

**RCIA**

The Inquiry Phase of our **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** will begin in September. The classes are for those seeking to learn about Catholicism without any obligation to convert during the phase. The class is also excellent for those Catholics wishing to understand their faith better. Our Sunday classes will be held in the administration office on the second and fourth Sundays from 8:15 am until 9:45 am. If interested please contact the parish office at 267-2558.

*Christ the King*

Please notice the new POOR BOX at the entrance of the church. The box was built and donated by Ben Hoffman. All the funds collected will be donated to Caring & Sharing, Defuniak Springs.

**Announcing  
Parents' Day-Out Program  
2010 - 2011**

St Rita is hoping to inaugurate a parents' day-out program this coming school year. We know how difficult it is for parents to run errands when there is a small child at home. The day-out program will offer a safe and friendly atmosphere for your children to stay in the mornings when you need a little space for yourselves. Depending on interest, we are looking at two mornings a week, either T-Th or W-F. If you might be interested in participating in such a program, please contact Sister O'Connell @ [sistaconnell@yahoo.com](mailto:sistaconnell@yahoo.com) or 267-9027

Children should be between the ages of 6 months to 2 years old as of August 1, 2010.

We are also seeking caring individuals to assist with the program. This would be a paid position. Anyone interested in the position should contact Sister O'Connell at [sistaconnell@yahoo.com](mailto:sistaconnell@yahoo.com) or 267-9027.

**Reminder**

**Religious Education  
Registration after all  
Masses. Please sign  
up your child/children.**

**FROM OUR BISHOP**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The Church in Latin America boasts the world's largest Catholic population. However, a study commissioned in the late 1990s by CELAM, the federation of Latin American Catholic bishops' conferences, found that Latin Americans were leaving the Church at the alarming rate of approximately 8,000 people each day.

This exodus is the result of complex reasons, ranging from the strain that economic globalization places on communities to well-financed competition from other groups, that are drawing people away from the Church. Because of a very low priest-to-parishioner ratio, and the local churches' inability to support the substantial number of parishioners, many of the faithful often seek a personal experience and closer sense of community elsewhere. In addition, migration across the region can rupture the bonds of family and community in which faith is nurtured and can grow.

To confront these tendencies, the **Collection for the Church in Latin America** supports pastoral projects that engage Latin American parishioners in their faith, strengthening their sense of mission and identity with the Church. Your generous support of the Collection provides evangelization in rural and poverty-stricken areas, religious training, and catechesis and formation programs. The cost of a daily cup of coffee could provide a young girl with her First Holy Communion book.

Together, we can **keep faith with the Church in Latin America**. Thank you for your generous response. God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



**Mass Intentions for Week of August 1, 2010**

**Saturday, July 31** 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
*In Ordinary Time*  
 5:30 PM +George Shimshock  
 by Chick & Cathy Huettel

**Sunday, Aug. 1** 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
*In Ordinary Time*  
 8:00 AM People of St. Rita  
 10:00 AM Eugene F. Sheppeck  
 by Kay & Cindy Sheppeck  
 +Jim Orsak  
 by Yvonne Payne

**Monday, Aug. 2** *Sts. Eusebius of Vercelli & Peter Julian Eymard*  
 8:30 AM +Michael DiPinto  
 by The DiPinto Family

**Tuesday, Aug. 3** *Weekday*  
 8:30 AM Rodney Baggett  
 by Chick & Cathy Huettel

**Wednesday, Aug. 4** *St. John Mary Vianney*  
**8:30 AM** +Frank & Frances Brice  
 by Jim & Mary Kelly

**Thursday, Aug. 5** *Dedication/Basilica of St. Mary Major, Rome*  
 8:30 AM +Curt Clauson  
 by Mary & Brian Byrd

**Friday, Aug. 6** *Transfiguration of the Lord*  
 8:30 AM + Agnes Lowry  
 by Bob & Barbara Brooke

**Saturday, Aug. 7** 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
*In Ordinary Time*  
 5:30 PM J. P. O'Connell & Family  
 by Ellen O'Connell



**Monday:** *God's Word This Week*  
*Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21*

**Tuesday:** *Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14*

**Wednesday:** *Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28*

**Thursday:** *Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23*

**Friday:** *Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36*

**Saturday:** *Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Mt 17:14-20*

**Sunday:** *Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]*

**VALUES TO LIVE BY**

Today's scriptures contain some catch phrases that are still quite familiar in our world: "All is vanity," and "Eat, drink, and be merry" are both scriptural in origin. In the same way that it is easy to pray last week's Lord's Prayer thoughtlessly, it is easy to let the potent passages of scripture that are built on these common sayings glide right off our slick ears.

Last week's scriptures instructed us to listen attentively to the Lord, so that we might pray carefully. Our listening and our prayer are intimately connected. In the same way, this week we learn that our values and our living are connected as well. It has become quite common to ask, "Do you own your possessions or do they own you?" Like the familiar maxims from today's readings, we might be tempted to quote this saying flippantly, and think that in the quoting of it we have truly considered it, perhaps lived it. Not true, Qoheleth, Paul, and Jesus tell us today. It is not wrong to treasure or cherish things of earth or of our own humanity; it is only wrong when those things we cherish are not of God, are not of the self-giving Christ.

