



Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More

AND CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER DIOCESE OF PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE
We exist to reflect Jesus Christ, to worship Him, and to proclaim His good news to all.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2018

"LORD, WHEN YOUR GLORY APPEARS,
MY JOY WILL BE FULL." -PSALM 17



What's Happening This Week

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in parishes on the weekend of **Feb. 3-4**. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Fellowship Sunday

Join us for Fellowship Sunday after the 10am Mass. Please come to O'Brien Hall to enjoy some time visiting with fellow parishioners along with a donut, coffee and juice.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 7:00am, 5:15pm
Saturday: 8:00am, 5:15pm Vigil
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am 11:45am, 6:00pm

CONFESSION

Saturday (in the chapel) from 12:00pm - 1:00pm and 4:00pm - 5:00pm or by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

RECTORY (EMERGENCIES ONLY)

(850) 224-4887

WIFI NETWORK: STM Guest

WIFI PASSWORD: stm1967!

Attention High School Teens!

Life Teen: This Sunday, Feb 4th, Life Teen will be finishing the series Fake News, exploring discipleship and emphasizing that following Jesus is a choice that each person must actively take. Life Teen is held every Sunday at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall at 5:00 pm with a meal and ends at 6:45 pm. All teens are welcome!



Small Groups: This week, Small Groups is continuing our series on Understanding and Defending the Faith. Small Groups meet from 7:00 - 8:45 pm on Thursdays in the Miccosukee Room at Blessed Sacrament.

Attention Middle School Teens

Edge: There is not Edge this Friday due to the Trinity Middle School Dance. Edge will resume on Friday, Feb. 16th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall at Blessed Sacrament



Daddy Daughter Dance: The Daddy Daughter Dance will take place next Saturday on Feb. 10, 2017 from 7:00 - 10:00 pm in the Parish Hall at Blessed Sacrament. Tickets will cost \$30 for a couple, \$40 for dads with two daughters, and \$50 for dads with three or more daughters. Tickets will be on sale at the Blessed Sacrament, Trinity, and St. Thomas More offices. If you have any questions or would like to obtain tickets please contact Chris Ackerman at bsclifeteen@gmail.com Thank you for supporting our youth!

Nursery

Saint Thomas More offers families a nursery for their children age 3 and younger during the 10am Mass. All nursery volunteers have met diocesan requirements There is no obligation to attend! Contact rae.kimberly@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like more information.

We pray for all our beloved dead and for those in our parish who are ill, especially Michael Allen.

Please email any prayer requests for those who are deceased or ill to: media@cocathedral.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In the Gospel today, we find that Jesus would rise very early before dawn and go to a deserted place to pray and then he went out to preach and to heal.



Please pray for the poor and suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. Members of our Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Conference are available to make home visits to parishioners who may be lonely, sick, homebound, or have an unanticipated financial emergency. Please email us at svdptally@gmail.com with your name, phone number and a brief description of your need. We respond within 24-48 hours.

Conference meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 6pm, STM Parish Center. www.svdptally.org | svdptally@gmail.com

Catholic Student Union

The New CSU Men's Household is looking for a desk for studying. If you have a desk you might be willing to donate, please contact Jim Donahue at 352-321-6122 or jdonahue145@gmail.com.

The Women of the Catholic Student Union at FSU are going on a spring break mission trip to Houston to help rebuild houses that were damaged in Hurricane Harvey. To help get us there we are throwing a Sweetheart Ball **Saturday, Feb. 18th from 6-9pm**. It is a fundraiser dinner dance with a cash raffle and auction. Tickets are \$40 a couple. Tickets can be purchased online at fsucatholic.org/pay Thank you for your support.

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Cover art: John Bridges, Jesus Healing Simon Peter's Mother in Law, 19th century

JANUARY 2018 Dates: 01/22 – 01/28
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Need:	\$ 22,000
Weekly Giving:	\$ 21,329
Year-to-Date Need:	\$ 78,000
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$ 75,045

For more information about making a Tithe commitment and giving online, visit our website, www.cocathedral.com, and go to the “Donations” page.

FINAL STATUS OF 2017 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

Last year **251** parishioners gave a total of **\$109,784** to CSA.

We reached **114%** of our parish goal. **\$13,664** has been returned to our parish savings account.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

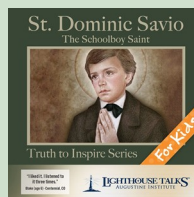
Religious Education

Pennies For the Poor begins Sunday, Feb 18 for the Lenten season. Each RE classroom will have a gallon container for the students to donate coins. The donations collected go to the Catholic Relief Services. (orb.crs.org) Thank you in advance for supporting this important cause.

Annual Stations of the Cross Shadow Play performed by our 3rd grade R.E. students on Sunday, Feb 25 at 8:45 am in O'Brien Hall. See you there!

