

Nursery Help

We need volunteers for the nursery during the 10:00 am Mass. Currently we have volunteers to allow a 6 week rotation. We would like a 12 week rotation schedule. If you can volunteer, please call bob seton at 598-0285.

Saturday Vigil will continue to be at 5:30PM until January 5, 2008 when it will change to 4:00 PM.

Choral Classics

Pro Arte Chorale of NWF will perform Sunday, November 18th at 3:00 PM at Santa Rosa Beach Community Church, Santa Rosa Beach, Tickets \$10. For more information call 850 236-4684

Mark your calendar for the Annual St. Rita Christmas Party on December 14th at FINZ in Sandestin. Cocktails are at 6:30 pm and dinner at 7:15 pm. Tickets are \$35 per person and will be on sale after Mass on Sunday, November 18th and at the Office on November 19th. Tickets are limited, so get yours early.

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We are pleased to announce that the **Parish Directory** has arrived and that it will be distributed to those parishioners that had their portrait taken by Olan Mills. You may pick up your Directory in the Mary Star of the Sea

Room this weekend, November 17th and 18th after all masses. A limited number of Directories are available for a \$10 donation to St. Rita. After the 18th, Directories may be picked up at the Parish Office. Congratulations to the Directory Committee for a very impressive product that truly represents the Community of St. Rita.

Community

**Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 20th
7:00 PM at Santa Rosa
Beach Community Church.**

Sponsored by the South Walton Ministerial Alliance. This is a time for the Christian community of South Walton to gather and give thanks. An offering will be taken for Caring & Sharing of South Walton. A reception will follow the service.

A memorial service for **Johnnie Franck** will be held at Corpus Christi Church in the chapel on Friday, November 23rd at 9:30 am. A reception in the church hall will immediately follow the service.

Christmas with the Ecumenical Choir of South Walton

“Unexpected Grace”

December 9th Matinee at 3:00 pm

And Evening at 7:00 pm

December 10th at 7:00 pm
Christ the King Episcopal Church
480 N. Highway 393

All proceeds will benefit community outreach. You are also encouraged to bring a canned item to share with those in need.

Habitat for Humanity

**Fundraiser
Enzo’s Italian
Restaurant**

December 3rd
6:30 pm Seating
begins

7:00 pm Dinner
Cost is \$75 per person
including tax &
gratuity.

Experience a four course presentation of selected fine wines paired with our exquisite cuisine. Local entertainment donated by vocalist “REDD” and keyboard talent Geri

Dragos. Call for details and reservations 267-3003. Help us at Enzo’s to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity and enable someone in need to have their own home.

Centering prayer workshop with Fr. William Meninger, O.C.S.O.: “Resting in God’s Presence.” Location: Resurrection Catholic Church, Miramar Beach. Dec. 8, 9:45 a.m-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$25.00, which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Registration deadline is Dec. 1. Contact Barbara at 8654-1046 or e-mail mbrezmer@cox.net) or Mary Ellen at 496-1399 or e-mail metct@aol.com).

Parish Mission led by Father William Meninger. Location: Resurrection Catholic Community, Miramar Beach. Parish Mission led by Fr. William Meninger on “The Process of Forgiveness. Fr. Meninger will preach at the Sunday liturgies, Dec 9, followed by the parish Mission Dec 10-13, at 7 p.m. each evening. Call Barbara at 654-1046 or e-mail mbrezmer@cox.net or call Mary Ellen at 496-1399 or email metct@aol.com.

27th Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference. Location: Panama City Beach, Edgewater Beach Resort. Jan. 11-13, 2008. Theme: Come and See (John 1:39). Speakers: Deacon Bill Brennan, Sister Ann Shields, Father Eugene Pathe and Bishop John Ricard. Visit www.pt-dccr.org , call 385-2125 or e-mail j_kinneer@yahoo.com.