In your prayers, please remember those whose names are in our prayer intention book in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Pray for those who are sick and recovering, especially **John LeBleu, Joseph LeBleu, Jerry B. Johnston, Rita Moran, Jack Weidman, Concetta Loduca, Michael McKeon, Danika Darley, Darya Darley, Ed Ellington, Wendy Kulanis, Bob James, Sam Stokes, Carson Doss, Isabelle O'Brian, Bob Wish, Molly Elder, Charles Modica, Flamarion & Janita Ayuso, Noah Bishop, Mary Kelly, Shannon Williams, Noel Daigle, Marie Bakane, Thomas Jahanian, Lauren Olinde, Lorelei Stroble, Chad Lepak, Matt Pitts, Tonya Sisson, Fran Lester, Marge Quast, Donald Schaeffer, Agnes Dickey, Barbara Larney, Bob Borella, Jay Burns, Baby Elizabeth Nave, Daniel Lesh, Richard Rahilly, Anne Stay, Mary Mathier, Pat Cullen, Toni Goyette, Dolores Brashear, Rosalie Sumrall, Paul Belardino, Wesley Langston, Samantha & Baby Abigail Ferrell, Cliff Wesson, Arla Dangel, Ken & Audrey Schommer, Tony Faggioni & Bishop John Ricard.**

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

|                      | <i>St. Rita</i> | <i>Christ the King</i> |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| <i>Offertory</i>     | \$ 8,320.30     | \$ 663.25              |
| <i>Building Fund</i> | \$ 1,026.00     | \$ .00                 |
| <i>Burse Club</i>    | \$ 1,158.02     | \$ 138.38              |
| <i>Spanish Mass</i>  | \$ 1,303.00     |                        |

**This Week at Saint Rita and Christ the King Mission**

**Sunday, Aug. 1 – Religious Education**  
**Registration after all Masses**  
 8:00 am Sunday Mass  
 10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy  
 12:00 pm Mass at Christ the King, Freeport

**Monday, Aug. 2**  
 8:10 am Morning Prayer (Church)  
 8:30 am Daily Mass  
 9:00 am Rosary  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts (MSS)  
 7:00 pm Prayer Group

**Tuesday, Aug. 3**  
 8:10 am Morning Prayer  
 8:30 am Daily Mass  
 9:00 am Rosary  
 6:00 pm Hispanic Sacraments Class (Portable)

**Wednesday, Aug. 4**  
 8:10 am Morning Prayer  
**8:30 am Daily Mass**  
 9:00 am Rosary  
 6:00 pm Hispanic Ministry (Admin. Offices)

**Thursday, Aug. 5**  
 8:10 am Morning Prayer  
 8:30 am Daily Mass  
 9:00 am Rosary

**Friday, Aug. 6**  
 8:10 am Morning Prayer  
 8:30 am Daily Mass  
 9:00 am Silent Eucharistic Adoration & Exposition  
 (1<sup>st</sup> Friday 12-hour Adoration – all are welcome!)  
 9:00 am So-Sew! (Portable)  
 3:30 pm Centering Prayer (MSS)

**Saturday, Aug. 7**  
 4:30 pm Confessions  
 5:30 pm Vigil Mass

**Sunday, Aug. 8**  
 8:00 am Sunday Mass  
 10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy  
 12:00 pm Mass at Christ the King, Freeport

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society**

If you need assistance or know of anyone in need, call St. Vincent de Paul at **888-229-6582**. The Society is open to everyone. Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.  
 Si necesita ayuda o conoce a alguien que la necesite, llame usted a la Sociedad de San Vincente de Paul, y pregunte por Felita al 865-5461 despues de las 5 de la tarde. La Sociedad invita a toda el mundo a participar. Las reuniones son el 3er jueves del mes.

**Caring & Sharing – There is a website:**

[caringsharingofwaltoncounty.org](http://caringsharingofwaltoncounty.org)

Soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, shampoo, deodorant are needed this month. Donations may be dropped off at the Mary Star of the Sea Room.

**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 and are available to help persons who have been sexually abused. The Coordinator for the Pensacola/Ft. Walton area is Ms. Danielle Malone, LMHC, she may be reached at 850/436-6432 ext. 17.

**Altar Linen Schedule**

Aug. 1 Cathy Tullos  
 Aug. 8 Joyce Martin

**Fall Bible Study  
 Corinthians**

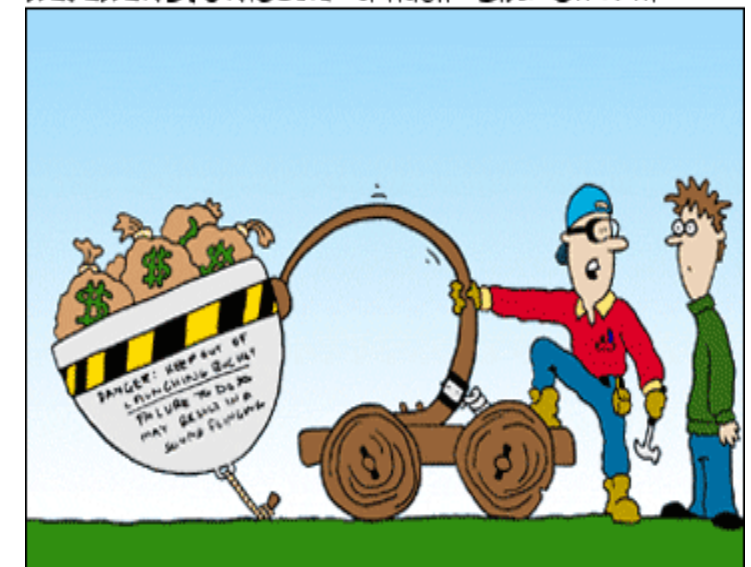
**Begins Tuesday,  
 Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>**

**After 8:30 Mass**

**Cost is \$20**

**Register at the RE Table  
 in MSS after Mass or the  
 Parish Office during the  
 week.**

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(See Matthew 6:19-21) 05-08-2003

**I'M STORING SOME TREASURES IN HEAVEN**