Lighthouse CD of the week

The Truth to Inspire Series offers children captivating dramatizations of the lives of saints and well-known Marian apparitions in order to teach them about the Catholic Faith. Through St. John Bosco's mentorship and God's grace, St. Dominic Savio was able to live a life of holiness, even as a young boy. Hear how St. Dominic blessed those around him with his numerous acts of charity and commitment to God. Choose from among many inspiring and faith filled audio CDs from our Lighthouse display. CD display is located by the Parking lot entrance \$ 3.00/CD. Thank you



The Catholic Student
Union

2/9-11 - Spring Retreat

Find more information on our Facebook page: Catholic Student Union at FSU, TCC, & FAMU

This Week at Our Parish

Sunday, February 4

8:15am First Reconciliation session # 3 CR 7

8:30am Religious Ed, 1-8gr. Upstairs/SL Classrooms

10am RCIA - Adults

10am Religious Ed Prek4 - Kg Upstairs CR# 6 and 7

11am Fellowship Sunday, after 10 AM Mass, O'Brien Hall, Coffee & Donuts

11am RCIA Breakout Sessions

11:30am H.S. Confirmation Session # 9 C

Monday, February 5

6:30pm The Prophets, Social Hall

Tuesday, February 6

Wednesday, February 7

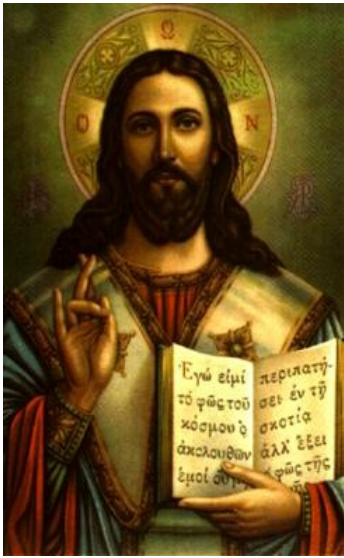
Thursday, February 8

Friday, February 9

Saturday, February 10

Assistance for Victims of Sexual Abuse

Our Diocese has established Victim Assistance Coordinators to help anyone who has been abused by church personnel. Victims should call Dr. James Gagnon at 877-0205. To report a case, call the 24-Hour Child Abuse Hotline at 800-962-2873.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection:

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed.”

There are scores of instances in the Four Gospels which indicate Jesus praying. He often would go off alone to pray, but He also prayed with others publicly; He prayed before He made a choice, before He

healed someone, and He was just as likely to pray after as well.

St. Paul exhorts us to “pray constantly, never ceasing.” Jesus perhaps more than any other fulfilled this admonition. He provides to us the perfect example of both how we should pray and in what ways. Prayer is at the foundation of our faith; it is at the core of a stewardship way of life. Developing an ongoing, consistent, and active prayer life is paramount for each of us.

Prayer not only indicates our constant awareness of God, but it enhances our lives, and is an indication of our total trust in God. Trust in God is also an important facet of stewardship. Knowing that we are in God’s hands and in His care is what strengthens us and allows us to make the commitment Jesus has asked us to make. One of Jesus’ final prayers is one which offers us the suggestion of how we need to approach life: “Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.”

Plases make all requests for Bulletin and Announcements two weeks before the event. Article inclusion subject to availability.

*Community Events**Trinity Catholic School***Trinity Catholic School Alumni Wine & Cheese- Feb. 10**

Trinity Alumni, join us for wine and cheese from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on campus to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and reminisce about your Trinity Catholic School years. RSVP to Joanna Copenhaver at copenhaverj@trinityknights.org

STREAM Extravaganza – Feb. 11, 2018

Save the date for a STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, & Math) Extravaganza celebrating 65 years on Feb. 11th from 1:30 to 4:30pm.

Employment Opportunity: Trinity Catholic School is seeking a full-time bookkeeper.

Candidates may apply by sending an application (download at <http://www.trinityknights.org/employment>) and a resume to bridgest@trinityknights.org.

Frassati

Lenten Retreat: Embracing Lent with Joy on Sat Feb. 17 from 1-4 pm at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Check Frassati Society of Tallahassee, FL for details and on-line registration. No cost!



Pre-Lenten Retreat at the Neumann Center: Feb. 9 & 10 The St. John Neumann Retreat Center welcomes you to join us for Into the Barren Wasteland: A Journey with Jesus Through the Desert Trials, by Fr. Tom Dillon, For more info, please call 850-224-2971 or visit neumanncenter.org

Neumann Center Book Club

We will discuss "Dorothy Day / The World Will Be Saved by Beauty" by Kate Hennessy on **Monday, Feb. 12, at 7:30**. We meet on the second Monday of each month in the conference room at the Neumann Center. Questions? Call Jackie Hallifax, 284-2251

Catholic Renewal Conference: **Feb 23-25**, at Holy

Name of Jesus Family Life Center in Niceville. Speakers: Bishop William Wack, Jim Murphy, Michelle Benzinger, Fr Will Ganci, Fr Nicholas Schumm, and Kevin McCall. For more info, visit www.pt-dccr.org

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Summary of the Pastoral Council Meeting

January 24, 2018

Present: Father John Cayer, Michele Taylor, Michael Williams, Jeanne O’Kon, Joy Smith, Paul Ebbers, Christa Calamas, Dasha Nixon, Theresa Medehue, Sheila Hopkins, Kyle Tamer, Silvia Alderman. **Absent:** Missy Hollis, Wayne Evans, Chaney Coggins, Brother Rahl Bunsu, Don Thomas, Mary Ballard.

