union for Faith, Fellowship, Food and Fun. If interested text Mary at 850-685-7464; email Susie Rushlau at rushlaus@nwfsc.edu or call 850-362-8066.

Young Adults: Come to have some fun and meet other Catholic Young Adults: Saturday, November 7th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Peter Parish. Bring food to share. Enjoy frisbee, volleyball, cornhole - tailgate like games.

Victims Of Abuse: The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victims Assistance Coordinators who are experienced and trained counselors who are available to help persons who have been sexually abused. The Coordinator for the Pensacola/Ft. Walton Area is Louis Makarowski, Ph. D, P.A. (850) 477-7181.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:
For all of you who signed up to order The Magnificat through the church, the November edition is available for pick-up at the Hospitality Cart or at the parish office during regular business hours.
The cost is \$25.00 and it will be collected at the time of pick-up. You may pay with cash or check but please be sure to have the exact amount if you plan to pay in cash.



October 25, 2015

dear Padre

May I come home?

Q I became a member of the Catholic Church in 1961 when I married a Catholic man. I divorced him and left the Church in 2007. Now I am a member of the United Methodist Church. Is it possible for me to rejoin the Catholic Church, and if so, what are the requirements? I miss “the church of my heart,” the Catholic Church.

It certainly is possible for you to come back, and now is the time to do it. Simply return to your local parish and begin attending Mass regularly. Before you receive the Eucharist again, you should make an appointment to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation. If you are not quite ready to do that, at least begin with coming to church regularly. Introduce yourself to the priest and tell him that you would like to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation because you have been away from the Church for a number of years. The priest might encourage you to come to confession at a regularly scheduled time or perhaps make an appointment so you can spend more time together. It is not necessary to go to classes or to rejoin the RCIA, but there may be some adult faith formation classes you could participate in. Again, your priest or parish could guide you.

That tug you are feeling is nothing less than the Holy Spirit. Welcome Home!

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By listening to and imitating Mary's question to God's messenger ("How can this be?"), we can learn to ask the Lord for the information needed to serve him better. As we learn to imitate our Lady, we'll be less concerned with the potential consequences and more focused on what God wants us to do.

—From *Listen to Your Blessed Mother: Mary's Words in Scripture* by Gary E. Zimak

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1
Jeremiah 31:7-9

Homecoming

The survival of the fittest is a merciless principle of life. It bestows worthiness on those who are stronger, swifter, and smarter.

In the lives of species, this principle eliminates those who cannot compete. In the marketplace, it impoverishes those who can be duped. But in the spiritual life, it does not work at all. In the eyes of God, the fit and the lame both survive.

When Israel went into exile, they lost homeland and hope. After years of suffering, they reflected more deeply on their covenant, and eventually God brought them back.

But God brought back not only the fittest. The healthiest of mind, body, and spirit did not return to Jerusalem alone. It must have been quite a procession. The blind and the lame marched in the midst of the remnant who returned. Those offering care and those needing care took their place within the immense throng. God brought them all back on a level road, so that none might stumble.

In many ways we are all unfit to enter the house of God. Our sins make us feel unworthy.

But God has opened the doors. We may be blind to grace. We may be lame in charity. But God has made us pregnant with hope in receiving the love that heaven so bountifully bestows.

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 2
Hebrews 5:1-6

Your Vocation

God has chosen you. You may not always feel it. You **may at times feel as though you're in the wrong place**, the wrong job, or the wrong century. But God has chosen to create you here and now. God has given you gifts to face the present and to prepare for the glory of the future.

We often speak of vocations in terms of religious life. Truly, God chooses some people for special ministry. The Letter to the Hebrews speaks about the vocation of Old Testament priesthood as well as the priesthood of Jesus. **"Every high priest is taken from among men," the letter says. It does not say, "Certain men decide to become high priests." Rather, "No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was."**

Even Jesus did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest. Instead, God had him in mind with two prophecies from the Book of Psalms: **"You are my son: this day I have begotten you;"** and **"You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek."**

It is often easier to see a vocation among religious men and women because their work is totally dedicated to God. But others also have a vocation—in the family, at work, and in society. God has chosen you. God has taken you from among others and placed you in the world now to proclaim the nearness of glory.

