

St. Rita Home Habitat for Humanity

If you would like to help with one of our Parish Goals to fully sponsor a Habitat for Humanity home, please attend the next meeting on **Monday, January 7 at 6:30 pm** in the Portable Classroom. Also on the schedule is a parish fundraiser for Habitat on Saturday, January 26, 2008. We will have a **Pancake Breakfast** combined with a **"Nearly New Sale"**. Breakfast will start at 7:00 AM. Volunteers and "nearly new" items are needed. Please call Marshall Wright at 278-6657 or Dave Casey at 830-6905 for additional information.

Christ the King

Come help your fellow parishioner plan the future for the parish on **Monday, January 7 & January 21 at 6:30 PM**. We will be brainstorming, praying and sharing fellowship the way that only we can do here at Christ the King. Hopefully, by now you have received your date cards.

**Sewing Group will resume January 9,
2008**

Mark Your Calendars

Snowbird Event

Monday,

January 14th

after 8 am Mass

Snowbird Breakfast

Our Fiat Program


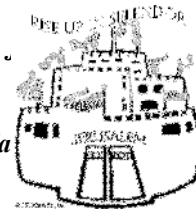
Designed to help people develop a closer relationship with God and say yes to His plan through scriptural meditation and listening to the Holy Spirit. The program will begin in Lent. There will be a Retreat/Mission on Saturday, February 9th 12:30 - 3:00 PM in the Mary Star of the Sea Room. For more information call or email Dave Dabria at 267-1138 - ddabria@embarqmail.com.

Heart Ball

St. Rita CCW will celebrate **Valentine's Day with a Heart Ball on Saturday, February 16th, 6:00 - 10:00 PM** in the Mary Star of the Sea Room. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine, punch and soft drinks will be served. Live music will be provided by the Ed Stevenson Band from Dothan. Tickets are \$20 each. We will have a professional photographer available to take a picture of you and your special sweetheart for a nominal fee. Tickets will be sold after all Masses in the Mary Star of the Sea Room for the next several weeks. Hurry and get your ticket... we are limited to 140 tickets.

Bishop John H. Ricard will honor couples celebrating their 10th, 20th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th plus and 60th plus wedding anniversaries with a **Mass of Jubilee on Sunday March 9th** at 1:30 pm in Pensacola at the Cathedral or **Sunday, February 17th at 11:45 am** at the Co-Cathedral in Tallahassee. For questions or additional information, contact the Marriage & Family Life Office at 850/435-3532 or pnsfamlife@ptdiocese.org.

Mass Intentions for Week of January 6, 2008

Saturday, Jan 5 Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord
 4:00 PM +May Calasdra by The Savoie Family

Sunday, Jan. 6 Epiphany of the Lord
 8:00 AM +Fran Dougherty by Don & Judi Rutland
 10:00 AM People of St. Rita
 12:00 PM +Patrick Grogan by Pat Grogan
Monday, Jan. 7 St. Raymond of Penafort
 8:00 AM +Joan Bedel by Vern & Marge Quast
Tuesday, Jan. 8 Christmas Weekday
 8:00 AM Josephine Quintavalle by Mary Pat Fortson

Wednesday, Jan. 9 Christmas Weekday
 5:15 PM Breanna Maguire by Joe & Lyn Colello
Thursday, Jan. 10 Christmas Weekday
 8:00 AM +Gordon Hough by Don & Judi Rutland
Friday, Jan. 11 Christmas Weekday
 8:00 AM Holy Communion Service
Saturday, Jan. 12 Baptism of the Lord
 4:00 PM John O'Connell by Ellen O'Connell
 7:00 PM Misa en Espanol

God's Word This Week

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

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 Marie Johnston, John LeBleu, Thomas Delahoussaye, Rosalie Sumrall, Jerry Holzhall, Brennan Johnston, Isabelle O'Brian, Donna Boe, Curt Clauson, Rich Renner, Rita Moran, Donna Prijatelj, Laurene Sugar, Jack Weidman, Sam Stokes, Kathy Pinyan, Fritz Lammers, Sophie Lawrence, Betty Miller, Jackie Enderle, John Alan McGuire, Nelvin Luke, Jerry Luke, Lawrence Ferran, Michael Trombley, Bill Hodge, Ellen Best, Birdle Causey, Jack Byrd, Marsha Wozinak, & Chuck Warman. If there is someone who needs special prayers at Mass, please call the office so we can include them.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

	St. Rita	Christ the King
Offertory	\$ 10,554.48	\$ 1,606.15
2 nd Collection	\$ 9,358.00	\$ 2,000.00

ILLNESS

They are as sick,
 that surfeit with too much,
 as they that starve with nothing.
 —William Shakespeare, Merchant of Venice

This Week at Saint Rita and Christ the King Mission

Sunday, Jan. 6

8:00 am Mass
 8:45 am R. E. Classes (K-4th grade)
 9:00 am Pro-Life General Meeting (MSS)
 9:15 am Family Class & Communal Adoration (Church)
 10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy
 12:00 pm Mass @ CTK
 1:00 pm Potluck Dinner at CTK

Monday, Jan. 7

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Daily Mass
 8:30 am Rosary (Church)
 3:00 pm Brownie Troop #303 (Portable)
 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (Portable) Grades 5-11
 6:30 pm Habitat for Humanity Comm. Mtg. (Portable)
 7:00 pm Prayer Group (Church)

Tuesday, Jan. 8

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Daily Mass
 8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Bible Study: Exodus (MSS)
 6:30 pm IMF Class (MSS)

Wednesday, Jan. 9

9:00 am Sewing Group (MSS) Everyone is welcome to help. Skills not necessary.
 3:30 pm Daisy Troop (Portable)
 5:15 pm Daily Mass
 5:45 pm Potluck Dinner (MSS)

6:00 pm Hispanic Ministry (Church)
 6:30 pm Spirit Nite (MSS) Topic: The Last 4 Things
 6:30 pm 1st Holy Communion Class for Parents. Students in special class. (All in the Office bldg.)
 6:30 pm R.E. Classes Grades 5-12 (Portables)

Thursday, Jan. 10

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Daily Mass
 8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am St. Elizabeth Seton Study Group (Cry Room)
 3:00 pm Cub Scouts (Portable)

Friday, Jan. 11

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Holy Communion Service
 8:30 am Holy Hour & Exposition

Saturday, Jan 12

9:00 am Centering Prayer (MSS)
 3:00 pm Confessions
 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
 7:00 pm Misa en Espanol

Sunday, Jan. 13

8:00 am Mass
 8:45 am R. E. Classes (K-4th grades)
 10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy
 12:00 pm Mass at CTK
 1:00 pm Potluck Dinner at CTK

ST. 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 3rd Thursday of the month.

Caring & Sharing needs volunteers to help them during the extended hours especially the hours between 12-3 pm. If you can help out please call Penny at 267-2866.

Altar Linen Schedule

January 6 Kathy Linder
 January 13 Cathy Tullos

Saturday Vigil Mass will change to 4:00 pm beginning January 5, 2008.

Home Visitations

If your name is on the list below, please call the office at 267-2558 to schedule a time when Father Tom can come for a home visit. This is an opportunity to get to know parishioners on a one to one basis and to bless each parishioner's home. Meals are not necessary.

Mr. & Mrs. P. Belardino
 Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Bell
 Mr. & Mrs. J. Benner
 Mr. & Mrs. S. Bodensine
 Mr. & Mrs. D. Doring