CSU Update: Kyle Tamer reported that the CSU staff has been searching for a household for women, and it will be available in the fall. In mid-February, CSU will have the SOS campaign to get support for students going on Retreat. The number of CSU students has grown so much that they need a new venue. Two busses (with 110 people) recently traveled to the *March for Life* in Washington, D.C.

Parish and Family Life: *Lenten Light Meals:* Ash Wednesday is Feb. 14, so the first Lenten Light Meal will take place on Feb. 16th after the 5:15 Mass. The parish ministries will each take a date, including the Pastoral Council, RCIA, Council of Catholic Women, St. Vincent de Paul, and the Haiti Ministry. The Pastoral Council will plan to serve the meal on Feb. 23rd. .

Red Mass: The date for the Red Mass is Jan. 31 at 6:00 p.m. Bishop Wack will give the homily. Many other state and local representatives will be there. It is also Catholic Week at the Capitol, and the Bishops plan to meet with the Governor.

New Hospitality Activities: Fellowship Sunday now takes place every week after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Many parishioners have been attending. Father John said that because parking continues to be a problem, a golf cart will be purchased to help shuttle parishioners from the distant gravel lot to the church.

Education and Faith Formation: *Trinity Catholic School:* Joy Smith announced that Catholic Schools Week is next week, and many activities are planned. A Trinity student won first place in the Leon County Spelling Bee. Some students will attend the district Science Fair next Friday. The Annual School Auction will be held on Feb. 24, and Father Tim will be the auctioneer.

Father Murray Scholarship Award for Academic Excellence: Jeanne O’Kon provided Council members with an updated handout prepared by Bernadette Howard about the scholarship. The scholarship is given to one 7th grader and one 8th grader at Trinity Catholic School each year. The review and selection of the finalists and the interviews will take place in February and March. The award presentation is held in the Parish Hall at Blessed Sacrament with 5th to 8th graders present.

Administration: *New Parish Photo Directory:* Dasha reported that it has been five years since the parish has had a new directory. The LifeTouch company prepares the directory. It is entirely free to the parish, and is based on sales. There is a 8 x 10 complimentary portrait and a complimentary directory for those who participate. This will most likely be done in the fall in October.

Rector’s Comments: The parish is focused on three items this year: (1) the sound system, which is being worked on this spring to improve it; (2) the kitchen renovation, which will be great for hospitality; and (3) enhancement of the hospitality ministry of the parish.

New Business: The CSA is starting up on Feb. 4th. There will be a DVD recording from Bishop Wack that will be shown to parishioners. There is a new motto: *We are the hands and feet of Jesus.*

Next Meeting Date: February 21st at 7:00 p.m.

*Mass Intentions***Sunday, February 4***Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 / Mk 1:29-39*8:30am †Jack and Phyllis Bowen by *the Bowen Children*10:00am †Michael Sterncek by *the Sternceks*11:45am †Antoine Spacagna by *Holly Thomas*

6:00pm For the people of Saint Thomas More

Monday, February 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 / Mk 6:53-56*

7:00am

5:15pm

Tuesday, February 6 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs*1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 / Mk 7:1-13*7:00am *Riley Kinney*

5:15pm

Wednesday February 7*1 Kgs 10:1-10 / Mk 7:14-23*

7:00am

5:15pm †Joe Rowson by *the Rowson Family***Thursday February 8***1 Kgs 11:4-13 / Mk 7:24-30*7:00am †Gilberto Oliva Sr. by *the Florida Catholic Conference*5:15pm †David Murphy by *Ellen Murphy***Friday February 9***1 Kgs 11:29-32 ; 12:19 / Mk 7:31-37*

7:00am

5:15pm

Saturday February 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin*1 Kgs 12:26-32 ; 13:33-34 / Mk 8:1-10*

8:00am

5:15pm *Mary Fran Strickland by Kearney Center Volunteers*

We pray for our military men and women serving overseas. Please provide the names of military service members so that they and their families can be remembered at Mass and in the prayers of our parishioners. Call the office at (850) 222-9630 to have a name added to or removed from this list.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Anthony Medehue, James Cowdrey, Christopher Brian Jones, Joseph Legros, Matthew Pickles Chase Murray, Paul Rolston, Joseph Westberry and Steven Vuis

*Clergy & Staff***Bishop of Pensacola-Tallahassee:**

Most Reverend William A. Wack, CSC

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