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Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Oct 31/Nov 1

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray

Extraordinary Ministers: Carrie Gagnon, Anni Labatte, Ron Berthelette, Louise Perreault, Joanna Far-num

Lectors: Paul Gagnon II, Ruth Sykes

Ushers: Dan Brenton, Joni Flanagan, Bob Flanagan

Greeter: Lynn Brenton

Sacristan: Doug Hoover

Elijah Cup: Doug Hoover

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Audrey Moore

Extraordinary Ministers: Gene Valentine, Nancy McCreary, Joe Davison, Eden Carter

Lectors: Don Dineen, Paul Landry

Ushers: James Johansen, Jim Guris, Tina Henderson, Eric Miller

Greeter: Alma Battaglio

Sacristan: Maria Bridges

Elijah Cup: Deidre Henderson

Coffee and Donuts: L.P. Henley,

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Gannon Casey, Killian Casey, Kadi Casey

Extraordinary Ministers: Elaine Tennyson, Teresa McClure, Kathleen Garcia, _____

Lectors: Pete Kuhns, Nadine Kuhns

Ushers: John Fails, Stewart Grogan, Cord Grogan, Ray Schlitt

Greeter: Ana Fails

Sacristan: Mike Brennan

Elijah Cup: Barbara Russo

Coffee and Donuts: Stephanie Allen, Tom Blossman



With the Christmas holidays upon on us, 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 at 850-244-2825 or email charity@cc.ptdiocese.org.

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, please 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, Mike and Jeanne Trueting, Steve Heidbreder

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

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

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***, **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.](#)



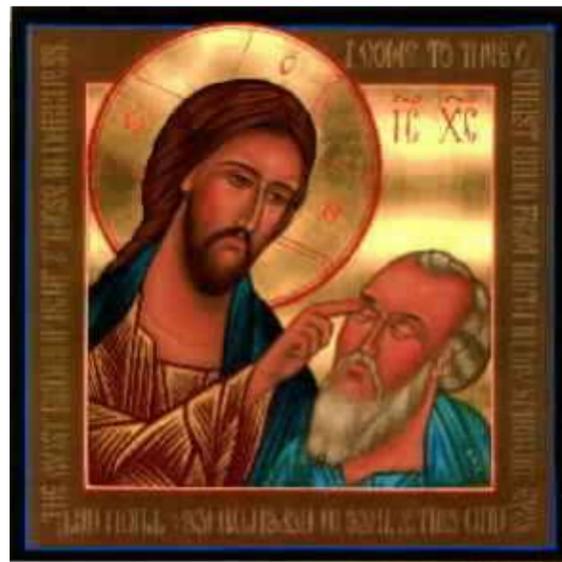
Crafty People Out There Santa Rosa Kids' House Festival of Trees Event

is looking for creative people to design trees, doors and tabletops to be entered in both silent and live auctions. Maybe your coworkers, or a group of neighbors would like to submit an entry. It would be fun to have our parish provide one of these fundraising decorations. If you are interested in working on this project, please contact Joni, 830-2875. The entry form must be submitted by the end of October. There are detailed brochures about the Festival of Trees at the Hospitality cart to share with your friends. Help spread the word about this community awareness event that will take place on November 20-21 at the Gulf Breeze Community Center.

Most of us are accustomed to being called Christians — that is, followers of Christ. However, the Lord's first followers were not called by that name at all. It was not until many years after His Crucifixion and Resurrection that the term Christian became popularly used. There is a subtle, yet profound reference and statement in today's Gospel from St. Mark, a reading which presents to us the healing of a blind man.

After Jesus has responded to the blind man's calls for mercy and healing, and the Lord has told him that it was his faith which had saved him, the Gospel tells us of the former blind man, "Immediately he received his sight and followed him (Jesus) on the way." What is noteworthy about this is at that time and for the first years after Jesus' Resurrection, His disciples were called "followers of the way." They recognized Jesus as the way to live and the way to salvation. (Jesus stated more than once, "I am the way.")

Thus, the man became not just healed but a follower of the Lord. Jesus healed the man on His way from Jericho to Jerusalem, where He would be crucified. The man most likely was with Him all the way. Would we be willing to follow the Lord on such a journey? That is exactly what He is asking us to do.



Living Stewardship Now

Where is the weakest link in your faith life? Join in a prayer group or take part in a parish retreat. Make an appointment with a priest or a trained spiritual director and discuss ways to strengthen your discipleship.

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When my mother was alive and Thanksgiving rolled around, my siblings and I would pack up our respective families and travel home for the traditional holiday dinner. There was something so right and satisfying about seeing one another, sharing what had happened since we saw each other last and eating the good food that was part of the feast. Of course as we got older, we helped out with the cooking, serving, and cleaning up, and with entertaining the frequent guests that showed up. On that day we were all family.

The year my mother died, my brother, sisters, and I were not sure what to do. Her house had been sold, and we were scattered to different parts of the country. Thanksgiving was a very different feast

that year, as it often is when matriarchs and patriarch pass. We talked about what we missed and wanted, and now we celebrate Thanksgiving at my house with all who can make it. The tradition has become ours, and we look forward to it every year.

Imagine being unable to celebrate any of your traditions for forty years. That's what the Jews faced during their long exile. They were unable to gather as a family and worship God in their own way. Jeremiah's vision of their joyful return holds out the hope that God will once again gather them up and bring them

home. There, God will restore them to wholeness just as Jesus restored Bartimaeus, who courageously called out to him and asked for what he most desired.

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