LITTLE BY LITTLE

Perseverance is more prevailing than violence; and many things which cannot be overcome when they are together, yield themselves up when taken little by little.
—Plutarch

Mass Intentions for Week of November 18, 2007

Saturday, Nov. 17 Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time... Sunday, Nov. 18 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time... Monday, Nov. 19 Weekday... Tuesday, Nov. 20 Weekday... Wednesday, Nov. 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin... Thursday, Nov. 22 St. Cecilia & Thanksgiving Day... Friday, Nov. 23 Sts. Clement, Columban & Miguel Pro... Saturday, Nov. 24 Vigil: Christ the King

SECOND COLLECTION CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

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 cereal and juice, also specific food for the Holidays, i.e. dressing, gravy, instant mashed potatoes, yams... Donations may be dropped off in the box in the Mary Star of the Sea Room.

Altar Linen Schedule

November 18 Lucille Mahan
November 25 Teresa Leo

God's Word This Week

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day—Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

GOD'S HEALING JUSTICE

An old expression holds that the sun-warmed stone heals. Perhaps. But Malachi explains that only dark, sunless days are in store for those who do not find a place for God in their lives. Conversely, he tells us that the warmth and light of God's healing justice await those who fear the Lord. That's a pretty comforting notion—especially now in the already short and growing even shorter days of November. It's the sun-warmed stone, and then some.

Paul speaks to us of justice as well, but points out that it is not a passive thing. To be treated justly, we need to do our fair share. If we are diligent and persevere we will be rewarded with and by the fruits of our labor. Lastly, Luke, too, tells us to persevere—in faith, this time—and our lives will be secure in God regardless of how we are treated by our enemies.

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, Darolee Waddell, Ellen O'Connell, Jerry Holzhall, Brennan Johnston, Isabelle O'Brian, Donna Boe, Curt Clauson, Rich Renner, Nibby Rutland, Rita Moran, Donna Prijatelj, Laurene Sugar, Jack Weidman, Sam Stokes, Kathy Pinyan, Fritz Lammers, Sophie Lawrence, Charles Germano, Betty Miller, Jackie Enderle, Elizabeth O'Brien, John Alan McGuire, Nelvin Luke, Jerry Luke, Lawrence Ferran, Elaine Guy, Fr. Daniel Butler, Michael Trombley, Bill Hodge, Pat Barnard, Ed Dougherty & Lynn Waddell. If there is someone who needs special prayers at Mass, please call the office so we can include them.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Table with 3 columns: Donation Type, St. Rita, Christ the King. Rows: Offertory, 2nd Collection.

Happy Thanksgiving from Fr. Tom & the St. Rita Staff

Sunday, Nov. 18

8:00 am Mass
9:00 am CCW Bake Sale after all Masses (MSS)
8:45 am NO R. E. Classes (K-4th grade)
10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy
12:00 pm Mass @ CTK
1:00 pm CTK Altar Society Meeting

Monday, Nov. 19

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
8:00 am Daily Mass
8:30 am Rosary (Church)
6:00 pm Boy Scouts (MSS) Grades 5-11
6:30 pm "Lighten-Up" Mission Comm. Mtg. (Portable)
7:00 pm Prayer Group

Tuesday, Nov. 20

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
8:00 am Daily Mass
8:30 am Rosary (Church)
6:00 pm Children's Christmas Pageant Practice (MSS)

Wednesday, Nov. 21

8:00 am Daily Mass
9:00 am Sewing Group (MSS)
6:30 pm NO R. E. Classes Grades 5-12

Thursday, Nov. 22 THANKSGIVING DAY OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 am Holy Communion Service

Friday, Nov. 23 OFFICE CLOSED

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

Saturday, Nov. 24

9:00 am Centering Prayer (MSS)
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, Nov. 25

8:00 am Mass
8:45 am NO R.E. Classes (K-4th grades)
10:10 am Mass with Children's Liturgy
12:00 pm Mass at CTK

Let us give thanks



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NICE WORK FELLAS ... IT'S BEEN A LONG WHILE NOW AND THEY ARE STILL REMEMBERING TO THANK ME

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. M. Wright
Mr. & Mrs. M. Yaksich
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Zelenak
Mr. & Mrs. M. Zenuk
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Barrett